

Ring of Honor Ratings Are In

And they're not too bad. According to 411mania.com,

– Ring of Honor's debut on Destination America are in. The episode scored 163,000 viewers and a 0.04 rating in the 18 – 49 demographic.

For those curious, the numbers are lower than Impact Wrestling's Wednesday debut by 45% and 55%, respectively. Impact scored 232,000 viewers and a 0.09 demo rating.

A bright point for Ring of Honor is that their 11 PM replay scored 110,000 viewers and a 0.03 demo rating, compared to the 85,000 and 0.03 that last week's 11 PM Impact replay did. Impact's midnight replay scored 72,000 viewers and a 0.02 demo rating.

There are a few things to keep in mind:

1. This is second run programming for Ring of Honor as it already aired on their syndicated stations.
2. Ring of Honor has a far smaller national footprint than TNA. TNA was coming off a much bigger network while you could argue ROH has never been on the national stage (calling HDNet a national stage is as big a stretch as saying TNA is competent), meaning this was basically their national (as national as Destination America can be) debut.
3. With a show debuting on a new network, it's common to see the numbers go up over the next few weeks as people find out about it.

All in all, this isn't bad. There's room for improvement, but

if Ring of Honor closes the gap, TNA is in big, big trouble.