

## DAB digital radio development around the world

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#### WorldDAB Forum

- Over 100 members from 30 different countries
- Industry networking forum
- Industry information source
- Safeguarding DAB standards
- Development forum receiver, content, systems



#### DAB - Global standard

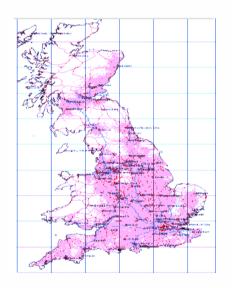


On-air in around 40 countries



#### UK - focus on audio services

- Coverage over 85% population
- 2.8 million DAB sets sold by 2005
  - Over 10% of households
- Key consumer driver: More choice
  - 420+ DAB stations on-air
  - 50% new to the listener







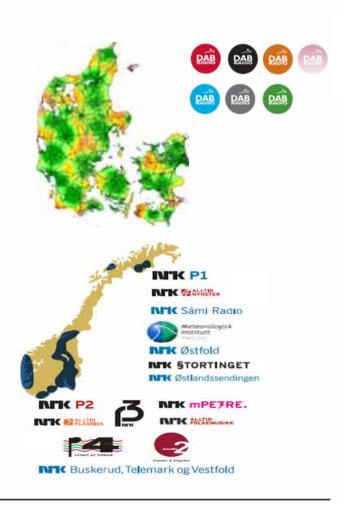
#### Scandinavia

#### **Denmark**

- Coverage ~100% population
- Nearly 10% of households
- +150,000 sets in 2005

## Norway & Sweden

- Coverage ~70% population
- Norway +25,000 sets
- Sweden sets sales just beginning





## Central Europe

## Germany & Switzerland

- 85% coverage
- Over 150 DAB audio services on-air
- +300,000 sets by end 2005



## Belgium & Holland

- Belgium launch 2004 & Holland following in 2005/06
- High population coverage 99%
- Belgium +50,000 sets by end 2005



## Southern Europe

## Spain

- Market launch in 2005
- Many national + local services
- Catalunya has 48 DAB audio services







## Italy

- Coverage now 65% population
- Consumer launch 2006
- Rapid sales growth expected

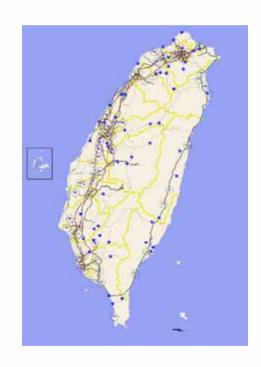






#### Taiwan

- Following successful trials
- Multiplex licences awarded
- Full commercial launch in 2006
- Taiwan is the leader in DAB chipset & silicon manufacturing





#### Korea

- 6 multiplexes licences awarded
- Commercial launched Dec 1<sup>st</sup> 2005
- Mixture of radio & TV services
- Focus on mobile multimedia (DMB)
- Samsung, LG, Perstel making mobile sets (PMP, PDA, phones)





#### China

- Guangdong: DMB video & DAB audio trials on-air
- Beijing: DAB/DMB trials, Target 2008 Olympics
- Hong Kong: DAB trails on-air



China DAB Group - trial rollout - Shanghai & Tianjin



### Singapore

- 3 multiplexes on-air in Singapore
- Initial sets sales +10,000 after recent promotion

#### Australia

- Trials in Sydney & Melbourne
- Govt recently announce DAB rollout framework
- Rollout expected within next 2 years



# Rapid DAB receiver developments



### DAB covers full range

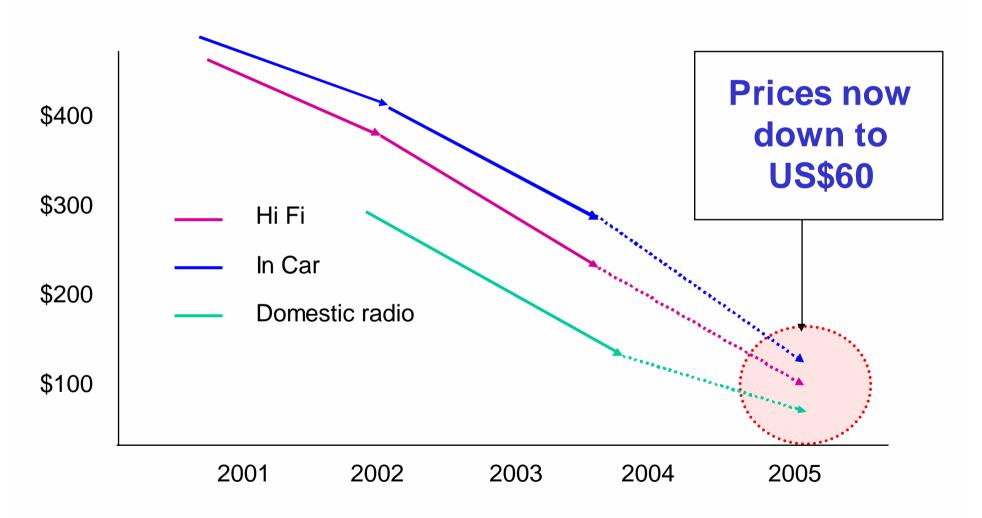
## Over 200 DAB products in the market

#### Full range:

- 75 kitchen portables
- **30** micro systems
- 25 handhelds (incl MP3 DAB)
- 20 tuner separates (incl DAB 'adapters')
- 15 clock radios
- 15 boomboxes
- 15 in-car radios
  - 5 set top boxes/ home cinema with DAB



#### Prices continue to fall





#### 2005: In-car DAB rollout

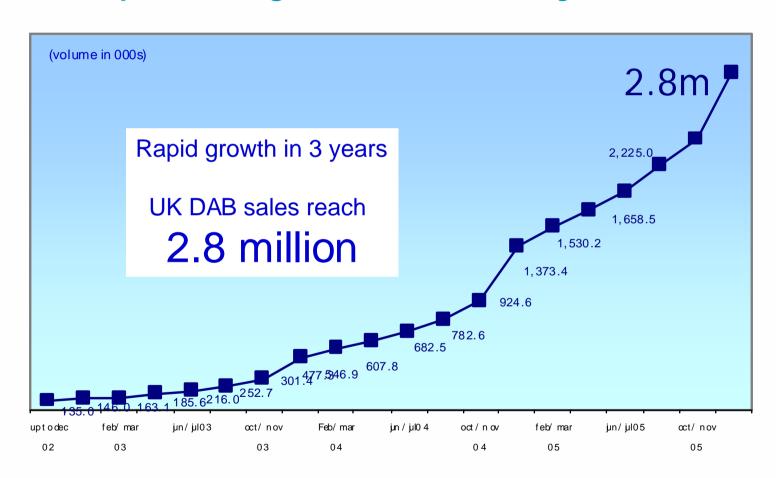
DAB now available as upgrade option

(General Motors, Ford, Volvo, VW/Audi, Jaguar, Land Rover, Mitsubishi, Renault, DaimlerChrysler)

- General Motors DAB as standard fit (some models in UK, rollout in Europe)
- 2006/07 most plan DAB standard fit



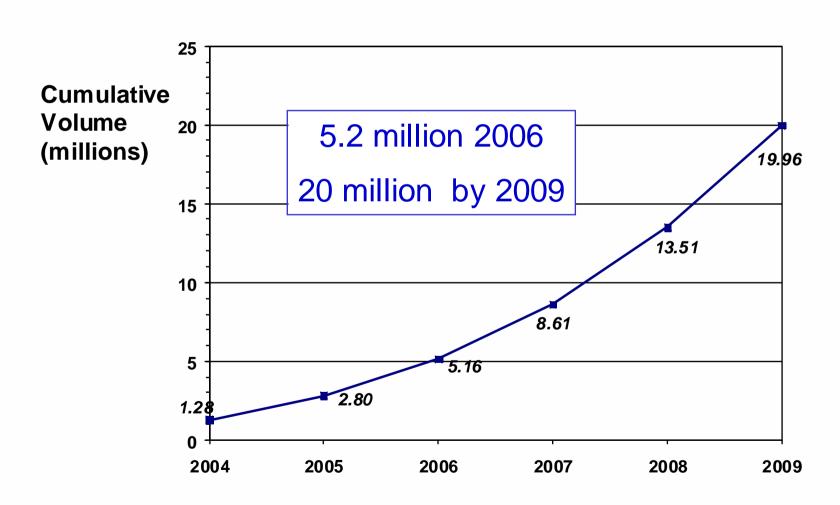
## UK - rapid DAB growth in last 3 years



Source: GFK – approx 88% coverage of the DAB market



## UK - 5 year forecasts





## Europe - forecasts for DAB

## European forecast ~ 40 million by 2010

- 2005/06 growth in Germany, Denmark, Norway,
  Sweden, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, Spain & Italy
  - Example, Denmark 10% of households in 2 years
- In addition: Mobile DAB/DMB multimedia devices
  (20m by 2010) & in-car standard fit (growth 2006/07)

Source: Eureca Research 2005



# DAB listeners a listening to radio for longer



## Unusual early adopter profile

Radio Fans

35+ years old

Married with family

**Professionals** 





## UK example - Analogue choice (Bristol)

#### **National**



















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### UK example - Analogue choice (Bristol)



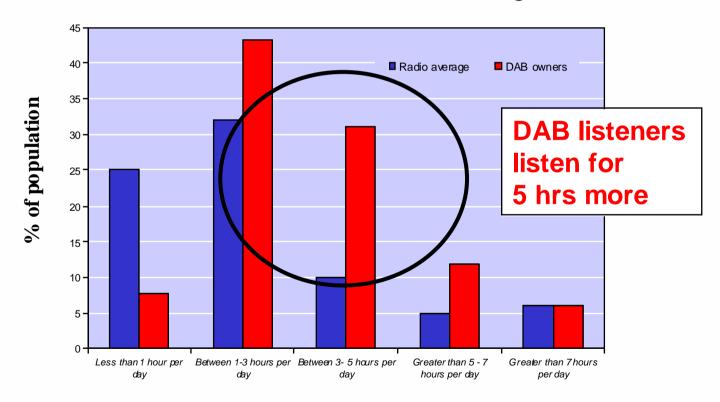






## DAB listeners listen longer

### Listeners to DAB listen for 20% longer each week





## DAB Audio Rewind/Store/Replay

- Pause & Rewind
- Record & Replay
- Download to SD card
- USB connection
- Playback MP3 files





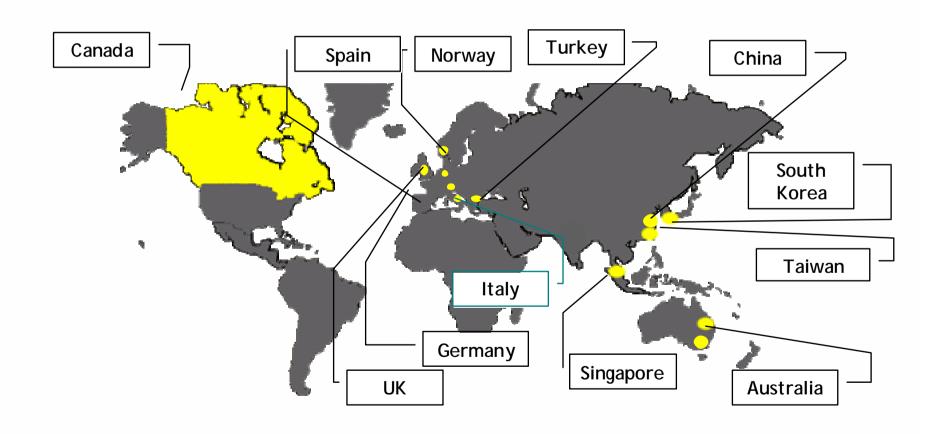


## **DAB Multimedia (DMB)**

Asia leading the way

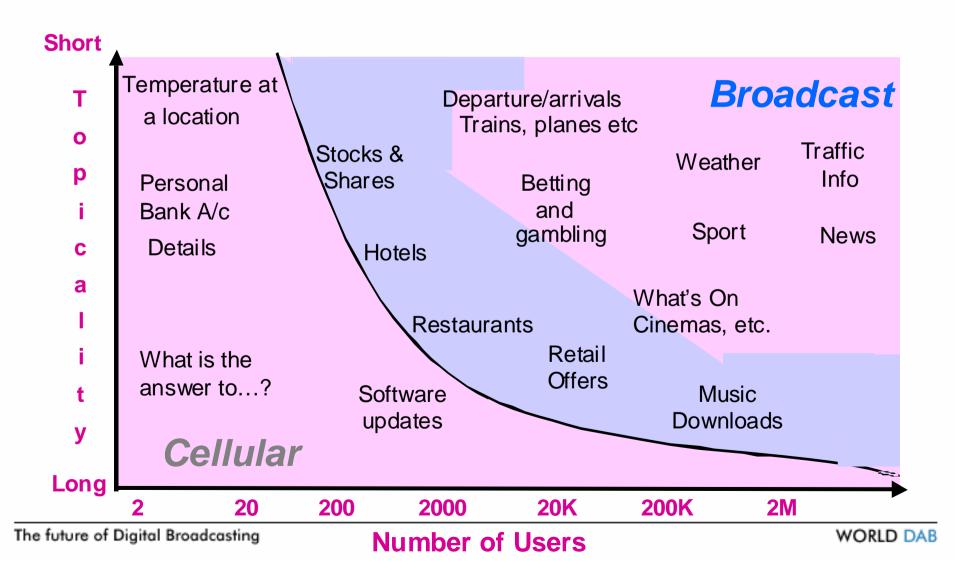


## Worldwide DAB Multimedia projects





## Broadcast Multimedia strengths





#### DAB Multimedia

#### DAB ideal mobile multimedia broadcasting (DMB)

- Proven, reliable and robust platform
- Broadcast solution designed for mobile reception
- Global market frequencies available across the world
- Infrastructure in place transmitter networks
- Seen as complimentary by Telco/3G developers
- Multimedia (DMB) receivers available in 2005



#### Conclusion

- Global standard already 40 countries
- Mature, proven, reliable and robust system
- Millions of DAB receivers sold (prices of US\$60)
- DAB offers more consumer choice & control
- It is flexible for integration/convergence
- It is a cost-effective for mobile multimedia



## Thank you!

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