



PREMIERE WEEK CONFIRMED: GLOBAL IS HOME TO THE #1 NEW SERIES THIS FALL

FBI is the Most-Watched New Series for Total Viewers and New Amsterdam is the #1 New Series in All Key Demos

Global Grows Core Primetime Audience by 25% Year Over Year Owning Over Half of the Top 20 Programs

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TORONTO, October 15, 2018 – With the 2018 Fall TV season underway, Global celebrates a triumphant premiere week (September 24-30) winning four of the seven nights with a high-calibre schedule featuring breakout hits *FBI* and *New* Amsterdam, and perennial favourites *Survivor* and *NCIS*. Final data confirms Global as the most-watched Canadian network on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday nights, increasing its core primetime audience for the week across all key demos including: 15% (2+), 5% (A18-34), 24% (A18-49), and 25% (A25-54).* With 11 of the Top 20 series for both total viewers and A25-54, Global owns more series in the Top 20 than any other network.**

As the first two new high profile fall dramas to receive full-season orders, Global's *FBI* and *New Amsterdam* claimed top rank as the hottest new series this fall. Garnering 2.3 million viewers (2+), Canada's Missy Peregrym is no longer a rookie as her new drama *FBI* became the most-watched new series for total viewers. In addition, emotional medical drama *New Amsterdam* won the hearts of over 2.2 million viewers (2+), becoming the #1 new series in all key demos.**

Global's returning hits also solidified their blockbuster status during premiere week. Season 2 of last year's breakout hit **9-1-1** was on fire as Global's most-watched returning drama, bringing in nearly **2.2 million** viewers (2+) and becoming a Top 10 program in all key demos. Meanwhile, reality champ *Survivor* continues to reign as the #1 reality series with over **2 million** viewers (2+) tuning in to the 37th season, and *Saturday Night Live* took the top spot as the #1 late night program growing its audience by 31% versus its premiere last fall.**

ADDITIONAL DATA HIGHLIGHTS

- Longstanding hit NCIS continues to deliver strong audiences with 1.9 million viewers (2+), cementing a place in the Top 10 (2+) and Top 20 across all key demos**
- Season 3 of cult favourite *The Good Place* grew its audience by 16% versus last fall's premiere, securing a spot in the Top 20 for A18-34, A18-49, A25-54, F18-49, and F25-54**
- Season 2 premiere of action series *S.W.A.T*. increased its audience by 10% versus its series average last year and remains a Top 20 hit for A18-49, A25-54, F18-49, and F25-54**
- Friday night drama MacGyver landed in the Top 20 for 2+ and A25-54**

Global's social media accounts were also buzzing premiere week with <u>@GlobalTV</u> reaching 16 million people – 6 million above last year's reach***. With over 5 million engagements and over 554,000 mentions of Global's series, social standouts include *Saturday Night Live* as the #1 **most** mentioned comedy, followed by *The Good Place* coming in a close second, and new dramas *New Amsterdam* as the

second most talked about new drama, with FBI claiming the #3 spot****.

New episodes of Global's powerhouse fall <u>schedule</u> continue into the fall. Viewers can catch up on full episodes of Global's new and returning series following their broadcasts the next day on <u>GlobalTV.com</u>, <u>Global GO</u> (available on <u>Apple TV</u> and Google Chromecast), and Global on demand. Additionally, viewers can live stream episodes on <u>GlobalTV.com</u> and <u>Global GO</u> by signing in with their TV service provider credentials.

Sources: *Numeris PPM Data, Total Canada, Premiere week 2018 (Sept24-30/2018) vs. Premiere week 2017 (Sept25-Oct1/2017) - confirmed data. Based on national core primetime program schedule Mo-Su 8-11p, AMA(000), A25-54 unless otherwise noted

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***Source: Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat internal data. Collected from the date ranges of September 21 - September 30, 2018 based off of campaign and organic analytics data

****Source: Brandwatch queries based off of mentions volume of Show hashtags, names and handles. Date ranges of September 21 – September 30, 2018

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