iPhone 5-- Smaller, Cheaper, Neither?

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The New York Times reports sources close to Apple say the company is looking into making the device less expensive to produce-- but not in a smaller form factor, as some other sources are saying.

The report continues that the next iPhone will also work with voice commands but will come in a size similar to the iPhone 4's.

Meanwhile Bloomberg says the new iPhone will come in a cheaper, smaller package, with a focus on streaming media and cloud-based storage.

However the New York Times' predictions are more convincing-- a smaller screen would only cause app store defragmentation (and wouldn't be necessarily cheaper to produce) as developers end up rewriting their apps. Steve Jobs himself describes the iPhone's uniformity is its "huge strength".

Either way we'll surely continue getting more news and rumours on whatever Apple's iDevice sequels will develop into.

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