

Picked one questionnaire for publishing; as it was typed; and has the Q's..

Have broken down the survey to the most prevalent Model or Chassis type in order.. This way gave a broad band, but excludes those under a 5% choice.

1. Volumes - 50% all...
2. Mobile AM - 02A Chassis; Mobile SSB - 858 Chassis; Base AM - 02A Chassis; Base SSB - SHOCKER TRC-457 (75%), then 8719 Cobra/President.
3. Cobra 2000 (70%), then 02A SSB 2-board Chassis, 02A SSB Chassis, Tram.
4. 148GTL-DX (95% +), Stalker 9-DX the only other unit to be close.
5. Palomar 2400, Tristar 747, top two.
6. Most had both AM and SSB unit. 02A-AM, 858-SSB units leading by wide margin over 8719 chassis and various others. For Freq. ranges see other sheet as all fell within his range? Microphone: Mobile - between Turner and R/S 21-1175; Base - Turner and Shure. Antenna: Mobile - Bandit, K-40, 102" whip; Omni - Big Stick, Penetrator; Beam - Gizmotchy, Y-Quad.
7. 858 SSB units topped them all, then came 148GTL-DX. WHO put a Royce?
8. President Adams top by 65%, then came 148GTL-DX again.
9. Usage averaged out: AM - 20%; SSB - 70%; FM - 10%.
10. Yes, (I do - 75%); surprise...
11. Yes - 70%, Sometimes? - 10%, No - 20%.
12. Weird answers on this one (someone said his 858 SSB chassis was refused?). Can't see that unless was butchered up...Leading the list was 02A SSB 2-board chassis, then Royce, Pace, Robyn, Johnson, combination units.
13. Yes - 90%; remainder were 'Yes, and other sources.' One exception, "NO, I am blind!" (this person also said was operating Zebra Alpha unit!)
14. Price spreads given: SWR \$4-7; MIKE \$4-10; AM MOBILE \$15-25; AM BASE \$18.5-25; AM/FM/CB \$20-45; SSB MOBILE \$18.5-50; SSB BASE \$19-75; ANTENNA MOBILE \$10-25; OMNI \$15-50; BEAM \$25-50.
15. AM - 02A, SSB - 858, both by so wide a margin - won't mention others!
16. AM - Royce, Robyn, Johnson were tops - along with combination units. SSB - 02A 2-board chassis and Johnson again (must be those 4730's)
17. Quotes \$10-20, also "don't give, unit is fixed or not!"
18. Averages: AM 20-40%, SSB 60-80%.
19. Kit Avg. MINIMUM: AM Mob. \$15-25; AM Base \$20-25; SSB Mob. \$22.5-50; SSB Base \$23.5-50.
20. Custom Avg. MINIMUM: AM Mob. \$12.5-40; AM Base \$12.5-50; SSB Mob. \$13.5-75; SSB Base \$13.5-75.
21. 858 SSB, 02A AM, 02A SSB, 8719, mix of others.....
22. Yes! Parts, Labor, type of unit, modification, and what the market will bear!
23. Mobile: for all purpose tied; Bandit, K-40, 102" whip.. Base Omni: Super Penetrator, Starduster. Base Beam: Moonraker-4, PDL-2.
24. Mobile: Turner, R/S 21-1175. Base: Turner and Shure, Astatic close 2nd.
25. In order of complaints! 02A 2-board, Royce, Combo's, Johnson, Sears(3827).
26. Stupid Design, in order: 02A 2-board, Royce, Johnson, Robyn(PLL).
- 27 & 28, A lot of people got mixed up, meant CB Manu., not part's houses! DROPPED
29. 100%, NO!
30. Mike/cable, Finals, bad part, "Golden Screwdriver Damage".
31. Seal - Yes, 100%...still work on - No, 100%...
32. Appointment, 65% - Yes. While you wait, 85% - No. (exceptions were PD/Fire)!
33. Pick-up time: 5-45 days. Sell: 100%, Yes...
34. Yes; especially line-ups, tune-ups, schematics, who does the writing?
35. 100%, YES.....

1. How many volumes of Secret CB do you possess? 17
2. In your opinion the best CB built to date (exclude EXPORT)  
Mobile: AM 02A SSB ADAMS Base: AM None SSB ADAMS on P/S!
3. The most over-rated/priced unit built to date: Cobra 2000
4. In your opinion the best "EXPORT" CB: 148GTL-DX, before price jacked up!
5. The most over-rated/priced "EXPORT" CB: Palomar 2400 - a joke \$450
6. If you own a "converted" unit: AM X SSB X Brand: 02A-AM, ADAMS-SSB  
Kit conversion        "Custom" conversion X Do you own more than one: 4  
Freq. Ranges of operation: 24.650-31.300MHz 131-165 MHz also...  
Microphone used: Mobile R/S 21-1175 Base Expander 500  
Antenna used: Mobile Bandit Base: Omni Custom ### made
7. Radio/s you own that will not sell: None
8. If you had your choice which radio would you own: Another Adams!
9. Which do you use most: AM 20% SSB 75% FM 5%
10. If you had the capability would you use FM? I do - yes!
11. Do you use RF Power Amplifiers (Linear)? NO, wish they all blew up!
12. Have you had people refuse to work on your CB, if so what type
13. TECHS: Do you use 'Secret CB' as a reference in your work? Yes
14. Minimum Labor Only, for following services: Check SWR \$7 Rewire Mike  
Conn \$7 Repair - AM Mobile \$15 AM Base \$20 AM/FM/CB \$45  
SSB Mobile \$30 SSB Base \$35 . Antenna Installation - Mobile         
Base Omni        Base Beam DO NO ANTENNA WORK
15. Easiest Chassis to work on: AM 02A SSB 858 & 02A Single Brd.
16. Worst Chassis to work on: AMR/S Tele-type SSB 02A - 2 board chassis
17. Price for a repair Quote: AM No quotes given, I fix it or forget it.
18. Percentage of repairs: AM 20 SSB 80
19. Minimum price for kit conversion (+ kit): AM Mobile \$15 AM Base \$20  
SSB Mobile \$30 SSB Base \$35 (Kits installed using existing Sw.s
20. Minimum price for "Custom" Conversion: AM Mobile \$40 AM Base \$50 Only  
SSB Mobile \$60 SSB Base \$70
21. If you specialise on one type of chassis: 02A-AM, 858-SSB, 02A Single Brd.
22. Do you build/sell your own 'converted units'? If so what is final price  
dependent upon? Exterior condition, Freq Rag, Amount of 'extras',  
All are custom built using existing switches, jacks. \$300 Min.
23. Antenna recommended: Mobile Bandit Base Omni None Beam None
24. Microphone recommended: Mobile R/S 21-1175 Base Expander 500
25. What units will you not work on: 02A 2-board SSB, Combo with Tape
26. Stupidest designed unit, by repair access: 02A 2-board
27. Company with best R/S. Uniden, worst Cobra response on parts.
28. Company with fairest Uniden R/S, ridiculous Cobra prices on parts.
29. Do you make your living on CB Sales/Repairs? No - in ECM field
30. Most common reasons for repairs, 3 top: Screwdriver Jock's.  
Neophyte Repairmen (easy to spot with holes drilled in back)
31. Do you seal after repair Yes!, if busted do you still work on NO
32. Repairs by appointment Yes, repairs while you wait Police only!
33. Time limit on repair pickup 5 days, sell units not picked up on time YES
34. Has format change in "Secret CB", since Vol. 16 helped you in your work,  
and why Yes, more information and more technical on drawings,  
schematics are a great help.
35. Would a "Newsletter" (sort of Wanted/Trade/Sell; units and especially parts  
be of value in your work? Yes - have a lot of stuff to trade or  
sell, and need stuff also....

(Ed. Note:) Survey results were impressive. If you didn't participate, what can I say? Some of the answers I agreed with; others - well; to each his own.... It was no surprise to find the 858 SSB and 02A AM chassis on top, but the 148GTL-DX is closing ground! The minimum labor prices were a shocker, especially \$13.50 for a 'Custom Conversion' on SSB chassis! (I hope that included a 'Pink power cord with Yellow Polka-Dots', ??) Around my neck-of-the-woods, that price won't even get it on the bench! If we run another survey will be a different format, as had a H of a time with computer..... 51 participants in this survey???