

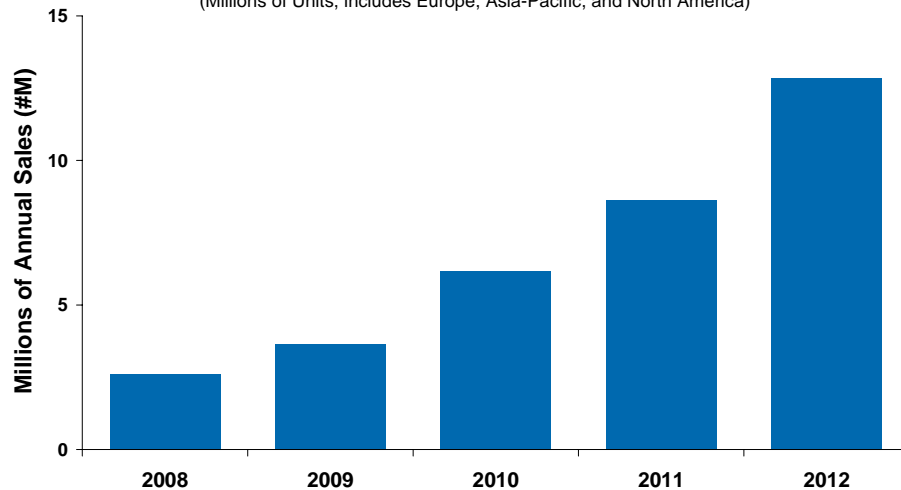
Synopsis

This report identifies different consumer storage platforms and profiles the most representative / competitive solution providers. With the latest consumer data on intenders and early adopters, a comprehensive industry analysis, and industry forecasts, this report takes an early look at an emerging but promising home server industry.

The Growth of Stored Media on Home PCs

Worldwide Growth of Network-Attached Storage Devices

(Millions of Units, includes Europe, Asia-Pacific, and North America)



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“Current file storage solutions are not equipped to handle consumers’ ever-growing libraries of digital photos, music, and video,” said Jane Shields, research analyst, Parks Associates. “Soon the average broadband household will need close to a terabyte of storage to account for their media collections on PCs, portable devices, and DVRs. However, while storage capacity will certainly be a critical factor in purchase decisions, the industry needs to pay attention to additional features as it approaches the mass market.”

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