
















Comparison of Noise Levels

COMMON OUTDOOR SOUND LEVELS

NOISE LEVEL
dB (A)

COMMON INDOOR SOUND LEVELS

B747-200 Takeoff*		110		Rock Band Inside Subway Train
Gas Lawn Mower at 3 ft.		100		Food Blender
Diesel Truck at 150 ft. DC-9-30 Takeoff*		90		Garbage Disposal at 3 ft. Shouting at 3 ft.
Noisy Urban Daytime B757 Takeoff*		80		Vacuum Cleaner at 10 ft.
Commercial Area		70		Normal Speech at 3 ft.
Quiet Urban Daytime Quiet Urban Nighttime		60		Large Business Office Dishwasher Next Room
Quiet Rural Nighttime		50		Small Theater
		40		Large Conference Room (Background)
		30		Library Bedroom at Night Concert Hall (Background)
		20		Broadcast and Recording Studio
Threshold of Hearing		10		
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* As measured along the takeoff path 2 miles from the overflight end of the runway.