

The WLS Silver Dollar Surveys Vol 7. 1967-1969 WLS' OFFICIAL PLAY LIST from the Rich Gardner Archives

The **WLS Hit Parade Vol 7 1967-1969**—It's More Fun When You Are Young chronicles the history and significance of WLS radio surveys, focusing on Chicago's music scene from 1967 to 1969 with a complete collection of facsimiles.

The late 1960s in Chicago were marked by social and political change, reflected in the shifts in popular music, including the British Invasion and the rise of various genres. WLS transitioned to a Top 40 format, competing with WCFL, which adopted a similar format. The surveys remain vital to Chicago's radio history, highlighting the competitive AM radio landscape.

Elements of the Chicago Sound – Sound of Musical Spectacular

- The British Invasion influenced Chicago's music scene, creating unique local sounds.
- Key factors in Chicago bands' success included a rich musical history, radio support, and local venues.
- Notable Chicago bands from this era include American Breed, Buckinghams, Chicago, Cryan Shames, Ides of March, and New Colony Six.

The "Silver Dollar Survey" was rebranded as "WLS Hit Parade" in December 1967. It continued to track the evolution of popular music while showcasing local tastes and preferences. The Annual Hit Parade Awards were introduced, enabling listeners to vote for their favorite artists.

About the author

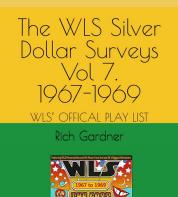


Rich Gardner was born and raised on Chicago's South Side. His fascination with music began at a young age, fueled by radio broadcasts of the History of Rock & Roll in the mid-1970s and the legendary WLS Top 89 radio countdowns.

This ignited a passion for collecting WLS surveys and documenting the evolution of popular music. His commitment extended beyond just listening; he eagerly anticipated the weekly WLS record surveys and sought out records at various stores throughout Chicago. Initially, he converted the WLS survey data into typed index cards, Rolodex cards, handwritten notebooks, and computer databases, creating a personal archive of musical history. When he's not working full-time or spending time with his family, Gardner can be found at his local record store or swap meets, adding new chapters to his ever-growing collection.



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THIS WEEK DECEMBE	R 29, 1967 LAST WEEK
1. Judy In Disguise	John Fred — Paula 1
2. Bend Me, Shape Me 3. Woman, Woman	American Breed — Acta 3 Union Gap — Columbia 4
4. Daydream Believer 5. Snoopy's Christmas	Monkees — Colgems 2
6. Chain Of Fools	Aretha Franklin - Atlantic 13
7. Baogaloa Down Breadway 8. Green Tamborine	Fantastic Johnny C Soul 7 Lemon Pipers - Buddah 6
9. I Heard It Through The Grapevine	Gladys Knight - Soul 10
10. Hello, Goodbye 11. Susan	Beatles — Capitol 9 Buckinghams — Columbia 12
12. It's Wonderful 13. I Second That Emotion	Young Rascals - Atlantic 14
14. Who Will Answer	Smokey Robinson & Miracles-Tamla 8 Ed Ames - RCA 15
15. Skip-A-Rope 16. Better Sit Down Kids	Henson Cargill — Monument 19 Cher — Acto 11
17. Summer Rain	Johnny Rivers - Imperial 26
18. I'm in Love 19. If I Cauld Build My World Around Yo	Wilson Pickett — Atlantic 28 u Marvin Gaye - Tammi Terrell—Tamla 20
20. Honey Chile 21. Am I That Easy To Forget	Martha & Vandellas - Gordy 23
22. Other Man's Grass Is Always Greener	Engelbert Humperdinck - Parrot 21 Petula Clark - W.B. 22
23. Tell Mama 24. To Give 25. Everybody Knows	Etta James — Cadet 25 Frankie Valli — Philips 34
25. Everybody Knows	Dave Clark Five - Epic 32
26. Next Plane To London 27. Different Drum	Rose Garden — Atco 30 Stone Poneys — Capitol 29
28. She's My Girl 29. There is 30. Explosion	Turtles - White Whale 16
30. Explosion	Dells — Cadet 40 Soul Survivers — Crimson 33
31. Beautiful People 32. Still Burning	Bobby Vee — Liberty 18 Drifters — Atlantic 37
33. Just As Much As Ever	Bobby Vinten - Fair 30
34. I Wonder What She's Doing Tonight 35. Sunshine Of Your Love	Tommy Boyce & Bobby Hart-A & M 35 Cream - Atco 38
36. Tomorrow 37. New Orleans	Strawberry Alarm Clock Uni 36
38. I Can Take Or Leave Your Loving 39. Spooky	Neil Diamond — Bang — Herman Hermits — MGM —
39. Spocky 40. Zabadack	Classics IV — Imperial — D. Dee-Dozy-Beaky-Mick & Tich, Impril. —
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	ONE HOUR LONGER
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	SEVEN DAYS
	A WEEK

