

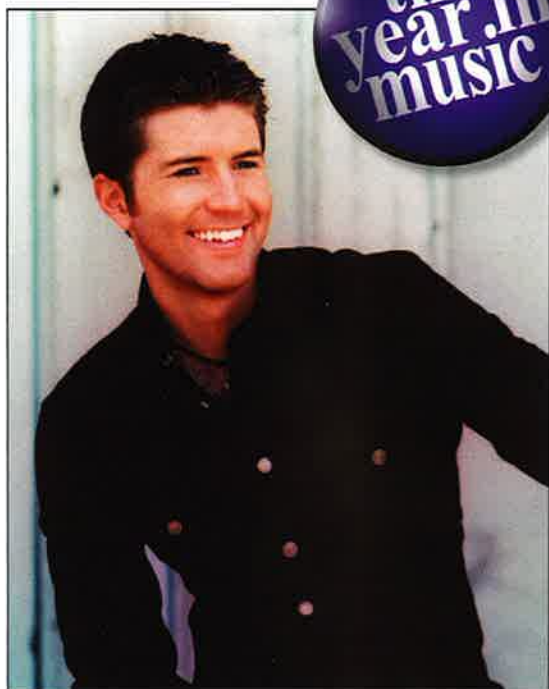
TOP 100 OF 2006 MEDIABASE



the year in music

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| 1 | RASCAL FLATTS <i>What Hurts The Most</i> (Lyric Street) | 51 | BILLY CURRINGTON <i>Why, Why, Why</i> (Mercury) |
| 2 | JOSH TURNER <i>Your Man</i> (MCA) | 52 | KEITH URBAN <i>Once In A Lifetime</i> (Capitol) |
| 3 | RODNEY ATKINS <i>If You're Going Through Hell</i> (Curb) | 53 | FAITH HILL <i>Sunshine & Summertime</i> (Warner Bros.) |
| 4 | CARRIE UNDERWOOD <i>Jesus, Take The Wheel</i> (Arista) | 54 | GARTH BROOKS <i>Good Ride Cowboy</i> (Pearl/Lyric Street) |
| 5 | BON JOVI w/ J. NETTLES <i>Who Says You Can't Go Home</i> (Mercury/IDJMG) | 55 | RASCAL FLATTS <i>My Wish</i> (Lyric Street) |
| 6 | BRAD PAISLEY <i>When I Get Where I'm Going</i> (Arista) | 56 | JAMEY JOHNSON <i>The Dollar</i> (BNA) |
| 7 | BRAD PAISLEY <i>The World</i> (Arista) | 57 | PAT GREEN <i>Feels Just Like It Should</i> (BNA) |
| 8 | BILLY CURRINGTON <i>Must Be Doin' Somethin' Right</i> (Mercury) | 58 | MIRANDA LAMBERT <i>Kerosene</i> (Epic) |
| 9 | KEITH URBAN <i>Tonight I Wanna Cry</i> (Capitol) | 59 | JAKE OWEN <i>Yee Haw</i> (RCA) |
| 10 | JASON ALDEAN <i>Why</i> (BBR) | 60 | DANIELLE PECK <i>Findin' A Good Man</i> (Big Machine) |
| 11 | KENNY CHESNEY <i>Summertime</i> (BNA) | 61 | ERIC CHURCH <i>How 'Bout You</i> (Capitol) |
| 12 | PHIL VASSAR <i>Last Day Of My Life</i> (Arista) | 62 | TIM MCGRAW <i>My Little Girl</i> (Curb) |
| 13 | LEANN RIMES <i>Something's Gotta Give</i> (Curb/Asylum) | 63 | GEORGE STRAIT <i>Seashores Of Old Mexico</i> (MCA) |
| 14 | KENNY CHESNEY <i>Living In Fast Forward</i> (BNA) | 64 | MONTGOMERY GENTRY <i>Some People Change</i> (Columbia) |
| 15 | GEORGE STRAIT <i>She Let Herself Go</i> (MCA) | 65 | KENNY ROGERS <i>I Can't Unlove You</i> (Capitol) |
| 16 | JACK INGRAM <i>Wherever You Are</i> (Big Machine) | 66 | LONESTAR <i>Mountains</i> (BNA) |
| 17 | WRECKERS <i>Leave The Pieces</i> (Warner Bros.) | 67 | JACK INGRAM <i>Love You</i> (Big Machine) |
| 18 | TRACE ADKINS <i>Honky Tonk Badonkadonk</i> (Capitol) | 68 | VAN ZANT <i>Nobody Gonna Tell Me What To Do</i> (Columbia) |
| 19 | BLAKE SHELTON <i>Nobody But Me</i> (Warner Bros.) | 69 | TAYLOR SWIFT <i>Tim McGraw</i> (Big Machine) |
| 20 | KEITH ANDERSON <i>Every Time I Hear Your Name</i> (Arista) | 70 | ALAN JACKSON <i>Like Red On A Rose</i> (Arista) |
| 21 | MONTGOMERY GENTRY <i>She Don't Tell Me To</i> (Columbia) | 71 | JOSH GRACIN <i>Favorite State Of Mind</i> (Lyric Street) |
| 22 | DIERKS BENTLEY <i>Settle For A Slowdown</i> (Capitol) | 72 | BIG & RICH <i>8th Of November</i> (Warner Bros.) |
| 23 | LITTLE BIG TOWN <i>Bring It On Home</i> (Equity) | 73 | BLAINE LARSEN <i>I Don't Know What She Said</i> (Giantslayer/BNA) |
| 24 | STEVE HOLY <i>Brand New Girlfriend</i> (Curb) | 74 | TRENT TOMLINSON <i>Drunker Than Me</i> (Lyric Street) |
| 25 | CARRIE UNDERWOOD <i>Don't Forget To Remember Me</i> (Arista) | 75 | CHRIS CAGLE <i>Miss Me Baby</i> (Capitol) |
| 26 | TOBY KEITH <i>Get Drunk And Be Somebody</i> (Show Dog) | 76 | JASON ALDEAN <i>Amarillo Sky</i> (BBR) |
| 27 | BROOKS & DUNN <i>Believe</i> (Arista) | 77 | EMERSON DRIVE <i>A Good Man</i> (Midas) |
| 28 | JOSH TURNER <i>Would You Go With Me</i> (MCA) | 78 | TOBY KEITH <i>Big Blue Note</i> (Show Dog/DreamWorks) |
| 29 | TOBY KEITH <i>A Little Too Late</i> (Show Dog) | 79 | SUGARLAND <i>Down In Mississippi (Up To...)</i> (Mercury) |
| 30 | GARY ALLAN <i>Life Ain't Always Beautiful</i> (MCA) | 80 | TOBY KEITH <i>Crash Here Tonight</i> (Show Dog) |
| 31 | TIM MCGRAW <i>When The Stars Go Blue</i> (Curb) | 81 | RASCAL FLATTS <i>Life Is A Highway</i> (Walt Disney) |
| 32 | JOE NICHOLS <i>Size Matters (Someday)</i> (Universal South) | 82 | TRACE ADKINS <i>Swing</i> (Capitol) |
| 33 | GEORGE STRAIT <i>Give It Away</i> (MCA) | 83 | BRAD PAISLEY <i>She's Everything</i> (Arista) |
| 34 | DIERKS BENTLEY <i>Come A Little Closer</i> (Capitol) | 84 | GARY ALLAN <i>Best I Ever Had</i> (MCA) |
| 35 | LITTLE BIG TOWN <i>Boondocks</i> (Equity) | 85 | TRENT WILLMON <i>On Again Tonight</i> (Columbia) |
| 36 | BROOKS & DUNN <i>Building Bridges</i> (Arista) | 86 | SHEDAISY <i>I'm Taking The Wheel</i> (Lyric Street) |
| 37 | JOE NICHOLS <i>Tequila Makes Her Clothes ...</i> (Universal South) | 87 | TRENT TOMLINSON <i>One Wing In The Fire</i> (Lyric Street) |
| 38 | RASCAL FLATTS <i>Me And My Gang</i> (Lyric Street) | 88 | CRAIG MORGAN <i>Little Bit Of Life</i> (BBR) |
| 39 | FAITH HILL <i>Like We Never Loved At All</i> (Warner Bros./Curb) | 89 | GEORGE STRAIT <i>It Just Comes Natural</i> (MCA) |
| 40 | HEARTLAND <i>I Loved Her First</i> (Lofton Creek) | 90 | GRETCHEN WILSON <i>I Don't Feel Like Loving You...</i> (Epic) |
| 41 | DIERKS BENTLEY <i>Every Mile A Memory</i> (Capitol) | 91 | CAROLINA RAIN <i>Get Outta My Way</i> (Equity) |
| 42 | CARRIE UNDERWOOD <i>Before He Cheats</i> (Arista) | 92 | MIRANDA LAMBERT <i>New Strings</i> (Columbia) |
| 43 | SUGARLAND <i>Just Might (Make Me Believe)</i> (Mercury) | 93 | GRETCHEN WILSON <i>Politically Uncorrect</i> (Epic) |
| 44 | SARA EVANS <i>Cheatin'</i> (RCA) | 94 | ROCKIE LYNNE <i>Lipstick</i> (Universal South) |
| 45 | KENNY CHESNEY <i>You Save Me</i> (BNA) | 95 | RODNEY ATKINS <i>Watching You</i> (Curb) |
| 46 | TIM MCGRAW <i>My Old Friend</i> (Curb) | 96 | GRETCHEN WILSON <i>California Girls</i> (Columbia) |
| 47 | FAITH HILL <i>The Lucky One</i> (Warner Bros.) | 97 | ERIC CHURCH <i>Two Pink Lines</i> (Capitol) |
| 48 | SUGARLAND <i>Want To</i> (Mercury) | 98 | MEGAN MULLINS <i>Ain't What It Used To Be</i> (BBR) |
| 49 | KENNY CHESNEY <i>Who You'd Be Today</i> (BNA) | 99 | BIG & RICH <i>Comin' To Your City</i> (Warner Bros.) |
| 50 | CRAIG MORGAN <i>I Got You</i> (BBR) | 100 | JOE NICHOLS <i>I'll Wait For You</i> (Universal South) |

TOP 15^S OF 2006



	Artist	Title	Label	Peak Position (Wks. At No. 1)	Peak Date	Wks. on Chart	2006 Position
A	TRACE ADKINS	Honky Tonk Badonkadonk	(Capitol)	2	1/30/06	11	18
	JASON ALDEAN	Why	(BBR)	1 (1)	5/15/06	26	10
	JASON ALDEAN	Amarillo Sky	(BBR)	12	11/27/06	21	76
	GARY ALLAN	Best I Ever Had	(MCA)	10	12/05/05	2	84
	GARY ALLAN	Life Ain't Always Beautiful	(MCA)	5	8/07/06	31	30
	KEITH ANDERSON	Every Time I Hear Your Name	(Arista)	6	6/19/06	32	20
	RODNEY ATKINS	If You're Going Through Hell	(Curb)	1 (3)	8/21/06	34	3
RODNEY ATKINS	Watching You	(Curb)	11	11/27/06	10	95	
B	DIERKS BENTLEY	Come A Little Closer	(Capitol)	1 (1)	12/12/05	7	34
	DIERKS BENTLEY	Settle For A Slowdown	(Capitol)	1 (2)	5/30/06	22	22
	DIERKS BENTLEY	Every Mile A Memory	(Capitol)	1 (1)	10/23/06	19	41
	BIG & RICH	8th Of November	(Warner Bros.)	15	8/28/06	16	72
	BON JOVI w/ J. NETTLES	Who Says You Can't Go Home	(Mercury/IDJMG)	1(2)	5/02/06	24	5
	GARTH BROOKS	Good Ride Cowboy	(Pearl/Lyric Street)	1 (1)	12/19/05	7	54
	BROOKS & DUNN	Believe	(Arista)	6	4/17/06	22	27
BROOKS & DUNN	Building Bridges	(Arista)	4	10/02/06	21	36	
C	CHRIS CAGLE	Miss Me Baby	(Capitol)	13	1/09/06	9	75
	KENNY CHESNEY	Who You'd Be Today	(BNA)	3	12/05/05	5	45
	KENNY CHESNEY	Living In Fast Forward	(BNA)	1 (1)	3/13/06	18	14
	KENNY CHESNEY	Summertime	(BNA)	1 (3)	7/05/06	17	11
	KENNY CHESNEY	You Save Me	(BNA)	3	11/27/06	16	45
	ERIC CHURCH	How 'Bout You	(Capitol)	12	7/17/06	25	61
	BILLY CURRINGTON	Must Be Doin' Somethin' Right	(Mercury)	3	1/18/06	9	8
BILLY CURRINGTON	Why, Why, Why	(Mercury)	11	8/28/06	29	51	
E	EMERSON DRIVE	A Good Man	(Midas)	16	11/11/06	32	77
	SARA EVANS	Cheatin'	(RCA)	9	3/27/06	18	44
G	PAT GREEN	Feels Just Like It Should	(BNA)	9	8/28/06	21	57
H	HEARTLAND	I Loved Her First	(Lofton Creek)	1(1)	10/16/06	18	40
	FAITH HILL	Like We Never Loved At All	(Warner Bros./Curb)	4	2/06/06	12	39
	FAITH HILL	The Lucky One	(Warner Bros.)	5	4/24/06	14	47
	FAITH HILL	Sunshine & Summertime	(Warner Bros.)	7	9/11/06	15	53
	STEVE HOLY	Brand New Girlfriend	(Curb)	1 (1)	9/11/06	33	24
I	JACK INGRAM	Wherever You Are	(Big Machine)	1 (1)	5/08/06	25	16
	JACK INGRAM	Love You	(Big Machine)	10	11/13/06	25	67
J	ALAN JACKSON	Like Red On A Rose	(Arista)	12	10/09/06	15	70
	JAMEY JOHNSON	The Dollar	(BNA)	12	3/13/06	16	56
K	TOBY KEITH	Big Blue Note	(Show Dog/DreamWorks)	5	12/12/05	5	78
	TOBY KEITH	Get Drunk And Be Somebody	(Show Dog)	3	4/17/06	19	26
	TOBY KEITH	A Little Too Late	(Show Dog)	1 (1)	7/31/06	18	29
	TOBY KEITH	Crash Here Tonight	(Show Dog)	13	10/23/06	14	80
L	MIRANDA LAMBERT	Kerosene	(Epic)	12	2/06/06	14	58
	LITTLE BIG TOWN	Boondocks	(Equity)	9	1/09/06	9	35
	LITTLE BIG TOWN	Bring It On Home	(Equity)	4	8/21/06	32	23
	LONESTAR	Mountains	(BNA)	10	11/27/06	23	66
M	TIM MCGRAW	My Old Friend	(Curb)	5	2/13/06	13	46
	TIM MCGRAW	When The Stars Go Blue	(Curb)	3	6/12/06	19	31
	TIM MCGRAW	My Little Girl	(Curb)	5	11/27/06	16	62
	MONTGOMERY GENTRY	She Don't Tell Me To	(Columbia)	5	3/20/06	19	21
	MONTGOMERY GENTRY	Some People Change	(Columbia)	6	11/27/06	20	64
	CRAIG MORGAN	I Got You	(BBR)	12	6/05/06	29	50
CRAIG MORGAN	Little Bit Of Life	(BBR)	13	11/27/06	16	88	
N	JOE NICHOLS	Tequila Makes Her Clothes Fall Off	(Universal South)	1 (1)	12/05/05	5	37
	JOE NICHOLS	Size Matters	(Universal South)	7	6/05/06	23	32
O	JAKE OWEN	Yee Haw	(RCA)	14	8/21/06	25	59
P	BRAD PAISLEY	When I Get Where I'm Going	(Arista)	1 (1)	2/21/06	14	6
	BRAD PAISLEY	The World	(Arista)	1 (2)	7/17/06	20	7
	BRAD PAISLEY	She's Everything	(Arista)	6	11/27/06	13	83
	DANIELLE PECK	Findin' A Good Man	(Big Machine)	11	9/25/06	28	60
R	RASCAL FLATTS	What Hurts The Most	(Lyric Street)	1(5)	4/17/06	19	1
	RASCAL FLATTS	Me And My Gang	(Lyric Street)	4	8/07/06	19	38
	RASCAL FLATTS	My Wish	(Lyric Street)	1 (1)	11/27/06	15	55
	LEANN RIMES	Something's Gotta Give	(Curb/Asylum)	1 (1)	6/05/06	27	13
	KENNY ROGERS	I Can't Unlove You	(Capitol)	14	6/26/06	27	65
S	BLAKE SHELTON	Nobody But Me	(Warner Bros.)	4	3/27/06	20	19
	GEORGE STRAIT	She Let Herself Go	(MCA)	1 (1)	1/09/06	9	15
	GEORGE STRAIT	Seashores Of Old Mexico	(MCA)	11	5/30/06	17	63
	GEORGE STRAIT	Give It Away	(MCA)	1 (2)	9/25/06	16	33
	GEORGE STRAIT	It Just Comes Natural	(MCA)	8	11/27/06	9	89
	SUGARLAND	Just Might (Make Me Believe)	(Mercury)	7	2/21/06	14	43
	SUGARLAND	Want To	(Mercury)	3	11/27/06	18	48
TAYLOR SWIFT	Tim McGraw	(Big Machine)	9	11/27/06	22	69	
T	TRENT TOMLINSON	Drunker Than Me	(Lyric Street)	14	3/13/06	18	76
	TRENT TOMLINSON	One Wing In The Fire	(Lyric Street)	14	11/27/06	22	87
	JOSH TURNER	Your Man	(MCA)	1 (2)	3/06/06	16	2
	JOSH TURNER	Would You Go With Me	(MCA)	1 (2)	10/09/06	26	28
U	CARRIE UNDERWOOD	Jesus, Take The Wheel	(Arista)	1 (5)	2/13/06	13	4
	CARRIE UNDERWOOD	Don't Forget To Remember Me	(Arista)	1 (1)	7/24/06	22	25
	CARRIE UNDERWOOD	Before He Cheats	(Arista)	1 (4)	11/20/06	9	42
	KEITH URBAN	Tonight I Wanna Cry	(Capitol)	2	4/03/06	20	9
	KEITH URBAN	Once In A Lifetime	(Capitol)	5	11/07/06	14	52
V	VAN ZANT	Nobody Gonna Tell Me What To Do	(Columbia)	15	3/13/06	17	68
	PHIL VASSAR	Last Day Of My Life	(Arista)	1 (1)	6/19/06	22	12
W	WRECKERS	Leave The Pieces	(Warner Bros.)	1 (2)	9/05/06	24	17
	WRECKERS	My, Oh My	(Warner Bros.)	15	11/27/06	11	-

KENNY, CARRIE, THE FLATTS & JACK LEAD 2006 PACK

Kenny Chesney is once again king of Country radio and is the format's Most Heard artist and Top Male Performer of 2006. Following closely behind are Rascal Flatts, Carrie Underwood and Brad Paisley, signaling that the changing of country's guard is almost complete. In fact, the only bastion of the old guard in this year's Top 10 Country Performers is George Strait, who had one of his strongest years with four top 15 hits, including a pair of No. 1s.

Underwood soared from nowhere a year ago to this year's Top Female Performer, Rascal Flatts repeats as the Top Duo/Group and Jack Ingram leads the list of New Artists scoring top 15 hits for the first time in 2006.

This year's Top 10 Performers lists are also populated by a number of recent additions to the national country scene. Scaling the heights of the Top 10 Males are Josh Turner, Billy Currington and Joe Nichols. In addition to Underwood, who tops the ladies list, Miranda Lambert, Danielle Peck and Taylor Swift are among the Top Female Performers for the first time. Newcomers are also heavily entwined on the Top Duo/Groups list, with the Wreckers and Heartland making the Top 10 for the first time and Little Big Town, Big & Rich and Van Zant making the list for the second year.

Nineteen different artists notched No. 1 hits in 2006. Leading the pack with an amazing 10 weeks on top of the charts was Underwood, who posted three chart-toppers. Next came Rascal Flatts with two No. 1s that occupied the peak for six weeks. Racking up four weeks worth of No. 1s each were Chesney and Turner, both of whom had a pair of No. 1 singles, and Dierks Bentley, who had three singles hit the pinnacle.

The year's biggest Cinderella story belongs to Lofton Creek's Heartland, which had a monster hit with "I Loved Her First." The story of a band that had toiled in clubs for more than a decade hitting a great lick with a super song is what keeps artists coming to Music City with guitars strapped to their backs. **CAC**



Country Radio's Top 2006 Performers

OVERALL

1. **Kenny Chesney** (BNA)
2. **Rascal Flatts** (Lyric Street)
3. **Carrie Underwood** (Arista)
4. **Brad Paisley** (Arista)
5. **George Strait** (MCA)
6. **Toby Keith** (Show Dog)
7. **Dierks Bentley** (Capitol)
8. **Josh Turner** (MCA)
9. **Sugarland** (Mercury)
10. **Tim McGraw** (Curb)

MALE

1. **Kenny Chesney** (BNA)
2. **Brad Paisley** (Arista)
3. **George Strait** (MCA)
4. **Toby Keith** (Show Dog)
5. **Dierks Bentley** (Capitol)
6. **Josh Turner** (MCA)
7. **Tim McGraw** (Curb)
8. **Billy Currington** (Mercury)
9. **Keith Urban** (Capitol)
10. **Joe Nichols** (Universal South)

FEMALE

1. **Carrie Underwood** (Arista)
2. **Faith Hill** (Warner Bros.)
3. **LeAnn Rimes** (Curb/Asylum)
4. **Sara Evans** (RCA)
5. **Miranda Lambert** (Columbia)
6. **Danielle Peck** (Big Machine)
7. **Gretchen Wilson** (Columbia)
8. **Taylor Swift** (Big Machine)
9. **Jo Dee Messina** (Curb)
10. **Lee Ann Womack** (Mercury)

DUO/GROUP

1. **Rascal Flatts** (Lyric Street)
2. **Sugarland** (Mercury)
3. **Little Big Town** (Equity)
4. **Brooks & Dunn** (Arista)
5. **Montgomery Gentry** (Columbia)
6. **Wreckers** (Warner Bros.)
7. **Heartland** (Lofton Creek)
8. **Big & Rich** (Warner Bros.)
9. **Lonestar** (BNA)
10. **Van Zant** (Columbia)

NEW ARTISTS

1. **Jack Ingram** (Big Machine)
2. **Wreckers** (Warner Bros.)
3. **Heartland** (Lofton Creek)
4. **Miranda Lambert** (Columbia)
5. **Eric Church** (Capitol)
6. **Danielle Peck** (Big Machine)
7. **Trent Tomlinson** (Lyric Street)
8. **Jake Owen** (RCA)
9. **Jamey Johnson** (BNA)
10. **Taylor Swift** (Big Machine)

TOP 15 1st TIMERS

These artists had top 15 hits for the first time in 2006. Heartland, Jack Ingram and the Wreckers all notched No. 1 hits, with the latter's "Leave The Pieces" staying at No. 1 for two weeks.

- Eric Church** (Capitol)
- Heartland** (Lofton Creek)
- Jack Ingram** (2) (Big Machine)
- Jamey Johnson** (BNA)
- Miranda Lambert** (Columbia)
- Jake Owen** (RCA)
- Danielle Peck** (Big Machine)
- Taylor Swift** (Big Machine)
- Trent Tomlinson** (2) (Lyric Street)
- Wreckers** (2) (Warner Bros.)

