

THE YEAR-END GALLUP CHARTS

The 100 best selling singles and albums of 1990, compiled by Gallup for Music Week and the BBC

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UK SINGLES

1	UNCHAINED MELODY	Righteous Brothers
2	NOTHING COMPARES 2 U	Sinéad O'Connor
3	SACRIFICE/HEALING HANDS	Elton John
4	ICE ICE BABY	Vanilla Ice
5	KILLER	Adamski
6	SHOW ME HEAVEN	Maria McKee
7	DUBBE GOOD TO ME	Beats International
8	VOGUE	Madonna
9	WORLD IN MOTION	England/New Order
10	THE POWER Snap!	
11	NESSUN DORMA	Luciano Pavarotti
12	A LITTLE TIME	Beautiful South
13	TURTLE POWER	Partners In Kryme
14	IT MUST HAVE BEEN LOVE	Roxette
15	U CAN'T TOUCH THIS	MC Hammer
16	ITSY BITSY TEENY WEENY YELLOW POLKA	
17	DOT BIKINI	Bombalurina
18	GET UP (BEFORE THE NIGHT IS OVER)	Technotronic featuring Ya Kid K
19	BLACK VELVET	Alannah Myles
20	DIRTY CASH	Adventures Of Stevie V
21	DON'T WORRY	Kim Appleby
22	SAVIOUR'S DAY	Cliff Richard
23	LOVE SHACK B-52'S	
24	THE JOKER	Steve Miller Band
25	OPPOSITES ATTRACT	Paula Abdul With The Wild Pair
26	GROOVE IS IN THE HEART	Deee-Lite
27	BLUE VELVET	Bobby Vinton
28	HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO LIVE WITHOUT YOU	Michael Bolton
29	I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT YOU	Londonbeat
30	UNBELIEVABLE	EMF
31	NAKED IN THE RAIN	Blue Pearl
32	TOM'S DINER	DNA featuring Suzanne Vega
33	OOPS UP Snap!	
34	TEARSON MY PILLOW	Kylie Minogues
35	KINGSTON TOWN	UB40
36	THE ANNIVERSARY WALTZ	Status Quo
37	TAKED MY BREATH AWAY	Berlin
38	BETTER THE DEVIL YOU KNOW	Kylie Minogue
39	TONIGHT	New Kids On The Block
40	I'M FREE	Soup Dragons featuring Junior Reid
41	LILY WAS HERE	David A Stewart/Candy Dulfer
42	BLUE SAVANNAH	Erasure
43	JUSTIFY MY LOVE	Madonna
44	FOUR BACHARACH & DAVID SONGS (EP)	Deacon Blue
45	HOLD ON	Wilson Phillips
46	HEAR THE DRUMMER (GET WICKED)	Chad Jackson
47	FANTASY	Black Box
48	WHAT TIME IS LOVE	KLF
49	GOT TO HAVE YOUR LOVE	Mantronix featuring Wondress
50	STEP ON	Happy Mondays
51	ALL I WANNA DO IS MAKE LOVE TO YOU	Heart
52	STRAWBERRY FIELDS FOREVER	Candy Flip
53	IDON'T KNOW ANYBODY ELSE	Black Box
54	ALL TOGETHER NOW	The Farm
55	HANKY PANKY	Madonna
56	WHERE ARE YOU BABY?	Betty Boo
57	HANGIN' TOUGH	New Kids On The Block
58	DOIN' THE DO	Betty Boo
59	THE BRITS 1990	Various
60	YOU'VE LOST THAT LOVIN' FEELING	The Righteous Brothers
61	TOUCH ME 49ers	
62	CLOSE TO YOU	Maxi Priest
63	I'LL BE YOUR BABY TONIGHT	Robert Palmer & UB40
64	ENJOY THE SILENCE	Depeche Mode
65	HAPPENIN' ALL OVER AGAIN	Lionie Gordon
66	I CAN'T STAND IT	Twenty 4 Seven featuring Captain Hollywood
67	INFINITY (1990'S: TIME FOR THE GURU)	Guru Josh
68	HOLD ON	En Vogue
69	DON'T MISS THE PARTY LINE	Bizz Nizz
70	GHE TO HEAVEN	Family Stand
71	FOGON THE TYNE (REVISITED)	Gazza & Lindisfarne
72	THUNDERBIRDS ARE GO	F.A.B. featuring M.C Parker
73	VENUS	Don Pablo's Animals
74	(WE WANT) THE SAME THING	Belinda Carlisle
75	I'M YOUR BABY TONIGHT	Whitney Houston
76	MEGAMIX	Technotronic
77	STEP BY STEP	New Kids On The Block
78	BIRDHOUSE IN YOUR SOUL	They Might Be Giants
79	VISION OF LOVE	Mariah Carey
80	SADNESS PART I	Enigma
81	GROOVY TRAIN	The Farm
82	COVER GIRL	New Kids On The Block
83	FASCINATING RHYTHM	Bass-O-Matic
84	ROCKIN' OVER THE BEAT	Technotronic featuring Ya Kid K
85	I'LL BE LOVING YOU (FOREVER)	New Kids On The Block
86	STEP BACK IN TIME	Kylie Minogue
87	THE ONLY RHYME THAT BITES	MCTunes Versus 808 State
88	THE ONLY ONE I KNOW	The Charlatans
89	MOMENTS IN SOUL	JT And The Big Family
90	LISTEN TO YOUR HEART/DANGEROUS	Roxette
91	I STILL HAVEN'T FOUND WHAT I'M LOOKING FOR	The Chimes
92	SO HARD	Pet Shop Boys
93	ONE LOVE	The Stone Roses
94	COULD HAVE TOLD YOU SO	Halo James
95	TO LOVE SOMEBODY	Jimmy Somerville
96	FALLING	Julee Cruise
97	WALK ON BY	Sybil
98	DOWNTOWN TRAIN	Rod Stewart
99	MARY HAD A LITTLE BOY	Snap!
100	KINKY AFRO	Happy Mondays

Verve
Ensign
Rocket
SBK
MCA
Epic
Go!
Sire
Factory/MCA
Arista
Decca
Go!
SBK
EMI
Capitol
Carpet
Swanyard
Atlantic
Mercury
Parlophone
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Epic
WEA
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Siren
Elektra
Epic
CBS
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Big Life
A&M
Arista
PWL
Dep International
Vertigo
CBS
PWL
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Big Life
AnXious
Mute
Sire
CBS
SBK
Big Wave
de/Construction
KLF Communication
Capitol
Factory
Capitol
Debut
de/Construction
Produce
Sire
Rhythm King
CBS
Rhythm King
RCA
Polydor
4th + Broadway
Ten
EMI
Mute
Supreme
BCM
de/Construction
Atlantic/East West
Cooltempo
Atlantic/East West
Best
Brothers Org
Rumour
Virgin
Arista
Swanyard
CBS
Elektra
CBS
Virgin International
Produce
CBS
Virgin
Swanyard
CBS
PWL
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Situation Two
Champion
EMI
CBS
Parlophone
Silvertone
Epic
London
Warner Brothers
PWL
Warner Brothers
Arista
Factory

1	...BUT SERIOUSLY	Phil Collins
2	THE IMMACULATE COLLECTION	Madonna
3	IN CONCERT	Carreras/Domingo/Pavarotti
4	THE VERY BEST OF ELTON JOHN	Elton John
5	SOUL PROVIDER	Michael Bolton
6	THE ESSENTIAL PAVAROTTI	Luciano Pavarotti
7	ONLY YESTERDAY	Carpenters
8	NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL MUSIC 18	Various
9	SLEEPING WITH THE PAST	Elton John
10	SERIOUS HITS...LIVE	Phil Collins
11	LISTEN WITHOUT PREJUDICE VOL I	George Michael
12	JUST THE TWO OF US	Various
13	THE RHYTHM OF THE SAINTS	Paul Simon
14	VIVALDI FOUR SEASONS	Nigel Kennedy/ECO
15	FOREIGN AFFAIR	Tina Turner
16	ROCKING ALL OVER THE YEARS	Status Quo
17	LABOUR OF LOVE II	UB40
18	IDON'T WANT WHAT I HAVEN'T GOT	Sinéad O'Connor
19	FROM A DISTANCE (THE EVENT)	Cliff Richard
20	THE SINGLES COLLECTION 1984/1990	Jimmy Somerville
21	THE ROAD TO HELL	Chris Rea
22	STEP BY STEP	New Kids On The Block
23	HANGIN' TOUGH	New Kids On The Block
24	PUMP UP THE JAM	Technotronic
25	CHOKE	Beautiful South
26	PRETTY WOMAN	Original Soundtrack
27	VOL II — 1990 A NEW DECADE	Soul II Soul
28	I'M YOUR BABY TONIGHT	Whitney Houston
29	CHANGES	Bowie
30	I'M BREATHELESS	Madonna
31	HEART OF STONE	Cher
32	MISSING YOU - AN ALBUM OF LOVE	Various
33	NOW DANCE 902	Various
34	THE VERY BEST OF THE BEE GEES	Bee Gees
35	NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL MUSIC 17	Various
36	AFFECTION	Lisa Stansfield
37	CLASSIC EXPERIENCE II	Various
38	SMASH HITS 1990	Various
39	PURE SOFT METAL	Various
40	THE BEST OF ROD STEWART	Rod Stewart
41	JOURNEYMAN	Eric Clapton
42	THAT LOVING FEELING VOL III	Various
43	NOW DANCE 901	Various
44	SUMMER DREAMS	Beach Boys
45	LOOK SHARP!	Roxette
46	X INXS	
47	PLEASE HAMMER DON'T HURT 'EM	MC Hammer
48	CUTS BOTH WAYS	Gloria Estefan
49	BETWEEN THE LINES	Jason Donovan
50	VIOLATOR	Depeche Mode
51	BEHIND THE MASK	Fleetwood Mac
52	COSMIC THING B-52'S	
53	BOOMANIA	Betty Boo
54	WAKING HOURS	Del Amitri
55	REFLECTION	Shadows
56	RIGHT STUFF 2 — NOTHIN' BUT A HOUSE PARTY	Various
57	VERY BEST OF TALK TALK	Talk Talk
58	GREATEST HITS	Bangles
59	THE STONEROS	The Stone Roses
60	WILD! Erasure	
61	SHAKING THE TREE — GOLDEN GREATS	Peter Gabriel
62	TO THE EXTREME	Vanilla Ice
63	WILSON PHILLIPS	Wilson Phillips
64	THROUGH A BIG COUNTRY —	
65	GREATEST HITS	Big Country
66	BEHAVIOUR	Pet Shop Boys
67	THE VERY BEST OF THE RIGHTEOUS	
68	BROTHERS	Righteous Brothers
69	THE BLUES BROTHERS	Original Soundtrack
70	REMASTERS	Led Zeppelin
71	PILLS 'N' THRILLS AND BELLY ACHES	Happy Mondays
72	HOT ROCKS 1964-1971 — THE GREATEST	Rolling Stones
73	COLOUR	Christians
74	DEEP HEAT 90	Various
75	ALANNAH MYLES	Alannah Myles
76	STILL GOT THE BLUES	Gary Moore
77	BRIGADE	Heart
78	NOW DANCE 903	Various
79	MEGABASS	Various
80	ROCK 'N' ROLL LOVE SONGS	Various
81	THE VERY BEST OF VAN MORRISON	Van Morrison
82	THE RAW AND THE COOKED	Fine Young Cannibals
83	BLAZE OF GLORY/YOUNG GUNS II	Jon Bon Jovi
84	RHYTHM OF LOVE	Kylie Minogue
85	FOREVER YOUR GIRL	Paula Abdul
86	CLUB CLASSICS VOL I	Soul II Soul
87	DEEP HEAT 5 — FEED THE FEVER	Various
88	SOUVENIRS	Foster & Allen
89	DEEP HEAT 6 — THE SIXTH SENSE	Various
90	MISSING ... PRESUMED HAVING A	
91	GOOD TIME	Notting Hillbillies
92	BODY & SOUL — HEART & SOUL II	Various
93	ENJOY YOURSELF	Kylie Minogue
94	THE VERY BEST OF CAT STEVENS	Cat Stevens
95	ALL BY MYSELF	Various
96	MARTIKA	Martika
97	IT'S CHRISTMAS	Various
98	DIRTY DANCING	Original Soundtrack
99	TRIP ON THIS — THE REMIXES	Technotronic
100	TOP GUN	Original Soundtrack

Virgin
Sire
Decca
Rocket
CBS
Reprise
A&M
EMI/Virgin/Polygram
Rocket
Virgin
Epic
Epic
Warner Brothers
EMI
Capitol
Vertigo
DEP International
Ensign
EMI
Various
East West
CBS
CBS
Swanyard
Go!
EMI USA
Ten
Arista
EMI
Sire
Geffen
EMI
EMI/Virgin/Polygram
Polydor
EMI/Virgin/Polygram
Arista
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Dover
Stylus
WEA
Reprise/Duck
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Atlantic/East West
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EMI/Virgin/Polygram
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Dino
Polydor
London
Vertigo
PWL
Siren
Ten
Telstar
Telstar
Vertigo
Heart & Soul
PWL
Island
Dover
CBS
EMI
CBS
Telstar
CBS
CBS/WEA/BMG
Situation Two
CBS

THE RECORD MIRROR READERS' POLL

THE RESULTS

BEST GROUP

- 1 Pet Shop Boys
- 2 Depeche Mode
- 3 Erasure
- 4 The Stone Roses
- 5 Happy Mondays
- 6 Soul II Soul
- 7 Beloved
- 8 Inspiral Carpets
- 9 The Charlatans
- 10 Beautiful South

WORST GROUP

- 1 New Kids On The Block
- 2 Jive Bunny
- 3 The Stone Roses
- 4 Bombalurina
- 5 Happy Mondays
- 6 Big Fun
- 7 Satus Quo
- 8 Iron Maiden
- 9 Roxette
- 10 Inspiral Carpets

BEST SOLO ARTIST (MALE)

- 1 George Michael
- 2 Prince
- 3 Morrissey
- 4 Adamski
- 5 MC Hammer
- 6 Jimmy Somerville
- 7 MC Tunes
- 8 Elton John
- 9 Phil Collins
- 10 Young MC

BEST SOLO ARTIST (FEMALE)

- 1 Madonna
- 2 Sinéad O'Connor
- 3 Betty Boo
- 4 Kylie
- 5 Janet Jackson
- 6 Bonnie Love
- 7 Belinda Carlise
- 8 Caron Wheeler
- 9 Maria McKee
- 10 Anita Baker

WORST SOLO ARTIST

- 1 Jason Donovan
- 2 Kylie
- 3 Gazza
- 5 Cliff Richard
- 6 MC Hammer
- 7 Craig McLachlan
- 8 Sonia
- 9 Phil Collins
- 10 Michael Bolton

BEST SINGLE

- 1 'Vogue' Madonna
- 2 'Groove Is In The Heart' Deee-Lite
- 3 'Nothing Compares 2 U' Sinéad O'Connor
- 4 'World In Motion' England/New Order

- 5 'Enjoy The Silence' Depeche Mode
- 6 'Killer' Adamski
- 7 'The Only One I Know' The Charlatans
- 8 'Step On' Happy Mondays
- 9 'So Hard' Pet Shop Boys
- 10 'Groovy Train' The Farm

WORST SINGLE

- 1 'Itsy Bitsy Teeny Weeny...' Bombalurina
- 2 'Fog On the Tyne' Gazza And Lindisfarne
- 3 'Tonight' New Kids On The Block
- 4 'Turtle Power' Partners In Kryme
- 5 'Have You Seen Her?' MC Hammer
- 6 'A Little Time' The Beautiful South
- 7 'Anniversary Waltz' Status Quo
- 8 'Didn't I Blow Your Mind' New Kids On The Block
- 9 'Hanky Panky' Madonna
- 10 'The Joker' Steve Miller Band

BEST LP

- 1 'Violator' Depeche Mode
- 2 'Behaviour' Pet Shop Boys
- 3 'The Immaculate Collection'

- Madonna
- 4 'Pills 'N' Thrills And Bellyaches' Happy Mondays
- 5 'Heaven Or Las Vegas' The Cocteau Twins
- 6 'Listen Without Prejudice Vol 1' George Michael
- 7 'Happiness' Beloved
- 8 'Graffiti Bridge' Prince
- 9 'People's Instinctive Travels ...' A Tribe Called Quest
- 10 'Electribal Memories' Electribe 101

BEST NEW ACT

- 1 Deee-Lite
- 2 The Farm
- 3 Beloved
- 4 EMF
- 5 Beats International
- 6 The Charlatans
- 7 Betty Boo
- 8 Electribe 101
- 9 Adamski
- 10 Innocence

BEST COVER

- 1 'Nothing Compares 2 U' Sinéad O'Connor
- 2 'Step On' Happy Mondays
- 3 'Dub Be Good To Me' Beats International
- 4 'Fantasy' Black Box
- 5 'I Still Haven't

- Found What I'm Looking For' The Chimes
- 6 'Strawberry Fields Forever' Candy Fl
- 7 'I'm Free' The Soup Dragons
- 8 'Inside Out' Electribe 101
- 9 'Papa Was A Rolling Stone' Was (Not Was)
- 10 'Love Don't Live Here Anymore' Double Trouble

WORST COVER

- 1 'Itsy Bitsy ...' Bombalurina
- 2 'Fog On The Tyne' Gazza And Lindisfarne
- 3 'Have U Seen Her' MC Hammer
- 4 'Didn't I Blow Your Mind' New Kids On The Block
- 5 'Crying In The Rain' A-ha
- 6 'King Of The Road' The Proclaimers
- 7 'Strawberry Fields Forever' Candy Fli
- 8 'Space Jungle' Adamski
- 9 'Rhythm Of The Rain' Jason Donovan
- 10 'Love On A Mountain Top' Sinitta

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BEST VIDEO

- 1 'Vogue' Madonna
- 2 'Opposites Attract' Paula Abdul
- 3 'Enjoy The Silence' Depeche Mode
- 4 'Nothing Compares 2 U' Sinéad O'Connor
- 5 'So Hard' Pet Shop Boys
- 6 'World In Motion' New Order/England
- 7 'Groove Is In the Heart' Deee-Lite
- 8 'Groovy Train' The Farm
- 9 'A Little Time' The Beautiful South
- 10 'Pray' MC Hammer

BEST PRODUCER/ REMIXER

- 1 Paul Oakenfold
- 2 Shep Pettibone
- 3 Andy Weatherall, Terry Farley, Boys Own
- 4 Jazzie B/ Nellee Hooper
- 5 William Orbit
- 6 Jam & Lewis
- 7 Ben Liebrand
- 8 Francois Kervorkian
- 9 Prince
- 10 Norman Cook

BEST EVENT

- 1 World Cup 90
- 2 The Stone Roses, Spike Island
- 3 Madonna live
- 4 Thatcher resigning
- 5 Soul II Soul live
- 6 Poll Tax riots
- 7 Nelson Mandela freed
- 8 Kiss FM legalised
- 9 German unification
- 10 Prince live

BEST RADIO SHOW

- 1 Simon Mayo Breakfast Show
- 2 Radio 1 Top 40
- 3 Mark Goodier — The Session
- 4 Jeff Young's Big Beat
- 5 Kiss FM
- 6 Gary Davies
- 7 Anne Nightingale Request Show
- 8 Nicky Campbell
- 9 Steve Wright In The Afternoon
- 10 808 State (Sunset Radio)

BEST MUSIC TV SHOW

- 1 'The ITV Chart Show'
- 2 'The Word'
- 3 'Dance Energy'
- 4 'Top Of The Pops'
- 5 'MTV'
- 6 'Rapido'
- 7 'The Power Station' (BSB)
- 8 'Juke Box Jury'
- 9 'The Hitman And Her'
- 10 'Dancedaze'

BEST NON-MUSIC TV SHOW

- 1 'Twin Peaks'

SEXIEST PERSON ALIVE

- 1 Madonna
- 2 Kylie
- 3 Betty Boo
- 4 Sinéad O'Connor
- 5 Demi Moore
- 6 Wendy James
- 7 Claudia Schiffer

- 2 'Coronation Street'
- 3 'Blackadder Goes Forth'
- 4 'Sticky Moments'
- 5 'Vic Reeves' Big Night Out'
- 6 'Neighbours'
- 7 'The Paradise Club'
- 8 'EastEnders'
- 9 'Prisoner Cell Block H'
- 10 'Birds Of A Feather'

BEST FILM

- 1 'Ghost'
- 2 'Gremlins 2'
- 3 'Pretty Woman'
- 4 'Total Recall'
- 5 'Dick Tracy'
- 6 'The Krays'
- 7 'Wild At Heart'
- 8 'Bill And Ted's Excellent Adventure'
- 9 'House Party'
- 10 'Longtime Companion'

TOP SHOWBIZ PERSONALITY

- 1 Jonathan Ross
- 2 Vic Reeves
- 3 Madonna
- 4 Julian Clary
- 5 Bruce Forsyth
- 6 Cilla Black
- 7 Paul Gascoigne
- 8 Roseanne Barr
- 9 Terry Christian
- 10 Edd The Duck

MOST REVOLTING HUMAN BEING

- 1 Maggie Thatcher
- 2 Gazza
- 3 Saddam Hussein
- 4 Timmy Mallet
- 5 Kylie
- 6 Shaun Ryder
- 7 Jeremy Beadle

- 8 Neil Kinnock
- 9 Madonna
- 10 Jimmy Greaves

FUNNIEST PERSON

- 1 Rowan Atkinson
- 2 Julian Clary
- 3 Ben Elton
- 4 Victoria Wood
- 5 Harry Enfield
- 6 Vic Reeves
- 7 Jasper Carrott
- 8 French & Saunders
- 9 Rab C Nesbit/ Gregor Fisher
- 10 Steve Martin

BEST T-SHIRT

- 1 Cool As F***
- 2 Anti-Poll Tax
- 3 James
- 4 Madonna — Blond Ambition Tour
- 5 Depeche Mode — Violator
- 6 New Order/England — World In Motion
- 7 Red Hot & Blue
- 8 The Stone Roses — Fool's Gold
- 9 Levi's 501s
- 10 Janet Jackson — Rhythm Nation 1814

BUZZ WORD/ PHRASE

- 1 "Twisting my melons man"
- 2 "Damn fine coffee"
- 3 "Where's the party?"
- 4 "Cool As F***"
- 5 "Rave on"
- 6 "Cowabunga"
- 7 "You wouldn't let it lie"
- 8 "Can't pay, won't pay"
- 9 "Respect is due"
- 10 "Oo-er Missus!"

Chartfile

CHART FACTS AND FIGURES BY ALAN JONES

SINGLES OVERVIEW

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After three years in a row in which the top selling singles artist was a newcomer (Rick Astley won in 1987, Kylie Minogue won in 1988 and Jive Bunny & The Mastermixers won in 1989), the 1990 singles chart champs were New Kids On The Block, who were ranked 33rd in 1989.

New Kids On The Block's triumph, which saw them sell about 1,100,000 singles in the year, was not entirely unexpected — they *did*, after all, have seven top 10 hits in 1990 — but the margin of their win was surprisingly slim and they were nearly pipped at the post by the only other act to shift a million singles in the year, The Righteous Brothers, who did so with a brace of hits recorded more than a quarter of a century earlier, including, admittedly, the year's runaway best seller 'Unchained Melody'.

Only 25 of the top 100 acts of 1989 reappeared in the top 100 of 1990 — the lowest figure ever. And only three acts have been sufficiently consistent in terms of both quantity and quality of output to have taken a place in the top 100 for as many as five years in a row. They are:

Erasure (25th last year, 12th in 1989, seventh in 1988, 20th in 1987 and 57th in 1986);

Prince (96th, 48th, 92nd, 67th, 45th); Pet Shop Boys (78th, 91st, eighth, third and 13th).

Some of the 75 names to disappear from this year's list have done so involuntarily, despite having 1990 releases — Milli Vanilli (whoever they are), Sinitta and Bros, for example — but others have sabotaged themselves by simply not releasing any new material in 1990. Queen, Simple Minds and Transvision Vamp all belong to the latter category.

The top 100 acts includes only 34 solo acts, 10 fewer than in 1989, with men and women grabbing an equal share of the action. Historically, that would be a very good showing for women, but after they crushed the men by 24 to 20 in 1989, it's not such a great result for them.

Among the highest ranked artists to appear in the 1989 rankings to fall short last year are Bobby Brown (7th in 1989), London Boys (8th), Lisa Stansfield (9th), Gloria Estefan (10th), The Bangles (11th), Donna Summer (13th), Holly Johnson (14th) and Simple Minds (15th).

The declining success of homegrown talent, evident for several years, has, at least temporarily, been arrested. A total of 53 UK acts can be found in the top 100, compared to 50 in 1989, 53 in 1988, 55 in 1987, 59 in 1986, 65 in 1985 and the all-time record of 68 in 1984.



TOP 100 SINGLES ARTISTS 1990

1991	1990				
1	33	NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK	51	—	TWENTY 4 SEVEN
2	—	THE RIGHTEOUS BROTHERS	52	—	WILSON PHILLIPS
3	4	MADONNA	53	—	EMF
4	—	SNAP!	54	—	DNA FEATURING SUZANNE VEGA
5	—	SINEAD O'CONNOR	55	64	BELINDA CARLISLE
6	—	ADAMSKI	56	84	DEACON BLUE
7	—	ELTON JOHN	57	—	THE CHIMES
8	3	KYLIE MINOGUE	58	—	HEART
9	—	BEATS INTERNATIONAL	59	—	THE CHARLATANS
10	—	VANILLA ICE	60	—	DEL AMITRI
11	—	MC HAMMER	61	—	BERLIN
12	25	TECHNOTRONIC	62	—	INSPIRAL CARPETS
13	96=	ROXETTE	63	—	CANDYFLIP
14	6	BLACK BOX	64	—	MC TUNES VERSUS 808 STATE
15	24	CLIFF RICHARD	65	—	DAVID A STEWART & CANDY DULFER
16	—	HAPPY MONDAYS	66	—	GURU JOSH
17	—	MARIA MCKEE	67	—	EN VOGUE
18	96=	THE STONE ROSES	68	99=	THE CURE
19	—	BETTY BOO	69	—	THE KLF
20	—	ENGLAND/NEW ORDER	70	—	INNOCENCE
21	—	MICHAEL BOLTON	71	18	SONIA
22	23	THE BEAUTIFUL SOUTH	72	—	LONNIE GORDON
23	2	JASON DONOVAN	73	—	CHAD JACKSON
24	—	LUCIANO PAVAROTTI	74	—	WHITNEY HOUSTON
25	12	ERASURE	75	—	GEORGE MICHAEL
26	—	PARTNERS IN KRYME	76	—	MAXI PRIEST
27	—	B-52'S	77	—	MARIAH CAREY
28	—	CRAIG McLACHLAN & CHECK 1-2	78	91	PET SHOP BOYS
29	—	THE FARM	79	—	F.A.B
30	36	PAULA ABDUL	80	—	HALO JAMES
31	1	JIVE BUNNY & THE MASTERMIXERS	81	29	TINA TURNER
32	—	BOMBALURINA	82	—	ROBERT PALMER & UB40
33	—	ADVENTURES OF STEVIE V	83	—	BASS-O-MATIC
34	86	UB40	84	—	BIZZ NIZZ
35	92	DEPECHE MODE	85	—	THEY MIGHT BE GIANTS
36	—	ALANNAH MYLES	86	—	FAMILY STAND
37	—	DEEE-LITE	87	—	GAZZA & LINDISFARNE
38	—	JANET JACKSON	88	—	DON PABLO'S ANIMALS
39	—	STATUS QUO	89	—	DREAM WARRIORS
40	—	BLUE PEARL	90	68	CHER
41	58	PHIL COLLINS	91	—	MONIE LOVE
42	—	KIM APPLEBY	92	—	PRIMAL SCREAM
43	—	JIMMY SOMERVILLE	93	—	RIVER CITY PEOPLE
44	—	LONDONBEAT	94	—	TALK TALK
45	—	49ERS	95	—	SHAKIN' STEVENS
46	—	MANTRONIX	96	48	PRINCE
47	—	BOBBY VINTON	97	—	ENIGMA
48	—	STEVE MILLER BAND	98	—	QUIREBOYS
49	—	SOUP DRAGONS	99	—	SYBIL
50	5	SOUL II SOUL	100	—	FAITH NO MORE

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With '...But Seriously' remaining on the chart throughout the year, supplemented at times by 'No Jacket Required', 'Face Value' and 'Hello, I Must Be Going', Phil Collins clinched the title of top album artist of 1990 when 'Serious Hits...Live' was released in November. Phil sold over two million albums last year and thus was a worthy winner of the title — but spare a thought for Elton John (1.99 million) and Madonna (1.86 million), both of whom sold more albums in a year than they ever have before but still failed to lift the title which they have both won before, Elton triumphing in both 1974 and 1975.

Luciano Pavarotti was also unlucky. If we add sales of his solo albums to his work with Placido Domingo and Jose Carreras, he sold more albums than Phil Collins, even if we include Genesis releases.

Altogether, six acts sold more than a million albums last year, though Collins was the only one who also turned the trick in 1989. New Kids On The Block sold a million albums as well as a million singles.

Hardy perennials Cliff Richard and The Shadows both moved up, Cliff to 14th place and the Shads to 28th, the latter not enough to make them the top instrumental act for the second year in a row, their achievements being overshadowed by the emergence of violinist Nigel Kennedy, whose interpretation of Vivaldi's 'Four Seasons' sold particularly well. Whether he has the staying power of the Shads, who first showed up in 1961, is open to doubt.

The Beatles, who first showed in 1963, are also still making their presence felt. In 1990, they quietly sold over 300,000 albums to finish in 47th place, a 16 position improvement on 1989, when they sold a quarter of a million.

And, while less than half of 1989's top 100 album artists retain their place (48 per cent), the album chart is still a sleepy backwater compared with the treacherous waters of the singles chart. This can be seen by comparing the success of dance acts in the singles stakes with their poor albums placings.

TOP 100 ALBUMS ARTISTS 1990

1	4	PHIL COLLINS	51	—	TALK TALK
2	95	ELTON JOHN	52	—	PETER GABRIEL
3	8	MADONNA	53	—	ROXETTE
4	—	CARRERAS/DOMINGO/PAVAROTTI	54	—	MC HAMMER
5	91	NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK	55	48	THE BANGLES
6	—	THE CARPENTERS	56	20	PRINCE
7	—	LUCIANO PAVAROTTI	57	19	CHRIS DE BURG
8	—	MICHAEL BOLTON	58	—	DEL AMITRI
9	—	GEORGE MICHAEL	59	—	BETTY BOO
10	—	PAUL SIMON	60	—	BIG COUNTRY
11	46	UB40	61	18	JIVE BUNNY & THE MASTERMIXERS
12	9	TINA TURNER	62	—	JIMI HENDRIX
13	—	NIGEL KENNEDY	63	—	THE STONE ROSES
14	21	CLIFF RICHARD	64	—	THE CHRISTIANS
15	76	IRON MAIDEN	65	—	HEART
16	—	STATUS QUO	66	—	GARY MOORE
17	16	SOUL II SOUL	67	—	AC/DC
18	—	TECHNOTRONIC	68	—	JAMES LAST
19	6	CHRIS REA	69	2	SIMPLY RED
20	—	SINEAD O'CONNOR	70	—	VANILLA ICE
21	—	DAVID BOWIE	71	10	FINE YOUNG CANNIBALS
22	63=	THE BEAUTIFUL SOUTH	72	—	WILSON PHILLIPS
23	—	JIMMY SOMERVILLE	73	—	RIGHTEOUS BROTHERS
24	74	ROLLING STONES	74	—	PLACIDO DOMINGO
25	27	FLEETWOOD MAC	75	22	EURHYTHMICS
26	—	WHITNEY HOUSTON	76	39	DIRE STRAITS
27	30	ERIC CLAPTON	77	—	PAULA ABDUL
28	43	THE SHADOWS	78	—	ALANNAH MYLES
29	5	KYLIE MINOGUE	79	26	WET WET WET
30	3	JASON DONOVAN	80	—	CAT STEVENS
31	34	INXS	81	—	JON BON JOVI
32	—	CHER	82	14	ROY ORBISON
33	—	LED ZEPPELIN	83	86	ELVIS PRESLEY
34	85	VAN MORRISON	84	—	NOTTING HILLBILLIES
35	—	THE BEACH BOYS	85	81	AEROSMITH
36	7	ERASURE	86	—	HERBERT VON KARAJAN/BERLIN
37	—	THE BEE GEES	—	—	PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
38	37	ROD STEWART	87	—	HOTHOUSE FLOWERS
39	1	GLORIA ESTEFAN	88	80	BOB DYLAN
40	—	HAPPY MONDAYS	89	—	MARTIKA
41	—	DEPECHE MODE	90	—	DIONNE WARWICK
42	38	LISA STANSFIELD	91	35	U2
43	13	DEACON BLUE	92	—	BARBRA STREISAND
44	44	PINK FLOYD	93	53	BILLY JOEL
45	51	PET SHOP BOYS	94	25	CLANNAD
46	50	FOSTER & ALLEN	95	—	POISON
47	63=	THE BEATLES	96	55=	PAUL McCARTNEY
48	11	QUEEN	97	—	ABC
49	—	B-52'S	98	—	INSPIRAL CARPETS
50	55	THE CURE	99	—	FAITH NO MORE
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