

STREAMING SERVICE REFERENCES

These links were discovered via Google search with the limitation being items posted within the past year. They cover various topics related to streaming including different streaming services, what you should look for when choosing a streaming service, and how to ensure you are getting value for your dollar.

Consumer Reports

This independent review service has updated in January 2023 a list of available streaming services. They describe each service's main focus, the types of channels available, and its cost.

<https://www.consumerreports.org/electronics-computers/streaming-media/guide-to-streaming-video-services-a4517732799/>

They also published an article in December 2022 specifically describing free streaming services.

<https://www.consumerreports.org/streaming-media-devices/guide-to-free-streaming-video-services-a1149608760/>

BroadbandNow

This private, no-for-profit organization is mainly known for their tools that help you search for an internet service provider and plan. But they also published an article in September 2019 which they updated in May 2022 about “cord cutting,” or giving up cable (or satellite) TV for streaming. For those with satellite TV you can replace the references to cable for your situation - they are equivalent in this case. It is a very good overview article that covers quite a bit of the issues.

<https://broadbandnow.com/guides/cable-bundle-vs-streaming>

BroadbandNow also published an article October 2016 which they updated in May 2021 that is a very good overview of streaming services as well as the types of technology devices you need to stream. The article is still relevant despite it being almost two years old.

<https://broadbandnow.com/report/choosing-best-media-streaming-services-devices/>

AARP

This advocacy organization that represents the senior population recently updated their article about streaming in December 2022. It is a good overview and includes some tips on how to control costs.

<https://www.aarp.org/home-family/personal-technology/info-2022/streaming-services-need-to-know.html>

CNET

CNET is a reliable online news service focused on technology. They publish a listing of streaming services and break them down by several factors including channels available and price.

<https://www.cnet.com/tech/services-and-software/top-100-channels-roundup-6-major-live-tv-streaming-services-compared/>

CNET maintains the listing as a spreadsheet format as well which may be easier to navigate and use.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1LQcfnvwMRL7nPAZ0rfg-MfEIfuP2kn77Ug4CjjZRztU/e/dit?usp=drivesdk>

Cordcutting.com

This organization is focused on streaming. This article was updated in January 2023 with all of the major streaming services information included. A useful feature of the article is the ability to compare a streaming service with one or two others, something that can help if you are trying to decide which one - and not both - you want to subscribe to.

<https://cordcutting.com/compare/services/>

Common Sense Media

This private, not-for-profit organization has an outstanding reputation among teachers and parents. For their independent, helpful recommendation on staying safe online. This article talks about streaming services that are focused on children, but they have other sound advice for everyone.

<https://www.commonsense.org/education/articles/teachers-essential-guide-to-showing-movies-and-videos-in-the-classroom>