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- Dayton Hamvention – 2007
 - 534 Users
 - Approximately 50 Version 1 Gateways
 - Approximately 100 Users/Day Activity
- (Source <http://WWW.DStarUsers.Org>)



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- Dayton Hamvention – 2008
 - Over 2400 Users
 - Over 300% Additional Growth
 - Approximately 152 Version 2 Gateways
 - 200% Additional Growth
 - Over 700 Users/Day Activity
 - Over 600% Additional Growth
- (Source <http://WWW.DStarUsers.Org>)



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D-STAR Repeaters by State (May 12, 2008)

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|------------------------|----|
| California | 16 |
| Texas | 8 |
| Arizona | 6 |
| Alabama | 5 |
| FL, GA, MI, NJ, OH, PA | 3 |



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Nations on the D-Star International Network (May 12, 2008)

Australia

United States

Austria

Brazil

Germany

United Kingdom

Portugal

Scotland

Netherlands

Canada

Argentina

Belgium

France

Greece

Italy

Russia

Switzerland

Trinidad & Tobago



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Something's Going on – What is it?



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Attention from amateurs

- Lots of discussion forums

- Lots of fun

- Lots of excitement

Attention from non-amateur groups

- Served agencies

- Simultaneous Tactical Voice & Data



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New Capabilities

- Multi-Cast (Multiple Gateways)
- DV Dongle
- Gateway Reliability & Administration Improvements



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Somewhat interesting, but not the FULL story!



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D-STAR is only a tool,
but it's an important tool!



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Amateurs want to **CONTRIBUTE**

Some by designing

Some by building

Some by operating

Some by organizing

D-STAR offers opportunity in all areas.



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D-STAR is also acting as a catalyst

Technology growth

Applications development

Spectrum Management

Club activities

Grant proposals

More OPPORTUNITY



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Attitudes

“It'll never catch on...”

“But what will happen to my _____?”

“Why can't they _____?”

“If I could use that to ____, then we could _____”

“We can use that to _____ for _____”



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Participants and Spectators

Which are you?



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Compounded growth

What's next?

The rewards of contributing



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2003 – 2007 was a LOT of fun!

2008 is our most exciting year yet.

What are YOU going to make 2009?



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Welcome to the FUN!

73,
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