## The Infinite Dial 2011: Navigating Digital Platforms



## Methodology Overview

»In January 2011, Arbitron and Edison Research conducted a national telephone survey (landline and cell phone) of 2,020 people aged 12 and older
$»$ This is the 19th study in our series dating to 1998
»These studies have explored digital platforms and their impact on radio and other media

## Headlines: Navigating Digital Platforms

» The Internet and digital platforms are practically ubiquitous

- Nearly $90 \%$ of U.S. households have access to the Internet and most via broadband connections
- Multi-computer households are growing rapidly
- Two-thirds of homes with Internet access have Wi-Fi network
» Social media continues to grow...
- More than half of Americans 12+ now have a Facebook® page
- Among $35-54 \mathrm{~s}$, Facebook use jumps $25 \%$ in one year
» Smartphone ownership has tripled in two years
» Weekly online radio usage crosses the 20\% threshold
» Ages of heavy radio users closest to population; heavy Internet users skew younger, heavy TV users lean older
» Broadband, cell phones, TV and radio have the largest number of passionate users


## Digital Platforms



## The Digital Platform Landscape in 2001

\% of Americans Aged 12 and Older Who Use/Own Platform/Devices


## 2011 Digital Platform Landscape

\% of Americans Aged 12 and Older Who Use/Own Platform/Devices

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## 2011 Digital Platform Landscape (cont'd)

## \% of Americans Aged 12 and Older Who Use/Own Platform/Devices



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## Internet Access and Digital Household Trends



## Internet Access Is Nearly Ubiquitous

\% With Internet Access From Any Location


Base: Total Population 12+

## Most Homes With Internet Access Have High-Speed Broadband Connections

\% Who Have Broadband/Dial-Up Internet Access at Home


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\text { Dial-Up } \square \text { Broadband }
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## Nearly Half of Consumers Now Say the Internet Is Most Essential to Their Lives

\% Saying the Internet Is the Most Essential Medium to Their Lives


## 12-34s Far More Likely to Say the Internet Is Most Essential to Their Lives

\% by Age Group Saying the Internet Is the Most Essential Medium to Their Lives


## More than Half of Households Now Have Two or More Working Computers

\% With Two or More Working Computers in Household


## Two-Thirds of Homes With Internet Access Have a Wi-Fi Network

\% of Homes With Internet Access That Have a Wi-Fi Network Setup


Base: Access the Internet From Home

## Online Radio



## An Estimated 89 Million Americans Listened to Online Radio in the Last Month

\% Who Have Listened to Online Radio (AM/FM Streams or Internet-Only Streams)


## AMIFM Streams, Internet-Only Streams Each Listened to by More Than 20\% in the Last Month

\% Who Listened to Given Source of Online Radio in the Last Month

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## One in 10 Listened to Both AM/FM Streams AND Internet-Only Sources in the Last Month

\% Who Listened to Given Source of Online Radio in the Last Month

34\% Listened to Online Radio
in the Last Month


Base: Total Population 12+
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## More Monthly Online Listeners Say They Listen Most to Internet-Only Audio vs. Five Years Ago

\% of Monthly Online Radio Listeners Who Listen to Both AM/FM Streams and Internet-Only Audio Who Listen Most to...

$\square$ Online Streams of AM/FM Stations $\square$ Internet-Only Audio
Base: Monthly Listeners to Both Online Streams of AM/FM Radio
Stations AND Internet-Only Audio

## Weekly Online Radio Audience Has Doubled Every Five Years Since 2001

\% Who Have Listened to Online Radio in Last Week


## Time Spent With Online Radio Increased 49\% Among Weekly Listeners in the Last Three Years

Self-Reported Average Time Spent per Week With All Sources of Online Audio (Hours:Minutes)


## Online Radio Listening Is a Complement to Over-the-Air Radio, Not a Substitute

\% of Weekly Online Radio Listeners Who Listened to Over-the-Air AM/FM Radio in the Past Week vs. Those Who Did Not


## Nearly Half of Americans Have Heard of Pandora

"Have you ever heard of the Internet radio service called Pandora?"


Base: Total Population 12+

## One in Four Have Ever Listened to Pandora: 10\% Have Listened in the Past Week

\% Listened to Pandora...


## Weekly Pandora Usage Highest Among 18-34s

\% by Age Group Who Have Listened to Pandora in Last Week


## Personalized Content, Skipping Songs and Ease of Use Top Reasons Pandora Users Listen

## \% Who "Agree Strongly" This Is a Reason They Listen to Pandora



Base: Ever Listen to Pandora
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## Significant Rise in Those Who Use Their Cell Phone to Listen to Online Radio in Their Cars

\% of Cell Phone Owners Who Have Ever Listened to Online Radio in a Car by Listening to the Stream From a Cell Phone Connected to a Car Stereo


## One in Five Who Listen to Radio While Working Tune In Most Often on Their Computers

"Think about how you listen to the radio while at work, do you most often listen to...?"


## Online Video



## Weekly Audience for Online Video Has Tripled in the Past Five Years

\% Who Have Watched Online Video in Last Week


## Time Spent per User With Online Radio Is Almost Triple Time Spent With Online Video

Self-Reported Average Time Spent per Week per User (Hours:Minutes)


## YouTube Growth Continues

\% Who Have Watched Internet Video Programming From YouTube...

$\square 2007 \square 2008 \square 2009 \square 2010 \square 2011$

## Digital Audio Players



## Half Now Own an iPod/iPad/iPhone or Other Portable MP3 Player



* 2008-2011 includes iPhone and 2011 includes iPad
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## Three in 10 Listen to Digital Audio in Cars: 1 in 16 Do So Nearly Every Day

"How often do you listen to digital audio files in a car by connecting an iPod or other MP3 player to a car stereo?"


## Mobile/Smartphones



## Smartphone Ownership Has Tripled Since 2009

\% Who Have a Smartphone


Base: Total Population 12+

## Nearly Half of 18-34s Have Smartphones

\% by Age Group Who Own a Smartphone


## Smartphone Owners Use Mobile Phone Functions More Frequently

## \% Who (Item) on a (Cell Phone/Smartphone) Several Times per Day or More



## Nearly Six in 10 Smartphone Owners Would Give Up TV Before Giving Up Their Smartphones

"Suppose you could never watch television again OR you could never use your Apple iPhone/Smartphone again. Which would you be more willing to eliminate from your life?"

Eliminate iPhone or TV


Base: Own Apple iPhone

Eliminate Non-iPhone Smartphone or TV


## Podcasting


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## Awareness of Audio Podcasting Has Leveled Off

\% Aware of Audio Podcasts


## One in Four Americans Have Ever Listened to an Audio Podcast

\% Who Have Ever Listened to an Audio Podcast


## An Estimated 31 Million Americans Have Listened to a Podcast in the Past Month

\% Who Have Listened to an Audio Podcast in the Past Month


## Social Networking



## More Than Half of Americans Have a Profile on a Social Networking Site

\% Who Currently Have a Personal Profile Page on Facebook, MySpace ${ }^{\circledR}$, LinkedIn or Any Other Social Networking Web Site


## Facebook Is the Dominant Player in Social Networking

## \% Using Each Social Networking Site/Service



Base: Total Population 12+

## Year-Over-Year Growth in Social Networking Greatest Among People Aged 35 to 54

\% by Age Group Who Currently Have a Personal Profile Page on Facebook, MySpace, LinkedIn or Any Other Social Networking Web Site


## Frequent Usage of Social Networking Sites Increases Fourfold in Three Years

\% Who Use Social Networking Web Sites/Services
"Several Times per Day"
18\%


## Those Accessing Social Networking on Mobile Phones Jumps 34\% Year Over Year

\% Who Ever Access Social Networking Sites or Services Using a Cell Phone


## One in Four Social Network Users Follow Companies or Brands on Social Sites

"Do you follow any companies or brands on any social networking sites?"


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## AMIFM Radio


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## More than Half of Persons 12+ Aware of HD Radio: Awareness Among Men Greater Than Women

\% by Age Group Who Have Ever Heard of HD Radio


## Radio Remains the Leader for Learning About New Music, but the Internet Is Gaining

"Among Internet, television, radio and newspapers, which do you turn to first to learn about new music?"

$\square$ Internet $\square$ Television $\square$ Radio $\square$ Newspapers

## 12-34s Turn to the Internet First for Music Discovery, While Radio Leads Among P35+

\% Choosing Internet/Radio as Medium They Turn to First to Learn About New Music


## Digital Audio Users Spend As Much Time With Radio As the Average (Not Less)

## Index of Self-Reported Time Spent Listening to Radio per Day



## Heavy Users of Radio, TV and Internet



## Ages of Heavy Radio Users Closest to Population; Heavy Internet Users Skew Younger, Heavy TV Users Lean Older

## Age Composition of...

$\begin{array}{lcc}\text { Heavy Internet Users } & \text { Heavy Radio Users } & \text { Heavy TV Users } \\ \text { Median Age }=36 & \text { Median Age }=41 & \text { Median Age }=48\end{array}$


## Heavy Usage of One Medium Is NOT Necessarily Associated With Less Time With Other Media

Self-Reported Average Time Spent per Day With Each Medium (Hours:Minutes)


## 75\% Would Be "Very"/"Somewhat" Disappointed If the Radio Station They Listen to Most Were Not On-Air

\% Who Would Be "Very" or "Somewhat" Disappointed if the AM or FM Radio Station They Listen to Most Were No Longer On-Air


## Heavy Users of Radio and Internet More Likely to Be Employed Full-Time

\% Employed Full-Time


## Digital Platforms/Devices



## Television, AM/FM Radio and Cell Phones Have Most Widespread Usage

## \% of Americans Aged 12 and Older Who Use/Own Platform/Device



## iPhone, LinkedIn and Twitter Approaching Double-Digit Usage

## \% of Americans Aged 12 and Older Who Use/Own Platform/Device (cont'd)


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research Twitter; Own e-reader; Own iPad; Ever use location-based services

## Combined Time Spent per Day With Radio, TV and Internet Gained 20\% Since 2001

Self-Reported Average Time Spent per Day With Radio, TV and Internet (Hours:Minutes)


## iPhone, iPod and iPad Have the Highest "Likeability" Among Their Users

## \% Who "Like" or "Love" Platform/Device


"Overall, how much do you enjoy (platform/device)?"
("5" = "Love lt"; " 1 " = "Hate It")

## MySpace, Video Podcasts and Linkedin Have the Lowest "Likeability" Among Their Users

## \% Who "Like" or "Love" Platform/Device (cont'd)


"Overall, how much do you enjoy (platform/device)?"
("5" = "Love lt"; "1" = "Hate It")

Base: Use Platform/Device

## Apple Users Exhibit the Most Passion

## \% Who "Love" Platform/Device


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Base: Use Platform/Device

## MySpace, Video Podcast and Linkedln Users Have the Least Passion

## \% Who "Love" Platform/Device (cont'd)


"Overall, how much do you enjoy (platform/device)?"
("5" = "Love lt"; "1" = "Hate It")

## Number of Passionate Users: Digital Platforms/Devices

(Percent of Users) x (Percent Who "Love it")

Number of Passionate Users

## Broadband, Cell Phones, TV And Radio Have the Highest Number of Passionate Users

Passionate Users = (\% Who Use/Own) x (\% "Love")


# Twitter, MySpace, Location-Based Services and Linkedln Have Few Passionate Users 

## Passionate Users = (\% Who Use/Own) x (\% "Love") cont'd



## Implications


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## Implication \# 1

## Homes are fully digital and fully networked

## Implication \# 2

## Online Radio is on a roll

## Implication \# 3

## Consumers show interest in in-car online radio

## Implication \# 4

## Pandora is changing consumer expectations of online radio

## Implication \# 5

## Growth in smartphones requires a re-evaluation of customer relationships

## Implication \# 6

# Facebook is on a trajectory to become a mainstream media platform 

## Implication \# 7

## Social media proficiency should become a primary skill set

## Implication \# 8

# Digital platforms are helping Americans consume more of all forms of media 

## Implication \# 9

## Radio is relevant and resilient

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[^0]:    Base: Use Social Networking Web sites or Services

