

Casey Kasem's American Top 10
Top 60 Christmas Songs 1940 - 2005

part 2 - #30 - #1

(part 1 - #60 - #31 - is missing)

broadcast on December 24th, 2005

determined solely by US national airplay

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chart position	artist (birth-death) - song	year (of peak)	Billboard pop peak position
30	The Carpenters ¹⁾ - (There's No Place Like) Home For The Holidays	1984	-
29	José Feliciano (*1945) - Feliz Navidad	1970	10
extra	Josh Groban (*1981) - Believe	2004/05	112
28	Darlene Love (*1941) - Winter Wonderland	1963	-
27	Brenda Lee (*1944) - Rockin' Around The Christmas Tree	1960 ²⁾	14
26	Dan Fogelberg (1951-2007) - Same Old Lang Syne	1980	9
25	Frank Sinatra (1915-1998) & The Swanson Quartet - Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!	1950	-
24	Andy Williams (1927-2012) - Happy Holiday/The Holiday Season ³⁾	1963	-
23	Mannheim Steamroller ⁴⁾ - God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen	1984	-
22	The Ronettes ⁵⁾ - Sleigh Ride	1963	-
21	Gene Autry (1907-1998) & The Pinafores - Rudolph, The Red-Nosed Reindeer	1949	1
extra	Point Of Grace ⁶⁾ - Joy To The World / When Love Came Down ⁷⁾	1999	-
extra	Gloria Estefan (*1957) - Christmas Through Your Eyes	1992	-
20	Kenny G (*1956) - Winter Wonderland	1994	-
19	Bing Crosby (1903-1977) (with John Scott Trotter, 1908-1975 & His Orchestra) - I'll Be Home For Christmas (If Only In My Dreams)	1943	3
18	Vince Guaraldi (1928-1976) Trio - O Tannenbaum	1965	-
extra	Kimberley Locke - Up On The Housetop	2005	-
17	Hall ⁸⁾ & Oates ⁹⁾ - Jingle Bell Rock	1983	-
16	Nat King Cole (1919-1965) - Hark! The Herald Angels Sing	1960	-
extra	Vanessa Williams (*1963) - Silver And Gold	2004	-
15	Eurythmics ¹⁰⁾ - Winter Wonderland	1987	-
14	Bobby Helms (1933-1997) - Jingle Bell Rock	1957	6
13	The Carpenters ¹¹⁾ - Merry Christmas, Darling	1970	-
extra	Jessica Simpson (*1980) - What Christmas Means To Me	2004	-
12	Johnny Mathis (*1935) - Winter Wonderland	1958	-
11	John ¹¹⁾ & Yoko ¹²⁾ / The Plastic Ono Band with The Harlem Community Choir - Happy Xmas (War Is Over)	1971	-
extra	David Foster (*1949) - Carol Of The Bells	1993 ¹³⁾	-
extra	Faith Hill (*1967) - Where Are You, Christmas?	2000	65
10	Leroy Anderson ¹⁴⁾ (1908-1975) & Boston Pops Orchestra - Sleigh Ride	1949	24
9	Johnny Mathis (*1935) - It's Beginning To Look a Lot Like Christmas	1986	-
8	The Harry Simeone ¹⁵⁾ Chorale - The Little Drummer Boy	1958	13
7	Karla Bonoff (*1951) - The First Noel	1997	-
6	Burl Ives (1909-1995) - A Holly Jolly Christmas	1965	-
extra	Barry Manilow (*1943) - Because It's Christmas	1990	-

5	Bing Crosby (1903-1977) - White Christmas	1942	1
4	Celine Dion (*1968) - O Holy Night	1998	-
3	Andy Williams (1927-2012) - It's The Most Wonderful Time Of The Year	1963 ¹⁶⁾	-
extra	NewSong - The Christmas Shoes	2000	42
extra	Backstreet Boys - Christmas Time	1996	-
2	Whitney Houston (1963-2012) - Do You Hear What I Hear?	1987	-
1	The King Cole Trio ¹⁷⁾ - The Christmas Song (Merry Christmas To You)	1946	3
extra	Perry Como (1912-2001) & Ray Charles Singers - Here We Come A-Caroling / We Wish You A Merry Christmas	1959	-

¹⁾ Karen Carpenter (1950-1983) and Richard Carpenter (*1946)

²⁾ Casey (indirectly) says that the song is from 1960, but it was released in 1958. It peaked two years after its release.

³⁾ Casey says “Happy Holidays”, which is incorrect

⁴⁾ founded by Chip Davis (*1947) and Jackson Berkey (*1942)

⁵⁾ Veronica Yvette Bennett (*1943, later known as Ronnie Spector), Estelle Bennett (1941-2009) and Nedra Talley (*1946)

⁶⁾ Shelley Breen (*1969), Heather Payne (*1970), Denise Jones (*1969) & Terry Jones *1970)

⁷⁾ “Joy To The World” and “When Love Came Down” were originally *two separate* songs on the 1999 album “A Christmas Story”

⁸⁾ Daryl Hall (*1946)

⁹⁾ John Oates (*1949)

¹⁰⁾ Annie Lennox (*1954) & David Allan "Dave" Stewart (*1952)

¹¹⁾ John Lennon (1940-1980)

¹²⁾ Yoko Ono (*1933)

¹³⁾ or 1995?

¹⁴⁾ Leroy Anderson is the composer. The conductor of the Boston Pops Orchestra was Arthur Fiedler (1894-1979).

¹⁵⁾ Harry Simeone (1911-2005)

¹⁶⁾ The song first appeared on his 1963 album “The Andy Williams Christmas Album” and was released as a single 44 years(!) later in 2007 - which didn’t make it into the regular Billboard Hot 100.

¹⁷⁾ feat. Nat King Cole (1919-1965)