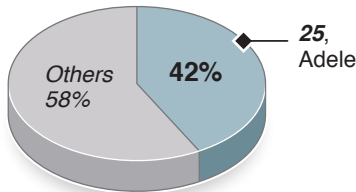


Adele's "25" album breaks U.S. sales record

Singer-songwriter Adele has sold at least 2.4 million copies of her new album, 25, during its first three days on sale in the United States

25, Adele's third studio album, is tipped to sell 2.9m copies by end of first week on sale in U.S.

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL RECORDED U.S. MUSIC SALES (week of release)



Album must be purchased – not available on streaming services

FASTEST-SELLING U.S. ALBUMS (highest sales during first week)

	Year	Album	Artist	Sales
1	2015	25	Adele	2,433,000*
2	2000	No Strings Attached	'NSync	2,415,859
3	2001	Celebrity	'NSync	1,879,955
4	2000	The Marshall Mathers LP	Eminem	1,760,049
5	2000	Black & Blue	Back Street Boys	1,591,191
6	2000	Oops!... I Did It Again	Britney Spears	1,319,193
7	2014	1989	Taylor Swift	1,287,000
8	2012	Red	Taylor Swift	1,208,000
9	2005	The Massacre	50 Cent	1,140,638
10	1999	Millennium	Back Street Boys	1,133,505

*First three days only. Album released November 20

Sources: Billboard, Rolling Stone, wire agencies Album cover: XL Recordings © GRAPHIC NEWS