

# BATTLE OF NEW ORLEANS

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1958 J.DRIFTWOOD

Tune based on the old American tune "The Eighth of January".

Jimmy Driftwood added his lyrics in 1958 and eventually recorded it.

Johnny Horton recorded his version in 1959 and took it straight into the charts.

It made No.1 in Australia, Canada, and the U.S.A., as well as charting in the UK and Italy. Over the years it had been recorded time and again.

Johnny Cash, Dolly Parton, Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Bill Haley, and so on.

In the UK the Lonnie Donegan version beat Horton's and peaked at No.2 in the UK charts.

As recently as 2014 Les Claypool included it in his album "Four Foot Shack".

Billboard Magazine ranks the songs that have been in their "Hot 100" charts for the past 50 years.

Battle of New Orleans was voted the No.1 Country Music Song that had made the "Hot 100".