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# **Burning Red: Swift Tour Opens**

True to its name in a couple of ways, The Red Tour opened

in Omaha last week (3/13-14) and continues in St. Louis tonight and tomorrow (3/18-19). And while most national media were credentialed for Missouri, Country Aircheck traveled to Nebraska for a first-look at the 66-date North American leg. That view, not surprisingly, was elaborate, more mature and very, very red. Like, very.



As its predecessor, the show is

almost too much to absorb in one sitting. Also like the Speak Now Tour, this outing leans heavily on its namesake album, with 12 of the set's 17 songs hailing from Taylor Swift's most recent 16-track release (Speak Now clocked in at 11 of 17).

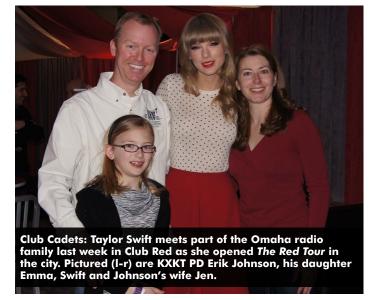
"It's quite possible you're going to see a lot of one color tonight," Swift said while introducing the night's third song and tour/album title track. "It's mostly because of the [University of Nebraska] Huskers," she joked. Cue audience mania. Throughout, the word "Red" is projected onto arena walls and the crowd is bathed in the color between acts and during the show. Sets, costumes, props and instruments are liberally swathed in the color.

A semi-circular thrust stage connects to the main stage via three walkways and creates standing-room pit areas between the stages on either side of the center thrust. A curved, five-screen wall rises into the rigging and descends to the front of the stage at various points in the show.

Speak Now attendees will find many of the production elements familiar, if reimagined. Aerialists in this show play lightemitting drums. A grand staircase (red and white) descends from the center of the rear riser rather than the side; smaller versions sit on the flanks. Pyro flies in the opening song and on "Sparks Fly." The show closes in a blizzard of confetti.

The thematic differences are more subtle and, in a sense, the show is as well – nuanced, perhaps, in ways that show Swift's maturation.

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## Pirate Viewing: Chesney Tour

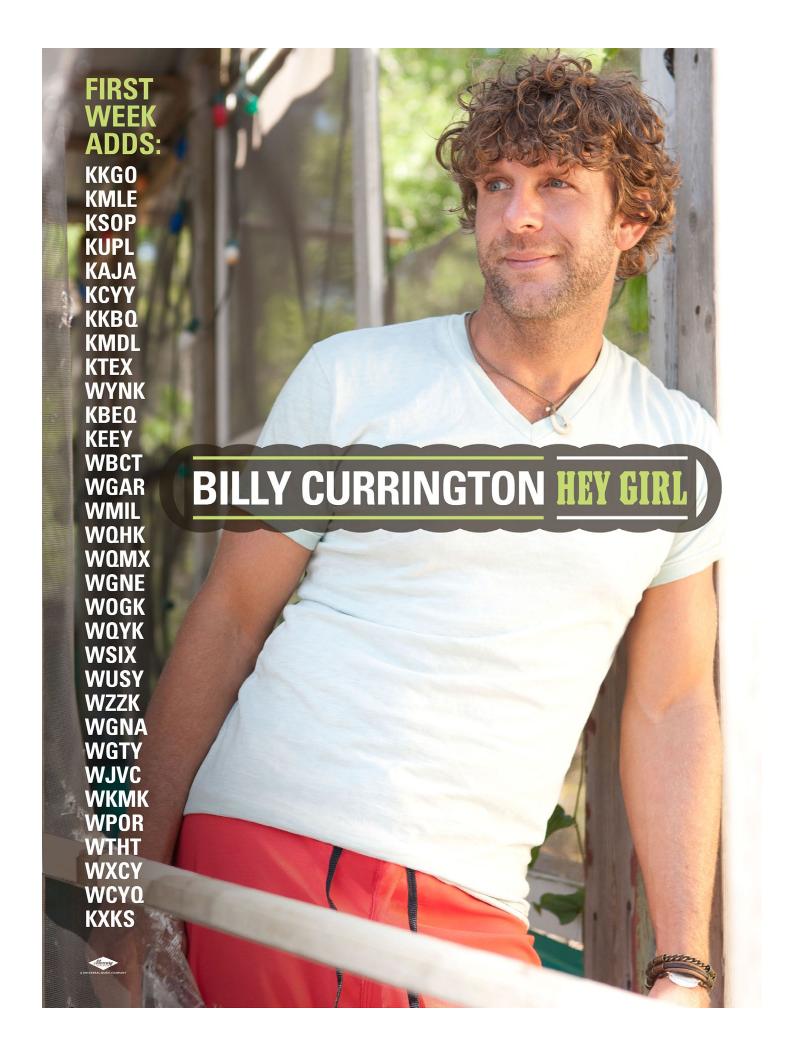
For the third consecutive tour, **Kenny Chesney** chose Tampa as the launching pad, a fact which WQYK morning co-host and **Country** Aircheck stringer Veronica Alfaro attributes to great weather and a stadium decked out in pirate flags and sporting a life-sized pirate ship. Here's her full report on Saturday's No Shoes Nation Tour stop:

My day started a little after noon and, according to Kenny Chesney die-hards, I was already running behind. Raymond James Stadium is surrounded by parking lots and every available space seems filled with tailgaters. Mike Sims of Lakeland arrived just after 10am and snagged one of the best spots in town. He and his friends were cooking burgers, hot dogs and wings, and drinking Natural Light – "the choice of all Southern people" – and a mason jar filled with "Pasco County's finest." You get the picture.

Outside the venue, the Corona Light Party Zone was kicking all

day with a DJ and live music, a mechanical bull, vendors, food and,







of course, Corona beer. Just before the gates were set to open, I ventured to the other side of the stadium to check out the line of fans waiting to rush in to the Sand Bar pit area. Nicole Hill had traveled all the way from Minneapolis and stood in line for nearly four hours to be in front of the stage. "Once you get there, you'll never go back," she said.

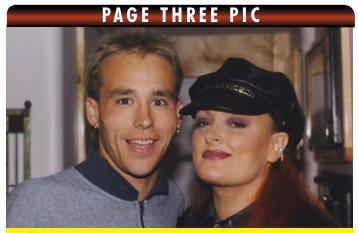


"We're die-hards." Gates opened at 4pm and **Kacey Musgraves** went on promptly at 5. I was pleasantly surprised to see how many people decided to cut tailgating short to watch Kacey. Her performance gives off a cool folksy-country vibe – mellow, but I feel like she could kick your ass in a fight if she had to. A video featuring Jay Leno, Jimmy Kimmel, David Letterman and Jimmy Fallon brought the Eli Young Band onstage for their 40-minute set, which included a cover of Lynyrd Skynyrd's "Gimme Three Steps" and closed with "Crazy Girl."

When I first heard Eric Church was touring with Kenny, I honestly wondered if the pairing would work. Eric is a rocked-up bar party, and Kenny is more laid-back island fun. Turns out, it was perfect. One of my favorite moments was when Eric held a beer up high, threw his head back, and poured said beer into his mouth. Afternoon turned into night and his hard core party was an awesome transition into what was about to come.

The die-hards are right about the Sand Bar ... it is the only way to watch Kenny. The stage has four huge, crystal-clear screens – two on each side, one behind the stage and a panoramic screen on top. There were pirate flags in at least six different sizes around the stage. And the lights! There are a ton of lights. The video intro included a personal message he recorded from the stadium's nosebleed seats while wearing a Tampa Bay Buccaneers helmet. The music started and the stage lights were turned all the way up to "blinding." And suddenly, Kenny was on the stage in front of us. He just walked out – a far cry from flying in from the back of the stadium like last year.

Kenny used every inch of the stage and the T-shaped thrust to get close to his fans, running back and forth all night. Wearing a throwback Tampa Bay Bucs muscle shirt, he performed for more than two hours with no covers. Just straight-up hits and his hand-selected favorites. Kenny didn't bring out guests like he's done in the past, with the exception of Musgraves, who joined him for "Come Over."



Hello, Newman!: Wynonna cozies up to Dennis "Newman" Hughes, then-PD at WAYZ/Hagerstown, MD in this photo, circa ... ?? Send your mystery photos to: pagethreepic@countryaircheck.com.

There were plenty of moments that made the show unforgettable. We all laughed when Kenny held up a lacy black bra that was thrown onto the stage, and smiled when he pulled a little girl up, plopped a Bucs helmet on her head and sang "The Boys of Fall." And we all wished it was us when he autographed his guitar and handed it to a woman, along with a giant hug. Overall, Kenny's performance made us feel genuinely loved here in Tampa.

#### Chart Chat

Congrats to Carrie Underwood, Lesly Tyson, John Sigler and the entire Arista promotion team on scoring this week's No. 1 with Underwood's "Two Black Cadillacs." The song is the third chart-topper from Blown Away, joining "Good Girl" and the title track.



#### **News & Notes**

The Grand Ole Opry and the National Women's Cancer Survivors Convention, held at Gaylord Opryland, will celebrate women cancer survivors by providing attendees with admission to the Opry's August 24 performance. Details here.





**Downtown Music Publishing** has signed Cold River's **Katie Armiger** to an administration deal.

Vocal Coach **Renee Grant-Williams** has added "This New Business Of Singing" as a panel to her April 13 *Master Class*. Producer **Paul Worley**, songwriter **Frank Myers**, Lonestar's **Dean Sams** and *Music Row* publisher **Sherod Robertson** will participate. Register <a href="here">here</a>.

#### **Artist News**

Emblem/W.A.R.'s **Gloriana** will perform at a wedding designed by *Brides'* magazine. Facebook "likes" decide what first-dance song the trio will perform and the mag is donating \$10,000 to the band's charity of choice. The wedding will be streamed live April 7. More <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.

Mercury's **Easton Corbin** will auction his 2012 Ram 1500 Laramie Longhorn as a part of Ram Truck's Road to the Ram Jam benefitting the **Freedom Alliance Scholarship Fund**. Bidding starts March 18 <u>here</u>. The recent auction of **Zac Brown**'s truck brought \$39,300 for **Camp Southern Ground**.

**Jewel** teamed up with **New Jersey Hometown Heroes** to help those affected by Superstorm Sandy. All proceeds from a silent auction Jewel held during recent New Jersey dates on her *Greatest Hits Tour* went to the cause.

Show Dog-Universal's **Josh Thompson** and **NRA Country** are offering fans a chance to hang out with Thompson on his tour bus at each show. Details here.



Gang N' 'Em Style: Blake Shelton gathers a radio group during a San Antonio showcase over the weekend for his upcoming album Based On A True Story... Pictured (I-r) are WKSJ/Mobile's Bill Black, WNOE/New Orleans' Don Gosselin, WMN's Chad Schultz, Kevin Herring, Kristen Williams and Chris Stacey, Shelton, WMN's John Esposito, WQNU/Louisville's Kris Daniels and KAJA/San Antonion's Travis Moon.

## MY TUNES: MUSIC THAT SHAPED MY LIFE



Clear Channel/Southern Colorado
Contemporary Programming Manager **Adam Burnes** discusses his most influential artists, songs, albums and concerts:

1. **KISS in 1979:** My Mom remarried and was moving us from Virginia to California. These tickets were bought out of guilt – one last fun thing to do before we moved. Well, it changed my life and set me on a rock and roll course that I never looked back from. Not a bad first concert!

2. **AC/DC/Back In Black:** My first real best friend and I spent all summer listening to this album. That summer I realized music was in my blood and a major part of my life.

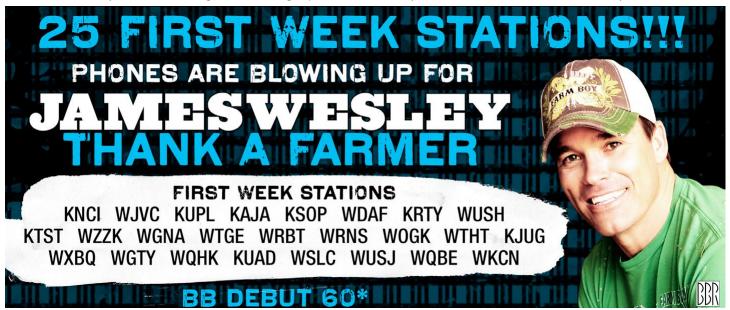
3. Madonna: She single-handedly is the reason I got into radio. I fell in love with her during the summer of '83 when she was all over MTV. She instantly became my favorite artist and still is to this day. I used to listen to Rick Dees to find out where her songs were on the chart each week and listened to KSFM/Sacramento to hear her. When I finally got into Top 40 radio I not only knew the all the music in the format, but I knew where each song peaked on the charts! 4. **The Dixie Chicks:** Long before I became a Country PD this was one of the few country acts I felt was for me. I could sing you just about every word from every album. Sadly, I got into the format past their prime. This band was my gateway drug into country music. 5. Red Rocks: Being a child of the '80s, U2's Under A Blood Red Sky was the concert film. For almost 20 years I wanted to see a band at Red Rocks. That dream finally came true last summer. If you can believe it, the place actually exceeded my expectations. I have now seen everyone from Eric Church to LMFAO to Neil Young at Red Rocks and truly every show has been amazing!

• A highly regarded work you've never heard: Sounds of Silence by Simon & Garfunkel. I just watched a documentary about them and the album. I had no idea, but look forward to getting into it.

• An album you listened to incessantly: Night Visions and the Continued Silence EP by Imagine Dragons.

• An album in your music collection you'd rather not admit to loving: I truly have no shame when it comes to music. I listen to the Spice Girls while on the elliptical at the gym and sing along with the Grease soundtrack on road trips. I can say though ... the Barbara Streisand albums aren't mine. They belong to the wife.

• One obscure song everyone should listen to right now: Just heard "Dem Neva Mek It" by Damian Marley. Dude is one of a kind. And this song will get ya movin'!







Fame: **Tim McGraw**, a new comic book featuring the Big Machine artist, will be made available March 20. Preview the release from Bluewater Productions here.

# The Week's Top Stories

Full coverage at countryaircheck.com.

- Clear Channel/Tucson OM Chris Kelly resigned after 10 months with the cluster, which includes Country KNST, and 13 years with the company. (CAT 3/12)
- CBS Radio VP/Country Artist Relations, CBS/Radio/Phoenix OM and KMLE/Phoenix PD Jeff Garrison was named OM for Cox/San Antonio and PD of Country KCYY. (Breaking News 3/13)
- **HeartRadio**'s "Add-in" feature will now enable listeners to access local news, weather and traffic updates on their custom stations while listening online. (CAT 3/12)
- Oasis Radio's **WBTU/Ft. Wayne** re-launched as "New Country U.S. 93.3." and made several staff changes. (CAT 3/14)
- The **Tennessee Radio Hall of Fame** named 16 inductees to its 2013 class. (CAT 3/14)

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Few in the crowd likely noticed that Tom Petty's "American Girl," which was piped through the PA just prior to curtain on the Speak Now Tour, has been replaced by Lenny Kravitz's version of "American Woman."

Story-heavy, Broadway-esque production numbers are fewer, and more complicated. The sparkly, romantic "Love Story" has distorted a bit, with dancers now wearing patched outfits as the fairy tale fades into a more adult perspective. The last tour's Halloween-ready "Haunted" is now a darker and more gothic "I Knew You Were Trouble" with earsplitting dubstep beats and a smoke-blanketed stage. The long breaks

# OFF THE RECORD: DYLAN SCOTT



Dylan Scott

Sidewalk's **Dylan Scott** puts an industry spin on the artist interview:

I grew up listening to KJLO/Monroe, LA. Such a great station. During the day, they were just regular guys who loved their jobs and made it fun. And at night *The Lia Show* was on and we all know how great she is.

First time I heard myself on the radio was after a station visit. We stopped at a little café outside of Portland

that served the world's largest pancakes.

I'll never forget the time: Bradford Hollingsworth from CRS got my Mom, Dad and their friends into a luncheon to see Craig Morgan and Kellie Pickler. It was such an awesome feeling to give back to the people who helped me along the way.

I can't walk out of a truck stop without grabbing a pack of gum or some kind of fruity candy like Laffy Taffy, Peach Rings or Mambas. Love it!

The last purchase made from Skymall was, well, I never actually bought them, but I saw a couple of sweet Snuggies in there the other day.

There's no place like home, but if I had to be stuck somewhere it would be anywhere with a beach. I don't like being "stuck," but wouldn't mind being on the sand near the ocean.

**If I saw** Tim McGraw in an airport, I'd have to go introduce myself. He was raised 30 minutes from where I was raised, so it'd be cool to sit down and talk about some of the same things. Not to mention I'm a huge fan of his music.



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for crowd scream-fests have been reduced to one 20-second interlude after the opener. The patter is tighter.

The obvious financial investment Swift makes in her show is impressive. From stages swarmed with performers to elaborate sets, she cuts no corners. As production consultant **Baz Halpin** said after the show, Swift's desire to be "as close to the fans as possible" led to a menu of options early in the planning stages. She took them all.

Carried on her dancers' shoulders through the arena, she sings several songs at the back of the house, including a duet with tour guest **Ed Sheeran** ("Everything Has Changed"). A rotating platform rises as high as 15 feet in the air during the segment before she boards a small basket that rises on wires and tracks back to the main stage. Later, a narrow arm of the center thrust between the pits rises several feet during "Treacherous," as Swift engages in a fairly treacherous looking tight-rope act. During the closing "We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together," that thrust turns out to be an arm with a basket on the end that swings out over the center of the crowd like a cherry picker. She ends up almost dead-center in the middle of the arena space.

Backstage, the "T Party" lounge of previous tours is now Club Red – Diet Coke on tap. Display cases housing outfits from prior tours or video shoots are located on concourses throughout the arena. Swift partners Keds, Elizabeth Arden and American



Let Your Pirate Flag Fly: Blue Chair/Columbia's Kenny Chesney and a few radio friends celebrate the Tampa kickoff of his No Shoes Nation Tour on Saturday (3/16). Pictured (back, l-r) are WQYK/Tampa's Mike Culotta, WWKA/Orlando's JR Schumann, WQYK's Jay Roberts, WPCV/Lakeland's Mike James, WFUS/Tampa's Travis Daily, Daily's wife Christine and Columbia's RJ Meacham; (front, l-r) are WQYK's Hank Dale, WGNE/Jacksonville's Michele Chase, WWGR/Ft. Myers' Val St. John, WPCV's Jeni Taylor, Chesney, Travis Daily's son Zen, WFUS's Rebecca Kaplan, Culotta's girlfriend Kim Goddard and Columbia's Jeri Cooper.

### CHECK OUT



**Kacey Musgraves** Same Trailer Different Park (Mercury)

A working songwriter (Miranda Lambert's "Mama's Broken Heart") Musgraves did the reality show competition thing in 2007 on USA Networks Nashville Star. She released "Merry Go Round" in 2012 and now the ACM nominee for Female Vocalist of the Year

offers her major label debut. Musgraves co-produced the album with songwriters **Shane McAnally** ("Come Over," "Better Dig Two") and **Luke Laird** ("Hillbilly Bone," "Pontoon").

Album release info to <a href="mailto:news@countryaircheck.com">news@countryaircheck.com</a>.

Greetings are also present on-site. (Aside: A backstage road-case is inexplicably labeled "goat box." If a goat made an appearance during the show, I missed it.)

And everywhere, red. Swift's entrance finds her silhouetted behind a curtain – red, of course – before it rises dramatically and she descends the stairs to the main stage during the first song (album and tour) "State Of Grace." The first of many outfits features black shorts, a white top, black fedora and red flats. She sings "Red" while playing a red guitar. Dancers wave red banners. She sings "All Too Well" while playing a red grand piano. A horn-inflected Motown send-up of "You Belong With Me" has Swift and her backing singers in classic dresses and long gloves, all red.

Those who watched her Grammy-opening performance this year will find those images echoed in the closing number, "Never Ever." As the song draws down and thank-yous pour forth from Swift and her screens, the performing multitudes take their bows and Taylor sinks out of sight. The lights rise quickly in the house, refreshingly ignoring the custom of trolling for an encore that in most shows is already part of the set list.

Opener **Brett Eldredge** started 10 minutes before the listed 7pm, backed by an acoustic guitar player, keys and an abbreviated drum kit. His muscular vocals on "One Mississippi" drew a rousing response from the crowd. Sheeran arrived with only an acoustic guitar and couple of mics, then proceeded to build song-anchoring loops as he went. Rapid-fire vocals and frantic guitar playing marked the extended "You Need Me, I Don't Need You," and the audience sing-along on single and closer "The A Team" was more than enthusiastic.

—Chuck Aly CAC





# NEW COUNTRY AIRCHECK/MEDIABASE REPORTER WEIGHTS

These are the new weights for Country Aircheck/Mediabase Reporters and Activator Reporters, based on audience estimates from the Fall 2012 Arbitron ratings. Weights for stations in PPM markets use a three-month average of Oct.-Nov.-Dec. AQH Persons. The weights are calculated using this formula: Market rank is multiplied by 10 and then added to the station's AQH Persons. A station's weight is determined by dividing the adjusted AQH by a number that is 10% of the leading Country station's AQH (in this case KKGO/Los Angeles' 29,820 total AQHP and, for Activators, WFRE/Frederick, MD's 10,420.) This calculation assigns a weight for each panelist on a 1-10 scale. These new weights are effective with this week's Mediabase Country chart as printed in **Country Aircheck**.

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Station/Market	Weights	WIL/St. Louis	4.4	KSKS/Fresno	3.1	WBUL/Lexington, KY	2.4	KUAD/Ft. Collins, CO	1.7
KKGO/Los Angeles	10	WDSY/Pittsburgh	4.3	KUPL/Portland, OR	3	WDRM/Huntsville	2.4	WXCY/Wilmington, DE	1.6
WUSN/Chicago	9.3	WBEE/Rochester	4.3	WTQR/Greensboro	3	WQHK/Ft. Wayne, IN	2.4	WPOR/Portland, ME	1.6
WKLB/Boston	8.8	WUBL/Atlanta	4.1	WBCT/Grand Rapids	3	WITL/Lansing	2.4	KRYS/Corpus Christi, TX	1.6
WXTU/Philadelphia	8.5	KMLE/Phoenix	4.1	KNCI/Sacramento	2.9	KJKE/Oklahoma City	2.3	WKML/Fayetteville, NC	1.6
DG Mainstream	8.0	WGAR/Cleveland	4.1	KRTY/San Jose	2.9	WQNU/Louisville	2.3	KATC/Colorado Springs	1.5
WYCD/Detroit	7.5	WCTK/Providence	4.1	WLHK/Indianapolis	2.9	KHEY/El Paso	2.3	KDRK/Spokane	1.5
DG Hot Country	7.0	KNIX/Phoenix	4	WSSL/Greenville, SC	2.9	WCOS/Columbia, SC	2.3	WUSJ/Jackson, MS	1.5
KKBQ/Houston	6.8	WKKT/Charlotte	4	WDXB/Birmingham	2.9	WKXC/Augusta, GA	2.3	KWNR/Las Vegas	1.4
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WYRK/Buffalo	5.8	WNOE/New Orleans	4	WRNS/Greenville, NC	2.9	KBEQ/Kansas City	2.2	WCTQ/Sarasota	1.4
KEEY/Minneapolis	5.6	KMNB/Minneapolis	3.9	KWJJ/Portland, OR	2.8	WYNK/Baton Rouge	2.2	WRNX/Springfield, MA	1.4
WMIL/Milwaukee	5.6	KFRG/Riverside	3.8	WGGY/Wilkes-Barre	2.8		2.2	KXLY/Spokane	1.4
WHKO/Dayton	5.3	WCOL/Columbus, OH	3.7	WGTY/York, PA	2.8	WOGI/Pittsburgh	2.1	KHKI/Des Moines	1.3
KILT/Houston	5.2	WPAW/Greensboro	3.7		2.7	KUBL/Salt Lake City	2.1	KJUG/Visalia-Tulare	1.3
KAJA/San Antonio	5.2	WQMX/Akron	3.7	WOGK/Gainesville	2.7	WYCT/Pensacola, FL	2.1	WTGE/Baton Rouge	1.2
WPOC/Baltimore	5	WKMK/Monmouth-Ocean	3.6	WUSY/Chattanooga	2.7	KWOF/Denver	2	WWQM/Madison, WI	1.2
WPCV/Lakeland	5	WAMZ/Louisville	3.6	KTTS/Springfield, MO	2.7	KCYE/Las Vegas	2	KPLM/Palm Springs, CA	1.2
WFUS/Tampa	4.9	WXBQ/Johnson City	3.6	KWEN/Tulsa	2.6	WSIX/Nashville	2	WCKT/Ft. Myers	1.1
KSD/St. Louis	4.8	KKWF/Seattle	3.5	WKSJ/Mobile	2.6	KVOO/Tulsa	2	KHGE/Fresno	1.1
WWYZ/Hartford	4.8	KASE/Austin	3.5	WGNA/Albany, NY	2.5	KRST/Albuquerque	2	KIZN/Boise, ID	1.1
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KSON/San Diego	4.6	KYGO/Denver	3.4			WUSH/Norfolk	1.9	WJVC/Nassau-Suffolk	1
WUBE/Cincinnati	4.6	WKIS/Miami	3.3	WDAF/Kansas City		WWGR/Ft. Myers	1.9	KEGA/Salt Lake City	1
WWKA/Orlando	4.6	KCYY/San Antonio	3.3	WQIK/Jacksonville	2.4	WEZL/Charleston, SC	1.8	WMAD/Madison, WI	1
KTEX/McAllen	4.6	WQDR/Raleigh	3.3	WGKX/Memphis	2.4	KSOP/Salt Lake City	1.7	KFGY/Santa Rosa, CA	1
KATM/Stockton, CA	4.6	WBBS/Syracuse	3.2		2.4		1.7		
WFMS/Indianapolis	4.5	WNCY/Appleton, WI	3.2	WTHT/Portland, ME	2.4	WIRK/West Palm	1.7		
WQYK/Tampa	4.4	WZZK/Birmingham	3.1	KFDI/Wichita	2.4	KCCY/Colorado Springs	1.7		
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WFRE/Frederick, MD	10	WQBE/Charleston, WV	6.2	WPUR/Atlantic City, NJ	4.8	KBUL/Reno, NV	4.2	KYKR/Beaumont, TX	3.7
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WFLS/Fredericksburg, \	/A 8.2	WOVK/Wheeling, WV	5.2	KIXQ/Joplin, MO	4.5	WJCL/Savannah, GA	4	WKCN/Columbus, GA	3.3
WOKO/Burlington, VT	7.5	WEGX/Florence, SC	5.1	KNUE/Tyler, TX	4.4	KVOX/Fargo, ND	3.9	KKJG/San Luis Obispo, CA	3.2
WTHI/Terre Haute, IN	7.1	WCTY/New London, CT	5	KGNC/Amarillo, TX	4.4	WIXY/Champaign, IL	3.9	KHKX/Odessa - Midland, TX	
WFRG/Utica - Rome, N	Y 6.9	WIBW/Topeka, KS	5	KZKX/Lincoln, NE	4.3	KSUX/Sioux City, IA	3.9	KXKS/Shreveport, LA	2.8
WAYZ/Hagerstown, MD	6.9	WWFG/Salisbury, MD	4.9	WBYT/South Bend, IN	4.3	WBAM/Montgomery, AL	3.8	KAFF/Flagstaff-Prescott, AZ	2.8





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3	2	BLAKE SHELTON/Sure Be Cool If You Did (Warner Bros./WMN)	21213	928	6761	279	51.145	2.48	141	0
5	3	➢ HUNTER HAYES/Somebody's Heartbreak (Atlantic/WMN)	19965	1214	6214	352	48.214	2.912	141	0
6	4	□ LEE BRICE/I Drive Your Truck (Curb)	18859	1786	6081	594	45.718	3.711	141	0
2	5	TIM MCGRAW/One Of Those Nights (Big Machine)	17468	-3681	5475	-1154	42.975	-7.383	141	0
7	6	□ LADY ANTEBELLUM/Downtown (Capitol)      ✓	16912	2451	5384	784	39.905	5.002	141	0
1	7	LITTLE BIG TOWN/Tornado (Capitol)	16640	-4708	5301	-1475	39.692	-9.755	141	0
8	8	CHRIS YOUNG/I Can Take It From There (RCA)	15716	1297	5020	424	38.167	4.413	141	0
9	9	THOMPSON SQUARE/If I Didn't Have You (Stoney Creek)	14997	1141	4682	313	36.055	2.599	141	0
11	10	KENNY CHESNEY/Pirate Flag (Blue Chair/Columbia)	13667	459	4299	137	33.22	1.641	141	0
12	11	MIRANDA LAMBERT/Mama's Broken Heart (RCA)	13513	1215	4366	387	32.165	2.762	141	0
13	12	FLORIDA GEORGIA LINE/Get Your Shine On (Republic Nashville)	12699	1264	3827	352	30.29	3.079	140	2
10	13	KACEY MUSGRAVES/Merry Go 'Round (Mercury)	12457	-778	3852	-324	31.384	-0.751	141	0
14	14	GEORGE STRAIT/Give It All We Got Tonight (MCA)	11274	95	3681	55	27.297	1.017	140	0
16	15	ERIC CHURCH/Like Jesus Does (EMI Nashville)	10112	925	3201	279	23.705	1.667	139	0
17	16	BRANTLEY GILBERT/More Than Miles (Valory)	9870	1006	3197	336	22.764	2.412	139	0
21	17	DARIUS RUCKER/Wagon Wheel (Capitol)	9162	1243	2935	370	21.872	2.723	138	1
19	18	DUSTIN LYNCH/She Cranks My Tractor (Broken Bow)	8822	107	2918	2	20.261	0.89	137	1
18	19	TOBY KEITH/Hope On The Rocks (Show Dog-Universal)	7619	-1120	2414	-349	17.368	-1.999	138	0
22	20	RASCAL FLATTS/Changed (Big Machine)	7137	207	2376	63	15.808	1.101	137	1
23	21	THE HENNINGSENS/American Beautiful (Arista)	7118	286	2271	87	16.675	0.629	136	0
24	22	GLORIANA/Can't Shake You (Emblem/W.A.R.)	6387	18	2119	1	14.084	0.396	135	3
29	23	S JASON ALDEAN/1994 (Broken Bow)   ✓	6250	1944	1968	648	13.564	4.097	119	21
26	24	SIAKE OWEN/Anywhere With You (RCA)	6187	1218	1943	395	14.099	2.45	127	15
31	25		6094	2437	1972	816	14.312	6.506	132	12

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# JUSTIN MOORE POINTAT YOU



# #1 MOST ADDED THANK YOU COUNTRY RADIO!



		MEDIADADI								
LW	TW	Artist/Title (Label)	Total Point	ts +/- Points	Total Plays	+/- Play	s Audience	+/- Aud	Stations	ADDS
25	26	KIP MOORE/Hey Pretty Girl (MCA)	6015	618	1897	195	14.736	2.685	121	4
<i>A</i> ÎRB	OR	NE TIM MCGRAW w/TAYLOR SWIFT/Highway Don't Care (Big Machine)	<b>/</b> 5341	1870	1698	574	13.652	4.744	119	43
28	28	KELLY CLARKSON f/VINCE GILL/Don't Rush (19/RCA/Columbia	) <b>5236</b>	359	1640	82	11.471	1.078	122	1
27	29	JANA KRAMER/Whiskey (Elektra Nashville/W.A.R.)	4927	-93	1513	-16	11.376	-0.389	106	3
37	30	THE BAND PERRY/Done (Republic Nashville) 🗸	4765	2151	1421	700	10.562	4.764	115	30
38	31	<b>ZAC BROWN BAND</b> /Jump Right In (Atlantic/Southern Ground)	4121	1491	1284	393	10.037	4.814	115	22
32	32	<b>EASTON CORBIN/</b> All Over The Road (Mercury)	4106	537	1367	200	8.987	0.866	104	6
30	33	Sea Gayle/Arista)	4084	185	1338	86	7.458	0.091	105	1
34	34	CRAIG MORGAN/More Trucks Than Cars (Black River)	3418	90	1208	17	7.923	0.912	101	1
35	35	BRETT ELDREDGE/Don't Ya (Atlantic/WMN)	3223	49	1117	42	5.776	0.212	97	3
36	36	LOVE AND THEFT/Runnin' Out Of Air (RCA)	2897	-208	947	-64	4.422	-0.536	102	0
40	37	CHARLIE WORSHAM/Could It Be (Warner Bros./W.A.R.)	2587	90	815	20	4.43	0.249	90	1
41	38	CRAIG CAMPBELL/Outta My Head (Bigger Picture)	2439	64	933	36	3.939	0.32	87	2
<i>A</i> ÎRB	OR	NE GARY ALLAN/Pieces (MCA)	2255	165	771	63	4.324	0.206	89	11
39	40	MONTGOMERY GENTRY/I'll Keep The Kids (Average Joes/New Revolution	1761	-749	565	-267	4.71	-0.662	80	0
De <mark>but</mark>	41	SHERYL CROW/Easy (Warner Bros./WMN)	1662	656	421	194	3.403	1.165	59	21
45	42	AARON LEWIS/Forever (Blaster)	1657	80	589	12	2.877	0.24	59	1
47	43	RANDY HOUSER/Runnin' Outta Moonlight (Stoney Creek)	1536	330	497	122	2.758	0.611	60	9
44	44	JOEL CROUSE/If You Want Some (Show Dog-Universal)	1469	-48	489	-10	1.76	-0.118	70	5
48	45	MUMFORD & SONS/I Will Wait (Glassnote)	1359	203	322	28	3.172	0.651	20	2
Debut	46	TYLER FARR/Redneck Crazy (Columbia)	1328	286	374	57	2.029	0.454	58	4
De <mark>but</mark>	47	RACHEL FARLEY/Ain't Easy (Red Bow)	1200	157	355	33	1.768	0.466	65	4
50	48	GREG BATES/Fill In The Blank (Republic Nashville)	1193	93	420	22	1.595	0.219	63	7
46	49	BLACKBERRY SMOKE/Pretty Little Lie (Southern Ground)	1176	-128	417	-40	1.741	-0.093	50	0
49	50	PARMALEE/Carolina (Stoney Creek)	1107	-4	433	1	1.472	-0.03	57	1

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# THERON BRANCH

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Country Aircheck Add Leaders	Adds	;	Activator Top Point Gainers	
JUSTIN MOORE/Point At You (Valory)	48		BRAD PAISLEY/Beat This Summer (Arista)	1294 🇸
TIM MCGRAW w/TAYLOR SWIFT/Highway Don't Care (Big Machine)	43		LADY ANTEBELLUM/Downtown (Capitol)	1101 🗸
THE BAND PERRY/Done (Republic Nashville)	30		TIM MCGRAW w/TAYLOR SWIFT/Highway Don't Care (Big Machine)	1094 🗸
BILLY CURRINGTON/Hey Girl (Mercury)	27		CHRIS YOUNG/I Can Take It From There (RCA)	1055 🗸
ZAC BROWN BAND/Jump Right In (Atlantic/Southern Ground)	22		THE BAND PERRY/Done (Republic Nashville)	888
JASON ALDEAN/1994 (Broken Bow)	21		, ,	
SHERYL CROW/Easy (Warner Bros./WMN)	21		JASON ALDEAN/1994 (Broken Bow)	856
PHIL VASSAR/Love Is Alive (Rodeowave)	20		LEE BRICE/I Drive Your Truck (Curb)	796
JAKE OWEN/Anywhere With You (RCA)	15		DARIUS RUCKER/Wagon Wheel (Capitol)	766
BRAD PAISLEY/Beat This Summer (Arista)	12		<b>HUNTER HAYES</b> /Somebody's Heartbreak (Atlantic/WMN)	694
TYLER FARR/Redneck Crazy (Columbia)	12		JAKE OWEN/Anywhere With You (RCA)	693
Country Aircheck Top Point Gainers			Activator Top Spin Gainers	
LADY ANTEBELLUM/Downtown (Capitol)	2451	/	BRAD PAISLEY/Beat This Summer (Arista)	318
BRAD PAISLEY/Beat This Summer (Arista)	2437	/	LADY ANTEBELLUM/Downtown (Capitol)	266
THE BAND PERRY/Done (Republic Nashville)	2151	/	TIM MCGRAW w/TAYLOR SWIFT/Highway Don't Care (Big Machi	
JASON ALDEAN/1994 (Broken Bow)	1944	/	CHRIS YOUNG/I Can Take It From There (RCA)	241
TIM MCGRAW w/TAYLOR SWIFT/Highway Don't Care (Big Machine)	1870	/	THE BAND PERRY/Done (Republic Nashville)	222
LEE BRICE/I Drive Your Truck (Curb)	1786		JASON ALDEAN/1994 (Broken Bow)	204
CARRIE UNDERWOOD/Two Black Cadillacs (19/Arista)	1766		LEE BRICE/I Drive Your Truck (Curb)	186
ZAC BROWN BAND/Jump Right In (Atlantic/Southern Ground)	1491		HUNTER HAYES/Somebody's Heartbreak (Atlantic/WMN)	169
CHRIS YOUNG/I Can Take It From There (RCA)	1297		JAKE OWEN/Anywhere With You (RCA)	166
FLORIDA GEORGIA LINE/Get Your Shine On (Republic Nashville)	1264		DARIUS RUCKER/Wagon Wheel (Capitol)	164
Country Aircheck Top Spin Gainers			Country Aircheck Top Recurrents	Points
BRAD PAISLEY/Beat This Summer (Arista)	816	,	THE BAND PERRY/Better Dig Two (Republic Nashville)	11731
LADY ANTEBELLUM/Downtown (Capitol)	784	ļ	GARY ALLAN/Every Storm (Runs Out Of Rain) (MCA)	9695
THE BAND PERRY/Done (Republic Nashville)	700	)	FLORIDA GEORGIA LINE/Cruise (Republic Nashville)	9170
JASON ALDEAN/1994 (Broken Bow)	648	3	RANDY HOUSER/How Country Feels (Stoney Creek)	8600
LEE BRICE/I Drive Your Truck (Curb)	594		JASON ALDEAN/The Only Way I Know (Broken Bow)	8353
TIM MCGRAW w/TAYLOR SWIFT/Highway Don't Care (Big Machine)	574		LUKE BRYAN/Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye (Capitol)	7106
CARRIE UNDERWOOD/Two Black Cadillacs (19/Arista)	540	)	DIERKS BENTLEY/Tip It On Back (Capitol)	6559
CHRIS YOUNG/I Can Take It From There (RCA)	424		KIP MOORE/Beer Money (MCA)	6244
JAKE OWEN/Anywhere With You (RCA)	395	,	JAKE OWEN/The One That Got Away (RCA)	5559
ZAC BROWN BAND/Jump Right In (Atlantic/Southern Ground)	393	3	<b>ZAC BROWN BAND/</b> Goodbye In Her Eyes (Atlantic/Southern Ground)	5559

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# **Country Aircheck Activity**

#### MUMFORD & SONS/I Will Wait (Glassnote)

Moves 48-45\* 1,359 points, 322 spins 2 adds: **WIL, WMIL** 

#### TYLER FARR/Redneck Crazy (Columbia)

Debuts at 46\* 1,328 points, 374 spins

4 adds: KAWO, KDRK, WYCD\*, WZZK\*

#### RACHEL FARLEY/Ain't Easy (Red Bow)

Debuts at 47\*
1,200 points, 355 spins
4 adds: WCKT WCTO W

4 adds: WCKT, WCTQ, WOGI, WQDR

#### GREG BATES/Fill In The Blank (Republic Nashville)

Moves 50\*-48\* 1,193 points, 420 spins

7 adds: KAWO, KEGA, KTTS, WCOL, WGKX\*, WKKT, WSLC

#### **BLACKBERRY SMOKE/Pretty Little Lie (Southern Ground)**

Moves 46\*-49 1,176 points, 417 spins; No adds

#### PARMALEE/Carolina (Stoney Creek)

Moves 49\*-50\* 1,107 points, 433 spins 1 add: **WGNE** 

#### MAGGIE ROSE/Better (RPME)

1,039 points, 338 spins

8 adds: KDRK, KNIX, KRTY, KWOF, WCOL, WGKX\*,

**WUBL, WWKA\*** 

#### CHRIS JANSON/Better I Don't (Bigger Picture)

1,010 points, 373 spins; No adds

#### THE FARM/Be Grateful (WMN/New Revolution)

880 points, 280 spins; No adds

# ADD DATES

#### MARCH 25

**DRAKE WHITE**/The Simple Life (MCA) **WESTON BURT**/Lucky Sometimes (HitShop)

#### APRIL 1

CASEY JAMES/The Good Life (19/Columbia)
KACEY MUSGRAVES/Blowin' Smoke (Mercury)

#### **APRIL 8**

LISA TORRES/Get A Little Lonesome (Render)

### VIDEO ADDS

#### CMT

BRETT ELDREDGE/Don't Ya (Atlantic)

RASCAL FLATTS AND JOURNEY/Changed (From CMT Crossroads)
(Rig Marchine)

**ROSE FALCON**/If Love Had A Heart (Show Dog-Universal)

#### **CMT PURE**

**BRETT ELDREDGE/**Don't Ya (Atlantic)

LINDI ORTEGA/Murder of Crows (Last Gang)

RASCAL FLATTS AND JOURNEY/Changed (From CMT Crossroads)

(Big Machine)

**ROB BAIRD**/Dreams And Gasoline (Carnival)

**ROSE FALCON**/If Love Had A Heart (Show Dog-Universal)

#### GAC

BRETT ELDREDGE/Don't Ya (Atlantic)
ASHLEY MONROE/Like A Rose (Columbia)

TERRI CLARK/I'm Movin' On (Baretrack)

#### **COUNTRY NETWORK**

None listed

#### TRAIN f/ASHLEY MONROE/Bruises (Columbia/Nine North)

771 points, 203 spins; No adds

#### AUSTIN WEBB/It's All Good (Streamsound)

525 points, 200 spins 1 add: **KYGO** 

Aircheck Activity includes the top 15 songs that rank 45-50 on this week's chart or are those that are not charted and have a minimum of 500 airplay points and have shown growth in two of the past three weeks. (\* indicates auto adds)





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LW	TW	Artist/Title (Label)	Points +	-/- Points	Plays	+/- Plays	Stations	Adds
2	1	BLAKE SHELTON/Sure Be Cool If You Did (Warner Bros./WMN)	8997	249	2128	49	52	0
1	2	CARRIE UNDERWOOD/Two Black Cadillacs (19/Arista)	8964	226	2113	35	52	0
5	3	HUNTER HAYES/Somebody's Heartbreak (Atlantic/WMN)	8471	694	1989	169	52	0
6	4	EEE BRICE/I Drive Your Truck (Curb)	8451	796	2016	186	51	0
3	5	LITTLE BIG TOWN/Tornado (Capitol)	7948	-638	1868	-164	50	0
7	6	CHRIS YOUNG/I Can Take It From There (RCA) 🗸	7536	1055	1787	241	52	0
8	7	Capitol           ✓	7521	1101	1787	266	52	0
10	8	THOMPSON SQUARE/If I Didn't Have You (Stoney Creek)	6213	212	1456	53	51	0
4	9	TIM MCGRAW/One Of Those Nights (Big Machine)	6136	-1944	1421	-463	46	0
11	10	KENNY CHESNEY/Pirate Flag (Blue Chair/Columbia)	6043	204	1463	63	53	0
12	11	GEORGE STRAIT/Give It All We Got Tonight (MCA)	5999	276	1384	85	52	0
13	12	MIRANDA LAMBERT/Mama's Broken Heart (RCA)	5837	391	1406	103	51	0
9	13	KACEY MUSGRAVES/Merry Go 'Round (Mercury)	5814	-551	1350	-149	51	0
15	14	FLORIDA GEORGIA LINE/Get Your Shine On (Republic Nashville)	5208	346	1287	101	52	0
20	15	Capitol)	4823	766	1153	164	52	0
19	16	BRANTLEY GILBERT/More Than Miles (Valory)	4738	622	1124	159	50	1
18	17	ERIC CHURCH/Like Jesus Does (EMI Nashville)	4646	490	1140	122	51	1
16	18	<b>DUSTIN LYNCH</b> /She Cranks My Tractor (Broken Bow)	4372	-206	1006	-34	48	0
21	19	THE HENNINGSENS/American Beautiful (Arista)	3599	-6	815	18	50	0
22	20	RASCAL FLATTS/Changed (Big Machine)	3448	-142	815	-21	46	0
17	21	TOBY KEITH/Hope On The Rocks (Show Dog-Universal)	3303	-1144	812	-238	43	0
26	22	SIAKE OWEN/Anywhere With You (RCA)	3187	693	765	166	50	0
32	23		2929	1294	708	318	49	4
25	24	KIP MOORE/Hey Pretty Girl (MCA)	2860	328	684	62	49	0
28	25	SJASON ALDEAN/1994 (Broken Bow)	2851	856	673	204	46	4
33	26	TIM MCGRAW w/TAYLOR SWIFT/Highway Don't Care (Big Machine) 🗸	2771	1094	679	254	46	6
24	27	GLORIANA/Can't Shake You (Emblem/W.A.R.)	2716	26	636	9	47	0
35	28	THE BAND PERRY/Done (Republic Nashville) 🗸	2324	888	573	222	49	8
30	29	ZAC BROWN BAND/Jump Right In (Atlantic/Southern Ground)	2208	424	522	103	49	4
27	30	KELLY CLARKSON f/VINCE GILL/Don't Rush (19/RCA/Columbia)	2197	-44	535	-13	44	0

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LW	TW		Points	+/- Points	Plays	+/- Plays		
29	31	EASTON CORBIN/All Over The Road (Mercury)	2176	288	521	72	43	1
31	32	JANA KRAMER/Whiskey (Elektra Nashville/W.A.R.)	1816	161	382	30	38	1
34	33	JERROD NIEMANN/Only God Could Love You More (Sea Gayle/Arista)	1521	18	385	7	39	0
39	34	CRAIG MORGAN/More Trucks Than Cars (Black River)	1391	195	320	39	30	0
36	35	GARY ALLAN/Pieces (MCA)	1331	13	322	7	33	1
37	36	LOVE AND THEFT/Runnin' Out Of Air (RCA)	1240	-76	274	-14	34	0
44	37	RANDY HOUSER/Runnin' Outta Moonlight (Stoney Creek)	785	180	214	43	25	3
38	38	MONTGOMERY GENTRY/I'll Keep The Kids (Average Joes/New Revolution)	727	-503	156	-123	19	0
40	39	GREG BATES/Fill In The Blank (Republic Nashville)	723	-22	194	8	22	1
41	40	Some (Show Dog-Universal)	690	-31	179	8	16	0
42	41	CRAIG CAMPBELL/Outta My Head (Bigger Picture)	569	-15	139	2	20	1
46	42	CONESTAR/Maybe Someday (4 Star/Tenacity)	520	143	120	30	16	0
43	43	BLACKBERRY SMOKE/Pretty Little Lie (Southern Ground)	464	-138	105	-27	11	0
45	44	CHARLIE WORSHAM/Could It Be (Warner Bros./W.A.R.)	452	10	126	11	22	1
59	45	S JUSTIN MOORE/Point At You (Valory)	389	267	87	51	9	5
47	46	BRETT ELDREDGE/Don't Ya (Atlantic/WMN)	368	28	133	12	16	2
48	47	TRAIN F/ASHLEY MONROE/Bruises (Columbia/Nine North)	320	-20	85	-15	7	1
57	48	TYLER FARR/Redneck Crazy (Columbia)	212	44	70	18	4	1
55	49	PHIL VASSAR/Love Is Alive (Rodeowave)	211	43	55	15	7	4
50	50	AUSTIN WEBB/It's All Good (Streamsound)	202	-14	49	-2	6	0
52	51	KRISTEN KELLY/He Loves To Make Me Cry (Arista)	202	5	42	0	5	0
Debu	ıt 52	S JON PARDI/Up All Night (Capitol)	197	83	56	21	8	2
52	53	SASH BOWERS/Red (Wide Open)	194	-6	47	0	5	0
54	54	MARK COOKE/Stay With Me Tonight (CVR/Quarterback)	181	-23	38	-2	6	1
49	55	JOSH ABBOTT BAND/I'll Sing About Mine (Pretty Damn Tough)	165	-94	50	-18	6	0
Debu	ıt 56	MAGGIE ROSE/Better (RPME)	161	51	25	7	3	1
Debu	it 57	BILLY CURRINGTON/Hey Girl (Mercury)	160	138	44	38	6	7
58	58	LISA MATASSA/Somebody's Baby (It Is What It Is/Nine North)	156	32	32	1	5	1
55	59	PARMALEE/Carolina (Stoney Creek)	146	23	57	11	5	0
Debu			146	49	59	10	7	0
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