

PC Dictation is the leader in dictation and transcription packages, but we also recognise that voice recognition is a tool that many users want to incorporate into their existing system. We have compared some of the leading notetakers and full edit recorders to help your decision making.

The table below is our own test results. We have used the Dragon Professional version 10. We have completed the equivalent of 4 audio modules and 1 hour of direct dictate training. The results are what you should expect with minimum training.

Recorder	% accuracy	Notes
Olympus VN5500	75-80	The greatest surprise was the accuracy of the cheapest machine. Very good recognition rate for a notetaker and price. It does not compare to the Pro recorders, you might put up with the accuracy.
Olympus WS450	80	Good quality playback did not do much better than the VN so a little surprising. Good price, accuracy reasonable.
Olympus WS560	80	Good quality playback did not do much better than the VN or WS 450 so a little surprising. The high quality did not make a big difference. Good price, accuracy reasonable.
Olympus DM450	80-90	While this is a great conference recorder, you can use it as a recorder for voice recognition (VR). It did do better than the VN and WS range. I would recommend the DS 2400 if you were to use the device only for VR.
Olympus DS 2400	90-95	The DS2 file really does make the difference! This should be your starting point for a recorder. As you can see the accuracy is great.
Philips 9370	85-90%	Good recognition rate, software integrated (full edit rec) does not have DS2 as an option.
Philips 9500	85-90%	Good recognition rate, software integrated (full edit rec) does not have DS2 as an option.
Philips 9600 (dss)	85-90%	Good recognition rate, software integrated (full edit rec). Recommend running this with the DS2 option as there is a big difference between the two.
Philips 9600(DS2)	90+%	Excellent recognition, software integrated (full edit rec)
Olympus DS5000 (DS2)	90+%	Excellent recognition, software integrated (full edit rec)

Not surprising the Philips 9600, Olympus DS5000 and DS 2400 topped the recognition rates with the use of the DS2 audio file type. Both Philips and Olympus have a very simple software integration that allows for quick correction.

The best accuracy is with the use of a good USB headset and talking directly into your computer. The rate of 99% is very much achievable. This type of dictation style is not for everyone, especially if you have been using a Dictaphone for several years.

We believe that it's possible to use a combination of:

- Voice recognition
- Sending audio to your secretary.

Please feel free to contact PC Dictation for a demonstration.

Comparison chart:

				
	<u>Medical</u>	<u>Professional</u>	<u>Mobile</u>	<u>Preferred</u>
Australian Language Model	✓	✓	✓	✓
Quick Voice Formatting	✓	✓	✓	✓
Auto Configuration	✓	✓	✓	✓
Enhanced Word Formatting	✓	✓	✓	✓
Regional Accent Support	✓	✓	✓	✓
Natural Commands for Firefox	✓	✓	✓	✓
Voice Shortcuts for Web Search	✓	✓	✓	✓
Voice Shortcuts for Desktop Search	✓	✓	✓	✓
Support for Voice Recorders	✓	✓	✓	✓
RealSpeak 2 Text-to-Speech	✓	✓	✓	✓
Voice Shortcuts for Email and Calendar	✓	✓		
Support for External Vocabularies	✓	✓		
Save Audio with Text Dictation	✓	✓		
VBA Compatible Scripting	✓	✓		
Roaming Users	✓	✓		
Third Party Correction	✓	✓		
Included Medical Vocabulary	✓			
Digital Voice Recorder Included			✓	