

What are your comments on these proposals?:

Digital radio in the UK should provide coverage of the major channels (eg. BBC) at least equal to current analogue and the technical quality should at least equal that of the current FM services.

The current DAB offering provides neither, particularly because of bandwidth limits. Service providers should be compelled to use adequate bandwidths for the services broadcast.

The new services should also be unaffected by travelling at normal terrestrial speeds.

The majority of digital services should be nationwide.

There should be no attempt to switch off analogue services until the quality and coverage requirements have been solved.

Because of the technical quality and coverage issues with DAB it is possible that DRM services could compete and overtake DAB. Every attempt should be made to impose the same regulatory constraints on DRM.