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by **Clive**

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Posted: **Tue Aug 09, 2011 1:28 pm**

Was Dusty the most successful act on the Philips record label during the 60s in the UK?

Can't think of anyone who did better or am I forgetting someone?

Re: Was Dusty biggest star on Philips?

by **wally**

Posted: **Tue Aug 09, 2011 8:15 pm**

The only others I can think of are the Walker Brothers / Scott Walker but I still think that Dusty had the lead

Re: Was Dusty biggest star on Philips?

by **daydreamer**

Posted: **Tue Aug 09, 2011 9:07 pm**

I think of Dusty as being the face of Philips in the 60's....she and Scott Walker. Two beautiful faces 😊 The only other Philips act that comes to my mind would be The Four Pennies but there surely must be many more.

Re: Was Dusty biggest star on Philips?

by **Brian**

Posted: **Tue Aug 09, 2011 9:29 pm**

In the late 50's/early 60's I think Frankie Vaughan was the biggest act Philips had on their books, but during the mid 60's Dusty must have been their greatest earner - the Walker Brothers only had 6 top 20 hits.

Brian

Re: Was Dusty biggest star on Philips?

by **mnmcv1**

Posted: **Tue Aug 09, 2011 11:14 pm**

I know the Walker Brothers were bigger in the UK than they were here in the US, but I think there's little question Dusty was more successful.

I know your question was for the UK, Clive...but speaking for the US, Dusty was also one of the label's biggest acts. 🙌 The only other artist I can think who may have been more successful here were The Four Seasons (Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons). They initially started on the Vee-Jay label (which released their earliest hits, "Sherry", "Big Girls Don't Cry", etc), but they jumped over to Phillips at the beginning of 1964 and stayed there for the rest of the decade. Not sure of how popular they were in the UK, though.

Re: Was Dusty biggest star on Philips?

by **Clive**

Posted: **Wed Aug 10, 2011 8:16 am**

Thanks Markus, Four Seasons certainly had a lot of hits in the UK but I think they were on several different labels for UK market.

Interesting though that as Dusty's success in US on Philips was perhaps only second to the Four Seasons that US Philips were not more keen to keep Dusty.

Thanks Wally, Carole and Brian, I guess the Walker Brothers were nearest to Dusty's success then, if you take all their hits as a group plus solo hits.

I don't think any of Dusty's biographies have stressed that Dusty was the biggest star on Philips. It was an achievement as it was a major label. Whether it gave Dusty any more clout I don't know, perhaps it did in terms of her freedom for song selection etc.

