Subject: Car Audio Went Kaput

Posted by Vaiger on Mon, 16 Nov 2020 18:34:21 GMT

View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Can anyone recommend a tool of sorts that can pinpoint a problem for me? The audio in a car went out and I have no idea where the problem is or what it is. Some sort of electrical current tester maybe?

Subject: Re: Car Audio Went Kaput

Posted by Wayne Parham on Mon, 16 Nov 2020 21:26:14 GMT

View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

You can use a voltmeter to check the input power line and make sure it has power. But unless you're comfortable with electronics troubleshooting, you probably can't do much more than that.

My suggestion is to check the fuse and make sure it's good. Or if you have front panel lights, you don't even need that 'cause it's getting power. If you have power, do a couple of quick tests, like check all bands of radio and all inputs. It could be that only one input is bad, like the CD, for example. Or it may even have slipped into a funny mode, like mute (sound off) or it may be connected to an unconnected auxiliary input or to Bluetooth, waiting for input from your phone or something.

Beyond that, if it has a problem, I think you're probably going to want to take it to your local car stereo installer and see what they have available for replacement.

Subject: Re: Car Audio Went Kaput

Posted by Concorde on Fri, 20 Nov 2020 00:07:24 GMT

View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Not having audio in your car kinda stinks. It's not so bad though if you're more into talk radio than music because Bluetooth speakers work ok for that.

Subject: Re: Car Audio Went Kaput

Posted by sammi40 on Mon, 23 Nov 2020 21:24:35 GMT

View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Good luck! When my radio crapped out it was a fuse. I took it to the dealership and they ran a test for me. It was an easy fix. My daughter's car radio did the same. We still don't know why. She listens to her phone.

Subject: Re: Car Audio Went Kaput

Posted by Lost the Remote on Tue, 01 Dec 2020 05:00:57 GMT

View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Does anyone know what makes the audio fuse blow like that? I don't know much about cars but like others here, it was the fuse that caused the problem for me too.

Subject: Re: Car Audio Went Kaput

Posted by Silver on Wed, 02 Dec 2020 01:39:03 GMT

View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Sometimes they just get old. It happens. Most of the time it's when more than 15 amps of power are used on a 15 amp fuse. Those numbers are examples. When more amps are used than what is labeled on the fuse, it will blow.

Subject: Re: Car Audio Went Kaput

Posted by Silver on Wed, 02 Dec 2020 02:27:45 GMT

View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

sammi40 wrote on Mon, 23 November 2020 15:24Good luck! When my radio crapped out it was a fuse. I took it to the dealership and they ran a test for me.

You could also just get the fuse diagram for your year, make and model.....pull the right one out and see if it's still good. Beats paying a dealer for the work.

This might tun into a car forum. LOL