

# Reinvigorating Public Radio＇s Public Service \＆Public Support 

## INTERIM REPDRT 7

## 21st Century TRA」ECTORIES

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## Key Findings

Public radio stations are not flying in perfect formation．

Some are just cruising along．Some are climbing on upward trajectories of pub－ lic service，while others are diving as they lose audience．

Public radio has lost audience momen－ tum because gains made by stations that are still climbing have been ne－ gated by stations that are diving．

Some of the largest stations in public radio have reversed their trajectories from climbing to diving，with huge im－ pact on national audience momentum．

Indeed，stations on downward trajecto－
ries are totally responsible for public radio＇s loss of audience momentum．

Diving，cruising，and climbing are not linked to certain formats or programs． Many news，music，and mixed－format stations are in decline．And some news， music，and mixed stations are in ascent．

Nor is diving a return to normal after the audience influxes attributed to 9／11． In fact，stations on steep downward tra－ jectories are now serving fewer listen－ ers than they did in 1997.

Station trajectories may be influenced by changes in the competition．But ex－ ternal forces don＇t set their flight plans．

The trajectory of any station remains under its pilot＇s control．


Sidebar

## Divers，Cruisers，\＆Climbers

We created three cohorts of stations to ad－ dress the question，＂Why has public radio＇s national audience momentum stalled？＂

The question asks where listening is being lost－or at least not gained．It asks what stations are dragging down public radio＇s rate of growth．

Stations that have lost listening are re－ sponsible for the national loss of audience momentum．We call these stations Divers －their audience trajectories are heading downward，like a squadron of planes in a coordinated dive．

Of course，some stations have gained lis－ tening．We call them Climbers－their au－ dience trajectories are on the rise，like a squadron in ascent．

The remaining stations－Cruisers－are bumping along on currents；sometimes up，
sometimes down，but essentially level in comparison to Divers and Climbers．

It＇s important to remember that AUDIENCE 2010 concerns itself only with each sta－ tion＇s vector of change in recent years－ regardless of where it started．It incorpo－ rates no other performance assessment whatsoever．It is not a report card．

Consider a station that began with a large share．It may have lost audience in recent years yet still have a respectable share．

Similarly，consider a station that started with a small share．Even though its trajec－ tory may be up，its service to listeners may still be less than commendable．

In short，a Diver may still be a high flyer，a Climber may still be close to the ground， and a Cruiser may be coasting at either a high or low level of audience service．


## Three Trajectories

（Change in Listening to Public Radio，Since 1995）
Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database


Listening to Public Radio
（Listener－Hours per Year，in Billions） Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database


## Graph 1

Audience 2010 segments stations into three cohorts based on audience growth and decline since 2002.

It focuses on extended trajectories rather than on dips and bumps．

Divers have lost listening since 2002．Climbers have gained it．Cruisers have lost whatever listening they may have gained since then．

The listening lost by Divers has offset the gains of Climbers．

Graph 2
Climbers，Cruisers，and Divers each generate about a third of all public radio listening today．

Climbers＇gains have masked Divers＇losses for several years．

2005＇s losses among both Divers and Cruisers were too much for Climbers to offset．

The bars to the left are topped－off with listening to stations that are not classified due to insuffi－ cient audience data．


## ■iver，Cruiser，or Climber？

（These stations and their exact repeaters generate two－thirds of all public radio listening）

| KALW－FM | Cruiser | KVOD－FM | Diver | WHRV－FM | Climber |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| KBAQ－FM | Diver | KWMU－FM | Climber | WHYY－FM | Cruiser |
| KBPS－FM | Cruiser | KXJZ－FM | Climber | WITF－FM | Steep Diver |
| KCEP－FM | Diver | KXPR－FM | Cruiser | WJCT－FM | Climber |
| KCFR－AM | Cruiser | WABE－FM | Climber | WJSP－FM | Cruiser |
| KCMP－FM | Steep Climber | WAMC－FM | Diver | WKAR－FM | Cruiser |
| KCRW－FM | Diver | WAMU－FM | Climber | WKSU－FM | Climber |
| KCSM－FM | Cruiser | WBAI－FM | Steep Diver | WLRN－FM | Cruiser |
| KCUR－FM | Climber | WBEZ－FM | Steep Diver | WMEA－FM | Cruiser |
| KERA－FM | Cruiser | WBGO－FM | Steep Diver | WMFE－FM | Diver |
| KEXP－FM | Climber | WBHM－FM | Steep Diver | WMHT－FM | Climber |
| KHPR－FM | Cruiser | WBJC－FM | Cruiser | WMNF－FM | Cruiser |
| KJZZ－FM | Climber | WBUR－FM | Diver | WNCW－FM | Climber |
| KKJZ－FM | Diver | WCBE－FM | Steep Diver | WNPR－FM | Diver |
| KNCT－FM | Diver | WCPN－FM | Cruiser | WNYC－AM | Diver |
| KNOW－FM | Climber | WCVE－FM | Climber | WNYC－FM | Steep Climber |
| KOPB－FM | Steep Climber | WDAV－FM | Climber | WOSU－FM | Diver |
| KPBS－FM | Cruiser | WDCB－FM | Cruiser | WPFW－FM | Steep Diver |
| KPCC－FM | Climber | WDET－FM | Steep Diver | WPLN－FM | Diver |
| KPFA－FM | Cruiser | WDUQ－FM | Cruiser | WQCS－FM | Climber |
| KPFK－FM | Diver | WEPR－FM | Climber | WQED－FM | Cruiser |
| KPFT－FM | Climber | WERN－FM | Cruiser | WRTI－FM | Diver |
| KPLU－FM | Diver | WETA－FM | Steep Diver | WRVO－FM | Climber |
| KQED－FM | Cruiser | WEVO－FM | Climber | WSHU－FM | Climber |
| KSJN－FM | Cruiser | WFAE－FM | Cruiser | WUNC－FM | Diver |
| KSTX－FM | Climber | WFCR－FM | Climber | WUOM－FM | Climber |
| KTSU－FM | Cruiser | WFDD－FM | Diver | WUSF－FM | Cruiser |
| KUER－FM | Cruiser | WFPL－FM | Diver | WUWM－FM | Diver |
| KUHF－FM | Climber | WFUV－FM | Steep Diver | WVPR－FM | Diver |
| KUNC－FM | Cruiser | WFYI－FM | Cruiser | WVTF－FM | Cruiser |
| KUNM－FM | Climber | WGBH－FM | Diver | WVXU－FM | Climber |
| KUOW－FM | Cruiser | WGCU－FM | Cruiser | WWFM－FM | Cruiser |
| KUSC－FM | Diver | WGUC－FM | Diver | WXEL－FM | Cruiser |
| KUT－FM | Climber | WHA－AM | Climber | WXPN－FM | Cruiser |
| KUVO－FM | Cruiser | WHRO－FM | Cruiser | WYPR－FM | Climber |



## Setting Course

Where are public radio＇s pilots taking its stations？

The table on the previous page shows the trajectories of stations that，with their exact repeaters，comprise over two－thirds of all listening to public radio．

What vector is your station on？The odds
are seven in ten it＇s not a Climber．

The graphs that follow（pages 8－13） track the progress of Divers，Cruisers， and Climbers over the last decade．

But the story they tell isn＇t about na－ tional aggregates or someone else＇s problems．It＇s about setting one＇s own course，accepting responsibility，and taking corrective action．

Sidebar

## Trajectories \＆Programming Emphasis

We regressed listener－hours over time to determine the direction of flight over two time periods－Spring 2002 through Fall 2005 （extended vector）and Spring 2004 through Fall 2005 （recent vector）．

If both vectors were negative and listening in calendar 2005 was less than in 2002， we assigned the station to the Diver cohort． If both vectors were positive and listening in calendar 2005 was greater than in 2002，we assigned the station to the Climber cohort．All other stations are Cruisers．

We also created a simple description of programming emphasis with which to ex－ plore audience dynamics．

Music stations generate at least 75 per－ cent of their listening with music program－ ming．N－I－E stations generate at least 75 percent of their listening with news，infor－ mation，and entertainment shows．Mixed－ Format stations remain．

We tracked listening by source of pro－ gramming（local or network）and broad format（music or N－I－E）．Refer to the previ－ ous report for more about local music，net－ work music，network N－I－E，and local N－IE．

Listening to virtually all public stations is characterized and included in this report＇s graphs．In its tables（pages 6，18，and 20－ 22）only stations generating two－thirds of the national audience are shown．


## Graph 3

Divers are at the root of public radio＇s historic loss of audience momentum． Their loyalty never hit the highs reached by other cohorts，and it has been in decline for several years（as have cumes，not shown）．

The line shows the loyalty to Divers（scaled on the left axis）．The bars show listening to Diver stations （front）and other stations （back）by Divers＇weekly cume（scaled on the right axis，in billions of listener－ hours per year）．

## Graph 4

Many Mixed－Format Divers are displacing local music with programming that yields a net loss in lis－ tening．Others are sim－ ply losing their music listeners．

Whatever the problems may be，they are affecting listening to everything．

Loyalty \＆Listening to Divers
Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database


Listening to Mixed－Format Divers
（Listener－Hours per Year，in Billions） Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database



Listening to N－I－E Divers
（Listener－Hours per Year，in Billions）
Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database


Listening to Music Divers
（Listener－Hours per Year，in Billions）
Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database


## Graph 5

N－I－E Divers have been jettisoning the remnants of local music for years．

The large audience up－ drafts of 2001 and 2002 held them aloft through 2004 but disappeared last year．

Whatever the challenges may be，they are affecting listening to everything．

## Graph 6

Music Divers were climb－ ing nicely through 2002. Then the wind left their sails．Network music has taken up some but not all of the slack．

As with the other two types of Divers，recent audience loss is evident across all types of pro－ gramming．


## Graph 7

Listening to Cruisers was actually increasing until last year；they were shal－ low Climbers in a way． But as Graphs 8－10 show， audience dynamics vary significantly by Cruiser type．

The line shows the loyalty to Cruisers（scaled on the left axis）．The bars show listening to Cruiser sta－ tions（front）and other stations（back）by Cruis－ ers＇weekly cume（scaled on the right axis，in bil－ lions of listener－hours per year）．

## Graph 8

Network news，informa－ tion，and entertainment propelled audience growth among Mixed－Format Cruisers between 2000 and 2004.

Trajectories changed in 2005 and separated these stations from the Mixed－Format Climbers．

Loyalty \＆Listening to Cruisers
Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database


Listening to Mixed－Format Cruisers
（Listener－Hours per Year，in Billions） Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database



Listening to N－I－E Cruisers
（Listener－Hours per Year，in Billions） Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database


Listening to Music Cruisers
（Listener－Hours per Year，in Billions）
Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database


## Graph 9

Declines in network news， information，and enter－ tainment listening turned these Climbers into Cruis－ ers in 2005．Listening to their local N－I－E has been flat or in decline since 2003.

Graph 10

Music Cruisers are the only Cruisers that were not until recently Climbers．

The last few years have seen a slight shift away from local toward network music．But local music is still the soundtrack for Music Cruisers．


Graph 11

Climbers comprise the only cohort of stations to increase its loyalty and its listening in 2005.

The line shows the loyalty to Climbers（scaled on the left axis）．The bars show listening to Climber sta－ tions（front）and other sta－ tions（back）by Climbers＇ weekly cume（scaled on the right axis，in billions of listener－hours per year）．

Graph 12

Network N－I－E has been the engine driving the ascent of Mixed－Format Climbers，as it has been among the other Mixed－ Format cohorts．

Climbers，however，were markedly able to maintain and raise listening across all formats in 2005 － unlike any other cohort．

Loyalty \＆Listening to Climbers
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Listening to Mixed－Format Climbers
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Listening to N－I－E Climbers
（Listener－Hours per Year，in Billions）
Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database


Listening to Music Climbers
（Listener－Hours per Year，in Billions）
Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database


Graph 13

While dumping the last remnants of music，N－I－E Climbers have been build－ ing audiences consistently to both network and local programming for a decade．

## Graph 14

Music Climbers are the most local of the cohorts． They resumed their up－ ward trajectory after a bit of a stall in 2004.

Graphs 15 \& 16

Divers are Divers because they haven't maintained loyalty in the $21^{\text {st }}$ century.

Climbers are Climbers because they have.

Declining loyalty puts a station into a downward spin. By definition, it means the station is not as capable of serving its own cume as it once was.

People listen less often. Indeed, infrequent listeners may tune in less than once per week and thereby leave the weekly cume.

Loyalty to Divers
Public Radio's Arbitron Diary Database


## Loyalty to Climbers

Public Radio's Arbitron Diary Database



Sidebar

## The 9／11 Myth

This myth goes like this．Audiences spiked in 2001 and 2002 as Americans turned to public radio to make sense of $9 / 11$ ．As memories of 9／11 fade，listening levels and growth rates return to normal，thereby ex－ plaining the loss of momentum．

The solid lines in Graph 17 track listening to Divers．Steep Divers have lost the most lis－ tening．Their audience spike is certainly evi－ dent in 2001 and 2002．But as one－third of all Steep Divers are music stations，this spike can＇t all be due to 9／11．
＂Normal＂listening levels are established by rates of growth through 2000 and indicated
by the dotted lines．Steep Divers have not returned to normal．They have plunged right through their previous trajectory，and have descended to levels not seen since 1996.

Other Divers did not experience the listening impact attributed to $9 / 11$ ．They did not have the benefit of the spike－whatever its cause．And subsequently，they too have plunged to $20^{\text {th }}$ century listening levels．

9／11 may have contributed to a rapid rise in listening at some stations，but it alone does not account for its rapid fall．

Myth busted．


Change in Listening to Divers Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database


Sidebar

## A Millimeter of Loyalty Equals a Ton of Service and a Bucket of Support

Loyalty is highly leveraged；a little bit trans－ lates into a whole lot of listening and money．

Although it can be any number between zero and 100，loyalty to most public stations ranges between 25 and 45．A one－point move in this narrow band，up or down，trans－ lates into a lot of listening．

Between 1995 and 2002，only a point or two of loyalty separated Divers and Climbers． Yet as Graph 1 shows，Climbers were growing much faster during this time．That＇s the dif－ ference a point or two of loyalty makes．

Loyalty to Climbers and Divers diverged after 2002．This divergence is in fact what sets them apart．Had all Divers maintained their loyalty，they＇d have generated an additional 1，400，000，000 listener－hours of service across the years 2002 through 2005.

An industry－average net of 2.5 cents per lis－ tener－hour from listener－sensitive support translates into $\$ 35$ million in lost revenue． Again，that＇s net，after expenses．

The next two pages detail what could have been and what still might be for Divers．

## Loyalty to Climbers \＆Divers

Loyalty differences be－ tween Divers and Climbers seem small．However， had Divers simply main－ tained their loyalty rather than allowed it to de－ cline，they＇d be generat－ ing at least 10 percent more listening today，and we wouldn＇t be writing about public radio＇s his－ toric loss of audience momentum and pending loss of revenue．

Public Radio＇s Arbitron Diary Database



Sidebar

## What Might Have Been <br> And What Might Be

The table on the following page looks backward at the costs suffered by Divers， and looks forward to the benefits of pulling out of their dives．

The left part of the table shows the cost of diving in public service terms（annual listener－hours）and financial terms（net listener－sensitive revenues）．

Between 2002 and 2005，listening to the 34 stations on the table（and their exact repeaters）declined one－quarter of a billion annual listener－hours．In 2005 alone，they earned $\$ 5.5$ million less in net listener－ sensitive revenue than they would have had they maintained their listening at 2002 levels．

Looking forward，AudiGraphics＇metric of opportunity estimates the public service and financial returns to be reaped from pulling out of the dives．

Opportunity is the increase in listening that would result if a station were to raise the loyalty of all programming to the loyalty of its programming that is now above average．

The right part of the table shows this oppor－ tunity in public service terms（annual lis－ tener－hours）and in financial terms（net lis－ tener－sensitive revenues）．

Were the 34 stations on this table to claim the opportunity that awaits them，they＇d re－ gain 200 million of the 250 million annual
listener－hours lost since 2002．This trans－ lates into $\$ 4.5$ million in additional net revenue by year＇s end via individual giving and fundraising．

No，it doesn＇t return them to 2002＇s levels of service．Not in the first year．But it cer－ tainly sets their compasses in the right di－ rection．

Keep in mind that these numbers are esti－ mates；each station＇s net returns per lis－ tener－hour will vary from the national aver－ age of $2.5 \$$ ．But they are not wildly off，and they give us a good idea of the impact of diving in both service and cents．

We calculated the public service lost by sub－ tracting each station＇s listening in calendar 2005 from its listening in calendar 2002.

To estimate lost revenues，we multiplied this lost listening by $2.5 \phi$－the industry＇s average net revenue per listener－hour in fiscal 2004 for listener－sensitive sources （individual giving and underwriting）．

We estimated listener－hours to be gained in 2006 by applying AudiGraphics＇Fall 2005 opportunity estimates to calendar year 2005 listening．

We multiplied this added listening by $2.5 \phi$ to estimate each station＇s expected increase in net revenues．


## Service \＆Cents，Lost \＆Found， Among Public Radio＇s Largest Divers

|  | Looking Backward： Lost in 2005 （Compared to 2002） |  | Looking Forward： Opportunity in 2006 （Compared to 2005） |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Station | Annual Listener－Hours （millions） | Net Listener－Sensitive Revenues | Annual Listener－Hours （millions） | Net Listener－Sensitive Revenues |
| KBAQ－FM | －5．1 | －\＄115，000 | 3.3 | \＄75，000 |
| KCEP－FM | －11．2 | －\＄252，000 | 6.2 | \＄140，000 |
| KCRW－FM | －5．1 | －\＄115，000 | 6.9 | \＄154，000 |
| KKJZ－FM | －8．4 | －\＄189，000 | 8.5 | \＄191，000 |
| KNCT－FM | －0．1 | －\＄1，000 | 1.7 | \＄39，000 |
| KPFK－FM | －3．3 | －\＄74，000 | 5.4 | \＄123，000 |
| KPLU－FM | －7．1 | －\＄159，000 | 10.4 | \＄235，000 |
| KUSC－FM | －8．3 | －\＄186，000 | 8.1 | \＄182，000 |
| KVOD－FM | －8．8 | －\＄197，000 | 3.7 | \＄83，000 |
| WAMC－FM | －0．2 | －\＄5，000 | 4.8 | \＄108，000 |
| WBAI－FM | －24．3 | －\＄546，000 | 4.4 | \＄99，000 |
| WBEZ－FM | －14．3 | －\＄321，000 | 11.6 | \＄261，000 |
| WBGO－FM | －12．3 | －\＄277，000 | 14.7 | \＄331，000 |
| WBHM－FM | －8．9 | －\＄201，000 | 2.1 | \＄47，000 |
| WBUR－FM | －10．4 | －\＄234，000 | 7.9 | \＄178，000 |
| WCBE－FM | －7．1 | －\＄159，000 | 3.2 | \＄72，000 |
| WDET－FM | －9．4 | －\＄211，000 | 6.1 | \＄138，000 |
| WETA－FM | －15．5 | －\＄349，000 | 8.8 | \＄198，000 |
| WFDD－FM | －1．7 | －\＄39，000 | 3.0 | \＄68，000 |
| WFPL－FM | －2．8 | －\＄62，000 | 1.9 | \＄44，000 |
| WFUV－FM | －8．3 | －\＄187，000 | 7.3 | \＄165，000 |
| WGBH－FM | －2．6 | －\＄57，000 | 7.7 | \＄173，000 |
| WGUC－FM | －8．5 | －\＄191，000 | 1.6 | \＄37，000 |
| WITF－FM | －8．9 | －\＄200，000 | 2.7 | \＄62，000 |
| WMFE－FM | －3．6 | －\＄80，000 | 5.1 | \＄114，000 |
| WNPR－FM | －2．4 | －\＄55，000 | 4.7 | \＄106，000 |
| WNYC－AM | －15．2 | －\＄341，000 | 10.8 | \＄244，000 |
| WOSU－FM | －3．1 | －\＄70，000 | 1.9 | \＄42，000 |
| WPFW－FM | －6．3 | －\＄142，000 | 14.2 | \＄321，000 |
| WPLN－FM | －3．4 | －\＄77，000 | 3.6 | \＄81，000 |
| WRTI－FM | －16．7 | －\＄377，000 | 6.0 | \＄136，000 |
| WUNC－FM | －0．7 | －\＄15，000 | 5.4 | \＄121，000 |
| WUWM－FM | －1．2 | －\＄26，000 | 3.6 | \＄81，000 |
| WVPR－FM | －3．3 | －\＄74， 000 | 4.1 | \＄92，000 |
| TOTALS | －248．1 | －\＄5，584，000 | 201.8 | \＄4，541，000 |



## Situational Awareness

We don＇t know what actually caused the loss of listening and loyalty among Divers．But we do know it is not associ－ ated with a single type of programming．

Graphs 3 through 14 clearly show net－ work N－I－E，local N－I－E，local music，and network music diving among Divers． They show the same range of pro－ gramming climbing among Climbers．

If the type and source of programming isn＇t to blame，then execution must be．

Are all program elements working to－ gether for a consistent audience？

Are all program elements as powerful as possible at all times for that audience？

In short，is the station providing radio that＇s good enough to hold its listeners？

The tables on the next three pages show the programming emphases and listener loyalty to individual stations．

Pilots should maintain situational aware－ ness at all times．


## Divers

## Programming Emphasis and Loyalty as of Calendar Year 2005

（Stations at the top are among the top－third in public radio） （Stations at the bottom are among the middle－third in public radio） （Stations in bold are Steep Divers）

|  | Programming Emphasis |  |  |  |  | Loyalty |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Type of Emphasis | Network N－I－E | Local N－I－E | Local Music | Network Music | Network N－I－E | Local N－I－E | Local Music | Network Music |
| KCRW－FM | Mixed | 63\％ | 4\％ | 33\％ | ＊ | 31 | 29 | 28 | ＊ |
| KPLU－FM | Mixed | 53\％ |  | 45\％ | 2\％ | 37 |  | 29 | 28 |
| KUSC－FM | Music |  |  | 17\％ | 83\％ |  |  | 29 | 25 |
| WBEZ－FM | N－I－E | 81\％ | 11\％ | 7\％ | 1\％ | 36 | 28 | 20 | 27 |
| WBGO－FM | Music | 2\％ | ＊ | 93\％ | 5\％ | 24 | ＊ | 22 | 22 |
| WBUR－FM | N－I－E | 99\％ | ＊ | ＊ |  | 39 | ＊ | ＊ |  |
| WETA－FM | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{E}$ | 79\％ |  | 17\％ | 5\％ | 25 |  | 21 | 20 |
| WNYC－AM | N－I－E | 75\％ | 24\％ | 1\％ |  | 26 | 31 | 29 |  |
| WRTI－FM | Music | ＊ | ＊ | 92\％ | 8\％ | ＊ | ＊ | 32 | 32 |
| KBAQ－FM | Music | 1\％ |  | 82\％ | 17\％ | 42 |  | 38 | 40 |
| KCEP－FM | Music | 5\％ | 4\％ | 90\％ |  | 26 | 22 | 26 |  |
| KKJZ－FM | Music |  |  | 95\％ | 5\％ |  |  | 24 | 35 |
| KNCT－FM | Music | 2\％ |  | 93\％ | 5\％ | 48 |  | 49 | 46 |
| KPFK－FM | N－I－E | 20\％ | 56\％ | 24\％ |  | 39 | 23 | 20 |  |
| KVOD－FM | Music |  |  | 2\％ | 98\％ |  |  | 37 | 32 |
| WAMC－FM | N－I－E | 62\％ | 31\％ | $3 \%$ | 4\％ | 39 | 33 | 26 | 33 |
| WBAI－FM | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{E}$ | 21\％ | 63\％ | 16\％ |  | 28 | 16 | 15 |  |
| WBHM－FM | Mixed | 64\％ | ＊ | 1\％ | 35\％ | 42 | ＊ | 36 | 31 |
| WCBE－FM | Mixed | 70\％ |  | 24\％ | 7\％ | 36 |  | 19 | 30 |
| WDET－FM | Mixed | 37\％ |  | 63\％ | 1\％ | 33 |  | 31 | 27 |
| WFDD－FM | N－I－E | 75\％ | 2\％ | 8\％ | 15\％ | 40 | 27 | 31 | 33 |
| WFPL－FM | N－I－E | 93\％ | 7\％ |  |  | 41 | 32 |  |  |
| WFUV－FM | Music | 4\％ | 2\％ | 90\％ | 3\％ | 21 | 14 | 23 | 13 |
| WGBH－FM | Mixed | 45\％ |  | 50\％ | 5\％ | 29 |  | 22 | 22 |
| WGUC－FM | Music | 17\％ |  | 60\％ | 24\％ | 39 |  | 31 | 37 |
| WITF－FM | Mixed | 57\％ |  | 32\％ | 11\％ | 40 |  | 29 | 35 |
| WMFE－FM | Mixed | 57\％ | 1\％ | 24\％ | 18\％ | 42 | 30 | 34 | 34 |
| WNPR－FM | Mixed | 56\％ | 6\％ | 22\％ | 15\％ | 36 | 31 | 25 | 32 |
| WOSU－FM | Music |  | ＊ | 38\％ | 62\％ |  | ＊ | 31 | 38 |
| WPFW－FM | Mixed | 14\％ | 14\％ | 71\％ |  | 21 | 14 | 20 |  |
| WPLN－FM | Mixed | 65\％ |  | 24\％ | 10\％ | 45 |  | 28 | 39 |
| WUNC－FM | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{E}$ | 97\％ |  | 2\％ | ＊ | 40 |  | 28 | ＊ |
| WUWM－FM | N－I－E | 89\％ | 6\％ | 3\％ | 3\％ | 37 | 30 | 24 | 24 |
| WVPR－FM | Mixed | 62\％ | 1\％ | 23\％ | 14\％ | 48 | 43 | 32 | 35 |



## Cruisers

Programming Emphasis and Loyalty as of Calendar Year 2005
（Stations at the top are among the top－third in public radio） （Stations at the bottom are among the middle－third in public radio）

|  | Programming Emphasis |  |  |  |  | Loyalty |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Station | Type of Emphasis | Network N－I－E | Local N－I－E | Local Music | Network Music | Network N－I－E | Local N－I－E | Local Music | Network Music |
| KERA－FM | N－I－E | 89\％ | 9\％ | 1\％ |  | 36 | 32 | 26 |  |
| KQED－FM | N－I－E | 88\％ | 12\％ |  |  | 38 | 34 |  |  |
| KSJN－FM | Music | 7\％ |  | 34\％ | 59\％ | 34 |  | 33 | 36 |
| KUOW－FM | N－I－E | 84\％ | 15\％ | 2\％ | ＊ | 40 | 30 | 37 | ＊ |
| WHYY－FM | N－I－E | 90\％ | 9\％ | ＊ | 1\％ | 36 | 33 | ＊ | 29 |
| WLRN－FM | N－I－E | 90\％ | $3 \%$ | 6\％ |  | 39 | 24 | 22 |  |
| WUSF－FM | Mixed | 47\％ |  | 47\％ | 6\％ | 50 |  | 36 | 44 |
| WXPN－FM | Music | 2\％ | 4\％ | 63\％ | 30\％ | 34 | 30 | 34 | 36 |
| KALW－FM | N－I－E | 0.8 | 10\％ | 6\％ | 3\％ | 23 | 19 | 18 | 16 |
| KBPS－FM | Music |  | 1\％ | 69\％ | 31\％ |  | 39 | 34 | 42 |
| KCFR－AM | N－I－E | 93\％ | 6\％ |  | 1\％ | 35 | 25 |  | 13 |
| KCSM－FM | Music |  |  | 91\％ | 9\％ |  |  | 31 | 35 |
| KHPR－FM | Mixed | 44\％ | ＊ | 28\％ | 27\％ | 54 | ＊ | 38 | 36 |
| KPBS－FM | N－I－E | 81\％ | 8\％ | ＊ | 11\％ | 41 | 32 | ＊ | 34 |
| KPFA－FM | Mixed | 22\％ | 46\％ | 32\％ |  | 33 | 26 | 21 |  |
| KTSU－FM | Music | 5\％ | 3\％ | 91\％ | 1\％ | 16 | 14 | 19 | 8 |
| KUER－FM | N－I－E | 86\％ | 6\％ | 5\％ | 2\％ | 40 | 32 | 28 | 25 |
| KUNC－FM | Mixed | 72\％ |  | 20\％ | 8\％ | 43 |  | 23 | 32 |
| KUVO－FM | Music | 1\％ | 1\％ | 91\％ | 8\％ | 40 | 38 | 28 | 37 |
| KXPR－FM | Music | 2\％ |  | 77\％ | 21\％ | 46 |  | 38 | 40 |
| WBJC－FM | Music | 1\％ |  | 92\％ | 6\％ | 33 |  | 31 | 26 |
| WCPN－FM | N－I－E | 84\％ | 11\％ | 4\％ | 1\％ | 41 | 31 | 23 | 24 |
| WDCB－FM | Music | 4\％ | 2\％ | 91\％ | 3\％ | 12 | 8 | 23 | 16 |
| WDUQ－FM | Mixed | 61\％ | 1\％ | 34\％ | 4\％ | 37 | 19 | 28 | 28 |
| WERN－FM | Mixed | 43\％ |  | 51\％ | 7\％ | 40 |  | 33 | 27 |
| WFAE－FM | N－I－E | 91\％ | 7\％ | 2\％ | ＊ | 38 | 34 | 36 | ＊ |
| WFYI－FM | N－I－E | 93\％ | 1\％ | 4\％ | 2\％ | 39 | 33 | 26 | 25 |
| WGCU－FM | Mixed | 51\％ | 4\％ |  | 45\％ | 46 | 32 |  | 38 |
| WHRO－FM | Music | 1\％ |  | 86\％ | 13\％ | 43 |  | 42 | 49 |
| WJSP－FM | Mixed | 64\％ | 1\％ | 17\％ | 18\％ | 37 | 39 | 27 | 31 |
| WKAR－FM | Mixed | 36\％ |  | 39\％ | 25\％ | 33 |  | 35 | 37 |
| WMEA－FM | Mixed | 68\％ | 7\％ | 17\％ | 8\％ | 50 | 45 | 33 | 34 |
| WMNF－FM | Mixed | 18\％ | 20\％ | 62\％ |  | 36 | 30 | 25 |  |
| WQED－FM | Music | 3\％ | 1\％ | 77\％ | 20\％ | 55 | 30 | 32 | 35 |
| WVTF－FM | Mixed | 55\％ | $2 \%$ | 39\％ | 4\％ | 46 | 33 | 34 | 43 |
| WWFM－FM | Music | ＊ | 1\％ | 65\％ | 34\％ | ＊ | 29 | 32 | 33 |
| WXEL－FM | Mixed | 53\％ | 4\％ | 11\％ | 32\％ | 37 | 30 | 32 | 34 |



## Climbers

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|  |  |  | Programming Emphasis |  |  | Loyalty |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Type of | Network | Local | Local | Network | Network | Local | Local | Network |
| Station | Emphasis | N－I－E | N－I－E | Music | Music | N－I－E | N－I－E | Music | Music |



## Reinvigorating Public Radio

Audience 2010 set forth to identify what is causing public radio＇s loss of audi－ ence momentum．

What it found is that our listeners are still listening to radio and increasingly not listening to us．

Although the softening of loyalty is widespread，the loss of listening is concentrated among Divers．

The trajectories of Divers can be re－ versed by resetting their compasses on their listeners and updating their flight plans accordingly．

In non－metaphoric terms：Divers need to strengthen their own listeners＇loyalty．

Indeed，strengthening loyalty is a worthy goal for all stations to adopt．Not only will it improve their public service，it will also help them compete against other stations and non－broadcast technologies．

Both macro－formatic and micro－formatic tactics can bolster listener loyalty．They are as plentiful as they are powerful．

Macro－Formatic tactics replace low loy－ alty，high opportunity shows with pro－ gramming offering a more powerful （loyalty）and appropriate（affinity）ser－ vice to the cume．
－Loyalty graphics guide decision－ makers to the programming in great－ est need of replacement．
－Opportunity graphics guide decision－ makers to the programming which，if effectively replaced，will yield the high－ est returns in both service and cents．
－Strategic Impact analyses help man－ agers and PDs plan for listeners＇re－ actions to programming change．

Micro－Formatic tactics pay relentless attention to music selection and stop sets，story selection and presentation， the quality and quantity of interstitial elements．．．．The list of tactics is con－ siderable，and all make better radio．

Some stations have already begun．We are already seeing signs of leveling and renewed climbing among some of the more astute Divers．Others seem to be diving yet．

