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Survey Results

Today's Shopper Preferences: Channels, Social Media, Privacy and the Personalized Experience

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#### **Executive Summary**

- Accenture Interactive surveyed 2,000 United States (US) and the United Kingdom (UK)
  consumers via online survey to determine which shopping channels are used most
  frequently, how consumers move between channels, how social media influences
  purchasing decisions and the value consumers place on price, privacy and personalized
  shopping experiences.
- Nearly three out of four (72 percent) of consumers aged 20-40 in the US and the UK use mobile devices while in-store to compare prices, but the majority leave before making a purchase.
- More than half (52 percent) of the 2,000 consumers surveyed in each country believe that in-store prices are higher than online prices.
- While 60 percent of total respondents say that online prices entice them to visit a store
  where they can compare prices and view merchandise up close, 48 percent still go home
  to buy the products from that retailer online, but 32 percent buy products online from a
  different retailer.
- Only 20 percent of all respondents make their final purchase in-store.

#### Executive Summary (continued)

- Despite the fact that 86 percent of those surveyed say they are concerned about
  websites tracking their online shopping behavior, 85 percent are aware that such tracking
  goes on but they understand that tracking enables companies to present offers and
  content that matches their interests.
- Nearly half of all respondents 49 percent are receptive to their favorite stores or brands using their tracking data to inform their future purchases and make them aware of product availability.
- When asked to make a choice, 64 percent of total respondents say it is more important that companies present them with relevant offers against only 36 percent who say companies should stop tracking their website activity.
- At the same time, however, 88 percent strongly agree or agree that companies should give them the flexibility to control how their personal information is used to tailor their shopping experience.

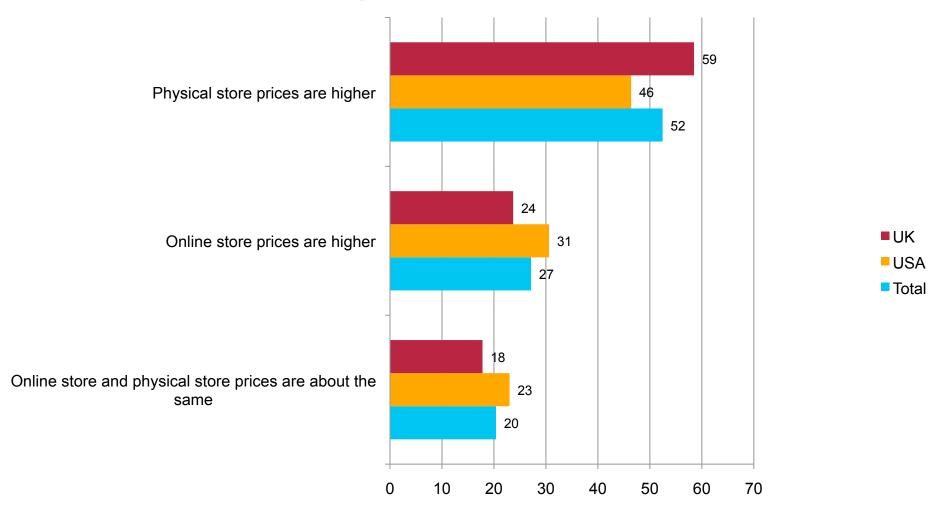
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- The survey confirms the importance of social media, with 92 percent of all respondents more inclined to purchase from a company that makes use of social media channels.
- For 67 percent of total respondents, Facebook is their preferred social media channel.
- The survey also showed that 80 percent of consumers are more likely to buy from a company that uses online and email communications and 70 percent are more inclined to buy from companies using mobile applications.

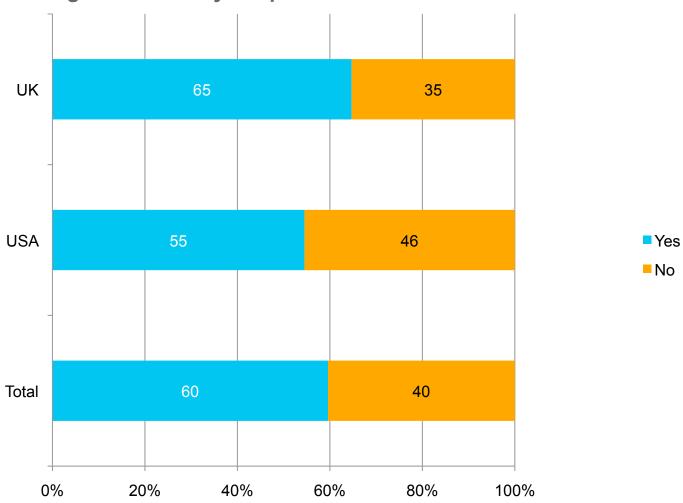
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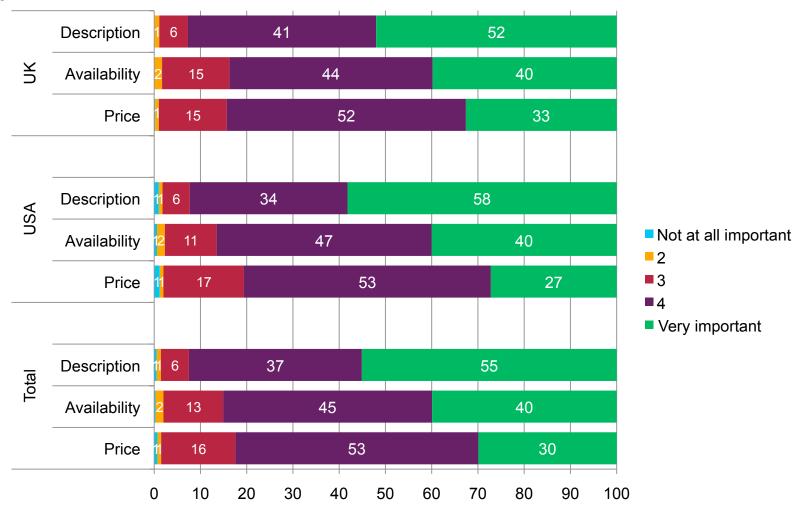
Which one of the below most accurately reflects your view about price differences between the online store and physical store?



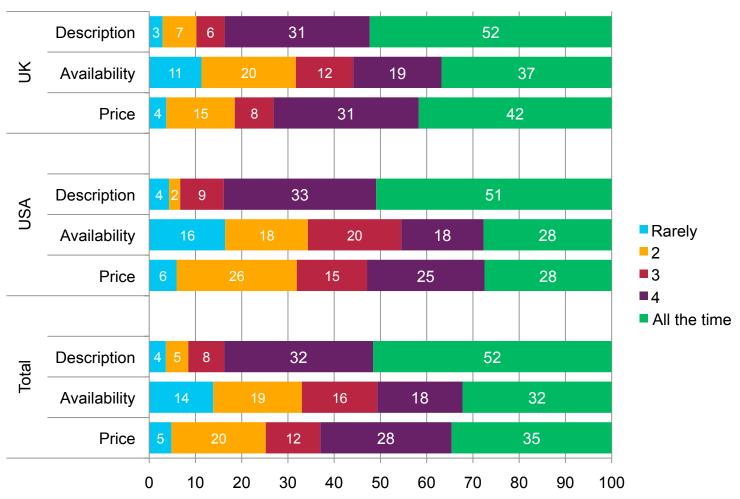
Is it your experience that online store prices entice you to the store to see the product, and then you still go home to buy the product online?



How important is it for the online offering to match the in-store offering in terms of ....?

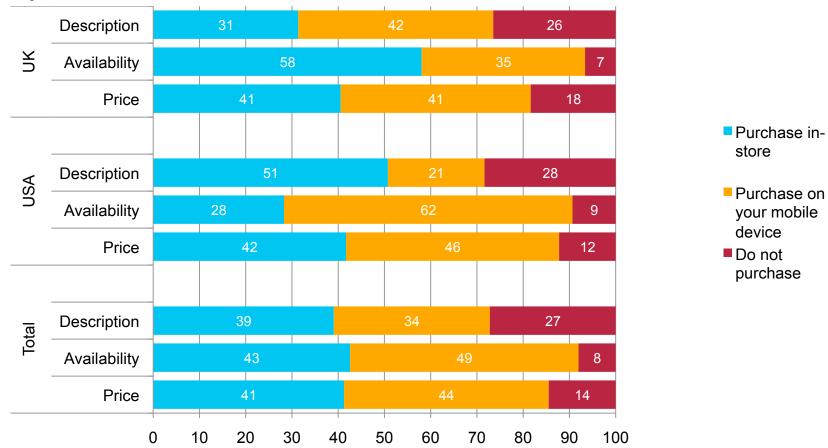


From your experience, how often does the online offering match to the in-store offering in each of the following 3 areas...

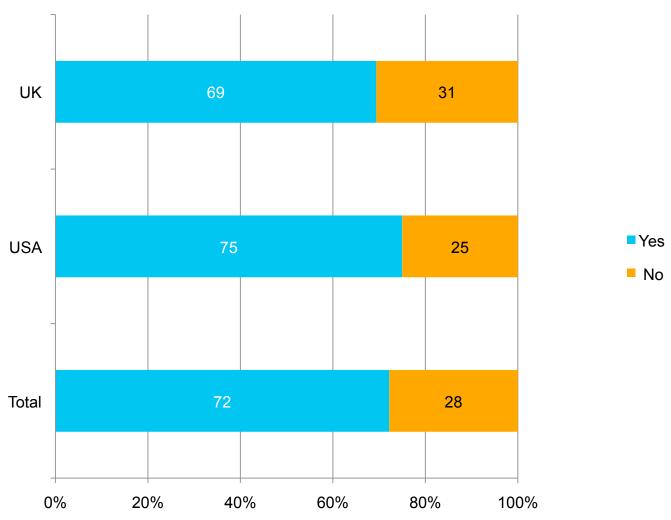


If the online offering does not match the in-store offering do you:

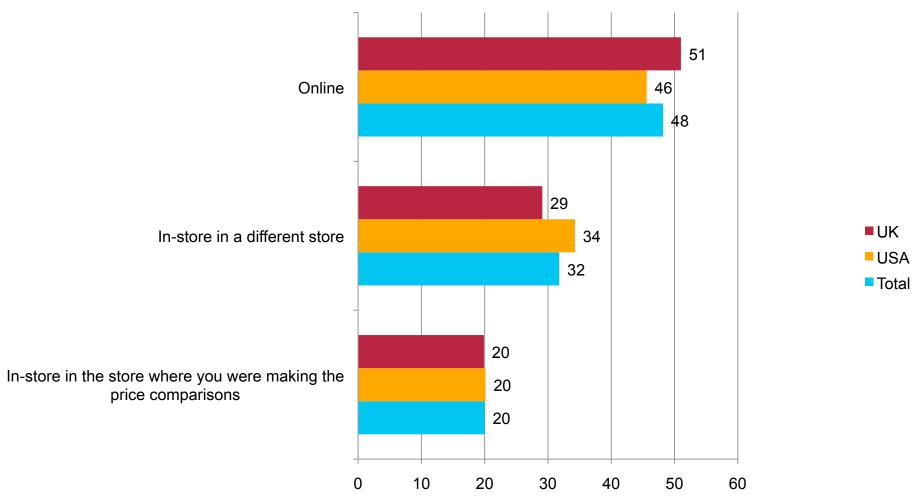
- purchase in-store?
- purchase on your mobile device ?
- do not purchase?



Do you use your Smartphone and/or tablet to compare prices while in-store?



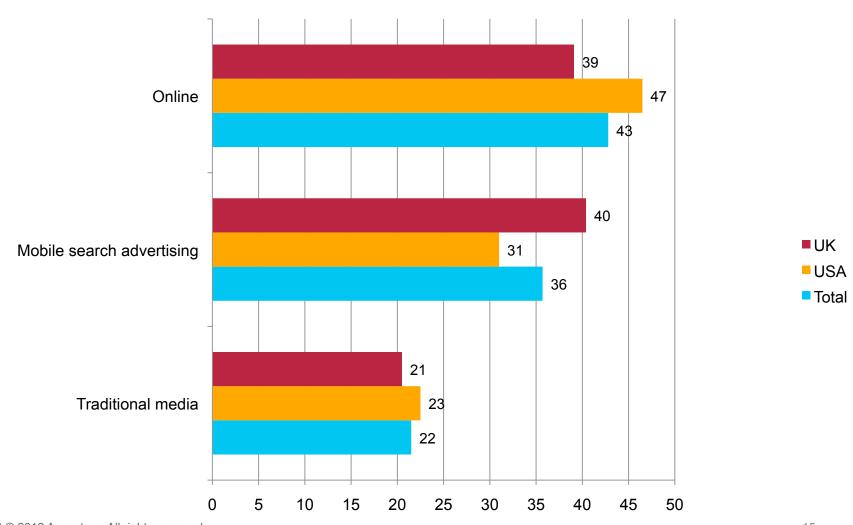
If you do use your Smartphone and/or tablet to compare prices while in-store, where do you generally make your final purchase?



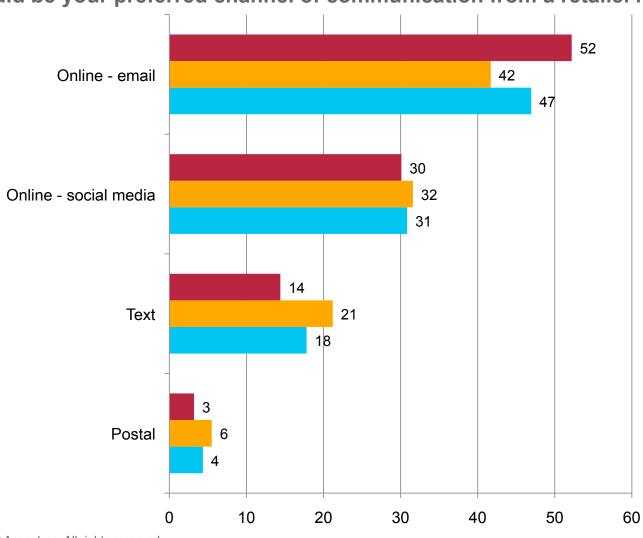
#### If so, how often do you participate in this activity?



Which provides the greatest integrated purchase experience with the store?



#### What would be your preferred channel of communication from a retailer?

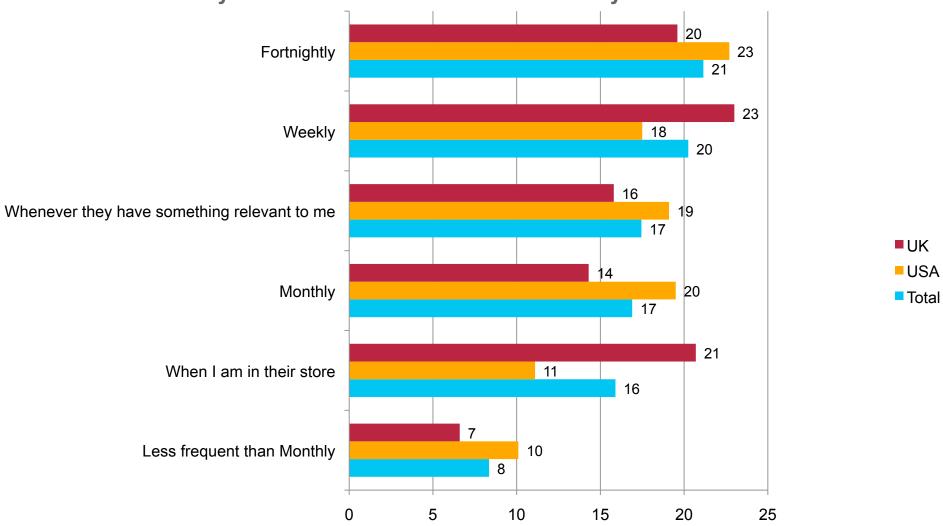


UK

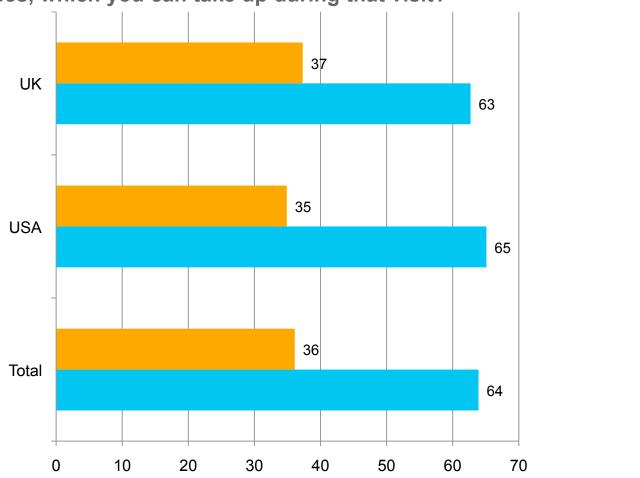
USA

Total

#### How often would you like retailers to communicate with you?



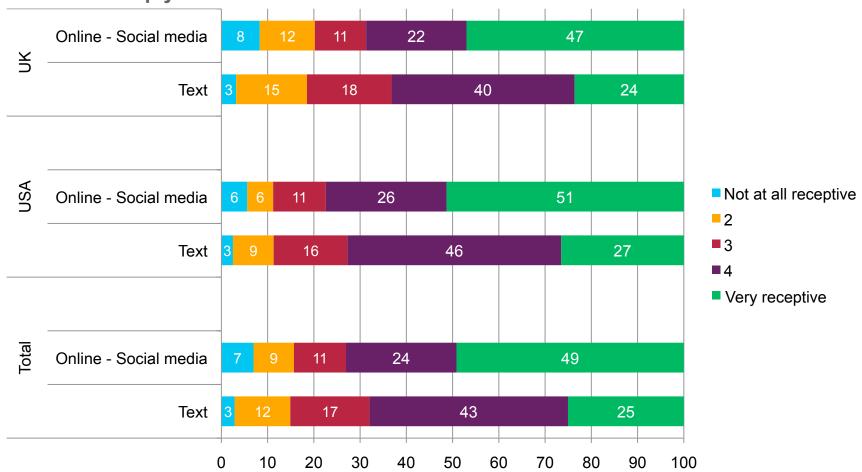
When actually in a physical store, would you be receptive to receiving a text message on your cell phone with an offer that matches what you're looking for now or your past purchases, which you can take up during that visit?



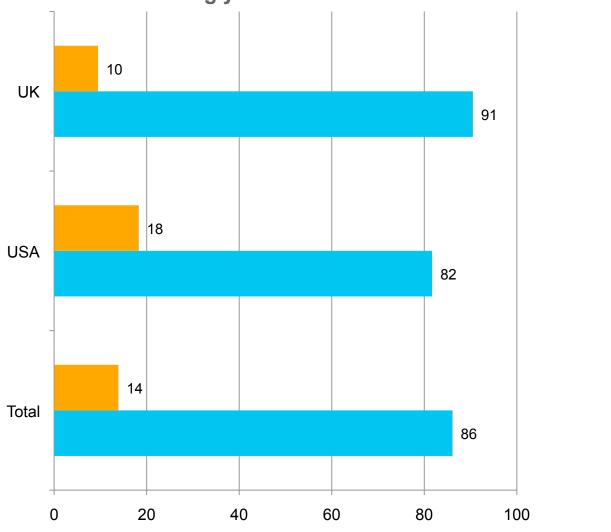
No

Yes

Following on from this idea, how receptive would you be if your favorite store/ brand kept track of your purchases and shopping behavior to inform your future purchases and help you know what is available?



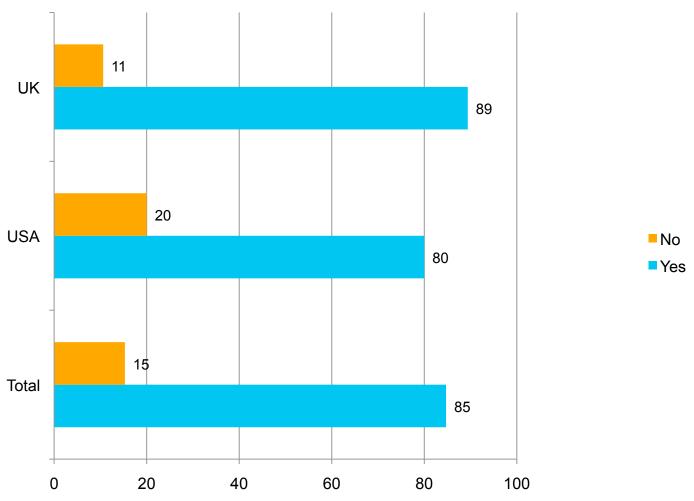
Are you concerned with websites tracking your behavior?



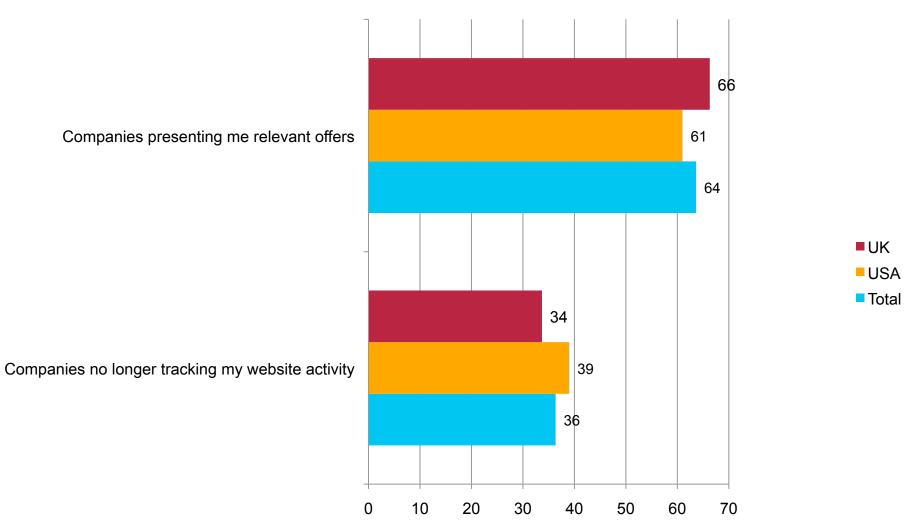
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Yes

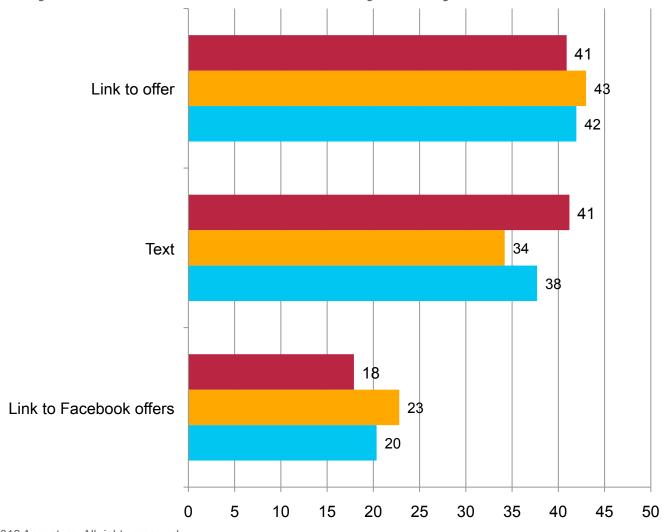
Are you aware this tracking enables companies to present offers and content that match your interest?



#### Which one is more important to you?



#### How could your favorite brand better reach you on your mobile device?



UK

USA

Total

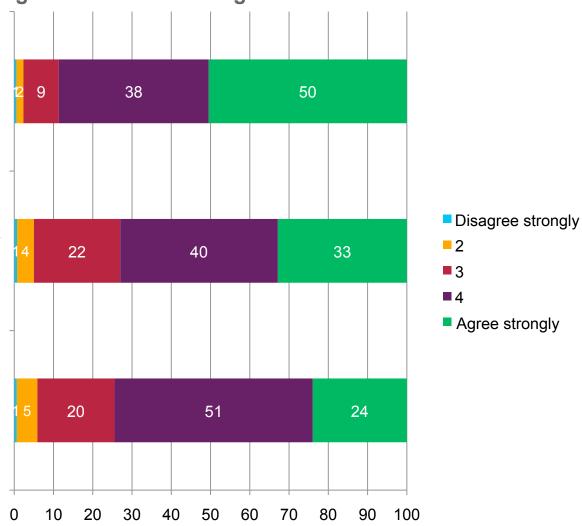
### Detailed Findings: US

#### To what extent do you agree/disagree with the following statements?

I find it important that the company gives me the flexibility to control how my personal information is used to tailor my experience

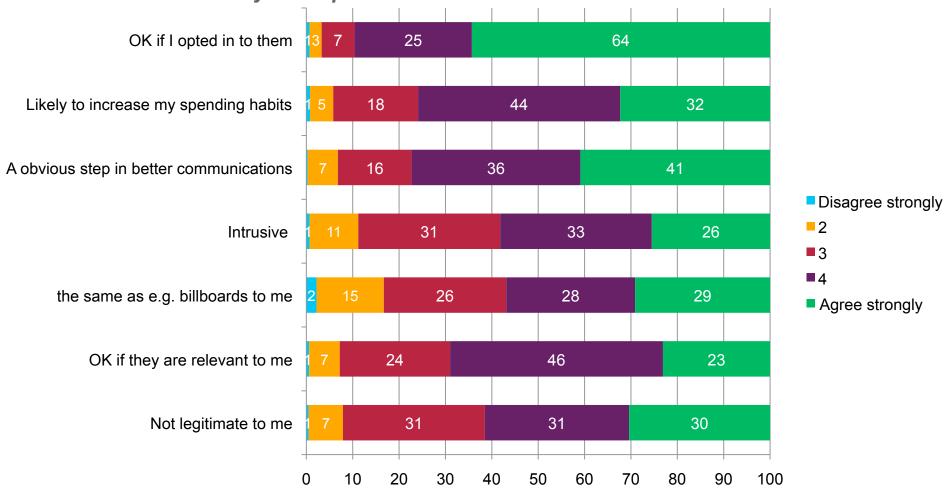
I prefer to do business with brands/companies that use information about me to make my experience more efficient from one step to the next

I appreciate brands/companies that customize messaging and offers to be relevant to me



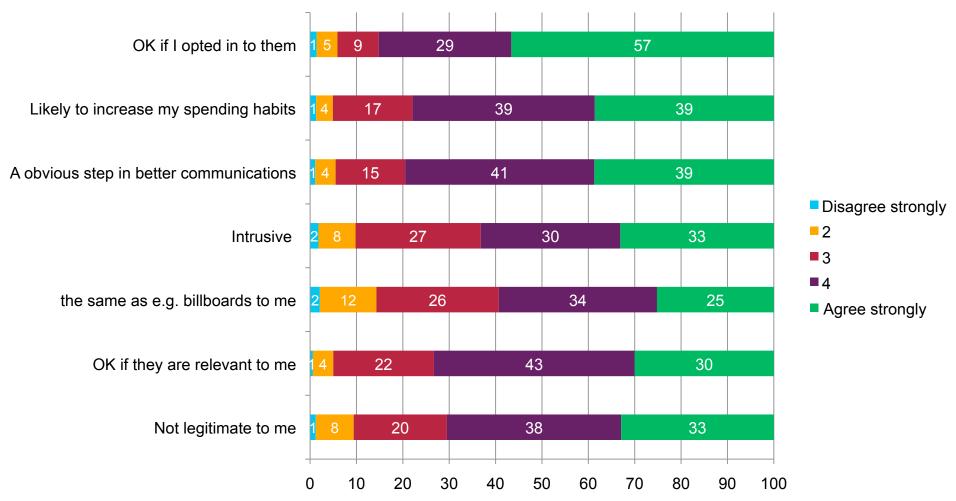
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Lastly, please state your level of agreement to the below statements? *Advertisements via my Smartphone are . . .* 



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#### Methodology and Survey Sample

 The survey was carried out online in August of 2012 with 2,000 consumers in the United States and the United Kingdom. Participants were split equally between males and females between 20 and 40 years of age, and the survey recorded ethnicity and sociodemographics.

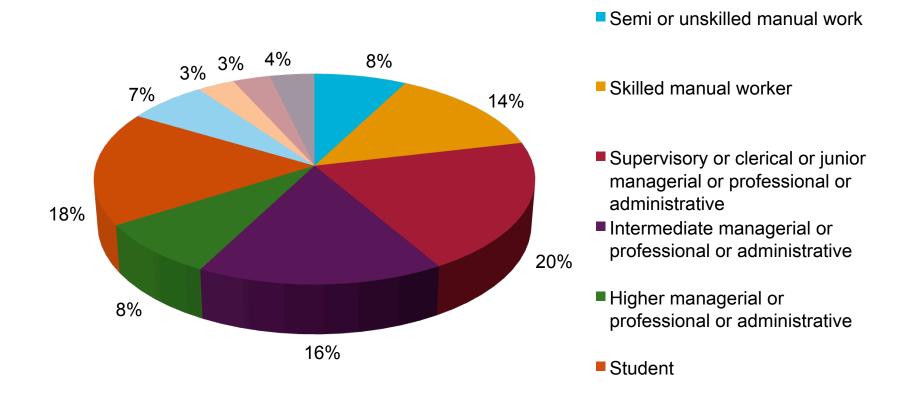
Gender	Number of Interviews
Male	1,000
Female	1,000
Total	2,000

Country	Number of Interviews
USA	1,000
UK	1,000
Total	2,000

Age group	Number of Interviews
20-25	500
26-30	500
31-35	500
36-40	500
Total	2,000

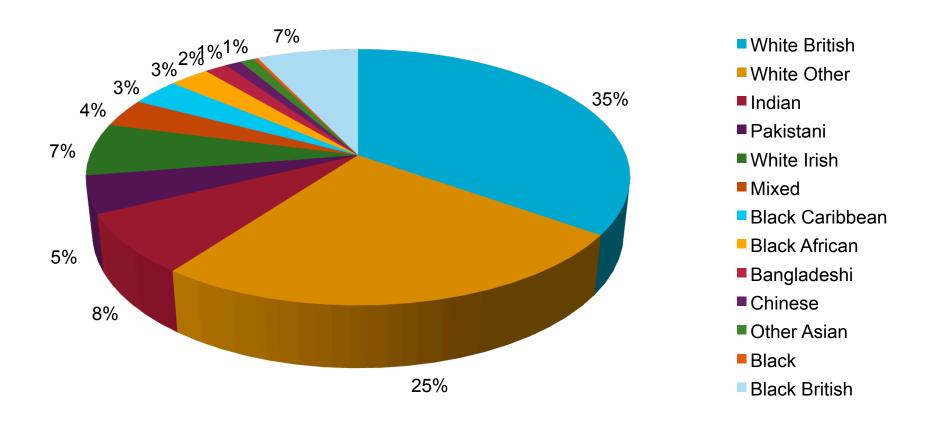
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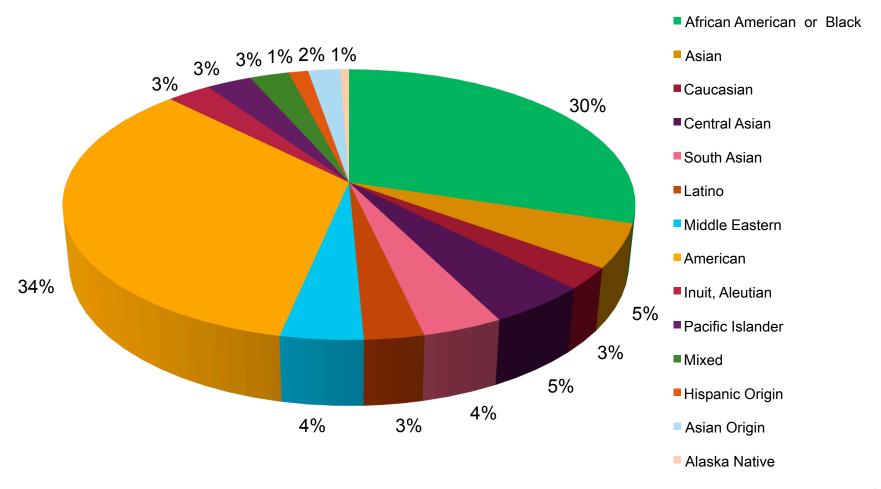
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#### Survey Demographics: Ethnicity UK



# Methodology and Survey Sample (continued)

#### Survey Demographics: Ethnicity US



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