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FACING THE MUSIC - A YEAR-OVER-YEAR LOOK AT DISCOGS

- Vinyl and CD submissions to the Discogs Database have both decreased slightly (-3.13% and -1.47%, respectively), while cassettes and other formats (a combination of digital releases and physical media) have increased (+8.96% and +4.50%, respectively) for a net increase in submissions (+12.32%).
- The most popular format sold so far in 2018 has been vinyl, with an increase in sales orders year-over-year (+14.97%). However, cassettes have seen the most growth in sales orders (+35.19%).
- The most popular genres sold in the Discogs Marketplace are Rock, Electronic, and Funk/Soul. However, both the Classical (+37.82%) and Latin (+35.07%) genres have seen a sizable year-over-year increase in sales.
- Pink Floyd and The Beatles each have five records in the top 30 most popular albums so far this year.
- Our Most Popular, Most Wanted, Most Collected, and Top Catalog Sales lists all have something in common again this year: Ranking number one on each list is Pink Floyd's Dark Side Of The Moon.

MOST POPULAR CATALOG* VS. NEW

Year-over-year figures for Catalog and New Release sales.

	2018	2017	% CHG.
CATALOG	5,023,614	4,522,166	+11.09%
NEW	385,150	387,891	-0.71%

*Catalog is defined as over 18 months since release.

DATABASE FORMATS

Year-over-year comparison of the total number of Discogs Database submissions.

	2018	2017	% CHG.
VINYL	308,269	318,238	-3.13%
CD	229,803	233,238	-1.47%
CASSETTE	66,038	60,610	+8.96%
OTHER	90,096	86,215	+4.50%
TOTAL	784,301	698,301	+12.32%

MOST POPULAR FORMATS

Year-over-year comparison of the most popular formats sold in the Discogs Marketplace.

	2018	2017	% CHG.
VINYL	4,220,920	3,671,192	+14.97%
CD	1,025,973	841,368	+21.94%
CASSETTE	97,444	72,077	+35.19%
TOTAL	5,344,337	4,584,637	+16.57%

MOST POPULAR GENRES

Year-over-year comparison of the most popular genres sold in the Discogs Marketplace.

	2018	2017	% CHG.
ROCK	2,186,074	1,839,307	18.85%
ELECTRONIC	1,946,388	1,757,663	10.74%
FUNK/SOUL	658,126	565,396	16.40%
POP	603,310	472,401	27.71%
JAZZ	399,590	316,422	26.28%
HIP HOP	329,144	292,165	12.66%
FOLK/WORLD/COUNTRY	261,743	196,389	33.28%
REGGAE	176,493	151,025	16.86%
STAGE & SCREEN	119,403	95,085	25.58%
BLUES	111,009	88,615	25.27%
CLASSICAL	100,197	72,703	37.82%
LATIN	89,201	66,041	35.07%
NON-MUSIC	37,375	30,448	22.75%
CHILDREN'S	10,423	7,857	32.66%
BRASS & MILITARY	2,850	2,201	29.49%

MOST POPULAR TOP 30

The Top 30 Most Popular Albums for the first half of 2018.

	ARTIST	TITLE	FORMAT	RELEASE ID
1	PINK FLOYD	THE DARK SIDE OF THE MOON	VINYL	10362
2	MICHAEL JACKSON	THRILLER	VINYL	8883
3	FLEETWOOD MAC	RUMOURS	VINYL	38722
4	PINK FLOYD	WISH YOU WERE HERE	VINYL	11703
5	THE BEATLES	SGT. PEPPER'S LONELY HEARTS CLUB BAND	VINYL	23934
6	DIRE STRAITS	BROTHERS IN ARMS	VINYL	23684
7	PINK FLOYD	THE WALL	VINYL	11329
8	THE BEATLES	ABBEY ROAD	VINYL	24047
9	LED ZEPPELIN	UNTITLED	VINYL	4300
10	LED ZEPPELIN	LED ZEPPELIN II	VINYL	4170
11	PINK FLOYD	THE PIPER AT THE GATES OF DAWN	VINYL	19546
12	MILES DAVIS	KIND OF BLUE	VINYL	5460
13	NEW ORDER	BLUE MONDAY	VINYL	3297
14	THE BEATLES	THE BEATLES	VINYL	46402
15	DAVID BOWIE	THE RISE AND FALL OF ZIGGY STARDUST...	VINYL	1561
16	EAGLES	HOTEL CALIFORNIA	VINYL	59501
17	SUPERTRAMP	BREAKFAST IN AMERICA	VINYL	25362
18	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN	BORN IN THE U.S.A.	VINYL	26701
19	MICHAEL JACKSON	BAD	CD	8517
20	PRINCE	PURPLE RAIN	VINYL	16245
21	NIRVANA	NEVERMIND	CD	13814
22	LED ZEPPELIN	LED ZEPPELIN	VINYL	4126
23	DIRE STRAITS	DIRE STRAITS	VINYL	23759
24	THE BEATLES	REVOLVER	VINYL	45284
25	BLACK SABBATH	PARANOID	VINYL	302
26	THE BEATLES	1967-1970	VINYL	24155
27	TRACY CHAPMAN	TRACY CHAPMAN	VINYL	105802
28	U2	THE JOSHUA TREE	VINYL	64290
29	SADE	DIAMOND LIFE	VINYL	43936
30	PINK FLOYD	ANIMALS	VINYL	10370

MOST WANTED ALBUMS

The Top 10 Most Wanted Albums on Discogs user's Wantlists for the first half of 2018.

	ARTIST	TITLE	RELEASE ID	TOTALS
1	PINK FLOYD	THE DARK SIDE OF THE MOON	10362	22,749
2	THE BEATLES	SGT. PEPPER'S LONELY HEARTS CLUB BAND	23934	18,859
3	PINK FLOYD	WISH YOU WERE HERE	11703	15,313
4	MICHAEL JACKSON	THRILLER	8883	14,859
5	THE BEATLES	ABBEY ROAD	24047	14,753
6	PINK FLOYD	THE WALL	11329	14,391
7	LED ZEPPELIN	UNTITLED	4300	14,116
8	FLEETWOOD MAC	RUMOURS	38722	13,774
9	THE BEATLES	THE BEATLES	46402	12,083
10	LED ZEPPELIN	LED ZEPPELIN II	4170	11,679

MOST COLLECTED ALBUMS

The Top 10 Most Collected Albums by Discogs users for the first half of 2018.

	ARTIST	TITLE	RELEASE ID	TOTALS
1	PINK FLOYD	THE DARK SIDE OF THE MOON	10362	73,196
2	THE BEATLES	SGT. PEPPER'S LONELY HEARTS CLUB BAND	23934	45,681
3	PINK FLOYD	WISH YOU WERE HERE	11703	43,009
4	LED ZEPPELIN	LED ZEPPELIN II	4170	35,731
5	LED ZEPPELIN	LED ZEPPELIN	4126	34,708
6	THE BEATLES	ABBEY ROAD	24047	33,457
7	PINK FLOYD	THE WALL VOL. 2	11329	31,387
8	LED ZEPPELIN	UNTITLED	4300	31,102
9	THE BEATLES	REVOLVER	45284	29,909
10	DAVID BOWIE	THE RISE AND FALL OF ZIGGY STARDUST...	1561	27,080

TOP CATALOG SALES

The Top 10 Catalog Sales for the first half of 2018.

	ARTIST	TITLE	RELEASE ID
1	PINK FLOYD	THE DARK SIDE OF THE MOON	10362
2	MICHAEL JACKSON	THRILLER	8883
3	FLEETWOOD MAC	RUMOURS	38722
4	PINK FLOYD	WISH YOU WERE HERE	11703
5	DIRE STRAITS	BROTHERS IN ARMS	23684
6	PINK FLOYD	THE WALL	11329
7	LED ZEPPELIN	UNTITLED	4300
8	THE BEATLES	ABBEEY ROAD	24047
9	THE BEATLES	SGT. PEPPER'S LONELY HEARTS CLUB BAND	23934
10	LED ZEPPELIN	LED ZEPPELIN II	4170

TOP NEW ALBUMS SALES

The Top 10 New Album Sales for the first half of 2018.

	ARTIST	TITLE	RELEASE ID
1	SLEEP	THE SCIENCES	1351300
2	PINK FLOYD	THE PIPER AT THE GATES OF DAWN	19546
3	DAVID BOWIE	WELCOME TO THE BLACKOUT (LIVE LONDON '78)	1386218
4	KHRUANGBIN	CON TODO EL MUNDO	1303081
5	LED ZEPPELIN	ROCK AND ROLL (SUNSET SOUND MIX) / FRIENDS (OLYMPIC STUDIOS MIX)	11887744
6	THE NATIONAL	BOXER (LIVE IN BRUSSELS)	1392199
7	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN	GREATEST HITS	27131
8	KING GIZZARD AND THE LIZARD WIZARD	POLYGONDWANALAND	1268453
9	KENDRICK LAMAR	DAMN	1164779
10	GHOST (32)	PREQUELLE	1371900