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Quick Look

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
H2 chip	H1 chip	H2 chip
Up to 1.5x more Active Noise Cancellation than original AirPods Max[3]	Pro-level Active Noise Cancellation[2]	Up to 4x more Active Noise Cancellation than original AirPods Pro[1]
Adaptive Audio[4] and Transparency mode	Transparency mode	Adaptive Audio[4] and Transparency mode[5]
Conversation Awareness[4]	–	Conversation Awareness[4]
Personalized Spatial Audio with dynamic head tracking[6]	Personalized Spatial Audio with dynamic head tracking[6]	Personalized Spatial Audio with dynamic head tracking[6]
Lossless Audio and ultra-low latency audio via USB-C[7]	Lossless Audio and ultra-low latency audio via USB-C[7]	–
–	–	Heart rate sensing during workouts[8]
–	–	Hearing Test,[9] Hearing Aid,[9] and Hearing Protection[10] features
Live Translation[11]	–	Live Translation[11]
Digital Crown	Digital Crown	Touch control
20 hrs Up to 20 hours of listening time on one charge with Active Noise Cancellation[29]	**20 hrs** Up to 20 hours of listening time on one charge with Active Noise Cancellation[12]	**8 hrs** Up to 8 hours of listening time on one charge with Active Noise Cancellation[12]
–	–	Up to 24 hours of listening time with charging case and Active Noise Cancellation[12]
Smart Case	Smart Case	MagSafe Charging Case (USB-C) works with Apple Watch charger and Qi-certified chargers;[14] includes lanyard loop and speaker for Find My[15]
–	–	Dust, sweat, and water resistant (IP57)[17]
"Hey Siri" and just "Siri"[19]	"Hey Siri"	"Hey Siri" and just "Siri"[19]
Automatic Switching[20]	Automatic Switching[20]	Automatic Switching[20]
Personalized engraving	Personalized engraving	Personalized engraving

Audio Technology

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
Up to 1.5x more Active Noise Cancellation[3]	Pro-level Active Noise Cancellation[2]	Up to 4x more Active Noise Cancellation[1]
Adaptive Audio[4]	—	Adaptive Audio[4]
Transparency mode	Transparency mode	Transparency mode
Conversation Awareness[4]	—	Conversation Awareness[4]
Voice Isolation[21]	—	Voice Isolation[21]
Personalized Volume[22]	—	Personalized Volume[22]
Adaptive EQ	Adaptive EQ	Adaptive EQ
Apple-designed dynamic driver	Apple-designed dynamic driver	Custom high-excursion Apple driver
Custom high dynamic range amplifier	—	Custom high dynamic range amplifier
Personalized Spatial Audio with dynamic head tracking[6]	Personalized Spatial Audio with dynamic head tracking[6]	Personalized Spatial Audio with dynamic head tracking[6]
—	—	Vent system for pressure equalization
Lossless Audio and ultra-low latency audio via USB-C[7]	Lossless Audio and ultra-low latency audio via USB-C[7]	—

Sensors

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
Optical sensor (each ear cup)	Optical sensor (each ear cup)	Skin-detect sensor
Position sensor (each ear cup)	Position sensor (each ear cup)	Motion-detecting accelerometer
Case-detect sensor (each ear cup)	Case-detect sensor (each ear cup)	Speech-detecting accelerometer
—	—	Heart rate sensor for workouts[8]
Accelerometer (each ear cup)	Accelerometer (each ear cup)	Touch control

Microphones

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
Nine microphones total:	Nine microphones total:	Dual beamforming microphones
Eight microphones for Active Noise Cancellation	Eight microphones for Active Noise Cancellation	Inward-facing microphone
Three microphones for voice pickup (two shared with Active Noise Cancellation and one additional microphone)	Three microphones for voice pickup (two shared with Active Noise Cancellation and one additional microphone)	—

Chip

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
H2 headphone chip (each ear cup)	H1 headphone chip (each ear cup)	H2 headphone chip
—	—	Apple second-generation Ultra Wideband chip in MagSafe Charging Case

Controls

AirPods Max 2

Digital Crown
Turn for volume control

- Press once to play or pause media
- Press once to answer a call or mute or unmute[23]
- Press once for camera remote[24]
- Press twice to end a call
- Press twice to skip forward
- Press three times to skip back
- Press and hold for Siri

Listening mode button
Press to switch between listening modes

- Say "Hey Siri" or just "Siri"[19] to do things like play a song, make a call, or get directions
- Siri Interactions[22]

AirPods Max

Digital Crown
Turn for volume control

- Press once to play or pause media
- Press once to answer a call or mute or unmute[23]
- Press twice to end a call
- Press twice to skip forward
- Press three times to skip back
- Press and hold for Siri

Noise control button
Press to switch between Active Noise Cancellation and Transparency mode

- Say "Hey Siri" to do things like play a song, make a call, or get directions

AirPods Pro 3

- Press once to play or pause media
- Press once to answer a call or mute or unmute[23]
- Press once for camera remote[24]
- Press twice to end a call
- Press twice to skip forward
- Press three times to skip back
- Press and hold to switch between listening modes
- Swipe up or down to adjust volume
- Say "Hey Siri" or just "Siri"[19] to do things like play a song, make a call, or get directions
- Siri Interactions[22]

Hearing Health

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
—	—	Hearing Test[9]
—	—	Hearing Aid[9]
—	—	Automatic Conversation Boost when using Hearing Aid feature[25]
—	—	Hearing Protection[10]

Live Translation

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
Live Translation for communicating across languages[11]	—	Live Translation for communicating across languages[11]

Size and Weight[26]

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
Height: 7.37 inches (187.3 mm)	**Height:** 7.37 inches (187.3 mm)	**Height:** 1.22 inches (30.9 mm)
Width: 6.64 inches (168.6 mm)	**Width:** 6.64 inches (168.6 mm)	**Width:** 0.76 inch (19.2 mm)
Depth: 3.28 inches (83.4 mm)	**Depth:** 3.28 inches (83.4 mm)	**Depth:** 1.06 inches (27.0 mm)
Weight: 13.6 ounces (386.2 grams)	**Weight:** 13.6 ounces (386.2 grams)	**Weight:** 0.20 ounce (5.55 grams)
Smart Case	**Smart Case**	**MagSafe Charging Case (USB-C)**
		Height: 1.86 inches (47.2 mm)
		Width: 2.45 inches (62.2 mm)
		Depth: 0.86 inch (21.8 mm)
Weight: 4.74 ounces (134.5 grams)	**Weight:** 4.74 ounces (134.5 grams)	**Weight:** 1.55 ounces (43.99 grams)

Battery[12]

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
Up to 20 hours of listening time on a single charge with Active Noise Cancellation enabled[29]	Up to 20 hours of listening time on a single charge with Active Noise Cancellation enabled	Up to 8 hours of listening time on a single charge with Active Noise Cancellation enabled (up to 7.5 hours with Spatial Audio and Head Tracking enabled)
—	Up to 20 hours of movie playback on a single charge with Active Noise Cancellation and Spatial Audio enabled	Up to 6.5 hours of listening time on a single charge with heart rate sensing during workouts
—	5 minutes of charge time provides around 1.5 hours of listening time	Up to 10 hours of listening time on a single charge in Transparency using the Hearing Aid feature
AirPods Max 2 with Smart Case	**AirPods Max with Smart Case**	**AirPods Pro 3 with MagSafe Charging Case (USB-C)**
Storage in the Smart Case preserves battery charge in ultra-low-power state	Storage in the Smart Case preserves battery charge in ultra-low-power state	Up to 24 hours of listening time with Active Noise Cancellation enabled
Charging via USB-C	Charging via USB-C	5 minutes in the case provides around 1 hour of listening time

Dust, Sweat, and Water Resistance

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
—	—	Dust, sweat, and water resistant (IP57)[17]

Connectivity

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
Bluetooth 5.3	Bluetooth 5.0	Bluetooth 5.3

In the Box

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
Smart Case	Smart Case	MagSafe Charging Case (USB-C) with speaker and lanyard loop
USB-C Charge Cable	USB-C Charge Cable	USB-C Charge Cable sold separately
Documentation	Documentation	Documentation
—	—	Silicone ear tips (five sizes: XXS, XS, S, M, L)

Accessibility

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
—	—	Hearing Test[9]
—	—	Hearing Aid[9]
—	—	Automatic Conversation Boost when using Hearing Aid feature[25]
—	—	Hearing Protection[10]
Live Listen audio[27]	Live Listen audio[27]	Live Listen audio[27]
Headphone levels	Headphone levels	Headphone levels
Headphone Accommodations	Headphone Accommodations	Headphone Accommodations

System Requirements[28]

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
iPhone models with the latest version of iOS	iPhone models with the latest version of iOS	iPhone models with the latest version of iOS
iPad models with the latest version of iPadOS	iPad models with the latest version of iPadOS	iPad models with the latest version of iPadOS
Apple Watch models with the latest version of watchOS	Apple Watch models with the latest version of watchOS	Apple Watch models with the latest version of watchOS
Mac models with the latest version of macOS	Mac models with the latest version of macOS	Mac models with the latest version of macOS
Apple TV models with the latest version of tvOS	Apple TV models with the latest version of tvOS	Apple TV models with the latest version of tvOS
Apple Vision Pro with the latest version of visionOS	Apple Vision Pro with the latest version of visionOS	Apple Vision Pro with the latest version of visionOS

AirPods Max 2	AirPods Max	AirPods Pro 3
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1. Up to 4x more Active Noise Cancellation compared with original AirPods Pro and AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation when tested in accordance with IEC 60268-24.
2. Up to 2x more Active Noise Cancellation compared with original AirPods Pro and AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation.
3. Up to 1.5x more Active Noise Cancellation than the previous generation when tested in accordance with IEC 60268-24.
4. Available on AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation or AirPods Pro 2 and later with the latest firmware when paired with compatible devices running iOS 18, iPadOS 18, or macOS Sequoia and later. Available on AirPods Max 2 with the latest firmware when paired with compatible devices running iOS 26.4, iPadOS 26.4, or macOS 26.4 and later.
5. Device performance and noise control features like Active Noise Cancellation, Adaptive Audio, and Transparency can be affected by debris or earwax buildup. Clean the device regularly to maintain performance and full feature functionality. Refer to support.apple.com/102672 for AirPods 4 cleaning instructions. Refer to support.apple.com/120409 for AirPods Pro cleaning instructions.
6. Compatible hardware and software required. Works with compatible content in supported apps. Not all content available in Dolby Atmos. iPhone with TrueDepth camera

required to create a personal profile for Spatial Audio, which will sync across Apple devices running the latest operating system software, including iOS, iPadOS, macOS, and tvOS.

7. Ultra-low latency audio and Lossless Audio listening requires a wired USB-C connection and compatible content from supported apps and services.
8. Built-in heart rate monitor is intended for use during workouts with the Fitness app and compatible third-party apps on iPhone running iOS 26 and later. Refer to support.apple.com/123184 for more information.
9. The Hearing Aid feature has received FDA authorization. The Hearing Test and Hearing Aid features are supported on AirPods Pro 2 and later with the latest firmware paired with a compatible iPhone or iPad with iOS 18 or iPadOS 18 and later and are intended for people 18 years old or older. The Hearing Aid feature is also supported on a compatible Mac with macOS Sequoia and later. It is intended for people with perceived mild to moderate hearing loss.
10. The Hearing Protection feature works with AirPods Pro 2 and later with the latest firmware when paired with a compatible iPhone, iPad, or Mac with iOS 18, iPadOS 18, or macOS Sequoia and later. The feature is not available in all regions or all languages. View complete list. See support.apple.com/120850 for total attenuation and more information. The Hearing Protection feature is not suitable for protection against extremely loud impulse sounds, such as gunfire, fireworks, or jackhammers, or against sustained sounds louder than 110 dBA.
11. Live Translation with AirPods works on AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation and AirPods Pro 2 and later with the latest firmware when paired with an Apple Intelligence–enabled iPhone running iOS 26 and later. Live Translation with AirPods works on AirPods Max 2 with the latest firmware when paired with an Apple Intelligence–enabled iPhone running iOS 26.4 and later. Available in beta. Some features may not be available in all regions or languages; for more information, see Feature Availability.
12. Battery life depends on device settings, environment, usage, and many other factors. AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation were tested with Active Noise Cancellation turned off.
13. Charging requires a compatible USB-C charger.
14. USB-C charging requires a compatible USB-C charger. Wireless charging requires a Qi-certified wireless charger. MagSafe charging requires a compatible MagSafe charger. AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation, AirPods Pro 2, and AirPods Pro 3 charging cases also work with the Apple Watch charger.
15. Find My functionality requires iOS 26 or later.
16. AirPods 4 and AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation are dust, sweat, and water resistant for non-water sports and exercise. Products including charging case were tested under controlled laboratory conditions, and have a rating of IP54 under IEC standard 60529. Dust, sweat, and water resistance are not permanent conditions and resistance might decrease as a result of normal wear. Do not attempt to charge when wet; refer to support.apple.com/kb/HT210711 for cleaning and drying instructions.
17. Products are dust, sweat, and water resistant for non-water sports and exercise. Products including charging case were tested under controlled laboratory conditions. AirPods Pro 3 have a rating of IP57 and AirPods Pro 2 have a rating of IP54 under IEC standard 60529. Dust, sweat, and water resistance are not permanent conditions and resistance might decrease as a result of normal wear. Do not attempt to charge when wet; refer to support.apple.com/kb/HT210711 for cleaning and drying instructions.
18. AirPods (3rd generation) are sweat and water resistant for non-water sports and exercise, and they are IPX4 rated. Sweat and water resistance are not permanent conditions.
19. Siri and activating with just “Siri” may not be available in all languages or in all areas, and features may vary by area. Compatible device and internet access required. Cellular data charges may apply. Activating with just “Siri” is not available on AirPods with the H1 headphone chip and Intel-based Mac computers. Devices must support and have the latest operating system software.
20. Requires an Apple Account and a compatible Apple device running the latest operating system software.
21. Available on AirPods 4, AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation, or AirPods Pro 3 with the latest firmware when paired with compatible devices running iOS 18, iPadOS 18, or macOS Sequoia and later. Available on AirPods Max 2 with the latest firmware when paired with compatible devices running iOS 26.4, iPadOS 26.4, or macOS 26.4 and later. For the best performance, update to the latest software.
22. Available on AirPods 4, AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation, AirPods Pro 2 and later, or AirPods Max 2 with the latest firmware when paired with compatible devices running the latest operating system software, including iOS, iPadOS, and macOS.
23. Available in compatible applications with the latest firmware.
24. Available on AirPods 4, AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation, or AirPods Pro 2 and later with the latest firmware when paired with compatible devices running iOS 18 or iPadOS 18 and later. Available on AirPods Max 2 with the latest firmware when paired with compatible devices running iOS 26.4 or iPadOS 26.4 and later.
25. Supported on AirPods Pro 2 and later with the latest firmware when paired with a compatible iPhone running iOS 26 and later. This feature may not be available in all regions or all languages. View complete list.
26. Size and weight vary by configuration and manufacturing process.
27. Requires the latest version of iOS or iPadOS.
28. AirPods can be used as wireless Bluetooth headphones with Apple devices using earlier software and with non-Apple devices, but functionality may be limited.
29. Testing conducted by Apple in January and February 2026 using preproduction AirPods Max 2 paired with production iPhone 17 Pro Max units, all with prerelease software. The playlist consisted of 358 unique audio tracks purchased from the iTunes Store (256-Kbps AAC encoding). Volume was set to 50%, Active Noise Cancellation was enabled, and Spatial Audio was set to fixed. Testing consisted of full AirPods Max battery discharge while playing audio until the AirPods Max stopped playback. Battery life depends on device settings, environment, usage, and many other factors.

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