



# **Community Radio**

National Listener Survey

2016 Wave #1

FACT SHEET MELBOURNE

July 2016

Prepared for:



#### OVERALL RADIO LISTENING MELBOURNE

|  | 2015 W            | <u>2015 Wave #2</u>       |       | /ave #1   |
|--|-------------------|---------------------------|-------|-----------|
|  | <u>In An Aver</u> | <u>In An Average Week</u> |       | rage Week |
|  | ′000              | %                         | ′000  | %         |
| Melbourne all people aged 15+                      | 3,559             | 100                       | 3,834 | 100       |
| Listeners to radio                                 | 3,013             | 85                        | 3,269 | 85        |
| Listeners to community radio                       | 1,020             | 29                        | 1,110 | 29        |
| Listeners to commercial radio                      | 2,554             | 72                        | 2,765 | 72        |
| Listeners to ABC and/or SBS radio                  | 1,303             | 37                        | 1,427 | 37        |
| Listeners to community radio who:                  |                   |                           |       |           |
| do not listen to commercial radio                  | 219               | 6                         | 244   | 6         |
| do not listen to ABC/SBS radio                     | 410               | 12                        | 441   | 12        |
| do not listen to commercial radio or ABC/SBS radio | 114               | 3                         | 115   | 3         |

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| Listened to community radio in an average week | 2015 Wave #2 | 2016 Wave #1 |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Average no. of hours                           | 19.2         | 17.4         |

-9.4

#### **How to Read:**

In an average week, of all people aged 15+ throughout Melbourne (3,834,000 people):

- 1,110,000 people, or 29%, listen to community radio
- 244,000 people, or 6%, listen to community radio but not commercial radio
- 441,000 people, or 12%, listen to community radio but not ABC/SBS radio
- 115,000 people, or 3%, listen to community radio exclusively, that is, listen to community radio but not commercial radio or ABC/SBS radio
- ⇒ Listening to community radio has increased by 8.8% compared to the last survey wave

Please Note: From 2016 onwards the Melbourne survey area was widened to include Geelong - the 2015 Wave #2 survey results exlude Geelong

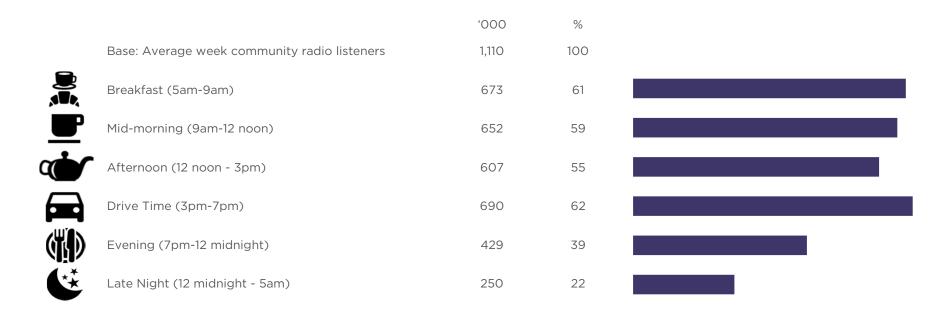
2015 Wave #2: March-June 2015 & Aug-Nov 2015 / 2016 Wave #1: Aug-Nov 2015 & May 2016

Representative sample of people 15+ throughout Melbourne - Base: Melbourne n=2,098 - Weekly Listeners n=588



#### **COMMUNITY RADIO LISTENING BY DAY PART & HOURS SPENT LISTENING**

The estimated 1,110,000 people aged 15+ who listened to community radio in the last seven days, listen during the following day parts:





#### Hours Spend Listening to Community Radio in a Week

| /  |       |     |
|--|-------|-----|
|  | '000  | %   |
| Average week community radio listeners                 | 1,110 | 100 |
|  |       |     |
| Up to 5 hours  | 364   | 33  |
| 5 to 10 hours  | 229   | 21  |
| 11 to 20 hours   | 207   | 19  |
| Over 20 hours  | 281   | 25  |
|  |       |     |
| Average no. of hours listened to community radio in an |       |     |
| average week   | 1.    | 7.4 |



### REASONS FOR RADIO LISTENING TO COMMUNITY RADIO MELBOURNE

The estimated 1,110,000 people aged 15+ who listened to community radio in the last seven days, listen for the following reasons:

Listeners 15+ to Community Radio In An Average Week

|  | ′000  | %   |  |
|--|-------|-----|--|
| Listeners to community radio   | 1,110 | 100 |  |
| Local information / local news   | 453   | 41  |  |
| Local voices / local personalities   | 275   | 25  |  |
| Specialist music   | 358   | 32  |  |
| They play Australian music / support local artists   | 305   | 27  |  |
| They give an independent voice / not owned by big business or government                     | 283   | 25  |  |
| The announcers sound like ordinary people / the announcers sound like 'one of us'            | 276   | 25  |  |
| Locals can participate / I feel like I can get involved with the station if I was interested | 224   | 20  |  |
| Programs not available elsewhere / I hear something that I don't hear anywhere else          | 271   | 24  |  |
| Diversity in programming   | 246   | 22  |  |
| Specialist information programs  | 234   | 21  |  |
| Programs in languages other than English   | 135   | 12  |  |
| Other  | 58    | 5   |  |



# PROFILE OF WEEKLY LISTENERS AND OF THE POPULATION MELBOURNE

|     |  | Total Week | Radio (15+) | Melbourne's | (+) |                            |
|-----|--|------------|-------------|-------------|-----|----------------------------|
|     |  | ,000       | %           | '000        | %   |                            |
|     | Community Radio Reach                        | 1,110      | 29          | 3,834       | 100 | Compared to the Population |
|     | Profile Base                                 | 1,110      | 100         | 3,834       | 100 | Index* 100                 |
| • • | Gender                                       |            |             |             |     | i                          |
| TA  | Men  | 631        | 57          | 1878        | 49  | 116                        |
|     | Women  | 479        | 43          | 1956        | 51  | 84                         |
|     | Age Groups                                   |            |             |             |     |                            |
| •   | 15-24  | 187        | 17          | 638         | 17  | 100                        |
|     | 25-39  | 372        | 33          | 1100        | 29  | 114                        |
|     | 40-54  | 297        | 27          | 953         | 25  | 108                        |
|     | 55+  | 255        | 23          | 1143        | 30  | 77                         |
|     | Marital Status                               |            |             |             |     |                            |
|     | Single/never married                         | 314        | 28          | 1198        | 31  | 90                         |
|     | Married/partner, no children                 | 226        | 20          | 660         | 17  | 118                        |
|     | Married/partner/single, child(ren) at home   | 369        | 33          | 1062        | 28  | 118                        |
|     | Married/partner/single, child(ren) left home | 146        | 13          | 613         | 16  | 81                         |
|     | Widowed/divorced/separated                   | 55         | 5           | 296         | 8   | 63                         |
|     | Number of People in Household                |            |             |             |     |                            |
| +   | 1 or 2                                       | 471        | 42          | 1867        | 49  | 86                         |
| T   | 3 or 4                                       | 488        | 44          | 1475        | 38  | 116                        |
|     | 5 or more                                    | 152        | 14          | 487         | 13  | 108                        |
| _   | Main Grocery Buyer                           |            |             |             |     |                            |
|     | Yes  | 901        | 81          | 2978        | 78  | 104                        |
| •   | No   | 209        | 19          | 856         | 22  | 86                         |

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## PROFILE OF WEEKLY LISTENERS AND OF THE POPULATION MELBOURNE

|            |  | Community Radio (15+) Total Weekly Listeners |     |       | Melbourne's Population<br>(15+) |  |
|------------|--|--|-----|-------|---------------------------------|--|
|            |  | 6000   | %   | 6000  | %                               |  |
|            | Profile Base                                     | 1,110  | 100 | 3,834 | 100                             |  |
|            | Work Status                                      |  |     |       |                                 |  |
|            | Full-time  | 445  | 40  | 1382  | 36                              |  |
| 4          | Part-time  | 294  | 26  | 825   | 22                              |  |
|            | Home duties                                      | 80   | 7   | 313   | 8                               |  |
|            | Retired / pensioner                              | 158  | 14  | 701   | 18                              |  |
|            | Unemployed                                       | 29   | 3   | 203   | 5                               |  |
|            | Student  | 103  | 9   | 411   | 11                              |  |
|            | Occupation                                       |  |     |       |                                 |  |
| •          | Professional, business manager or executive      | 256  | 23  | 748   | 20                              |  |
|            | Business owner, self-employed, sales or clerical | 230  | 21  | 806   | 21                              |  |
| $\sim$     | Technical, skilled, semi-skilled or manual       | 253  | 23  | 653   | 17                              |  |
|            | Not working                                      | 371  | 33  | 1627  | 42                              |  |
|            | Highest Level of Education                       |  |     |       |                                 |  |
|            | Primary, Secondary or High School                | 271  | 24  | 1208  | 32                              |  |
|            | Some tertiary/TAFE                               | 328  | 30  | 1029  | 27                              |  |
|            | University (Bachelor or higher degree)           | 512  | 46  | 1597  | 42                              |  |
|            | Gross Annual Income                              |  |     |       |                                 |  |
|            | Under \$20,000                                   | 192  | 17  | 887   | 23                              |  |
| <b>~</b>   | \$20,000 - \$40,000                              | 230  | 21  | 816   | 21                              |  |
| 2          | \$40,000 - \$60,000                              | 204  | 18  | 659   | 17                              |  |
| •          | \$60,000 - \$100,000                             | 277  | 25  | 847   | 22                              |  |
|            | Over \$100,000                                   | 207  | 19  | 620   | 16                              |  |
|            | Value of Community Radio                         |  |     |       |                                 |  |
|            | Very valuable                                    | 463  | 42  | 854   | 22                              |  |
|            | Quite valuable                                   | 556  | 50  | 2203  | 57                              |  |
| <b>─</b> ♥ | Not very valuable                                | 70   | 6   | 569   | 15                              |  |
|            | Not at all valuable                              | 21   | 2   | 208   |                                 |  |

| Index*                             | Compared to the Population |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
|                                    | 100                        |
| 111<br>118<br>88<br>78<br>60<br>82 |                            |
| 115<br>100<br>135<br>79            |                            |
| 75<br>111<br>110                   |                            |
| 74<br>100<br>106<br>114<br>119     |                            |
| 191<br>88<br>40<br>40              |                            |

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### PROFILE OF WEEKLY LISTENERS AND OF THE POPULATION MELBOURNE

|          |  | Community Radio (15+) Total Weekly Listeners |     | Melbourne's Population<br>(15+) |     |
|----------|--|--|-----|---------------------------------|-----|
|          |  | '000   | %   | '000                            | %   |
|          | Profile Base                                 | 1,110  | 100 | 3,834                           | 100 |
|          | Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Origin  |  |     |                                 |     |
|          | Yes  | 30   | 3   | 49                              |     |
|          | No   | 1081   | 97  | 3786                            | 99  |
|          | Identify as lesbian, gay or bisexual         |  |     |                                 |     |
| 1G       | Yes  | 125  | 11  | 242                             | 6   |
| BI       | No   | 898  | 81  | 3370                            | 88  |
|          | Refused                                      | 87   | 8   | 223                             | 6   |
|          | Have Disabilities                            |  |     |                                 |     |
|          | Physical disability                          | 99   | 9   | 330                             | 9   |
| •        | Hearing impairment                           | 69   | 6   | 229                             | 6   |
| <b>P</b> | Sight impairment                             | 100  | 9   | 425                             | 11  |
| О        | Speech impairment                            | 28   | 2   | 51                              | 1   |
|          | None of the above                            | 805  | 73  | 2799                            | 73  |
|          | Refused                                      | 78   | 7   | 240                             | 6   |
| •        | Reading Difficulty                           |  |     |                                 |     |
|          | Yes  | 57   | 5   | 149                             | 4   |
|          | No   | 1053   | 95  | 3685                            | 96  |
|          | Religious Faith                              |  |     |                                 |     |
| 1        | Christianity                                 | 533  | 48  | 1737                            | 45  |
| 63       | Faith in other religion                      | 189  | 17  | 500                             | 13  |
| ノし       | No religious beliefs                         | 325  | 29  | 1315                            | 34  |
|          | Refused                                      | 63   | 6   | 282                             | 7   |
|          | Lang. Other Than English Spoken in Household |  |     |                                 |     |
| ( 2      | Yes  | 437  | 39  | 1216                            | 32  |
|          | No   | 673  | 61  | 2619                            | 68  |

Compared to the Population Index\* 

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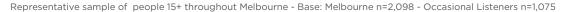




### PROFILE OF OCCASIONAL LISTENERS AND OF THE POPULATION MELBOURNE

|     |  | Community Total Occasio | nal Listeners | Melbourne's<br>(15 | +)  |                         |
|-----|--|-------------------------|---------------|--------------------|-----|-------------------------|
|     |  |                         | %             | ,000               | %   |                         |
|     | Community Radio Reach                        | 2,003                   | 52            | 3,834              | 100 | Compared to the Popular |
|     | Profile Base                                 | 2,003                   | 100           | 3,834              | 100 | Index* 100              |
| • • | Gender                                       |                         |               |                    | 1   | ]   '                   |
|     | Men  | 1080                    | 54            | 1878               | 49  | 110                     |
|     | Women  | 923                     | 46            | 1956               | 51  | 90                      |
|     | Age Groups                                   |                         |               |                    |     | ]                       |
| •   | 15-24  | 408                     | 20            | 638                | 17  | 118                     |
|     | 25-39  | 634                     | 32            | 1100               | 29  | 110                     |
|     | 40-54  | 495                     | 25            | 953                | 25  | 100                     |
|     | 55+  | 465                     | 23            | 1143               | 30  | 77                      |
|     | Marital Status                               |                         |               |                    | 1   | ] [ ]                   |
|     | Single/never married                         | 625                     | 31            | 1198               | 31  | 100                     |
|     | Married/partner, no children                 | 363                     | 18            | 660                | 17  | 106                     |
|     | Married/partner/single, child(ren) at home   | 615                     | 31            | 1062               | 28  | 111                     |
|     | Married/partner/single, child(ren) left home | 289                     | 14            | 613                | 16  | 88                      |
|     | Widowed/divorced/separated                   | 107                     | 5             | 296                | 8   | 63                      |
|     | Number of People in Household                |                         |               |                    |     | 1                       |
| +   | N 1 or 2                                     | 884                     | 44            | 1867               | 49  | 90                      |
|     | 3 or 4                                       | 826                     | 41            | 1475               | 38  | 108                     |
|     | 5 or more                                    | 291                     | 15            | 487                | 13  | 115                     |
| _   | Main Grocery Buyer                           |                         |               |                    |     | ]                       |
|     | Yes  | 1570                    | 78            | 2978               | 78  | 100                     |
| • • | No   | 433                     | 22            | 856                | 22  | 100                     |

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|          |  | '000   | %   | '000  | %                               |  |
|          | Profile Base                                     | 2,003  | 100 | 3,834 | 100                             |  |
|          | Work Status                                      |  |     |       |                                 |  |
|          | Full-time  | 781  | 39  | 1382  | 36                              |  |
|          | Part-time  | 475  | 24  | 825   | 22                              |  |
|          | Home duties                                      | 156  | 8   | 313   | 8                               |  |
|          | Retired / pensioner                              | 279  | 14  | 701   | 18                              |  |
|          | Unemployed                                       | 63   | 3   | 203   | 5                               |  |
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|          | Gross Annual Income                              |  |     |       |                                 |  |
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|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
|                                      | 100                        |
| 108<br>109<br>100<br>78<br>60<br>109 |                            |
| 110<br>95<br>118<br>88               |                            |
| 81<br>104<br>110                     |                            |
| 87<br>95<br>100<br>114<br>113        |                            |
| 150<br>98<br>60<br>40                |                            |

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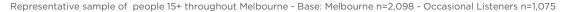




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|----------|---|--|-----|---------------------------------|-----|--------|------------|
|          |   |  |     |                                 |     |        |            |
|          |   | '000   | %   | '000                            | %   | Index* | Population |
|          | Profile Base                                | 2,003  | 100 | 3,834                           | 100 | 100    |            |
|          | Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Origin |  |     |                                 |     |        |            |
|          | Yes   | 41   | 2   | 49                              | 1   | 200    |            |
| 2        | No  | 1962   | 98  | 3786                            | 99  | 99     |            |
|          | Identify as lesbian, gay or bisexual        |  |     |                                 |     | ] [ ]  |            |
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| BI       | No  | 1683   | 84  | 3370                            | 88  | 95     |            |
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|          | Have Disabilities                           |  |     |                                 |     | ] [ ]  |            |
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| •        | Hearing impairment                          | 105  | 5   | 229                             | 6   | 83     |            |
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| •        | Reading Difficulty                          |  |     |                                 |     | ] [ ]  |            |
|          | Yes   | 83   | 4   | 149                             | 4   | 100    |            |
|          | No  | 1920   | 96  | 3685                            | 96  | 100    |            |
|          | Religious Faith                             |  |     |                                 |     | ] [ ]  |            |
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|          | Refused                                     | 144  | 7   | 282                             | 7   | 100    |            |
|          | Lang. Other Than English Spoken in Househo  | ld   |     |                                 |     | ] [ ]  |            |
| ( 🕸      | Yes   | 734  | 37  | 1216                            | 32  | 116    |            |
|          | No  | 1269   | 63  | 2619                            | 68  | 93     |            |

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#### **ABOUT THE SURVEY**

The National Listener Survey is a survey on the community radio listening habits of Australians.

It provides invaluable feedback to community radio stations and the sector about trends, listeners and the sector itself.

#### **METHOD**

How: This research is conducted by means of an mixed-mode survey comprising both online and telephone interviewing. A single respondent database across

both methods ensures and integrated balance of respondents across Australia.

This report contains the results of a survey with a rolling 2 Wave representative sample of 2,098 people aged 15 and over throughout Melbourne.

Total sample across Australia (2 waves): 12,501 (536 Telephone / 11,965 Online)

Telephone The telephone interviews were achieved by computer assisted telephone interviewing conducted by McNair Ingenuity Research in Crows Nest NSW. The

telephone sample of people were selected at random from a commercial marketing database. All interviewing was conducted by trained and accredited

interviewers under constant supervision. At least 5% of interviews were validated by means of live monitoring.

Online The online surveys were conducted with assistance from YellowSquares, using online consumer research panels. YellowSquares is an ISO20252 accredited

interviews: company.

interviews:

When: All interviewing was conducted in Aug-Nov 2015 & May 2016 inclusive.

Who: This survey is a national survey of people aged 15+. Quotas are set by age, gender and location to ensure a representative sample.

For whom: This research is commissioned and paid for by the Community Broadcasting Association of Australia

Weightings: The results of this survey are weighted to the population estimates of the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) - Estimated Resident Population (ERP) - 30

June 2014, so as to bring the sample exactly into line with Melbourne's population distribution by these characteristics.

More information: For more information contact the Community Broadcasting Association of Australia - Email: office@cbaa.org.au - Phone: 02 9310 2999

This research was carried out in compliance with international standard for market and social research, ISO20252.

#### **RELIABILITY OF RESULTS**

The survey was carefully conducted using the highest possible standards at every stage of the process. The method and results are well benchmarked and validated over time.

While the overall survey was conducted amongst 2,098 people (+/- 2% margin of error), the weekly profile of community station listeners is based one people who have listened in the last week. This is a much smaller group than the overall survey and hence the margin of error increases for these questions - 588 people (+/- 4% margin of error)

While results are reported as a single figure, it is better to think of them as the mid-point in a possible range. This means that if we were to repeat this survey 100 times, the results calculated from the total base would be within a range of +/- 2% in 95 of the 100 surveys.

All sample surveys and polls may be subject to multiple sources of variation in sampling and coverage. Furthermore results of radio surveys are also vulnerable to fluctuations such as changes in the weather from month-to-month, which can change people's listening habits.

When reporting survey estimates, percentages are rounded to the nearest whole percent. Sometimes when combining or splitting groups the percentages may appear to add to a different total, due to the rounding factor. All percentages are calculated using the underlying number of respondents as a proportion of the relevant population. It is therefore incorrect to add percentage figures when combining groups. The number of respondents from each group should be added and the percentage recalculated on the total population for the combined group.

#### INDEX\*

The index shows the reach of community radio in each demographic group relative to the population.

If the index is 100, the audience for that demographic is exactly in-line with the population. If the index is over 100, that demographic group is relatively over-represented amongst listeners to community radio, as compared with the overall population.

If the index is below 100, that demographic group is relatively under-represented amongst listeners to community radio, as compared with the overall population.

