Subject: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Echo on Sat, 15 Jun 2019 19:29:57 GMT
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I grew up listening to radio and, until this day, I still enjoy it. I have however noticed that less and less people are interested in listening to it nowadays. Why do you think this is happening?

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Augustus on Tue, 18 Jun 2019 02:27:50 GMT
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I think when the iPod came along years ago and it was easy to use in the car, that it slowly took away radio listeners. Why not? It plays your favorite music without commercials and you can download podcasts if you miss talk radio. I think satellite radio is still fairly popular though. What about your friends and family? What do they listen to?

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by gofar99 on Tue, 18 Jun 2019 02:35:18 GMT
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Hi, I do satellite in the auto, otherwise everything is hard copy right here. I own several great FM receivers (Marantz etc) but don't use any of them for over the air music.

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by AcousticJack on Tue, 18 Jun 2019 10:56:56 GMT
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I may be a bit old-fashioned, but I still really enjoy listening to the radio. In my opinion, there are some radio programs that no amount of new technology could ever replace.

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Rusty on Tue, 18 Jun 2019 14:11:20 GMT
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I tend to just listen to radio when doing local car trips. And then with music formats offering limited involvement for me, I'll tune around the presets with frustration. I usually end up listening to NPR news. One regular feature on it I like is called Science Friday, hosted by Ira Flatow. Sounds like Playdough to me. I'm old enough to remember when AM radio was the only available formats. It was king, then FM came along and changed everything. It's evolved to what it is today. Everything changes, everything stays the same. Bada bing, bada boom.

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by musicluvr on Wed, 19 Jun 2019 03:24:44 GMT
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Radio shows used to be a jump off for television programming as some of the comedies, dramas, and documentaries are just adaptations of what started there. Now it seems like social media is the jump off for television programming. Radio is losing its influence on modern culture. It's weird to see it happening.

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Rusty on Wed, 19 Jun 2019 14:26:19 GMT
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Quote:Radio shows used to be a jump off for television programming as some of the comedies, dramas, and documentaries are just adaptations of what started there.
Do you remember this choice program from the glory days of top 40 and DJ personalities.
CHICKENMAN!!
Best of. 1966
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8aG1VV5pwHc

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Jethro on Mon, 24 Jun 2019 10:53:18 GMT
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Kids these days are not easily entertained by just listening to something because they need to see it or even have to be engaged with it like video games. People these days are less patient as well because of apps or sites where they can listen (and watch) their favorite music.

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Mica on Sun, 02 May 2021 02:00:48 GMT
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I don't think I have even turned the AM or FM radio on in my car. I listen to Sirius or Pandora. I got tired of the crappy reception and bad jokes that the radio personalities told.

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by gofar99 on Sun, 02 May 2021 02:44:28 GMT
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Hi I don't listen to radio at all and to correct an earlier post I gave up Sirius in 2016. Not 2019 like was posted. Memory and fingers tend to fail when you become a curmudgeon. :lol:

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Wayne Parham on Sun, 02 May 2021 13:34:26 GMT
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I listen to radio all the time. I have a bunch of tube radios and I love to use 'em. I also listen to radio in the car, but probably more often to cassettes.

One of my cars has a CD player and USB input, so I listen to digital audio in that car, but the others are old-school analog, which I love too.

So maybe radio is a generational thing. Maybe the younger crowd prefers digital streaming formats and platforms, and rarely uses radio. But for those over 40, maybe being accustomed to the personalities and the "user-experience" of radio - turn it on and dial in the station - keeps us comfortable with using it.

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Rusty on Sun, 02 May 2021 16:05:44 GMT
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I just tried listening to AM on the car radio this morning, (Sunday). After maybe decades of neglect. Well, maybe I'll have to try in the evening and a weekday. Sports schlock, holy roller and a couple Hispanic music choices and that was all she wrote. I have an old tubed Bakelite Philco radio from the 60's that I need to resurrect. It's AM only but if I can ever find any half arsed show to listen to. That could be fun to hear it coming through the old time piece.

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Wayne Parham on Sun, 02 May 2021 16:39:32 GMT
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FM tube table radios are kind of rare. I have several tube radios, mostly AM-only but probably a half-dozen that tune in SW bands. Only one of my tube radios picks up the FM band though.
My little radio collection

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Rusty on Sun, 02 May 2021 18:32:19 GMT
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Well it appears I have a Black Mamba on my hands. I was wrong on all counts. Not a Philco, not Bakelite, not 60's. It's a 1957 Motorola 57R table radio. Picture not representative of the current condition. It's filthy inside and out. No breakage though. I brushed off the initial crud. All the tubes look in good shape and the speakers pushes in and out freely. What is a good cleaner for the

circuit board? Very retro baby, a la Austin Powers.

File Attachments
1) BlackMoto_008_1728x.jpg, downloaded 307 times

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Wayne Parham on Sun, 02 May 2021 19:38:07 GMT
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I love that radio!

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Concorde on Tue, 04 May 2021 20:58:05 GMT
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Mica wrote on Sat, 01 May 2021 21:00I don't think I have even turned the AM or FM radio on in my car. I listen to Sirius or Pandora. I got tired of the.....bad jokes that the radio personalities told.
There is a radio personality duo that has a short spot on the T.V. news show I watch in the morning. Those guys are god-awful dorks, so I feel you on that one.

Subject: Re: Less People Listening To Radio
Posted by Mulcahy on Tue, 15 Jun 2021 18:01:14 GMT
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I agree that traditional real-time stations have been on the wane for a few decades. At the same time, radio has shape-shifted to livestreams. It will live on while adapting.