

Centralized Hubs in Demand for Most Consumers with Multiple Smart Home Devices

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IRVING, TX, UNITED STATES, June 16, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Nearly 2 in 3 (64%) consumers with smart homes agree that having smart devices has vastly improved their quality of life, according to the recent annual report, State of Media, Entertainment & Tech: Subscriptions 2025. Another 6 in 10 (60%) smart device owners look



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forward to adding even more smart devices in the near future. In addition, having smart devices has allowed more than half (53%) of smart homes to save money in the long run.

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The report also reveals that Alexa is the top platform being used to control smart devices, particularly among older consumers (ages 50+), followed by Apple (Siri, Find My, and HomePod), which is more appealing to younger consumers (ages 18-34). Google and Samsung are the more popular choices among 35-49 year-olds, compared to their counterparts.

However, the proliferation of smart home devices is creating pain points for consumers. Most notably, a full 7 in 10 (70%) consumers with two or more smart home

devices say they would much rather control all their devices from one centralized hub instead of having to use multiple platforms/apps. Smart home consumers also report privacy concerns (56%) and feel overwhelmed by the choices of smart technology available nowadays (43%).

"With so many brands entering the space, there is lack of consistency as far as the apps,

platforms, and processes to connect and control smart home devices. How this is playing out in consumers' homes is that the consumer has to install multiple apps to manage all their devices unless they channel it all through digital assistants like Alexa, Google Nest, or Samsung's SmartThings," notes Adriana



Waterston, Executive Vice President and Insights & Strategy Lead for Horowitz Research, a division of M/A/R/C Research. "Further, as of yet, there is no one-step solution to install multiple smart devices or reset them all at once if they get disconnected. As this space evolves, we anticipate consumers will gravitate towards those smart device brands and platforms that help simplify, rather than complicate, smart home management."

The State of Media, Entertainment & Tech: Subscriptions 2025 study tracks the evolution of the market for entertainment, data, mobile, and smart home technologies, services, and subscriptions. It provides current and tracking data on the market for pay and free TV, streaming, internet, and mobile, including MVPDs, vMVPDs, SVODs, AVOD, FAST, OTA, and 5G/FWA. This year, the study features a new focus on smart home adoption, usage, and attitudes, examining which services consumers pay for and use, how they are bundling traditional and new services, satisfaction with the services they have, and plans for the future. The survey was conducted in January-February 2025 among 2,200 consumers 18+ who are decision makers about subscription services in their home. Data have been weighted to ensure results are representative of the overall U.S. population. The report is available in total market, FOCUS Latinx, FOCUS Black, and FOCUS Asian editions.

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For more information about the State of Media, Entertainment & Tech: Subscriptions 2025 report, visit: https://www.horowitzresearch.com/syndicated-research/state-of-media-subscriptions/. To purchase the report, schedule an interview with an analyst, or to request specific data, please contact Adriana Waterston: adrianaw@horowitzresearch.com, 914-325-4516.

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