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This reference circular contains selected sources for the purchase, rental, or loan of fiction and nonfiction spoken-word recordings. The sources in sections 1, 2, and 3 are commercial and, unless otherwise noted, offer abridged and unabridged titles on audio cassette. Sources in section 1 make available popular fiction; classics; poetry; drama; biographies; and titles in business and related fields, personal development, and the social sciences. Some of the sources offer interviews with authors or contemporary personalities, and vintage radio programs. In section 2, companies with titles in specialized subject areas are identified. Commercial sources specializing in spoken-word recordings for children or offering separate catalogs for children's titles are covered in section 3. Section 4 presents information about recorded books available on loan to persons with physical or visual disabilities, and section 5 lists selected resources for additional information. The information was compiled from current catalogs. (AEF)

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Introduction

This reference circular contains selected sources for purchase, rental, or loan of fiction and nonfiction spoken-word recordings.

The sources in Sections I, II, and III are commercial and, unless otherwise noted, offer abridged and unabridged titles on audio cassette. Sections I and II list companies providing titles primarily of adult interest. Sources in Section I make available popular fiction; classics; poetry; drama; biographies; and titles in business and related fields, personal development, and the social sciences. Some of the sources also offer interviews with authors or contemporary personalities, and vintage radio programs. Section II identifies companies with titles in specialized subject areas. Commercial sources specializing in spoken-word recordings for children or offering separate catalogs for children's titles are treated in Section III.

Section IV presents information about recorded books available on loan to persons with physical or visual disabilities. Section V lists selected resources for additional information.

Information for this circular was compiled from current catalogs. A listing in this circular does not imply an endorsement.

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I. General Sources

The American Audio Prose Library, Inc.

P.O. Box 842

Columbia, MO 65205

800-447-2275

(314) 499-0579 Fax

Readings by and interviews with contemporary authors. Also available:
a black writer series and bilingual recordings.

Price: \$8.95-\$25

Audio Book Contractors, Inc.

Classic Books on Cassettes

P.O. Box 40115

Washington, DC 20016-0115

(202) 363-3429

(202) 363-3429 Fax

Unabridged classics, primarily novels, with some poetry, drama, and
nonfiction.

Price: \$19-\$80

\$6.95-\$20 rental

Audio Editions

P.O. Box 6930
Auburn, CA 95604-6930
800-231-4261
800-231-4261 Fax

General fiction, short stories, poetry, and bestselling titles in business, management, personal growth, humor, mystery, and adventure. Approximately one-third of the titles are full-length books. Also available: a collection of popular radio programs such as the Jack Benny Show, Abbott and Costello, and The Lone Ranger. Some titles available on compact disc.

Price: \$8.99-\$199.95

Audio-Forum

96 Broad Street
Guilford, CT 06437
(203) 453-9794
800-243-1234
(203) 453-9774 Fax

Educational and personal-development materials including the BBC Study Cassettes series with excerpts, dramatizations, and discussions of works of major writers. Also available: music instruction, music history, and instruction in ninety-one languages.

Price: \$12.95-\$31.95 general-interest titles
others vary depending on series

Audio Literature

P.O. Box 7123
Berkeley, CA 94707
800-841-BOOK

Essays, lectures, poetry, discussions, or readings on philosophy, religion, and parenting, and titles by Native American authors.

Price: \$9.95-\$27

Audio Renaissance Tapes

5858 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 205

Los Angeles, CA 90036

(213) 939-1840

(213) 939-6436 Fax

Internet: the Cooperative Catalog at gopher.infor.com

Recent bestselling mysteries, detective stories, novels, and self-help and motivational books, many read by the authors.

Price: \$10.95-\$119.95

The Audio Store

821 University Avenue

Madison, WI 53706

(608) 263-2294

(608) 263-9763 Fax

Educational and general-interest titles from Wisconsin Public Radio including award-winning public radio programs, selections from the Chapter a Day Series of popular books, and the SuperStar Teachers Lecture Series on history, philosophy, religion, science, and psychology. Some material correlated to coursework with the University of Wisconsin Independent Study Program.

Price: \$10-\$200

August House Publishers

P.O. Box 3223

Little Rock, AR 72203-3223

(501) 372-5450

800-284-8784

(501) 372-5579 Fax

Collections of folktales, fables, ghost stories, tall tales, and humorous stories appropriate for all ages.

Price: \$12-\$70

BDD Audio (Bantam Doubleday Dell Audio Publishing)

1540 Broadway
New York, NY 10036
800-223-5780

Dramatizations of contemporary fiction and nonfiction including business, religion, psychology, and self-help titles. Also available: the British Broadcasting Company (BBC) Radio Presents series of dramatizations of classics, theater, and popular literature. Some titles available on compact disc.

Price: \$8.95-\$33

Blackstone Audio Books

P.O. Box 969
Ashland, OR 97520
800-729-2665
(503) 734-2537 Fax

Full-length fiction and nonfiction with emphasis on contemporary literature, history, economics, and politics. Also available: well-known American speeches and plays and authors reading from their own works.

Price: \$25.95-\$79.95
\$7.95-\$18.95 30-day rental

Books in Motion

9212 East Montgomery
Suite 501
Spokane, WA 99206
800-752-3199
(509) 922-1445 Fax

Unabridged contemporary titles including westerns, popular classics, business, self-help, and the Commuter Collection series of shorter recordings.

Price: \$14.95-\$57.95

Books on Tape

P.O. Box 7900

Newport Beach, CA 92658

800-541-5525

(714) 548-6574 Fax

Large selection of unabridged fiction and nonfiction titles including short stories, mysteries, biographies, adventure, and science fiction. Approximately fifteen titles added each month.

Price: \$24-\$104

\$9.95-\$19.50 30-day rental

Brilliance Corporation

1810-B Industrial Drive

Grand Haven, MI 49417

(616) 846-5256

800-222-3225

Unabridged fantasy, general fiction, science fiction, current events, and business titles.

Price: \$17-\$162.55

Buckingham Classics

1240 West Arthur

Chicago, IL 60626

(312) 338-7407

800-3-LISTEN

Both condensed and unabridged westerns, romance, adventure, and humorous literature. Also available: nonfiction and classics.

Price: \$7.95-\$21.95

Chivers Audio Books

1 Lafayette Road
Box 1450
Hampton, NH 03843-1450
800-621-0182
(603) 929-3890 Fax

Unabridged titles including mystery, suspense, romance, autobiography, biography, travel, science fiction, and fantasy. Also available: the Sterling Audio Books series of twenty-four classic and contemporary fiction titles per year.

Price: \$18.95-\$144.95

Dercum Audio, Inc.

P.O. Box 1425
West Chester, PA 19380
(215) 443-8889

Unabridged mystery, horror, science fiction, and classic titles.

Price: \$16.95-\$44.95

Dove Audio

1224 Heil Quaker Boulevard
LaVergne, TN 37086-7001
800-328-DOVE

Fiction and nonfiction including poetry, humor, popular fiction, classics, self-help, religion, Spanish-language, and business titles. Some titles available on compact disc.

Price: \$8.95-\$49.95

Dual Dolphin Publishing Inc.

475 Washington Street
Wrentham, MA 02093
800-336-5746
(508) 384-6566 Fax

Unabridged general fiction, westerns, romance, suspense, mysteries, and some nonfiction. Some specially packaged in units of three to five titles.

Price: \$24.95-\$94.95

Durkin Hayes

One Columbia Drive
Niagara Falls, NY 14305
(716) 298-5150
800-962-5200
(716) 298-5607 Fax

Abridged classics and well-known mysteries; packaged on two or four cassettes.

Price: \$16.99-\$24.99

HarperAudio

10 East 53rd Street
New York, NY 10022-5299
(212) 207-7000
800-242-7737
800-822-4090 Fax

Primarily abridged bestselling fiction, poetry, drama, classics, mysteries. Also available: business, current events, self-help, motivation, and the Caedmon titles of authors reading their own works.

Price: \$9.95-\$52.95

JimCin Recordings

P.O. Box 536
Portsmouth, RI 02871
800-538-3034

Unabridged fiction and nonfiction including classic British and American literature, horror, science fiction, and titles by Native American authors.

Price: \$7.95-\$120

Listening Library

One Park Avenue
Old Greenwich, CT 06870-1727
800-243-4504
(203) 698-1998 Fax

General fiction, poetry, classics, mysteries, and a wide selection of short stories. Some titles available in audio-cassette and book combinations.

Price: \$9.98-\$177.98

The Mind's Eye

Box 1060
Petaluma, CA 94953
800-949-3333

National Public Radio and British Broadcasting Company (BBC) dramatizations, fiction, westerns, mysteries, and humorous vintage radio programs. Some titles available on compact disc.

Price: \$22.95-\$59.95

New Letters on the Air

c/o University of Missouri-Kansas City
5100 Rockhill Road
Kansas City, MO 64110
(816) 235-1159
(816) 235-2611 Fax

Twenty-nine-minute recordings of contemporary authors reading their own works, some with discussion and interviews. Emphasis on poetry and fiction with a selection of titles by black, Hispanic, and Native American authors and by winners of the National, American Book, and National Book Critics Circle Awards.

Price: \$8-\$15

NorthStar Audio Books and Christians Listening

P.O. Box 129
Van Wyck, SC 29744
800-522-2979
(803) 286-4151 Fax

Unabridged classics, biography, history, novels, and inspirational works.

Price: \$22.95-\$119.95
\$18.75-\$80.35 libraries

Penguin-Highbridge Audio

Individuals:

P.O. Box 64541
St. Paul, MN 55164-0541
800-755-8532

Libraries:

1000 Westgate Drive
St. Paul, MN 55114
800-331-4624
800-227-9604 Fax

Dramatic readings of fiction and nonfiction titles including mystery, humor, self-help, and motivation. Also available: abridged classics, vintage radio programs, and current public-radio series.

Price: \$11-\$79.95

The Publishing Mills Audio Books

1680 North Vine Street
Suite 1016
Los Angeles, CA 90028
(213) 467-7831
800-722-8346
(213) 467-0661 Fax

Mostly abridged fiction and nonfiction titles, many read by the authors.

Price: \$15.95 and \$16.95

Random House Audio

Order Entry Department
400 Hahn Road
Westminster, MD 21157
800-733-3000

Primarily abridged general-interest fiction, with a sizeable selection of current bestselling titles, such as works by Tom Clancy and Michael Crichton. Also available: self-help, inspiration, health and fitness, business, and biography.

Price: \$7.99-\$39.95

Recorded Books, Inc.

270 Skipjack Road
Prince Frederick, MD 20678
800-638-1304
(410) 535-5499 Fax

Wide selection of full-length classics, westerns, history, and biography, with titles appropriate for family listening noted. Also available: Shakespearean works.

Price: \$24-\$130
\$6.50-\$17.50 rental

Spoken Arts

801 94th Avenue North
St. Petersburg, FL 33702
800-326-4090
(813) 578-3110 Fax

Excerpts from American and world literature, including a wide selection of poetry and drama. Also available: history, political science, foreign language, and selections from Shakespearean plays performed by well-known theater groups. Several titles read by the authors.

Price: \$10.95-\$55

Sunset Productions

369 Montezuma, Suite 416
Santa Fe, NM 87501
800-829-5723
(505) 471-8122 Fax

Primarily abridged fiction, science fiction, westerns, action, and adventure. Also available: nonfiction and several titles about Native American culture and by Native American authors.

Price: \$15.95-\$21.95

Tape Rental Library

One Cassette Center
Covesville, VA 22931
(804) 293-3705

Business and management titles, some including workbooks. Also available: sports, entertainment, self-help, popular fiction, and vintage radio programs.

Price: \$7.95-\$149.95
rental also available

Time Warner AudioBooks

9229 Sunset Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90069
(310) 205-7421

Abridged fiction and nonfiction including business, health, romance, classics, and popular novels. Also available: the A+ Audio series of cassettes and study booklets for selected classics. Some titles available on compact disc and in audio-cassette and book combinations.

Price: \$5.99-\$22

II. Specialized Sources

Achievement, Inc.

Department AB

485 South Broadway, Suite 12

Hicksville, NY 11801

800-645-8989

(516) 931-2375 Fax

Parenting and education titles with an emphasis on school achievement and social skills for preschool through the middle-school years.

Price: \$7.95-\$44.95

American Audio Literature, Inc.

P.O. Box 1329

Cicero, NY 13039

(315) 471-5344

800-626-6855

Mystery, romance, suspense, and humorous vintage radio programs.

Price: \$12.95-\$69.95

Artana Productions

Box 1054

Marshfield, MA 02050

800-626-5356

(617) 837-1238 Fax

Stories for adult and family listening told by storyteller Jay O'Callahan.

Price: \$10-\$18

Audio Bookshelf

Rural Route #1
Box 706
Belfast, ME 04915
800-234-1713

Twelve fiction and nonfiction titles appropriate for family listening.

Price: \$11.95-\$24.95

Audio Entertainment

P.O. Box 461059
Aurora, CO 80046-1059
(303) 680-6020
(303) 680-6019 Fax

Audio performances and full-length recordings with an emphasis on romance.

Price: \$6.95-\$24.95

Audio Scholar

10375 Nichols Lane
P.O. Box 1456
Mendocino, CA 95460
(707) 937-1225

Abridged recordings of works by notable individuals such as Albert Einstein, Charles Darwin, Carl Jung, T.S. Eliot, Frederick Douglass, and Walt Whitman.

Price: \$12.95-\$17.95

Commuters Library

P.O. Box 3168
Falls Church, VA 22043
800-643-0295

Unabridged classics including works by Rudyard Kipling, Edgar Allan Poe, and Lewis Carroll.

Price: \$15-\$18.95

Earwig Music Company

1818 Pratt Boulevard
Chicago, IL 60626
(312) 262-0278
(312) 262-0285 Fax

A selection of storytelling audio cassettes and compact discs, often multicultural, suitable for all ages.

Price: \$10-\$14

Educational Excursions

P.O. Box 180355
Dallas, TX 75218
(214) 328-9377
800-594-5901
(214) 328-8299 Fax

Travel information on popular tourist areas in the British Isles.
Emphasis on local culture, folklore, and history.

Price: \$19.95-\$24.95

The Folktellers

P.O. Box 2898
Asheville, NC 28802
(704) 258-1113
800-864-0299

Five storytelling audio cassettes appropriate for all ages.

Price: \$10

Gang of Seven

P.O. Box 419
Bar Mills, ME 04004
(207) 929-5777
(207) 929-5775 Fax

Autobiographical reminiscences, adult storytelling, and monologs by well-known performance artists. All titles available on audio cassette and compact disc.

Price: \$11-\$21

High Windy Audio

P.O. Box 553
Fairview, NC 28730
800-637-8679

Stories by well-known American storytellers, appropriate for all ages.

Price: \$5-\$9.98

Jan Kinney Productions

1900 Sixteenth Avenue
Altoona, PA 16601-2502
(814) 943-1080

Ghost stories, adoptions of folktales, and other storytelling recordings appropriate for all ages.

Price: \$10-\$12

Knowledge Products

722 Rundle Avenue
Nashville, TN 37210
(615) 742-3852
800-876-4332
(615) 742-3270 Fax

Lectures on political thought, science, history, philosophy, and religion.
Available in sets or by monthly subscription.

Price: \$14.95-\$224

NorthWood Press, Inc.

P.O. Box 1360
Minocqua, WI 54548
800-336-6398
(715) 356-9762 Fax

Titles about nature including stories, essays, poetry, and recordings of
bird and animal calls. Some titles available on compact disc.

Price: \$9.95-\$24.95

Parabola

656 Broadway
New York, NY 10012
(212) 505-6200

Mythology and folklore including a series of Native American
traditional stories. Some titles read by the authors.

Price: \$11-\$29.95

Peachtree Publishers

494 Armour Circle NE
Atlanta, GA 30324-4088
800-241-0113
800-875-8909 Fax

Small selection of stories and fiction titles read by the authors. Some titles available in audio-cassette and book combinations.

Price: \$8.95-\$21

Penton Overseas, Inc.

2470 Impala Drive
Carlsbad, CA 92008-7226
(619) 431-0060
800-748-5804
(619) 431-8110 Fax

Language-instruction tapes for nineteen foreign languages. Also available: the TapeGuide Walking Tours series of travel programs for popular districts in European cities and the Discovery Series of self-help and leisure learning titles.

Price: \$8.95-\$39.95

Poet's Audio Center

(The Watershed Foundation)
6925 Willow Street NW
Studio 201
Washington, DC 20012
800-366-9105

Recordings of poets reading their own work. Also available: Poets in Person, a series of conversations with thirteen poets; readings of English poetry with commentary; and landmark lectures on poetry.

Price: \$8.95-\$67.95

Poet Tree

2245 East Colorado Boulevard
Suite 104-185
Pasadena, CA 91107
(818) 798-6353
(818) 797-3555 Fax

Halloween, Christmas, and Valentine's Day poems and tales in verse performed by professional actors. Appropriate for all ages and available in audio-cassette and book combinations.

Price: \$11.95

Radio Theater

150 Martinvale Lane
San Jose, CA 95119
800-959-7107
(408) 224-6640 Fax

Small selection of short stories, interviews, and fiction.

Price: \$12.95-\$14.95

The Reader's Chair

8860 Chappell Road
Hollister, CA 95023
(408) 636-1296

Unabridged fiction, mystery, adventure, and science fiction.

Price: \$24.95-\$44.95

Ride with Me

P.O. Box 1324
Bethesda, MD 20817
800-840-RIDE

Travel programs on sites in the United States and Europe. Also available: recordings on the Civil War and the national parks.

Price: \$10.95-\$79.95

Spellbinders

1416 Eighth Street
Wichita Falls, TX 76301
(817) 723-1567
(817) 776-3870 Fax

Western, mystery, and adventure titles.

Price: \$16.95-\$39.95

Writer's AudioShop

204 East 35th Street
Austin, TX 78705
(512) 476-1616

Primarily how-to titles on writing and publishing.

Price: \$12.95

Yellowmoon Press

P.O. Box 1316
Cambridge, MA 02238
(617) 776-2330
800-497-4385
(617) 776-8246 Fax

Selected stories and folktales from different nations and cultures, many appropriate for all ages.

Price: \$9.95-\$10.95

ZBS Foundation

Rural Route 1, Box 1201

Fort Edward, NY 12828

800-662-3345

(518) 695-4014 Fax

Radio performances with an emphasis on fantasy, science fiction, and adventure. Some titles available on compact disc.

Price: \$8-\$49.95

III. Sources of Spoken-Word Recordings for Children

Children's Book Store

67 Wall Street
Suite 2411
New York, NY 10005
800-668-0242

Stories for children of all ages, including several about music and musicians. Some titles available on compact disc.

Price: \$9.98-\$16.96

A Gentle Wind

Box 3103
Albany, NY 12203
(518) 436-0391

Stories and folktales primarily for preschool through the middle-school years.

Price: \$8.95

HarperAudio

10 East 53rd Street
New York, NY 10022-5299
(212) 207-7000
800-242-7737
800-242-4090

Abridged and unabridged classics such as The Wind in the Willows and Mary Poppins. Also available: stories and folktales. Some titles available in audio-cassette and book combinations.

Price: \$5-\$50

Jabberwocky

P.O. Box H
Novato, CA 94948
800-227-2020
(415) 883-1849 Fax

Emphasis on abridged and unabridged fiction classics for youth. Also available: short stories, mysteries, poetry, and drama. Some titles available in audio-cassette and book combinations.

Price: \$14.95-\$225

Listening Library, Inc.

One Park Avenue
Old Greenwich, CT 06870-1727
800-243-4504

Unabridged popular children's classics and stories. Some titles available in audio-cassette and book combinations.

Price: \$9.98-\$69.98

Live Oak Media

P.O. Box 2284
Pine Plains, NY 12567
(518) 398-1010
(518) 398-1070 Fax

Adaptations of titles including Newbery Award winners and ALA Notable Book choices for children in grades four through seven.

Price: \$9.98-\$22.95

Rabbit Ears

P.O. Box 2284
South Burlington, VT 05407-2284
800-800-EARS
(802) 864-9846 Fax

Adaptations of well-known stories, folktales, and fairy tales. Some titles available on compact disc and in audio-cassette and book combinations.

Price: \$6.88-\$19.95

Rivertree Productions

P.O. Box 410
Bradford, NH 03221
800-554-1333
(603) 930-5616

Storytelling for various age groups by the Odds Bodkin Storytelling Library.

Price: \$19.95-\$29.95

Tricycle Press

P.O. Box
Berkeley, CA 94707
(510) 559-1600
800-841-BOOK
(510) 559-1629 Fax

Small selection of abridged and unabridged fiction and nonfiction titles.

Price: \$9.95-\$15.95

TW Kids
Time Warner AudioBooks
9229 Sunset Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90069
(310) 205-7421

Adaptations of popular children's television programs, films, books, and comics. Some titles available in audio-cassette and book combinations.

Price: \$7.98-\$8.98

Weston Woods
Weston, CT 06883-1199
800-243-5020
(203) 226-3818 Fax

Stories, folktales, dramatizations of books selected for the ALA Notable Book list or awarded the Caldecott Medal, and Spanish-language titles. Some titles available in audio-cassette and book combinations.

Price: \$9-\$10

The following companies listed in Sections I and II also offer materials for children:

Section I

Audio Book Contractors, Inc.
Audio Editions
August House
BBD
Blackstone Audio Books
Books in Motion
Buckingham Classics
Chivers Audio Books
Dercum Audio, Inc.
Dove Audio
Dual Dolphin Publishing, Inc.
The Mind's Eye
Spoken Arts

Section II

Artana Productions
Audio Bookshelf
Earwig Music Company
The Folktellers
High Windy Audio
Jan Kinney Productions
Parabola
Peachtree Publishers
Poet Tree
Ride with Me
Yellowmoon Press

IV. Government and Nonprofit Agencies for Persons with Physical and Visual Disabilities

Following are three sources of recorded books for persons unable to read standard print because of visual or physical disabilities. For additional information, contact the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

American Printing House for the Blind (APH)

1839 Frankfort Avenue
P.O. Box 6085
Louisville, KY 40206-0085
(502) 895-2405
800-223-1839
(502) 895-1509 Fax

Designated and funded by Congress as the official source of textbooks for visually impaired students (primary through secondary levels) throughout the United States and its possessions. Maintains the Central Catalog, a listing of large-print, braille, and recorded textbooks produced by APH, by volunteers, and by commercial companies. Also produces and sells recreational and religious literature in special formats.

National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS)

Library of Congress
Washington, DC 20542
(202) 707-5100
(202) 707-0712 Fax
(202) 707-0744 TDD
800-424-8567

Administers a national library service that provides braille and recorded books and magazines on free loan to persons who cannot read standard print because of visual or physical disabilities. Reading materials and playback machines are distributed to eligible borrowers through cooperating regional and subregional libraries. A listing of libraries, eligibility requirements, a directory of Volunteers Who Produce Books, and other information will be provided on request.

Recording for the Blind (RFB)

20 Roszel Road

Princeton, NJ 08540

(609) 452-0606

800-221-4792

(609) 987-8116 Fax

Provides educational materials and textbooks to individuals with print disabilities. Recorded books are loaned; computer disks of textbooks are available for purchase. The services are available to persons with a verified visual, physical, or specific learning disability that substantially limits reading. A one-time registration fee of \$37.50 is required of all applicants.

V. Selected Resources for Further Information

Audio. Section (usually monthly) in Publishers Weekly. Weekly.
\$129/yr. Cahners Publishing Company, 249 West 17th St., New York, NY 10011.

Reviews of audio materials, advertisements, and articles about the audio publishing industry.

Audio cassette and compact disc finder: a subject guide to educational and literary materials on audio cassettes and compact discs. 3rd ed. Medford, NJ: Plexus Publishing, 1993. 1419p. \$125.

A National Information Center for Educational Media (NICEM) subject index to approximately 40,000 educational audio titles with a title index and a directory of producers and distributors. Available in print, CD-ROM, and online.

Audiofile: the monthly newsletter of audiobook reviews. Monthly.
\$48/yr. 37 Silver Street, P.O. Box 109, Portland, ME 04112-9873.

A collection of spoken-word audio reviews, advertisements, and related information.

Audio reviews. Regular feature in Library Journal. Semimonthly, except monthly in Dec., Jan., July, and Aug. \$79/yr. Cahners Publishing Company, 249 West 17th Street, New York, NY 10011.

Reviews of spoken-word recordings and advertisements from major producers and distributors.

Audio/video. Regular section in Wilson Library Bulletin. Monthly.
\$52/yr. H.W. Wilson Company, 950 University Avenue, Bronx, NY 10452.

Reviews of new audio titles and advertisements.

Audiovisual media. Regular section in Booklist. Semimonthly, except monthly July-August. \$60/yr. American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611.

Reviews of audio materials and some advertisements.

AV market place 1994. Annual. \$139/yr. R.R. Bowker, 121 Chanlon Road, New Providence, NJ 07974. 1200p.

A comprehensive guide to audio, video, and computer materials in the United States and Canada. Separate indexes for products, services, and companies; associations; awards and festivals; film and television commissions; periodicals; and reference sources. Also included: a calendar of media activities and the Industry Yellow Pages.

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