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Your television screen is blank. Or fuzzy. Television repair can seem a bit 1960s, but there are companies out there still in the business. But is repairing a TV set worth it, given the ubiquity of new, flashy models out there? "We deal with those questions all the time with customers," says Bob Phillips, general manager of Arco TV Service Company in Haverhill. "Sometimes, the repair's in the \$200 to \$300 range, but if a new TV is \$400-\$500, and [the set in question] is old, fixing may not be worth it." Owners of pricier models from brands like Sony and Panasonic may be more apt to have them repaired, Phillips says. And sometimes, repairs are not all that expensive: A fairly simple fix may cost \$125 (which includes the house call and diagnostics) plus the cost of parts, which the technicians generally have on hand. (More complicated problems are pricier to fix, of course.) *Arco TV Service Company, 120 Kenoza Ave., Haverhill. 617-387-2400 or 781-321-1344. www.arcotvservice.com*