

# TECHSURVEY 2019 JACOBS MEDIA 

## Radio's Survival Kit

## Methodology

- 519 radio stations in the U.S. \& Canada
- $N=50,652$
- Interview dates: January 3 - February 3, 2019
- Most respondents are members of station databases. Some responses were gathered via station websites and/or social networking pages.
- All responses were collected online and weighted using Nielsen 2018 market populations data.
- This is a web survey and does not represent all radio listeners or even each station's audience. It is not stratified to the U.S./Canadian populations. Respondents are, by and large, commercial radio users.


## Demographics



Gender


## Generations



## Format Composition



## Media Pyramid 2019

\section*{| Total |
| :---: |
| $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{5 0 , 6 5 2}$ |}

Total
TS 2018
13\%

Smartwatch (13\%)

Tablet (69\%)

Social Media (85\%)
AM/FM Radio ${ }^{2 *}$ (91\%)
Smartphone (91\%)
TV/Video ${ }^{2 *}$ (95\%)
${ }^{1}$ Weekly or more ${ }^{2} 1+$ hour per day ${ }^{3}$ Paid \& trial users * Any platform/device

## Brand Pyramid 2019



| Total |
| :---: |
| TS 2018 |$|$| $6 \%$ |
| :---: |
| $13 \% \%$ |
| $14 \%$ |
| $17 \%$ |
| $18 \%$ |
| $18 \%$ |
| $14 \% \%$ |
| $21 \% \%$ |
| $25 \%$ |
| $22 \% \%$ |
| $25 \%$ |
| $24 \% \%$ |
| $30 \% \%$ |
| $44 \% \%$ |
| $50 \%$ |
| $52 \% \%$ |
| $74 \% \%$ |
| $92 \% \%$ |

All weekly use unless noted ${ }^{2} 1+$ hour per day ${ }^{3}$ Paid \& trial users *Any Platform/Device **Excluding Canada ^Downloaded ^^Includes Live TV

## Why AM/FM Radio? Music \& Personalities, But Also Easy to Listen to In-Car, Free and Powerful Emotional Benefits



## Radio's Local Orientation Is Increasingly Seen As the Medium's Primary Advantage


"One of radio's primary advantages is its local feel"

## Past Year AM/FM Radio Listening Momentum Remains Strong

TS 2018


TS 2019


## More Audio Options in the Car, and Music Streaming Services (Pandora, Spotify, Etc.) Are the Main External Reasons for Listening Less to AM/FM Radio



# In-Car Listening on a Regular Radio Dominates Home Station Listening; Digital Listening Overall Continues to Rise 



## Home Station Listening Platform: Traditional vs. Digital


\% of time spent with home station in a typical week via traditional platforms (an AM/FM radio at home/school/work or in a vehicle)

The Highest "Net Promoter" Recommendation Scores Are for Rock, Country, and CHR; Significantly Lower Than Christian \& Public Radio


## More Than One in Five Listens to Podcasts Weekly or More, Led By Men, Younger Generations, and College Grads



# Sports Radio and Alternative Fans <br> Lead the Way for Weekly Podcast Listening 



## Four in Ten Weekly Podcast Listeners Say They Are Listening to More Podcasts in the Past Year

\% of Weekly Podcast Listeners Who Say They Are


# Two-Thirds of Weekly Podcast Listeners Return to a Podcast to Finish Listening When They Have More Time 

\% of Weekly Podcast Listeners Return to an Unfinished Podcast to Listen Again When They Have More Time


## Smartphones Are by Far the Main Listening Platform for Weekly Podcast Listeners, Followed by Computers



## Word of Mouth, Both Offline and Online, Is the Main Driver For Discovering Podcasts



## Two-Thirds Have Used the Built-In Voice Command Features On Any Device; Half Use Voice Commands on a Smartphone



## Only About Eight in Ten Have a Regular Radio Where They Live, While Only About Two-Thirds of Millennials Do


\% with a regular radio in working condition where they live that they use*
*added wording: "...that you use?"

## Smart Speaker Ownership Continues to Climb



## More Smart Speaker Owners Own More Than One of These Voice-Controlled Devices Than One Year Ago

\% of Smart Speaker Owners Who Own...

TS 2018


TS 2019


# While There Are More Amazon Alexa Owners Overall in the Past Year, Fewer of Them Have Downloaded Any Alexa Skills 

\# of Alexa Skills Downloaded Among Amazon Alexa Smart Speaker Owners
TS 2018


## One-Fourth Frequently Listen to Music From AM/FM Radio on Their Smart Speaker(s); AM/FM News/Talk Listening Is Also a Frequent Use


\% of smart speaker owners who "frequently" use their device(s)
in each way (most mentioned uses; 6\% or more)

# Gen Z Most Apt to Listen to More AM/FM Radio Since Getting a Smart Speaker, But All Demos Show Solid Gains 

 changed overall since you got a smart speaker?"

## A Main Reason For Listening Less to AM/FM Radio: "I Have More Audio Options to Listen to in the Car"



Among those who say they are listening less to AM/FM radio in

## More Than Half of Listeners Say All or Most of Their AM/FM Radio Listening Is In-Car; Highest Among Gen Z and Millennials


"During an average weekday, about how much of your total AM/FM radio listening time takes place in a car?"

# FM Radio Leads the List of Most Important New Car Features, Followed by Bluetooth and Auxiliary Jack to Connect Smartphones 



# On an Average Weekday, AM/FM Radio Has a 59\% Share of In-Car Media Use; Satellite Radio Is Next With an 18-Share 



## About Four in Ten Watch Streaming Video Daily; Weekly Usage Is Now Up to Seven in Ten


\% Who Watch Streaming Video Weekly or More


# More Than Four in Ten Listen to Streaming Audio Daily; Weekly Usage Is Flat at About Six in Ten 


\% Who Listen to Streaming Audio Weekly or More


# Nearly Two-Thirds Listen to the Home Station's Stream, Far Ahead of Pandora, YouTube, Spotify, and iHeartRadio 



Among those who listen to streaming audio monthly or more

# Using a Mobile Device to Wake Up Is Increasing in Popularity, Specifically With a Ring Tone 



# About Two-Thirds Have Downloaded a Radio/Music App on Their Mobile Device; YouTube Is the Most Downloaded 

\% Who Have Downloaded a Radio/Music App


Among smartphone and/or tablet owners


Among those who have downloaded a radio/music app
(Apps 9\% and higher shown)

## There Is Significantly More Interest in a Standalone Home Station App Than for an Aggregated Station App

"Thinking about THE STATION THAT SENT YOU THIS SURVEY, which mobile app format would you most like them to offer?"
*Their own streaming mobile app with features (videos, podcasts, contests) specific to what they do on the air

**Part of app (stream only) that offers hundreds of other radio stations to choose from

## Daily Usage Among Those With a Profile Is Up for YouTube And Instagram; Down for Facebook, Snapchat \& WhatsApp



# Three in Four Express Concern Over Use of Their Personal Data by Tech Companies, Particularly Older Generations 


"I'm concerned about the ways in which tech companies are using my personal data"

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