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The global Q2 2011 WLAN market (including access points and controllers) is worth \$757M, shipping 1.6M units-- with 35% Y-o-Y growth, according to Canalys.



The analyst attributes this growth to "the need for pervasive Wi-Fi connectivity due to the proliferation of mobile devices."

Internet and app use on smartphones and tablets are a key driver to the expansion of WLAN coverage in both private and public environments, together with the shift to the 802.11n standard.

The EMEA WLAN market grows by 30.7% Y-o-Y, with all industry sectors registering solid increases in WLAN networking.

Cisco remains the top WLAN vendor, with 35.6% Y-o-Y shipment revenue growth and market share totalling 53.7% (up from 53.4%).

Aruba Networks (including sales from OEM partner Alcatel-Lucent) follows, with 41.5% Y-o-Y

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growth and 14.6% market share.

Motorola shows strongest growth, with 52.3% thanks to retail, transport and leisure industry sales.

Canalys concludes that as consumers boost public cloud investment and enterprise mobile device adoption, WLAN vendors steering government and business networking spending will be the "real winners."

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