

Bright Lights, Big City (version 1)
soundclip

by Jimmy Reed
recording of 1961
from The Best of Jimmy Reed (GNP GNPD-2-10006), copyright notice

(First line spoken by Jimmy Reed)

"Bright light n' big city"

Sung:

Bright light, big city, gone to my baby's head
Whoa, bright light, an' big city, gone to my baby's head
I tried to tell the woman, but she don't believe a word I said

It's all right, pretty baby, (gonna) need my help someday
Whoa, it's all right, pretty baby, gonna need my help someday
Ya' gonna wish you had a-listened, to some a-those things I said

Go ahead, pretty baby, a-honey, knock yourself out
Oh go ahead, pretty baby, honey, knock yourself out
I still love ya baby, 'cause you don't know what it's all about

Bright light, a big city, they went to my baby's head
Oh, the bright light, the big city, they went to my baby's head
I hope you remember, a-some of those things I said

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Bright Lights, Big City (version 2)
soundclip

by Jimmy Reed
recording of 1961 resp. 1985
from Jimmy Reed at Carnegie Hall (Suite Beat 3001) & Upside Your Head (Charly 1003), copyright notice

Bright lights, big city, gone to my baby's head
Oh, bright lights, big city, gone to my baby's head
I tried to tell that woman, but she don't believe a word I said

Hold on, pretty baby, you gonna need my help someday
You're gonna wish you had'da listened to some of those things I said
Go 'head, pretty baby, honey, knock yourself out

I still love you, baby, but you don't know what it's all about
Oh, bright lights, big city, gone to my baby's head
I tried to tell that woman, but she don't believe a word I said