



# Connected Life

## Assessing the Threat of Video Disruption: Strategies for Service Providers

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# Connected Life Market Watch Program

## Transitions in Consumer Video

### Market Watch Program

Trend Monitoring

The  
Mobile  
Consumer

**Disruption  
in  
Video**

Service  
Delivery  
Experience

Opportunistic:  
Timely Customer Touchpoint

IBSG Research Platform

### Approach

#### Market Watch Program

- Cisco IBSG's recurring primary research program
- Monitors changing consumer behavior to identify key market transitions

#### Methodology

- Broadband consumers
- 20-minute online survey
- 5,500 total respondents
- December 2009 – January 2010

#### Segmentation

- Used proprietary scoring methodologies to identify consumer "technology" segments

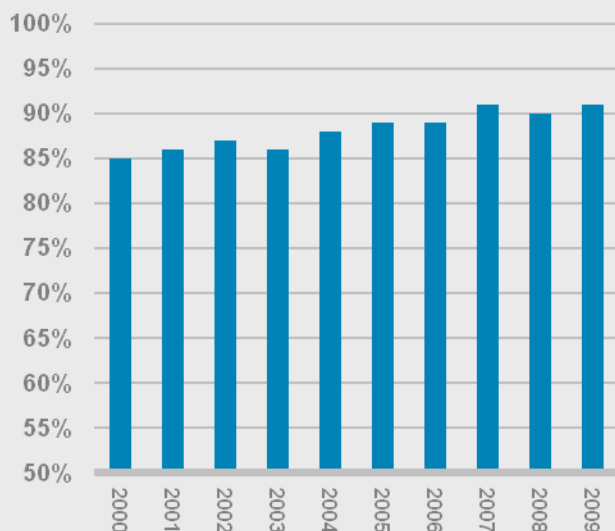
Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010



# Video Entertainment Today Situation

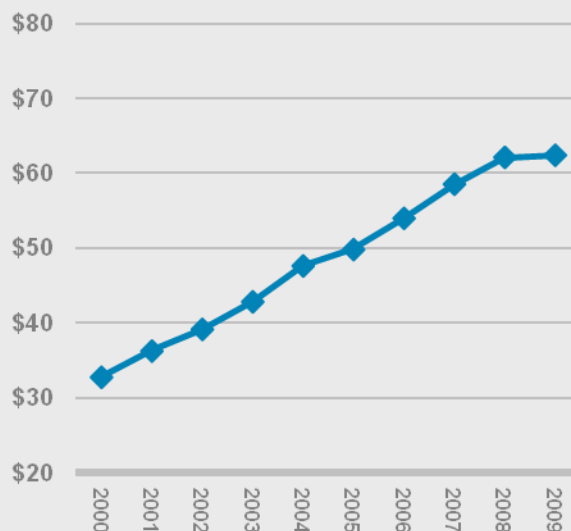
# Mature, Mostly Saturated Pay-TV Market

**U.S. Pay-TV Households  
as Percentage of Total**



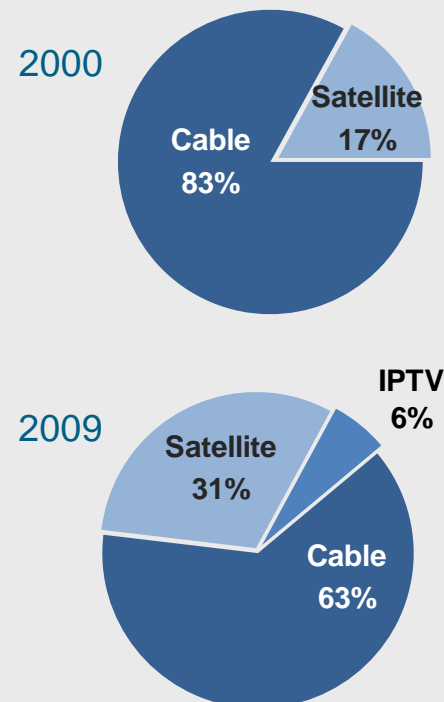
At 90% of households,  
U.S. pay-TV market is saturated.

**Monthly Pay-TV ARPU  
US \$**



With average monthly spending  
of \$62, consumer market for  
advanced pay-TV services may  
be tapped out.

**U.S. Pay-TV Market Share**

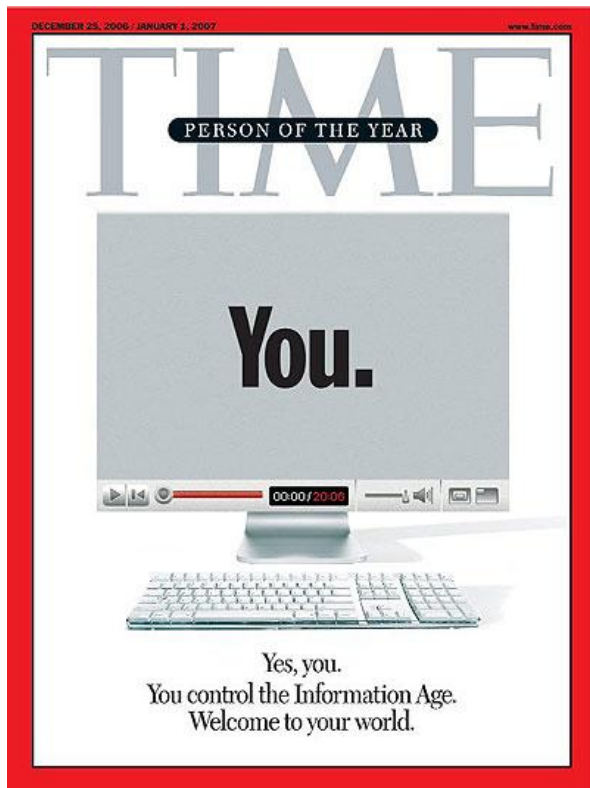


In addition to increasing  
competition from traditional  
players, new players (Apple TV,  
Hulu) are entering market.

Source: Screen Digest, 2010

# Consumers Are Taking Control of Video Entertainment Experience

## 2006 *TIME* Magazine Person of the Year



Consumers  
got the  
message

- DVRs taught users they could take control of video experience
- This increased user control is driving four interrelated trends:
  1. Time shifting
  2. Device shifting
  3. Increased video sourcing options (e.g., Internet)
  4. Increased spending control
- Together, these are part of larger, **viewer-controlled** trend

Source: *TIME* Magazine, 2006; Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

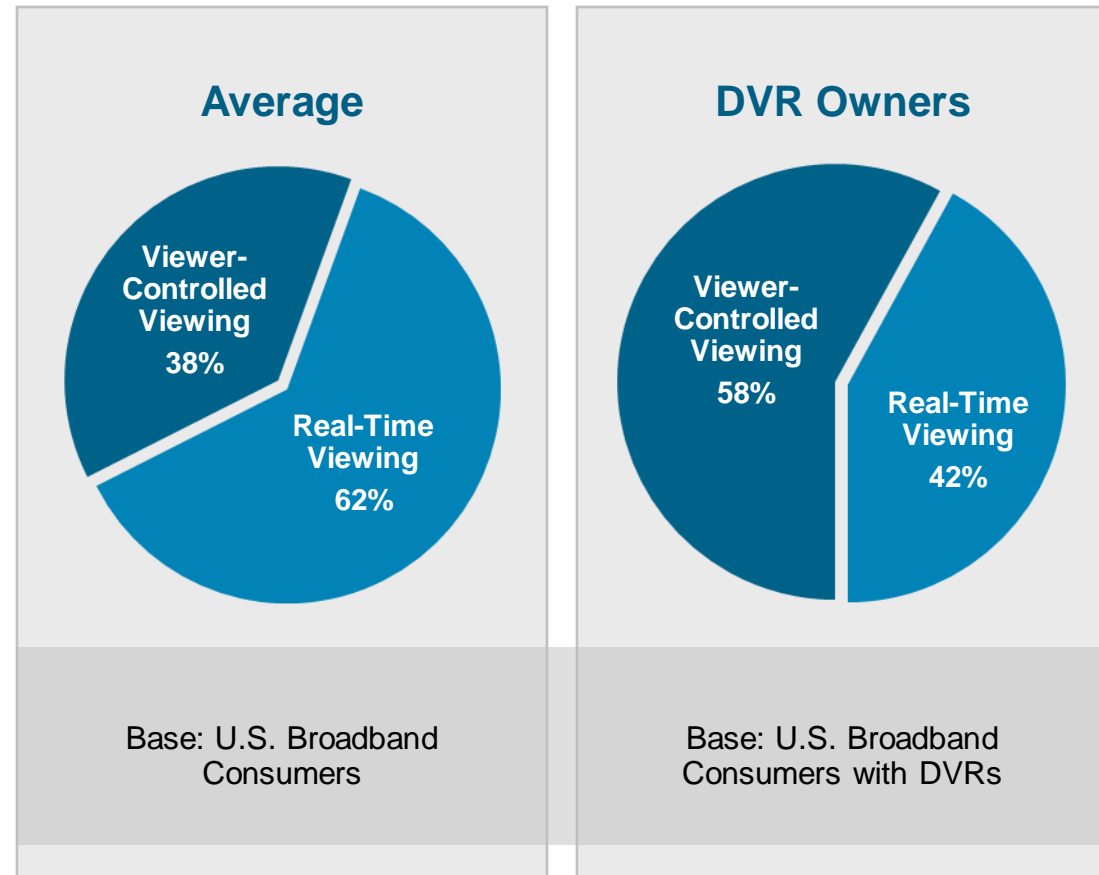
# Traditional TV Experience Is Changing

Time  
Shifting

## Consumers Are No Longer Making Appointments with Their TVs

- Consumers are changing their usage patterns
- They are no longer making appointments with their TVs
- They want to watch video entertainment at the time they choose

**Real-Time vs. Controlled Viewing**  
(Percentage of Time Spent)



Source: Cisco IBSG Connected  
Life Market Watch, 2010

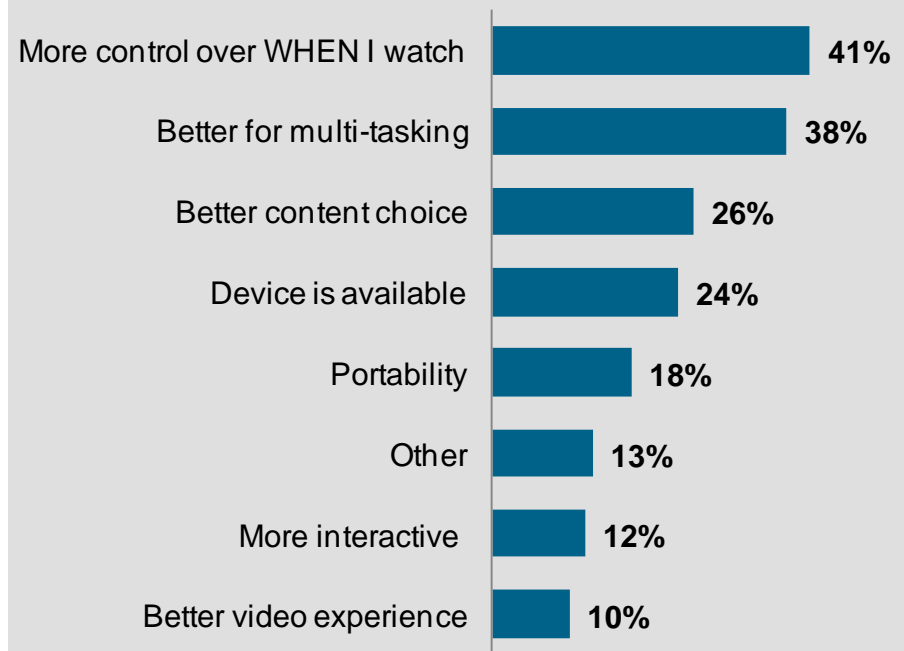
# Consumers Choose Alternative Devices, Even When TV Is Available

Device  
Shifting

- **75% of respondents watch video on computers**
  - Each week, they watch about 1 hour, 45 minutes of video on computer
  - They watch at home 63% of time
  - 93% of 18- to 24-year-olds watch video on a computer, averaging 2 hours, 45 minutes per session
- **40% of respondents watch video using portable devices**
  - Each week, they watch about 54 minutes of video on portable devices
  - 39% of this time, they are at home

Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

## Reasons for Watching Computer Video When at Home



Base: Watch Video on the Computer at Home

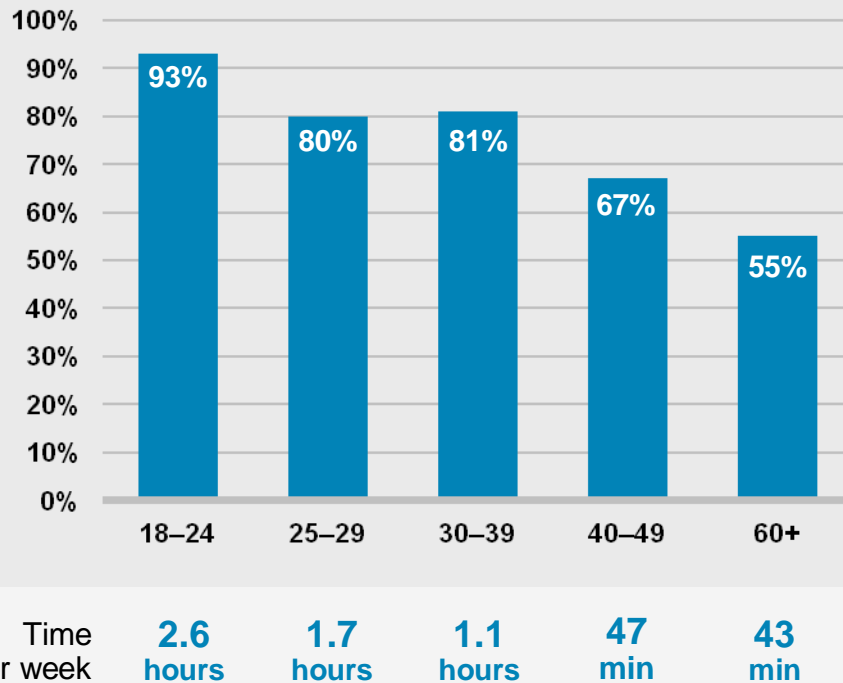
Consumers Watch Video on Their Computers To Time-Shift and Multi-Task

# Consumers of All Ages Watch All Types of Internet Video Content

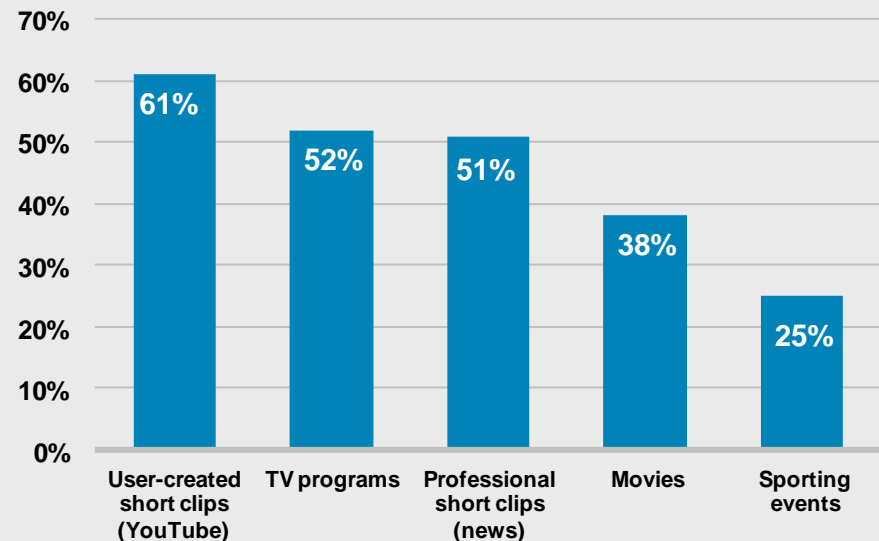
New  
Sources

## Internet Video Is No Longer Defined Only by Young People Watching YouTube

### Watching Internet Video (by Age)



### Watching Internet Video (by Content)



Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

Base: U.S. Broadband Consumers

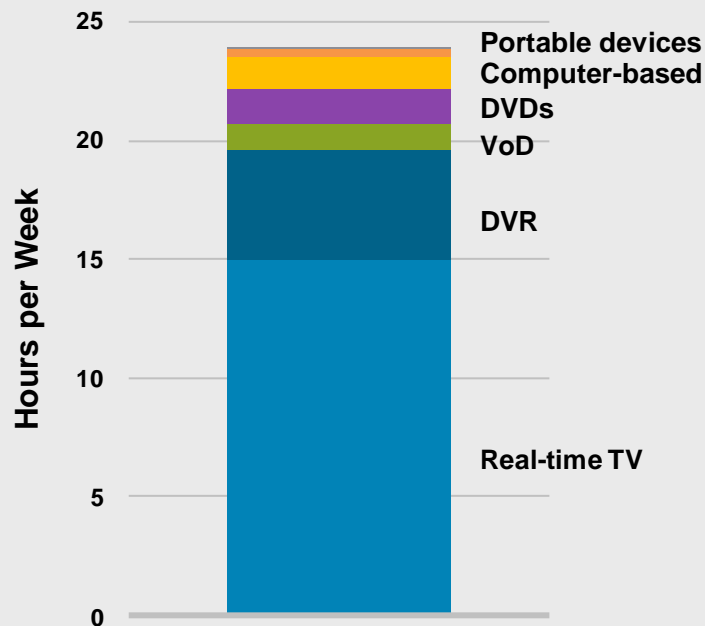


# The TV-Content “Walled Garden” Is Cracking

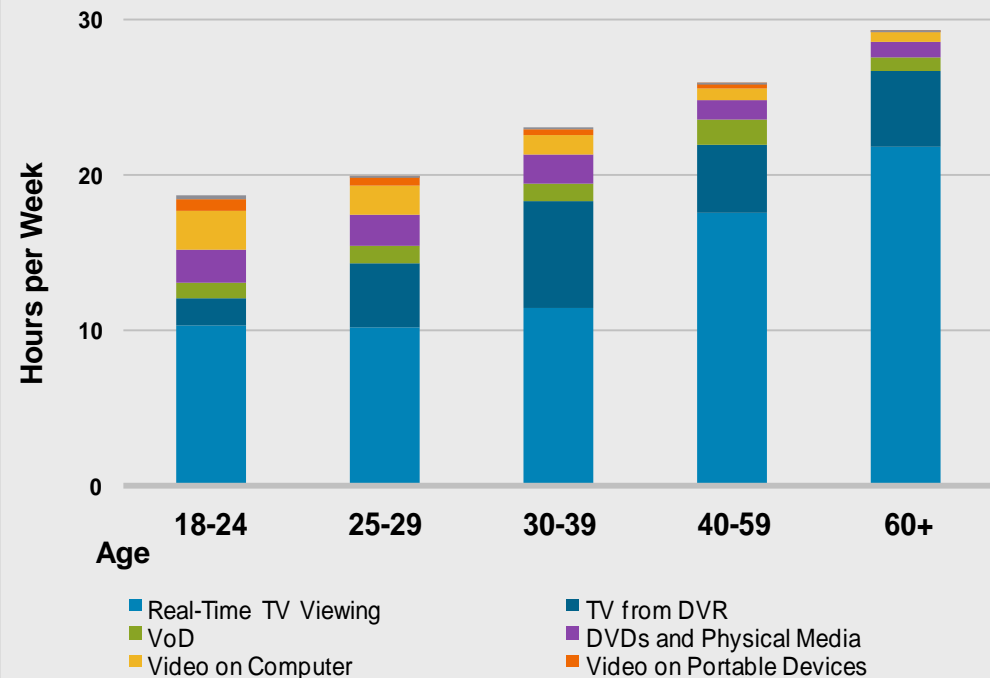
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## Consumers Are Supplementing TV with Other Video

Weekly Time Spent on  
Video Entertainment



Weekly Time Spent on Video  
Entertainment by Age



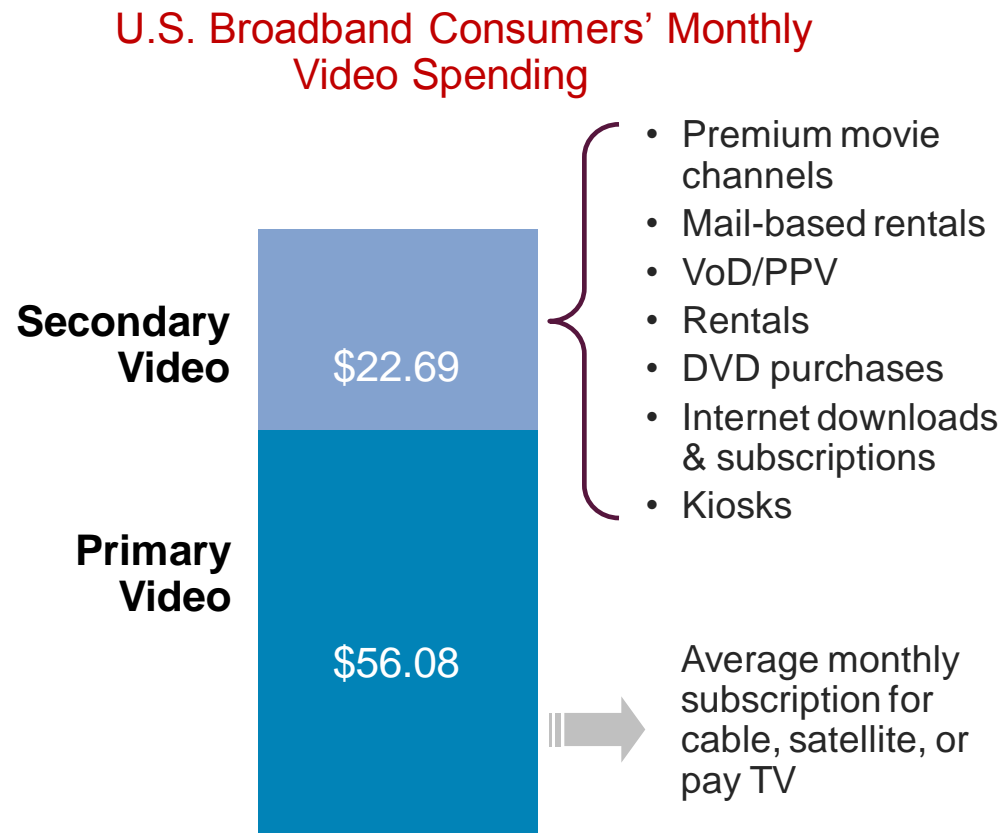
Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

Base: U.S. Broadband Consumers

# Nearly 30% of Consumer Video Spending Is for Secondary Video

Spending  
Control

- Consumers supplement their basic TV experience with as many as 7 other sources of video
- Consumers can exert more immediate control over these a la carte options
  - Flexibility, selection choice
  - Can adjust spending incrementally without entirely abandoning the service



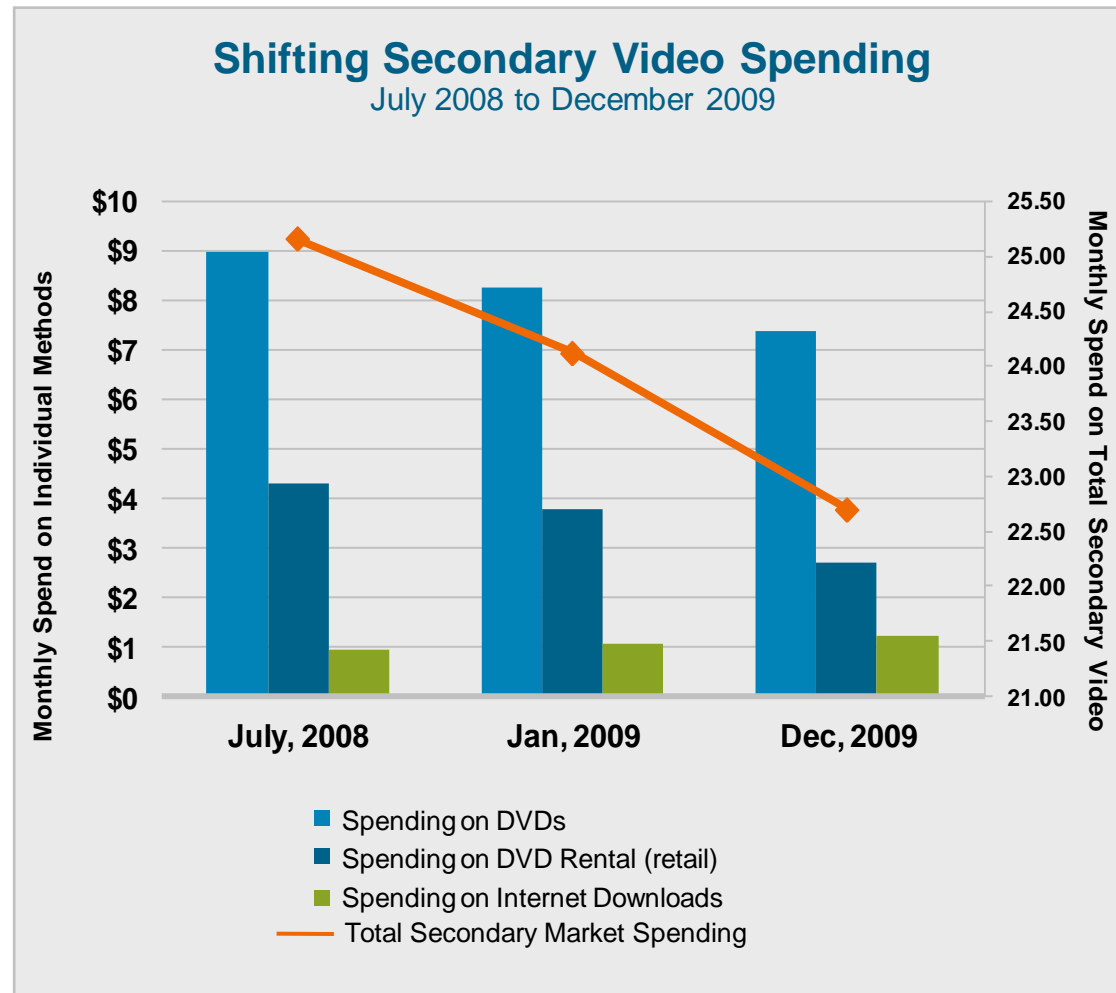
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# Secondary Video Spend Is Shifting from Traditional Media

Spending  
Control

- Total secondary video market declined 10% in 18 months
- Trend led by DVD purchase and rental declines; at same time, Internet movie downloads increased by nearly 30%
- In 2010, 22% of respondents expect to spend less on DVDs; these reductions may not be fully reallocated to other video options, but instead to savings and non-video expenses

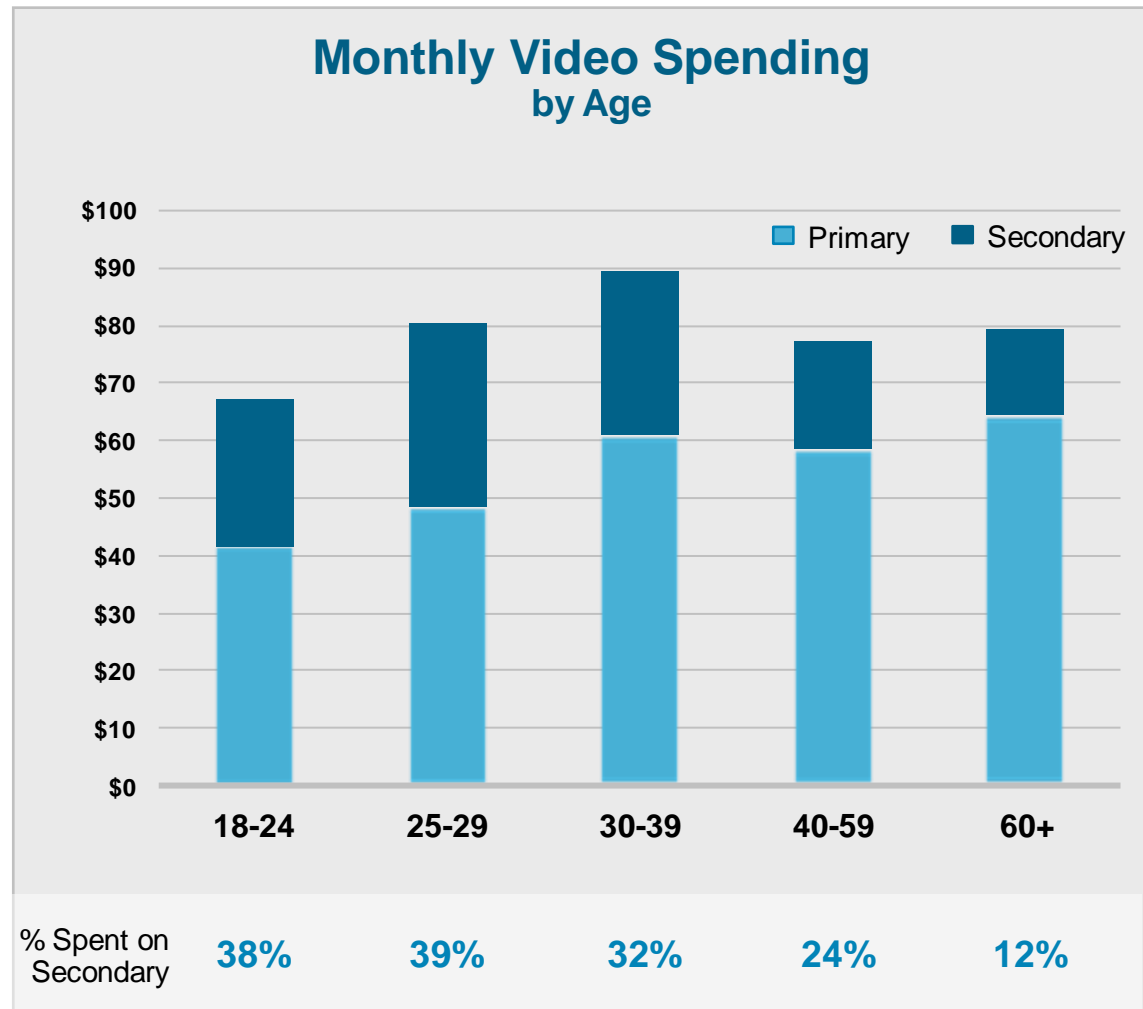


Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

# Younger Consumers Allocate More Spending to Secondary Video

Spending  
Control

- Greater reliance on secondary video among younger consumers could support rapid shifts in spending
- On average, consumers between 25 and 29 spend more than \$5 per month on Internet video



Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

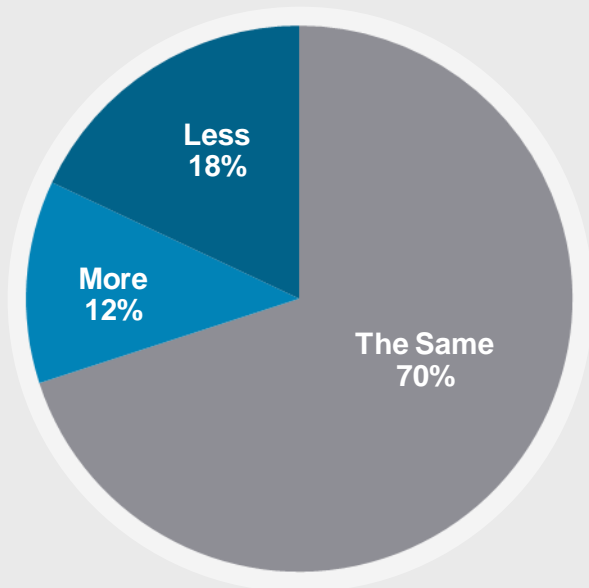
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# Impact of Transitions in Consumer Video

# For Some Consumers, Internet TV Is Cannibalizing Traditional Linear TV

Change in Time Spent Watching TV  
After Beginning To Watch Internet TV



**Question:**

Since you began watching TV programs on the Internet, do you spend more, less, or the same time watching TV programs on a television?

- For 70% of consumers, Internet TV viewing has not impacted time spent watching TV
  - 18% watch less on TV since they began watching Internet TV
  - 12% watch more TV on television now, supporting theory that Internet can find new user bases and/or help keep users loyal
- There is more cannibalization effect in younger consumers
  - 31% of Internet TV viewers aged 18-24 say they watch less TV on television since they began watching Internet TV

Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

Base: U.S. Internet TV Viewers

# Traditional TV Viewing Is Also Growing

## What Is Impact of Online Video?

In-home TV viewing is at all-time high

5.13 hours per  
person 2010



~4 hours in  
1991

8+ hours per  
household 2010



~7 hours in  
1991

“We seem to have an almost insatiable appetite for media, with online and mobile programming only adding to it.” – **The Nielsen Company**

Online video is growing

Traditional TV viewing  
continues to grow, too



Supplemental?

Even  
Complementary?

Or  
Disruptive?

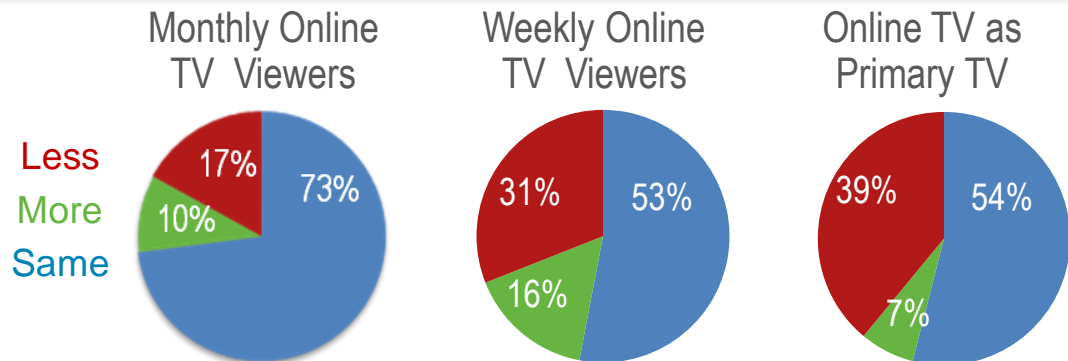
Source: The Nielsen Company, 2010; Cisco IBSG, 2010

# Impact of Internet Video? It All Depends on Who You Are

Percentage of Base	All TV Viewers (Broadband Users) 100%	Internet Video Viewers 68%	Internet TV Viewers 53%	Internet TV as Primary TV 10%
Effect on Traditional TV	<b>Supplement</b> “More television sets in the home, more channels and content to choose from, and using their DVRs more than ever.” –Nielsen	<b>Complement</b> “(Online) content creates more interest, more buzz, and more awareness...drives more people to TV.” –NBC.com	<b>Substitution</b> Increase in online TV usage takes some viewership away from traditional TV	<b>Replacement</b> Full adoption of online TV replaces need for traditional TV

Traditional TV viewing since starting to watch online TV

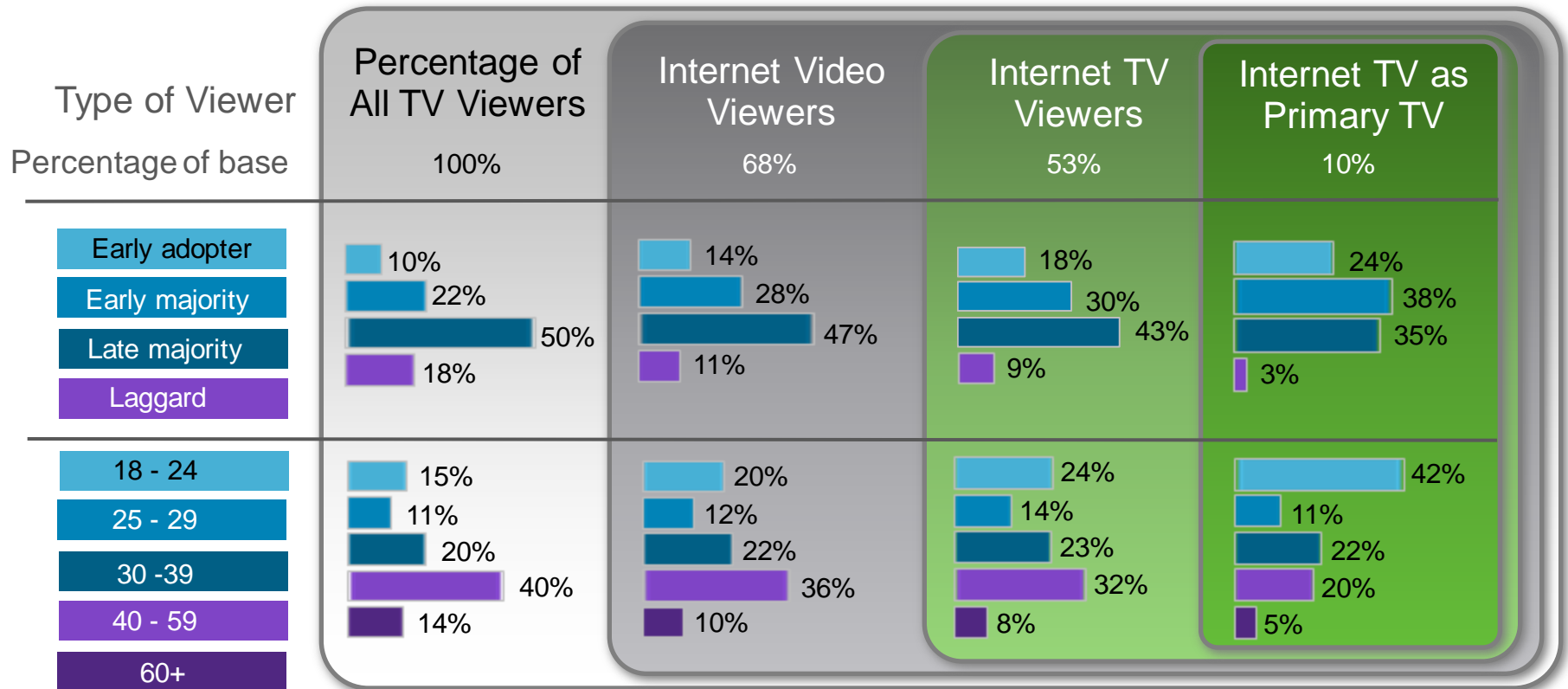
Base: U.S. Online TV Viewers



Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010; The Nielson Company, 2010; NBC.com, 2010



# Profiles of Internet TV Viewers Suggest Future Trends Toward Substitution



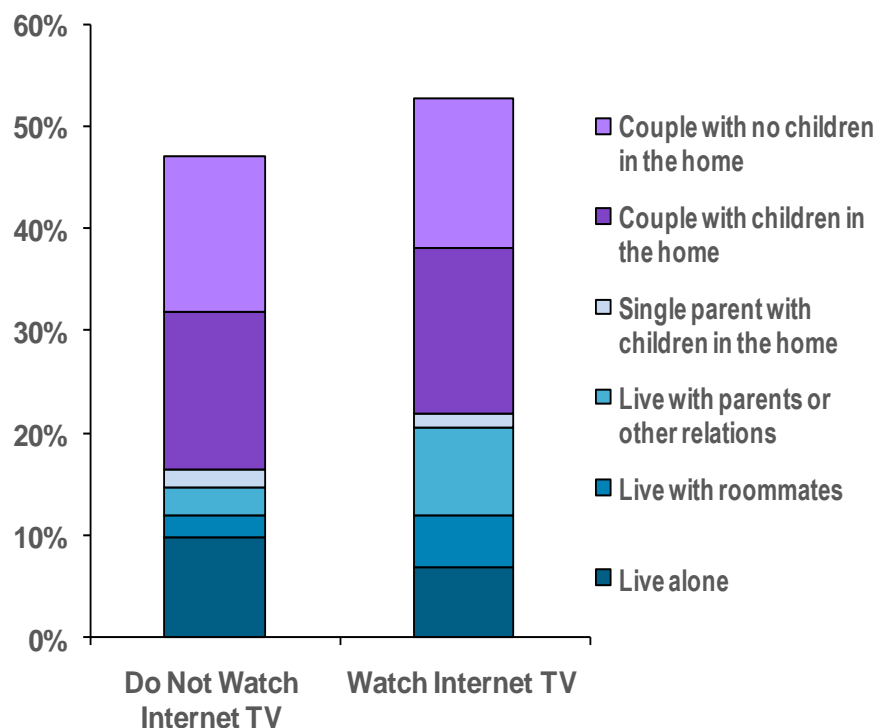
Skewed toward younger and earlier adopters

Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

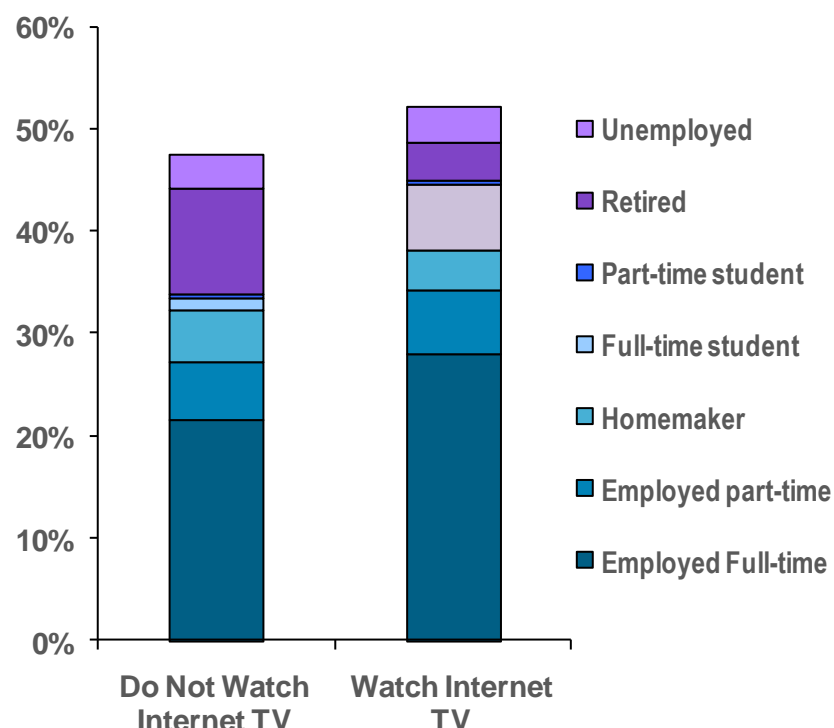
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# Adoption of Internet TV Is Not Isolated to Certain Life Stage or Demographic

## Living Situation



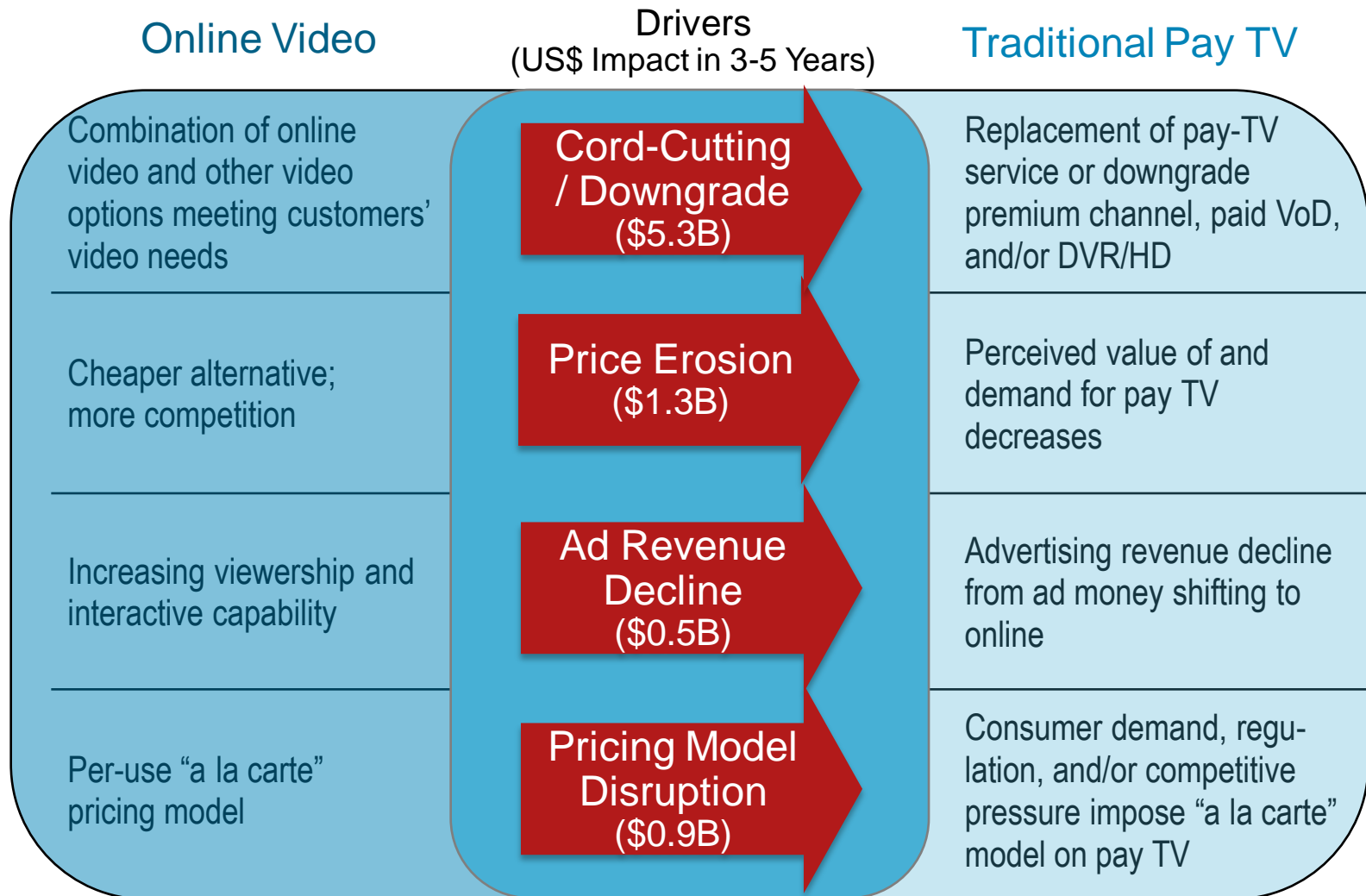
## Employment Status



Source: Cisco IBSG U.S. Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

Base: U.S. Broadband Consumers

# With Increasing Substitution, Internet Video Could Threaten Pay-TV Business



Source: Cisco IBSG, 2010

# Internet Video Could Threaten Core SP Businesses

## Greatest Threat Is in Secondary Video, but New Alternative Services Could Touch Core SP Markets

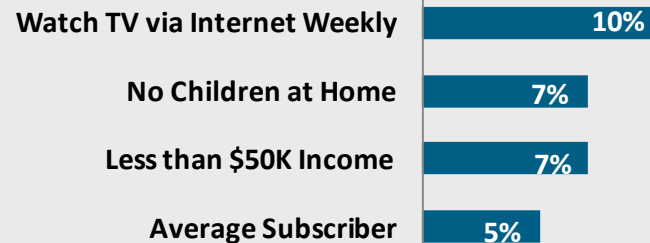
If you had...

- **Free** access to *web video to TV*
- Easy ability to watch all Internet video content on your TV
- On-demand access to prime-time TV shows, but **not** your regular TV service or your TV lineup as it airs . . .

...would you make any changes to your current TV service package?

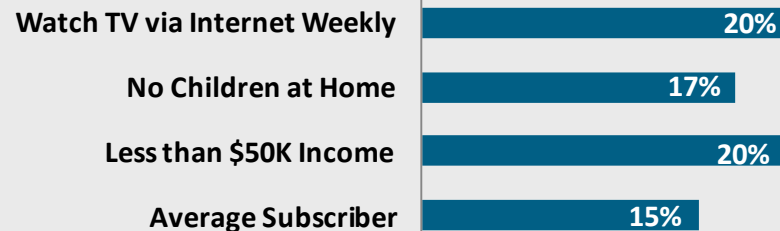
### Potential To Cancel Pay TV Service

(Percentage of subscribers responding they would cancel)



### Potential To Cancel Premium Movie Subscription

(Percentage of subscribers responding they would cancel)

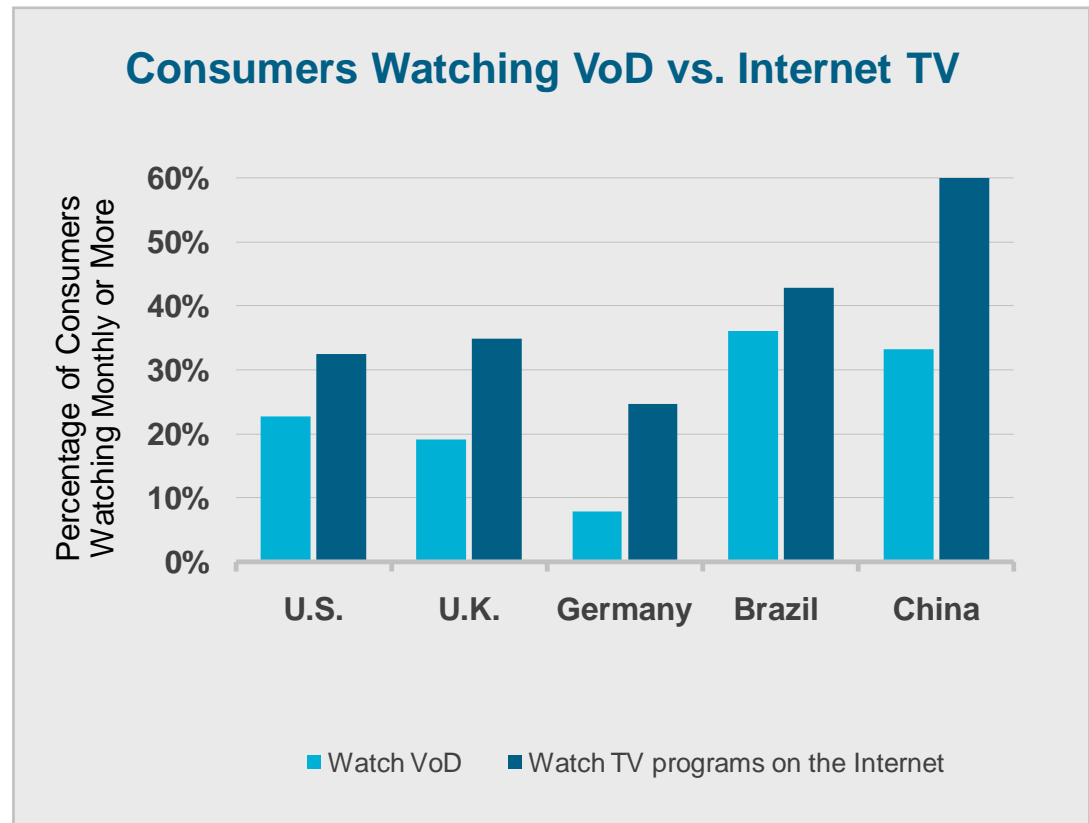


Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

# Internet TV Is Already More Popular than Video on Demand

## Consumers Are Turning to Internet for On-Demand Viewing

- In U.S., U.K., Germany, Brazil, and China, more consumers watch TV on the Internet than watch VoD each month



Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

Base: U.S. Broadband Consumers

# Providing Consumers More Control May Blunt Impact, but Threat Remains

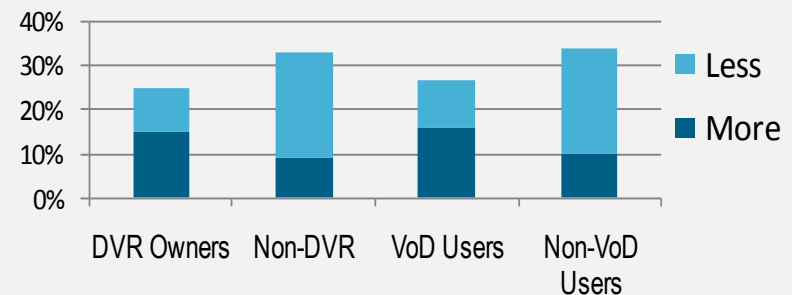
- **Less substitution by DVR owners and VoD users . . .**

- DVR owners and VoD users watch traditional TV more, even after starting to watch online TV
- Level of online substitution is much higher for non-DVR owners and non-VoD users

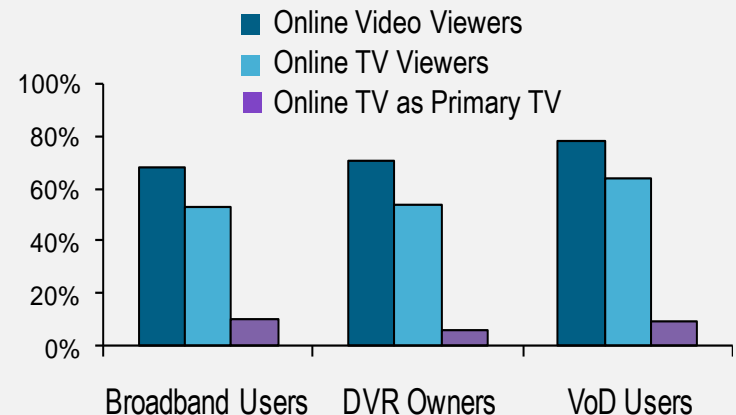
- **. . . But not enough to deter online video use**

- Number of online video & TV viewers does not decline for DVR owners or VoD users
- Online video usage is not just about control (time shifting)
  - User interface, portable device, UGC, etc.

## Traditional TV Viewing Since Starting To Watch Online TV



## Online Video & TV Viewers

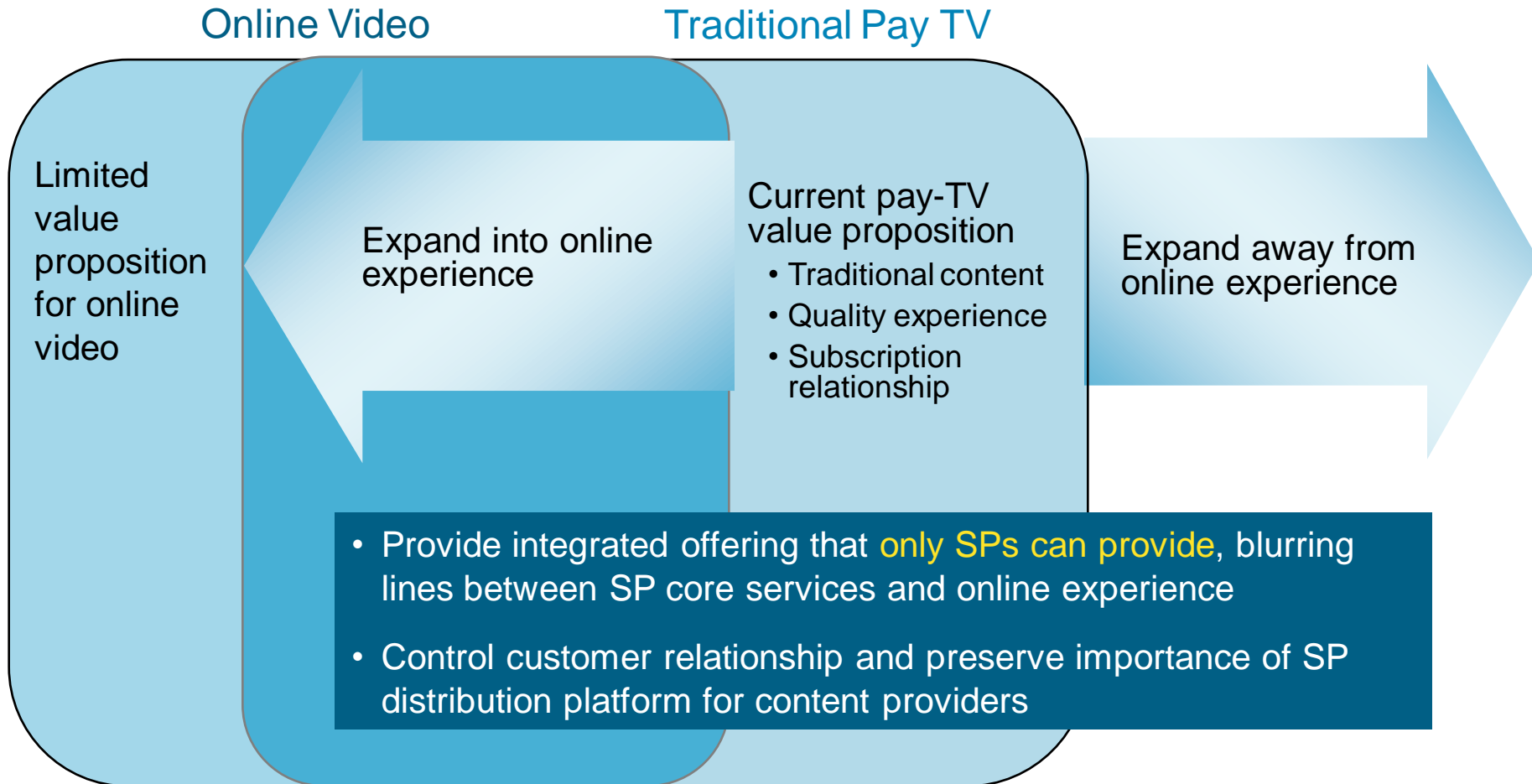


Source: Multichannel News (Data from Rentrak and Magid Associates), 2009;  
Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

Base: U.S. Online TV Viewers

# Integrate and Expand User Experience Both *Into* and *Away* from Online Video

## Wining SP Strategy



Source: Cisco IBSG, 2010

# SPs Have Key Advantages in Providing End-to-End, Integrated Video Experience

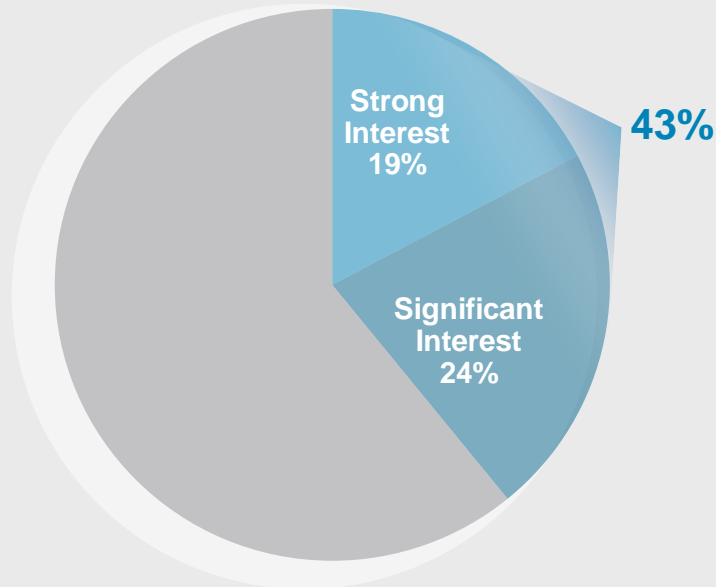
	Pay TV Service Providers	OTT Online Video Providers
<b>Device</b> (cost and installation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>STB or cable model/gateway to enable TV-to-web and web-to-TV experience                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No up-front cost and installation support</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Require additional device for web-to-TV                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Up-front cost &amp; installation complexity</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Can use existing content distribution relationships and level of scale</li> <li>Own networks for some SPs</li> <li>Web-to-TV enables all non-TV content to be viewed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Require new content relationships or own content only</li> </ul>
<b>Subscriber Relationship</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relationship with pay TV, data, and voice customers with high level of involvement                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Confidence includes future improvements</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Loose relationship with web visitors                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uncertainty about what to buy</li> <li>Less confidence about getting it to work</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Quality</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Own network</li> <li>Dedicated bandwidth for video</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Over-the-top of other networks</li> <li>Bandwidth limited to broadband</li> </ul>
<b>Service</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Field force and remote service</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remote services only</li> </ul>
<b>Monetization</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Existing billing relationship</li> <li>Can use video/data subscription</li> <li>Advanced advertising (subscriber data)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need to develop more profitable business model</li> </ul>

Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2008



# Consumers Are Ready for New TV Services, Such as *Web Video to TV*

## Consumer Interest in Service that Simply and Easily Enables Internet Video on TV



### Question:

How interested would you be in this offering if it were priced at a level you consider reasonable?

## Service Concept: *Web Video to TV*

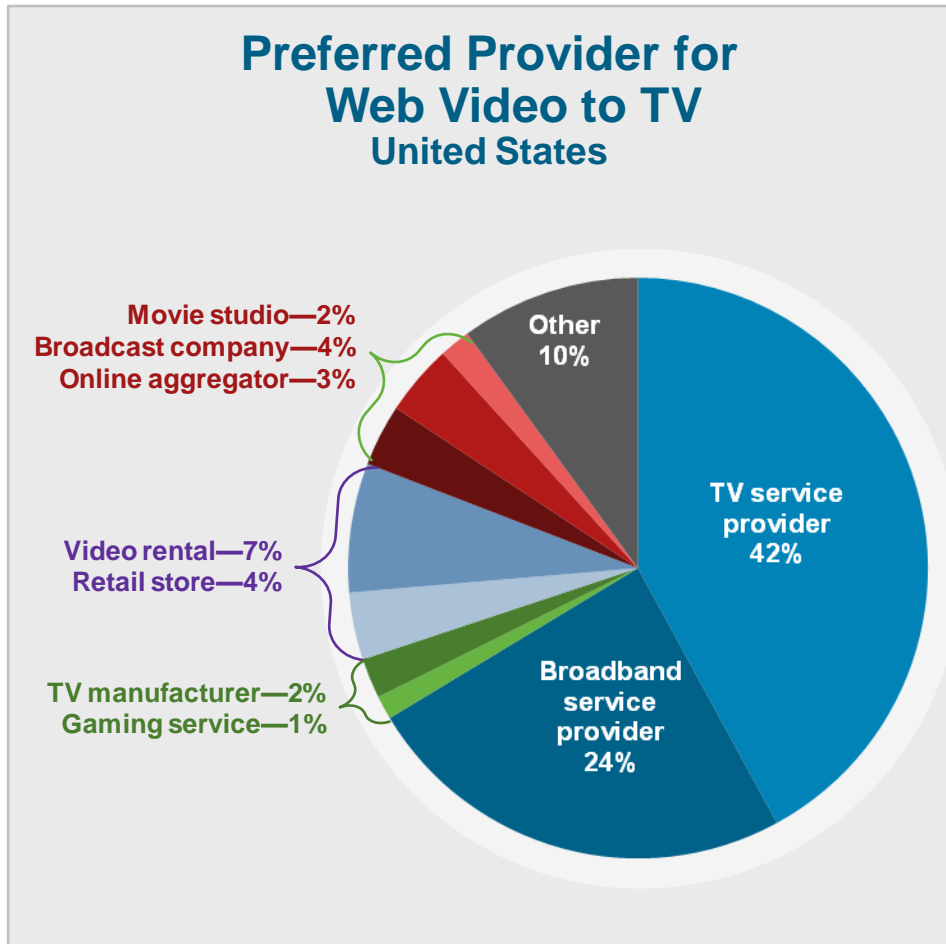
- Simple and easy to watch different types of Internet video **on your TV** instead of on your computer
- Use TV's remote control to find and select program, movie, or clip from an Internet site and watch it directly on your TV
- Enabled through device attached to TV; separate from your TV service
- Still need TV service to access television channels, video on demand, and other services offered by TV service provider

Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

Base: U.S. Broadband Consumers

# Consumers Would Prefer SPs To Provide Such Full Video Service

## Service Providers Are Strongly Positioned To Deliver Online Video



- 66% of consumers choose SP to deliver web video-to-TV service
- SPs can address consumers' concerns, including up-front cost and quality
- This preferred position reflects lack of activity in market by any player. It **could change quickly** if any consumer electronics manufacturer, retailer, or aggregator launches aggressively

Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010

# Key Trend to Watch: Internet Video Moving to the TV

Migration  
to TV

## Consumer TV Behavior Could Shift Rapidly When Internet Video Becomes Easily Accessible Through the TV

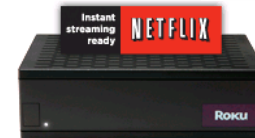
TV has been the preferred viewing device for video entertainment

- 93% of U.S. video entertainment is viewed on a TV today
- #1 reason consumers don't watch more Internet video today is because they'd rather not watch video on a computer

CE manufacturers are bringing Internet video to the TV

- 28% of TVs sold in January 2010 in U.S. were Internet-connected
- By 2014, 54% of flat-panel TVs sold globally will be Internet-enabled
- TV manufacturers are building video content portals
- New devices are making it easier to access Internet video directly from the TV

Google tv



**In next 2-4 years, consumers will establish their TV-to-Internet behavior and usage patterns**

# Key Trend To Watch: Importance of Quality

Impact of  
Quality

## Quality Can Have Powerful Impact on TV Preference

- Internet TV is better than traditional TV in **7 out of 8** experience categories, according to younger consumers
- Areas most important to overall TV experience are:
  1. Content
  2. Timing control
  3. Quality
  4. Ease of use
- While traditional TV surpasses Internet TV only in **quality**, it delivers better **“overall experience”**

Internal Survey of Younger Consumers:

**When comparing traditional and Internet TV, which option is better for the following factors?**

	Traditional	Internet
Content	7%	➤ 79%
Timing Control	7%	➤ 83%
Quality	➤ 80%	16%
Ease of Use	23%	➤ 52%
Control (FF, etc.)	9%	➤ 77%
Portability	4%	➤ 92%
Interactivity	31%	➤ 52%
Sharing	33%	➤ 56%
Overall Experience	➤ 53%	33%

Source: Cisco IBSG Youth Survey, Cisco IBSG Youth Focus Group Sessions, 2010

# Winning SP Strategies: Cutting Through the Noise

## Growing Customer Revenue Amid Video Disruption

- Consumers are taking control of their video entertainment experiences
- Internet TV use is impacting a small portion of viewers' traditional TV behavior today
- From a revenue standpoint, Internet video usage will threaten pay-TV providers in the secondary video spending areas (e.g., movie channel and VoD)
- Pay-TV providers are well-positioned to compete by offering consumers an integrated video experience that expands both *into* and *away* from online video

Source: Cisco IBSG Connected Life Market Watch, 2010





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