

pave the network's path to victory during May sweeps.

For the second straight week, an NBC movie was the top-rated program. *Cry in the Wild: The Taking of Peggy Ann* led the way. Last week, Part 2 of *Switched at Birth* was tops. NBC's Sunday movie was no slouch, either: *In the Line of Duty: Manhunt in the Dakotas* won the three-way movie race

Not taring as well as the premiere of the new NBC drama *Sisters*. While it won the Saturday at 10 time period, it placed only 41st, while its lead-in, *Empty Nest*, finished No. 22.

CBS finished second for the week. *60 Minutes*, which all year has battled *Cheers* for the No. 1 show, fell to No. 19.

Meanwhile, third-place

place as well as the first part of *An Inconvenient Woman* miniseries was a disappointment, in a tie for 35.

At Fox, which usually brings up the rear, Thursday night teen hit *Beverly Hills, 90210* scored its best ranking of the year at No. 54.

In the evening news race, ABC won, as usual, with NBC in second and CBS in third.



'MANHUNT': Michael Gross, left, and Rod Steiger starred

## Using this chart

▶ Ratings information comes from the A.C. Nielsen Co.

▶ A ratings point represents 931,000 TV households; shares are the percentage of sets in use; number of viewers is in millions.

▶ (\*) indicates a Nielsen ratings tie.

▶ (r) indicates a repeat episode.

▶ (s) indicates a special broadcast.

### Monday, May 6, 1991

|                               | Viewers | Rating | Share | Rank |
|-------------------------------|---------|--------|-------|------|
| 8:00 Evening Shade (CBS)      | 18.5    | 13.3   | 22    | 20   |
| Fresh Prince of Bel-Air (NBC) | 19.1    | 12.8   | 22    | *26  |
| MacGyver (ABC)                | 15.5    | 10.2   | 17    | 50   |
| The Haunted (Fox)             | 12.8    | 8.4    | 13    | *58  |
| 8:30 Major Dad (CBS) (r)      | 19.1    | 13.9   | 22    | 11   |
| Amen (NBC) (r)                | 18.3    | 11.8   | 19    | *32  |
| 9:00 A Cry in the Wild (NBC)  | 26.5    | 17.2   | 27    | 1    |
| Murphy Brown (CBS)            | 21.3    | 15.5   | 24    | 6    |
| Cocktail (ABC)                | 16.1    | 11.8   | 18    | *32  |
| 9:30 Designing Women (CBS)    | 21.5    | 15.4   | 23    | 7    |
| 10:00 Northern Exposure (CBS) | 17.3    | 12.4   | 20    | *29  |

### Tuesday, May 7, 1991

|                                    | Viewers | Rating | Share | Rank |
|------------------------------------|---------|--------|-------|------|
| 8:00 Rescue 911 (CBS)              | 21.0    | 13.5   | 24    | 18   |
| In the Heat of the Night (NBC) (r) | 17.0    | 12.0   | 20    | 31   |
| Who's the Boss? (ABC)              | 15.8    | 11.0   | 20    | *43  |
| 8:30 Baby Talk (ABC)               | 15.6    | 10.9   | 18    | *45  |
| 9:00 Roseanne (ABC)                | 25.6    | 16.9   | 27    | 2    |
| Sometimes They Come Back (CBS)     | 16.9    | 11.7   | 19    | *35  |
| 9:30 Stat (ABC)                    | 19.7    | 13.6   | 21    | *15  |
| 10:00 thirtysomething (ABC)        | 14.1    | 11.1   | 19    | 42   |
| Midnight Caller (NBC)              | 15.2    | 10.8   | 18    | 48   |

### Wednesday, May 8, 1991

|                               | Viewers | Rating | Share | Rank |
|-------------------------------|---------|--------|-------|------|
| 8:00 Unsolved Mysteries (NBC) | 23.5    | 16.2   | 29    | 4    |
| The Wonder Years (ABC)        | 15.6    | 11.3   | 21    | *39  |
| Bugs Bunny (CBS) (r)          | 10.5    | 6.8    | 12    | *71  |
| 8:30 Growing Pains (ABC) (r)  | 15.1    | 11.0   | 19    | *43  |
| Garfield Gets a Life (CBS)    | 11.5    | 7.3    | 13    | *66  |
| 9:00 Night Court (NBC)        | 19.3    | 13.6   | 22    | *15  |
| Doogie Howser, M.D. (ABC) (r) | 17.2    | 11.8   | 19    | *32  |
| Jake and the Fatman (CBS)     | 16.5    | 11.3   | 18    | *39  |
| 9:30 Dear John (NBC) (r)      | 16.0    | 11.7   | 19    | *35  |
| Anything but Love (ABC)       | 13.3    | 9.5    | 15    | 53   |
| 10:00 48 Hours (CBS)          | 17.8    | 12.6   | 23    | 28   |
| Quantum Leap (NBC)            | 16.5    | 10.9   | 19    | *45  |
| American Detectives (ABC)     | 12.3    | 8.9    | 16    | 56   |

### Thursday, May 9, 1991

|                                  | Viewers | Rating | Share | Rank |
|----------------------------------|---------|--------|-------|------|
| 8:00 The Simpsons (Fox)          | 21.0    | 12.9   | 23    | *23  |
| The Cosby Show (NBC) (r)         | 18.0    | 12.8   | 23    | *26  |
| Top Cops (CBS)                   | 12.6    | 9.0    | 16    | 55   |
| Father Dowling (ABC) (r)         | 11.5    | 8.4    | 14    | *58  |
| 8:30 A Different World (NBC) (r) | 21.5    | 14.4   | 25    | 9    |
| Babes (Fox)                      | 11.6    | 7.2    | 12    | *68  |
| 9:00 Cheers (NBC) (r)            | 24.1    | 16.6   | 26    | 3    |
| Knots Landing (CBS)              | 20.1    | 14.2   | 23    | 10   |
| Beverly Hills, 90210 (Fox)       | 15.0    | 9.2    | 15    | 54   |
| 10:00 L.A. Law (NBC)             | 22.3    | 16.1   | 27    | 5    |
| PrimeTime Live (ABC)             | 10.6    | 7.9    | 13    | 64   |

### Top 10

|    |                                  |
|----|----------------------------------|
| 1  | <i>Cry in the Wild</i> (NBC)     |
| 2  | <i>Roseanne</i> (ABC)            |
| 3  | <i>Cheers</i> (NBC)              |
| 4  | <i>Unsolved Mysteries</i> (NBC)  |
| 5  | <i>L.A. Law</i> (NBC)            |
| 6  | <i>Murphy Brown</i> (CBS)        |
| 7  | <i>Designing Women</i> (CBS)     |
| 8  | <i>In the Line of Duty</i> (NBC) |
| 9  | <i>A Different World</i> (NBC)   |
| 10 | <i>Knots Landing</i> (CBS)       |

### Network ratings

For the week:

NBC: 11.9

CBS: 11.1

ABC: 10.5

Fox: 6.7

Season to date:

NBC: 12.6

ABC: 12.3

CBS: 12.2

Fox: 6.4

### Bottom 5

|    |                                      |
|----|--------------------------------------|
| 80 | <i>Black Jack Savage</i> (NBC)       |
|    | <i>Parker Lewis Can't Lose</i> (Fox) |
| 82 | <i>Expose</i> (NBC)                  |
| 83 | <i>True Colors</i> (Fox)             |
| 84 | <i>Totally Hidden Video</i> (Fox)    |
| 85 | <i>DEA</i> (Fox)                     |

For the week:

ABC: 9.6

NBC: 8.2

CBS: 7.8

Last week:

ABC: 9.8

NBC: 8.2

CBS: 7.9

### Friday, May 10, 1991

|                                  | Viewers | Rating | Share | Rank |
|----------------------------------|---------|--------|-------|------|
| 8:00 Full House (ABC) (r)        | 19.6    | 12.9   | 27    | *23  |
| Matlock (NBC) (r)                | 10.0    | 7.3    | 15    | *66  |
| Guns of Paradise (CBS)           | 8.6     | 6.2    | 13    | 73   |
| America's Most Wanted (Fox)      | 7.4     | 5.3    | 11    | 77   |
| 8:30 Dinosaurs (ABC)             | 22.4    | 13.7   | 27    | *13  |
| 9:00 Family Matters (ABC) (r)    | 22.1    | 13.8   | 26    | 12   |
| Big Business (CBS)               | 15.5    | 10.6   | 19    | 49   |
| Midnight Caller (NBC)            | 10.9    | 7.4    | 14    | 65   |
| DEA (Fox)                        | 4.1     | 3.1    | 6     | 85   |
| 9:30 Perfect Strangers (ABC) (r) | 17.9    | 11.6   | 21    | 38   |
| 10:00 20/20 (ABC)                | 18.9    | 13.6   | 25    | *15  |

### Saturday, May 11, 1991

|                                 |      |      |    |     |
|---------------------------------|------|------|----|-----|
| 8:00 Uncle Buck (CBS) (r)       | 13.3 | 8.6  | 18 | 57  |
| Amen (NBC)                      | 12.9 | 8.3  | 19 | 60  |
| Young Riders (ABC) (r)          | 8.2  | 5.4  | 12 | *75 |
| Totally Hidden Video (Fox) (r)  | 5.2  | 3.7  | 8  | 84  |
| 8:30 Down Home (NBC)            | 12.0 | 8.2  | 18 | *61 |
| 9:00 The Golden Girls (NBC) (r) | 18.1 | 12.4 | 25 | *29 |
| Commando (ABC) (r)              | 13.3 | 8.2  | 16 | *61 |
| Cops (Fox)                      | 7.4  | 4.9  | 10 | 79  |
| 9:30 Empty Nest (NBC)           | 18.7 | 13.1 | 25 | 22  |
| Cops (Fox) (r)                  | 7.7  | 5.0  | 10 | 78  |
| 10:00 Sisters (NBC)             | 15.5 | 11.2 | 23 | 41  |
| Flash (CBS)                     | 10.4 | 6.8  | 14 | *71 |

### Sunday, May 12, 1991

|                                         |      |      |    |     |
|-----------------------------------------|------|------|----|-----|
| 7:00 60 Minutes (CBS)                   | 19.1 | 13.4 | 31 | 19  |
| World of Discovery (ABC)                | 10.1 | 6.9  | 16 | 70  |
| Black Jack Savage (NBC)                 | 7.6  | 4.8  | 11 | *80 |
| True Colors (Fox)                       | 6.6  | 4.3  | 10 | 83  |
| 7:30 Parker Lewis Can't Lose! (Fox)     | 7.1  | 4.8  | 10 | *80 |
| 8:00 Murder, She Wrote (CBS)            | 19.0 | 13.2 | 25 | 21  |
| America's Funniest Home Videos (ABC)    | 22.6 | 12.9 | 25 | *23 |
| In Living Color (Fox)                   | 15.1 | 9.6  | 19 | 52  |
| Expose (NBC)                            | 6.6  | 4.5  | 9  | 82  |
| 8:30 Funniest People (ABC)              | 23.7 | 13.7 | 25 | *13 |
| Get a Life (Fox)                        | 11.2 | 7.2  | 13 | *68 |
| Real Life/Jane Pauley (NBC)             | 8.1  | 5.7  | 11 | 74  |
| 9:00 In the Line of Duty: Manhunt (NBC) | 22.3 | 14.7 | 26 | 8   |
| Inconvenient Woman, Pt. 1 (ABC)         | 16.6 | 11.7 | 21 | *35 |
| Married W/Children (Fox)(r)             | 16.9 | 10.9 | 19 | *45 |
| Mrs. Lambert Remembers Love (CBS)       | 13.8 | 9.9  | 17 | 51  |
| 9:30 Top of the Heap (Fox)              | 12.7 | 8.1  | 14 | 63  |
| 10:00 Sunday Comics (Fox)               | 7.8  | 5.4  | 10 | *75 |