

# Internet TV Choices Review

Services are available through the Internet with Smart TV's or Wi-Fi connections devices

# Channel lineups:

- Are you paying more than \$100 a month for cable or satellite TV service? You may be able to cut that bill in half by switching to one of several new live TV streaming services.
- [DirecTV Now](#), [YouTube TV](#), [PlayStation Vue](#), [Hulu with Live TV](#) and [Sling TV](#) are the five leading providers for cord-cutters right now.
- **Best streaming TV services: DirecTV Now, YouTube TV, PlayStation Vue, Hulu with Live TV, Sling TV**
- “As you look at an average pay-TV bill of over \$100 a month, you can instead go with streaming services that typically will run you from a base of \$20 a month for a bare-bones streaming package to typically more common \$40 a month,” says money expert Clark Howard.

- The best part? Instead of being married to your own sofa and TV, these streaming services allow you to watch from anywhere — on your phone, computer or TV.
- **Best streaming TV plans and deals: Table of contents**
- [YouTube TV](#)
- [Hulu with Live TV](#)
- [DirectTV Now](#)
- [Sling TV](#)
- [PlayStation Vue](#)
- [AT&T WatchTV](#)
- [Philo](#)
- [fuboTV](#)
- A cable box or satellite dish isn't required to stream TV, but there are a few things you'll need before you get started with any of the live TV streaming services on our list:
- **High-speed internet service:** Requirements vary by provider, but a minimum download speed of 10 Mbps or higher is generally recommended for a high-quality streaming experience. ([Check your current download speed](#))
- **Compatible streaming device:** Although no cable box is required, you may need to [buy a streaming device](#) (Google Chromecast, Roku, Amazon Fire TV) to play content on your TV.
- **Digital antenna:** You can [pick up a digital antenna](#) for \$10 to \$40 if your live TV streaming package doesn't include your favorite local channels like ABC, CBS, FOX, NBC and PBS.

- **KEY TAKEAWAY:** The Great Saver track will provide a live TV streaming experience that closely resembles cable, with a mix of sports, news and entertainment options.
- **Monthly cost:** \$40 per month or less, plus high-speed internet
- **Start-up costs:** \$30 for an entry-level streaming device
- **Potential savings:** \$720 a year (based on \$100/month cable TV bill)
- Our Great Saver track is the best route for people who like everything about their existing cable or satellite TV service — except the expensive bill.
- [YouTube TV](#), [Hulu with Live TV](#), [Sling TV](#) and [DirecTV Now](#) all have packages around \$40 a month or less.
- What does that get you? The live TV streaming services offer different channel lineups ([see our comparison chart](#)), but you'll get about 50 to 60 networks at that price point — sports, entertainment and cable news.
- Depending on where you live, these services may also carry your local ABC, CBS, FOX and NBC stations.
- Team Clark has been [testing various streaming TV options](#) over the past year or so. Some of the key differences are price, channel lineup, cloud DVR, supported devices and the ability to watch multiple streams at once.
- **Price:** How much will I pay to get everything I want?
- **Channel lineup:** Does this service offer the channels that I watch the most?
- **Cloud DVR:** Can I record my favorite shows to stream later?
- **Supported devices:** Can I use my existing smart TV or streaming device with this service?
- **Multiple streams:** Does this service let me watch on multiple screens at once?
- The list of channels is probably the most important factor for the majority of streamers, so we can't pick a single service and say that it's the best for everyone.

# Live TV streaming

## •U-Tube TV

- Pros** One simple plan for \$40/month
- Lots of sports: ESPN, FS1, FS2, MLB Network, NBA TV and more
- Unlimited DVR

### **Cons**

- Missing channels: A&E, Discovery, Food Network, History, HGTV, TLC, OWN and more
- Amazon Fire TV not a supported device

# Live TV streaming

- [Hulu with Live TV](#)

- **Pros** One simple plan for \$40/month
- Hulu's on-demand streaming library included
- 50 hours of cloud DVR storage
  
- **Cons**
- Expensive add-ons
- Must upgrade DVR to fast-forward through commercials
- Only two screens at once

# Live TV streaming

- [Sling TV](#)

- **Pros** Packages start at \$25 per month; cheapest way to get ESPN
- Lots of compatible devices
- Affordable add-on channel options starting at \$5/month
  
- **Cons**
- Limited local channels
- Cloud DVR costs extra
- Only one stream at a time with Sling Orange plan

# Live TV streaming

- [DirecTV Now](#)

- **Pros** Great channel lineup for \$40 base package
- Many supported devices
  
- **Cons**
- Only 20 hours of free cloud DVR storage
- Only two streams at the same time



# Channel lineups:

- Direct TV Now
- **LIVE TV,  
WHEREVER.**
- **Binge the newest shows, catch the game, and track breaking news—all on your favorite devices!**
- 65+ CHANNELS FOR
- \$40/mo
- [GET ONE WEEK FREE](#)
- <https://www.directvnow.com/redventures#tv-your-way>
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After free trial, service renews at then-prevailing rate (currently min. \$40/mo.) unless you cancel. [See details](#)

# Live TV streaming

YouTube TV: \$40/month	Hulu with Live TV: \$39.99/month	Sling TV: “Orange + Blue” plan, \$40/month	DirecTV Now: “Live a Little” plan, \$40/month	PlayStation Vue: “Access” plan, \$44.99/month
	A&E	A&E	A&E	
ABC	ABC	ABC (select markets)	ABC	ABC
	ABC News Live			
		ACC Network Extra		
			AccuWeather	
AMC		AMC	AMC	AMC
	Animal Planet		Animal Planet	Animal Planet
			Audience	
		AXS TV	AXS TV	
			Baby First	
BBC America		BBC America	BBC America	BBC America
BBC World News				
		BET	BET	
Big Ten Network (BTN)	Big Ten Network (BTN)			
		Bloomberg	Bloomberg	
	Boomerang			
Bravo	Bravo	Bravo	Bravo	Bravo
			C-SPAN	
			C-SPAN 2	
Cartoon Network	Cartoon Network	Cartoon Network	Cartoon Network	Cartoon Network
CBS	CBS			