

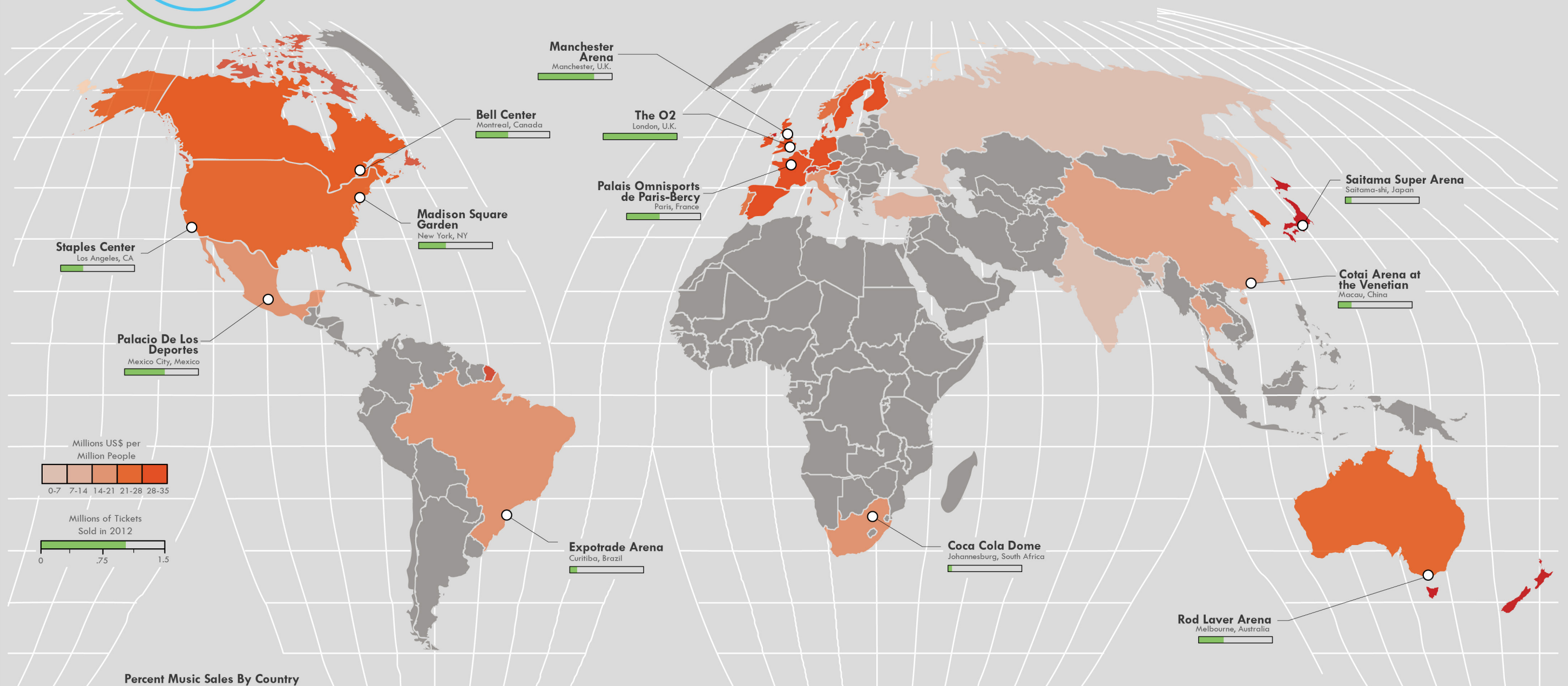
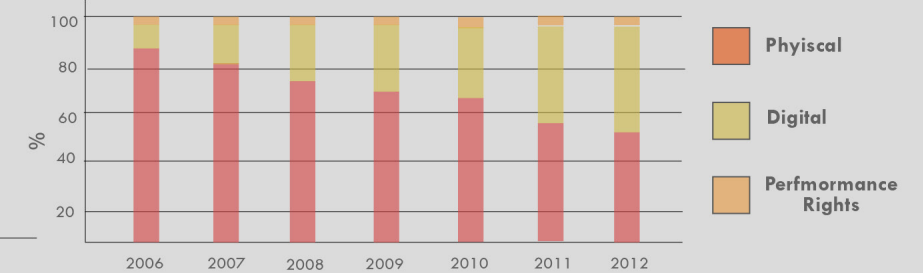
The World Music Industry

Music Sales & Concert Venues

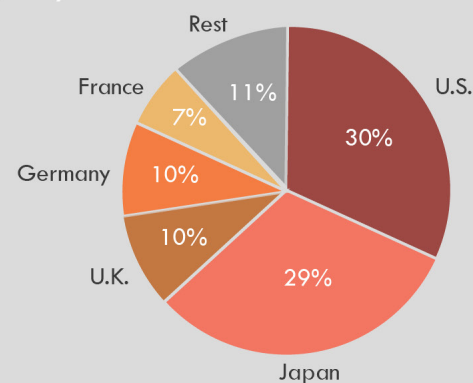
The Digital Age

As the age of technology continues to progress, digital music slowly replaces what were once vinyls, cassettes, and cds. 2011 marked a great shift as digital sales finally outweighed physical sales in the U.S., though many countries still prefer their music physically. Japan's digital sales account for only 19% of its total music revenue, compared to the United States' 58% and China's 82%.

% Music Sales 2006 - 2012



Percent Music Sales By Country

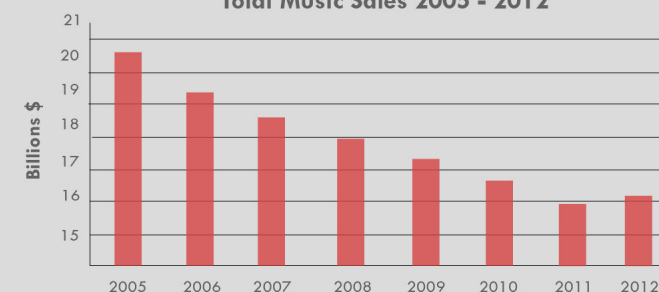


The Music Industry

In 2012, the world music industry made \$16.5 billion from music. This so called "music industry" consists of four major record labels: Universal, Sony BMG, EMI, and Warner Music. These four labels account for almost 90% of total music sales across the world. The remaining 10% is made by "independent" labels, meaning any label outside these four.

95% of the world's profit from music was made by the 30 countries shown on the map above. Though this amount may seem high, world music sales have been experiencing a decline since 1999.

Total Music Sales 2005 - 2012



Map by Ethan Tyrer 12.15.2013
 Goode Homolosine Projection (Central Meridian = 0)
 Music sales data from IFPI 2012 Annual Report:
<http://www.riaa.org/jp/e/issue/pdf/RIA2013E.pdf>
 Ticket sales data from Pollstar:
<http://www.pollstarpro.com/files/charts2012/2012YearEndWorldwideTicketSalesTop100ArenaVenues.pdf>
 Population Data from Wikipedia:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_countries_by_population
 Music sales by type data from

