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## What kept wham last christmas off number one

And we're going to have a Christmas number one and I've just written it.'"Wham! Bam! I have. Michael passed away on 25 December 2016 (with Last Christmas returned to the number one spot on 16 December and the 30th December but - once again and the 30th December 2016 (with Last Christmas at number one spot on 16 December and the 30th December but - once again and the 30th December and the 30th December but - once again and the 30th December 2016 (with Last Christmas at number one spot on 16 December and the 30th December but - once again and the 30th December 2016 (with Last Christmas at number one and I've just written it.'"Wham! Bam! I have. devilishly missed out on that elusive Christmas number one accolade in between, thanks to Lad Baby's Food Aid. Mercifully, 2023 held better news and Last Christmas in 2023, seven years after Michael's death and 39 years after its release. "Last Christmas has finally ascended to the much-cherished and sought-after official UK Charts. Related Topics In 1984 Wham! were a band riding high. only ever snowballed, holding Last Christmas at number two for five weeks in total and extending its winning streak far into January of the following year. Last Christmas did eventually outsell Do They Know It's Christmas?, clinging on to number eight with Band Aid at number nine on the charts of 20 January 1985. Contesting the originality of Michael's composition and claiming plagiarism, it fell to a musicologist to throw out the claim by citing 60 further previous songs that used the same sequence. For us, however, it's always the writers of Kool And The Gang's Joanna, released a whole year earlier, that should have been making the call... Close your eyes and summon up a few mental sleigh bells over this one: Kool & The Gang - Joanna (Official Music Video) - YouTube Watch On Still not getting it? Wham! also made history that year by setting up a brave fight all week, Sam Ryder's Amazon Original breakthrough festive hit You're Christmas to Me remains at Number 2, while Mariah Carey also keeps stable with All I Want for Christmas is You at Number 3. Plus some sleigh bells, obvs. He'd have homely, cosy Christmas two to one. You can practically see his dream slipping away as he chats to Bob Geldof's partner and later wife, UK music TV mainstay Paula Yates. "The song's really catchy," he ruefully admits, "a major threat to our fourth number one." "What's your next single?" Yates asks. "It's called Last Christmassy?" Yates probes. "Very," replies an increasingly crestfallen Michael, before consoling himself that all might not be lost. "I don't mind which gets to number one," he offers - lying. "It might be that everyone can have a go?" suggests Yates. Visibly cheered by this prospect, Micheal agrees. She has beaten Canadian crooner Michael Buble to the top spot as his festive album Christmas takes second place. Ridgeley told the Official Charts that his late bandmate Michael, who died on Christmas Day in 2016 at the age of 53, would be "utterly delighted" the song had become a festive classic. So next time you're moaning about not having enough gear, think again! And with third Make It Big single Freedom hitting number one exactly as Michael had predicted, Wham! were all set to finish the year in style.Raise a glass!Despite being a band famous for their TV appearances - most specifically their extensively choreographed and energetic performances on the UK's premier music show Top Of The Pops - it's still doubtless that the video for Last Christmas comes to mind as soon as you hear those familiar sleigh bells strike. Last Christmas held off stiff competition in the battle for Christmas number one from rising US pop star Gracie Abrams, who clinched second place with her latest hit That's So True. And while the video shows the band and hangers-on ascending by cable car, the house actually lies at the foot of the mountain, in the village, being easily accessible on foot. This is, of course, one of the iconic videos of the '80s, depicting Ridgeley romancing a girl that Michael was - as we see in flashback - intimate with just one year earlier. "Then I went downstairs and I said to Andrew, 'I've done it. to number one on its first week of release, giving up the top slot for that all-important Christmas week before winning it back again at the end of December). And there was more bad news. "Tell me baby, do you recognise me?" Following Last Christmas' release and number one failure, the song was to have another set back. Spotting the song's use of its innately obvious chord sequence - D, B minor, E minor, A - the writers of Barry Manilow's Can't Smile Without You chanced their arm. In a gesture of solidarity with Band Aid, however, the duo donated all the royalties from Last Christmas to Ethiopian famine relief. At the time of its initial release, Last Christmas was part of a Wham! double A-side single, along with Everything She Wants and the band did a Top of the Pops appearance to promote it, the colossal sales of Do They Know It's Christmas meant it was never to top the chart at the time. Wham have lost one chart record, and set another prior to today's chart, Last Christmas was the UK's biggest-selling single never to have reached number one - accumulating 1.9 million sales across its lifetime, according to the Official Chart Company. Speaking about how they think the frontman would have reacted to the track finally earning the Number Ones! And he loved Christmas. Christmas songs rising from last week include; Bobby Helms' Jingle Bell Rock (11), Dean Martin's Let It Snow! Let It Good Without You which peaked at Number 8 in November 2001. (24), Wizzard's I Wish It Could Be Christmas Everyday (25) and Laufey's Winter Wonderland (26). There was an expense account to blow and they were determined to make the most of it."Off camera, Michael would grill his fake love interest Hill about the working methods of her then real life boyfriend, the composer Vangelis. Meanwhile in order to boost the conviviality and visible sense of fun between all those taking part, director instructed to keep all glasses filled to the brim. "It is incredible to think that four years ago, Last Christmas was the biggest-selling single never to hit number one - then it finally hit the top in January 2021, finally became a Christmas number one in history, with nine weeks at the summit (in five separate runs) to its name," he added. December 15, 2023 WHAM! have scored the top spot in the UK Official Singles Chart, with their enduring hit 'Last Christmas' reaching No.1 for the fifth time. "I wrote it on one of those little four track portastudios," he explained in Netflix's 2023 Wham! Documentary. He would be relaxed and happy, opening the door with an excited, 'Right! Come and see my tree!'. It reached number two again in 2018. After all these years, finally to attain the Christmas number one. To mark three decades since its release in 1994, the singer also released a limited edition of her album Merry Christmas, but it will have to settle for a third place finish this year. Christ Rea's Driving Home For Christmas (19), The Ronette's Sleigh Ride (20), John Lennon & Yoko Ono's Plastic Band's Happy Xmas (War Is Over) (21), Paul McCartney's Wonderful Christmastime (22), José Feliciano's Feliz Navidad (23), Kelly Clarkson & Ariana Grande's Santa Can You Hear Me? Try this...Number one with a mullet?So did Michael get his much craved-for fourth number one? He said: "Thirty-seven years to get to number one, 39 years to Christmas number one, and then like London buses they all come along at once! Andrew Ridgeley, right, said bandmate George Michael's festive composition was 'almost as much a part of Christmas as mince pies, turkey and pigs in blankets' (PA)"I'm especially pleased for George, he would have been utterly delighted, his fabulous Christmas composition has become such a classic, almost as much a part of Christmas as mince pies, turkey and pigs in blankets. It was recorded in London at Advision Studios just days after it was written, Michael decorations in order to inject a little festive cheer into the session taking place at the height of the UK's summer. The recording is 100% the work of George Michael without the attendance or input of Ridgeley or Wham! backing singers Pepsi DeMacque and Shirlie Holliman. "It is surely, undeniably, established now as the British nation's all-time favourite Christmas song." He also applauded Carpenter for topping off an "incredible year" with the Christmas title. Wham! - Last Christmas (Official Video) - YouTube Watch On The video was shot in late November of 1984, in and around a house hired for the occasion in Saas-Fee in the Swiss alps. "George would be beside himself. The Christmas staple, which was originally beaten to the top spot in 1984 by Band Aid's charity single Do They Know It's Christmas?, secured the record last year for completing the longest ever journey to make it to number one in time for Christmas Day. The previous record-holder was Tony Christie's (Is This The Way To) Amarillo? To view this content choose 'accept and continue'. The singer jetted back from the film shoot to record his vocals for Do They Know It's Christmas - which would eventually hold Wham!'s song off the top spot. Andrew Ridgeley told Official Charts: "Christmas has indeed come early in 2023. Sabrina Carpenter capped off a standout year securing the Christmas number one album title (Doug Peters/PA)US star Chappell Roan, who has also had a breakout year, secures third with her smash hit debut The Rise And Fall Of A Midwest Princess. "Yog sat up, bolt upright and said, I've got to go upstairs. But it's not necessarily a Christmas features zero lyrical references to snow, eggnog, elves, tinsel, Santa or any other festive trope. But, on the fourth anniversary of the death of the band's cofounder, the song has hit the top spot after being streamed 9.2 million times in the last week.:: Subscribe to the Backstage podcast on Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, Spotify, SpreakerIn doing so, it set a new record for the longest time taken for a single to reach number one, beating the 33 years, four months Tony Christie's (Is This The Way To) Amarillo took when it hit the top in 2005. Literally.At Christmas time, it's hard...We've covered the genesis, creation and success of charity single Band Aid's Do They Know It's Christmas was inevitable from the moment that he and Midge Ure dreamed up the idea. And when Geldof came calling, asking for Michael's participation on the track, effectively asking him to willingly step aside and pass up his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the dawning of his number one, the ever magnanimous Michael's regret and the ever magnanimous M six-month masterplan's demise throughout the BBC's Band Aid: The Making of Do They Know It's Christmas documentary. This [Band Aid] will go in at number one, so hopefully we'll have a bash," he assures himself. Unfortunately, George Michael's Christmas wish was not to come true. Sure enough, as he suspected, both records entered the chart on 9 December 1984 with Do They Know It's Christmas? Sign up here. I'm delighted that Last Christmas? Sign up here. I'm delighted that Last Christmas? has once again reached the zenith of the Official Singles Chart, continuing a bit of a trend in the 2020s. Image: John Rogers/Daily Express/Hulton Archive/Getty Images Photo of WHAM! (Photo by John Rodgers/Redferns) Wham!'s 'Last Christmas' has become the Christmas Number One on the single's 40th anniversary. You may want to read and before accepting. "When he came back down, such was his excitement, it was as if he had discovered gold which, in a sense, he had."We went to his old room, the room in which we had spent hours as kids recording pastiches of radio shows and jingles... How cool is that?"Behind the scenes it was a riotous affair," Ridgeley wrote. Eventually, yes... But that track was Edge Of Heaven, Wham!'s final single, released to officially mark the duo's split and which held the number one slot for two weeks over a year later, in June 1986. Last Christmas would however, impressively, go on to chart again in 1985. and 1986, reaching numbers 2 and 14 respectively, then disappear, unreleased, until 2007 after which it has mercifully charted every year since. So is there a happy ending? Previously well known as the UK's highest-selling single never to reach number one (with over 2m physical sales to date), Last Christmas did finally reach the the number one slot on 1 January 2021, meaning that it took 36 years from its original release to finally make it - a new record. However, this dream finally coming true was something George Michael never lived to see. In that flashback we see Michael gift his girl (model Kathy Hill) a jewelled brooch, only to see Ridgeley wearing the self same brooch at 2:26, meaning that Hill - crucially always depicted as a wicked lady in red throughout - had indulged in a spot of very cheeky regifting: "The very next day, you gave it away," indeed. And while Michael's moody stares across the dining table as Ridgeley really did go on holiday to Switzerland with all their mates, stay in a swanky big house together and have a brilliant time. "That would be great, that might be what happens. when it was first released in 1984. It's funny. It was a moment of wonder."PA MediaWham! in March 1984, shortly after Last Christmas was writtenThe song was subsequently recorded in the middle of August at London's Advision Studios, which Michael plastered in Christmas decorations to set the mood. The cheesy-but-cheerful video was shot later that year in Switzerland, featuring Wham's backing singers Pepsi and Shirlie and model Kathy Hill. Alongside its famous chunky knitwear, and central role for a silver brooch, the video also marked the final time Michael would be seen without his trademark designer stubble. This article contains content provided by Google YouTube. It would be mission accomplished - that was the challenge and the goal he set for himself and it was a huge disappointment when it didn't make it, because in our opinion it was nailed on. "Happy Christmas! The only other non-Christmas songs present in the chart today are Jack Harlow's former Number 1 Lovin On Me (27), and Tate McRae's slinky greedy (37). This week's stack of Christmas hits is completed by Sia's Snowman (28), Leona Lewis' One More Sleep (29), Darlene Love's Christmas (Baby Please Come Home) (31), Slade's Merry Xmas Everybody (32), Justin Bieber's Mistletoe (33), Nat King Cole's The Christmas Song (34), Michael Jackson and the Jackson Five's Santa Claus Is Coming To Town (35), Coldplay's Christmas Lights (36), Bing Crosby's White Christmas (40). But by this time, any hope of the track hitting number one had long since slipped away. (It's worth saying that in Ireland, at least, Last Christmas? Penned and produced by the late George Michael, the track was created with the aim of landing the Christmas? Penned and produced by the late George Michael, the track was created with the aim of landing that in Ireland, at least, Last Christmas? Penned and produced by the late George Michael, the track was created with the aim of landing the Christmas Number One in 1984. Ed Sheeran and Elton John move up one with Merry Christmas at Number 4, while Brenda Lee dances up two to Number 5 on Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree. I've got an idea.'"Michael retreated alone to his old bedroom to sketch the song out on his keyboard. "Years later, he would make sure we all got hampers, and Christmas didn't arrive until you received your George Michael hamper from Fortnum & Mason." This year, the race for the Christmas?'. Darn.Incredibly, despite the setback, and ever the gent, rather than bear a grudge, Michael instead gifted all proceeds from Last Christmas in perpetuity to the Band Aid charity, effectively contributing an additional third to its £8 million first year profits. But it wasn't lights out for Last Christmas just yet. Following the release of limited-edition collectibles to mark the track's 40th anniversary, it has soared up the charts again to become the most-streamed and physically purchased song of the week, according to the Official Charts Company. "The fact that our friends were there as extras in the video to a surefire Christmas hit single seemed to get lost in their excitement about getting a free holiday. Singer-superstar Taylor Swift takes home fourth place with her 11th studio album The Tortured Poets Department, while indie rockers The Reytons secure fifth with their Clifton Park live album. "It is surely, undeniably, established now as the British Nation's all-time favourite Christmas Song." Also, of course, we should all take our caps off to Sabrina Carpenter too, whose Short N' Sweet album tops off what has been an incredible year for her to become the Official Christmas Number 1 album." The festive classic had a 39-year wait to secure the coveted title last year after it was first released in December 1984 by pop duo George Michael and Andrew Ridgeley. Meanwhile Careless Whisper, a song confusingly issued under the solo George Michael name but also featuring on Wham!'s Make It Big, was about to hit the top spot later that month.And, as far as Michael saw it, with the next single Freedom already in the chamber (sure enough, a number one in October of that year), the work-in-progress Last Christmas would be a huge hit," Ridgeley said. It's worth bearing in mind that at this point Michael had effectively, by mutual agreement of Ridgeley and their manager Simon Napier Bell, secretly dissolved Wham!, and while Bell harboured hopes of a third album, all three knew that the writing was on the wall. With the Make It Big tour complete, George Michael about to have his first solo number one and the pressure off, it's perhaps not surprising that - come August 1984 - Michael was feeling sufficiently off the hook to be even more creative and off-Wham!-brand than usual. It's Christmas! Or is it? Last Christmas is pure textbook Christmas cheese, but behind the scenes it lives an interesting double life. With lashings of sleigh bells on board, and lyrics referencing a "soul of ice" and perhaps presents being exchanged ("I wrapped it up and sent it"), it clearly IS a Christmas record (with 'Christmas' in its title). Instead, it's actually a tale of torment, lost love and a desire to do things differently that could have just as easily been entitled 'Last August'. And with the demo complete that afternoon, Michael didn't delay in creating the song for real. Chief executive of Official Charts Martin Talbot sent his congratulations to Ridgeley and the Wham! team on "achieving an incredible piece of Official Chart history" this week. And, a BBC Two documentary about the creation and cultural impact of the holiday hit is also set to air tomorrow (December 14). Last Christmas, originally a double A-side with Everything She Wants, spent five weeks at number two when it was released in Wham's mid-1980s heyday. It even got as high as number six when it was re-released the following year. View this post on Instagram A post shared by WHAM! (@whamofficial) Recently, Pepsi & Shirlie - the pair of backing singers and dancers for Wham! - spoke to NME about the 40th anniversary of 'Last Christmas' and how Michael fulfilled his legacy. Freezing This Christmas was the biggest-selling single never to hit Number 1 - then it finally hit the top in January 2021, finally became a Christmas Number 1 in December 2023 and is now the first repeat Christmas Number 1 in history, with nine weeks at the summit (in five separate runs) to its name. Last week Cher set a new Official Chart record by becoming the first solo artist ever to score a Top 40 hit with new material across seven consecutive decades. Long may that continue!" Wham's Last Christmas has finally topped the UK charts - 36 years after its release. Written and produced by George Michael, it was kept off the number one slot by Band Aid's Do They Know It's Christmas? Over in the Official Albums Chart, US pop star Sabrina Carpenter has capped off a standout year by securing the Christmas? Over in the Official Albums Chart, US pop star Sabrina Carpenter has capped off a standout year by securing the Christmas? one album title with Short N' Sweet. Following the success of their debut album Fantastic in 1983, the band went on to Make It Big with an album of the same name in 1984 and a global tour proving that the band had, by this point, done just that. In guitarist Andrew's Ridgeley's book Wham!, George And Me, he writes that the song's genesis occurred at vocalist George Michael's parents' home in Hertfordshire in the summer of 1984. Having returned to the UK following the band's global Make It Big tour, the final jigsaw pieces of a tune Michael had been mulling over finally slotted into place within his brain. To celebrate this success, WHAM! have released two limited edition singles, on 7" green vinyl and CD - the first time Last Christmas has been available as a standalone CD single, with the original artwork. which had a 34-year gap between its original release and topping the chart for Comic Relief in 2005. And we're still streaming festive songs...Wham!'s record is the second long-toothed classic to claim chart glory in recent weeks, after Mariah Carey's All I Want For Christmas songs continue to dominate this week's chart countdown, with 28 festive tracks inside the top 40.All I Want For Christmas Is You: Meet the man behind Mariah Carey's festive classicHowever, as festive streams decline, some other songs have seen their fortunes turn around - with Little Mix's Sweet Melody returning to the top 10; and Ed Sheeran's new single Afterglow reaching a new peak of 13. In the albums chart, Michael Bublé's Christmas album returned to number one for the first time in nine years, displacing Paul McCartney's latest record, McCartney III. Taylor Swift's second surprise album of 2020, Evermore, held steady at number two; while Dua Lipa's Future Nostalgia jumped 15 places to number three after featuring prominently in a number of end-of-year polls. Correction: An earlier version of this article erroneously stated that Martin Kemp of Spandau Ballet made a cameo in the video for Last Christmas. You can purchase it here. Mark SavageBBC music reporterSony MusicThe song was written while George Michael (right) watched a football matchWham!'s Last Christmas has topped the UK singles chart for the first time, 36 years after it was first released. The festive classic was streamed 9.2 million times over the last week, knocking LadBaby's Don't Stop Me Eating off the top spot by Band Aid's Do They Know It's Christmas? Ridgeley said he was "somewhat amazed" the record had now reached number one. He said he was "delighted" and "profoundly pleased" at the news, "albeit 36 years after its first release which is, perhaps more than anything, a testament to its timeless appeal and charm". "It is a fitting tribute to George's song-writing genius and one of which he would have been immensely proud and utterly thrilled," Ridgeley added. Since the song was released in 1984, it has returned to the top 10 a further six times. But it only reached number two - and was thwarted by Ed Sheeran's Perfect. Its lyrics also inspired Dame Emma Thompson to write the movie Last Christmas, which was released in cinemas last Christmas. How George Michael 'discovered gold' Last Christmas was written by George Michael in his childhood bedroom in February 1984, "and as far as I was concerned it was a number one", he told Smash Hits in 1986. Inspiration struck out of the blue, while the singer was watching a football match at his parents' house in Hertfordshire. "We'd had a bite to eat and were sitting together relaxing with the television on in the background when, almost unnoticed, George disappeared upstairs for an hour or so," recalled Ridgeley in his 2017 memoir. The self-proclaimed Queen of Christmas Mariah Carey also put up a honourable fight in a bid to secure the Christmas number one title for the first time with her All I Want For Christmas Is You. We ask for your permission before anything is loaded, as they may be using cookies and other technologies. and he played me the introduction and the beguiling, wistful chorus melody to Last Christmas. He may have missed out on the number one spot, but he has landed a new personal best coming in at number four. Ever eager to please their fans, the Wham! team had carefully packed a secret weapon on board their festive launch. Their ultimate Christmas jaunt was actually a double-A-side with the excellent (and completely sleigh bell-free) Everything She Wants - probably the best thing that Wham! ever did - slyly secreted on its reverse. Andy Williams' It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year climbs three (9), while Noah Kahan's Stick Season (10) is the only non-Christmas song present in the Top 10. The iconic song has now achieved 6x platinum in the UK and US, with over 1.6 billion streams worldwide, so far. The accolade also comes as 'Last Christmas' celebrates its 40th anniversary, which will see the single be released on a special limited-edition physical reissue on both CD and various 12" vinyl pressings including a picture disc and a zoetrope disc. Mariah Carey released a limited edition of her album Merry Christmas (Danny Lawson/PA)Little Bit Of Love singer Tom Grennan had thrown his hat in the ring as well with his new track It Can't Be Christmas, a collaboration with Amazon Music Original. We're going to have four number ones this year. The only nod to the Wham! band and brand would be the appearance of regular recording and live contributor Deon Estus on bass. Working alone, Michael recorded and produced the track on a LinnDrum for all the drums and percussion, with all the other parts being played by Michael himself on just one keyboard - a Roland Juno-60. As Britain's festivities have been in full swing over the past seven days, Christmas song that in a lot of people's minds evokes and represents Christmas as we would all wish it to be." The singer thanked all those who had listened to, downloaded and purchased the song and sent them his best wishes for the holiday season. Michael Bublé is also up two today with It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas (7), while Ariana Grande's Santa Tell Me arrives in the Top 10 for the first time ever (8), becoming Ari's landmark 20th Top 10 hit in the UK. With seasonal classics competing with new hits from the likes of Ed Sheeran & Elton John, Kelly Clarkson and Ariana Grande, Christmas is proving the most wonderful time of the year for music fans, and big business for the music industry too. A plan! At this point Wham! had already scored their first number one, Wake Me Up Before You Go Go. The debut single from Make It Big had hit the UK top spot a few months earlier in May 1984. Want all the hottest music and gear news, reviews, deals, features and more, direct to your inbox? Christina Aguilera (1.55m pure sales), a number two hit in 2011.Last Christmas is the second festive classic to finally claim chart glory in recent weeks, after Mariah Carey's All I Want For Christmas is the second festive tracks inside the top 40, including tunes by Kylie Minogue, the Ronettes and Dean Martin. Jose Feliciano's Feliz Navidad makes its Top 40 debut 50 years after its release at number 40. Michael Buble's Christmas album climbs to number 1 on this week's Official Albums Chart, returning to the summit for the first time in nine years ahead of Taylor Swift's Evermore. Speaking about this realisation, Shirlie said: "When I saw that Band Aid had made a documentary, I thought, 'Oh no!'. It wasn't until last year that 'Last Christmas' finally earned the festive top spot. Grennan thanked those who had supported him in his endeavour, saying: "You are always going to be part of my family and a part of my Christmas dream." Blackpink's Rose rounds out the top five with her dancefloor hit Apt in collaboration with US singer Bruno Mars. The song reached number one in Denmark, Slovenia, and Sweden and, apart from the UK, it reached number two in eight other countries including Ireland, Germany and Italy. Its enduring popularity has seen it climb back into the top 40 no less than 13 times since 2007, shortly after downloads were introduced to the Official Chart. Cheers! In attendance for what was essentially a mates' piss-up masquerading as a music video were Wham! regulars Pepsi and Shirlie plus other band members and lifelong friends such as David Austin (who carries in the vuletide logs). at 1:29), the duo's old schoolmate and regular moral supporter of the band, and who fronted a Michael co-written and produced single Turn To Gold which reached number 68 in June 1984. And while Shirlie Holliman's boyfriend and future husband Martin Kemp of Spandau Ballet was in attendance, he doesn't actually appear in the video, avoiding the theft of any limelight by dipping out of its snowy frolics. The video is also remarkable in that it's the very last time that Michael was seen sans beard, with his solo reinvention set in motion after its completion. And so with a six-month masterplan coming to its conclusion and with much audio and visual perfection in the can, surely nothing could stop Wham! attaining their fourth number one...But then disaster struck. Wham! - Everything She Wants (Official Video) - YouTube Watch On This meant that once the big day had passed (and songs with Christmas themes would traditionally plummet), Last Christmas could be flipped on the radio, fire its second-stage booster and rocket back up the charts. But Michael's dream of a fourth number one only ever slipped further away as sales for Do They Know It's Christmas? George Michael and Andrew Ridgeley's festive classic first reached No.1 in 2021, 36 years after its 1984 release. Image: The band's Christmas hit has set a new record for the longest time taken for a single to reach number one In finally hitting top spot, the song has lost an unwanted record - that of being the UK's best-selling single to never reach number one, accumulating 1.9 million pure sales to date across its lifetime. That title now goes to Maroon 5's Moves Like Jagger ft. "It'll be cold, so cold, without fuel at home, this Christmas." Meanwhile, Oflficial Charts confirmed Last Christmas became the very first song ever to achieve two consecutive Christmas Number one victories. The achievement marks the track's 40th anniversary as the most-streamed song of the week. Elsewhere, Queen of Christmas Mariah Carey, despite celebrating 30 years of All I Want for Christmas is You, has had to settle for the number three spot. Martin Talbot, chief executive of Official Chart scommented: "Many, many congratulations to Andrew Ridgeley and Team WHAM! on achieving an incredible piece of Official Chart history this week. That title now passes on to Maroon 5's Moves Like Jagger (1.55 million sales), which was a number two hit in 2011. But Last Christmas does now hold a new chart record - for the longest time taken for a single to reach number one. Now, the wistful festive classic is back at the top of the Official Singles Chart for an eighth non-consecutive week in just under four years, having first reached the summit for the first time on New Year's Day 2021. However, the pop track was kept off the top spot by Band Aid's 'Do They Know It's Christmas?', a track that would go on to become the second best-selling single of all time. It's history repeating itself, but whichever song gets to Number One, it's win-win." The scathing anti-Keir Starmer Christmas track. Freezing this Christmas, has missed out on the UK's festive top spot. Wham's Christmas classic, Last Christmas, has been placed as the festive number one for the second year running. The 1984 tune by George Michael and Andrew Ridgeley, 61, commented he was "especially pleased" for the late Michael, who died in 2016 at the age of 53. The singer had always wanted the song to reach number one. "He would have been utterly delighted [that] his fabulous Christmas as mince pies, turkey and pigs in blankets, "Ridgeley stated. He continued: "It's testament to a really wonderful Christmas song that in a lot of people's minds evokes and represents Christmas as we would all wish it to be. "The Official Charts Company said the song had been streamed 12.6 million times in the week leading up to Christmas It comes as many had hoped the anti-Starmer Christmas song by Sir Starmer and the Granny Harmers, a mock rendition of Mud's Lonely This Christmas, would be placed at the top spot. However, the political tune is currently sat in 37th place on the charts. The song's lyrics describe frustrations over the current Labour government, with lyrics such as "It'll be freezing this Christmas, without fuel at home, it'll be freezing this Christmas, while Keir Starmer is warm.

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