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**Ratings Report: ABC News' "Nightline"
For Week of May 31, 2021**

**'NIGHTLINE' RANKS NO. 1 IN TOTAL VIEWERS, ADULTS 25-54 AND ADULTS 18-49 FOR
2ND STRAIGHT WEEK**

**Season to Date, 'Nightline' Is Beating CBS' 'The Late Late Show with James Corden' in Adults
25-54 and Adults 18-49 for 6th Consecutive Year**



*Correspondent Ryan Smith sits down for an exclusive interview with Christopher Seeger, the attorney representing former players in the NFL's landmark concussion settlement negotiations – story aired on June 2
ABC News/Nightline**

ABC News' "Nightline" ranked No. 1 in Total Viewers (834,000), Adults 25-54 (242,000) and Adults 18-49 (189,000) for the 2nd straight week during the week of May 31, 2021, based on Live + Same Day Data from Nielsen Media Research. "Nightline" **outperformed CBS' "The Late Late Show with James Corden"** (676,000, 204,000 and 164,000, respectively) **in Total Viewers (+158,000), Adults 25-54 (+38,000) and Adults 18-49 (+25,000).**

In addition, "Nightline" **beat NBC's "Late Night with Seth Meyers"** (562,000, 175,000 and 130,000, respectively) **in Total Viewers (+272,000), Adults 25-54 (+67,000) and Adults 18-49 (+59,000).**

Season to date, "Nightline" (294,000 and 204,000, respectively) **is beating CBS' "The Late Late Show with James Corden"** (242,000 and 170,000, respectively) **in Adults 25-54 (+52,000) and Adults 18-49 (+34,000) for the 6th straight year**—since the 2015-2016 season.

Last week "Nightline" followed up on its reporting of former NFL players accusing the league's concussion settlement program of discrimination, featuring interviews with [wives of the players](#) and an exclusive interview with [Christopher Seeger](#)—the attorney representing former players in the NFL's landmark concussion settlement negotiations—who reversed his stance on the use of race-norming in the medical protocol for the NFL's program. The show also featured stories on the legalization of [marijuana](#), and those impacted by the war on [drugs](#), and the push for stronger [gun storage laws](#) to protect children from accidental injuries.

NOTE: On Memorial Day (5/31/21), ABC's "Nightline" was retitled to "Nightline-5/31" and CBS' "The Late Late Show" was retitled to "Late Lt Show-Corden-SP-MD." In addition, "The Late Late Show" was retitled to "Late Late Show-JC-ENC" due to being repeats. NBC's "Late Night with Seth Meyers" was retitled to "Seth Meyers-SM" during the week due to being repeats. The retitled telecasts are not included in the weekly and season averages. ABC's and CBS' weekly averages are based on four days (Tues-Fri).

ABC News' "Nightline" is late-night television's prestigious, award-winning news program featuring the most powerful, in-depth stories that shape our lives and the world around us. It is anchored by Juju Chang and Byron Pitts. Steven Baker is executive producer. The program airs weeknights from 12:35-1:05 a.m. EST on ABC. "Nightline" has also produced numerous original documentaries available on ABC News digital platforms and Hulu.

Week of May 31, 2021:

<u>PROGRAM AVERAGES</u>	<u>TOTAL VIEWERS</u>	<u>A25-54(000)/Rtg</u>	<u>A18-49(000)/Rtg</u>
ABC's "Nightline"	834,000	242,000/0.2	189,000/0.1
CBS' "The Late Late Show"	676,000	204,000/0.2	164,000/0.1
NBC's "Late Night"	562,000	175,000/0.1	130,000/0.1

Source: The Nielsen Company, NTI Total Viewers, Adults 25-54 and Adults 18-49 Live + SD Current Week (w/o 5/31/21), Previous Week (w/o 5/24/21) and Year-Ago Week (w/o 6/1/20). Most Current: 2020-2021 Season (9/21/20-6/6/21) and 2019-2020 Season (9/23/19-6/7/20). Beginning 8/31/20, national ratings also include Out of Home (OOH) viewing. Averages based on regular telecasts.

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