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TOP 75 SINGLES

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THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	ARTIST	SONG	SHOPPING
1	5	BEYONCE & SHAKIRA	BEAUTIFUL LIAR	
2	11	ARCTIC MONKEYS	BRIANSTORM	
3	1	TIMBALAND/FURTADO/TIMBERLAKE	GIVE IT TO ME	
4	3	AVRIL LAVIGNE	GIRLFRIEND	
5	2	MARK RONSON FT D MERRIWEATHER	STOP ME	
6	18	NE-YO	BECAUSE OF YOU	
7	15	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD	I WANNA HAVE YOUR BABIES	
8	52	ENEMY	AWAY FROM HERE	
9	4	PROCLAIMERS/B POTTERIA PIPKIN	(I'M GONNA BE) 500 MILES	
10	6	GWEN STEFANI FT AKON	THE SWEET ESCAPE	
11	7	FRAY	HOW TO SAVE A LIFE	
12	9	ALEX GAUDINO FT CRYSTAL WATERS	DESTINATION CALABRIA	
13	8	FERGIE FT LUDACRIS	GLAMOROUS	
14	12	FALL OUT BOY	THANKS FR TH MMRs	
15	13	LINKIN PARK	WHAT I'VE DONE	
16		ASH	YOU CAN'T HAVE IT ALL	
17	33	AKON	DON'T MATTER	
18	32	MIKA	LOVE TODAY	
19	10	KAISER CHIEFS	RUBY	
20	16	JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE	WHAT GOES AROUND COMES AROUND	
21	23	CHRISTINA AGUILERA	CANDYMAN	
22	19	MIKA	GRACE KELLY	

23	25	NELLY FURTAL	SAY IT RIGHT	
24	47	GYM CLASS HEROES	CUPID'S CHOKEHOLD	
25	17	CIARA	LIKE A BOY	
26	24	CALVIN HARRIS	ACCEPTABLE IN THE 80S	
27	27	P DIDDY FT KEYSHIA COLE	LAST NIGHT	
28	22	TAKE THAT	SHINE	
29	30	PAOLO NUTINI	NEW SHOES	
30	28	MY CHEMICAL ROMANCE	I DON'T LOVE YOU	
31		MATT WILLIS	CRASH	
32	64	JUST JACK	GLORY DAYS	
33	26	CAMILLE JONES/FEDDE LE GRANDE	THE CREEPS	
34		OCEAN COLOUR SCENE	I TOLD YOU SO	
35		BLACK REBEL MOTORCYCLE CLUB	WEAPON OF CHOICE	
36		TRAVIS	CLOSER	
37	20	BLOCC PARTY	I STILL REMEMBER	
38	34	MAXIMO PARK	OUR VELOCITY	
39	51	MECK FT DINO	FEELS LIKE HOME	
40	45	KINGS OF LEON	ON CALL	
41	46	DAN LE SAC VS SCROOBUS PIP	THOU SHALT ALWAYS KILL	
42	14	GARETH GATES	CHANGES	
43	37	GOSSIP	STANDING IN THE WAY OF CONTROL	
44		HANSON	GO	
45	72	SIOBHAN DONAGHY	DON'T GIVE IT UP	
46	36	SEAMUS HAJI FT KAYJAY	LAST NIGHT A DJ SAVED MY LIFE	
47	41	JUST JACK	STARZ IN THEIR EYES	
48	48	SNOW PATROL	CHASING CARS	
49	50	PINK	LEAVE ME ALONE (I'M LONELY)	
50	70	AMY WINEHOUSE	BACK TO BLACK	
51		SWITCHES	LAY DOWN THE LAW	
52	40	TAKE THAT	PATIENCE	
53	44	FALL OUT BOY	THIS AIN'T A SCENE IT'S AN ARMS RACE	

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Week of Mon 23 Apr

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THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	ARTIST	ALBUM	SHOPPING
1		AVRIL LAVIGNE	THE BEST DAMN THING	
2		MARK RONSON	VERSION	
3	1	KINGS OF LEON	BECAUSE OF THE TIMES	
4	2	CASCADA	EVERYTIME WE TOUCH - THE ALBUM	
5	6	AMY WINEHOUSE	BACK TO BLACK	
6		NINE INCH NAILS	YEAR ZERO	
7	8	MIKA	LIFE IN CARTOON MOTION	
8	4	NELLY FURTADO	LOOSE	
9	3	TAKE THAT	BEAUTIFUL WORLD	
10	7	JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE	FUTURESEX/LOVESOUNDS	
11	12	FRAY	HOW TO SAVE A LIFE	
12	10	TIMBALAND	SHOCK VALUE	
13	14	FALL OUT BOY	INFINITY ON HIGH	
14		TIESTO	ELEMENTS OF LIFE	
15	11	KAISER CHIEFS	YOURS TRULY ANGRY MOB	
16	9	MAXIMO PARK	OUR EARTHLY PLEASURES	
17	5	PROCLAIMERS	THE BEST OF	
18	16	DOLLY PARTON	THE VERY BEST OF	
19	15	ELTON JOHN	ROCKET MAN - THE DEFINITIVE HITS	
20	26	BLOCC PARTY	A WEEKEND IN THE CITY	
21	23	PAOLO NUTINI	THESE STREETS	
22	18	GWEN STEFANI	THE SWEET ESCAPE	
23	22	CHRISTINA AGUILERA	BACK TO BASICS	

54	42	CASCADA	MIRACLE	
55		SUNBLOCK FT SANDY	BABY BABY	
56	38	AKON FT SNOOP DOGG	I WANNA LOVE YOU	
57	21	MUSE	INVINCIBLE	
58	35	KLAXONS	GRAVITY'S RAINBOW	
59	31	ELLIOT MINOR	PARALLEL WORLDS	
60	39	KELIS FT CEELO	LIL STAR	
61	49	KILLERS	READ MY MIND	
62		ANOTHER CHANCE	EVERYTIME I SEE HER (SOUND OF EDEN)	
63	29	NINE INCH NAILS	SURVIVALISM	
64	38	MASON	EXCEEDER	
65	53	OMARION	ICE BOX	
66	75	AMY WINEHOUSE	REHAB	
67		WOMBATS	BACKFIRE AT THE DISCO	
68		MICHAEL BUBLE	EVERYTHING	
69	43	SUGABABES VS GIRLS ALOUD	WALK THIS WAY	
70		FRAY	OVER MY HEAD (CABLE CAR)	
71	55	DAVID BOWIE	LIFE ON MARS	
72	56	PROCLAIMERS	I'M GONNA BE (500 MILES)	
73	65	CASCADA	EVERYTIME WE TOUCH	
74	59	KLAXONS	GOLDEN SKANS	
75	61	BOOTY LUV	BOOGIE 2NITE	

24	19	MY CHEMICAL ROMANCE	THE BLACK PARADE	
25	21	SNOW PATROL	EYES OPEN	
26	28	PINK	I'M NOT DEAD	
27		GARDAR THOR CORTES	CORTES	
28	17	CIARA	THE EVOLUTION	
29	20	KILLERS	SAM'S TOWN	
30	32	AKON	KONVICTED	
31		PORCUPINE TREE	FEAR OF A BLANK PLANET	
32	27	FRATELLIS	COSTELLO MUSIC	
33	29	JAMES MORRISON	UNDISCOVERED	
34	34	JUST JACK	OVERTONES	
35	30	KLAXONS	MYTHS OF THE NEAR FUTURE	
36	35	ARCADE FIRE	NEON BIBLE	
37	46	LILY ALLEN	ALRIGHT STILL	
38	50	ARCTIC MONKEYS	WHATEVER PEOPLE SAY I AM THAT'S WHAT I'M	
39	13	BRIGHT EYES	CASSADAGA	
40	33	RAZORLIGHT	RAZORLIGHT	
41	53	BRYAN FERRY	DYLANESQUE	
42	45	AMY WINEHOUSE	FRANK	
43	37	SCISSOR SISTERS	TA-DAH	
44	36	FATHLESS	FOREVER FATHLESS - THE GREATEST HITS	
45	39	DOORS	THE VERY BEST OF	
46	25	MACDONALD BROS	MACDONALD BROS	
47	40	KILLERS	HOT FUSS	
48	42	FERGIE	THE DUTCHESS	
49	31	ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK	GREATEST HITS AND MORE	
50	41	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN	GREATEST HITS	
51	44	ELVIS PRESLEY	ELVIS - 30 NUMBER 1 HITS	
52		ORIGINAL CAST RECORDING	LLOYD WEBBER/JOSEPH & THE AMAZING	

53	52	ALISON KRAU	A HUNDRED MILES OR MORE - A COLLECTION	
54	55	SNOW PATROL	FINAL STRAW	
55	38	ENTER SHIKARI	TAKE TO THE SKIES	
56	49	MUSE	BLACK HOLES & REVELATIONS	
57	43	MICHAEL JACKSON	NUMBER ONES	
58	51	SIMPLY RED	STAY	
59	48	DR HOOK	HITS & HISTORY	
60	58	P DIDDY	PRESS PLAY	
61	67	VIEW	HATS OFF TO THE BUSKERS	
62	47	RAY QUINN	DOING IT MY WAY	
63		PATTI SMITH	TWELVE	
64	60	AVRIL LAVIGNE	UNDER MY SKIN	
65	63	GNARL'S BARKLEY	ST ELSEWHERE	
66	54	RUSSELL WATSON	THAT'S LIFE	
67	57	JOHNNY CASH	THE MAN IN BLACK - DEFINITIVE COLLECTION	
68		JAMES TAYLOR	YOU'VE GOT A FRIEND - THE BEST OF	
69	65	GOOD CHARLOTTE	GOOD MORNING REVIVAL	
70		MARK RONSON	HERE COMES THE FUZZ	
71	56	KOOKS	INSIDE IN/INSIDE OUT	
72		JAMIE T	PANIC PREVENTION	
73	61	GOSSIP	STANDING IN THE WAY OF CONTROL	
74	68	OASIS	STOP THE CLOCKS	
75	64	WESTLIFE	UNBREAKABLE - THE GREATEST HITS - VOL 1	

one of the most exciting battles of the year so far, two records spent the week duelling it out in the race for Number One. In the end the power of the superstars has won out over the Sheffield scamps as **Beyonce and Shakira** move up the chart to claim the weeks bestseller with 'Beautiful Jar'.

It means for the second time running we have a Number One single featuring two acts who have previously topped the charts separately. Shakira has oddly enough never had a truly "solo" Number One hit, last summers all-conquering 'Hips Don't Lie' of course being a duet with **Myer Jean**. For Beyonce it is a slightly different matter as she continues to have the exceptional honour of having topped the chart solo ('Crazy In Love'), as part of a duo ('Déjà vu' and 'Beautiful Liar') and as a member of a trio (**Destiny's Child** with both 'Independent Women' and 'Survivor'). The one artist who can famously top even this is **Paul McCartney** who thanks to various collaborations over his long career has topped the chart solo, as a duo (with Stevie Wonder), in a trio (Wings), in a quartet (some Liverpool group) and if you stretch your imagination a little as part of a quintet thanks to Billy Preston's co-credit with The Beatles on 'Get Back'.

So what of the Number 2 single. Well the question we pondered last week - do **Arctic Monkeys** fans wait for the CD single - is answered in some style. Clearly they do, as after two weeks locked at Number 11 on download sales, 'Branstom' surges up the chart thanks to its physical release only to miss out at the death. Whilst the possibility does exist that it will climb still further next week, for the moment the single stands as their second biggest chart hit, beating out the Number 4 peak of their last single 'Leave Before The Lights Come On' and behind their two career opening chart-toppers 'I Bet You Look Good On The Dancefloor' and 'When The Sun Goes Down' (to which 'Branstom' bears an startling musical resemblance). The Number 2 placing of the single was only arrived at by a happy fluke, indications being that it outsold 'Give It To Me' by the small matter of 12 copies over the course of the week.

Indeed, sales of the **Timbaland/Furtado/Timberlake** single held up well this week, selling just as many copies to reach Number 3 as it did topping the chart last week. Have some sympathy for Nelly Furtado too as she has now had both of her Number One singles to date dethroned by Shakira.

The bottom half of the Top 10 sees three new singles arrive at speed. Surging 18-6 on physical sales is **Ne-Yo's** 'Because Of You'. The single is now his third Top 10 hit but for the moment still his smallest, second hit 'Sexy Love' just edging it out with a Number 5 peak last summer. He's perhaps better regarded as a songwriter than as a performer in his own right, having co-written instant classics such as Rihanna's 'Unfaithful' and Beyonce's 'Irreplaceable'. At the very least 'Because Of You' is a worthy addition to that songbook.

Also scoring is **Natasha Bedingfield** who moves 15-7 with 'I Wanna Have Your Babies'. This is enough to give her a fifth Top 10 hit in six single releases. Only two of her hits have made the Top 5 (not least the 2004 Number One 'These Words') but I suspect 'Babies' still has upward momentum and should join them next week.

The weeks biggest winners though are surely **The Enemy**. Hailing from Coventry, they have benefitted of late from the patronage of the NME and a well received support slot with the Fratellis. Their third single 'Away From Here' now becomes their first ever chart hit, surging 52-8 after a physical release this week. The anthemic and incredibly appealing single arrives to herald the release of their debut album 'We'll Live And Die In These Towns' which is scheduled for a July release.

From a very new band to a group of people who are now 12 year chart veterans. The highest new entry on the singles chart goes to **Ash** who arrive at Number 16 with 'You Can't Have It All'. Since their first chart hit 'Kung Fu' back in 1995 the group have amassed a grand total of 17 Top 40

hits, although frustratingly or never made the Top 10. Their biggest hits came in 1996 when 'Gold...Jet' and 'Oh Yeah' made 5 and 6 respectively although for me their best work came at the turn of the decade with the 'Free All Angels' album including the singles 'Burn Baby Burn' and 'Candy'. This new single is taken from their forthcoming sixth album and is their first release in seven years with their original lineup, guitarist Charlotte Hathernley leaving the group she first joined in 1999. So it is the new single a worthwhile addition to their catalogue? Well actually yes, the trio's knack for a catchy chorus still very much intact and although the chart placing of this single suggests that their quest for another Top 10 single is likely to remain fruitless for now, it is great to hear them on the chart once again.

Two more future Top 10 hits continue to progress nicely into the Top 20. **Akon's** current US smash hit 'Don't Matter' moves 32-17, the single still a fortnight ahead of a physical release. The track sees him blur still further the line between hip hop and R&B, making it possibly the first "rap" single to be sung in tune throughout. Just below at Number 18 **Mika** advances into the Top 20 with his second hit 'Love Today', this single hitting the shops this week (23rd). Although more or less guaranteed a Top 10 slot next week despite sounding like a Scissor Sisters b-side, the single is struggling rather to escape from the shadow of 'Grace Kelly' which is still around, sliding 19-22 this week.

Also destined for greater things are rap act **Gym Class Heroes** who arrive inside the Top 40 at Number 24 with their future release 'Cupid's Chokehold'. The American rappers pride themselves on the organic nature of their work, eschewing samples and drum machines in favour of a real band. Based on **Supertump's** 'Breakfast In America' (a guest vocal from Fall Out Boy's Patrick Stump), their single is easily the most appealing rap single you will hear all year, both mellow and uplifting at the same time. Thus far it has started off slowly but with a physical release still some weeks away, the single has potential to climb much further, check it out if you have not done so already.

Finally at the bottom end of the Top 40 two more new entries are worthy of note. **Just Jack** arrives at Number 32 with 'Glory Days', the followup to the still charting 'Starz In Their Eyes' whilst one place above him is a rather disappointing debut for the new single from former Busted star **Matt Willis**. His fourth solo release, by rights 'Crash' should have smash hit written all over it. A nailed on cover of the none more late 80s indie classic by the **Primitives**, the track features heavily on the soundtrack of the new Mr Bean film which has been topping the box office charts all Easter. Finally released physically, the single struggles to an apologetic Number 32. Poor old Bear Matt, he just can't catch a break.