# [**Shocker: NBC May Bail on 10 pm Hour**](https://tvline.com/2022/08/26/nbc-10-pm-programming-block-cancelled-chicago-pd/)

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NBC’s 10 pm programming block may soon become must-flee TV.

According to the [*Wall Street Journal*](https://www.wsj.com/articles/nbc-considers-cutting-back-programming-hours-in-prime-time-11661532206?st=jrq8w4wtkzigedw), the network may stop programming the 10-11 pm hour, potentially giving those seven hours to local TV stations. The idea — which could take effect as early as Fall 2023 — is reportedly being considered as a way to cut costs amid declining linear ratings.

NBC’s current 10 pm series include *Law & Order: Organized Crime*, *Chicago P.D*., the soon-to-conclude *New Amsterdam* and the about-to-launch *Quantum Leap* reboot.

If the plan gets the green light, *The Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon* would likely move from 11:30 pm to 11 pm (or, perhaps, as early as 10:30 pm, per *WSJ*).

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An NBC rep declined our request for comment, but a network spokesperson told the *Wall Street Journal* in a statement, “We are always looking at strategies to ensure that our broadcast business remains as strong as possible. As a company, our advantage lies in our ability to provide audiences with the content they love across broadcast, cable and streaming.”

NBC famously — or infamously? — toyed with a similar experiment back in Sept. 2009 when it replaced its 10 pm programming on Monday-Friday with *The Jay Leno Show*. The ill-fated move lasted just five months and 95 episodes.

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