Puerto Rico Radio Today
How Puerto Rico Listens to Radio
2003 Edition
Radio in Puerto Rico

Puerto Rico Radio Today is Arbitron’s up-to-date look at how people use radio in Puerto Rico.

This study examines radio listening for the survey of Winter 2003.

It is an effort to expand the knowledge on Puerto Rican listeners and bring new sources of information to enhance the activity of radio in and out of the island.

Some Facts About Puerto Rico

Puerto Rico is a U.S. commonwealth.

Puerto Ricans have U.S. citizenship, currency and defense. Nevertheless, residents of Puerto Rico don’t pay federal income tax and they can’t vote in presidential elections. They do elect their own governor and have their own legislature.

Puerto Ricans consider themselves American and accept the free association with the U.S., but at the same time are extremely proud of their island and their culture.

Actually, Spanish and English are the official languages. About one-quarter of the population speak English and three-quarters speak Spanish. English is required in all federal matters.

Arbitron has ranked Puerto Rico as the 13th most populous market in the U.S.

The ranking has been based on the population of 12 years and older, which in Puerto Rico is 3,303,500.

When analyzing the island, there are several regions—San Juan, West, South, East, North and Northeast—that have important population centers with their own characteristics, such as Mayagüez, Ponce, Humacao, Fajardo, San Juan.

The mountainous island of Puerto Rico lies 1,000 miles southeast of Miami. The total area of the island is 3,515 square miles. It can be compared to Connecticut. It is a little smaller, but with almost a half million more people (3,808,610 vs. 3,405,565).

Puerto Rico would be the 27th largest in population if it were the 51st state in the U.S.
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Radio Reaches All Ages

Ninety-five percent (of all persons 12+) listen to radio each week.

Nearly all persons 12+ spend about 25 hours a week listening to radio.

Working Women

Working women spend more time listening to radio than nonworking women.

Overnight listening increases along with age.

Source: Puerto Rico Radio Market Report, Winter 2003, Mon-Sun, Mid-6AM.
More than half of the radio audience can be reached at home on the weekends.

Monday through Friday midday, about two-thirds listen in places other than home.

During drive time almost two-thirds can be reached in their cars.

Radio Is Strong on Weekends

Between 75 and 80% of all men and women can be reached at home on the weekends.

Listening behavior changes hour by hour, and it has different trends during the week than on weekend days.

At Home vs. Away-from-Home

Listening has a different trend at home than away from home.

AM/FM Listening

AM’s listening clearly increases as the audience matures. FM’s listening tends to decrease as the audience matures.

AM/FM Share of Listening by Region

AM/FM share of listening varies among the different regions.

The region with the biggest FM share is the East. The region with the biggest AM share is the San Juan Metro.

AM/FM Comparison Among Similar Arbitron-Ranked Markets

Overall, Puerto Rico spends more time listening to radio than Atlanta and Seattle-Tacoma.

Source: Puerto Rico, Atlanta and Seattle-Tacoma Radio Market Reports, Winter 2003, P12+, Mon-Sun, 6AM-Mid.
Format
Listening in Puerto Rico

Spanish Tropical is the most popular format on the island, followed by Adult Contemporary.

Source: Puerto Rico Radio Market Report, Winter 2003, P12+, Mon-Sun, 5AM-6AM.
Format Listening by Region

Radio formats perform differently in different regions.
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Males and females favor formats differently.

Format by Time Spent Listening

Time Spent Listening changes with each format and each demographic.

- **8:30**: Adult Contemporary
- **8:30**: Contemporary Hit Radio
- **8:30**: Easy Listening/Album Rock
- **6:00**: Educational/Other
- **6:15**: Jazz/Classical
- **15:00**: News/Talk/Information
- **7:15**: Oldies
- **11:30**: Religious
- **12:30**: Southern Gospel/Contemporary Christian
- **8:00**: Spanish Contemporary
- **8:00**: Spanish Tropical/Regional
- **8:30**: Spanish Variety
