



THE HIGHEST NUMBER	This Week	Title	Artist (Producer)	Publisher (Writer)	Label	CD/Cass (Distributor)
1	2	THE MILLENNIUM PRAYER	Papillon/Black Knight PROMISECD 01/PROMISESET 01 (P)	Chiff Richard (Wright) EMI/CC/Skratch/CMP Nashville (trad. arr. Wright/Arch/Spates/Field/Deal) -	7/12	-
2	1	KING OF MY CASTLE	AM:PM CDAMPMP 127/MCAMPMP 127 (U)	Wamdue Project (Brann) Warner-Chappell (Brann) -/12AMPMP 127		
3	NEW	EVERY DAY I LOVE YOU	Polydor 5615802/5615804 (U)	Boyzone (Lipson) Zomba/Tunesover (Myers/Baker/Williams) -		
4	NEW	NORTHERN STAR	Virgin VSCDT 1748/VSC 1748 (E)	Melanie C (De Vries) EMI (Chisholm/Nowells) -		
5	NEW	BACK IN MY LIFE	Positiva CDTV 121/TCTV 121 (E)	Alice Deejay (Pronti/Karmani) Universal (Pronti/Karmani) -/12TV 121		
6	NEW	TALKING IN YOUR SLEEP/LOVE ME	Innocent SINCD 14/SINC 14 (E)	Marlene McCutcheon (Moran) EMI/International Music Network/BMG (Wood/Cook/Gibb/Gibb) -		
7	3	SHE'S THE ONE/IT'S ONLY US	Chrysalis CDCHS 5112/TCCHS 5112 (E)	Robbie Williams (Chambers/Power) EMI/BMG/Universal (Wallinger/Williams/Chambers) -		
8	5	IF I COULD TURN BACK THE HANDS OF TIME	Jive 0523182/0523184 (P)	R Kelly (Kelly) Zomba (Kelly) -/0523180		
9	6	I TRY	Epic 6681832/6681834 (TEN)	Macy Gray (Slater) EMI (Gray/Ruzumna/Lm/Wilder) -		
10	NEW	BIG BOYS DON'T CRY/ROCKIN' ROBIN	Polydor 5615552/5615544 (U)	Lolly (Duffiebag Boys) Sony ATV/Recordo (Duffiebag Boys/Thomas) -		
11	NEW	TONITE	Multiply CDMULTY 57/CAMULTY 57 (TEN)	Phats & Small (Phats & Small) EMI/Scream Gems/Skin (Phats/Small/Oleodu/Gold/Denne) -/TMULTY 57		
12	4	WILL 2K	Columbia 6684452/6684454 (TEN)	Will Smith (Poke & Tone) Various (Smith/Hailey/The Clash/Robinson/Bennett) -		
13	8	KEEP ON MOVIN'	RCA 74321709862/74321709864 (BMG)	Five (Stannard/Gallagher) EMI/Sony ATV/Universal (Stannard/Gallagher/Brown/Breen/Conlon) -		
14	7	LIFT ME UP	EMI CDEM 554/TCEM 554 (E)	Geri Halliwell (Absolute) BMG/Chrysalis/EMI/19 (Ackerman/Halliwell/Watkins/Wilson) -		
15	2	WHY	WEA WEA 229CD/WEA 229C (TEN)	Glamra Kid (Mendis) Warner-Chappell/Sony ATV (Rodgers/Edwards) -		
16	9	EVERYTIME/READY OR NOT	Columbia 6681872/6681874 (TEN)	AI (Metro) CC (Adams/Ingrbrigtsen/Read) -		
17	13	WAITING FOR TONIGHT	Columbia 6683072/6683074 (TEN)	Jennifer Lopez (Wake) Warner-Chappell (Christiansen/Garvin/Temple) -		
18	8	FLYING WITHOUT WINGS	RCA 74321709162/74321709164 (BMG)	Westlife (Mac) Rokstone/Rondor (Mac/Hector) -		
19	19	GENIE IN A BOTTLE	RCA 74321705482/74321705484 (BMG)	Christina Aguilera (Kipner/Frank) Warner-Chappell/EMI (Kipner/Frank/Sheyne) -		
20	12	WHEN WE ARE TOGETHER	Mercury MERC 525/MERMC 525 (U)	Texas (Mac) EMI (McElhone/Spiter) -		
21	11	BLUE (DA BA DEE)	Eternal WEA 226CD/WEA 226C (TEN)	Eiffel 65 (Gabutti/Zucchet) Universal (Labuti/Randone/Gabutti) -		
22	11	THE WORLD IS NOT ENOUGH	Radioactive RAXTD 40/RAXC 40 (U)	Garbage (Garbage/Arnold) BMG (Arnold/Black) -		
23	15	WHAT I AM	VC Recordings VCRD 53/VCR 53 (E)	Tin Tin Out featuring Emma Bunton (Tin Tin Out) Universal (Withrow/Brickell) -/VCR 53		
24	16	TURN	Independente ISOM 39SMS/ISOM 39CS (TEN)	Travis (Hedges/Gimble) Sony ATV (Healy) -		
25	4	BOMB DIGGY	Northwestside/Arista 74321712212/74321712214 (BMG)	Another Level (Reynolds/Martin) Sony ATV/Groundbreaking/DAS (Reynolds) -		
26	22	2 TIMES	Systematic SYSX 31/SYSXMC 31 (TEN)	Ann Lee (Pignagnoli/Soncini) Universal (Pignagnoli/Soncini) -/SYSX 31		
27	NEW	WALHALLA	Code Blue BLU 006CD/BLU 006C (TEN)	Gouryella (DJ Tiesto/Corsten) Dancecave/Allure Muzik (DJ Tiesto/Corsten/Cantik)/BLU 006T		
28	17	I SEE YOU BABY	Pepper 9230002/9230004 (P)	Groove Armada feat. Grami ma Funk (Groove Armada) Various (Cato/Findlay/Wooten) -/9230000		
29	26	HEARTBREAKER	Columbia 6683012/6683014 (TEN)	Mariah Carey (Carey/Jay Z) Various (Carey/Jay Z/Elliston/Chase/Walden/Cohen) -		
30	NEW	EVERYTIME	Hooj Choons HOOJ83CD/HOOJ83F (U)	Lustral (Jones) Chrysalis/Earth (Simmonds/Jones) -		
31	NEW	SISTA SISTA	Parlophone Rhythm Series CDRHYTHM 26/TCRHYTHM 26 (E)	Beverley Knight (Wolinski/Gammons) Rondor/Minaret (Wolinski/Knight/Gammons) -		
32	29	MAN! I FEEL LIKE A WOMAN!	Mercury 5623242/1721264 (U)	Shania Twain (Lange) Universal/Zomba (Twain/Lange) -		
33	NEW	L'ESPERANZA	Xtravaganza XTRAV 7CD/- (3MV/TEN)	Airscape (Gielen/Maes) Be's (Gielen/Maes) -/XTRAV 712		
34	23	I KNEW I LOVED YOU	Columbia 6683102/6683104 (TEN)	Savage Garden (Afanaseff) Warner-Chappell (Jones/Hayes) -		
35	24	HEADS HIGH	Greensleaves GRECD 785/GREC 785 (SRD/JS)	Mr. Vegas (Brownie/Juvenile) Greensleaves/Dubplate (Smith/Brownie) -/GREC 785		
36	NEW	MARY	Parlophone CDR 6531/TCR 6531 (E)	Superglass (Superglass/Cornfield) EMI (Superglass) -		
37	25	SHAKE YOUR BON-BON	Columbia 6683412/6683414 (TEN)	Ricky Martin (Noriega) Universal/A. Phantom Vox (Rosa/Noriega/Child) -		

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38	28	ANOTHER WAY/AVENUE	Deviant DVNT 35CDS/- (V)	Paul Van Dyk (Van Dyk) Paul Dyk Admin/BMG/UFAC/CC (Van Dyk) -/DVNT 35X	
39	31	LARGER THAN LIFE	Jive 0550562/0550564 (P)	Backstreet Boys (Martin/Romi/Lundin) Zomba/Grantsville/B-Rok (Martin/Lundin/Litrell) -	
40	33	BEST FRIEND	Puff Daddy/Arista 74321712312/74321712314 (BMG)	Puff Daddy feat. Mario Winans (Combs) Various (Combs/Winans/Cross) -	
41	NEW	SHE'S GOT ISSUES	Columbia 6683772/6683774 (TEN)	The Offspring (Jerdan) EMI (Holland/Kriesel/Wasserman/Welby) -	
42	14	NO DISTANCE LEFT TO RUN	Food/Parlophone CDFOOD 123/TCFOOD 123 (E)	Blur (Orbit) EMI (Albarn/Coxon/Rowntree/James) -	
43	NEW	MUSCLE MUSEUM	Mushroom MUSH 66CDS/- (3MV/P)	Muse (Muse/Reeve) Taste (Bellamy) -	
44	37	(YOU DRIVE ME) CRAZY	Jive 0550582/0550584 (P)	Britney Spears (Martin/Rami) Grantsville/Zomba/BMG (Elfoson/Magnusson/Kreuger/Martin) -	
45	30	S CLUB PARTY	Polydor 5614172/5614174 (U)	S Club 7 (StarGate) EMI/Sony ATV/Brixton Bass (Mikkel SE/Rustan/Hermansen/Atkins) -	
46	NEW	THE CHEMICALS BETWEEN US	Trauma/Polydor 4972222/- (U)	Bush (Rossdale) Mad Dog Winston (Rossdale) -/4972227/-	
47	35	YMCA	Wrasse WRASC 002/WRASC 002 (U)	Village People (Morali) Scorpio (Morali/Belolo/Willis) -/WRASC 002	
48	39	DON'T STOP	Sound Of Ministry MOSCDS 134/MOSMCS 134 (3MV/TEN)	ATB (Tanneberger) Sony ATV/Ministry of Sound (Garrido/Gilbert/Tanneberger) -/MOS 134	
49	32	HURRY UP AND WAIT	V2 VVR 5009323/VVR 5009325 (3MV/P)	Stereophonics (Bird & Bush) Universal (Jones/Jones/Cable) -	
50	27	LIFE'S TOO SHORT	Epic 6681502/6681504 (TEN)	Lightning Seeds (Broudie) Chrysalis (Broudie) -	
51	40	TURN IT AROUND	Wunderboy WBOYD 16/WBOYD 16 (U)	Alena (Jones) Chrysalis/Nanada/Music Allstars (Simmonds/Jones/Resort) -/WBOYD 16	
52	36	YOU DON'T KNOW	Motown/Uni-Island TMGCD1582/TMGCS1502 (U)	702 (Soulshock) EMI/Pink Folder/Jungle Fever (Anthem/Schack/Kartin) -/TMG1502	
53	42	AFTER THE LOVE HAS GONE	Jive 0519462/0519464 (P)	Steps (Topham/Iwigg/Waterman) All Boys (Topham/Iwigg/Ellington) -	
54	52	JESSE HOLD ON	Glow Worm/Epic 6679612/6679614 (TEN)	B*Witched (Hedges) Sugar Free/Bucks/19/BMG/Universal/WC (B*Witched/Hodgens/Brannigan) -/8708291	
55	45	WHEN THE HEARTACHE IS OVER	Parlophone CDR 6529/TCR 6529 (E)	Tina (Taylor/Rawling) Rive Droite/Riverhorse (Stack/Reid) -	
56	NEW	KINETIC '99	Distinctive DISNCD 59/- (P)	Golden Girls (Hazel/Hartnoll/Hartnoll) Sony ATV/Kudos (Hazel) -/DISNT 59	
57	48	YOU'LL BE IN MY HEART	RCA 74321696722/74321696724 (BMG)	Phil Collins (Cavallo/Collins) Hit & Run/Phil Collins (Collins) -	
58	NEW	WHAT YOU THINK OF THAT	Def Jam 8708292/8708284 (U)	Memphis Bleek feat. Jay-Z (Buckwild) EMI/KPM (Cox/Best/Carter/Mansfield) -/8708291	
59	34	SO LO	Island/Uni-Island CID 759/CIS 759 (U)	Ocean Colour Scene (Lynch/Heyes/Ocean Colour Scene) Universal (Ocean Colour Scene) -	
60	46	JUMP N' SHOUT	XL Recordings XLS 116CD/XLC 116 (V)	Basement Jaxx (Ratcliffe/Buxton) Universal (Ratcliffe/Buxton) -/XLT 116	
61	55	MAMBO NO 5 (A LITTLE BIT OF...)	RCA 74321696722/74321696724 (BMG)	Lou Bega (Leo/Fact/Zippy/Bega) Latin/Peermusic (Prado/Bega/Zippy) -/74321696721	
62	43	COLD SHOULDER/STARMAN	Virgin VSCDT 1758/VSC 1758 (E)	Culture Club (O'Duffy/Hay) V2/Chelsea/CC/EMI/Tintoretto/R20/Chrysalis (O'Dowd/Hay/Thomas/Moss/Craig/Bowling) -	
63	44	BULLET IN THE GUN	Perfecto PERF 3CDS/PERF 3MCS (3MV/P)	Planet Perfecto (Oakenfold/Mekka/Trouser Enthusiasts) Mute (2 Brothers) -/PERF 3T	
64	49	NOT OVER YOU YET	EMI CDEMS 553/TCEM 553 (E)	Diana Ross (Pendeton) BMG/Zavy (Pendeton/Kelly) -	
65	51	BUG A BOO	Columbia 6681882/6681884 (TEN)	Destiny's Child (Briggs) EMI/Windswept Pacific (Burris/Briggs/Knowles/Luckett/Robertson) -	
66	38	WE HAVEN'T TURNED AROUND	Hut/Virgin HUTCD 117/HUTC 117 (E)	Gomez (Gomez) Warner-Chappell (Baill/Blackburn/Gruay/Ottewill) -	
67	47	SEX LAWS	Geffen 4971822/4971804 (U)	Beck (Hansen) BMG/Cyanide Breathmint (Hansen) -/4971827/-	
68	50	BUDDY X 99	4 Liberty LIBTCD33/LIBTMC33 (P)	Dream Team Vs. Neneh Cherry (Booga Bang/Dollar/Cherry) EMI/Warner-Chappell/Notting Hill/4 Liberty (Various) -/LIB12033R	
69	58	GIVE IT TO YOU	Interscope/Polydor 4971672/4971674 (U)	Jordan Knight (Jam/Lewis) EMI (Harris III/Lewis/Knight/Thicke) -/4971171	
70	41	DON'T BE AFRAID '99	Heat Recordings HEATCD022/- (V)	Mo'Nique (Corsten) Warner-Chappell (Corsten) -/HEATF022	
71	61	AIN'T THAT A LOT OF LOVE	East West EW 208CD/EW 208C (TEN)	Simply Red (Hucknall/Yashiki/Wright) Rondor (Parker/Banks) -	
72	NEW	PLEASE FORGIVE ME	IHT IHTCDS 003/- (3MV/P)	David Gray (Gray/Poison/McClure) Chrysalis (Gray) -/IHTV 001	
73	64	WE'RE GOING TO IBIZA!	Positiva CDTV 119/TCTV 119 (E)	Vengaboys (Dansk/DJ Delmundo) Munnycroft (Calvert/Hughes) -	
74	60	DON'T CALL ME BABY	VC Recordings VCRD 56/VCRC 56 (E)	Madison Avenue (Van/Coates) CC/Cristel (Coates/Van/Dorsselaer/Morrison/Chierchia) -/VCR156	
75	63	CLOSING TIME	MCA/Uni-Island MCSXD40221/MCSCA40221 (U)	Semisonic (Lauany) Warner-Chappell (Wilson) -	

TITLES A-Z	WKS IN CHART
Do You Drive Me Crazy.....	44
2 Times.....	26
After The Love Has Gone.....	53
AIN'T THAT A LOT OF LOVE.....	71
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Best Friend.....	40
Big Boys Don't Cry/Rockin' Robin.....	10
Don't Be Afraid '99.....	21
Bomb Diggy.....	25
Buddy X 99.....	68
Bug A Boo.....	65
Bullet In The Gun.....	63
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Cold Shoulder/Starmán.....	62
Don't Call Me Baby.....	74
Don't Stop.....	48
Every Day I Love You.....	3
Forever.....	30
Evergreen/Ready Or Not.....	16
Flying Without Wings.....	18
Genie In A Bottle.....	19
Give It To You.....	69
Heads High.....	35
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I Knew I Loved You.....	34
I See You Baby.....	28
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So Lo.....	59
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Turn It Around.....	51
Waiting For Tonight.....	17
Walhalla.....	27
We Haven't Turned Around.....	66
We're Going To Ibiza!.....	73
What I Am.....	23
What You Think Of That.....	58
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When We Are Together.....	20
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You'll Be In My Heart.....	57



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# THE OFFICIAL UK CHARTS SINGLES



4 DECEMBER 1999

## CHART COMMENTARY

by ALAN JONES



Despite critical plaudits, Mary, the third single from Supergrass' eponymous album, makes a disappointing debut on the chart this week, entering the listings at number 36 and bringing to a close the group's run of eight straight Top 20 hits - a run which includes a brace of number two hits in the form of 1995's *Alright* and 1997's *Richard III*. *Pumping On Your Stereo* was the first single from the Supergrass album, and peaked at number

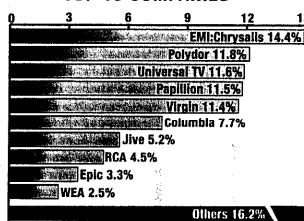
## SINGLE FACTFILE

11 in June, while *Moving* fared even better, reaching number nine in September, and helping to lay the foundations for the album to sell nearly 140,000 units in the last 10 weeks. Part of the reason for Mary's position is lack of airplay. Both *Pumping On Your Stereo* and *Moving* were well supported by radio, peaking at 14 and 12 respectively on the airplay chart, while Mary has yet to reach the Top 50.

Cliff Richard is entitled to thumb his nose at his critics this week after landing his 14th number one with *The Millennium Prayer*. He did it the hard way, and *The Millennium Prayer* is the first single to climb to the top since *Steps*' *Heartbeat/Tragedy* claimed the throne in January. The knight sold more than 147,000 units of *The Millennium Prayer* last week, around 25,000 more than second placed *King Of My Castle* by *Wamdue Project*. Incredibly, his span of number ones now exceeds 40 years - his first chart topper being *Living Doll*, which reached the summit in July 1959.

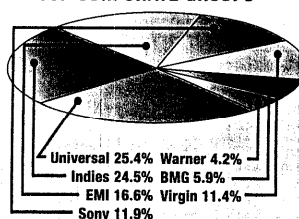
His last, prior to *The Millennium Prayer*, was *Saviour's Day*, the Christmas number one in 1990. One record he cannot claim is that of being the oldest artist to have a number one - though at 59 he comes second to Louis Armstrong who was 66 when he spent four weeks at number one with *What A Wonderful World/Cabaret* in 1968. The artist Louis replaced at number one was a fresh-faced 27-

## MARKET REPORT 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

## TOP CORPORATE GROUPS



## SALES UPDATE

VERSUS LAST WEEK: +13.7%

YEAR TO DATE VERSUS LAST YEAR:

-0.1%

## PERCENTAGE OF UK ACTS IN THE CHART

UK: 43.2% US: 21.6% Other: 35.1%

year-old by the name of...Cliff Richard. Despite a massive opening for the latest James Bond movie *The World Is Not Enough*

last week, *Garbage*'s title track dips from its debut position of 11 to 22. *The World Is Not Enough* is the third Bond movie of the

Nineties and each has thrown up a hit single of almost identical proportions - 1995's *Goldeneye* spawned Tina Turner's number 10 single of the same name, while *Tomorrow Never Dies*' title track was a number 12 hit for Sheryl Crow. Of 19 Bond themes, no fewer than 17 have been hit singles, the highest tally associated with any film series. The most successful, Duran Duran's *A View To A Kill*, reached number two in 1985.

Lolly registers her third hit in five months this week, as she debuts at number 10 with *Big Boys Don't Cry/Rockin' Robin*. She reached number six with *Viva La Radio* in July, and topped that by reaching number four with *Mickey* in September. She would have reached a hat-trick of opening hits faster than any artist in the Nineties...except for the fact that *A1*, who made their debut a week before her, registered their third hit a fortnight ago, and thus took seven days less to reach the target.

## INDEPENDENT SINGLES

This	Last	Title	Artist	Label (distributor)
1	1	THE MILLENNIUM PRAYER	Cliff Richard	Papillon PROMISECD 01 (P)
2	2	IF I COULD TURN BACK THE HANDS OF TIME	R Kelly	Jive 0523182 (P)
3	NEW	EVERYTIME	Lustral	Hooj Choons HO0J83CD (V)
4	3	I SEE YOU BABY	Groove Armada feat. Gram'ma Funk	Pepper 9230002 (P)
5	5	HEADS HIGH	Mr Vegas	Greensleeves GRECD 785 (SRD)
6	NEW	MUSCLE MUSEUM	Muse	Mushroom MUSH 66CDS (3MV/P)
7	4	ANOTHER WAY/AVENUE	Paul Van Dyk	Deviant DVNT35CDS (V)
8	10	(YOU DRIVE ME) CRAZY	Britney Spears	Jive 0550582 (P)
9	6	HURRY UP AND WAIT	Stereophonics	V2 VVR5009328 (3MV/P)
10	NEW	KINETIC '99	Golden Girls	Distinctive DISNCD 58 (P)
11	9	LARGER THAN LIFE	Backstreet Boys	Jive 0550562 (P)
12	8	BULLET IN THE GUN	Planet Perfecto	Perfecto PERF 3CDS (3MV/P)
13	7	DON'T BE AFRAID '99	Moonman	Heat Recordings HEATCD022 (V)
14	NEW	PLEASE FORGIVE ME	David Gray	IHT IHTCDS 003 (3MV/P)
15	12	BUDDY X 99	Dream Team Vs Neneh Cherry	4 Liberty LIBTCD33 (P)
16	13	JUMP N' SHOUT	Basement Jaxx	XL Recordings XLS 116CD (V)
17	11	SWASTIKA EYES	Primal Scream	Creation CRESCD 326 (3MV/P)
18	17	AFTER THE LOVE HAS GONE	Steps	Jive 0519462 (P)
19	16	YOU'LL BE IN MY HEART	Phil Collins	Walt Disney 0100735 DNY (P)
20	NEW	I FEEL LOVE - PART 3	CRW	Nukleuz NUKP0155B (ADD)

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## PEPSI Chart

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1	2	THE MILLENNIUM PRAYER Cliff Richard	Papillon	21	2	TIMES Ann Lee	Systematic/London
2	1	KING OF MY CASTLE Wamdue Project	AM-PM	22	NEW	TONITE Phats & Small	Multiply
3	NEW	EVERY DAY I LOVE YOU Boyzone	Polydor	23	NEW	BOMB DIGGY Another Level	Northwestside/Arista
4	NEW	NORTHERN STAR Melanie C	Virgin	24	17	LIFE'S TOO SHORT Lightning Seeds	Epic
5	NEW	BACK IN MY LIFE Alice Deejay	Positive	25	11	FLYING WITHOUT WINGS Westlife	RCA
6	NEW	TALKING IN YOUR SLEEP Martine McCutcheon	Innocent	26	19	WHY Glamma Kid	WEA
7	3	SHE'S THE ONE/IT'S ONLY US Robbie Williams	Chrysalis	27	23	THE WORLD IS NOT ENOUGH Garbage	Radioactive/MCA
8	5	IF I COULD TURN BACK THE HANDS OF TIME R Kelly	Jive	28	24	(YOU DRIVE ME) CRAZY Britney Spears	Jive
9	4	I TRY Macy Gray	Epic	29	22	AIN'T THAT A LOT OF LOVE Simply Red	East West
10	NEW	BIG BOYS DON'T CRY/ROCKIN' ROBIN Lolly	Polydor	30	21	I KNEW I LOVED YOU Savage Garden	Columbia
11	6	KEEP ON MOVIN' Five	RCA	31	25	SUNSHINE Gabrielle	Go Beat/Polydor
12	7	LIFT ME UP Geri Halliwell	EMI	32	27	HEARTBREAKER Mariah Carey	Columbia
13	11	WAITING FOR TONIGHT Jennifer Lopez	Columbia	33	28	UNPRETTY TLC	LaFace/Arista
14	4	WILL 2 K Will Smith	Columbia	34	26	SING IT BACK Moloko	Echo
15	12	WHEN WE ARE TOGETHER Texas	Mercury	35	32	WHEN THE HEARTACHE IS OVER Tina	Parlophone
16	14	GENIE IN A BOTTLE Christina Aguilera	RCA	36	NEW	STEAL MY SUNSHINE Len	Work/Columbia
17	15	MAN! I FEEL LIKE A WOMAN! Shania Twain	Mercury	37	NEW	BEAUTIFUL STRANGER Madonna	Maverick/Warner
18	13	WHAT I AM Tin Tin Out feat. Emma Bunton	VC Recordings	38	31	BLUE (DA BA DEE) Eiffel 65	Eternal
19	18	RADIO The Corrs	Atlantic	39	33	I SEE YOU BABY Groove Armada feat. Gram'ma Funk	Pepper
20	19	TURN Travis	Independiente	40	34	EVERYTIME/READY OR NOT A1	Columbia

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TOP 75



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Main album chart table with columns for chart position, last week, weeks on chart, title, artist, label, and distributor. Includes entries like 'STEPTACULAR' by Steps and 'SACRED ARIAS' by Andrea Bocelli.

Legend for chart symbols: HNE (Highest new entry), HC (Highest climber), Sales increase, Sales increase 50% or more.

TOP COMPILATIONS

Table of top compilation albums, including 'NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL MUSIC! 44' and 'HUGE HITS 99'.

ARTISTS A-Z

Table listing artists and their chart positions, such as ABBA at 10, JONES, Tom at 20, and WESTLIFE at 66.

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by ALAN JONES



## ALBUM FACTFILE

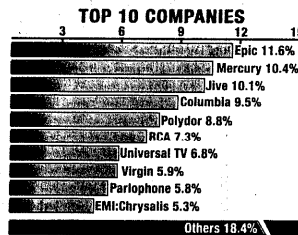
His idiosyncratic and ever-changing style appeals more to the UK than to his native America, and Beck's latest album *Midnite Vultures* debuts here this week at number 19. Though it has thus far spawned only one single, *Sexx Laws*, which reached number 27 a fortnight ago, *Midnite Vultures* has been widely acclaimed. The 29-year-old shares a mutual admiration society with The

Artist, whom he joined onstage for a boogie at the latter's *Mermaid Theatre*, London, showcase a couple of weeks ago, and has said he aspires to emulate The Artist's workrate with enough ideas and creative energy to make up to three albums a year. He is not up to that speed yet but four very different albums in five years is pretty good work by any standard.

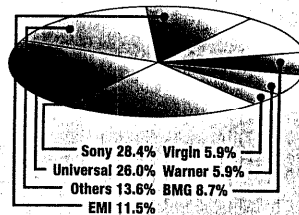
De-throned last week by **Celine Dion**, **Steps** return to pole position with their second album *Steptacular* enjoying its fourth week at number one. It has shown greater tenacity and more resilience in the face of strong competition than most would have expected, selling more than 400,000 copies in the last five weeks. Sales of the group's debut album *Step One* now exceed 1.3m, of which more than 550,000 have occurred this year, all of which means that Steps will register their millionth album sale of the year this week.

Steps will become the sixth act to reach the figure, following **Boyzone**, **The Corrs**, **Shania Twain**, **Abba** and **Robbie Williams**. They are also one of seven acts to sell 1m singles this year – and one of three acts to figure in both lists, alongside **Boyzone** and **Shania Twain**. Selling 1m singles in a year is still a comparatively rare feat, but to combine it with a similar number of albums is quite exceptional.

## MARKET REPORT



## TOP CORPORATE GROUPS



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

## SALES UPDATE



The Mavericks were one of 1998's most unexpected success stories, registering a huge hit single with *Dance The Night Away*

## PERCENTAGE OF UK ACTS IN THE CHART

UK: 44.6% US: 33.8% Other: 21.6%

and consolidating that success by selling massive quantities of their album *Trampoline*, which rose as high as number 11 in the

chart. They return to the album listings this week with *The Best Of The Mavericks*, which makes its chart debut at number 41. The album draws from all four of their previous albums, and also includes six new recordings, as is the current vogue for creating hybrid albums which are neither all new or all hits.

Among the new tracks they have recorded for the album are two which are rarely recorded but which, coincidentally also turn up on other currently charted albums. The first is *Here Comes My Baby*, a number four UK hit for the Tremeloes in 1967, which was written by Cat Stevens and appears on his *Remember – The Ultimate Collection*, which is currently at number 35. The other song is the Lennon/McCartney composition *World Without Love*, which The Beatles gave away in 1964 to Peter & Gordon, who then knocked their mentors off the number one slot with it. Despite that, it remains a song which has been covered far fewer times than most of the Beatles catalogue.

## COMPILATIONS

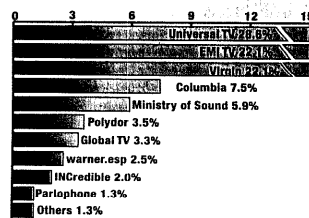
In the first week of December last year **Huge Hits 98** was unceremoniously booted off the top of the compilation chart by a whirlwind called **Now That's What I Call Music! 41**. A year on, the scenario is repeated with **Huge Hits 99** brutally brushed aside by **Now That's What I Call Music! 44**, which outsold its rival by a margin of more than five to one last week. The last *Now!* album of the year is traditionally the biggest seller not only of the three volumes which are unleashed in any 12-month period, but also in the entire compilation market, with 1m sales now obligatory. *Now! 44* commenced its quest for multi-platinum glory by selling 278,000 units last week, which compares extremely well with last year, when *Now! 41* raced to a first week tally of 191,000, compared to

the 152,000 sale which won *Now! 38* top-billing in 1997.

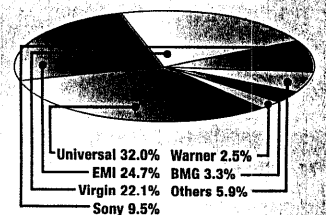
*Now! 44* is even more top heavy with hits than normal, including all of the year's three biggest-selling singles – (...Baby One More Time, *Blue (Da Ba Dee)* and *Mambo No.5 (A Little Bit Of...)*. The last *Now!* of the year traditionally reigns well into the next year but *Now! 44* faces a challenge from the next album in the *Hits* series, *Hits 2000*, coming out next Monday. Retailers have already decided that *Hits 2000* – which includes cuts such as *Better Off Alone* by *Alice Deejay*, *Flying Without Wings* by *Westlife* and *R Kelly's I Could Turn Back The Hands Of Time* – is going to be a massive success, with advance orders already well past the 500,000 mark.

## MARKET REPORT

### TOP 10 COMPANIES



### TOP CORPORATE GROUPS



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

## SALES UPDATE



## COMPILATIONS' SHARE OF TOTAL SALES

Artist albums: 68.7%  
Compilations: 31.3%

## INDEPENDENT ALBUMS

This	Last	Title	Artist	Label (distributor)
1	1	STEPTACULAR	Steps	Ebul/Jive 0519442 (P)
2	2	PERFORMANCE AND COCKTAILS	Stereophonics	V2 VVR 1004492 (3MV/P)
3	3	BABY ONE MORE TIME	Britney Spears	Jive 0522172 (P)
4	4	RELOAD	Tom Jones	Gut GUTCD 009 (V)
5	6	MILLENNIUM	Backstreet Boys	Jive 0523222 (P)
6	5	WWF – THE MUSIC – VOLUME 4	James A Johnston	Koch International 333612 (KO)
7	7	R	R Kelly	Jive 0517932 (P)
8	8	BUENA VISTA SOCIAL CLUB	Ry Cooder	World Circuit WCD 050 (P)
9	9	WORD GETS AROUND	Stereophonics	V2 VVR 1000438 (3MV/P)
10	12	YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY, BABY	Fatboy Slim	Skinat BRASSIC 11CD (3MV/P)
11	13	VERTIGO	Groove Armada	Pepper 0530332 (P)
12	10	PLAY	Moby	Mute CDSTUMM 172 (V)
13	14	A SECRET HISTORY	The Divine Comedy	Setanta SETCDL 100 (V)
14	15	GREATEST HITS	2Pac	Jive 0522662 (P)
15	16	REMEDY	Basement Jaxx	XL Recordings XLCD 129 (V)
16	17	STEP ONE	Steps	Ebul/Jive 0519112 (P)
17	RE	SHOWBIZ	Muse	Mushroom MUSH 59CD (3MV/P)
18	RE	VERSION 2.0	Garbage	Mushroom MUSH 29CD (3MV/P)
19	20	(WHAT'S THE STORY) MORNING GLORY?	Oasis	Creation CRECD 189 (3MV/P)
20	19	BEAUCOUP FISH	Underworld	JBO JBO 1005432 (3MV/P)

## THE YEAR SO FAR...

### TOP 20 SINGLES

This	Last	Title	Artist	Label
1	1	BABY ONE MORE TIME	BRITNEY SPEARS	JIVE
2	2	BLUE (DA BA DEE)	EFFEL 65	ETERNAL
3	3	MAMBO NO.5 (A LITTLE BIT OF...)	LOU BEGA	RCA
4	4	9PM (TILL I COME)	ATB	SOUND OF MINISTRY
5	5	LIVIN' LA VIDA LOCA	RICKY MARTIN	COLUMBIA
6	6	THAT DON'T IMPRESS ME MUCH	SHANIA TWAIN	MERCURY
7	7	SWEET LIKE CHOCOLATE	SHANKS & BIGFOOT	CHOCOLATE BOY/PEPPER
8	8	FLAT BEAT	MR. OIZO	F COMMUNICATIONS/PIAS RECORDINGS
9	9	WHEN THE GOING GETS TOUGH	BOYZONE	POLYDOR
10	10	BRING IT ALL BACK	S CLUB 7	POLYDOR
11	11	BETTER OFF ALONE	ALICE DEEJAY	POSITIVA
12	12	PERFECT MOMENT	MARTINE MCCUTCHEON	INNOCENT
13	13	BOOM, BOOM, BOOM, BOOM!!	VENGABOYS	POSITIVA/ARISTA
14	14	NO SCRUBS	TLC	LAFACE/ARISTA
15	17	GENIE IN A BOTTLE	CHRISTINA AGUILERA	RCA
16	15	HEARTBEAT/TRAGEDY	STEPS	EBUL/JIVE
17	16	WHEN YOU SAY NOTHING AT ALL	RONAN KEATING	POLYDOR
18	18	MY LOVE IS YOUR LOVE	WHITNEY HOUSTON	ARISTA
19	19	BEAUTIFUL STRANGER	MADONNA	MAVERICK/WARNER BROS
20	20	TURN AROUND	PHATS & SMALL	MULTIPLY

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