DAB system features

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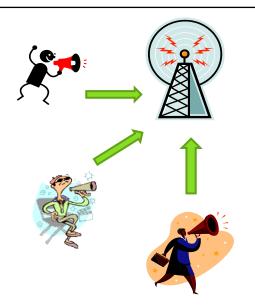


DAB+ Features



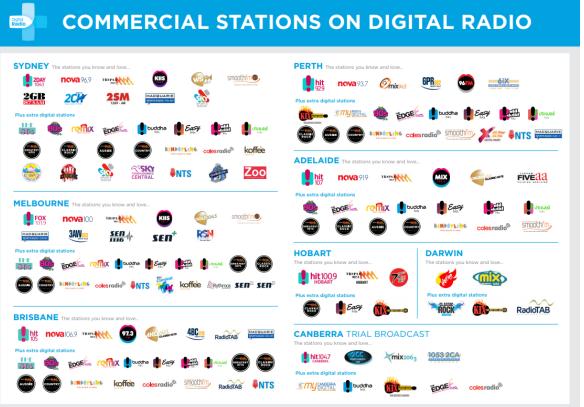
DAB+ feature overview

- DAB is a digital data delivery system which is optimised to provide multiple high quality audio and data services on a single transmission system
- Multiple audio services typically 18 to 24 DAB+ audio services
 - Audio bit rate can be adjusted to provide appropriate quality for the broadcast material
- Programme Associated Data (PAD) This supports the audio being delivered in the forms of:
 - Text
 - SlideShow images
- Advanced features e.g. Announcements and Emergency Warnings
- Data services e.g. TPEG traffic services, Journaline





Audio – room for lots of services





For broadcasters: opportunity to extend brand portfolios

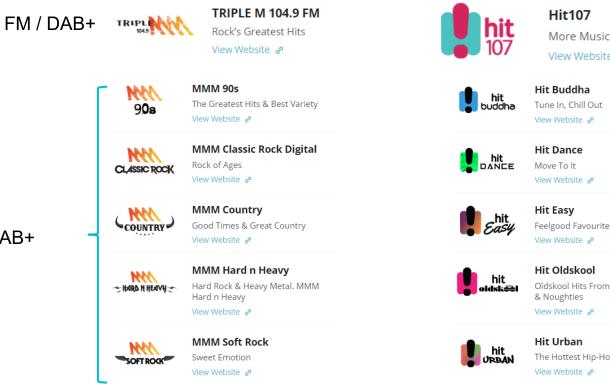


Analogue and digital

Digital-only services



Brand extension to associated music genres





View Website @

Feelgood Favourites

Oldskool Hits From The 80's, 90's,

The Hottest Hip-Hop & RnB



DAB+

DAB+ offers flexibility – pop-up stations

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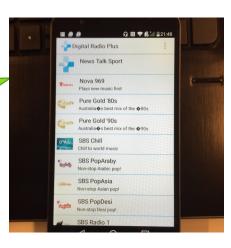
Choose the station from a list

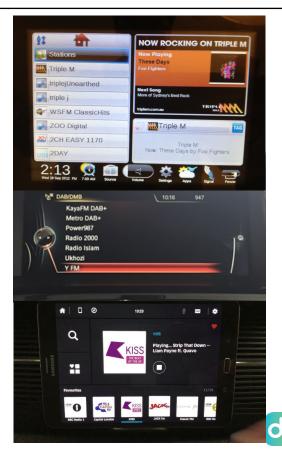
No more need to remember the station's frequency!!!

Services are listed alphanumerically

Increasing use of logos for brand recognition

Easy to choose a station, listener has more information about the services available





Programme Associated Data (PAD)

Dynamic Label Segment (DLS) - Text

Straight forward, effective

Up to 128 characters per text segment

All DAB+ receivers have DLS text display

Good receivers block text display or have an appropriate scrolling speed







Programme Associated Data (PAD)

SlideShow (SLS) - Images

Further strengthens the audio message

Music information – Album art, Title & Artist

Standalone advertising during song items

Promotion of station activities

Traffic and weather reports

Sports results and stock market information

Local news, happenings, community events





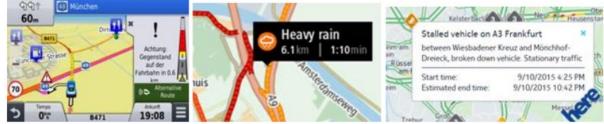
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Data services

Traffic e.g. TPEG can provide up to the moment information on

- current traffic flow and congestion
- fuel locations and prices
- parking





Journaline

• Hierarchical categorised data service



Custom Applications can be developed



Advanced features

Service and Programme Information (SPI)

- Station/service logos
- Website links
- Programme schedules

Announcements and EWS

- Traffic information / channel
- Emergency warnings
- News, weather, travel information

Service Following

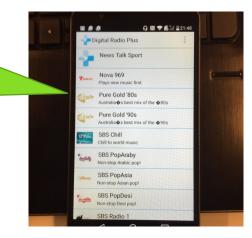
- Links services in different areas on different ensembles
- Provides continuity of service for services across multiple service areas



Logos delivered as SI

provide immediate

visual brand



In-car listening can continue on the same service in different transmission and licence areas



Receivers are now mass market



- Over 80 million receivers sold
- Prices from \$15 USD



DAB+ Digital Radio

\$24.00 Rechargeable DAB+ Digital Radio - Black \$39.00





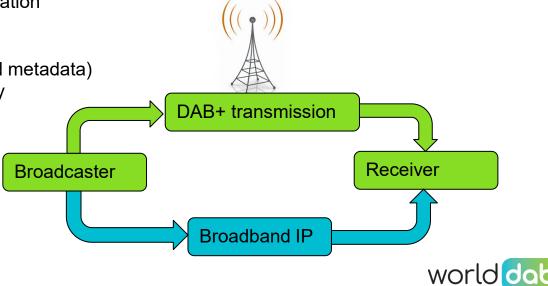
Most automotive brands now support DAB+





DAB+ Hybrid radio

- Hybrid radio is the next step in the evolution of radio providing IP service capabilities with the cost effective delivery of audio content by digital broadcast
- Adds a range of new features to the existing extensive broadcast feature range
 - Logos and programme information
 - Interactivity
 - Metrics and analytics
 - Alternative content (audio and metadata)
 - High quality and rapid delivery
 - IP service following



Hybrid makes broadcast better

Broadcast Radio DAB/FM

- > Free reception
- > Additonal basic information
 - > Station name
 - > Radiotext
 - > EPG
 - > SlideShow
 - > Station logo



Online connection

- > Seamless Experience
 - > Broadcast Online Service Linking
 - > Podcast access
 - > Connection Radio + Smartphone
- > HQ content for logos and slides
- Tagging
- Enabler for new radio functions



DAB+ Hybrid Radio

Mobile broadband connectivity provides the IP connectivity either via a smartphone or a mobile receiver integrated into the vehicle



Summary

DAB digital radio provides a wide range of advantages over traditional analogue radio:

- More spectrally efficient to allow significantly more services to be provided in an area
- Very high audio quality, broadcasters can optimise quality vs bit rate
- PAD for added information
- Advanced features
- Data services
- Hybrid capabilities can be added to provide further features and interactivity
- Receivers are widely available for domestic and automotive cases



Thank you

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