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CHART COMMENTARY

by ALAN JONES



Primarily known for his mixing and DJ abilities, Armand Van Helden topped the chart exactly two years ago with his radical reworking of Tori Amos' Professional Widow (It's Got To Be Big), and he celebrates the anniversary by returning to pole position, this time with You Don't Know Me. Featuring vocalist Duane Harden - who co-wrote the tune with Van Helden - it sold nearly 120,000 copies last week, and gives him the

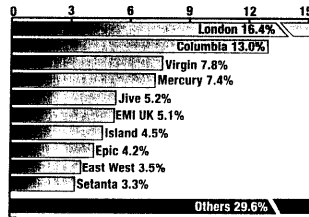
unique double of topping the sales chart with one record while ruling RM's Cool Cuts chart with another - his follow-up Flowerz, which features former Urban Soul vocalist Roland Clark. Flowerz has been pencilled in for March 22 release by frr, and is already selling strongly on import. Both tracks are on the 2 Future 4 U album, due for release this spring. Helden has mixed more than 60 hits in recent years.

You Don't Know Me by Armand Van Helden is the ninth single to top the chart in as many weeks, an unprecedented run. The last single to stay number one for more than one week is Cher's Believe, which survived for seven weeks before being toppled by B*Witched's To You I Belong. Since then a further six records have survived at number one for a week apiece, with You Don't Know Me likely to continue the run. You Don't Know Me sold nearly 119,000 copies last week, enough to put the most recent incumbent, The Offspring's Pretty Fly (For A White Guy), in the shade, though The Offspring's tally of more than 91,000 sales last week is unusually high for a number two at this time of the year.

Steps' Heartbeat/Tragedy single continues at number three for the third straight week, and has now sold more than 860,000 copies in a 12 week chart career. Also showing long legs, Bryan Adams feat

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TOP 10 COMPANIES



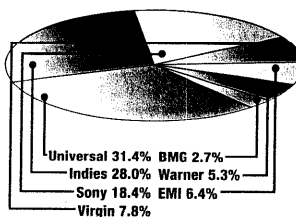
Figures show top 10 companies by % of total sales of the Top 75, and corporate group shares by % of total sales of the Top 75

SALES UPDATE

VERSUS LAST WEEK: +1.3%

YEAR TO DATE VERSUS LAST YEAR: -10.8%

TOP CORPORATE GROUPS



PERCENTAGE OF UK ACTS IN THE CHART

UK: 60.0% US: 22.7% Other: 17.3%

Mel C's When You're Gone single rebounds 7-5 despite a small dip in sales. In nine weeks of Top 10 action, it has now sold

nearly 470,000 copies - enough to make Mel C the biggest-selling singles artist of the Nineties, ahead of fellow Spice Girl Mel

B, whose own venture outside the Spice Girls with Missy Misdemeanour Elliott, I Want You Back, sold half as many.

Exactly three years after their introductory hit Spaceman recorded the highest first week sale of any act making its chart debut, Babylon Zoo register their fourth hit with All The Money's Gone checks in with just over 1% of that, having sold 4,600 copies last week, debuting only at 46.

Having had several hits that stopped in the teens, The Divine Comedy are in the Top 10 for the first time ever, with National Express, which debuts at number eight. Their previous peak was 14 with both Something For The Weekend and Everybody Knows (Except You), but their last single, The Certainty Of Chance, stumbled to number 49 a couple of months ago.

THE YEAR SO FAR... TOP 20 SINGLES

1	HEARTBEAT/TRAGEDY	STEPS	EBUL/JIVE
2	PRETTY FLY (FOR A WHITE GUY)	OFFSPRING	COLUMBIA
3	PRAISE YOU	FATBOY SLIM	SKINT
4	WHEN YOU'RE GONE	BRYAN ADAMS FEAT MEL C	MERCURY/A&M
5	A LITTLE BIT MORE	911	VIRGIN
6	I WANT YOU FOR MYSELF	ANOTHER LEVEL/GHOSTFACE KILLAH	NORTHWESTSIDE
7	YOU DON'T KNOW ME	ARMAND VAN HELDEN	FFRR
8	YOU SHOULD BE...	BLOCKSTER	SOUND OF MINISTRY
9	CHOCOLATE SALTY BALLS (P.S. I LOVE YOU)	CHEF	COLUMBIA
10	TEQUILA	TERRORVISION	TOTAL VEGAS
11	WESTSIDE	TO	EPIC
12	GOODBYE	SPICE GIRLS	VIRGIN
13	MORE THAN THIS	EMMIE	MANIFESTO
14	BELIEVE	CHER	WEA
15	GIMME SOME MORE	BUSTA RHYMES	ELEKTRA
16	END OF THE LINE	HONEYZ	MERCURY
17	WALK LIKE A PANTHER	ALL SEEING I FEAT TONY CHRISTIE	FFRR
18	CASSIUS 1999	CASSIUS	VIRGIN
19	BEAUTIFUL DAY	3 COLOURS RED	CREATION
20	BIG BIG WORLD	EMILIA	UNIVERSAL

PEPSI Chart

This Week	Last Week	Title Artist	Label	This Week	Last Week	Title Artist	Label
1	1	YOU DON'T KNOW ME Armand Van Helden	ffrr	21	16	SO YOU'ING The Corrs	Atlantic
2	2	PRETTY FLY... The Offspring	Columbia	22	11	BELIEVE Cher	WFA
3	3	HEARTBEAT/TRAGEDY Steps	Ebul/Jive	23	11	MARIA Blondie	Beyond
4	NEW	THESE ARE THE TIMES Dru Hill	Island Black Music	24	NEW	EVERY YOU EVERY ME Placebo	Hut/Virgin
5	7	WHEN YOU'RE GONE Bryan Adams With Mel C	A&M	25	26	I DON'T WANT TO MISS A THING Aerosmith	Columbia
6	2	TEQUILA Terrorvision	Total Vegas	26	26	OUTSIDE George Michael	Epic
7	4	WESTSIDE To	Epic	27	11	SWEETEST THING U2	Island
8	NEW	NATIONAL EXPRESS The Divine Comedy	Setanta	28	21	I LOVE THE WAY YOU LOVE ME Boyzone	Polydar
9	NEW	WHEN I GROW UP Garbage	Mushroom	29	25	MUSIC SOUNDS BETTER WITH YOU Stardust	Virgin
10	NEW	GOOD LIFE Inner City	Pias Recordings	30	33	WALK LIKE A PANTHER All Seeing I Feat Tony Christie	ffrr
11	14	PRAISE YOU Fatboy Slim	Skint	31	5	GIMME SOME MORE Busta Rhymes	Elektra
12	8	I WANT YOU FOR MYSELF Another Level	Northwestside	32	NEW	ONE WEEK Barenaked Ladies	Reprise
13	6	A LITTLE BIT MORE 911	Virgin	33	14	GOODBYE Spice Girls	Virgin
14	12	MORE THAN THIS Emmie	Manifesto	34	24	BIG BIG WORLD Emilia	Universal
15	14	NO REGRETS/ANTMUSIC Robbie Williams	Chrysalis	35	35	CASSIUS 99 Cassius 99	Virgin
16	11	END OF THE LINE Honeyz	1st Avenue/Mercury	36	NEW	DREAMING M People	M People
17	15	YOU SHOULD BE... Blockster	Sound Of Ministry	37	15	BEAUTIFUL DAY 3 Colours Red	Creation
18	22	MIAMI Will Smith	Columbia	38	31	PERFECT 10 The Beautiful South	Go! Discs/Mercury
19	19	BAD GIRLS/I LIKE Juliet Roberts	Delirious	39	28	DUMB The Beautiful South	Go! Discs/Mercury
20	21	MY FAVOURITE GAME The Cardigans	Stockholm	40	10	TO EARTH WITH LOVE Gay Dad	London

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This Week	Last Week	Title Artist (Producer)	Label/CD (Distributor) Cass/Vinyl
1	15	YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY, BABY ★ Fatboy Slim (Fatboy Slim)	Siret BRASSIC 11CD (BMV/P) BRASSIC 11MC/BRASSIC 11LP
2	2	I'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU ★ Robbie Williams (Chambers/Power)	4Chrysalis 4978372 (E) 4978374/-
3	3	TALK ON CORNERS ★ The Corrs (Lieber/Foster/Corr/Pearson/Knowles/Steinberg/Ballard)	Atlantic 7567809172/7567809174- (W)
4	5	STEP ONE ★ George Michael (Michael/Douglas/Walden)	Jive/Ebul 0519112/0519114/- (P)
5	8	FORGIVEN, NOT FORGOTTEN ★ The Corrs (Foster/Corr)	Atlantic 7567926122 (W) 7567926124/-
6	4	LADIES & GENTLEMEN - THE BEST OF ★ George Michael (Michael/Douglas/Walden)	6Epic 4917052 (SM) 4917054/-
7	6	WHERE WE BELONG ★ Boyzone (Lipsin/Sturken/Rogers/Mac/Hedges/Magnusson/Kreuger/Absolute)	5Polydor 5592002/5592004/- (F)
8	NEW	THERE IT IS 911 (Douglas/Lewis/Steel/Holiday/Levine)	Virgin CDV 2873 (E) TCV 2873/-
9	7	RAY OF LIGHT ★ Madonna (Madonna/Orbit/De Vries/Leonard)	Maverick 9362468472 (W) 9362468474/9362468471
10	13	AMERICANA The Offspring (Jerden)	Columbia 4916562 (SM) 4916564/-
11	9	BIG WILLIE STYLE ★ Will Smith (Puft Daddy/Trackmasters/Warren G/Dupris/Jazzy/Jeff/Various)	Columbia 4886622/4886624/4886621 (SM)
12	17	THE MISEDUCATION OF LAURYN HILL ● Lauryn Hill (Hill/Guevera)	Columbia (SM) 4898432/4898434/4898431
13	14	ANOTHER LEVEL ● Another Level (Williams/Various)	Northwestside 74321582412 (BMG) 74321582414/-
14	11	LIFE THRU A LENS ★ Robbie Williams (Chambers/Power)	Chrysalis CDCHR 6127 (E) TCCR 6127/-
15	16	VERSION 2.0 ★ Garbage (Garbage)	Mushroom MUSH 29CD (3MV/P) MUSH 29MC/MUSH 29LP
16	12	THE BEST OF ★ M People (M People)	M People/BMG 74321627682 (BMG) 74321613874/-
17	10	THE BEST OF 1980-1990 ★ U2 (Eno/Lanois/Lillywhite/Lovine/U2/Xavier)	Island CIDU 211 (F) UC 211/U 211
18	15	ONE NIGHT ONLY ★ Bee Gees (Bee Gees)	Polydor 5592202 (F) 5592204/-
19	24	GRAN TURISMO ● The Cardigans (Johansson)	Stockholm 5590814 (F) 5590814/-
20	19	THIS IS MY TRUTH TELL ME YOURS ★ Manic Street Preachers (Hedges/Eringa)	Epic 4917039 (SM) 4917034/4917031
21	35	WITHOUT YOU I'M NOTHING ● Placebo (Osbourne)	Hut/Virgin CDHUTX 49 (E) FLOORMC 8/FLOORLP 8
22	36	BRING IT ON ● Gomez (Gomez)	Hut/Virgin CDHUTX 49 (E) HUTMC 49/HUTLP 49
23	22	THE BEST OF - THE STAR AND WISEMAN ★ Ladysmith Black Mambazo (Shabalala/Skarbek/Abrahams)	2PolyGram TV 5652982 (F) 5652984/-
24	20	QUENCH ★ The Beautiful South (Kelly/Heaton)	Go!Discs/Mercury 5381792 (F) 5381664/5381661
25	18	BELIEVE ★ Cher (Taylor/Rawling/Vasquez/Terry)	WEA 3984253192 (W) 3984253194/-

26	21	SAVAGE GARDEN ★ Savage Garden (Fisher)	2 Columbia 4871612 (SM) 4871614/-
27	43	DESERTER'S SONGS ○ Mercury Rev (Fridmann/Donahue)	V2 VVR 1003792 (3MV/P) -VVR 1002771
28	NEW	1999 Cassius (Zdar/Boombass)	Virgin CDVIR 76 (E) MCVIR 76/LPVIR 76
29	27	OCEAN DRIVE ★ Lighthouse Family (Peden)	Wild Card/Polydor 5237872 (F) 5237874/-
30	32	MOON SAFARI ● Air (Dunckel/Godin)	Virgin CDV 2848 (E) TCV 2848/V 2848
31	30	INTERNATIONAL VELVET ★ Catatonia (Tommy D/Catatonia)	Blanco Y Negro 3984208342 (W) 3984208344/3984208341
32	23	#1s ★ Mariah Carey (Afanasiief/Carey/Various)	Columbia 4926042 (SM) 4926044/4926041
33	50	GRACELAND ★ Paul Simon (Simon)	Warner Bros K 9254472 (W) VVX 52C/VVX 52
34	26	B*WITCHED ★ B*Witched (Hedges)	Glow Worm/Epic 4917042 (SM) 4917044/-
35	25	SUPPOSED FORMER INFATUATION JUNKIE ★ Alanis Morissette (Ballard/Morissette)	Maverick 9362470942 (W) 9362470944/9362470941
36	31	ON A DAY LIKE TODAY ● Bryan Adams (Adams/Thornalley/Rock)	A&M/Mercury 5410162 (F) 5410164/-
37	NEW	ULTRA Ultra (Stanley/Robson)	East West 3984222452 (W) 3984222454/-
38	52	TRACY CHAPMAN ★ Tracy Chapman (Kirshenbaum)	Elektra K 9607742 (W) EKT 44C/-
39	57	THE BEST OF ROD STEWART ★ Rod Stewart (Various)	Warner Bros K 9260342 (W) WX 314C/WX 314
40	29	HITS ★ Phil Collins (Various)	Virgin CDV 2870 (E) TCV 2870/-
41	40	MEZZANINE ★ Massive Attack (Massive Attack/Davidge)	Circa/Virgin WBRCDX 4 (E) WBRMC 4/VBRRLP 4
42	33	WONDER NO.8 ● Honeyz (Levine/Ignorants)	First Avenue/Mercury 5588142 (F) 5588144/-
43	28	THE COLLECTION Lloyd Cole (Hardiman/Langer/Winstanley/Stanley/Cole/Mahar/Peters)	PolyGram TV 5381042/5381044 (F) 5381042/5381044
44	39	UP ★ REM (McCarthy/REM)	Warner Brothers 93624711512 (W) 9362471124/9362471121
45	38	VONDA FROM 'ALLY MCBEAL' ★ Vonda Shepard (Shepard)	Epic 4911242 (SM) 4911244/-
46	37	MODERN CLASSICS - THE GREATEST HITS ★ Paul Weller (Lynch/Weller)	Island (F) CIDD 8080/CT 8080/ILPSD 8080
47	34	FIVE ★ Five (Various)	RCA 74321589762/74321589764/- (BMG)
48	56	FIN DE SIECLE ○ The Divine Comedy (Jacobs/Hanna)	Setanta SETCDL 057 (V) SETMC 057/SETLP 057
49	47	POSTCARDS FROM HEAVEN ★ Lighthouse Family (Peden)	Wild Card/Polydor (F) 5395162/5395164/-
50	44	GREATEST ★ Duran Duran (Various)	EMI 4962382 (F) 4962394/-
51	NEW	CHYNA DOLL Foxy Brown (Brown/Various)	Def Jam 5589332 (F) 5589334/-

52	73	BLOOD SUGAR SEX MAGIK ★ Red Hot Chili Peppers (Rubin)	Warner Bros 759266812 (W) WX 441C/WX 441
53	46	THE BEST OF ★ James (End/Hague/James)	Fontana 5581732 (F) 0522664/0522661
54	42	THE MASTERPLAN ★ Oasis (Morris/Gallagher)	Creation CRECD 241 (3MV/V) CCRE 241/CRELP 241
55	55	GREATEST HITS Busta Rhymes (Smith/DJ Scratch/Diamond/D/Angelett)	Jive 0522662 (F) 0522664/0522661
56	41	LET'S TALK ABOUT LOVE ★ Celine Dion (Martin/Foster/Wake/Afanasiief/Horner/Hart)	Epic 4891592 (SM) 4891594/-
57	RE	PSYENCE FICTION ● UNKLE (UNKLE)	Mo Wax MW 085CD5 (V) MW 085MC/MW 085S
58	54	EXTINCTION LEVEL EVENT/FINAL WORLD FRONT Busta Rhymes (Smith/DJ Scratch/Diamond/D/Angelett)	Elektra 7559622112 (W) 7559622114/7559622111
59	45	GREATEST MOMENTS ★ Culture Club (Levine/Marini/Hahn/Pet Shop Boys/Culture Club/Rogers)	Virgin CDVX 2865/TCV 2865/- (E)
60	51	MY LOVE IS YOUR LOVE ● Whitney Houston (Uzay/Babyface/Foster/Jenkins/Soul Shock/KaInin)	Arista 07822190372 (BMG) 07822190374/-
61	74	ENTER THE DRU Dru Hill (Hicks/Dru Hill/Peck/Crear/Islam)	Island 5245422 (F) -/-
62	71	GENERATION TERRORISTS Manic Street Preachers (I)	Columbia 4710609 (SM) 4710605/4710601
63	49	BIG CALM ● Morcheeba (Morcheeba/Norris)	Indochina ZEN 0171CDX (F) ZEN 0171MC/ZEN 0171LP
64	65	MUTATIONS Beck (Godrich/Hansen)	Geffen GED 25184 (BMG) GEC 25184/-
65	RE	THE COMPLETE ● The Stone Roses (Leckie)	Silverstone OREC D535 (F) OREC 535/OREL 535
66	48	100% CRIMINALS ● Fun Lovin' Criminals (Fun Lovin' Criminals)	Chrysalis 4974630 (E) 4970564/4970561
67	RE	DOOKIE ★ Green Day (Cavello/Green Day)	Reprise 9362457952 (W) 9362455294/9362455291
68	64	GOLD - GREATEST HITS ★ Abba (Andersson/Ulvaeus/Anderson)	Polydor 5170072 (F) 5170074/5170071
69	59	THE VERY BEST OF ★ Meat Loaf (Rundgren/Steinman/Meat Loaf/Jacobs/Mack/Telerman/Neveon/Gallah/Dowd)	Virgin/Sony TV CDV 2868/TCV 2868/- (E)
70	RE	THE BEST OF ● Everything But The Girl (EBTG/Conlon/Igman/Ramone/Millar/Hooper/Massive Attack)	Blanco Y Negro 0630166372/0630166374/- (W)
71	RE	THE SINGLES Pretenders (Various)	WEA K 2422292 (W) WX 135C/WX 135
72	69	THE GLOBE SESSIONS ● Sheryl Crow (Crow)	A&M/Polydor 5409742 (F) 5409744/-
73	61	TITANIC (OST) ★ James Horner (Horner/Franglen)	Sony Classical SK 63213 (SM) SK 63213/-
74	58	HONEY TO THE B ★ Billie (Marr/Page)	Innocent CD5IN 1 (E) SINMC 1/-
75	66	LEFT OF THE MIDDLE ★ Natalie Imbruglia (Thornally/Goldenberg/Wright/Bronleewe)	RCA 7432151382 (BMG) 7432151384/-

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TOP COMPILATIONS

This Week	Last Week	Title Artist	Label/CD (Distributor) Cass/Vinyl
1	2	CLUBBER'S GUIDE TO... NINETY NINE Ministry Of Sound MOSCD 3/MOSMC 3- (3MV/SM)	
2	3	THE BEST CLUB ANTHEMS 99...EVER! ○ Virgin/EMI VTDCC 221/VTDMC 221/- (E)	
3	NEW	KISS SMOOTH GROOVES 99 PolyGram TV 5654452/5654454/- (F)	
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5	3	NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL MUSIC! 41 ★ EMI/Virgin/PolyGram CDNOW 41/TCNOW 41/- (E)	
6	4	HITS 99 ★ warner.esp/Global TV/Sony TV MO0CCD 64/MO0CC 64/- (SM)	
7	NEW	TOTALLY WICKED TOO! ○ warner.esp/Global TV/Sony TV 9548372542/9548372544/- (W)	
8	NEW	RELAX! THE ULTIMATE '80S MIX - VOL 2 PolyGram TV 5640882/5640884/- (F)	
9	5	CHEF AID - THE SOUTH PARK ALBUM ● Columbia 4917002/4917004/- (SM)	

10	7	THE ANNUAL IV - JUDGE JULES & BOY GEORGE ★ Ministry Of Sound ANNCD 98/ANNMC 98- (3MV/SM)
11	6	THE BOX R&B HITS ALBUM Telstar TV TTVCDD 3008/TTVMC 3008/- (W)
12	11	THE VERY BEST OF THE LOVE ALBUM ★ Virgin/EMI VTDCDX 213/VTDMC 213/- (E)
13	8	STREET VIBES 2 warner.esp/Global TV/Sony TV RADCD 116/RADMC 116/- (BMG)
14	10	WOMAN ★ PolyGram TV/Sony TV 5654392/5654394/- (F)
15	9	MUSIC OF THE NIGHT ● PolyGram TV 5654962/5654964/- (F)
16	13	THE ALL TIME GREATEST LOVE SONGS - III ★ Columbia SONYTV 566CD/SONYTV 566MC- (SM)
17	12	MASSIVE DANCE:99 ● Warner/PolyGram/Global 5655352/5655354/- (F)
18	16	ESSENTIAL SELECTION '98 - TONG/OAKENFOLD ● frr 5659642/5659614/- (F)
19	15	HEARTBEAT - THE 60S GOLD COLLECTION RCA/Global TV RADCD 90/RADMC 90- (BMG)
20	14	THIS IS...R&B Beechwood BEBOXCD 25/BEBOXMC 25/- (BW/BMG)

ARTISTS A-Z

2PAC	55	HONEYZ	42
S11	8	HORNER, James	73
ABBA	68	HOUSTON, Whitney	60
ADAMS, Bryan	36	IMBRUGLIA, Natalie	75
AIR	30	JAMES	53
ANOTHER LEVEL	13	LADYSMITH BLACK MAMBAZO	23
B*WITCHED	34	LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY	28
BEAUTIFUL SOUTH, The	24	M PEOPLE	16
BECK	64	MADONNA	9
BEE GEES	15	MANIC STREET PREACHERS	2052
BILLIE	74	MASSIVE ATTACK	41
BOYZONE	7	MEAT LOAF	69
BROWN, Foy	19	MERCURY REV	27
CARDIGANS, The	51	MICHAEL, GENE	6
CAREY, Mariah	32	MORCHEEBA	63
CASSIUS	28	MORISSETTE, Alanis	35
CATATONIA	31	OASIS	54
CHAIRMAN, Tracy	38	OFFSPRING, The	10
CHER	25	PLASIDO	21
COLE, Lloyd	43	PRETENDERS	51
COLLINS, Phil	40	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS	72
CORRS, The	35	REM	44
CROW, Sheryl	72	RHYMES, Busta	58
Culture Club	59	SAVAGE GARDEN	26
DION, Celine	56	SHEPARD, Vonda	45
DIVINE COMEDY, The	48	SMITH, Paul	33
DRU HILL	61	SMITH, Will	11
DURAN DURAN	50	STEPS	4
EVERYTHING BUT THE GIRL	70	STEWART, Rod	1
FATBOY SLIM	1	STONE ROSES, The	65
FIVE	47	U2	37
FUN LOVIN' CRIMINALS	66	ULTRA	27
GARBAGE	15	UNKLE	57
GOINEZ	22	WELLER, Paul	46
GREEN DAY	67	WILLIAMS, Robbie	214
HILL, Lauryn	12		



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ALBUM FACTFILE
Having assembled a longer run of Top 10 hit singles than all but a handful of acts in the Nineties - they've had nine in a row, a figure beaten only by Take That, Boyzone, Mariah Carey, George Michael and Oasis - 911 are becoming increasingly popular among album buyers. Their first album, *The Journey*, reached number 13 in 1997. Last year they reached number 10 with the follow-up, *Moving On*. And a mere seven

months after that album, their third, *There It Is*, debuts this week at number eight, after selling more than 14,000 copies. There it is features their number two hit *More Than A Woman*, the chart-topping *A Little Bit More* and nine more tracks, all covers. All but one of the tracks - *Rose Royce's I Wanna Get Next To You* - were Top 10 hits for their originators, two of them reaching number one, and three number two.

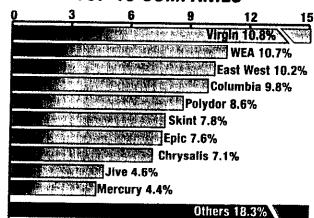
There's no change in the top three, with Fatboy Slim's *You've Come A Long Way, Baby* continuing to lead Robbie Williams' *I've Been Expecting You* and The Corrs' *Talk On Corners*, with all three showing great sales stability too. The Corrs also hold down fifth place in the chart, as their debut album *Forgiven, Not Forgotten* registers the highest position of its career.

Released on 19 February 1996, the album originally peaked at number 36, and has been selling steadily ever since. It quickened its pace when *Talk On Corners* became a major success, and has exploded recently, partly because the group's single is a remixed version of *Runaway*, taken from *Forgiven, Not Forgotten*, and partly because the album has been temporarily reduced to mid-price, which, with a generous extra 25% discount for large orders, has allowed some dealers to reduce its price to a mere £7.

Among other Warner Music albums

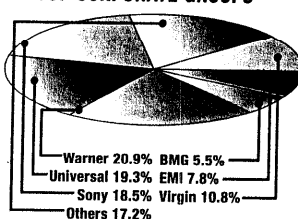
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UK: 56.0% US: 36.0% Other: 8.0%

included in the Warner promotion and making upward progress this week are Paul Simon's *Graceland* (50-33), Tracy

Chapman's self-titled debut (52-38), The Best Of Rod Stewart (57-39), the Red Hot Chili Peppers' *Blood Sugar Sex Magik* (73-

52) and Green Day's *Dookie* (98-67). Cassius become the third new French band to register a hit album in the last two years, debuting at number 28 with their debut album 1999. They follow in the illustrious footsteps of Daft Punk (number eight, *Homework*) and Air (number six, *Moon Safari*). Expect Spacedust to join them if and when they get round to releasing an album.

Despite the success of 911's latest album, it's still tough for boy bands to break the album chart. Ultra are the latest to try. Having registered four consecutive hit singles, most recently *Rescue Me*, they have to settle for a number 37 entry for their self-titled debut album, with just a tenth of those who've purchased the single gambling on the album thus far.

Their single *Pretty Fly (For A White Guy)* has lost top billing on the singles chart, but The Offspring's Americana album continues its upward climb, moving 13-10 this week on a further 34% jump in sales, week-on-week.

COMPILATIONS

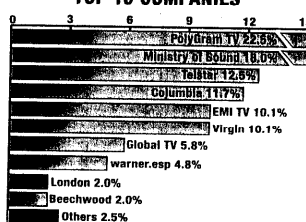
Retaining pole position atop the compilation chart, with a comfortable 16% margin over runner-up *The Best Club Anthems 99...Ever!*, the Judge Jules mix album *Clubber's Guide To...Ninety Nine* has sold more than 52,000 copies in a fortnight. With its sales more or less static last week, it narrowly overtakes Robbie Williams' *I've Been Expecting You* to slip into second place on the combined album chart, a distant runner-up to Fatboy Slim's *You've Come A Long Way, Baby*. The *Clubber's Guide* album - which includes a significant number of lesser-known tracks like M.U.S.I.C by Funk Force, *Unique* by Club 69 and *Secret Wish* by Boccacio Life - is one of two albums on the Ministry Of Sound label which booked the compilation 10. The other is *The Annual IV*, the

Judge Jules/Boy George mix album which slips 7-10 and is now in rapid decline, after selling a massive 380,000 copies in three months. Having seen its share of overall album sales stay consistently below 25% for more than three months, the compilation sector got a major shot in the arm last week with the simultaneous arrival of several high profile new releases, which sent sales above the one in four mark, and resulted in no fewer than four new entries to the Top 10 - *Kiss Smooth Grooves 99* at number three, *Euphoria* at number four, *Totally Wicked Too!* at number seven and *Relax - The Ultimate Eighties Mix - Volume Two* at number eight.

As a result, several albums which increased sales dropped, among them *The Very Best Of The Love Album*.

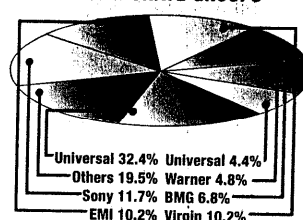
MARKET REPORT

TOP 10 COMPANIES



Figures show top 10 companies by % of total sales of the Top 25, and corporate group shares by % of total sales of the Top 20

TOP CORPORATE GROUPS



SALES UPDATE

VERSUS LAST WEEK: **+11.9%**

YEAR TO DATE VERSUS LAST YEAR:

COMPILATIONS' SHARE OF TOTAL SALES

Artist albums: 74.7%
Compilations: 25.2%

THE YEAR SO FAR... TOP 20 ALBUMS

1 YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY, BABY	FATBOY SLIM	SKINT
2 I'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU	ROBBIE WILLIAMS	CHRYSALIS
3 LADIES & GENTLEMEN - THE BEST OF	GEORGE MICHAEL	EPIC
4 TALK ON CORNERS	CORRS	ATLANTIC
5 STEP ONE	STEPS	EBUL/JIVE
6 WHERE WE BELONG	BOYZONE	POLYDOR
7 RAY OF LIGHT	MADONNA	MAVERICK
8 FORGIVEN, NOT FORGOTTEN	CORRS	ATLANTIC
9 THE BEST OF 1980-1990	U2	ISLAND
10 THE BEST OF	M PEOPLE	M PEOPLE
11 BIG WILLIE STYLE	WILL SMITH	COLUMBIA
12 LIFE THRU A LENS	ROBBIE WILLIAMS	CHRYSALIS
13 ONE NIGHT ONLY	BEE GEES	POLYDOR
14 THIS IS MY TRUTH TELL ME YOURS	MANIC STREET PREACHERS	EPIC
15 AMERICANA	THE OFFSPRING	COLUMBIA
16 SAVAGE GARDEN	SAVAGE GARDEN	COLUMBIA
17 ANOTHER LEVEL	ANOTHER LEVEL	NORTHWESTSIDE
18 NO.1'S	MARIAH CAREY	COLUMBIA
19 QUENCH	BEAUTIFUL SOUTH	GO! DISCS/MERCURY
20 BELIEVE	CHER	WEA

THE YEAR SO FAR... TOP 20 COMPILATIONS

1 NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL MUSIC! 41	VARIOUS ARTISTS	EMI/VIRGIN/POLYGRAM
2 THE BEST CLUB ANTHEMS 99...EVER!	VARIOUS ARTISTS	VIRGIN/EMI
3 HITS 99	VARIOUS ARTISTS	WARNER/GLOBAL/SONYTV
4 CLUBBER'S GUIDE TO...NINETY NINE	VARIOUS ARTISTS	MINISTRY OF SOUND
5 CHEF AID - THE SOUTH PARK ALBUM	VARIOUS ARTISTS	COLUMBIA
6 THE ANNUAL IV - JUDGE JULES & BOY GEORGE	VARIOUS ARTISTS	MINISTRY OF SOUND
7 THE BOX R&B HITS ALBUM	VARIOUS ARTISTS	TELSTAR TV
8 STREET VIBES 2	VARIOUS ARTISTS	WARNER/GLOBAL/SONYTV
9 MUSIC OF THE NIGHT	VARIOUS ARTISTS	POLYGRAM TV
10 THE VERY BEST OF THE LOVE ALBUM	VARIOUS ARTISTS	VIRGIN/EMI
11 WOMAN	VARIOUS ARTISTS	SONY TV/POLYGRAM TV
12 KISS SMOOTH GROOVES 99	VARIOUS ARTISTS	POLYGRAM TV
13 MASSIVE DANCE 99	VARIOUS ARTISTS	WARNER/POLY/GLOBAL
14 THE ALL TIME GREATEST LOVE SONGS - III	VARIOUS ARTISTS	COLUMBIA
15 EUPHORIA	VARIOUS ARTISTS	TELSTAR TV
16 ESSENTIAL SELECTION '98 - TONG/DAKENFOLD	VARIOUS ARTISTS	FFRR
17 HEARTBEAT - THE 60'S GOLD COLLECTION	VARIOUS ARTISTS	RCA/GLOBAL TV
18 THE GREATEST HITS OF 1998	VARIOUS ARTISTS	TELSTAR TV
19 ESSENTIAL SELECTION '98 - TONG/DAKENFOLD	VARIOUS ARTISTS	FFRR
20 THE ALL TIME GREATEST MOVIE SONGS	VARIOUS ARTISTS	SONY TV/POLYGRAM TV

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