

Medium Wave Parallels in Trans Pacific DXing
from the West Coast of North America (1200-1600 UTC)

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EAST ASIA

RUSSIA

Radio Rossii 279 kHz Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk **153** Komsomolsk + other LW

JAPAN

NHK-Program 1 594 Tokyo // **891** Sendai // **1503** Akita pips 3+1
NHK-Program 2 774 Akita // **747** Sapporo // **828** Osaka

DPR (North) KOREA

Korea Central Broadcasting Station

720//819//864//882 **2850** Pyongyang (BEST)
//999//1080 **3350** Pyongsong
3960 Kanggye

Pyongyang Pangsong (Broadcasting Station)

621//657//684//
801//855 **3250//3320** Not always //

REP.(South) KOREA

KBS Radio 1 3930 (part-time) Hwaseong pips 2+1
711//756//918

1st Liberty Program 972//1134//6015 (Poor) Hwaseong
2nd Liberty Program 1170//6135 (?) Hwaseong

P. R. of CHINA

China Nat. Radio 1 (CNR1) 7150 (1300-1735) Beijing (BEST) pips 5+1
6030 (2000-1735) Beijing (weak)
5030 (1200-1735) Beijing

China Nat. Radio 2 (CNR2) 7200 (2100-1600) Beijing (BEST)
4850 (1400-1600) Beijing

CHINA-TAIWAN

Taiwan Yuyeh (Fisheries) 738 // 1143

CBS Variety Network 585//927//1098//11625 (Big Guns)

CBS News Network 603//707//1521//1422 (Big Guns)

VIETNAM

VoV 1242 kHz (2000 kw) 9840//12020 (1030-1100 & 1430-1500 UTC *only* in Indonesian)

Full schedule in UTC: 9-10 in Viet.; 10-1030 silent?; **1030-11 Indo**; 11-1130 silent?; 1130-12 in Khymer; 12-1230 in Thai; 1230-13 in French; 13-1330 Cantonese; 1330-14 in Chinese; 14-1430 in English; **1430-15 in Indo**

DOWN UNDER

AUSTRALIA

ABC Radio National (RN) news, features, talk and music 576//729//792//9580

ABC Metropolitan Radio (MR) news, features, talk, sports 612//702//774

ABC Regional Radio (RR) news, features, talk and music 594,684,738,828,1548

ABC News Radio/Parliament (PB) all news or sessions of Parliament
936//1026

NEW ZEALAND

National Radio: news and features 567//756

News-Talk ZB: news and phone-in + interview talk 1035//1008//1044

Classic Hits: best of the 60s, 70s, 80s pop music 1026//1215

AM Network: NZ Parliament when it is in session & Southern Star: contemporary Christian	657//909 (shared) 657//909 (shared)
Radio Rhema: Christian talk and features.	1251??
Radio Pacific: All talk	702//711
BBC World Service (1476 kHz) 9740 (11-16UTC) (BEST)	6195 (13-16UTC)

PACIFIC ISLANDS

FIJI	
Radio Fiji One (Fijian programming) 558//639//684//927//1152	684//1152
Radio Fiji Two (Hindi programming)	1206//1467
SOLOMON ISLANDS	
SIBC (sometimes relays BBC overnight) 1035//945//1386	5020-//1035
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	
Radio Madang (864 kHz) s/off 1200?	3260
VANUATU	
Radio Vanuatu (1125//1179) s/off 0900?	7260+

DOWN UNDER: ADDITIONAL NOTES

AUSTRALIA

The Australian MW scene is a mixture of private and government-operated stations. Unlike New Zealand, almost all private commercial stations are independent, though they may use a networked news cast, etc. Australian Broadcasting Corp. is the governmental broadcaster and offers four networks to the medium wave listener.

ABC Radio National: A specialist network broadcasting programs on the arts, religion, politics, the law, news and current affairs, science and technology, history, including features, documentaries, magazine programs, specialist analysis, music, drama and comedy. Most transmitters of the 200 transmitters are on the FM band, however, at least one major AM outlet exists (with an RN call) in most major cities.
576//729//792//9580//Internet

ABC Metropolitan Radio: A network of nine stations, one in each state capital, Darwin, Canberra and Newcastle. News, current affairs, talk, information, sport, entertainment programs and other networked programs of interest to urban audiences. **612//702//774**

ABC Regional Radio: The most extensive radio network in Australia - 49 studios and outposts and a national network of around 70 AM and 180 FM transmitters as well as State and national satellite services. A mix of local, regional, state and national programming for audiences outside the capital cities. Usually parallel in the evenings and overnight. **594,684,738,1548**

ABC News Radio/Parliament: Live broadcasts of Parliament and NewsRadio, a continuous news service broadcast when Parliament is not sitting.
936//1026

NEW ZEALAND

Over two-thirds of New Zealand AM radio now consists of simulcast programming carried over seven networks. Happily, there are very few instances of a network having two outlets on the same frequency. This makes identifying stations quite easy, as long as one can hear a known network outlet.

National Radio: Government-owned **news and features** network of about 20 transmitters. There is a single 50 kW station (2YA-567) and five 10 kW stations. The remainder are primarily 2 kW outlets. **567//756**

News-Talk ZB: Now privately owned simulcast **news and phone-in + interview** talk programming. The network consists of about 20 stations, with one 20 kW station (2ZB-1035), five 10 kW stations and the remainder being primarily 2kW stations. **1035//1008//1044**

Radio Sport: Sporting events, features and talk carried on over a dozen outlets. **792//1332**

Classic Hits: Top pop hits of the 60s, 70s, 80s from a network of 9 stations. Some of the automated stations run local commercials, IDs, etc within network programming until 1200 UTC. After that time all are simulcast. Difficult to hear in NAm. Strongest is only 2kW. Note: some Classic Hits stations carry Radio Sport programming during important national sports events. **1026//1215**

AM Network & Southern Star: These two networks primarily share the same transmitters. There is one 50 kW transmitter (2YC-657), three 10 kW stations (882, 900, 963) and a single 5 kW outlet. The **AM Network** simulcasts **NZ Parliament** when it is in session (there are regular afternoon and EVENING sessions. A schedule may be found on the web at <http://www.radionz.co.nz/am/f-am.htm>.) When Parliament is not in session, these transmitters simulcast the **Southern Star** Network of **contemporary Christian music**.
657

Radio Rhema: This simulcast network of a dozen transmitters is relatively difficult to hear from North America. About half of the network is 5kW transmitters and most of the rest are 2kW. **Radio Rhema** programming is **Christian talk and features**. **1251??**

Radio Pacific: This small all-talk network consists of a single 10 kW transmitter (702) and two 5kW outlets. Difficult to hear in NAm.
702//711

