Hearing Aid Appliances for Dummies

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 https://www.consumersguidereview.com/top-hearing-aids/

Common

- Hearing Test Verify Loss
- Budget Health Insurance
- Evidence of Coverage
- Basic Features Must have in Backup HA
- Advanced Features Optional, nice ...
- Support Self, some Professional
- How handle a 5 year Plan

Consumer Reports (CR) July, Aug '25

- Article How to Hear Everything, Top HA BRANDS
- This Article is a letdown; pg 51 Ratings
- Survey-Based by Brand Listing, NOT Any Model HAs
- based on 2023 Information! What a Letdown!
- CR did reach out to both
- hearingtracker.com and hearadviser.com
- for both OTC and Prescription HAs

Budget

- 5 year BUDGET for HAs, Support, Maintenance
- Over \$2,000
- \$2,000 Limit
- \$1,200 Limit
- \$700 \$800 Limit
- \$250 \$300 Limit
- \$0 \$200 Limit

Budget over \$2K

- Shop for Professional Providers in ENT Doctors
- Costco or similar for Complete Packages
- from Hearing Tests, to Maintenance Plans
- Read the CR July, Aug issue for the suggestions
- and the Brand Survey, dated still in Biz
- Quite a few Distributors have left as OTC HAs have replaced the High FEE based products

Budget Limit of \$2K or \$750

- Less Profit with HAs, more Choices
- My short List is After 2 years of Reviews
- Top 3 OTC Hearing Aids 2024
- https://youtu.be/NsIEOSiMyRo
- Forbes next slide

Budget Limit of \$2K or \$750, cont 1

- https://www.forbes.com > Best > Hearing-Aids
- Best Hearing Aids Of 2025 Brand Reviews -Forbes Health™
- Forbes[™] Top Recommended Hearing Aids Of 2025. Easily Compare Pricing, Ratings & Features.
- Hearing Aids Recommended By Audiologists.

Budget Limit of \$2K or \$750, cont 2

- Forbes cont
- Do NOT agree with the Audien selection
- bought, did not get a \$50 Return
- and if need their Audiologist \$100
- Pay for Hearing Test and get Qs answered
- Elehear Audiologist available for their product, Software application How-to

Budget Limit of \$2K or \$750, cont 3

- Hear.com intertwined with Advertorials
- and asked about those Advertorials
- need scroll to the Bottom of AD Page
- read the Disclaimers that just for some Sales
- *** If view any Advert "ours is Better, Less than, etc" and if start to inquire about your info, DON't unless you wish you had left
- Ex: Big Advert for ORICLE just DON't

Budget Limit of \$500

- Forbes Best Affordable Hearing Aids Of 2025,
 According To Audiologists
- Top 5 Best Affordable Hearing Aids 2025
- Last Updated August 2025

Top 5 Best Affordable Hearing Aids 2025

https://www.consumersguidereview.com/top-hearing-aids/

- Audien Atom 2 \$189
- MDHearing NEO \$297
- ELEHEAR Beyond \$399
- NewSound \$470
- Lexie B1 \$749
- Audien Atom One \$99



My EleHear Beyond HAs Moderate Price ~ \$399

Budget LT \$200

- Lots of Online Adverts "\$99 better than \$2K"
- Less Profit with HAs, more Choices
- Put together List MUST have in a Basic HA
- My short List watch https://youtu.be/NslEOSiMyRo
- Top 3 OTC Hearing Aids 2024
- Marketplaces Walmart, Amazon, Ebay
- missing an Overseas Marketplace AliExpress!
- 1:10 have hearing Loss Huge World wide Population

Budget LT \$200 (cont 1)

- https://www.aliexpress.us/?gatewayAdapt=glo2usa
- search bar hyk health store { in Biz for Several Years }
- Welcome to Global Selling Center
- If we buy via Amazon, Walmart, Ebay we get re-directed
- to somewhere like our Ebay, delivery time ~ 2.5 3 weeks
- No reason to buy, except understand one leap from HAs Manuf Source
- Do NOT know where have "stuff" here is "Best of 2025"
- and if Budget must be affortable ie LT \$100, then maybe?
- Also available for the up to \$500 or \$1.2K and over
- Just about most HAs sold in US come from somewhere
- Yes, the Newbies need know more, Experienced? Search bar again

Budget LT \$200 (cont 2)

- Differences US Sales vs Aliexpress Sales
- Before buying, Merchant verifies U is U not somone else
- open Chrome, Login to Google, Merchant verifies via Google
- asks U to create Acount on their Website (never any issues)
- accepts Valid Credit Cards just like in US Websites
- Package is Tracked, Merchandise delivered to U
- I have several in-Ear, not Low Price, but in the \$50 range
- that I learned about Hearing Loss vs Expensive US items
- Now the VA provides the In-Ear HAs to advanced Seniors, and a "toothpick"
- to maintain similar, and \$50 Co-Pay for incidents that U can't, don't handle

Budget LT \$200 (cont 3)

- Tips, Info, etc U buy BASIC HEARING, not frills
- Depending which unit U purchase, U must charge up the HA
- on the provided Charger, Cable to USB-A Connection
- use the HA and if the Unit has a problem WITHIN a week
- then a Return, exchange, etc
- I have one of their HA units and the Rechargeable Battery
- has been used toward the 2 year point
- Ex: Advanced Digital Rechargeable Hearing Aids for Seniors with Noise Cancelling Mini CIC Hearing Devices with Charging Case
- \$42.07 Model Number **GM-910C** in Details (for Description)
- I recommend and Price changes if New Customer, Sales, ...
- as a Back Up HA, or Newbie Starting out



In-Ear LT \$40 (HYK Health Store)

Yes, container is the Charger (USB-A Connect) and in AM just put the Red in R ear, Blue in L ear, and GO!

Budget LT \$200 (cont 3A)

- If interest in the HAs toward or over \$2K
- https://www.aliexpress.us/?gatewayAdapt=glo2usa
- search bar enter Hearing Aids
- When connected look at the bottom of the returned website
- and then need much time to examine all else
- There are an awful amount of People with hearing Loss
- and the Overseas HA manufacturing provide Merchandise Worldwide
- regardless of Tariffs, Shipping
- Yes, have considerations of Warrantee, Repairs, Service

Budget LT \$200 (cont 4)

- Obvious TIP Watch out giving Youngsters Piggy Back rides!
- The rides can become Expensive!
- Maintenance and/or Updating HAs get Professional Audiologist
- to update, change the Hearing Domes if things sound Funny!
- Over time, those HAs that have a wire type part that goes deep into Ear
- and breaks, or something, that part is approx \$60
- where you purchased the HA, it's not just the Wire, more to it
- Too much detail for this Presentation need check Facebook
- and I can post why I almost returned the Elehear unit I found
- a workaround to Removing, Re-Install the Ear Dome the Doc needs
- to be rewritten for the expensive Models (way up over \$750)

SUM UP

- An Intro from myself, now 3rd year
- It is possible to have HAs with OTC HAs
- even at almost a Very Limited Budget
- There are HAs with Features and then
- those Feature types are like Appliances
- Select HAs that fit your Budget, 5year Plan
- Another Time Basic HA, Maintenance
- Makeup of Advanced Appliance, HA, Maintenance