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**Ratings Report for ABC News' "World News Tonight with David Muir" For the week of May 12, 2025

THE #1 PROGRAM ON ALL BROADCAST AND CABLE IS 'WORLD NEWS TONIGHT WITH DAVID MUIR' AND AMERICA'S #1 NEWSCAST ACROSS ALL DEMOS, LEADING NBC BY 1.5 MILLION AND CBS BY 3.2 MILLION VIEWERS

'World News Tonight' Is #1 in Total Viewers for the 9th Year Straight, Delivering Biggest Season Lead Over NBC in 30 Years and CBS in 4 Years, and #1 in Both Adult Demos for 6th Year in a Row, Outpacing NBC and CBS by Double Digits



"World News Tonight with David Muir" stood as the No. 1 program of the week in Total Viewers (6.966 million) on all of broadcast and cable during the week of May 12, 2025, based on Live+Same Day Data from Nielsen Media Research.

- "World News Tonight" ranked as the No. 1 newscast across the board in Total Viewers (6.966 million), Adults 25-54 (891,000) and Adults 18-49 (625,000).
- "World News Tonight" outperformed "NBC Nightly News" (5.465 million, 776,000 and 496,000, respectively) by 1.501 million Total Viewers, by 115,000 Adults 25-54 and by 129,000 Adults 18-49.
- "World News Tonight" ranked as the No. 1 telecast of the day on Monday (7.416 million), Tuesday (7.127 million), Wednesday (6.992 million), Thursday (6.909) and Friday (6.387 million).

- "World News Tonight" increased its Total Viewer margin over "NBC Nightly News" year to year by 7% (1.501 million vs. 1.398 million).
- "World News Tonight" (6.966 million, 891,000 and 625,000, respectively) **defeated "CBS Evening News"** (3.766 million, 503,000 and 368,000, respectively) **by 3.200 million Total Viewers, by 388,000 Adults 25-54 and by 257,000 Adults 18-49.**
- For the 10th week in a row, "World News Tonight" **increased its lead over "CBS Evening News" compared to the same week last year in Total Viewers** (+10% 3.200 million vs. 2.911 million), **Adults 25-54** (+3% 388,000 vs. 376,000) **and Adults 18-49** (+4% 257,000 vs. 248,000).
- Season to date, "World News Tonight" (7.780 million) is ranking No. 1 in Total Viewers for the 9th consecutive year, based on Most Current Data. "World News Tonight" is leading "NBC Nightly News" (6.228 million) by 1.552 million and "CBS Evening News" (4.374 million) by 3.406 million. In fact, "World News Tonight" is growing its Total Viewer lead over NBC compared to the same point last season (+23% 1.552 million vs. 1.266 million) to its largest in 30 years since the 1994-1995 season. In addition, "World News Tonight" is increasing its Total Viewer season margin versus "CBS Evening News" by 10% (3.406 million vs. 3.104 million) to its largest in 4 years since the 2020-2021 season.
- "World News Tonight" is ranking No. 1 in Adults 25-54 and Adults 18-49 for the 6th straight season. Season to date, "World News Tonight" (1.097 million and 761,000, respectively) is leading NBC (914,000 and 605,000, respectively), increasing its margins from the same point last season in Adults 25-54 (+49% 183,000 vs. 123,000) and Adults 18-49 (+61% 156,000 vs. 97,000).
- In addition, "World News Tonight" is widening margins with "CBS Evening News" (628,000 and 424,000, respectively) by double digits in Adults 25-54 (+14% 469,000 vs. 413,000) and Adults 18-49 (+18% 337,000 vs. 285,000).

ABC's "World News Tonight with David Muir" airs 6:30-7:00 p.m. EDT on ABC. Chris Dinan is the executive producer of the broadcast.

EVENING NEWS (Week of May 12, 2025)

TOTAL VIEWERS		ADULTS 25-54	ADULTS 18-49	HOUSEHOLDS
ABC WORLD NEWS TONIGHT	6,966,000	0.7/10; 891,000	0.5/9; 625,000	4.2/16
NBC NIGHTLY NEWS	5,465,000	0.6/9 ; 776,000	0.4/8; 496,000	3.3/13
CBS EVENING NEWS	3,766,000	0.4/6; 503,000	0.3/6; 368,000	2.2/9

Source: The Nielsen Company, NTI Total Viewers, Adults 25-54 and Adults 18-49 Live + SD Current Week (w/o 5/12/25), Previous Week (w/o 5/5/25) and Year-Ago Week (w/o 5/13/24). Most Current Data Stream: 2024-2025 Season (9/23/24 – 5/18/25) and 2023-2024 Season (9/25/23 – 5/19/24). Nielsen ratings for ABC, NBC and CBS include additional airings in select markets. Beginning 8/31/20, national ratings also include Out of Home (OOH) viewing. Averages based on regular telecasts.

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