## The Podcast Consumer 2019

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## Study Methodology

- In January/February 2019, Edison Research conducted a national telephone survey of 1,500 people aged 12 and older, using random digit dialing techniques to both cell phones and landlines (U.S. Population 12+).
- Telephone data weighted to national 12+ U.S. population figures
- In addition, Edison Research also conducted a national online survey of 4,126 people aged 12 and older (U.S. Online Population 12+).
- Online data weighted to match the Infinite Dial telephone demographics of those with internet access
- Survey offered in both English and Spanish


## Podcasting Familiarity

TOTAL U.S. POPULATION 12+



## Podcasting Listening

TOTALU.S. POPULATION 12+
\% EVER LISTENED TO A PODCAST


## Podcast Awareness:

TOTAL U.S. POPULATION $12+$
\% FAMILIAR WITH PODCASTING


2017


## Reasons Non-Listeners Do Not Listen to Podcasts

BASE: U.S. ONLINE POPULATION 12+ AWARE OF PODCASTS BUT HAVE NEVER LISTENED
\% saying reason applies
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## Monthly Podcast Listening



## Monthly Podcast Listening

U.S. POPULATION
\% LISTENED TO A PODCAST IN LAST MONTH

■ 2017 ■ 2018 ■ 2019

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Composition of Monthly Podcast Consumers
U.S. POPULATION 12+


MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS 12+


## Monthly Podcast Listening



## Composition of Monthly Podcast Consumers

## U.S. POPULATION 12+



MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS 12+


Composition of Monthly Podcast Consumers

## U.S. POPULATION $12+$



MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS 12+


## Composition of Monthly Podcast Consumers



## Composition of Monthly Podcast Consumers

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

■ U.S. Population 18+<br>■ Monthly Podcast Consumers 18+



Composition of Monthly Podcast Consumers


## Weekly Podcast Listening

22


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## Number of Podcasts Listened to in Last Week


U.S. weekly podcast listeners averaged

Seven podcasts in the last week

## Device Used Most Often to Listen to Podcasts

U.S. ONLINE MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS $12+$


## Number of Years Listening to Podcasts

U.S. ONLINE POPULATION $12+$
$\begin{array}{cc}5 \text { YEARS } & 3 \text { YEARSTO } \\ \text { OR MORE } & \text { < YEARS }\end{array}$
1 YEARTO
$<3$ YEARS
< 3 YEARS
6 MONTHS
TO < 1 YEAR
LESS THAN 6 MONTHS

Ever listened to a podcast



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## Listening to Podcasts Compared to One Year Ago

U.S. ONLINE POPULATION $12+$


## Podcast Consumers Who Ever Listen to Podcasts on...

U.S. ONLINE MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS $12+$
\%ever listen to podcasts on service



## Podcast Listening Locations <br> U.S. ONLINE MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS 12+ <br> \% have ever listened to a podcast in location



## Sources Used at Least "Occasionally" to Discover Podcasts

U.S. ONLINE MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS 12+
\% USING SOURCE "FREQUENTLY" OR "OCCASIONALLY" TO DISCOVER PODCASTS



## Activities Done While Listening to Podcasts

U.S. ONLINE MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS 12+
\% EVER LISTENED TO PODCAStS While DOING ACtivity

## Which Podcast Topics are Consumers Interested in?

U.S. ONLINE MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS $12+$
\% Interested in listening to topic on a podcast

| Topic | \% Interested |
| :---: | :---: |
| Music | $39 \%$ |
| News/Information | $36 \%$ |
| Entertainment/Celebrity/Gossip | $32 \%$ |
| History | $31 \%$ |
| Sports | $31 \%$ |
| Food | $30 \%$ |
| Mystery/Thriller | $28 \%$ |
| Technology | $28 \%$ |
| True Crime | $28 \%$ |
| Wellness/Self-improvement | $27 \%$ |
| Science | $26 \%$ |


| Topic | \% Interested |
| :---: | :---: |
| Games/Hobbies | $23 \%$ |
| Travel | $23 \%$ |
| Fantasy/Sci-fi | $21 \%$ |
| Drama | $19 \%$ |
| Philosophy/Religion | $19 \%$ |
| Business | $18 \%$ |
| Adult Fiction | $16 \%$ |
| Biography/Memoir | $16 \%$ |
| Home/Garden | $16 \%$ |
| Romance | $14 \%$ |
| Children's | $9 \%$ |
| Language | $9 \%$ |
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## Podcasts Downloaded and Listened to Later

"When did you listen to the last podcast you downloaded and listened to at a later time?"


## Percent of Podcasts Downloaded and Listened to

BASE: U.S. ONLINE MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS 12+ AND HAVE EVER DOWNLOADED A PODCAST TO LISTEN LATER
"What percent of all the podcasts you download, out of 100 percent, would you say you typically listen to?"


## Amount of Podcast Episode Typically Listened to

U.S. ONLINE MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS 12+
"Think about the audio podcast episodes you listen to. Do you typically listen to...?"


## Increasing Podcast Playback Speed

U.S. MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS $12+$
\% WHO INCREASE SPEED OF PODCASTS
"Do you ever increase the speed of your podcasts in order to listen to them faster?"


## Reasons for Listening to Podcasts

U.S. ONLINE MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS $12+$
\% AGREEINGTHIS ISAREASON (GAVEA"4"ORA"5"ONA 5-POINT SCALE)


## Reasons Why Podcasts are Enjoyable

U.S. ONLINE MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS 12+
\% SAYING REASON APPLIES
"You enjoy listening to podcasts because...?"


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## What Make Podcast Listeners Listen More?

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U.S. ONLINE MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS 12+
% AGREEING (GAVEA"4"ORA"5"ON A 5-POINT SCALE)
"You would listen to more podcasts if...?"
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```Podcasts were easier to download/access
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        Notifications reminded you to listen
```



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4 0
    Advertisements reminded you to listen
35
```

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Likelihood to Consider Brands Advertised on Podcasts
U.S. ONLINE MONTHLY PODCAST CONSUMERS $12+$
\% giving response
"When you hear advertisements on podcasts, how likely are you to consider the brand advertised?"


## Smart Speaker Awareness

U.S. POPULATION
\% AWARE OF ANY SMART SPEAKER BRAND


## Smart Speaker Ownership

U.S. POPULATION
\% OWN A SMART SPEAKER

## ■ U.S. Population 12+ ■ Monthly Podcast Consumers 12+



# Share of Ear 

Americans' Share of Time Spent Listening to Audio Sources

## Share of Ear

 Survey Methodology:- 4,398 respondents
- National sample 13+
- Online and offine
- Tracked since 2014
- Offered in English and Spanish


On average, Podcast Listeners spend

per day listening to audio

# Share of Ear 

Podcast Listeners' Share of Time Spent Listening to Audio Sources

## Owned Music

YouTube 11\% Spent Listening to Audio Sources


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# Share of Ear 

Americans' 13+ Share of Time Spent
Listening to Podcasts Over Time

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Share of Earº
Podcast Listeners' Share of Time Spent Listening to Audio Sources on a Smartphone
Owned Music
$19 \%$

Streaming Audio
$18 \%$

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