

Five days after winning its first sweeps in six years — sweeps are used by local stations to adjust ad rates — CBS won its third straight week for the first time since 1985.

The win also moved CBS into a tie with ABC for second place for the season. NBC remains in first place.

CBS was bolstered by top-rated *60 Minutes*, which aired interviews with CBS News correspondent Bob Simon

As with its sweeps win, CBS' movies contributed to the weekly victory. Part 2 of *And the Sea Will Tell* was No. 4 and *Lies Before Kisses* tied for No. 7.

On Fridays, ABC still dominates. NBC has been trying to make headway with *Dark Shadows*, this week moving it to 10 EST/PST and *Hunter* to 9, but ABC's sitcoms and *20/20* are formidable. ABC's Friday night slate pulled in the highest ratings for any lineup on Fri-

day. CBS' *Voices That Care* special, with a star-studded cast paying tribute to U.S. troops. It aired twice; its premiere Thursday, the day the war ended, tied for 64th for the week. Its repeat on Sunday tied for 83rd.

Overall news viewership remained high; all three network newscasts were up 15% over a year ago. ABC was first, followed by CBS and NBC.

► Tight season race, 1D

Using this chart

- Ratings information comes from the A.C. Nielsen Co.
- A ratings point represents 931,000 TV households; shares are the percentage of sets in use; number of viewers is in millions.
- (*) indicates a Nielsen ratings tie.
- (r) indicates a repeat episode.
- (s) indicates a special broadcast.

Monday, February 25, 1991

	Viewers	Rating	Share	Rank
8:00 Evening Shade (CBS)	21.4	14.7	22	*25
Best Kept Secrets (ABC) (s)	20.4	13.4	20	*35
Fresh Prince of Bel-Air (NBC)	21.2	13.3	20	37
Willow (Fox)	11.5	6.9	10	*76
8:30 Major Dad (CBS)	24.0	16.3	24	*18
Blossom (NBC)	17.3	11.0	16	53
9:00 Murphy Brown (CBS)	28.4	19.1	28	3
Dead Pool (ABC)	18.2	12.7	20	40
Long Road Home (NBC)	16.7	11.8	18	*44
10:00 Designing Women (CBS)	24.0	17.0	26	16
10:40 Good Sports (CBS)	14.1	10.6	19	54

Tuesday, February 26, 1991

8:00 Rescue 911 (CBS)	28.0	17.3	26	15
Matlock (NBC)	23.2	15.7	23	21
Who's the Boss? (ABC)	20.9	14.6	22	*27
8:30 Davis Rules (ABC)	21.2	14.2	21	29
9:00 The Sea Will Tell, Pt. 2 (CBS)	28.1	19.0	29	4
Roseanne (ABC)	28.6	18.6	27	*5
In the Heat of the Night (NBC)	19.8	13.7	20	*32
9:30 Coach (ABC)	24.0	16.1	24	20
10:00 thirtysomething (ABC)	15.9	11.6	18	*46
Law & Order (NBC)	15.6	11.1	18	52

Wednesday, February 27, 1991

8:00 Unsolved Mysteries (NBC)	26.7	17.7	28	14
The Wonder Years (ABC)	21.2	14.6	23	*27
The Flash (CBS)	14.3	8.8	14	62
8:30 Growing Pains (ABC)	19.3	13.7	21	*32
9:00 Bush Press/Analysis (ABC) (s)	21.3	14.7	22	*25
9:20 Night Court (NBC)	18.9	13.0	20	39
9:30 Jake and the Fatman (CBS)	19.0	13.2	21	38
Anything but Love (ABC)	16.3	11.6	18	*46
9:50 Night Court (NBC)	17.9	12.4	20	42
10:00 Equal Justice (ABC)	11.0	8.2	14	69
10:20 Hunter (NBC)	15.7	11.2	21	51
10:30 48 Hours (CBS)	13.4	10.0	19	*57

Thursday, February 28, 1991

8:00 The Cosby Show (NBC)	28.5	18.5	29	*7
The Simpsons (Fox) (r)	21.0	12.6	20	41
Top Cops (CBS)	14.5	9.6	15	60
Father Dowling (ABC) (r)	12.2	8.5	13	*64
8:30 A Different World (NBC)	29.3	18.6	29	*5
Voices That Care (Fox) (s)	14.6	8.5	13	*64
9:00 Cheers (NBC)	35.9	23.4	36	2
The Flash (CBS) (r)	13.3	8.5	13	*64
Gabriel's Fire (ABC) (r)	10.3	7.3	11	74
Beverly Hills, 90210 (Fox)	10.0	6.3	10	82
9:30 Down Home (NBC)	26.6	17.9	28	13
10:00 Knots Landing (CBS)	19.4	13.6	24	34
Maria Shriver (NBC) (s)	17.1	12.0	21	43
PrimeTime Live (ABC)	16.3	11.6	20	*46

Top 10

1	60 Minutes (CBS)
2	Cheers (NBC)
3	Murphy Brown (CBS)
4	The Sea Will Tell, Pt. 2 (CBS)
5	Roseanne (ABC)
6	A Different World (NBC)
7	The Cosby Show (NBC)
8	Lies Before Kisses (CBS)
9	Family Matters (ABC)
10	Home Videos (ABC)
	Full House (ABC)

Network ratings

For the week:
CBS: 13.3
NBC: 12.1
ABC: 12.1
Fox: 6.8
Season to date:
NBC: 12.8
CBS: 12.5
ABC: 12.5
Fox: 6.4

Bottom 5

89	America's Most Wanted (Fox)
90	Totally Hidden Video (Fox)
91	Lenny (CBS)
92	Comic Strip Live (Fox)
93	Against the Law (Fox)

Evening news

For the week:
ABC: 12.8
CBS: 11.4
NBC: 11.2
Last week:
ABC: 11.9
CBS: 10.3
NBC: 10.2

Friday, March 1, 1991

	Viewers	Rating	Share	Rank
8:00 Full House (ABC)	29.9	18.1	32	*9
Guns of Paradise (CBS)	12.5	8.4	15	68
Story Behind the Story (NBC) (r)	9.4	6.6	12	*79
America's Most Wanted (Fox)	8.2	5.4	9	*89
8:30 Family Matters (ABC) (r)	30.6	18.1	31	*9
9:00 Perfect Strangers (ABC) (r)	25.8	15.5	26	*22
Dallas (CBS)	14.3	10.5	18	*55
Dark Shadows (NBC)	11.5	7.1	12	75
Against the Law (Fox)	5.1	3.4	6	93
9:30 Going Places (ABC) (r)	22.5	13.9	24	31
10:00 20/20 (ABC)	22.2	15.0	28	24
Midnight Caller (NBC)	11.3	7.9	15	71
Sons and Daughters (CBS)	7.8	5.9	11	86

Saturday, March 2, 1991

8:00 Amen (NBC)	14.7	10.0	19	*57
Young Riders (ABC) (r)	13.5	8.5	16	*64
Uncle Buck (CBS)	8.7	5.7	11	*87
Totally Hidden Video (Fox) (r)	8.7	5.4	10	*89
8:30 Down Home (NBC)	14.2	9.8	18	59
Totally Hidden Video (Fox) (r)	9.3	5.7	11	*87
Lenny (CBS)	7.9	5.1	10	91
9:00 The Golden Girls (NBC)	23.8	16.3	29	*18
Renegades (CBS)	12.9	8.1	15	70
Cops (Fox)	10.5	6.5	12	81
Peter Gunn (ABC) (r)	8.8	6.2	12	*83
9:30 Empty Nest (NBC) (r)	24.0	16.4	30	17
Cops (Fox) (r)	9.9	6.2	11	*83
10:00 Carol & Company (NBC)	19.9	13.4	25	*35
10:30 Dear John (NBC) (r)	15.9	11.5	23	50

Sunday, March 3, 1991

7:00 60 Minutes (CBS)	34.4	23.5	38	1
Super Bloopers and Jokes (NBC)	11.6	7.5	12	*72
Life Goes On (ABC) (r)	11.5	6.9	11	*76
True Colors (Fox)	10.6	6.6	11	*79
7:30 Parker Lewis (Fox) (r)	11.1	6.8	11	78
8:00 Home Videos (ABC) (r)	33.9	18.1	27	*9
Murder, She Wrote (CBS)	21.8	15.5	23	*22
In Living Color (Fox)	19.2	11.6	17	*46
Expose (NBC)	10.8	7.5	11	*72
8:30 Funniest People (ABC) (r)	33.8	18.0	27	12
Real Life/Jane Pauley (NBC)	13.4	9.1	14	61
Get a Life (Fox) (r)	14.0	8.6	13	63
9:00 Lies Before Kisses (CBS)	25.8	18.5	29	*7
RoboCop (ABC) (r)	22.1	14.0	22	30
Married...With Children (Fox)(r)	18.4	11.8	18	*44
Summer My Father Grew Up (NBC)	15.9	10.5	16	*55
9:30 Voices That Care (Fox) (r) (s)	9.3	6.2	9	*83
10:00 Comic Strip Live (Fox)	5.8	4.2	7	92