

# **The Changing Business Models of the Music Industry**

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**SINGLES VS ALBUMS**

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**2000**

**MEDIUM- CDs** \$13B, USA

MOSTLY ALBUMS  
-Some illegal

DIGITAL (Downloads)

**DISTRIBUTORS**

5 MAJORS,  
85% of the market

**RETAILERS, CDs** Record Towers  
The Warehouse

**2013**

\$2B USA (?)

OVER \$3B legal (USA)  
90% illegal?  
Mostly SINGLES

CDs: 3 MAJORS

closed  
closed  
Walmart, Best Buys

**2000**

**FILES** Digital Downloads

**MUSIC - STREAMING** Radio- Broadcast

**FILES - STREAMING**

**REVENUE** \$1.9B

**2013**

Apple (iTunes), ...

To: desktops  
laptops

Radio-Broadcast

Webcast

Webcast-on-demand

Pandorra

Spotify

Deezer

Apple

Google (YouTube)

FaceBook

To: Computers,  
**Mobiles**

Little change

**MODEL- Through 2000**

ed Music

**Mostly CDs, mostly Albums**

**3.2 Billions revenues in the USA**

**majors: 85% of the market**

etailers:

Specialty retailers: **Tower Records**, The Wherehouse, Blockbuster, Sam Goody

General retailers: Walmart, Bestbuys

**ERTS**- estimated revenues: \$1.9 Billions

Broadcasting

Performers not paid

## After 2000: Downfall of the RECORDING MUSIC INDUSTRY

**74% revenues decline between 2000 and 2010 (USA)**

Sharp drop continuing through 2013

CDs RETAILERS closed: Tower Records

The Warehouse

# Downfall of the RECORDING MUSIC INDUSTRY

## Technological causes

The mp3 compression format

Broadband Internet

Illegal Downloading (file sharing)

Legal Downloading (Apple/iTunes)

## **Non-Technological causes**

### **Albums vs Singles**

Profitable for the Majors

Unhappy Customers

### **Majors do not adapt to new technology**

Try to stop it

Fixated on fighting piracy

Many Legal Victories

Steve Knopper

**APPETITE for SELF-DESTRUCTION**  
**The Spectacular Crash of the Record Industry**

# **MUSIC DOWNLOADS**

**Music Downloaded as an mp3 (or similar) file**

**Leader: Apple (iTunes/iPod)**

**2003 agreement with some majors**

**User pays**

**A subscription (\$5 to \$10 per month)**

**And/OR fee/download : \$0.50 ~ \$1.00**

**Most Downloads are “SINGLES” rather than “ALBUMS”**

**Many Other Legal Digital Music Providers**

**Problems: 1) revenues are too low for copyright holders,  
growing slowly  
2) competition from illegal downloading,  
Estimated to comprise 90% of all downloads**

**DRM (Digital Rights management) eliminated**



## **MILESTONES in LEGAL DOWNLOADING**

**Apple Signs Agreement with Majors**

**Apple Reaches 1 billion downloads**

**Apple Tops Walmart as Top Music Retailer**

**Digital Music Sales = (almost) CD Sales (in \$)**

**12 Increase of digital music sales compensates for decrease of physical sales**

**Slight Decrease in Downloads (caused by Streaming?)**

# **STREAMING**

## **Webcasting**

**Radio Stations broadcast over the Internet**

**Webcasters (Internet only)**

**On-Demand streaming**

## **g Actors**

**PANDORA**

**SPOTIFY - From Sweden to the USA**

**From Illegal to Legal**

**DEEZER – From France to the USA**

**GOOGLE-YouTube**

**APPLE**

**FACEBOOK**

# STREAMING

## TWO MODES

### FREE

**CUSTOMER MUST LISTEN/View Advertisement**

**Aims to bring Customer to Pay mode**

### PAY

**Usually by subscription (\$5 to \$10 per month)**

**Less restrictions than free streaming**

# **STREAMING SURPASSED LEGAL DOWNLOADING in 2012**

## **STREAMING ADVANTAGES**

**FREE YET LEGAL**

**SIMPLE for the CUSTOMER**

**ADAPTED TO MOBILE DEVICES (Smartphones)**

**MARKETING TOOL FOR MUSIC CREATORS**

**SAMPLING**

**DECREASES ILLEGAL DOWNLOADING**

# **AMING DISADVANTAGES**

## **LOW REVENUES FOR COPYRIGHT HOLDERS**

**In 2Q2010, France, DEEZER;**

**800,000 songs streamed**

**\$2300 shared between Composer, labels, Performers**

## **CANNIBALIZATION OF PAY DOWNLOADS?**

**2013 Downloads Down from 2012**

# **CERTS**

**FARE MUCH BETTER THAN RECORD INDUSTRY**

**SOME SLIGHT LOSS OF REVENUES**

**Due to ticket price increase**

**Requested by performers to Compensate  
For loss of CD Revenues**

**Concerts Promoters and Record Companies**

**Are now encroaching on their once separate industries**

# **CONCLUSIONS**

**D INDUSTRY MORE OR LESS DESTROYED**

**RS: TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES:**

**APPLE, GOOGLE, ...**

**CUSTOMERS?**

**VERY FEW MUSIC CREATORS**

**E: THINGS KEEP ON CHANGING ?**

**CHANGING TECHNOLOGY**

**STORAGE**

**MOBILE DEVICES**

**ROLE OF SOCIAL NETWORKS**