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ACM Awards Anticipate National Renewal And Reassert Multicultural Support

ment presented during the COVID-19 era, and precautions abounded. Many nonsinging musicians wore masks, and seats in multiple Nashville venues were mostly unoccupied. One ex-

Now that half of U.S. adults have received at least one jab of a COVID-19 vaccine, the nation is officially in recovery mode, and on April 18 the Academy of Country Music provided them an awards show to match.

Women continued to recover strength after the bleak "bro

country" years with two females Maren Morris and Carly Pearce, who shared her awards with duet partner Lee Brice and the late producer busbee — winning in two categories. Luke Bryan, who returned to American Idol after a bout with the coronavirus, recovered the entertainer of the year trophy six years after his victory in the ACM's top category. Blanco Brown took another step in his return from a near-fatal motorcycle accident by making his first public appearance to present an award. And Black performers continued to regain visibility in the format, which was heavily influenced by African Americans in its formative years: Mickey Guyton became the first Black female to co-host, while

Kane Brown, Darius Rucker, Jimmie

Allen, Americana duo The War & Treaty and gospel singer CeCe Winans all made appearances.

"Tonight is just a continuation of country music being more inclusive," said Rucker in the virtual press room. "You see the whole genre working toward that."

The 56th annual ACM Awards were the second install-

ception was at the Grand Ole Opry House, where Vanderbilt health-care workers were scattered at safe distances.

> Thomas Rhett, who performed and reclaimed male artist of the year for the third time in five years, gave a shout-out to those front-line professionals during his acceptance speech.

> "My wife graduated from Tennessee with a nursing degree," he told the media later, demonstrating an affinity for caregivers. "It almost made me cry, honestly, looking up into the stands and seeing people that are putting their health and their lives on the line. Getting to give them live music for the first time in a long time was one of the most special things I've gotten to do in a minute."

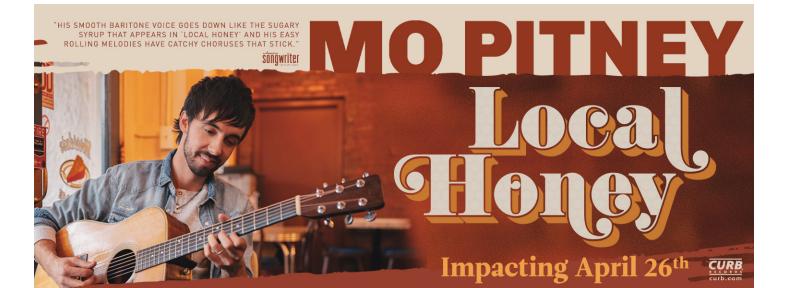
> Bryan, who won his third entertainer trophy, revealed that his COVID-19 diagnosis was rough, but only for a few days.

"I was very fortunate to not have a

long set of symptoms," he said. "It was still quite challenging for a couple of days, but thank God for health."

Morris collected three trophies in her two trips to the podium. She snagged her second female artist victory and earned two — while co-writers **Laura Veltz** and **Jimmy Robbins** shared





the song honor in absentia.

Pearce and Brice took single of the year for "I Hope You're Happy Now" during the telecast, after the same recording won musical event two days prior to the show. Pearce wrote the song as a sort of apology to an ex when she was 29, then endured a difficult personal stretch while the tune emerged as a hit.

"I keep saying that I think 29 and 30 were the years that really tested my faith," she told reporters. "I think that God takes things and sometimes has to break it down to ashes in order to make something beautiful out of it. I feel like 31 and hopefully 32 is all the good. He uses our pain sometimes for good."



Dan + Shay won their third straight duo of the year award, and **Old Dominion** walked off with the band's fourth consecutive group of the year honor. **Chris Stapleton** picked up his second album of the year award, winning trophies as both artist and producer for *Starting Over*—a title that embodied the same spirit of revival that the ACMs represented.

New female **Gabby Barrett** and new male **Jimmie Allen** performed during the broadcast, days after their victories were announced. **Kane Brown** also received advance recognition for video of the year with "Worldwide Beautiful," a song that encourages multiculturalism.

"This song to me just shows where the world's leading," Brown told reporters. "It's in the future of our children's hands."

The music was designed to bear that out with numerous biracial performances. Allen was surprised by **Brad Paisley**'s arrival to perform "Freedom Was a Highway" from The Bluebird Cafe. Winans teamed with **Carrie Underwood** on a big-voiced version of "Great Is Thy Faithfulness," amid a gospel medley of songs from Underwood's *My Savior* album. Brown teamed with **Chris Young** for a run-through of their single "Famous Friends." Guyton shared cohosting credits with **Keith Urban**. And **Dierks Bentley** collaborated with The War & Treaty on a bluegrass cover of **U2**'s "Pride (In the Name of Love)," an appropriate choice for the evening as it references **Martin Luther King Jr.**, whose civil rights work is receiving its own sort of renewal in the Black Lives Matter movement.

All of those performances were a warmup for Nashville's artists as they contemplate a return to touring, and to connecting face-to-face with fans, in the months ahead.

"There's nothing I'm looking forward to more than seeing the faces of people out in the crowd and hearing them sing back to me," Stapleton said backstage. "I can write a song, and I can record a song, and I can sing it in a room by myself, but it doesn't mean a whole lot until it goes out to somebody ... That's when it gets meaning." •



Carly Pearce and Lee Brice received the Academy of Country Music's music event of the year award for "I Hope You're Happy Now" during an interview with *People* magazine on April 16.



Kane Brown (right) learned he won the Academy of Country Music's video of the year award for "Worldwide Beautiful" during an on-air conversation with CBS This Morning host Anthony Mason on April 15.



Frankie Ballard (left) and Garrison Starr (center) guested on Drake White's weekly Wednesday Night Therapy livestream on April 14.

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Taylor Swift's Rerecorded *Fearless* Flies In At No. 1 on Top Country Albums, As 18 Of Its Tracks Enter Hot Country Songs



Taylor Swift soars in at No. 1 on *Billboard*'s Top Country Albums chart (dated April 24) with *Fearless (Taylor's Version)* (Republic). Released April 9, the set earned 291,000 equivalent album units, with 179,000 in sales, in its first week ending April 15, according to MRC Data.

The album sports 26 tracks, including rerecordings of all 13 songs on the

original Fearless, which arrived in November 2008. The new set also features six bonus songs added to a 2009 reissue of Fearless (dubbed the Platinum Edition) and Swift's 2010 single "Today Was a Fairytale." The new album further contains six newly recorded "From the Vault" songs that were written for the original version of the album but went unreleased until now.

The original Fearless debuted at No. 1 on the Top Country Albums chart dated Nov. 29, 2008, with 592,000 first-week copies sold. It proceeded to rule for 35 weeks, the seventh-longest reign in the chart's 57-year history.

Fearless (Taylor's Version) is the only No. 1 album of its kind: an artist's rerecording of one of his or her own (or another's) albums. It's worth noting, however, that other country artists have long rerecorded songs from their respective catalogs, with Merle Haggard especially notable for the practice, as well as Dolly Parton.

Swift's updated *Fearless* becomes her sixth No. 1 on Top Country Albums and first since *Red* in 2012-13, after which she segued more fully to pop. Concurrently, the new album <u>roars in</u> as her eighth No. 1 on the all-genre Billboard 200.

With 291,000 units earned, Swift's new set scores the largest week for any album in 2021. It passes the arrival of **Morgan Wallen**'s *Dangerous: The Double Album* (265,000 units, Jan. 23). Plus, *Fearless (Taylor's Version)* earns the largest week for a country album since **Luke Bryan**'s *Kill the Lights* opened with 345,000 units in August 2015.

Swift further scores the biggest debut streaming week for a country album by a woman: 143 million on-demand streams of the new release's tracks, shattering Maren Morris' former record of 24 million streams earned by *Girl* in its

first week in March 2019. Morris helped hand over the mark: She's featured on the new album's "You All Over Me (Taylor's Version) (From the Vault)."

On the Hot Country Songs chart, which blends airplay, sales and streaming data, Swift tallies 18 entries from her new set, the most ever in a week by a woman (besting her own prior high of 12 in November 2012, thanks to the

debut of Red).

Leading her haul and netting Swift her 26th top 10 on Hot Country Songs is "Mr. Perfectly Fine (Taylor's Version)" (Republic/MCA Nashville), which rockets 20-2. The track drew 14.2 million U.S. streams and starts atop Country Streaming Songs, marking her fifth leader.

'MADE' FOR THE TOP 10 Jake Owen earns his 12th Hot Country Songs top 10 as "Made for You" (Big Loud) jumps 11-4, up 65% to 6.5 million streams and 6% to 1,900 sold. On Country Airplay, it surges 6-2 for a new high, up by 15% to 25.6 million audience impressions. "You" is Owen's first top 10 since "Homemade," which reached No. 5 in March 2020. The latter also became Owen's eighth No. 1 on Country Airplay.

week by **Gabby Barrett**'s "The Good Ones" (Warner Music Nashville/WAR). Her second consecutive career-opening No. 1, which increased by 13% to 29.6 million, marks the first multiweek leader by a woman since Maren

Morris' "The Bones" ruled for two frames in February 2020.

'HELL' YEAH Eric Church's "Hell of a View" (EMI Nashville) becomes his 16th top 10 on Country Airplay. Church raises "Hell" 13-8, up 15% to 17.8 million in audience.

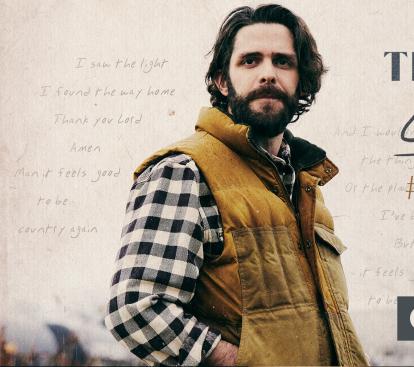
NOT A 'NOBODY' Dylan Scott adds his third Country Airplay top 10 as a "Nobody" (Curb) climbs 12-9 (17.4 million, up 6%). He last hit the upper tier with "Hooked," which snagged a No. 2 peak in September 2018.





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THIS	LAST	WKS ON		AUDIENCE (I			PLAYS	
WEEK	WEEK	CHART 45	TITLE Imprint/Label Artist THE GOOD ONES Warner Music Nashville/WAR ** No. 1 (2 weeks) ** Gabby Barrett	THIS WEEK 29.257	+/-	7652	+/- 687	RANK 1
0					+3.336			
9	6	48	MADE FOR YOU Big Loud Jake Owen	25.585	+3.392	6882	790	4
3	3	23	WHAT'S YOUR COUNTRY SONG Valory Thomas Rhett	23.395	-1.997	6004	-497	
4	4	51	LADY BMLG Brett Young	22.389	-0.778	5241	0	5
6	9	62	SOMEBODY LIKETHAT 19th & Grand Tenille Arts	21.596	+1.745	6218	592	3
6	7	48	JUSTTHE WAY Stoney Creek Parmalee x Blanco Brown	21.308	-0.631	4898	-104	8
0	10	28	BREAKING UP WAS EASY INTHE 90'S MCA Nashville Sam Hunt	19.148	+1.875	5237	571	6
8	13	24	HELL OF A VIEW EMI Nashville Eric Church	17.815	+2.300	4965	611	7
9	12	52	NOBODY Curb Dylan Scott	17.361	+1.008	4764	270	9
10	5	61	MOMMA'S HOUSE Broken Bow Dustin Lynch	17.161	-5.697	4541	-1529	11
0	11	44	HOWTHEY REMEMBER YOU Big Machine Rascal Flatts	16.619	+0.237	4755	30	10
Ø	14	14	FOREVER AFTER ALL River House/Columbia Nashville Luke Combs	15.177	+1.290	3994	413	13
Œ	15	46	ALMOST MAYBES MCA Nashville Jordan Davis	14.508	+0.844	4280	252	12
12	16	30	SETTLING DOWN Vanner/RCA Nashville Miranda Lambert	13.671	+1.346	3777	193	15
Œ	17	26	GONE Capitol Nashville Dierks Bentley	13.653	+1.284	3853	252	14
16	2	34	STARTING OVER Mercury Nashville Chris Stapleton	12.912	-12.539	3304	-3843	22
Ð	21	20	FAMOUS FRIENDS RCA Nashville ** Airpower ** Chris Young + Kane Brown	12.332	+1.439	3618	385	16
B	18	23	BLAME IT ONYOU Macon/Broken Bow ★★ Airpower ★★ Jason Aldean	12.231	+1.005	3498	298	18
19	20	30	ONETOO MANY Hit Red/Capitol Nashville Keith Urban Duet With P!nk	11.522	+0.534	3554	102	17
20	19	14	UNDIVIDED McGraw/BMLG/Big Machine Tim McGraw & Tyler Hubbard	11.501	+0.357	3382	49	21
3	22	14	MINIMUM WAGE Warner Music Nashville/WMN Blake Shelton	11.424	+0.700	3431	158	19
22	23	42	SINGLE SATURDAY NIGHT Warner Music Nashville/WMN Cole Swindell	10.032	+1.074	3393	396	20
23	24	11	GLAD YOU EXIST Warner Music Nashville/WAR Dan + Shay	8.580	+0.708	2853	131	23
2	25	26	WE DIDN'T HAVE MUCH Valory Justin Moore	7.544	+0.703	2503	207	25
25	27	17	THINGS A MAN OUGHTA KNOW Broken Bow Lainey Wilson	7.127	+0.523	2481	167	26
20	NE	EW	COUNTRY AGAIN Valory ** Hot Shot Debut/Breaker/Most Increased Audience/Most Added ** Thomas Rhett	6.499	+6.499	1415	1415	32
②	29	30	NEXT GIRL Big Machine Carly Pearce	5.656	+0.189	2522	35	24
23	30	20	DRINKIN' BEER.TALKIN' GOD. AMEN. Dack Janiels/BMLG/Broken Bow Chase Rice Featuring Florida Georgia Line	4.989	+0.918	1786	258	28
29	31	28	MY BOY Wheelhouse Elvie Shane	4.147	+0.474	1814	167	27
30	32	25	WORSHIP YOU RCA Nashville Kane Brown	3.961	+0.573	1416	65	31

COUNTRY AIRPLAY CHART LEGEND

RANKINGS

Country Airplay is ranked by total audience impressions for the week ending Sunday based on monitored airplay of 148 stations by MRC Data. Audience totals on the chart are derived, in part, using certain Nielsen Audiocopyrighted Persons 12+ audience estimates (under license © 2021, Nielsen Audio). The list of all Country Airplay chart reporters can be viewed on MRC Data's platforms.

BULLETS

 Awarded on Country Airplay to titles gaining audience or remaining flat from the previous week. A song will also receive a bullet if its percentage loss in audience does not exceed the percentage of monitored station downtime for the format. Titles that decline in audience but increase in detections will also receive a bullet if the total audience erosion for the week does not exceed 3%.

TIES

On Country Airplay, if two songs are tied in total audience, the song with the larger increase in audience is placed first.

RECURRENTS

On Country Airplay, descending titles below No. 10 in either audience or detections are moved to recurrent after 20 weeks, provided that they

are not still gaining enough audience points to bullet or if they rank below No. 10 and post a third consecutive week of (non-bulleted) audience decline, regardless of total chart weeks.

HOT SHOT DEBUT

Awarded to the highest-ranking new entry on Country Airplay.

MOST ADDED

The total number of new adds officially reported to Billboard by each reporting station, or by an automatic-add threshold (seven plays for the first time in a chart tracking week, according to MRC Data) for stations that do not report adds.

MOST INCREASED AUDIENCE

Most Increased Audience on Country Airplay lists the songs with the greatest week-to-week increases in total audience.

AIRPOWER

Awarded on Country Airplay to titles ranking inside top 20 in plays and audience rankings for the first time, with increases in both plays and audience.

BREAKER

Awarded on Country Airplay to titles achieving airplay (at least one detection) at 60% of reporting stations for the first time

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THIS WEEK	LAST	WKS ON		AUDIENCE (I	N MILLIONS)		PLAYS	
WEEK 31	WEEK 26	CHART 2	TITLE Imprint/Label Artist WAVES Capitol Nashville Luke Bryan	3.181	+/- -3.636	THIS WEEK	+/- -241	RANK 36
	34	19	SHALLOW Pearl Garth Brooks & Trisha Yearwood	3.159	-0.050	1348	35	33
32 33	33	39	WINE, BEER, WHISKEY Capitol Nashville Little Big Town	3.141	-0.030	1486	52	29
	38	19	COLD BEER CALLING MY NAME Combustion/River House/Columbia Nashville Jameson Rodgers Featuring Luke Combs	3.098		1105	108	37
3 5	35	24	YOUTIME Triple Tigers Scotty McCreery	2.847	+0.340	1465	-11	30
35 36	37	6	LIKE A LADY BMLG Lady A	2.812	+0.138	1062	73	38
3	36	30	JUST ABOUT OVER YOU inDent/Mercury Nashville Priscilla Block	2.630	-0.059	1119	63	35
3 3	39	24	MEMORY I DON'T MESS WITH Curb Lee Brice	2.578	+0.253	1344	58	34
39	42	6	KNOWING YOU Blue Chair/Warner Music Nashville/WEA Kenny Chesney	2.288	+0.488	983	122	39
40	44	13	HOME SWEET Triple Tigers Russell Dickerson	1.958	+0.106	880	27	42
9	43	21	LADY LIKE Atlantic/Warner Music Nashville/WEA Ingrid Andress	1.934	+0.134	759	18	46
1	41	12	FREEDOM WAS A HIGHWAY Stoney Creek Jimmie Allen & Brad Paisley	1.860	+0.043	917	20	40
43	40	26	WHISKEY AND RAIN Warner Music Nashville/WEA Michael Ray	1.826	-0.038	887	6	41
4	49	7	CHASING AFTERYOU Arista Nashville Ryan Hurd With Maren Morris	1.715	+0.247	859	99	44
45	46	13	TEQUILA LITTLETIME Capitol Nashville Jon Pardi	1.713	+0.034	878	41	43
46	47	9	TO BE LOVED BY YOU MCA Nashville Parker McCollum	1.610	+0.188	547	111	50
47	48	26	WAITIN' ON 5 Warner Music Nashville/WAR Chris Janson	1.380	-0.067	796	5	45
48	45	7	GETTING OVER HIM 19/Mercury Nashville Lauren Alaina Duet With Jon Pardi	1.286	-0.388	551	-6	49
49	51	4	IT'S 'CAUSE I AM Big Machine Callista Clark	1.219	+0.052	396	53	54
50	50	31	BEERS TO CATCH UP ON Wheelhouse LOCASH	1.214	-0.018	754	24	47
⑤	52	7	THAT AIN'T ME NO MORE RECORDS/Arista Nashville Matt Stell	1.155	+0.159	479	58	53
<u>52</u>	56	9	I CAN'T Monument Caitlyn Smith Featuring Old Dominion	0.953	+0.022	376	-11	55
5 3	55	7	GIVE HEAVEN SOME HELL Big Loud HARDY	0.826	+0.009	552	69	48
5 4	54	22	IF IT WASN'T FORTRUCKS BMLG Riley Green	0.818	+0.044	506	-4	51
5 5	59	3	GOOD DAY (2021) Warner Music Nashville/WMN Brett Eldredge	0.703	+0.068	342	37	57
56	58	20	WHERE I FIND GOD Big Loud Larry Fleet	0.660	-0.000	364	-67	56
5	NE	₩	VILLAIN Back Block/Republic/Big Loud Lily Rose	0.658	+0.241	264	72	-
5 8	NE	w	LONG HAUL Warner Music Nashville/WEA lan Munsick	0.644	+0.493	207	122	-
59	60	12	NEED A BAR SOMETIMES Show Dog Nashville Clay Walker	0.569	-0.049	499	-13	52
60	NE	€W	OLD SCHOOL'S IN Valory Heath Sanders	0.562	+0.093	304	40	58



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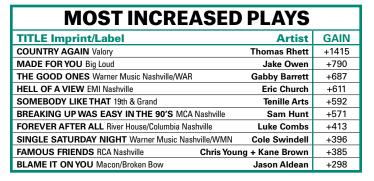


MOST ADDED®								
TITLE Imprint/Label	Artist	ADDS						
COUNTRY AGAIN Valory	Thomas Rhett	88						
WAVES Capitol Nashville	Luke Bryan	30						
HOT BEER Riser House	Dillon Carmichael	19						
KNOWING YOU Blue Chair/Warner Music Nashville,	/Wea Kenny Chesney	9						
HALF OF MY HOMETOWN Black River	Kelsea Ballerini	8						
GIVE HEAVEN SOME HELL Big Loud	HARDY	7						
TO BE LOVED BY YOU MCA Nashville	Parker McCollum	7						
COLD BEER CALLING MY NAME River House/Columbia Nashville	Jameson Rodgers Feat. Luke Combs	6						
TILL THERE'S NOTHING LEFT RCA/Triple Tigers	Cam	6						
WE DIDN'T HAVE MUCH Valory	Justin Moore	5						

NEW AND ACTIVE										
TITLE Imprint/Label Artist	TOTAL Audience	TOTAL STATIONS	ADDS							
YOU AIN'T PRETTY Quartz Hill Nate Barnes	0.504	26	0							
HALF OF MY HOMETOWN Black River Kelsea Ballerini	0.472	13	8							
MY MASTERPIECE Capitol Nashville Darius Rucker	0.465	27	3							
YOU BELONG WITH ME (TAYLOR'S VERSION) Republic Taylor Swift	0.446	0	0							
GONE TOO SOON RCA Nashville Andrew Jannakos	0.445	27	1							
WOULD HAVE LOVED HER RECORDS Chris Bandi	0.432	32	0							

MOST INCREASED AUDIENCE								
TITLE Imprint/Lobel	Audina	GAIN						
TITLE Imprint/Label	Artist	(IN MILLIONS)						
COUNTRY AGAIN Valory	Thomas Rhett	+6.499						
MADE FOR YOU Big Loud	Jake Owen	+3.392						
THE GOOD ONES Warner Music Nashville/WAR	Gabby Barrett	+3.336						
HELL OF A VIEW EMI Nashville	Eric Church	+2.301						
BREAKING UP WAS EASY IN THE 90'S MCA Nashville	Sam Hunt	+1.875						
SOMEBODY LIKE THAT 19th & Grand	Tenille Arts	+1.746						
FAMOUS FRIENDS RCA Nashville Chris Yo	oung + Kane Brown	+1.439						
SETTLING DOWN Vanner/RCA Nashville	Miranda Lambert	+1.346						
FOREVER AFTER ALL River House/Columbia Nashville	Luke Combs	+1.290						
GONE Capitol Nashville	Dierks Bentley	+1.284						

	RECURRENTS										
THIS WEEK	TITLE Imprint/Label	Artist	TOTAL AUD. (IN MILLIONS)								
1	DOWN TO ONE Capitol Nashville Lu	uke Bryan	18.310								
2	LONG LIVE BMLG Florida Ge	orgia Line	17.369								
3	BETTER TOGETHER River House/Columbia Nashville Lul	ke Combs	16.809								
4	ONE OF THEM GIRLS Curb	Lee Brice	15.905								
5	LOVE YOU LIKE I USED TO Triple Tigers Russell	Dickerson	13.783								
6	GOOD TIME RCA Nashville N	iko Moon	9.860								
7	BEERS AND SUNSHINE Capitol Nashville Dari	us Rucker	8.838								
8	HAPPY ANYWHERE Warner Music Nashville/WMN Blake Shelton Featuring	Gwen Stefani	8.155								
9	I HOPE Warner Music Nashville/WAR Gable	by Barrett	7.904								
10	LOVIN' ON YOU River House/Columbia Nashville Lul	ke Combs	7.737								







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WEEK ENDING APRIL 18, 2021

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THIS Week		WKS ON CHART	TITLE (Label) ARTIST	TW Spins	SPINS +/-	THIS WEEK	LAST Week	WKS ON Chart	TITLE (Label) ARTIST	TW SPINS	SPINS +/-
0	2	18	LOST IN A KISS (Independent) ★★1 Week at 1★★ George Navarro	1722	127	11	10	26	COWBOY'S DAUGHTER (Independent) Scotty Alexander	1251	-75
0	6	22	A COWBOY CAN (Independent) Josh Ward	1563	130	1	16	5	QUEEN FOR A NIGHT (Almost Country) Casey Donahew	1209	139
8	3	25	RECKLESS (Independent) Cross Rags and Young	1558	67	B	11	20	I BLEED (Dean Dillon's Wildcatter) Sundance Head	1161	50
4	9	12	POCKET FULL OF KISSES (Independent) Bart Crow Band	1521	185	1	18	7	FRIENDS (Independent) Curtis Grimes	1159	116
6	5	20	WINE WON'T WORK (Independent) Ariel Hutchins	1518	53	®	15	12	ROCK AND ROLL MAN (Independent) Creed Fisher	1127	49
6	4	22	FULL-TIME FOOL (Independent) The Stateline Band	1517	42	10	17	15	COME HOME TO YOU (Independent) Robert Ray	1126	64
Ø	7	13	I HOPE I'M HOLDING YOU (Independent) Mark Powell	1515	104	Ð	14	24	LET ME BREATHE (Independent) Melissa Brooke	1112	28
8	1	14	SETTLE ME DOWN (Independent) Josh Abbott Band	1501	-412	B	19	8	STUCK WITH YOU (10X Music Group) Brodie Lane	1097	82
9	8	14	BETTER BY THE BEER (Independent) Jake Bush	1453	74	19	25	3	HOLD MY BEER (Lil Buddy Toons) Randy Rogers & Wade Bower	1035	232
0	12	14	MY HOME IS (Independent) Saints Eleven	1256	169	20	21	21	PLAIN O' TEXAS (Independent) Kaleb McIntire	951	30

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Florida Georgia Line performed "Long Live" during a visit to ABC's *Good Morning America* on April 14. From left: *GMA* co-host Michael Strahan and FGL members Brian Kelley and Tyler Hubbard.

ACM RADIO WINNERS IN TRIPLICATE

Three radio stations — KNIX Phoenix; WQDR Raleigh-Durham, N.C.; and KUZZ Bakersfield, Calif. — made their third trips to the winners circle in specific market sizes as the Academy of Country Music announced its annual radio awards on April 15.

In the process, KNIX and WQDR became the ACM's winningest stations in the major-market and large-market categories, respectively. KNIX leads two-time winner WYCD Detroit, while WQDR edges a pair of large-market stations with two past victories: WSIX Nashville and WUBE Cincinnati.

The ACM began awarding its radio station trophies by market size in 2006. Prior to that, KNIX claimed four radio station of the year honors, while KUZZ grabbed the trophy once.

This year's KUZZ win leaves it third among medium-market brands, trailing two Tennessee stations: five-time winner **WUSY** Chattanooga and four-time victor **WIVK** Knoxville.

KKNU Eugene, Ore., registered its second small-market station award. Four of the five winning on-air personality entries received an ACM radio trophy for the first time: American Country Countdown host Kix Brooks (national), KNIX host Lois Lewis (major market), KUBL Salt Lake City DJs Lexi Papadopoulos and Jared Banks (large market) and the WXBQ Bristol, Va., team of Steve Stroud, Ben Walker and Nikki Thomas (small market).

KIIM Tucson, Ariz., talent **Buzz Jackson** logged his second victory as medium-market on-air personality of the year.

ACM AWARDS ROLL OUT VACCINE PSA

"Ask your doctor, and get the facts."

Eric Church's closing words in a COVID-19 PSA that ran during the $56^{\rm th}$ annual ACM Awards underscored the importance of vaccinations as country artists itch to get back on the road.

Church, **Ashley McBryde** and **Darius Rucker** participated in the spot, shot at the Ryman Auditorium to call attention to the lure of concerts as incentive for getting a vaccination. Venues have mostly closed or operated with limited capacities since the pandemic began in March 2020.

Numerous acts have unveiled touring plans for later in 2021—Kane Brown, Brothers Osborne and Thomas Rhett were among those that announced dates the week of April 12, but some of those shows could be impaired if large swaths of the U.S. population aren't vaccinated.

Some 56% of respondents in a <u>Quinnipiac University poll</u> said they would currently feel unsafe attending a large entertainment event at full capacity. In the same poll, 27% said they do not plan to get vaccinated, a figure that suggests the return to full participation in live events could be slowed by vaccine holdouts. That anti-vaccine number rises to 34% among rural Americans, who are historically a key component of the country audience.

A one-minute version of the PSA, which uses a rendition of the traditional pop standard "I'll Be Seeing You," can be viewed $\underline{\text{here}}$.

RADIO & RECORDS

Singer-songwriter Forrest Finn, who signed a publishing deal with MV2 Entertainment in 2019, expanded the relationship to a recording deal with the company's New Lost City label. The first single in the arrangement, "How Do You Break a Heart," arrived April 16... Bluegrass artist Chad Darou signed a recording/management deal with Turnberry... Cox Media Group/San Antonio promoted Keith Hastings to director of operations from director of branding for two of the cluster's eight brands, RadioInk.com reported. The new role

includes oversight of country signals KCYY and KKYX-AM-FM... Cox Media Group/Tulsa, Okla., appointed Kim Dallow director of radio operations, according to RadioInk.com. Dallow will continue to serve as classic rock KJSR director of branding and programming while overseeing a total of five brands, including country KWEN... Woofy Ramone will join JVC Broadcasting/Fort Walton Beach-Destin, Fla., in June as operations manager, CountryInsight. com reported. The group controls four signals, including country WHWY. A 30-year market veteran, Ramone left an on-air shift at rock rival WKSM in February... WOTW Orlando, Fla., added Susie Korgul to the morning show, according to RadioInsight.com. She most recently worked as music director and midday host at crosstown adult contemporary WOMX.

'ROUND THE ROW

Carrie Wilkins started April 13 as vp administration at Amplified Administration, a subsidiary of Endurance Music Group. She most recently was head of royalty administration at HoriPro Entertainment/Mojo Music. Reach Wilkins here.... River House Artists entered into a deal with director-photographer-videographer Emma Kate Golden to form a creative division, available to develop content for River House clients and other acts. Golden has been affiliated with River House since 2018... Billy Dean signed a publishing deal with Given Entertainment... Sony Music Publishing added Drew Baldridge to its songwriting



RECORDS Nashville artist Lathan Warlick welcomed RaeLynn for a performance of "Roots" during a livestream showcase on April 16 that raised money for Save the Children.

roster... Deluge artist Johnny Gates signed with Sound Talent for concert booking... Recent American Idol contestant Alex Miller tabbed So Much Moore Media for PR... The Country Music Association is extending its weekly meal opportunities for CO-VID-19-affected touring professionals with Nashville restaurants Chaatable and Sunda, which will provide food distributions on Tuesdays through June 8, in conjunction with the nonprofit Touring Professionals Alliance Kitchen. Go here to sign up and here to donate... The CMA is accepting nominations for seven of its industry honors, including the CMA Foundation Humanitarian Award and the Willie Nelson Lifetime Achievement Award. Submit candidates here through July 4... Poco cofounder Rusty Young died April 14

of a heart attack at his home in Davisville, Mo. Young was the songwriter and lead singer on the band's biggest hit, the 1979 pop single "Crazy Love." Poco was one of the seminal forces in the growth of country-rock. A memorial is planned for Oct. 16 at Wildwood Springs Lodge in Steelville, Mo.



Singer-songwriter Billy Dean signed a publishing deal with Given Entertainment that was announced April 14. From left: Given senior vp publishing/artist development Cliff Downs and founding partner Cindy Owen, Dean and Given creative director Kelsey Wise.

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ACM SINGLE & MUSIC EVENT OF THE YEAR

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THE NO. 1 PLATINUM-CERTIFIED SINGLE

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- BILLBOARD

"CARLY PEARCE AND LEE BRICE REINVENT THE CLASSIC COUNTRY MALE/FEMALE DUET..."

- ABC NEWS RADIO



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		TWO				COUNTRY	
THIS Week	LAST WEEK	WEEKS AGO	WKS ON CHART	TITLE PRODUCER (SONGWRITER)	Artist IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL	AIRPLAY RANK	PEAK Position
0	2	1	43	THE GOOD ONES R.COPPERMAN,Z.KALE (G.BARRETT,E.LANDIS,J.MCCORMICK,Z.KALE) ★★ No. 1 (2 Weeks) ★★	Gabby Barrett WARNER MUSIC NASHVILLE/WAR	1	1
9	20	_	2	MR. PERFECTLY FINE (TAYLOR'S VERSION) (FROM THE VAULT) ** Streaming Gainer ** J.M.ANTONOFF, I.S.WIFT (T.S.WIFT)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	2
3	1	2	34	STARTING OVER D.COBB.C.STAPLETON (C.STAPLETON,M.HENDERSON)	Chris Stapleton MERCURY NASHVILLE	16	1
4	11	15	15	MADE FOR YOU J.MOI (8.DAVIS.J.HYDE.N.A.MEDLEY) ** Airplay Gainer **	Jake Owen	2	4
6	4	8	25	FOREVER AFTER ALL CHIP MATTHEWS, J.D. SINGLETON, L. COMBS, D. PARKER, R. WILLIFORD)	Luke Combs RIVER HOUSE/COLUMBIA NASHVILLE	12	1
6	40	34	9	LOVE STORY (TAYLOR'S VERSION) ** Digital Gainer **	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	1
7	3	3	23	WHAT'S YOUR COUNTRY SONG D.HUFFJ.FRASURE (THOMAS RHETT, AKINS, J.FRASURE, A. GORLEY, PWELLING)	Thomas Rhett VALORY	3	1
8	5	5	45	BETTER TOGETHER S.MOFFATT (L.COMBS,D.ISBELL,R.MONTANA)	Luke Combs RIVER HOUSE/COLUMBIA NASHVILLE	RC	1
9	10	12	25	HELL OF A VIEW J.JOYCE (E.CHURCH,C.BEATHARD,M.CRISWELL)	Eric Church EMI NASHVILLE	8	9
0	9	11	29	SOMEBODY LIKE THAT A.KLINE (T.ARTS,A.KLINE,A.M.CRUZ)	Tenille Arts 19TH & GRAND	5	9
0	14	14	26	DOWN TO ONE J.STEVENS,J.STEVENS (K.FISHMAN,D.DAVIDSON,J.EBACH)	Luke Bryan CAPITOL NASHVILLE	RC	5
œ	NE	w	1	FOREVER & ALWAYS (TAYLOR'S VERSION) ** Hot Shot Debut ** CROWE,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	12
Œ	12	13	26	BREAKING UP WAS EASY IN THE 90'S ZCROWELL (S.L.HUNT,C.LA CORTE,Z.CROWELL,E.K.SMITH,J.OSBORNE)	Sam Hunt MCA NASHVILLE	7	12
•	NE	w	1	FEARLESS (TAYLOR'S VERSION) CROWE,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT,LROSE,H.LINDSEY)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	14
Œ	30	6	3	YOU ALL OVER ME (TAYLOR'S VERSION) (FROM THE VAULT) A.DESSNER,T.SWIFT,COOTER CARUSOE) Taylor	or Swift Featuring Maren Morris REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	6
•	NE	w	1	YOU BELONG WITH ME (TAYLOR'S VERSION) CROWE,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT,LROSE)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	16
Ð	13	17	27	SETTLING DOWN J.JOYCE (M.LAMBERT,L.DICK,N. HEMBY)	Miranda Lambert VANNER/RCA NASHVILLE	14	13
Œ	17	19	10	GLAD YOU EXIST D.SMYERS (D.SMYERS, J. REYNOLDS, T.M. PARKS, S. MOONEY, R. L. TAYLOR)	Dan + Shay WARNER MUSIC NASHVILLE/WAR	23	16
®	15	18	48	ALMOST MAYBES P.DIGIOVANNI (J.DAVIS, J.FRASURE, H.LINDSEY)	Jordan Davis MCA NASHVILLE	13	15
20	NE	w	1	FIFTEEN (TAYLOR'S VERSION) CROWE,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	20
3	19	23	10	FAMOUS FRIENDS C.YOUNG,C.CROWDER (C.YOUNG,C.R.BARLOWE,C.CROWDER)	Chris Young + Kane Brown RCA NASHVILLE	17	19
2	21	21	21	NOBODY M.ALDERMAN,C.GIBBS,J.E.NORMAN (D.SCOTT,M.ALDERMAN,D.WILSON)	Dylan Scott CURB	9	20
3 3	22	25	21	LIL BIT J.M.SCHMIDT (T.HUBBARD,J.M.SCHMIDT,B.REDFERRIN,C.HAYNES, JR.)	Nelly & Florida Georgia Line RECORDS/COLUMBIA	-	22
2	NE	w	1	THE WAY I LOVED YOU (TAYLOR'S VERSION) C.ROWE,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT,J.D.RICH)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	24
25	18	20	31	ONE TOO MANY K.URBAN,PHD,CUTFATHER (D.H.DAVIDSEN,P.WALLEVIK,M.H.HANSEN,J.NORTON,C.TIGHE)	Keith Urban Duet With P!nk HIT RED/CAPITOL NASHVILLE	19	13

COUNTRY SONGWRITERSTM

	1	# 1 5 WKS	TAYLOR SWIFT
	2	LIZ	ROSE
	3	LU	KE COMBS
	4	JE	SSE FRASURE
TIE	5	СН	RIS STAPLETON
TIE	5	MII	KE HENDERSON
	7	AS	HLEY GORLEY
	8	HIL	LARY LINDSEY
	9	JO	SH OSBORNE
	10	CO	REY CROWDER



COUNTRY PRODUCERS™

	1	# 1 1 WK	TAYLOR SWIFT
	2	СН	RISTOPHER ROWE
	3	JA	Y JOYCE
	4	JO	EY MOI
	5	JA	CK ANTONOFF
	6	DA	NN HUFF
	7	SC	OTT MOFFATT
	8	AL	EX KLINE
	9	ZA	CH CROWELL
TIE	10	RO	SS COPPERMAN
TIE	10	ZA	CH KALE

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THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TWO WEEKS AGO	WKS ON Chart	TITLE PRODUCER (SONGWRITER)	Artist IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL	COUNTRY AIRPLAY RANK	PEAK Position
26	16	16	14	WASTED ON YOU J.MOI,J.DURRETT (M.WALLEN,E.K.SMITH,J.THOMPSON,CHARLIE HANDSOME)	Morgan Wallen REPUBLIC/BIG LOUD	-	1
2	23	22	26	GONE D.GARCIA (N.GALYON,B.JOHNSON,N.MOON)	Dierks Bentley CAPITOL NASHVILLE	15	22
28	NEW 1 HEY STEPHEN (TAYLOR'S VERSION) CROWE, T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT)			Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	28	
29	NE	w	1	WHITE HORSE (TAYLOR'S VERSION) C.ROWE,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT,LROSE)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	29
30	NE	w	1	THAT'S WHEN (TAYLOR'S VERSION) (FROM THE VAULT) J.M.ANTONOFF,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT,B.WARREN,B.D.WARREN)	Taylor Swift Featuring Keith Urban REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	30
31	25	26	24	SINGLE SATURDAY NIGHT M.R.CARTER (A.GORLEY,M.W.HARDY,M.LHOLMAN)	Cole Swindell WARNER MUSIC NASHVILLE/WMN	22	25
32	26	28	11	BLAME IT ON YOU M.KNOX (K.M.ALLISON, J.EDWARDS, T.KENNEDY, M.TYLER, B. WHITE)	Jason Aldean MACON/BROKEN BOW	18	26
33	28	31	7	DRUNK (AND I DON'T WANNA GO HOME) M.JOHNSON,B.PADDOCK (ELLE KING,M.JOHNSON)	Elle King & Miranda Lambert RCA	-	21
34	NE	w	1	BREATHE (TAYLOR'S VERSION) CROWE,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT,C.CAILLAT)	Taylor Swift Featuring Colbie Caillat REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	34
35	27	29	31	HOW THEY REMEMBER YOU D.HUFF (M.BEESON,J.OSBORNE,A.SHAMBLIN)	Rascal Flatts BIG MACHINE	11	24
33	NEW 1 WAVES J.STEVENS, J.STEVENS (Z.CROWELL, R.J. HURD, R.C. MCGILL)			Luke Bryan CAPITOL NASHVILLE	31	36	
37	31	30	11	MINIMUM WAGE S.HENDRICKS (C.CROWDER,N.GALYON,J.FRASURE)	Blake Shelton WARNER MUSIC NASHVILLE/WMN	21	26
38	24	24	14	SAND IN MY BOOTS J.MOI (A.GORLEY,M.W.HARDY,J.OSBORNE)	Morgan Wallen REPUBLIC/BIG LOUD	-	5
39	29	27	13	UNDIVIDED C.CROWDER,T.HUBBARD,T.MCGRAW,B.GALLIMORE (T.HUBBARD,C.LOOCKE)	Tim McGraw & Tyler Hubbard McGRAW/BMLG/BIG MACHINE	20	23
40	NE	w	1	YOU'RE NOT SORRY (TAYLOR'S VERSION) C.ROWE,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	40
49	NE	w	1	TELL ME WHY (TAYLOR'S VERSION) C.ROWE,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT,LROSE)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	41
42	NE	w	1	DON'T YOU (TAYLOR'S VERSION) (FROM THE VAULT) J.M.ANTONOFF,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT,T.L.JAMES)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	42
43	NE	W	1	WE WERE HAPPY (TAYLOR'S VERSION) (FROM THE VAULT) A.DESSNER,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT,LROSE)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	43
44	32	35	9	CHASING AFTER YOU A.ESHUIS,T.REIMER (B.ADDINGTON, J.FLOWERS)	Ryan Hurd With Maren Morris ARISTA NASHVILLE	44	32
45	NE	w	1	THE BEST DAY (TAYLOR'S VERSION) C.ROWE,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	45
46	35	38	5	THINGS A MAN OUGHTA KNOW J.JOYCE (LWILSON,J.D.SINGLETON,J.NIX)	Lainey Wilson BROKEN BOW	25	34
47	36 37 7 DRINKIN' BEER. TALKIN' GOD. AMEN. C.CROWDER,C.RICE,T.HUBBARD,B.KELLEY (C.RICE,C.CROWDER,H.PHELPS,C.DODDS)			Chase Rice Featuring Florida Georgia Line DACK JANIELS/BMLG/BROKEN BOW	28	36	
48	33	33	36	WINE, BEER, WHISKEY LITTLE BIG TOWN (T.BROWN,K.FAIRCHILD,S.MCCONNELL,K.SCHLAPMAN,P.SWEET,J.WESTBROOK)	Little Big Town Capitol Nashville	33	23
49	NE	w	1	BYE BYE BABY (TAYLOR'S VERSION) (FROM THE VAULT) J.M.ANTONOFF,T.SWIFT (T.SWIFT,LROSE)	Taylor Swift REPUBLIC/MCA NASHVILLE	-	49
50	42	45	6	MY BOY O.CHARLES (E.SHANE,R.SUTTON,N.COLUMBIA,L.STARR)	Elvie Shane WHEELHOUSE	29	42

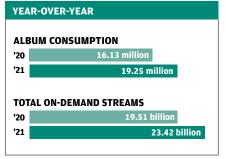
The week's most popular country songs, ranked by radio airplay audience impressions as measured by MRC Data, sales data as compiled by MRC Data and streaming activity data from online music sources tracked by MRC Data. Descending titles below No. 25 are moved to recurrent after 20 weeks.

COUNTRY MARKET WATCH

A Weekly National Music Sales Report

WEEKLY UNIT COUNT										
	ALBUM CONSUMPTION	AUDIO ON-DEMAND	VIDEO ON-DEMAND							
This Week	1,608,000	1,609,774,000	150,184,000							
Last Week	1,377,000	1,544,383,000	149,643,000							
Change	16.8%	4.2%	0.4%							
This Week Last Year	1,109,000	1,210,878,000	141,150,000							
Change	45.0%	32.9%	6.4%							

YEAR-TO-DA	TE		
	2020	2021	CHANGE
Album Consumption	16,133,000	19,250,000	19.3%
Album Sales	2,309,000	2,505,000	8.5%
Audio On-Demand	17,349,330,000	21,332,097,000	23.0%
Video On-Demand	2,163,365,000	2,089,479,000	-3.4%



All data measures U.S. activity as of the week ending April 15, 2021. All units counts are rounded to the nearest thousand. Album consumption units — also known as albums plus TEA plus SEA — consists of album sales; track-equivalent album (TEA) sales whereby 10 tracks equal one consumption unit; and stream equivalent albums (SEA) whereby 1,250 paid and/or 3,750 ad-supported audio on-demand streams (OAD) equal one consumption unit.



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THIS	LAST WEEK	2 WEEKS AGO	WEEKS ON CHT	ARTIST TITLE	CERT.	PEAK POS.
0	NE	w	1	TAYLOR SWIFT FEARLESS (TAYLOR'S VERSION) REPUBLIC 033578		1
2	1	2	14	MORGAN WALLEN BIG LOUD 033180*/REPUBLIC DANGEROUS: THE DOUBLE ALBUM		1
3	3	3	75	LUKE COMBS WHAT YOU SEE IS WHAT YOU GET RIVER HOUSE/COLUMBIA NASHVILLE 595687*/SMN	2	1
4	27	26	36	LUKE BRYAN BORN HERE LIVE HERE DIE HERE CAPITOL NASHVILLE 031777/UMGN	•	1
5	4	4	202	LUKE COMBS THIS ONE'S FOR YOU RIVER HOUSE/COLUMBIA NASHVILLE 538883*/SMN	3	1
6	2	1	3	CARRIE UNDERWOOD MY SAVIOR CAPITOL NASHVILLE 033355/UMGN		1
7	7	6	22	CHRIS STAPLETON STARTING OVER MERCURY NASHVILLE 032689*/UMGN		1
8	6	5	150	MORGAN WALLEN BIG LOUD 783*		1
9	8	7	311	CHRIS STAPLETON TRAVELLER MERCURY NASHVILLE 019405*/UMGN	4	1
0	10	9	43	GABBY BARRETT GOLDMINE WARNER MUSIC NASHVILLE 629930/WMN	•	4
11	9	8	9	FLORIDA GEORGIA LINE LIFE ROLLS ON BMLG FG0500A*		3
12	12	11	54	SAM HUNT MCA NASHVILLE 031776*/UMGN		1
13	11	13	297	ZAC BROWN BAND GREATEST HITS SO FAR HOME GROWN 546369*/BMG		3
14	13	12	21	LEE BRICE HEY WORLD CURB 79537*		7
15	14	14	170	EAGLES HOTEL CALIFORNIA ASYLUM/ELEKTRA 103*/RHINO (18.98)		5
16	16	_	126	GEORGE STRAIT STRAIT OUT OF THE BOX MCA NASHVILLE 111263/UMGN (39.98/49.98)	8	9
17	15	15	106	ELVIS PRESLEY THE ESSENTIAL ELVIS PRESLEY RCA/SONY STRATEGIC MARKETING GROUP 89048*/LEGACY (25.98)		11
Œ	20	20	123	TOBY KEITH 35 BIGGEST HITS SHOW DOG-UNIVERSAL 010334/UME (19.98)		1
Œ	30	29	28	RASCAL FLATTS TWENTY YEARS OF RASCAL FLATTS: THE GREATEST HITS LYRIC STREET/BIG MACHINE RF0650A*/BMLG		9
20	19	17	254	TIM MCGRAW NUMBER ONE HITS CURB 79205 (13.98)		6
21	23	18	228	KANE BROWN ZONE 4/RCA NASHVILLE 530947*/SMN	2	1
22	25	21	35	KANE BROWN RCA NASHVILLE 398449 WS EX/SMN MIXTAPE, VOL. 1 (EP)		2
23	18	16	92	TYLER CHILDERS PURGATORY HICKMAN HOLLER 001*/THIRTY TIGERS	•	11
2	29	23	280	TAYLOR SWIFT RED BIG MACHINE 310400A*/BMLG (18.98)	7	1
25	28	25	76	MIRANDA LAMBERT WILDCARD VANNER/RCA NASHVILLE 597873*/SMN		1

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THIS	LAST	2 WEEKS AGO	WEEKS ON CHT	ARTIST TITLE IMPRINT & NUMBER / DISTRIBUTING LABEL	CERT.	PEAK POS.
1	2	1	22	CHRIS STAPLETON STARTING OVER MERCURY NASHVILLE 032689*/UMGN		1
2	3	2	257	CHRIS STAPLETON TRAVELLER MERCURY NASHVILLE 019405*/UMGN	4	1
3	4	4	303	HOZIER RUBYWORKS/COLUMBIA 309996*/LEGACY	3	1
4	6	5	109	TYLER CHILDERS PURGATORY HICKMAN HOLLER 001*/THIRTY TIGERS	•	2
©	8	8	159	KACEY MUSGRAVES GOLDEN HOUR MCA NASHVILLE 027921*/UMGN	•	1
6	7	6	220	SIMON & GARFUNKEL SIMON AND GARFUNKEL'S GREATEST HITS COLUMBIA 31350/LEGACY		3
7	9	7	262	THE LUMINEERS CLEOPATRA DUALTONE 1738*		1
8	12	11	214	JACK JOHNSON IN BETWEEN DREAMS JACK JOHNSON/BRUSHFIRE/REPUBLIC	2	5
9	10	10	124	JOHN MELLENCAMP MERCURY 536738*/UME THE BEST THAT I COULD DO 1978 - 1988	Ø	5
10	11	9	14	BLACK PUMAS ATO 0500* BLACK PUMAS		4

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COUNTRY STREAMING SONGS

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COUNTRY DIGITAL SONG SALES



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THIS	LAST WEEK	WKS ON CHART	TITLE ARTIST		THIS	LAST WEEK	WKS ON CHART	TITLE ARTIST
0	19	2	MR. PERFECTLY FINE (TAYLOR'S VERSION) (FROM THE VAULT) TAYLOR SWIFT	ľ	0	2	25	THE GOOD ONES GABBY BARRETT
0	NEW		FOREVER & ALWAYS (TAYLOR'S VERSION) TAYLOR SWIFT	I	0	15	85	I HOPE GABBY BARRETT
3	RE-ENTRY		LOVE STORY (TAYLOR'S VERSION) TAYLOR SWIFT			13	2	SALT, LIME & TEQUILA RYAN GRIFFIN
0	1	33	STARTING OVER CHRIS STAPLETON	1	0	RE-EI	NTRY	STRAWBERRY WINE DEANA CARTER
6	3	9	THE GOOD ONES GABBY BARRETT	1	6	RE-EI	NTRY	I HOPE YOU DANCE LEE ANN WOMACK
6	NE	w	FEARLESS (TAYLOR'S VERSION) TAYLOR SWIFT	1	6	19	34	10,000 HOURS Dan + Shay & Justin Bieber
7	2	25	FOREVER AFTER ALL LUKE COMBS		7	3	7	DRUNK (AND I DON'T WANNA GO HOME) ELLE KING & MIRANDA LAMBERT
8	NE	w	YOU BELONG WITH ME (TAYLOR'S VERSION) TAYLOR SWIFT	1	8	RE-ENTRY		FOREVER AND EVER, AMEN RANDY TRAVIS
9	4	210	TENNESSEE WHISKEY CHRIS STAPLETON	1	9	NE	w	COPPERHEAD ROAD STEVE EARLE
0	25	3	YOU ALL OVER ME (TAYLOR'S VERSION) (FROM THE VAULT) TAYLOR SWIFT FEAT. MAREN MORRIS	1	0	RE-EI	NTRY	GLAD YOU EXIST DAN + SHAY
0	NEW		FIFTEEN (TAYLOR'S VERSION) TAYLOR SWIFT	1	0	RE-ENTRY		YOUR MAN JOSH TURNER
Ø	NE	w	THE WAY I LOVED YOU (TAYLOR'S VERSION) TAYLOR SWIFT	1	Ø	RE-ENTRY		SPEECHLESS DAN+SHAY
13	5	14	WASTED ON YOU MORGAN WALLEN	1	®	RE-EI	NTRY	BLESS THE BROKEN ROAD RASCAL FLATTS
@	NE	w	HEY STEPHEN (TAYLOR'S VERSION) TAYLOR SWIFT	I	14	4	25	FOREVER AFTER ALL LUKE COMBS
15	7	29	BETTER TOGETHER LUKE COMBS	1	Ð	NE	w	WAVES LUKE BRYAN
©	NE	w	WHITE HORSE (TAYLOR'S VERSION) TAYLOR SWIFT		16	5	21	LIL BIT Nelly & Florida Georgia Line
Ø	NE	w	MADE FOR YOU JAKE OWEN	1	Ð	RE-EI	NTRY	TEQUILA DAN+SHAY
®	11	8	LONG LIVE Florida Georgia Line		18	6	33	STARTING OVER CHRIS STAPLETON
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It Ain't 'Ray Charles,' But Darius Rucker Comes Up With A 'Masterpiece'

Darius Rucker's new single, "My Masterpiece," is practically an audio embodiment of the song's title.

The piano-based arrangement operates like a frame. It's simple and understated, present enough to call attention to the words it's wrapped around, but not so bold that it overwhelms the message. Appropriately, the lyrics allude to a number of landmark musical and visual artists — Ray Charles, Pablo Picasso,

Michelangelo and **Vincent van Gogh**—whose voice or brush strokes were worthy of thoughtful framing.

Rucker's smoky baritone is, by itself, one of the most distinctive voices of country's modern era, and as such, it likewise deserves a frame that enhances it without distracting the listener.

But right up until the final days before its March 12 release on PlayMPE, Rucker was engrossed in a minor battle about how the single was being presented. He specifically resisted what ultimately became the title.

"When we were writing it, we talked about naming it 'Masterpiece,' "he recalls. "We all agreed [that] it sounded pretentious."

Instead, he was wedded to its original, more soulful title: "Ray Charles." The late icon was the inspiration for the song in the first place. Plus, the song's existence is an ironic extension of Rucker's previous single, "Beers and Sunshine," which peaked at No. 1 on *Billboard*'s Country Airplay chart dated Feb. 27.

Rucker wrote "Sunshine" on Zoom in May 2020 with J.T. Harding ("Sangria," "Different for Girls"), Josh Osborne ("Body Like a Back Road," "One Man Band") and Ross Copperman ("Get Along," "What She Wants Tonight"). In October, Harding—who was camped out for a couple of months at a home that his family owns in Santa Barbara, Calif. — happened to start up his Jeep at the very moment Rucker was talking about "Beers and Sunshine" in a radio interview. And Rucker unwittingly transmitted the title for their next Zoom write during that on-air conversation.

"The DJ said, 'What have you been doing during quarantine?' "recalls Harding. "And Darius said, pretty much verbatim, 'I've been teaching myself how to play piano, but it has only been a couple of weeks.

I'm not exactly Ray Charles.' The DJ laughed, and Darius laughed—the whole morning crew was laughing—and it kind of just hit me like a lightning bolt: We should write a song called 'Ray Charles.' "

Harding's pitch at their next Zoom writing appointment, on Oct. 20, had Charles' songs on a jukebox to set the mood for a guy as he attempts to catch a woman's attention in a bar. But Rucker and Osborne quickly headed in another direction, building a chorus that played off Rucker's on-air one-liner.

"The concept was, 'I can't play piano like Ray Charles, but I can love you,' basically," says Osborne.

The chorus worked up to that notion with a set of other masterful achievements, including **Neil Armstrong**'s walk on the moon and Michelangelo's painting of the Sistine Chapel. And after they referenced Charles, they still had to wrap the chorus in a way that embraced a romance, ending with the words "loving you." They landed on a melody that rose and receded, and the actual lyrics were a figurative blank until they found the right phrase.

"We literally just stumbled onto the 'masterpiece' thing at the end," says Osborne.

Once the chorus was finished, the verses were designed to provide the background for the relationship. Verse one established the guy as a bit of a lost soul

until he meets his mate: "I never made sense to me, 'til I made sense to you."

"It's really telling the story of, 'I love you and I think I want to be with you, but I'm a mess,' "says Rucker. "You know: 'Never did I realize where I was supposed to belong'—that's me, man. That's me."

Verse two celebrates the woman in artful ways: Rucker tucked in the phrase "starry night" to reference a Van Gogh painting, and the stanza also suggested

her eyes were beyond the scope of Picasso's palette.

Rucker "knows what he wants," says Harding. "I remember he said the girl's eyes should be hazel. He doesn't think like maybe they're green, maybe they're blue. He knows what he wants to say."

Since they still assumed the piece would be titled "Ray Charles," they wedged in an additional "Genius" line: "If I wrote the song, your name would be Georgia/And you'd be on my mind."

"That was where we really knew we had a special tune," says Rucker.

They injected oblique sexuality into the bridge, pledging to "take all night," then left the production of the demo to Copperman, who would also produce the final master. He didn't attempt to approximate the complex jazz chords at the heart of Charles' piano playing.

"If you write a song called 'Ray Charles' that sounds like Ray Charles, it's going to kind of collapse under the weight of its own hubris," says Osborne. "It's sort of like, 'Oh, they think they can do Ray Charles.' But literally the guy in the song is saying, 'I can't do Ray Charles.'"

Rucker recorded the track at Nashville's Blackbird Studios with the musicians playing atop Copperman's demo, some of which would be muted later. **Danny Rader** contributed a twisty guitar solo, and Rucker dug in deep on his final vocal, doing extra takes even after Copperman thought he had nailed it.

"I was like, 'No, we don't have the vocal,' " recalls Rucker. "I was riding around in the car listening to it for so long before we cut it that once we got there, I just knew exactly what I wanted to do."

When Copperman asked what he wanted the back-

ground vocals to sound like, Rucker suggested **Old Dominion**. So Copperman called in **Brad Tursi** for harmonies and some extra guitar layering.

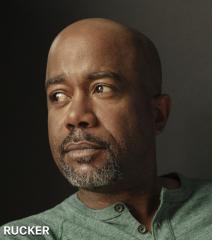
"He was super-stoked to do it," says Copperman. "Brad did all the background vocals on the chorus, and I also had him add that guitar on the intro. It's kind of a phasey guitar. It's just really unique, and it's not something that I would have thought to do. It added a whole new level of magic."

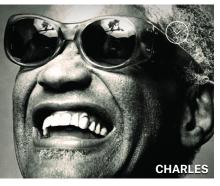
Rucker suspected, even during the writing session, that "Ray Charles" would be his next single, and Capitol Nashville arrived at the same decision independently. But they debated the title right up to the deadline.

"There was talk of it being like 'Ray Charles (My Masterpiece)'," says Copperman. "I wanted to call it 'Loving You,' because that's kind of how the hook ends, but they were like, 'Oh, there's a million songs called that.' That's why we liked 'Ray Charles,' because there weren't really any songs with that title."

"My Masterpiece" occupies a space on the New & Active chart dated April 24, as some of Rucker's quarantine pursuits — writing songs by Zoom and learning keyboards — find their way into the public forum. And that "I can't play piano like Ray Charles" line continues to resonate.

Rucker says with a laugh: "I still can't play anything."





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Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI (*T.Swift*) **45**

BETTER TOGETHER Big Music Machine, BMI/50 Egg Music, BMI/Straight Dimes Publishing, BMI/ Sony Countryside, BMI/Warner-Tamerlane Publishing Corp., BMI/Sullivan S Guns Music, BMI (L.Combs, D.Isbell, R.Montana) 8

BLAME IT ON YOU Makena Cove Music, ASCAP/ BMG Gold Songs, ASCAP/Zona Blue Music, BMI/Lee 45 Music Publishing, BMI/Irishsonmusic, BMI/BMG Platinum Songs US, BMI/Peertunes, Ltd., SESAC/MTNoize, SESAC/ SB21 Music Publishing, SESAC/BW Tunes, SESAC (K.M.Allison, J.Edwards, T.Kennedy, M.Tyler, B.White) 32

BREAKING UP WAS EASY IN THE 90'S

Universal Music Corp., ASCAP/Between the Pines, LLC, ASCAP/BIPOD, ASCAP/Spirit Two Nashville, ASCAP/Miller Crow Music, ASCAP/Kyler's Kinda Night, ASCAP/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/Ern Dog Music, BMI/Big Loud Mountain, BMI/Tree Vibez Music, LLC, BMI/Sony Accent, ASCAP/Smackborne Music, ASCAP (S.L.Hunt, C.La Corte, Z/Crowell, E.K.Smith, Josbomp 13

BREATHE (TAYLOR'S VERSION) Sony

Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/Sony Songs LLC, BMI/Cocomarie Music, BMI (T.Swift, C.Caillat) 34

BYE BYE BABY (TAYLOR'S VERSION)
(FROM THE VAULT) Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/
Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/

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Anthem Caketaker Music, BMI (T.Swift, L.Rose) 49

CHASING AFTER YOU Songs Of Mojo Two, ASCAP/Addington Music, BMI/WC Music Corp., ASCAP/ Who Wants To Buy My Publishing, ASCAP/Highly Combustible Music, ASCAP/Kobalt Songs Music Publishing LLC, ASCAP/fet Ur Seek On, ASCAP (B. Addington, J.Flowers) 44

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DON'T YOU (TAYLOR'S VERSION)

(FROM THE VAULT) Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/ Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/Still Working For The Man Music, BMI/Ballad Boy Music, BMI/ BMG Platinum Songs US, BMI (T.Swift, T.L.James) 42

DOWN TO ONE Play It Again Entertainment, BMI/ Kyle Fishman Music, BMI/Round Hill Compositions, BMI/ Natalia's Music Money, BMI/Memory Days, SESAC/Curb Wordspring Music, SESAC/W.C.M. Music Corp., SESAC (K. Fishman, D.Davidson, J.Ebach) 11

DRINKIN' BEER. TALKIN' GOD. AMEN.

Sony Countryside, BMI/Dack Janiels Publishing, BMI/ Georgia Song Vibez, ASCAP/Big Crowd Publishing, ASCAP/WC Music Corp., ASCAP/Nontypical Music, ASCAP/ Who Wants To Buy My Publishing, ASCAP/Cale Dodds Publishina. ASCAP (CRice. CCrowder, H.Phelos. C.Dodds) 47

DRUNK (AND I DON'T WANNA GO

HOME) Elle King Music, BMI/EMI Blackwood Music Inc., BMI/Real Johnson Publishing, ASCAP/WC Music Corp., ASCAP (Elle King, M.Johnson) 33

FAMOUS FRIENDS Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/ They've Gone To Plaid Publishing, BMI/W.C.M. Music Corp., SESAC/Roc Nation US Music, SESAC/Bennett's Dad's Songs, SESAC/Songs Of Rhythm House Black, SESAC/WC Music Corp., ASCAP/Georgia Song Vibez, ASCAP/Big Crowd Publishing, ASCAP (C.Young, C.R.Barlowe, CCrowder) 21

FEARLESS (TAYLOR'S VERSION) Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/Anthem Caketaker Music, BMI/BMG Gold Songs, ASCAP (T.Swift, L.Rose, H.Lindsey) 14

FIFTEEN (TAYLOR'S VERSION) Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI (T.Swift) 20

FOREVER AFTER ALL Big Music Machine, BMI/50 Egg Music, BMI/Straight Dimes Publishing, BMI/ Works For RHA Music, BMI/Rowdy Rob Music, BMI/Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Oak Tree Swing Publishing, BMI (L. Combs, D-Parker, R/Williford) 5

FOREVER & ALWAYS (TAYLOR'S

VERSION) Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI (*T.Swift*) **12**

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GLAD YOU EXIST Monet Music, BMI/Warner-Tamerlane Publishing Corp., BMI/Spokane Boy Music, BMI/Ireynmusic, ASCAP/Buckeye26, ASCAP/Shay Mooney Music, BMI/WC Music Corp., ASCAP/Beats And Banjos, ASCAP (D.Smyers, J.Reynolds, T.M.Parks, S.Mooney, R.L.Taylor) 18

GONE Warner-Tamerlane Publishing Corp., BMI/A Boy Named Ford, BMI/Ben There Wrote That Publishing, BMI/Artist 101 Publishing Group, BMI/Songs Of Kobalt Music Publishing America, Inc., BMI/Hits From The Tape Room, BMI/Round Hill Compositions, BMI/W.C.M. Music Corp., SESAC/Niko Moon Publishing, SESAC (NGalyon, B.Johnson, N.Moon) 27

THE GOOD ONES (BF Music Global, BMI/Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/BMG Platinum Songs US, BMI/BMG Blue, BMI/Fox Landis Lyrics, BMI/Songs Of Jim McCormick, BMI/Sony Countryside, BMI/Revinyl House, BMI (G.Barrett, E.Landis, J.McCormick, Z.Kale) 1

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HELL OF A VIEW Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/ Longer And Louder Music, BMI/Seven Ring Circus Songs, BMI/Little Louder Songs, BMI/Songs Of Kobalt Music Publishing America, Inc., BMI/Spirit Of Nashville One, BMI/Tunes Of Fluid, BMI/Rust And Chrome Music, BMI (E. Church, C.Beathard, M.Criswell) 9

HEY STEPHEN (TAYLOR'S VERSION)

Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI (*T.Swift*) **28**

HOW THEY REMEMBER YOU Son Of Ron Songs, ASCAP/Downtown DLJ Songs, ASCAP/Sony Cross Keys Publishing, ASCAP/Smackwille Music, ASCAP/Smack Songs LLC, ASCAP/Kobalt Songs Music Publishing LLC, ASCAP/Built On Rock Music, ASCAP (M.Beeson, J.Osbome, A. Shamblin) 35

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LIL BIT Big Loud Mountain, BMI/T Hubb Publishing, BMI/Round Hill Works, BMI/Sony Accent, ASCAP/Pile Of Schmidt Songs, ASCAP/The Money Tree Vibez, ASCAP/ Warner-Tamerlane Publishing Corp., BMI/WC Music Corp., ASCAP (T.Hubbard, J.M.Schmidt, B.Redferrin, C.Haynes, Jr.) 23

LOVE STORY (TAYLOR'S VERSION) Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/Sony Tree Publishing, BMI (*T.Swift*) **6** М

MADE FOR YOU Plaid Flag Music, BMI/Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Dixie Stars Music, ASCAP/Son Of a Carl Music, ASCAP/HoriPro Entertainment Group, Inc., ASCAP (B Davis, J.Hyde, N.A. Medley) 4

MINIMUM WAGE A Boy Named Ford, BMI/Big Crowd Publishing, ASCAP/Georgia Song Vibez, ASCAP/ Songs Of Roc Nation Music, BMI/WC Music Corp., ASCAP/ Warner-Tamerlane Publishing Corp., BMI (C.Crowder, NGalyon, J.Frasure) 37

MR. PERFECTLY FINE (TAYLOR'S

VERSION) (FROM THE VAULT) Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI (*T.Swift*) 2

MY BOY Rome Phrey Songs, ASCAP/Kobalt Songs Music Publishing LLC, ASCAP/Rome Phrey Publishing, BMI/Songs Of Kobalt Music Publishing America, Inc., BMI/Nick Columbia Publishing, ASCAP/Block Of Marble Music, BMI/Lee Starr Publishing, BMI/SNG Music, LLP, BMI/Sony Tree Publishing, BMI (EShane, R.Sutton, NColumbia, LStarr) 50

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NOBODY Curb Congregation Songs, SESAC/Good Vibes, Good Times Music, SESAC/Curb Songs, ASCAP/ Songs Of Riser House, BMI/Sony Countryside, BMI (D. Scott, M.Alderman, D.Wilson) 22

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ONE TOO MANY Kobalt Songs Music Publishing LLC, ASCAP/Songs Of Kobalt Music Publishing America, Inc., BMI/Reservoir 416, BMI/WC Music Corp., ASCAP/James Norton Publishing Designee, ASCAP (D.H.Davidsen, PWallevik, M.H.Hansen, J.Norton, C.Tighe) 25

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SAND IN MY BOOTS Round Hill Songs II, ASCAP/ Caleb's College Fund, ASCAP/Relative Music Group, BMI/ Sony Accent, ASCAP/Smackborne Music, ASCAP (A.Gorley, MW.Hardy, J.Osborne) 38

SETTLING DOWN Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/ Pink Dog Publishing, BMI/Emileon Songs, BMI/Songs Of Kobalt Music Publishing America, Inc., BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/Wruck For You Publishing, BMI (M. Lambert, LDick, N. Hemby) 17

SINGLE SATURDAY NIGHT Round Hill Songs II, ASCAP/Caleb's College Fund, ASCAP/Relative Music Group, BMI/Songs Of Kobalt Music Publishing America, Inc., BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/Art In The Fodder Music, BMI/Hark Molman Songs, BMI/BMG Platinum Songs US, BMI/Ju Jettsu Music, BMI/Rednecker Music, BMI (A.Gorley, MW.Hardy, M.L.Holman) 31

SOMEBODY LIKE THAT Oven Music Inc., BMI/Ziggys Z Music, SESAC/Tunes Of Big Deal Music, SESAC/Songs Of Porterfied Music, SESAC (T.Arts, A.Kline, A.M.Cruz) 10

STARTING OVER I Wrote These Songs, ASCAP/WC Music Corp., ASCAP/Straight Six Music, BMI/Wixen Music Publishing, BMI (*C.Stapleton, M.Henderson*) **3**

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TELL ME WHY (TAYLOR'S VERSION)

Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/Anthem Caketaker Music, BMI (T. Swift J. Paca) (1)

THAT'S WHEN (TAYLOR'S VERSION)

(FROM THE VAULT) Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/ Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/ EMI Blackwood Music Inc., BMI/Sage 13 Songs, BMI/Sara Porter Songs, BMI/Warner-Tamerlane Publishing Corp., BMI (T.Swift, BWarren, B.D.Warren) 30 THINGS A MAN OUGHTA KNOW Sony Accent, ASCAP/Super Big Music, ASCAP/Jett Music, ASCAP/Sony Countryside, BMI (L.Wilson, J.D.Singleton, Illiv) AB

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UNDIVIDED T Tree Music, BMI/Warner-Tamerlane Publishing Corp., BMI/Straight Outta Georgia Songs, SESAC/Tree Vibez Bus Vibez, SESAC/W.C.M. Music Corp., SESAC (T.Hubbard, C.Loocke) **39**

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WASTED ON YOU Big Loud Mountain, BMI/Bo Wallace Publishing, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/ Em Dog Music, BMI/Red Bandan Publishing, BMI/ MV2 Music, BMI/Sony Songs LLC, BMI (MWallen, E.K.Smith, J.Thompson, Charlie Handsome) 26

WAVES Spirit Two Nashville, ASCAP/Miller Crow Music, ASCAP/Kyler's Kinda Night, ASCAP/Universal Music Corp., ASCAP/Lake Allegan Pub Club, ASCAP/Songs Of Universal. Inc., BMI (Z.Crowell, R.J.Hurd, R.C.McGill) 36

THE WAY I LOVED YOU (TAYLOR'S

VERSION) Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/Hipgnosis Songs Fund Ltd, ASCAP/Kobalt Songs Music Publishing 11C ASCAP (TSwift JD Rich) 74

WE WERE HAPPY (TAYLOR'S

VERSION) (FROM THE VAULT) Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/Anthem Caketaker Music, BMI (T. Swift L. Rose) 43

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Blackwood Music Inc., BMI/Cricket On The Line, BMI/ Warner-Tamerlane Publishing Corp., BMI/Ritten By Rhettro, BMI/Telemitry Rhythm House Music, BMI/Songs Of Roc Nation Music, BMI/Tunes by TrailerParker, BMI/ Songs Of Home Team Music, BMI/Round Hill Songs II, ASCAP/Caleb's College Fund, ASCAP (Thomas Rhett, R.Akins, J.Frasure, A.Gorley, P.Welling) 7

WHITE HORSE (TAYLOR'S VERSION)

Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/Anthem Caketaker Music, BMI (T. Swift I, Paca) 70

WINE, BEER, WHISKEY Razor And Tie Music Publishing, BMI/Tofer The Musical, BMI/Warner-Tameriane Publishing Corp., BMI/Silent Desert Music, BMI/Self Made Entertainment, BMI (T.Brown, K.Fairchild, S.McConnell, K.Schlaoman, PSweet, J.Westbrook) 48

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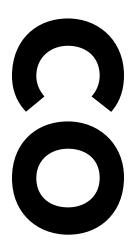
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YOU BELONG WITH ME (TAYLOR'S

VERSION) Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI/Warner-Tamerlane Publishing Corp., BMI/Orbison Music, LLC, BMI/BMG Platinum Songs US, BMI (T.Swift, L.Rose) 16

YOU'RE NOT SORRY (TAYLOR'S

VERSION) Sony Tree Publishing, BMI/Taylor Swift Music, BMI/Songs Of Universal, Inc., BMI (*T.Swift*) **40**



5 Years Ago Tim McGraw's 'Humble' Hit No. 1

In 2016, Lori McKenna's ballad became McGraw's 26th charttopper on Hot Country Songs On April 23, 2016, **Tim McGraw**'s "Humble and Kind" jumped from No. 4 to No. 1 on *Billboard*'s Hot Country Songs chart. The song became the most recent of his 26 leaders on the list.

McGraw performed the ballad at the 51st annual Academy of Country Music Awards on April 3, 2016, with a string section, recreating the uplifting vibe of the studio recording. The track surged by 69% to 64,000 sold and by 26% to 2.1 million U.S. streams in the tracking week ending April 7,

according to MRC Data, sparking its chart coronation.

Lori McKenna, who wrote "Humble and Kind," told Billboard in 2018: "I still see it as this simple song. My youngest [child] was 10 at the time, [so] you think of all the things you repeat over and over to little kids, like 'hold the door,' 'say please...' There's so much simplicity in that song, I saw it as such as a little prayer for them to carry around. When Tim McGraw got it ... he had the ability and talent to make it into such a big moment." —JIM ASKER

