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WHITE ARTISTS ARE 1.8 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO WIN ALBUM OF THE YEAR AT THE GRAMMYS ACCORDING TO DATA

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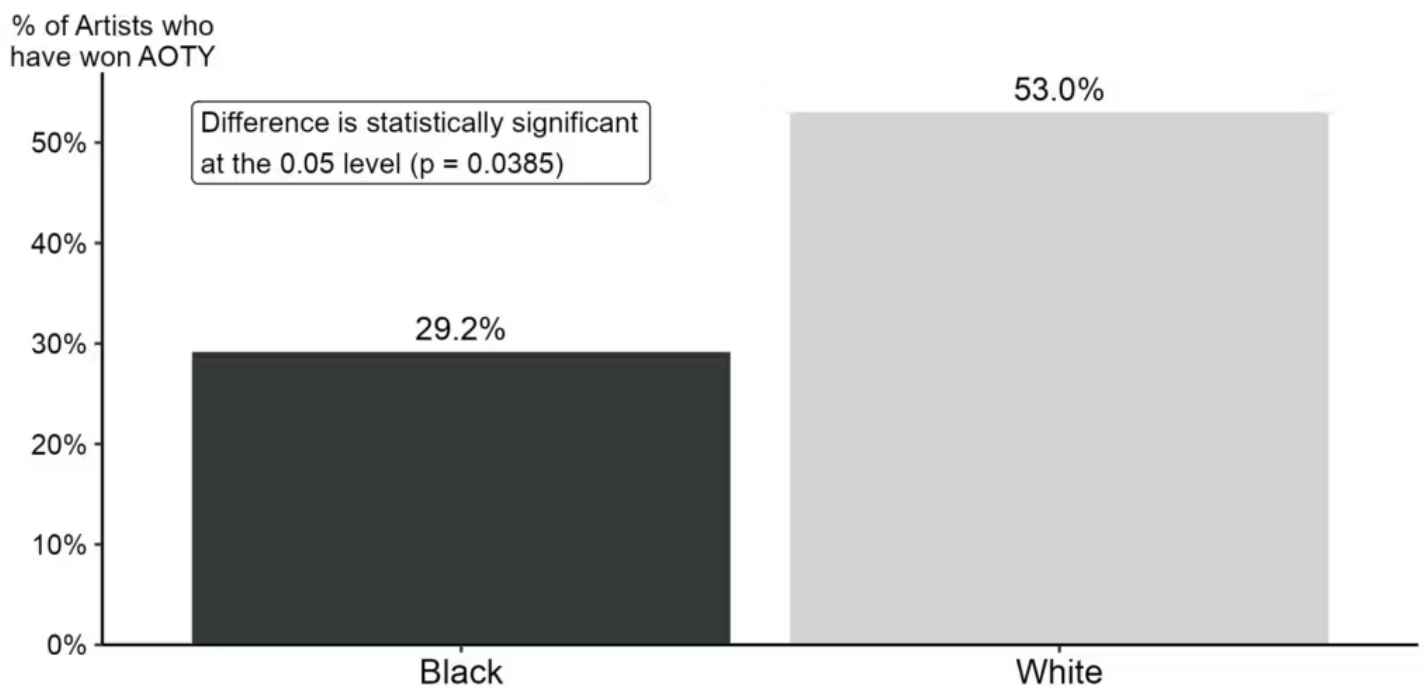
While accepting the [Dr. Dre Global Impact Award](#) at this year's GRAMMYS, JAY-Z had some pointed words for the academy — specifically relating to its treatment of his wife, Beyoncé, and her lack of wins in the Album of the Year category.

"We love y'all, but we want y'all to get it right, or at least close to right," he said.

"Obviously it's subjective because it's music, and it's opinion based, and I don't wanna embarrass this young lady [Beyoncé], but she has more Grammys than everyone and has never won Album of the Year, so even by your own metrics that doesn't work."

White Artists are ~1.8x more likely to win AOTY at the Grammys than Black Artists

Among artists who have won 10+ Grammys



Source: Grammy.com

Note: There are 24 Black artists and 66 White artists who have won 10+ Grammys. Non-Black POC and musical groups are omitted from this analysis. Only artists who could have won AOTY are considered. See full blogpost for more information

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Data analyst, [Stats With Sasa](#), mined historical data provided by the GRAMMYS to determine if there was indeed a bias as it related to Album of the Year.

According to the data, there are 24 Black artists and 66 white artists who have won 10+ awards. Based on this, Black artists are statistically more likely to win more GRAMMYS than their counterparts.

However, in the Album of the Year category, white artists are 23.8. percent more likely to win.

As Stats With Sasa notes, "The conclusion from this chart is stark. In our pool of Grammy winners, White artists are nearly two times more likely to win AOTY than their Black counterparts. In other words: There is evidence Jay-Z was right. Despite winning more Grammys on average than white artists, Black artists are far less likely to win AOTY at a statistically significant level."

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