

## Yippee-ki-yay, movie lovers! DISH presents the '12 Days of Die Hard,' because Die Hard is a Christmas movie (and we can prove it)

## -- More Americans watch Die Hard on Christmas Eve than Miracle on 34th Street, Home Alone or The Santa Clause, according to historical DISH viewership -- DISH gifts customers Die Hard on-demand for 12-day period from Dec. 15-26

ENGLEWOOD, Colo., Dec. 15, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- For the past few holiday seasons, one controversial question continues to surface: is *Die Hard* a Christmas movie? Today, DISH is taking an official stance to help settle the debate. Yes, *Die Hard* is a Christmas movie, and in celebration of this fact, DISH is gifting customers access to this hotly-debated Christmas classic. In what the company has coined the "12 Days of *Die Hard*," customers can watch *Die Hard* on-demand beginning today through Tuesday, Dec. 26. Yippee-ki-yay, movie lovers.



"Every December, Americans engage in the national online conversation about whether *Die Hard* is a Christmas movie," said Jay Roth, DISH CMO. "So this year, we went into the archives to look at historical TV viewership on DISH, and we're calling it: *Die Hard* is a Christmas movie."

Based on DISH anonymized bulk viewership behavior, extrapolated to the U.S. population, here's what was discovered:

- Last Christmas Eve, **1.3 million** people watched *Die Hard*, with **2.4 million** viewing the movie at some point during the holiday season. This number jumps to **4.3 million** if you count *Die Hard* 2, which is also a Christmas movie.
- Die Hard was the **10<sup>th</sup> most-watched movie** last Christmas Eve, meaning that more Americans watched Die Hard than holiday-favorites, *Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street, Home Alone* and *The Santa Clause*.

DISH first helped to fuel this seasonal pop culture debate with the November 2017 release of its TV spot, "<u>Santa</u>." In the spot, Santa Claus uses DISH's <u>new voice remote</u> to quickly find his favorite Christmas movie, *Die Hard*. The new DISH voice remote interprets natural language to generate and select content, and is available to all new Hopper customers at no additional cost.

The "12 Days of *Die Hard*" runs on DISH from Dec.15-26. To access the *Die Hard* VOD, an Internet-connected set-top box is required.

For additional information on Die Hard viewership during the holiday season, visit The DIG blog.

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