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Venue, Location	No. of Seats	Total Gross	Attendance	Shows
15,001 or More Seats				
1. Toyota Center, Houston	19,000	\$2,765,098	38,870	5
2. Arrowhead Pond of Anaheim (Calif.)	17,500	\$2,284,542	31,385	3
3. HP Pavilion at San Jose (Calif.)	20,000	\$1,699,012	25,319	3
4. ARCO Arena, Sacramento, Calif.	17,500	\$1,434,699	28,766	3
5. The Palace Of Auburn Hills (Mich.)	20,799	\$1,428,192	66,433	6
6. MCI Center, Washington, D.C.	20,000	\$1,308,038	19,082	2
7. Staples Center, Los Angeles	20,000	\$1,249,460	17,079	2
8. America West Arena, Phoenix	17,000	\$1,216,086	18,822	3
9. Manchester (England) Evening News Arena	19,487	\$1,098,998	14,587	1
10. Coliseo De Puerto Rico, San Juan	18,000	\$1,042,879	10,119	1
10,001–15,000 Seats				
1. Patriot Center, Fairfax, Va.	10,404	\$1,375,463	36,841	11
2. Cox Arena at Aztec Bowl, San Diego	11,500	\$1,355,231	27,214	4
3. Wachovia Arena at Casey Plaza, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	10,500	\$1,131,140	24,642	4
4. Atlantic City (N.J.) Boardwalk Hall	14,000	\$1,084,495	12,417	1
5. Giant Center, Hershey, Pa.	12,500	\$1,014,208	23,552	3
6. San Diego Sports Arena	11,500	\$992,130	17,995	2
7. The NEC Arena, Birmingham, England	12,300	\$861,120	11,296	1
8. Save Mart Center, Fresno, Calif.	14,800	\$667,799	14,410	3
9. Blue Cross Arena, Rochester, N.Y.	14,000	\$661,140	9,249	1
10. Van Andel Arena, Grand Rapids, Mich.	12,818	\$557,487	8,174	1



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1 Ludacris is seen backstage with Joe Wittman, events coordinator, at the University of Miami Convocation Center, Coral Gables, Fla., Dec. 4. He was among performers at Bakapalooza, hosted by 103.5 The Beat FM.

2 During a sold-out London Knights game Dec. 10 at the Global Spectrum-managed John Labatt Centre in London, Ontario, fans toss 6,632 bears onto the ice for local underprivileged children. The bear cleanup lasted close to 10 minutes before a Zamboni

came onto the ice for resurfacing.

3 Associate Athletics Director John Graham says 'Hello, Dolly' to Dolly Parton before her performance at the Frank Erwin Center in Austin, Texas, Dec. 2.

4 On Nov. 6, following their performance at the Office Depot Center in Sunrise, Fla., Godsmack is greeted by (left to right) Office Depot Center's Director of Marketing Gabrielle Valdez, and Kyle Watson (marketing). (Photo by Steve Freeman)

Based on concert and event grosses from
Nov. 16 to Dec. 15, 2004, as reported to *Venues Today*.

Venue, Location	No. of Seats	Total Gross	Attendance	Shows
5,001–10,000 Seats				
1. Universal Amphitheatre, Universal City, Calif.	6,251	\$2,110,752	40,415	10
2. Everett (Wash.) Events Center	10,000	\$1,203,847	22,273	3
3. Dodge Arena, Hidalgo, Texas	6,800	\$745,499	27,786	9
4. SECC, Glasgow, Scotland	10,000	\$593,604	8,757	1
5. The Theater @ Madison Square Garden, New York	5,610	\$567,761	8,814	2
6. Nokia Live, Grand Prairie, Texas	6,333	\$550,854	10,109	2
7. Bill Graham Civic Auditorium, San Francisco	7,000	\$469,193	17,683	2
8. Duluth (Minn.) Entertainment Convention Center Arena	7,700	\$455,264	5,722	1
9. Cumberland County Civic Center, Portland, Maine	8,795	\$451,363	5,749	1
10. Sovereign Center, Reading, Pa.	6,720	\$439,160	10,001	3
5,000 or Fewer Seats				
1. Murat Theatre, Indianapolis	2,476	\$2,169,549	37,667	24
2. Civic Center of Greater Des Moines (Iowa)	2,735	\$1,792,155	36,480	19
3. Westbury (N.Y.) Music Fair	2,742	\$1,166,838	26,664	13
4. Christchurch (New Zealand) Town Hall	2,584	\$909,456	20,637	24
5. Aragon Ballroom, Chicago	4,500	\$870,805	26,794	6
6. The Wiltern LG, Los Angeles	2,200	\$848,078	33,428	15
7. Queen Elizabeth Theatre, Vancouver, British Columbia	2,929	\$834,214	13,295	5
8. Oakdale Theatre, Wallingford, Conn.	4,800	\$832,793	18,780	11
9. Chicago Theatre	3,600	\$717,183	11,697	4
10. The Fillmore Auditorium, Denver	3,600	\$684,038	21,814	8

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1 Alt-rockers Sugarcult opened for Green Day at the Bakersfield (Calif.) Centennial Garden on Nov. 20. Pictured, from left, are Steve Womack, Bakersfield Centennial Garden (orange shirt); Melissa Robles, Nederlander Concerts, Elliott Lefko, Goldenvoice (blue shirt); Sugarcult; and Jim Foss, Bakersfield Centennial Garden (glasses); and Mike Krebs, Nederlander Concerts (gray shirt) (Photo by Michael Duffy)

2 Michael W. Smith performed his Christmas show Dec. 4 at Xcel Energy Center, St. Paul, Minn., with Point of Grace and The Katinas as support. The holiday music weekend there also

included the Trans-Siberian Orchestra Dec. 5 and the Boston Pops Dec. 6. (Photo by Sean Smuda)

3 Global Spectrum's Kim Bedier, Neil Sulkes (left side) Dean Dennis (far right), Bill Graham Presents' Lee Smith & Alex Kochan (right) pose with Bette Midler to celebrate the highest grossing event, \$788,942.50, ever at the Everett (Wash.) Events Center.

4 Steven Curtis Chapman performed Dec. 2 at the University of Illinois Assembly Hall. Pictured, from left, are Sue Walker, arena event manager, Jennifer Larson, marketing director, Chapman, and Kevin Ullestad, arena director.