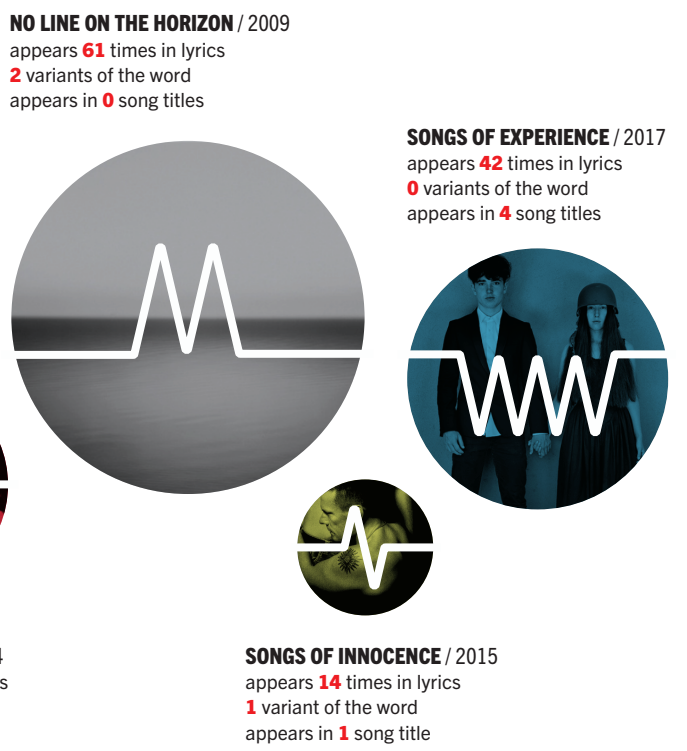
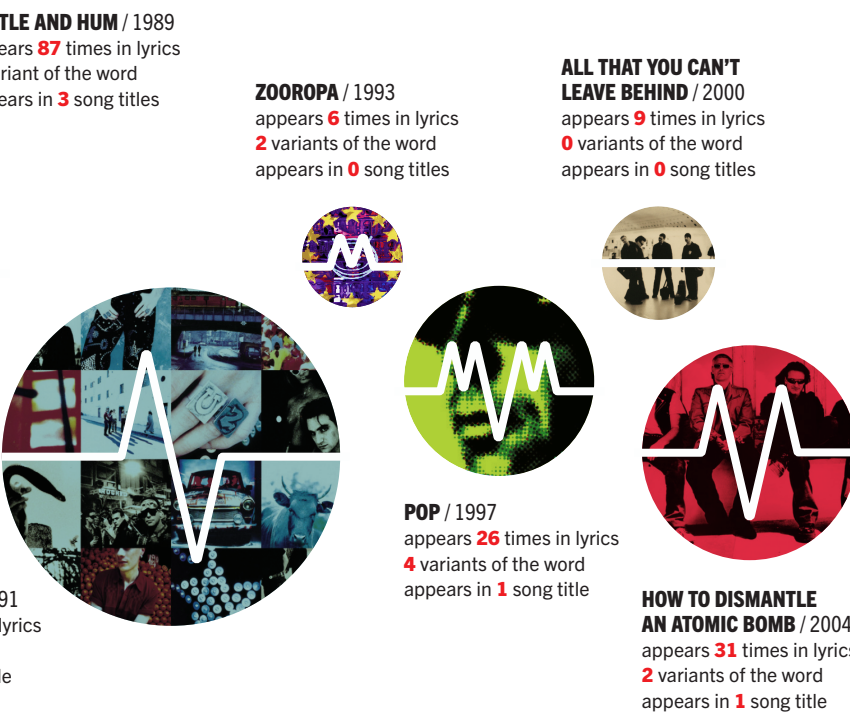
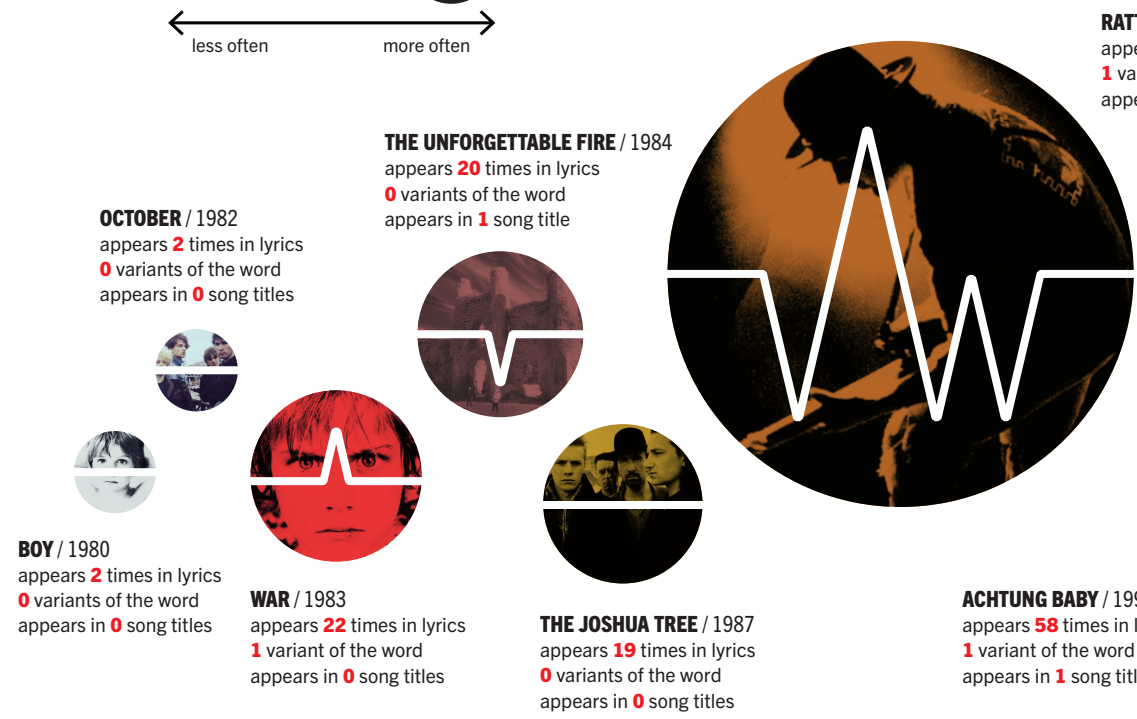


THERE IS NO END TO LOVE

FREQUENCY OF THE WORD LOVE THROUGHOUT U2'S DISCOGRAPHY, 1980-2017

KEY

Number of times "love" is in lyrics on each album
 ← Number of "love" variants in album lyrics
 ← No "love" variants; no song titles with "love"
 ← Number of song titles with "love"



VARIANTS OF LOVE IN LYRICS

THERE ARE 8 VARIANTS OF THE WORD LOVE IN LYRICS ON ALL 14 ALBUMS

- LOVED × 11**
×11 DO YOU FEEL LOVED
- LOVER × 10**
×3 HELTER SKELTER
×2 THE FIRST TIME
×1 DESIRE
×1 EVEN BETTER THAN THE REAL THING
×1 GONE
×1 LOVE AND PEACE OR ELSE
×1 SLEEP LIKE A BABY TONIGHT

- LOVELY × 3**
×2 BABYFACE
×1 LOVE AND PEACE OR ELSE
- LOVERS × 3**
×2 PLEASE
×1 SURRENDER

- LOVES × 2**
×1 GET ON YOUR BOOTS
×1 I'LL GO CRAZY IF I DON'T GO CRAZY TONIGHT

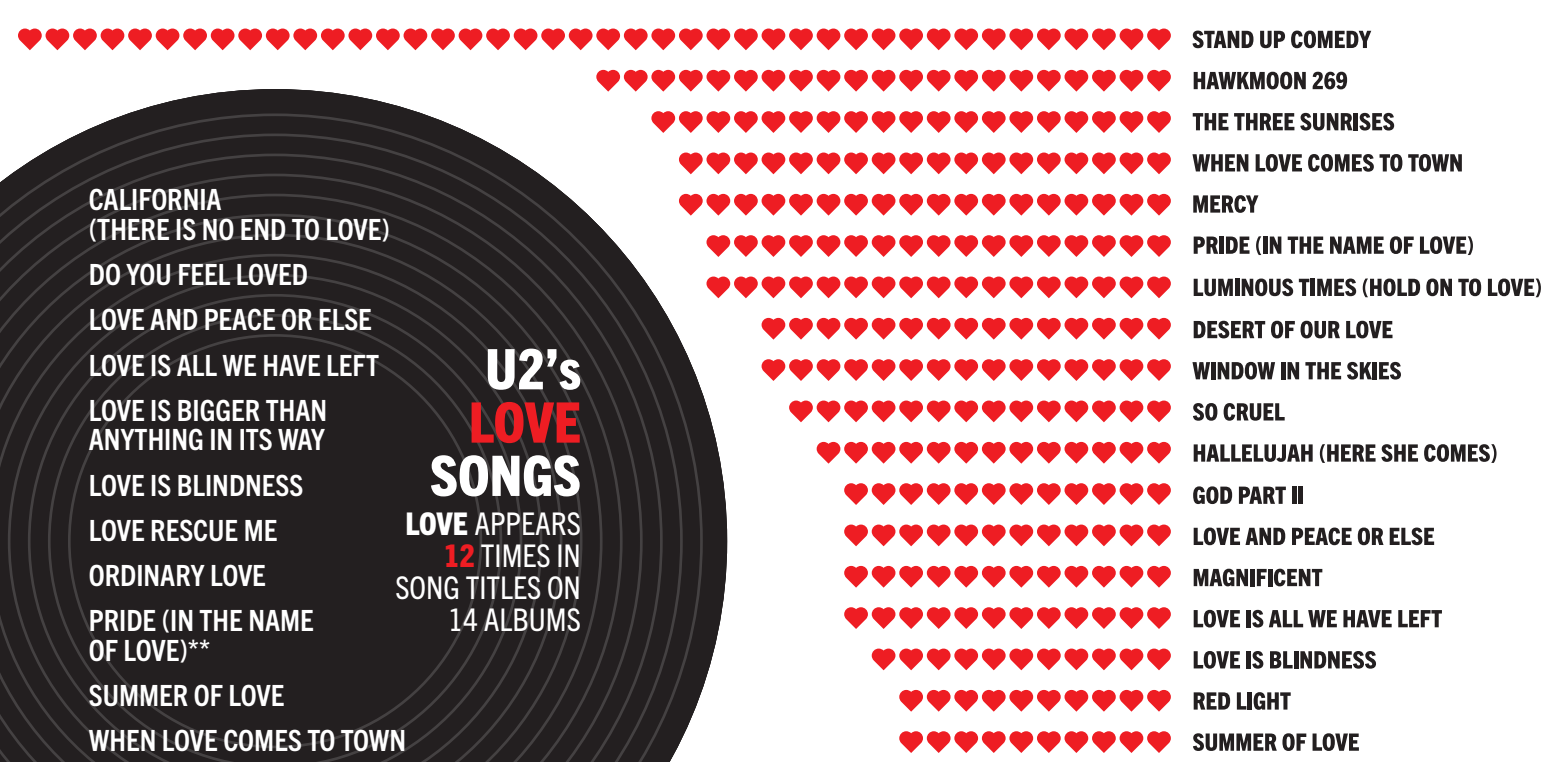
- LOVEY × 2**
×2 DISCOTHEQUE

- LOVING × 1**
×2 ELVIS PRESLEY AND AMERICA

- LOVESICK × 1**
×2 STAND UP COMEDY

U2 SONGS WITH THE HIGHEST FREQUENCY OF LOVE

OUT OF 179 SONGS IN THIS STUDY*, LOVE IS FOUND AT LEAST 10 TIMES IN 18 SONGS



U2's LOVE SONGS
LOVE APPEARS 12 TIMES IN SONG TITLES ON 14 ALBUMS

- CALIFORNIA (THERE IS NO END TO LOVE)
- DO YOU FEEL LOVED
- LOVE AND PEACE OR ELSE
- LOVE IS ALL WE HAVE LEFT
- LOVE IS BIGGER THAN ANYTHING IN ITS WAY
- LOVE IS BLINDNESS
- LOVE RESCUE ME
- ORDINARY LOVE
- PRIDE (IN THE NAME OF LOVE)**
- SUMMER OF LOVE
- WHEN LOVE COMES TO TOWN

ABOUT THE STUDY

As love is a common theme in U2's lyrics, Scott Calhoun began the U2 Love Lyrics Project to better understand the theme's value to U2 and its messaging on this theme. This study of the word "love" in the U2 songbook examines 14 commercially released albums, representing 13 studio albums and the live album Rattle And Hum.

METHODOLOGY

This study used deluxe releases of 14 albums, totaling 169 songs. Lyrics were verified on U2.com. Repeated words in songs are counted as emphatic devices. The "Highest Frequency of Love" report studied 10 additional songs that also had a high frequency of "love." Future studies will examine the meanings of "love" and lyrics from live performances.

399 # OF TIMES LOVE APPEARS IN LYRICS ON ALL 14 ALBUMS

OTHER FREQUENT WORDS IN LYRICS

- FEEL ×113
- MAN ×93
- TIME ×87
- NEED ×78
- SHADOW(S) ×39

VARIANTS OF LOVE BY ALBUM

VARIANTS OF THE WORD LOVE APPEAR 32 TIMES IN LYRICS ON 8 OF 14 ALBUMS

BOY	ONLY 'LOVE'
OCTOBER	ONLY 'LOVE'
WAR × 1	LOVERS (1)
TUF	ONLY 'LOVE'
TJT	ONLY 'LOVE'
R&H × 4	LOVER (4)
ACHTUNG × 1	LOVER (1)
ZOOROPA × 4	LOVER (2), LOVELY (2)
POP × 16	LOVED (11), LOVERS (2), LOVEY (2), LOVER (1)
ATYCLB	ONLY 'LOVE'
HTDAAB × 2	LOVER (1), LOVELY (1)
NLOTH × 3	LOVES (2), LOVESICK (1)
SOI × 1	LOVER (1)
SOE	ONLY 'LOVE'

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