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2017 YEAR-END REPORT
MARKETPLACE ANALYSIS & DATABASE HIGHLIGHTS

STATE OF DISCOGS 2017

The Discogs 2017 Year-End Report

Our Database keeps growing in surprising ways and the Marketplace numbers tell the story of what music people bought and what formats were purchased. Continue reading for some highlights from 2017.

MARKETPLACE ANALYSIS & DATABASE HIGHLIGHTS

- The number of releases in the Discogs Database grew by 4.18% in 2017.
- Following the same pattern of 2016, the format that had the most releases added to the Database was CD's, with an increase of 22.94%. Cassettes followed with a growth of 12.13%.
- The most Releases Added By Genre to the Database were Rock (445,890), Pop (293,173), and Electronic (251,449). Genres that saw the most growth in 2017 were Latin (24.05%), Brass & Military (22.45%), and Folk, World, & Country (12.54%).
- The United States led the way with most Releases Added By Country, contributing 323,721 releases to the Database. However, Mexico (41.32%), Switzerland (25.76%), and Japan (11.29%) saw the most year-over-year increases.
- The Most Collected Genres of last year were Rock (31,813,479), Electronic (15,863,636), and Pop (8,266,247). The most year-over-year growth in collected genres was shown in Classical (42.36%), Brass & Military (42.24%), and Latin (38.33%).
- The Most Collected Master Release was once again Pink Floyd's *Dark Side of the Moon*. Radiohead's *OK Computer* broke into the top ten most collected of 2017.
- Sales in the Discogs Marketplace increased by 20.42% in 2017. Vinyl had the highest sales numbers with 7,949,932, with an increase of 18.81% year-over-year. Both CDs (28.39%) and Cassettes (29.54%) saw double-digit percentage growth year-over-year.
- Marketplace Sales By Genre saw the most growth in the Classical (30.07%), Children's (22.86%), and Folk, World, & Country (21.74%) genres.
- The Most Expensive Release Sold in 2017 went to The Beatles. The *Love Me Do 7"*, Single, Promo sold for \$14,757 – compared to last year's record of \$15,000 for Prince's *Black Album*. The Sex Pistols *7"*, Single, *God Save The Queen*, came in second place and sold for \$14,690.

THE DATABASE

The Database is the heart of Discogs. Check out which genres, formats, and countries experienced growth in 2017 with numbers from our user-built database of music.

TOTAL RELEASES ADDED

2017	1,360,424	% CHANGE 4.18%
2016	1,305,862	

RELEASES ADDED BY MONTH

MONTH	RELEASES	% CHANGE
JANUARY 2017	124,077	11.43%
JANUARY 2016	111,346	
FEBRUARY 2017	115,424	7.74%
FEBRUARY 2016	107,128	
MARCH 2017	121,789	7.91%
MARCH 2016	112,863	
APRIL 2017	116,644	9.74%
APRIL 2016	106,290	
MAY 2017	115,929	6.90%
MAY 2016	108,446	
JUNE 2017	103,147	4.94%
JUNE 2016	98,292	
JULY 2017	105,317	4.57%
JULY 2016	100,713	
AUGUST 2017	105,357	-0.43%
AUGUST 2016	105,810	
SEPTEMBER 2017	120,191	1.38%
SEPTEMBER 2016	118,554	
OCTOBER 2017	112,787	-0.10%
OCTOBER 2016	112,904	
NOVEMBER 2017	111,396	-1.87%
NOVEMBER 2016	113,522	
DECEMBER 2017	108,366	-2.44%
DECEMBER 2016	111,077	

RELEASES ADDED BY FORMAT

FORMAT	2017	2016	% CHANGE
VINYL	614,194	595,404	3.16%
CD	462,162	375,939	22.94%
CASSETTE	119,552	106,619	12.13%
OTHER	164,515	228,983	-28.15%
TOTALS	1,360,423	1,306,945	4.09%

RELEASES ADDED BY GENRE

GENRE	2017	2016	% CHANGE
ROCK	445,890	462,543	-3.60%
POP	293,173	278,028	5.45%
ELECTRONIC	251,449	244,527	2.83%
FOLK, WORLD, & COUNTRY	200,496	178,160	12.54%
JAZZ	125,179	116,947	7.04%
CLASSICAL	101,516	93,277	8.83%
FUNK / SOUL	88,662	91,467	-3.07%
LATIN	69,898	56,346	24.05%
HIP HOP	62,268	56,004	11.18%
STAGE & SCREEN	44,209	39,774	11.15%
BLUES	33,853	33,012	2.55%
REGGAE	28,709	31,958	-10.17%
NON-MUSIC	25,754	26,301	-2.08%
CHILDREN'S	12,860	12,402	3.69%
BRASS & MILITARY	5,373	4,388	22.45%

RELEASES ADDED BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

GENRE	2017	2016	% CHANGE
ARGENTINA	7,921	8,246	-3.94%
AUSTRALIA	33,504	32,958	1.66%
AUSTRIA	6,701	7,014	-4.46%
BELGIUM	13,422	12,230	9.75%
BRAZIL	23,953	21,667	10.55%
CANADA	56,713	54,532	4.00%
DENMARK	8,008	8,016	-0.10%
EUROPE	40,077	38,832	3.21%
FINLAND	11,424	11,627	-1.75%
FRANCE	66,838	62,390	7.13%
GERMANY	93,380	91,924	1.58%
GREECE	12,666	16,011	-20.89%
ITALY	44,113	44,443	-0.74%
JAMAICA	9,099	10,626	-14.37%
JAPAN	69,798	62,719	11.29%
MEXICO	14,598	10,330	41.32%
NETHERLANDS	35,932	38,144	-5.80%
NEW ZEALAND	7,407	7,793	-4.95%
NORWAY	7,410	7,720	-4.02%
POLAND	11,236	13,732	-18.18%
PORTUGAL	7,825	8,120	-3.63%
RUSSIA	32,570	39,544	-17.64%
SPAIN	35,517	32,932	7.85%
SWEDEN	18,422	18,182	1.32%
SWITZERLAND	11,604	9,227	25.76%
UK	129,091	123,111	4.86%
US	323,721	307,840	5.16%
USSR	10,706	11,174	-4.19%

THE COLLECTION

Take a look at the numbers you've been adding in 2017 and find out what's most collected in the Discogs community.

MOST COLLECTED GENRES

GENRE	2017	2016	% CHANGE
ROCK	31,813,479	25,721,941	23.68%
ELECTRONIC	15,863,636	13,883,970	14.26%
POP	8,266,247	6,131,003	34.83%
FUNK / SOUL	5,230,973	4,106,877	27.37%
JAZZ	4,415,250	3,463,925	27.46%
FOLK, WORLD, & COUNTRY	3,349,933	2,510,737	33.42%
HIP HOP	3,122,015	2,605,189	19.84%
STAGE & SCREEN	1,625,737	1,212,961	34.03%
BLUES	1,531,398	1,180,115	29.77%
CLASSICAL	1,391,190	977,260	42.36%
REGGAE	1,346,406	1,100,275	22.37%
LATIN	830,066	600,064	38.33%
NON-MUSIC	527,113	421,604	25.03%
CHILDREN'S	181,604	133,091	36.45%
BRASS & MILITARY	44,533	31,309	42.24%

MOST COLLECTED MASTER RELEASES

POSITION	ARTIST	TITLE
1	PINK FLOYD	THE DARK SIDE OF THE MOON
2	THE BEATLES	SGT. PEPPER'S LONELY HEARTS CLUB BAND
3	PINK FLOYD	WISH YOU WERE HERE
4	MICHAEL JACKSON	THRILLER
5	THE BEATLES	ABBEY ROAD
6	PINK FLOYD	THE WALL
7	LED ZEPPELIN	UNTITLED
8	FLEETWOOD MAC	RUMOURS
9	THE BEATLES	THE BEATLES
10	RADIOHEAD	OK COMPUTER
11	LED ZEPPELIN	LED ZEPPELIN II
12	NIRVANA	NEVERMIND
13	DIRE STRAITS	BROTHERS IN ARMS
14	THE BEATLES	REVOLVER
15	LED ZEPPELIN	LED ZEPPELIN
16	DAVID BOWIE	THE RISE AND FALL OF ZIGGY STARDUST AND THE SPIDERS FROM MARS
17	THE BEATLES	RUBBER SOUL
18	PRINCE AND THE REVOLUTION	PURPLE RAIN
19	PINK FLOYD	ANIMALS
20	LED ZEPPELIN	LED ZEPPELIN III
21	EAGLES	HOTEL CALIFORNIA
22	AC/DC	BACK IN BLACK
23	BLACK SABBATH	PARANOID
24	MILES DAVIS	KIND OF BLUE
25	U2	THE JOSHUA TREE
26	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN	BORN IN THE U.S.A.
27	THE BEATLES	1967-1970
28	GUNS N' ROSES	APPETITE FOR DESTRUCTION
29	PINK FLOYD	MEDDLE
30	THE BEATLES	1962-1966
31	THE DOORS	THE DOORS
32	NEIL YOUNG	HARVEST
33	THE BEATLES	LET IT BE
34	LED ZEPPELIN	HOUSES OF THE HOLY
35	SUPERTRAMP	BREAKFAST IN AMERICA
36	NIRVANA	MTV UNPLUGGED IN NEW YORK
37	METALLICA	MASTER OF PUPPETS
38	DIRE STRAITS	DIRE STRAITS
39	THE BEATLES	MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR
40	SIMON & GARFUNKEL	BRIDGE OVER TROUBLED WATER
41	MICHAEL JACKSON	BAD
42	THE JIMI HENDRIX EXPERIENCE	ARE YOU EXPERIENCED
43	THE CLASH	LONDON CALLING: 25TH ANNIVERSARY LEGACY EDITION
44	BOB MARLEY & THE WAILERS	LEGEND (THE BEST OF BOB MARLEY AND THE WAILERS)
45	THE WHO	WHO'S NEXT
46	LED ZEPPELIN	PHYSICAL GRAFFITI
47	QUEEN	A NIGHT AT THE OPERA
48	THE VELVET UNDERGROUND & NICO (3)	THE VELVET UNDERGROUND & NICO
49	SEX PISTOLS	NEVER MIND THE BOLLOCKS HERE'S THE SEX PISTOLS
50	THE ROLLING STONES	STICKY FINGERS

THE MARKETPLACE

There are close to 39 million items available in the Marketplace. What did you add to your collection this year? Find out what was purchased from the Discogs Marketplace in 2017.

TOTAL RELEASES SOLD

2017	10,009,022	% CHANGE 20.42%
2016	8,311,646	

MARKETPLACE SALES BY FORMAT

FORMAT	2017	2016	% CHANGE
VINYL	7,949,932	6,691,144	18.81%
CD	1,848,798	1,439,982	28.39%
CASSETTE	162,811	125,685	29.54%
OTHER	47,481	54,835	-13.41%
TOTALS	10,009,022	8,311,646	20.42%

MARKETPLACE SALES BY GENRE

GENRE	2017	2016	% CHANGE
ROCK	3,662,533	3,285,629	11.47%
ELECTRONIC	3,450,495	3,351,455	2.96%
FUNK / SOUL	1,127,815	1,045,069	7.92%
POP	971,491	818,300	18.72%
JAZZ	635,459	544,223	16.76%
HIP HOP	566,825	543,227	4.34%
FOLK, WORLD, & COUNTRY	407,282	334,543	21.74%
REGGAE	303,459	275,751	10.05%
STAGE & SCREEN	192,572	162,509	18.50%
BLUES	176,768	147,469	19.87%
CLASSICAL	147,520	113,418	30.07%
LATIN	136,226	112,812	20.75%
NON-MUSIC	61,437	54,677	12.36%
CHILDREN'S	17,093	13,913	22.86%
BRASS & MILITARY	4,530	3,748	20.86%

MOST EXPENSIVE RELEASES SOLD

POSITION	ARTIST	TITLE	FORMAT	PRICE
1	THE BEATLES	LOVE ME DO	7", SINGLE, PROMO	\$14,757.00
2	SEX PISTOLS	GOD SAVE THE QUEEN	7", SINGLE	\$14,690.00
3	BILLY NICHOLLS	WOULD YOU BELIEVE	LP, ALBUM	\$10,324.00
4	RÖYKSOPP	MELODY A.M.	2XLP, ALBUM, LTD, W/LBL	\$8,728.00
5	CHARLEY PATTON	LOVE MY STUFF / JERSEY BULL BLUES	SHELLAC, 10", MONO	\$7,132.00
6	PET SHOP BOYS	YES	11X12", ALBUM + BOX, LTD, NUM	\$7,000.00
7	FOREVER AMBER	THE LOVE CYCLE	LP, ALBUM, MONO, LTD	\$6,714.00
8	LEAF HOUND	GROWERS OF MUSHROOM	LP, ALBUM	\$6,184.00
9	SPEED, GLUE & SHINKI	SPEED, GLUE & SHINKI	2XLP	\$5,205.00
10	THE FLAMING LIPS	24 HOUR SONG SKULL	M/STICK, EP, EXT + FILE, WAV, 24 + FILE, WAV, 16	\$5,035.00

TOP NEW ALBUM SALES

POSITION	ARTIST	TITLE
1	RADIOHEAD	OK COMPUTER OKNOTOK 1997-2017
2	MIDORI TAKADA	THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS
3	SLOWDIVE	SLOWDIVE
4	VARIOUS	WELCOME TO PARADISE VOL. II: ITALIAN DREAM HOUSE 89-93
5	DAVID BOWIE	CRACKED ACTOR (LIVE LOS ANGELES '74)
6	THELONIOUS MONK	LES LIAISONS DANGEREUSES 1960
7	KING GIZZARD AND THE LIZARD WIZARD	FLYING MICROTONAL BANANA
8	THE SMITHS	THE QUEEN IS DEAD
9	THE OTHER PEOPLE PLACE	LIFESTYLES OF THE LAPTOP CAFÉ
10	THE BEATLES	STRAWBERRY FIELDS FOREVER / PENNY LANE
11	KENDRICK LAMAR	DAMN
12	THE CURE	ACOUSTIC HITS
13	GORILLAZ	DEMON DAYS
14	MALL GRAB	POOL PARTY EP
15	DAVID BOWIE	NO PLAN EP
16	QUEENS OF THE STONE AGE	VILLAINS
17	FIONA APPLE	TIDAL
18	MAC DEMARCO	THIS OLD DOG
19	THE CURE	GREATEST HITS
20	RUN THE JEWELS	RUN THE JEWELS 3