

Music & the Internet

MUMT 301

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Plan

- Internet Radio
 - Guest: Gabriel Vigliensoni (2pm)
- Playlists
- Music Discovery
- Javascript: Loops & Functions

Internet Radio

- Media streaming
- Different from downloading or podcasting
- Media used: mp3, ogg vorbis, Windows Media Audio, etc.
- First webcast in 1994
- Early streaming software: RealAudio, Nullsoft (Shoutcast), and Microsoft

Internet Radio Stations

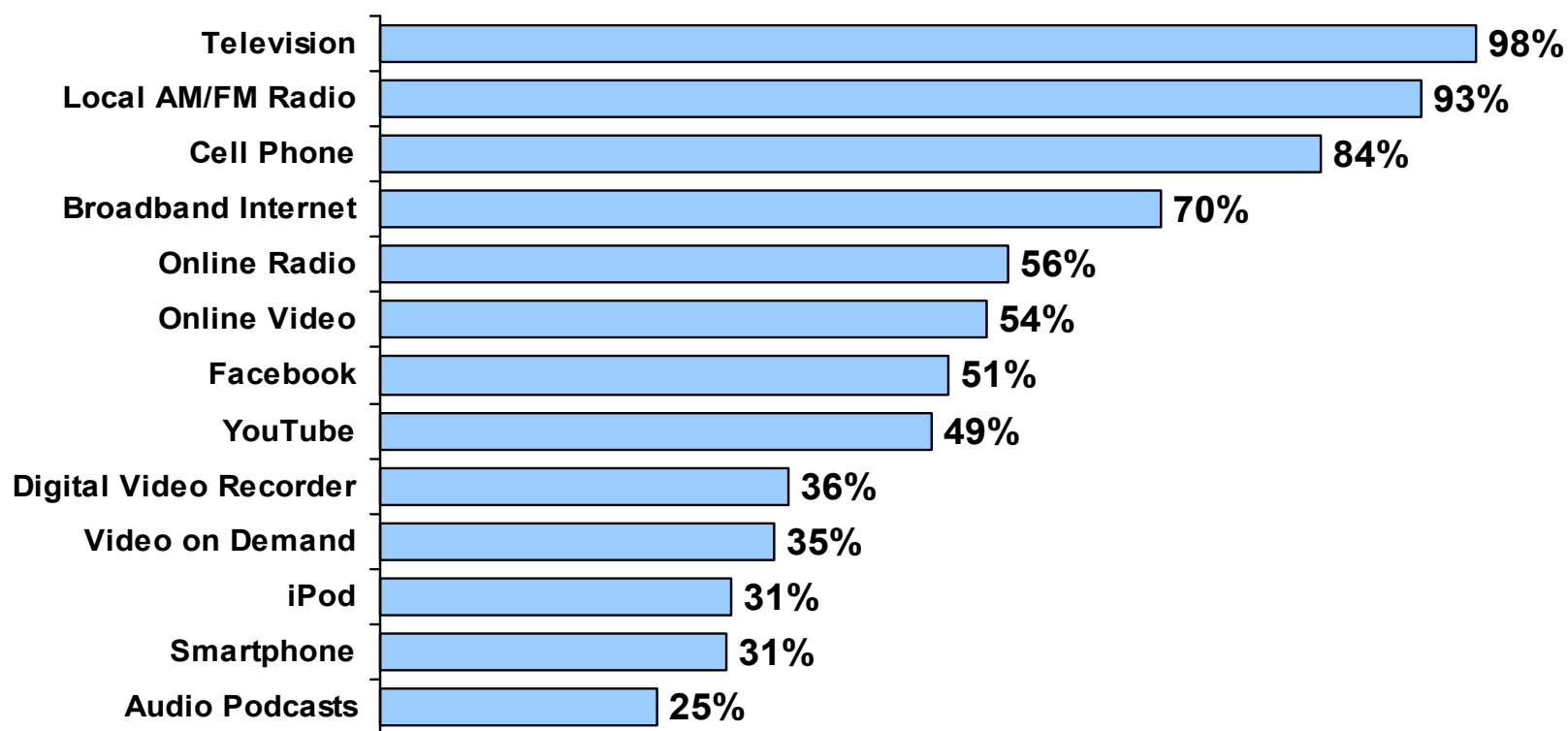
- Shoutcast Radio: 45,000 stations, up to 900,000 concurrent listeners
- Live365 (ads): 5,000+ broadcasters
- CBC3 (with playlists)
- Earbits (free): “hand curated”
 - Artists/labels pay to advertise themselves
 - No major labels
- Aupeo (ads)
 - 100+ genre stations; 2000+ artist stations
 - personalization
 - Mood Tuner
- MeeMix (API)
- Stereomood (pre-made playlists)
- Splump (use Chrome)

Playlists

- 8Tracks: User-contributed playlists (ads)
- Playlistify
- <http://www.thecloudplayer.com/> (playlist for soundcloud)
- Pandora (US only):
 - Limited to 6 skips per hour, 12 per day for free users
 - Expert tagged

2011 Digital Platform Landscape

% of Americans Aged 12 and Older Who Use/Own Platform/Devices



Source: TV HHS; Weekly AM/FM Radio audience; Own a cell phone; Have broadband access at home; Ever use online radio; Ever use online video; Have a Facebook profile; Ever use YouTube®; Own a DVR; Ever use Video on Demand; Own iPod®; Own smartphone; Ever use audio podcast

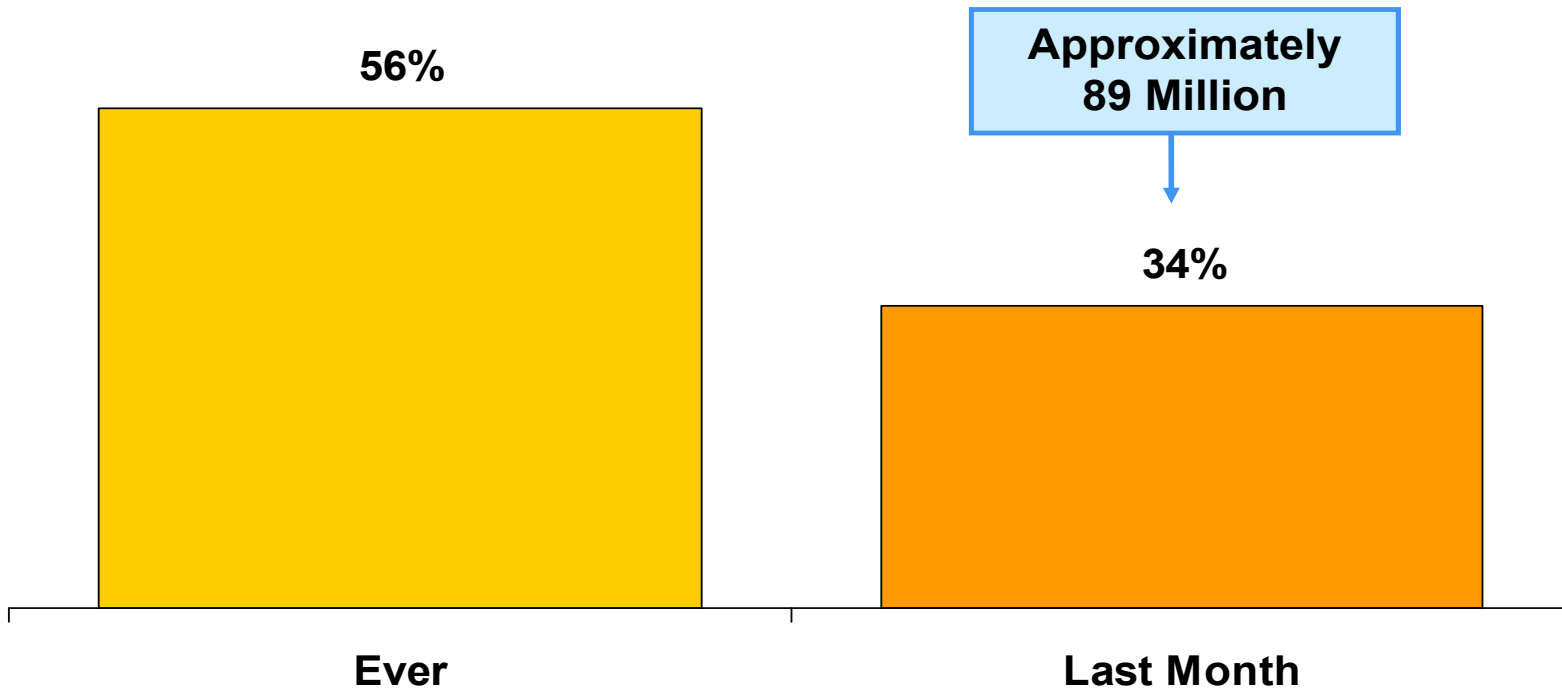
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An Estimated 89 Million Americans Listened to Online Radio in the Last Month

**% Who Have Listened to Online Radio
(AM/FM Streams or Internet-Only Streams)**



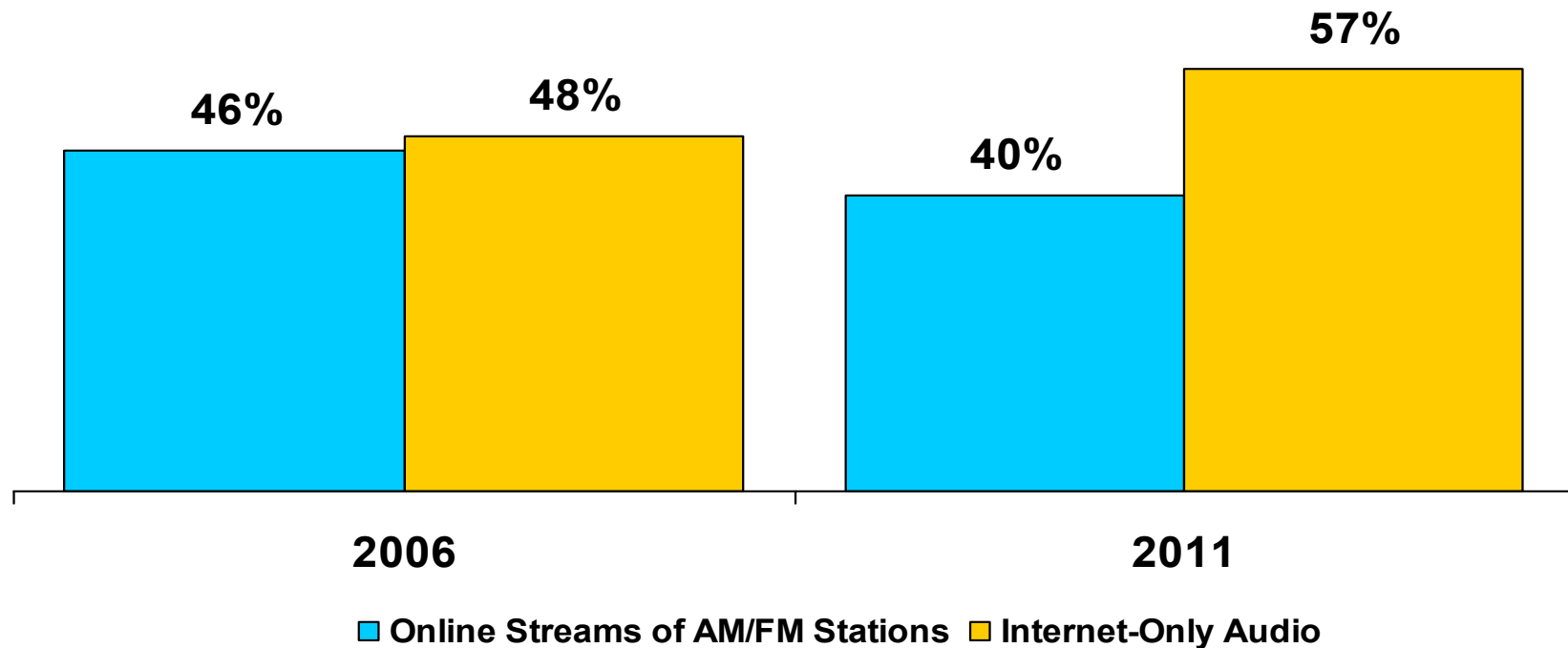
Base: Total Population 12+



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More Monthly Online Listeners Say They Listen Most to Internet-Only Audio vs. Five Years Ago

% of Monthly Online Radio Listeners Who Listen to Both AM/FM Streams and Internet-Only Audio Who Listen Most to

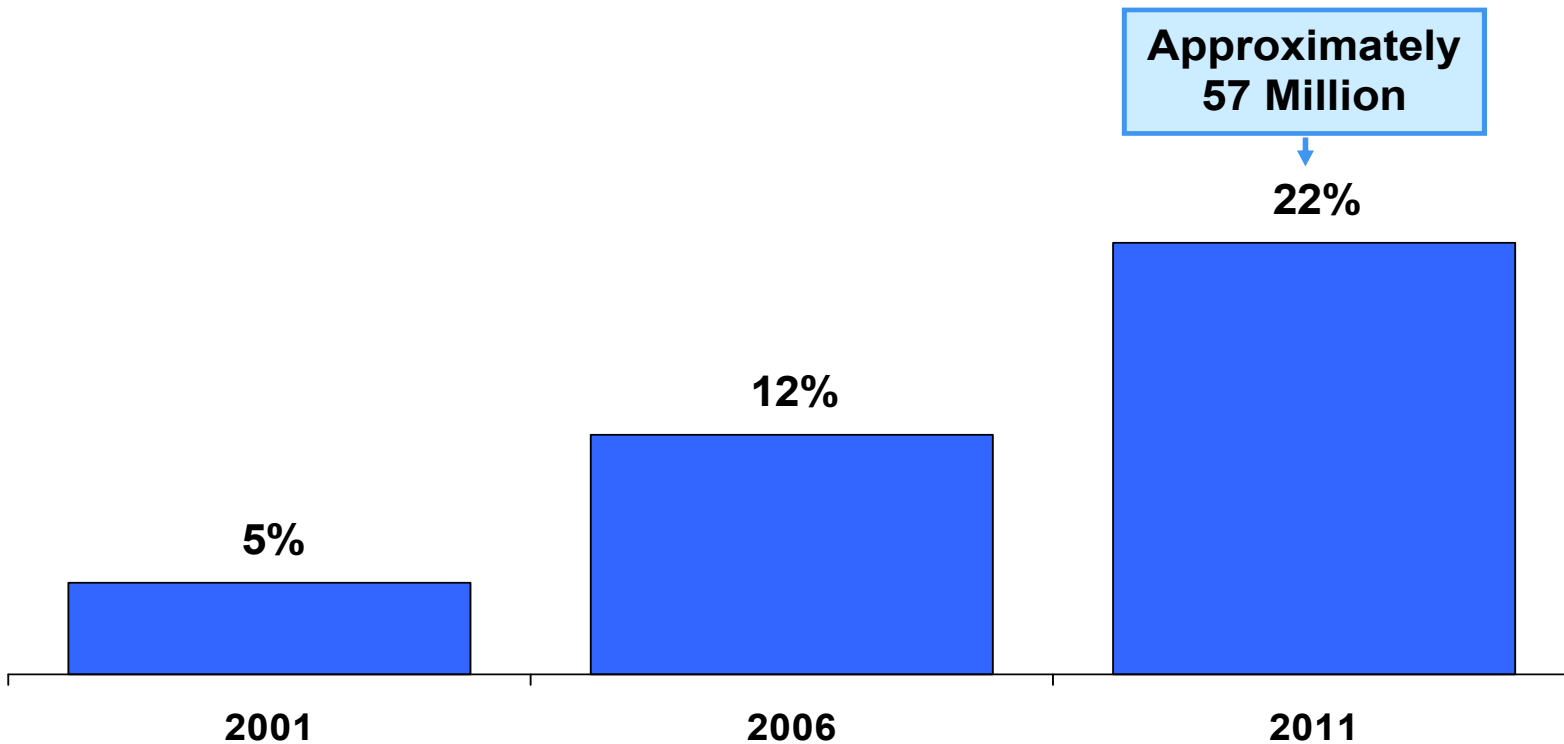


Base: Monthly Listeners to Both Online Streams of AM/FM Radio Stations AND Internet-Only Audio



Weekly Online Radio Audience Has Doubled Every Five Years Since 2001

% Who Have Listened to Online Radio in Last Week



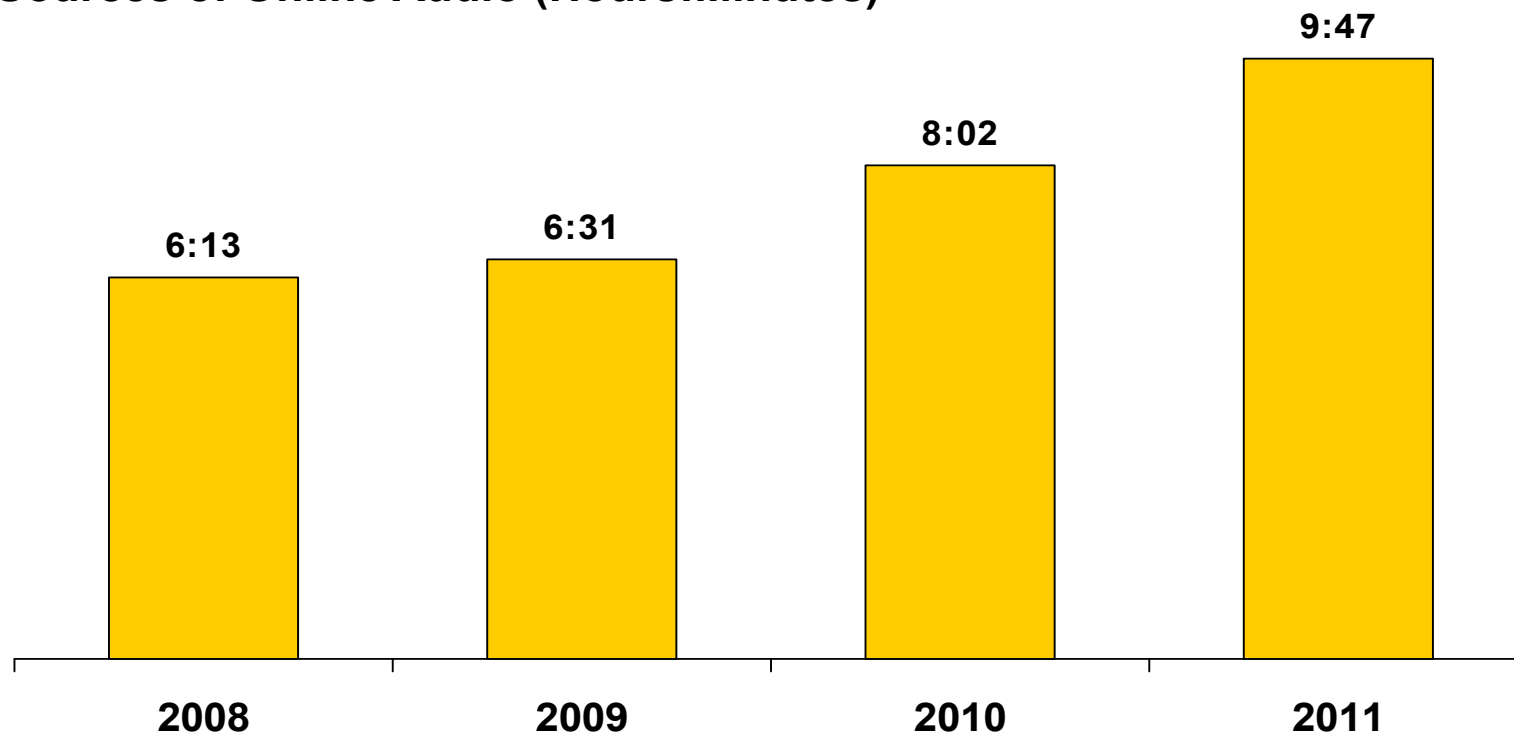
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Time Spent With Online Radio Increased 49% Among Weekly Listeners in the Last Three Years

**Self-Reported Average Time Spent per Week With All
Sources of Online Audio (Hours:Minutes)**

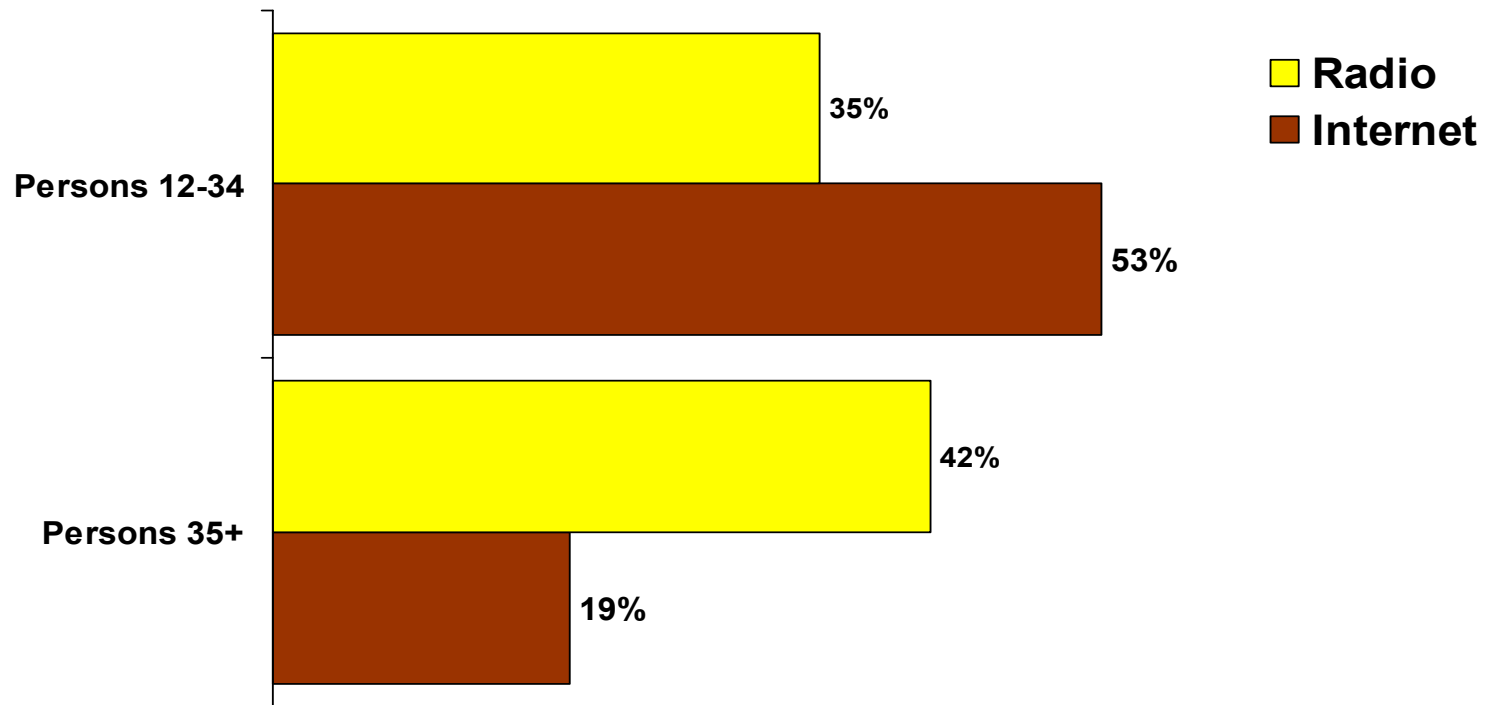


Base: Weekly Online Radio Listeners



12-34s Turn to the Internet First for Music Discovery, While Radio Leads Among P35+

% Choosing Internet/Radio as Medium They Turn to First to Learn About New Music



Discovery Tools

- ex.fm
 - try: <http://almostmainstream.tumblr.com/> (compare on Safari & Chrome w/ex.fm)
 - <http://ex.fm/labs/blogfinder>
- Music blog aggregators:
 - <http://elbo.ws/>
 - <http://shuffler.fm/>
- later.fm (need to login)
- By mood:
 - <http://musicoverly.com/>
 - <http://www.moodagent.com/> (mobile devices and Windows app)
- Visualization
 - <http://audiomap.tuneglue.net/>
 - <http://www.musicroamer.com/>

Discovery Tools: Humans

- Experts:
 - <http://wearehunted.com>
 - <http://www.thesixtyone.com>
- Crowd sourced:
 - last.fm
 - GoRankem

Discovery Tools: Machines

- Apple Genius
- Google's Instant Mix (US only)
 - <http://musicmachinery.com/2011/05/14/how-good-is-googles-instant-mix/>
 - <http://musicmachinery.com/2011/05/24/google-instant-mix-and-itunes-genius-fix-their-wtfs/>
- <http://www.mtvmusicmeter.com/>
 - Upcoming artists with EchoNest
- http://uplaya.com/games/music_universe (a game)

Break

Javascript: Review

- Blocks: { }
- Comments: /* ... */ and //
- Variables: **var**
- Operators:
 - Arithmetic: +, -, *, /, %, ++, --
 - Assignments: =, +=, -=, *=, /=, %=: e.g., x *= 2;
 - String concatenating: =; "this" + " " + "is"
 - Comparison operators: ==, !=, >, <, >=, <=, ===
 - Logical operators: &&, ||, !=
- Statements:
 - If