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## 2021 Car Buyers Survey

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## Survey Methodology:

- Online interviews conducted in six countries:
- 1,044 interviews in Australia
- 1,033 interviews in France
- 1,023 interviews in Germany
- 1,028 interviews in Italy
- 1,100 interviews in the UK
- 1,060 interviews in the U.S.
- Adults age $18+$
- Interviews conducted 1 September - 21 September, 2021
- In order to qualify, all respondents must:
- Have been involved in the purchase/lease of a 2018 or newer vehicle within the last two years
OR
- Be involved in the purchase/lease of a 2018 or newer vehicle within the next 12 months


## How often do you typically listen to radio?


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## Do you typically listen to the radio in a car/vehicle?



## CAR BUYERS SAY BROADCAST RADIO IS A MUST



[^0]Commissioned by WorldDAB with partner Radioplayer and supported by Commercial Radio Australia, National Association of Broadcasters and Xperi

## How much do you agree with the following statements about listening to traditional "over-the-air" radio in a car/vehicle?

| Statement <br> (\% "strongly" or "somewhat" agree) | Australia | France | Germany | Italy | UK | U.S. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Radio keeps you company in the car/vehicle | 91\% | 92\% | 90\% | 94\% | 92\% | 91\% |
| You would miss your favorite radio stations if you couldn't receive them in your car/vehicle | 89\% | 89\% | 91\% | 90\% | 86\% | 87\% |
| Radio should be standard in every car/vehicle | 90\% | 90\% | 91\% | 93\% | 89\% | 89\% |
| You would really miss having radio in a car/vehicle | 87\% | 88\% | 89\% | 91\% | 87\% | 89\% |
| You rarely experience gaps in audio when listening to radio in a car/vehicle | 87\% | 83\% | 90\% | 84\% | 90\% | 85\% |
| You listen to radio in a car/vehicle because it's free | 91\% | 83\% | 80\% | 84\% | 88\% | 89\% |
| It is easier to listen to radio in a car/vehicle than to listen to other types of audio sources | 87\% | 83\% | 87\% | 88\% | 85\% | 85\% |
| Radio provides a better listening experience in the car than other types of audio sources | 81\% | 78\% | 77\% | 84\% | 83\% | 78\% |
| You listen to radio in a car/vehicle because it doesn't use up your mobile data plan | 76\% | 77\% | 76\% | 73\% | 75\% | 71\% |
| Radio in the car/vehicle often feels outdated | 49\% | 44\% | 46\% | 44\% | 51\% | 56\% |

## Prospective Car Buyers:

## Top audio sources wanted in car/vehicle

| Audio source <br> (\% ranking audio source in top five) | Australia | France | Germany | Italy | UK |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Radio (AM/FM/DAB/DAB+) | $64 \%$ | $66 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $73 \%$ | $64 \%$ |
| Bluetooth connection | $59 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $54 \%$ |
| USB port | $48 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| CD player | $30 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $35 \%$ |
| Android Auto | $29 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $35 \%$ |  |
| Online music services integrated directly into dashboard | $27 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $30 \%$ |
| Apple CarPlay | $25 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $26 \%$ |
| Auxiliary jack | $17 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $21 \%$ |
| SiriusXM Satellite Radio | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

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Prospective Car Buyers: Suppose the car/vehicle you are considering to purchase/lease does not have a radio. Are you...?

| $\%$ answering | Australia | France | Germany | Italy | UK |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Much less likely to purchase/lease the vehicle | $43 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $40 \%$ |
| Somewhat less likely to purchase/lease vehicle | $37 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $41 \%$ | $38 \%$ |
| Would make no difference in decision | $21 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $22 \%$ |

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Recent Car Buyers: Suppose the car/vehicle recently purchased/leased did not have a radio. Would you have been...?

| $\%$ answering | Australia | France | Germany | Italy | UK |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Uuch less likely to have purchased/leased the vehicle | $41 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $47 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $41 \%$ |
| Somewhat less likely to have purchased/leased the vehicle | $34 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $36 \%$ |
| Would have made no difference in decision | $25 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $23 \%$ |

## Where do you typically listen to radio most often?


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## Which do you typically listen to most often in a car/vehicle?



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Base: Typically spend any time in a car/vehicle

## Do you typically listen to audio in a

 car/vehicle through your mobile device?

## Radio Agree/Disagree:

| Statement <br> (\% "strongly" or "somewhat agree) | Australia | France | Germany | Italy | UK | U.S. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| You can do other things while listening to the radio | 92\% | 92\% | 91\% | 94\% | 92\% | 91\% |
| Radio helps you stay up to date with what's going on in the world | 89\% | 88\% | 90\% | 91\% | 89\% | 83\% |
| Radio is an important source of information in times of crisis | 90\% | 87\% | 89\% | 89\% | 87\% | 87\% |
| Radio keeps you company | 86\% | 88\% | 81\% | 95\% | 88\% | 87\% |
| Listening to the radio puts you in a good mood | 86\% | 85\% | 87\% | 92\% | 88\% | 87\% |
| Listening to the radio helps you relax | 87\% | 88\% | 85\% | 92\% | 88\% | 85\% |
| Radio has consistently good reception; it just works | 87\% | 83\% | 87\% | 85\% | 89\% | 84\% |
| Radio helps you discover what the popular songs are | 83\% | 85\% | 83\% | 89\% | 84\% | 79\% |
| Listening to the radio gives you good memories | 83\% | 80\% | 81\% | 86\% | 84\% | 83\% |
| Radio helps you stay connected with your local area | 85\% | 86\% | 84\% | 80\% | 80\% | 83\% |
| Radio has done a good job of staying fresh and relevant | 85\% | 85\% | 87\% | 91\% | 87\% | 84\% |
| Radio is consistently reliable | 89\% | 78\% | 88\% | 86\% | 89\% | 85\% |
| You would not listen to your favorite radio stations if you could only listen online | 65\% | 62\% | 67\% | 58\% | 65\% | 65\% |

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Agree/Disagree: You would not listen to your favorite radio stations if you could only listen online

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## How much do you agree with the following statements about listening to traditional "over-the-air" radio in a car/vehicle?



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When listening to audio in a car/vehicle through your mobile device, how concerned are you about how much data you are using on your mobile device?


Base: Typically listen to audio in a car/vehicle through a mobile device

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Radio keeps you company in the car/vehicle | 91\% | 92\% | 90\% | 94\% | 92\% | 91\% |
| You would miss your favorite radio stations if you couldn't receive them in your car/vehicle | 89\% | 89\% | 91\% | 90\% | 86\% | 87\% |
| Radio should be standard in every car/vehicle | 90\% | 90\% | 91\% | 93\% | 89\% | 89\% |
| You would really miss having radio in a car/vehicle | 87\% | 88\% | 89\% | 91\% | 87\% | 89\% |
| You rarely experience gaps in audio when listening to radio in a car/vehicle | 87\% | 83\% | 90\% | 84\% | 90\% | 85\% |
| You listen to radio in a car/vehicle because it's free | 91\% | 83\% | 80\% | 84\% | 88\% | 89\% |
| It is easier to listen to radio in a car/vehicle than to listen to other types of audio sources | 87\% | 83\% | 87\% | 88\% | 85\% | 85\% |
| Radio provides a better listening experience in the car than other types of audio sources | 81\% | 78\% | 77\% | 84\% | 83\% | 78\% |
| You listen to radio in a car/vehicle because it doesn't use up your mobile data plan | 76\% | 77\% | 76\% | 73\% | 75\% | 71\% |
| Radio in the car/vehicle often feels outdated | 49\% | 44\% | 46\% | 44\% | 51\% | 56\% |

## Car Brands "Very" Or "Likely" To Be Purchased

Australia

| Make | \% "very" or <br> "somewhat" likely |
| :--- | :---: |
| Toyota | $87 \%$ |
| Mazda | $76 \%$ |
| Hyundai | $72 \%$ |
| Mitsubishi | $64 \%$ |
| Ford | $62 \%$ |

France

| Make | \% "very" or <br> "somewhat" likely |
| :--- | :---: |
| Peugeot | $76 \%$ |
| Renault | $68 \%$ |
| Citroën | $66 \%$ |
| Volkswagen | $61 \%$ |
| Dacia | $50 \%$ |

Germany

| Make | $\%$ "very" or <br> "somewhat" likely |
| :--- | :---: |
| Volkswagen | $67 \%$ |
| Audi | $66 \%$ |
| BMW | $63 \%$ |
| Mercedes | $59 \%$ |
| Fiat | $34 \%$ |

Italy

| Make | \% "very" or <br> "somewhat" likely |
| :--- | :---: |
| Fiat | $68 \%$ |
| Ford | $67 \%$ |
| Volkswagen | $66 \%$ |
| Peugeot | $64 \%$ |
| Renault | $60 \%$ |


| UK |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| Make | \% "very" or <br> "somewhat" likely |
| Ford | $72 \%$ |


| U.S. |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| Make | \% "very" or <br> "somewhat" likely |
| Toyota | $80 \%$ |
| Honda | $79 \%$ |
| Nissan | $74 \%$ |
| Ford | $73 \%$ |
| Chevrolet | $71 \%$ |

Prospective Car Buyers: When choosing which car/vehicle to purchase/lease, how important is it that the car/vehicle has...?

| Item <br> (\% saying "very" or "somewhat" important) | Australia | France | Germany | Italy | UK |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Radio (AM/FM/DAB/DAB+) | $86 \%$ | $93 \%$ | $86 \%$ | $91 \%$ | $89 \%$ |
| USB port | $87 \%$ | $89 \%$ | $82 \%$ | $87 \%$ | $83 \%$ |
| Bluetooth connection | $88 \%$ | $87 \%$ | $83 \%$ | $87 \%$ | $80 \%$ |
| Auxiliary jack | $79 \%$ | $80 \%$ | $61 \%$ | $69 \%$ | $74 \%$ |
| CD player | $67 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $68 \%$ | $70 \%$ |
| Android Auto | $66 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $75 \%$ | $59 \%$ |
| Online music services integrated directly into dashboard | $67 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $56 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $63 \%$ |
| Apple CarPlay | $60 \%$ | $49 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $57 \%$ |
| SiriusXM Satellite Radio | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |

Base: Typically listen to radio in a car/vehicle
\% saying it's "very" or "somewhat" important for a car/vehicle to have AM/FM/DAB/DAB+ radio
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## Frequently listen to traditional "over-the-air" radio when in a car/vehicle when...

| Item <br> (\% saying "frequently") | Australia | France | Germany | Italy | UK |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Going on long car trips | $44 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $59 \%$ | $43 \%$ |
| Driving around locally | $46 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $42 \%$ |
| You want to be entertained | $46 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $42 \%$ |
| You want to stay up to date with news and information | $48 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $46 \%$ |  |
| You want to hear your favorite music | $43 \%$ | $41 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $41 \%$ |
| Commuting to work | $35 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $32 \%$ |
| You want to hear about what's going on in your local area | $39 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $32 \%$ |
| You want traffic updates | $35 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $36 \%$ |  |
| You want weather updates | $35 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $34 \%$ |
| You are with friends/family | $26 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $30 \%$ |
| You are with children | $20 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $34 \%$ |

Base: Typically listen to radio in a car/vehicle

## How much do you agree with the following statements about listening to traditional "over-the-air" radio in a car/vehicle?

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## When listening to traditional, "over-the-air radio in a car/vehicle, "very" satisfied with....

| Feature <br> (\% saying "very" or "somewhat" satisfied) | Australia | France | Germany | Italy | UK | U.S. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| How easy it is to turn on your favorite stations | 46\% | 41\% | 52\% | 39\% | 49\% | 55\% |
| The overall look and feel of the radio receiver | 42\% | 33\% | 44\% | 34\% | 47\% | 47\% |
| The audio quality | 49\% | 38\% | 51\% | 41\% | 50\% | 53\% |
| The technology features of the radio receiver | 38\% | 34\% | 48\% | 31\% | 45\% | 44\% |
| The variety of radio stations | 43\% | 37\% | 47\% | 37\% | 47\% | 45\% |
| The quality of reception | 46\% | 36\% | 51\% | 36\% | 48\% | 50\% |
| The station information received on dashboard | 41\% | 31\% | 46\% | 31\% | 44\% | 47\% |
| How easy it is to find new stations | 39\% | 34\% | 46\% | 34\% | 43\% | 43\% |

## How important is it that radio in a car/vehicle show...?

| Feature <br> (\% saying "very" or "somewhat" important) | Australia | France | Germany | Italy | UK |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| The name of the station | $78 \%$ | $86 \%$ | $81 \%$ | $89 \%$ | $80 \%$ |
| The name of the song/artist playing | $71 \%$ | $80 \%$ | $73 \%$ | $88 \%$ | $71 \%$ |
| The logo of the station | $51 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $55 \%$ |
| Artist images or album cover art | $50 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $49 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $51 \%$ |

## Features most interested in having available through radio:

| Feature (\% ranking feature in top five) | Australia | France | Germany | Italy | UK | U.S. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ability to search for radio stations using voice controls | 56\% | 64\% | 54\% | 63\% | 53\% | 56\% |
| Ability to skip songs | 55\% | 55\% | 59\% | 57\% | 56\% | 57\% |
| Information about the content you are listening to | 51\% | 60\% | 55\% | 55\% | 50\% | 52\% |
| Ability to pause, rewind, or fast forward content | 46\% | 52\% | 42\% | 56\% | 49\% | 44\% |
| Ability to create personalized playlists | 39\% | 42\% | 47\% | 46\% | 39\% | 45\% |
| Ability to ask for song/station information using voice controls | 38\% | 37\% | 37\% | 49\% | 40\% | 38\% |
| Ability to pay to listen without any advertisements | 44\% | 23\% | 25\% | 18\% | 40\% | 42\% |
| Recommendations for other audio programs/podcasts you might be interested in | 32\% | 25\% | 32\% | 31\% | 34\% | 32\% |
| Images of show/presenter/artist you are listening to | 29\% | 28\% | 34\% | 28\% | 31\% | 31\% |
| Recommendations for other radio stations you might be interested in | 24\% | 30\% | 36\% | 31\% | 26\% | 29\% |
| Mix of live and on-demand radio content, matched to length of trip | 33\% | 35\% | 27\% | 20\% | 27\% | 25\% |
| Advertisements customized to your interests | 25\% | 31\% | 26\% | 24\% | 27\% | 24\% |
| Access to more episodes/podcasts/bonus content from favorite radio show | 27\% | 21\% | 27\% | 24\% | 29\% | 26\% |

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How you know.


[^0]:    Research conducted by Edison Research, Sep 2021. >6000 respondents from US, UK, Germany, France, Italy, Australia

