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Bucky Covington

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^[9]Singer Bucky Covington was born on November 8, 1977 in Rockingham, North Carolina to Gene Covington and Deborah Gates. Bucky Covington first gained notice in 2006 when he took the eighth spot on the television series *American Idol* ^[10]. He has an identical twin brother, Robert David Covington. Covington went to [Scotland High School](#) ^[11] in [Laurinburg](#) ^[12], North Carolina, and graduated in 1996. Prior to auditioning *American Idol*, ^[10] Bucky painted automobiles at his family's auto body shop, Covington's Body Shop in [Hamlet](#) ^[13], NC. His musical interests vary from rock to country, and he was previously a member a local North Carolina band *Swampdogs*.

In 2007 [Lyric Street Records](#) ^[14] released a self-titled album, *Bucky Covington* ^[15]. The album was a success, with three chart-topping singles. Songs "A Different World" reached the number six spot on *Billboard's* Hot Country Songs chart; "It's Good to Be Us" reached the number eleven spot; and "I'll Walk" reached the number ten spot.

After his successful performance on *American Idol* ^[10], Covington moved to Franklin, TN, near Nashville, where he continues to pursue a career in music.

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