

STREAMING SERVICES

Cable Replacement



Fubo TV

\$75 to \$95/month

FuboTV is a cable-replacement service targeting sports fans. The base Pro plan has over 150 channels with local stations in most markets, plus lots of sports networks (BeIn Sports, ESPN, FS1, MLB Network, NBA League Pass, NHL Network, NFL Network) and many cable channels (AMC, Bravo, FX, Syfy, USA).

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YouTube TV

\$73/month

A solid option for cord-cutters looking to save money without giving up sports or major cable channels. It offers access to more than 100 channels, including all the major broadcast networks, cable channels (AMC, Bravo, Disney, ESPN, FX, Fox News, Fox Sports, MSNBC, National Geographic, Turner, USA), and major sports networks such as CBS Sports, ESPN, and Fox Sports, along with the MLB, NBA, and NFL league networks.

HBO Max, Showtime, Starz, and a few other channels can be added for an extra fee.

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Hulu + Live TV

\$70/month with ads or \$83/month without

Reproduce most of a traditional pay-TV package with Hulu + Live TV, which offers about 75 channels, including the major broadcast channels in most markets. You also get cable channels such as A&E, BET, CN, Comedy Central, CNN, Disney, Fox News, FX, TBS, and TNT, among others, plus everything in the Hulu library. It also has CBS Sports, ESPN, and Fox Sports, plus some regional sports networks. Hulu + Live TV now includes both Disney+ and ESPN+.

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DirecTV Stream

\$74.99-\$109.99/month

75+ - 140+ channels depending on level you sign up for. Carries 30+ Regional Sports Networks, ABC, NBC, CBS, FOX & PBS, and includes unlimited DVR storage. You can also Stream on unlimited devices at once in your home. Regional Sports Networks included at the mid-level of \$99.99. No contracts.

Currently running a special that is \$10 off for first 3 months.

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Amazon Prime

\$15/month with prime account, or \$9/month just video

Prime Video delivers a large library of TV shows and movies, plus a solid roster of original shows, including the popular "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel"; "Wheel of Time," an epic fantasy adventure starring Rosamund Pike; and "Reacher," based on the popular Lee Child novels. Fans of epic adventures can watch the much-hyped "Lord of the Rings" prequel series, "The Lord of the Rings: The Rings of Power."

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Disney+

\$8/month with ads, \$11/month without

Disney+ is a no-brainer for many families. Disney owns all the "Star Wars" movies, as well as Marvel Studios and Pixar. Its most recent acquisition is 20th Century Fox, now renamed 20th Century Studios. That brings subscribers to movie franchises such as "Avatar," "Deadpool," and "X-Men," and TV shows including "The Simpsons" and "Empire."

There are also bundle plans. Duo Basic (\$10/month), gives you the ad-supported versions of both Disney+ and Hulu. Trio Basic adds ESPN+ with ads (\$13/month). Trio Premium has ad-free Disney+, ad-free Hulu, and ESPN+ for \$20/month.

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Apple TV+

\$7/month

Apple TV+ is a good bet for viewers interested in Apple's new original programming and those who want the convenience of adding more premium channels, such as HBO Max and Showtime, through the service's app. Starting in 2023, Apple TV+'s weekly Friday Night Baseball is a regular part of the service, open only to subscribers.

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NETFLIX

Netflix

\$7/month for ad-supported tier; \$10/month for standard-definition video on a single screen; \$15.50/month for high-def video on up to 2 screens; and \$20/month for 4K ultra-high-definition video on up to 4 screens.

Netflix is still the king of binge, with a vast library of movies and TV shows, plus now-classic original shows ("Stranger Things," "Bridgerton") and newer ones ("Wednesday," "Sandman," "Squid Game," "The Witcher"). It also has a growing library of original movies, such as "Don't Look Up" and "Roma." But Netflix has lost access to some Disney titles and Marvel and Pixar movies, which are now part of the Disney+ service.

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Network Services



Discovery+

\$5/month with ads or \$7/month without

The company—perhaps best known for Shark Week—has an extensive collection of content. That includes more than 55,000 episodes from 2,500 current and classic shows in Discovery's portfolio of networks, which includes Animal Planet, Discovery Channel, Food Network, HGTV, and TLC. The service also includes content from the BBC Natural History Collection, plus nonfiction programming from A&E, The History Channel, and Lifetime.

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Peacock

\$5/month with ads; \$10/month without ads

Includes current-season NBC broadcasts, plus a mix of offerings from NBC, Universal Studios, USA Network, Syfy, Bravo, Telemundo, and Universal Kids. The service also licenses shows from other networks, including A&E, ABC, and Fox, as well as Paramount. There are deals in place for movies from Universal Pictures, DreamWorks, Focus Features, Illumination, Warner Bros., and Blumhouse.

The Peacock Premium paid tier gets you exclusive next-day access to current NBC and Bravo shows now that those deals with Hulu have expired. You also get access to original series, including "Poker Face," "The Resort," "Love Island," and "Yellowstone."

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Paramount+

\$5/month with ads, or \$10/month ad-free. Bundled with Showtime it is \$12/month

The \$5-per-month ad-supported Essential tier mirrors what you used to get with CBS All Access: movies and TV shows from CBS and Viacom properties, including BET, CBS, Miramax, and Paramount, as well as live sports, including NFL games, soccer matches, and PGA golf. This plan doesn't include live local CBS stations, but the NFL on CBS is available via separate live feeds. Verified students are able to get a 25 percent discount on the Essential plan.

The Premium tier, previously called Commercial Free, costs \$10 per month. It's mostly commercial-free (except for live TV streams) and features the same content as the ad-supported tier but includes your live local CBS station.

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Premium Movie Channels

HBOmax

HBO Max

\$10/month with ads; \$16/month without ads

HBO Max offers everything you used to get with HBO and HBO Go, plus a lot more content from WarnerMedia properties, for about the same monthly price, though HBO Max now costs \$16 a month since its \$1-a-month price hike in January. HBO Max is also included in some top-tier DirecTV and DirecTV Stream plans. In addition to regular HBO channels, HBO Max includes a slate of new original programs and titles from the Warner Bros. TV and film library. The service also has content from Warner's Cartoon Network, CNN, DC Entertainment, TBS, The CW, TNT, and Turner Classic Movies.

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STARZ

Starz

\$9/month

Like HBO and Showtime, you can now get Starz without a pay-TV subscription. Content includes original shows ("Spanish Princess," "Outlander," "Party Down") and movies ("The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent," "Fall"). Starz ended its agreement with Sony Pictures, but a deal with Lionsgate brings movies like "John Wick" and "Knives Out" to the service.

Starz also has a number of original TV shows, including "The Serpent Queen," "Hightown," about a Cape Cod woman struggling with sobriety, and "Who Is Ghislaine Maxwell?" about Jeffrey Epstein's cohort.

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SHOWTIME

Showtime

\$12/month

Like HBO Max, the Showtime streaming service lets you watch a cable network without the cable. But Paramount recently rolled the Showtime streaming service into its two streaming plans, Paramount+ Essentials (with ads), and the ad-free Paramount+ Premium, as part of a bundle. Either bundle—Essential with Showtime and Premium with Showtime—costs \$12 a month, or \$1 a month more than the standalone Showtime service. By signing up, you get all of Showtime's movies, documentaries, sports events, and original shows such as "George and Tammy," "Your Honor," "Dexter: New Blood," and "Billions," documentaries, and sporting events. All the Showtime content is ad-free.

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