

What does it sound like?

The following table puts a noise level of 60 db into context.

dBA	Example	Home appliance	Power tools
0	Normal hearing threshold		_
10	Ticking watch		
20	Rustling leaves		
30	A whisper		
40	Light rain	Computer	
50	Quiet office	Refrigerator	
60	Normal conversation	Air conditioner	
70	Shower	Dishwasher	
75	WC flushing	Vacuum cleaner	
80	Alarm clock	Waste disposal	
85	Diesel lorry	Leaf blower	
90	Average iPod	Lawn mower	Welder
95	Underground train (inside)	Food processor	Belt sander
100	Motorcycle		Handheld drill
105	Sporting event		Chain saw
110	Live rock music		Riveter
115	Emergency vehicle siren		
120	Thunder		
130	Peak stadium noise		
140	Jet taking off		
145	Jet fighter taking off		
150	Shotgun		