

Appendix 1F – Content volumes in archive

Legacy Digital Archive

The archive volume of AV content arising from current and past televising contracts is believed to total some 215,000 hours, broken down as follows:

- Broadcast Tape Archive (1990-2000) - 17,500 hours held on videotape in off-site storage (approximately 70% on Betacam SP; 25% on Digital Betacam; and 5% on DVCAM) (approximately 20,000 tapes). Approximately 36% Migrated
- Legacy Sony Petasite (1999-2009) - 16,000 hours on DTF-2 datatape from the legacy digital archive. 99.9% Ingested, approximately 78% Migrated
- Legacy LTO-4 Sony Petasite (2010-2019) – Approximately 37,500 hours on LTO-4 datatape. The archive format is D10, encoded as MXF OP1A Files. All content recorded in deep storage is on LTO-4 tapes. Fully Migrated
- LTO-8 (2019-2026) – 62,513 files across 355 LTO8 tapes totalling 3314 TB of data, for approximately 144,084 hours of footage

o This includes 32856 files totalling 1972 TB of data, for approximately 85,000 hours of daily records since 2019 (a clean, a clean back-up and a dirty copy at a current record rate of 23GB per hour for XDCAM50 .MXF files)

o The total also includes some of the Legacy Archive which has been migrated so far. The Legacy Archive content is on 32,157 files totalling 1341 TB of data, for at least 58,000 hours of footage.

The Legacy Archive digitisation and migration is ongoing.

Content Throughput

Currently, based off 2025 figures, AV content is being added to the Digital Archive at a rate of approximately 12,300 hours per annum, for roughly 4100 hours of unique content when back-ups and dirty copy duplicates are discounted, equating to roughly 103 hours of new unique content being recorded per sitting week.

Content recalled from the archive in the past 12 months for re-use amounts to some 10.55TB, equating to roughly 458 hours of footage.

Historic AV content requested from the videotape or DTF-2 archive which has not yet been digitised is, as a matter of policy within the OBU, ingested in full and migrated to the current Digital Archive for easier, future recall and use. This also reduces any unnecessary use of either the DTF2 drive or tape.

Indications of past volumes and throughputs should not be taken as a guarantee as to future volumes and throughputs.

Volume of external requests from archive

The OBU receives external requests for material from the archive and generally processes these at no cost if delivered via FTP. The tables below provide indicative information on the volume of the requests received between 2022 and 2025. Note that one request can contain multiple video clips.

2025	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
FTP	5	7	2	4	3	2	9	4	3	5	4	2
Stills	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Viewing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Playouts - Archive Requests	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	5	7	3	4	3	2	9	4	3	5	4	2
Playouts - Lives - FTP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Playouts - Lives	2	11	8	8	12	9	9	0	8	10	11	9
Playouts - Replays	0	3	2	2	6	6	6	0	4	9	8	9
Playouts - Replays - FTP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	14	10	10	18	15	15	0	12	19	19	18

2024	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
FTP	5	4	4	7	1	8	9	2	12	22	8	2
Stills	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Viewing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Playouts - Archive Requests	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Total	5	4	4	7	1	8	9	2	12	25	8	2
Playouts - Lives - FTP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Playouts - Lives	7	12	7	10	13	9	8	0	5	12	3	0
Playouts - Replays	4	9	3	5	8	6	5	0	4	10	2	0
Playouts - Replays - FTP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	11	21	10	15	21	15	13	0	9	22	5	0

2023	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
FTP	7	2	11	5	6	6	3	2	1	1	2	3
Stills	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Viewing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Playouts - Archive Requests	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	8	3	11	5	6	6	3	2	1	1	2	3
Playouts - Lives - FTP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Playouts - Lives	7	11	11	7	13	10	6	0	6	12	12	6
Playouts - Replays	3	6	8	3	8	6	4	0	3	7	9	3
Playouts - Replays - FTP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	10	17	19	10	21	16	10	0	9	19	21	9

2022	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
FTP	3	1	1	2	0	4	3	2	6	6	1	3
Stills	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Viewing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Playouts - Archive Requests	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	4	3	1	2	0	4	3	2	6	6	1	3
Playouts - Lives - FTP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Playouts - Lives	9	12	10	9	13	12	7	0	9	12	12	8
Playouts - Replays	5	8	9	5	11	7	4	0	7	8	9	6
Playouts - Replays - FTP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14	20	19	14	24	19	11	0	16	20	21	14