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Title

Regency Model TR-1 Transistor Radio (Face)

Catalog Number

102711690

Type

Physical Object

Date

1954

Manufacturer

I.D.E.A. Inc., Regency Division

Place Manufactured

US

Identifying Numbers

Model number TR-I

Dimensions

overall: 1 1/4 in x 3 in x 5 in

Description

The first transistor radio available to U. S. consumers, the Regency TR-1, hit U.S. stores in October 1954 at a price of \$49.95. Developed as a joint venture between Texas Instruments, Inc. (which supplied its four germanium junction transistors) and the Regency Division of Industrial Development Engineering Associates, over 100,000 TR-1s were sold, introducing the word "transistor" into the public lexicon. Object consists of radio, original box, and a brochure detailing the Regency "Battery-Saver Kit".

Category

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Credit

Gift of Texas Instruments

Lot Number

X5447.2009

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