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CRS RESEARCH PRESENTATION: DO YOU KNOW YOUR LISTENERS AS WELL AS YOU THINK YOU DO? - A CLOSER LOOK

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## Research Presentation <br> DEEP DIVE SUPPLEMENT

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## TOP 5 Takeaways

1. "Radio" no longer means what you think it does
2. Smartphones ARE the new "Radio"
3. "Convenient" and "Easy" no longer Radio advantages
4. The Country "Gender Balance" controversy is a myth
5. GREAT Personalities matter; average ones do not

## 1. "Radio" no longer means what you

 think it doesWhen you think about "the radio," which of the following do you mean?

## Radio Definition PD's / Listeners



## Radio Definition by Sex



## Radio Definition by Age



## 2. Smartphones ARE the new "Radio"

Do you OFTEN, SOMETIMES, or ALMOST NEVER listen to audio entertainment or information on...

## Often Use Device PD's / Listeners



## Often Use Device by Sex



## Often Use Device by Age



## 3. "Convenient" and "Easy" no longer Radio advantages

## (If Listen to Both Radio and Digital Service Provider)

Sometimes you may listen to the radio and sometimes you'll choose a digital audio provider like Spotify or
Pandora. When you listen to the RADIO, why do you choose it over a digital audio provider in that
moment?

# Why Choose Radio Over DSP's - PD's / Listeners 



# Why Choose DSP's over Radio - PD's / Listeners 



## Why Listeners Choose Radio/DSP over the OTHER?



Why Listeners Choose Radio over DSP's by Sex


## Why Listeners Choose Radio over DSP's by Age

|  | Age |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{1 8 - 2 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 - 3 4}$ | $\mathbf{3 5 - 4 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 5 - 5 4}$ |
| BASE: WEIGHTED | 114 | 185 | 152 | 128 |
|  | 114 | 183 | 153 | 127 |
| It's more convenient and easy in the PLACE I want to listen | $\%$ | $\%$ | $\%$ | $\%$ |
| It's free | 67 | 66 | 66 | 65 |
| It's part of my habit it's what I go to first | 36 | 40 | 45 | 45 |
| It gives me what I want without fiddling with choices and settings | 40 | 35 | 36 | 37 |
| I am looking for specific songs or artists | 24 | 29 | 28 | 30 |
| I want to discover brand new songs and artists | 33 | 29 | 27 | 22 |
| I'm looking for news, traffic, sports, or weather headlines | 25 | 25 | 22 | 18 |
| It's more convenient and easy on the DEVICE I want to use for listening | 18 | 22 | 22 | 22 |
| I am looking for specific playlists | 18 | 20 | 26 | 20 |
| I am looking for specific DJ's, hosts, or shows | 18 | 22 | 21 | 15 |
| I want to know what's going on in my community | 14 | 18 | 22 | 15 |
| I want to hear my favorite songs without a lot of songs I don't know | 15 | 16 | 17 | 21 |
| There's something there I can't find anywhere else | 20 | 16 | 13 | 14 |
| I can easily skip any songs I don't like | 20 | 17 | 13 | 13 |
| I don't want to wait for my favorite song, I want it right away | 15 | 13 | 11 | 11 |
| I want to play a game or contest to try to win prizes | 15 | 11 | 12 | 10 |
| Don't Know | 8 | 13 | 13 | 6 |

Why Listeners Choose DSP's over Radio by Sex


## Why Listeners Choose DSP's over Radio - <br> by Age

|  | Age |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 18-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 |
|  | 114 | 185 | 152 | 128 |
| BASE: WEIGHTED | 114 | 183 | 153 | 127 |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| It's more convenient and easy in the PLACE I want to listen | 50 | 50 | 39 | 46 |
| It's free | 23 | 25 | 18 | 28 |
| It's part of my habit it's what I go to first | 43 | 29 | 27 | 21 |
| It gives me what I want without fiddling with choices and settings | 25 | 29 | 24 | 26 |
| I am looking for specific songs or artists | 37 | 38 | 39 | 43 |
| I want to discover brand new songs and artists | 15 | 18 | 22 | 21 |
| I'm looking for news, traffic, sports, or weather headlines | 8 | 10 | 9 | 7 |
| It's more convenient and easy on the DEVICE I want to use for listening | 23 | 21 | 26 | 16 |
| I am looking for specific playlists | 40 | 31 | 40 | 38 |
| I am looking for specific DJ's, hosts, or shows | 15 | 18 | 19 | 12 |
| I want to know what's going on in my community | 12 | 10 | 8 | 6 |
| I want to hear my favorite songs without a lot of songs I don't know | 28 | 23 | 25 | 19 |
| There's something there I can't find anywhere else | 25 | 30 | 22 | 23 |
| I can easily skip any songs I don't like | 28 | 24 | 26 | 20 |
| I don't want to wait for my favorite song, I want it right away | 34 | 25 | 25 | 23 |
| I want to play a game or contest to try to win prizes | 4 | 12 | 10 | 6 |
| Don't Know | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 |

## 4. The Country "Gender Balance" Controversy is a Myth

# Gender Balance Preference - <br> PD's / Listeners 



## Gender Balance Preference-

by Sex


## Gender Balance Preference-

 by Age

## Other Points

- Listeners are tuning in for hits, not gender. Great songs, period.
- Should Country stations program the best songs they can possibly find by male and female artists? Yes. Should they erect a quota system that artificially mixes in mediocre songs with great ones, by men or by women? No.
- Country stations should take more risks with more songs by established and new artists, both male and female (within constraints)
- Do I believe that "playing more music by female artists" will lead to more listening to Country radio? Absolutely positively not. Not unless those songs are better than the ones they replace.


## 5. GREAT Personalities matter; Average ones do not

## Would Listen MORE <br> - PD's / Listeners



# Would Listen MORE by Sex 



## Would Listen MORE by Age

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| BASE: WEIGHTED | 154 | 232 | $\mathbf{1 9 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 8}$ |
|  | 155 | 232 | 195 | $\mathbf{2 1 7}$ |
| Played more of my Favorite music, new or old | $\%$ | $\%$ | $\%$ | $\%$ |
| Got to my favorite songs FASTER | 47 | 59 | 57 | 62 |
| Was possible for me to SKIP any songs I don't like | 52 | 56 | 57 | 51 |
| Played the songs without talking | 51 | 49 | 55 | 54 |
| Had FEWER commercial breaks, even if each break was longer | 45 | 52 | 55 | 53 |
| Had SHORTER commercials, even if it meant more frequent commercial breaks | 43 | 48 | 44 | 48 |
| Played more brand new music | 39 | 43 | 45 | 45 |
| Had more entertaining on-air personalities with a great sense of humor | 37 | 44 | 43 | 29 |
| Played fewer songs I haven't HEARD BEFORE | 35 | 44 | 37 | 33 |
| Had more opportunities to hear my FAVORITE ARTISTS talk about their music | 27 | 42 | 38 | 32 |
| Had more opportunities to get close to my FAVORITE ARTISTS in person at shows | 33 | 41 | 32 | 32 |
| Had more ways to win contests and prizes | 28 | 41 | 34 | 31 |
| Had bigger, more valuable contests and prizes | 27 | 36 | 33 | 25 |

# Listen CLOSER if Personalities Talk About PD's / Listeners 



Weather/Emergency info, Funny things, Traffic, Music/Artists, News Headlines

## Listen CLOSER if Personalities Talk About-

 by Sex

## Listen CLOSER if Personalities Talk About -

 by Age|  | $\mathbf{1 8 - 2 4}$ | $\underline{\mathbf{2 5 - 3 4}}$ | $\underline{\mathbf{3 5 - 4 4}}$ | $\underline{\mathbf{4 5 - 5 4}}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{1 5 4}$ | 232 | 196 | 218 |
| BASE: WEIGHTED | 155 | 232 | 195 | 217 |
|  | $\%$ | $\%$ | $\%$ | $\%$ |
| Emergency weather information | 62 | 64 | 74 | 74 |
| Weather updates | 52 | 61 | 70 | 72 |
| Funny things that make you laugh or smile | 55 | 61 | 67 | 67 |
| Traffic reports | 45 | 60 | 61 | 57 |
| The music and artists on the station | 52 | 55 | 57 | 58 |
| News headlines | 45 | 54 | 57 | 59 |
| Stories you can relate to in your own life | 50 | 52 | 57 | 56 |
| Things to do around town | 42 | 49 | 48 | 48 |
| Local Concert information | 41 | 47 | 44 | 44 |
| Things you can win from the station | 34 | 47 | 42 | 40 |
| Activities to do with your kids | 31 | 41 | 48 | 37 |
| Themselves and their families | 33 | 42 | 40 | 36 |
| Sports updates | 31 | 39 | 40 | 35 |

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## PROPER MINDSET

- SET PARAMETERS FOR YOURSELF. KNOW WHEN YOU START AND END YOUR DAY.
- GIVE YOURSELF SCHEDULED BREAKS. IT'S EASY TO SUDDENLY REALIZE THAT YOU HAVE BEEN SITTING AT YOUR DESK FOR 10 CONSECUTIVE HOURS.
- YOU NEED A PRIVATE SPACE AT HOME WITH LIMITED DISTRACTIONS.
- USE A CALENDAR AND SCHEDULE ALL ACTIVITIES, EVEN PROSPECTING AND CONNECTING TIME.
- STAY AWAY FROM TV AND OTHER DISTRACTIONS. MAKE IT LIKE YOUR REGULAR WORKSPACE.


## GET READY FOR WORK

- WEARING CLOTHES AS IF YOU WERE GOING INTO AN OFFICE.
- LET YOUR FAMILY KNOW YOU ARE WORKING AND THEY SHOULD TREAT IT AS SUCH.
- MAKE TIME FOR SOCIAL INTERACTIONS WITH COWORKERS.


## REQUIRED TOOLS

- GOOD WI-FI
- HEAD SET
- MONITOR, PRINTER, ACCESS TO OFFICE SUPPLIES - VIA DELIVERY IS BEST
- TEAMS OR SLACK FOR INSTANT MESSAGING
- SCREEN-SHARING VIDEO CONFERENCE TECHNOLOGY.


## COMMUNICATE

- BE FLEXIBLE AND RESPONSIVE.
- BE PATIENT - USING NEW TECHNOLOGY COMES WITH A LEARNING CURVE.
- BE PRESENT - TEXT, CALL, EMAIL AND SHARE SCREENS EVEN MORE TO REASSURE CLIENTS THAT YOU ARE THERE FOR THEM.

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