# RADIO CONNECTS Radio Re-discovered 

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Who We Are

## Radio Fast Facts

## Radio's Reach

Streaming and Podcasting in Canada


Radio Connects is the not-for- profit trade association for the Canadian Radio Industry. As the advocate for Canadian Radio, Radio Connects promotes and markets Radio advertising at the agency and client levels in English and French Canada

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## RADIO CONNECTS IS SUPPORTED BY CANADIAN PRIVATE BROADCASTERS

Their financial support enables Radio Connects to invest in research and marketing initiatives that demonstrate the power of AM/FM Radio, its ability to drive business, validate ROI, and communicate Radio's role in the path to purchase to Canadian advertisers

## CANADIAN AM/FM RADIO



According to WARC 2020 Global Report, Canada was $3^{\text {rd }}$ to the U.S. and China but ahead of UK, France, Germany and

Australia

$1^{\text {st }}$ in Share of Advertising Dollars
AM/FM Radio gets almost 9 cents per dollar of ad spend compared to between 5
-7 cents in France, UK, Germany, US and
Australia

\$1.5B in
Revenue
Advertisers spent over $\$ 1.5$ billion in Radio advertising to reach Canadian consumers

## FAST FACTS



# CANADIANS ARE TUNED IN TO AM/FM RADIO 

## Radio's Reach <br> Ad 18+ Top 5 Markets ${ }^{1}$

17,517,810

## Average Minute Audiences

Ad 18+ Top 5 Markets ${ }^{1}$
794,150
AM/FM's Share of Buyable Audio Ad18+²

Radio's impressive reach dominates the audio landscape. It's the only audio platform that can deliver commercial messaging at scale, minute by minute

## AM/FM RADIO CAN REACH MORE CANADIANS IN ONE WEEK THAN ANY SOCIAL PLATFORM, REGARDLESS OF AGE



## RADIO IS DIGITAL

Listeners have never had so much access

Streaming AM/FM Radio has
grown in past year: +29\% 18+ | $+40 \% 1834$$53 \%$ of 1834 's streamed AM/FM Radio in the past week


How to read: 35\% of those who streamed AM/FM Radio in the past week used their laptop or desktop to do so. Boxes indicate most commonly used device for each media

## WHEN IT COMES TO THE ABILITY TO REACH CONSUMERS ON AUDIO PLATFORMS, NOTHING OUTPERFORMS AM/FM RADIO

Share of Audio: A18+ AM/FM Radio 44\% \#1


Share of Buyable* audio time spent A18+81\% AM/FM Radio \#1 | A25-54 75\% AM/FM Radio \#1


## ACROSS ALL KEY ADVERTISING DEMOS, AM/FM RADIO REACHES MORE CONSUMERS THAN YOUTUBE FOR MUSIC OR AD SUPPORTED SPOTIFY

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Radio reached over 6X more A25-54 in the past 7 days than ad supported Spotify


## THE BUSINESS MODEL HAS CHANGED

Digital music revenue in Canada from 2017 to 2025, by format (in million U.S. dollars)

Canadians have moved from "owning" their music to "renting it" from pure plays like Spotify


# SPOTIFY DOES NOT HAVE THE SCALE OF AM/FM RADIO 

Despite what some marketers think, Spotify is not radio

Growing \% of Spotify daily users are using the ad-free service


Ads on pureplay music services do not command the same level attention of AM/FM Radio

Those in advertising and marketing overestimated how many Canadians use the app on a monthly basis by 300\%


## A25-54 SHARE OF TIME SPENT

## PODCAST STATS



Canadians 18+ listen to podcasts on a monthly basis


Almost half (47\%) of those who listen monthly are under 35

Age composition has held steady over the past three years


Apple falls to 3rd place as podcast platform used most often
Apple loses its seat to YouTube, while Spotify continues to show

## PODCASTING IS GROWING

Podcast Listening - \% of Canadians 18+
■ Listen monthly Listen weekly ■Listen daily
Growth is steady with year over year incremenal growth

Podcast listening shifted to slightly more male listeners, 56\% in 2021

While daily listening is flat, weekly listening to podcasts is growing


## TOP PODCAST GENRES

 IN 2021Although Comedy is the most
listened to genre, it's at a slightly lower incidence than in 2020

After a drought of sporting events in 2020, Sports podcasts were listened to by more Canadians in 2021, as were TV \& Film podcasts.


## COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Canadian Podcasts tuning is increasing.

The proportion of US podcasts continues to decline, with homegrown Canadian podcasts making incremental gains, as well as podcasts from Britain and other countries

Of all the podcasts you listen to, about what proportion would you say are from:

|  | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Canada | $52 \%$ | $49 \%$ | $44 \%$ |
| Eritain | $38 \%$ | $41 \%$ | $42 \%$ |
| Elsewhere | $4 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| E | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ |

## SUMMARY

## AM/FM Radio is alive and kicking <br> 3rd largest Radio market, \$1.5B in revenue and over 700+ stations

AM/FM Radio reaches $85 \%$ of Canadians 12+ every week On average they are listening for 8.5 hrs/wk

Radio reaches more Canadians in 1 week than any social platform None of the social platforms has the scale and reach of AM/FM Radio

AM/FM Radio is digital
It's available on demand and live on any device


AM/FM Radio commands $44 \%$ of the total audio ecosystem
When it comes to advertising, AM/FM Radio has $80+\%$ of the buyable audience.

## AM/FM Radio reaches more Canadians than YouTube for Music of Spotify

$73 \%$ of Spotify listeners are listening to the AD FREE subscription tier
Canadians are renting their music The business model has changed, where subscriptions are replacing downloads

29\% of Canadians listen to podcasts monthly
Most are males, comedy is the favourite genre and Canadian content is gaining traction

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