# This Ain't Grandma's **Research:** Making Recommendatio ns in a Data-Rich World

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### Don't be this guy



# Meet John.

John does a lot of projects related to product concept testing.

Every new project that comes his way, looks like a survey project to him.

His **narrow view** is starting to disappoint clients, who are hearing about other product concept testing options from other advisors. Be data fluent & source agnostic

Versus defaulting to a (sub-optimal) solution

Most business goals can be well-served by more than one option

# As MR&I professionals, do we need to be data fluent?



### YES

#### Data Fluency is Important for MR&I Professionals



McKinsey Predicts demand for 2 million Data Translators by 2026 in the US

### Meet Client Needs

Executive clients are increasingly data savvy, and seeking to thrive in "data driven" roles



#### Improve Our Work

New data sources & methods overcome long-standing primary research issues



Other than surveys, how many other data sources can we name? What do you mean by "Predictive"?

### By "1<sup>st</sup> party" do you mean survey data?

What do you mean by "small data"?



#### A Complex Information Ecosystem: What Business Decision Makers Hear About

Data	Ways of	Types of
sources	categorizing data	quantitative data
<ul> <li>Census</li> <li>Customer, ecommerce, web analytics, financial</li> <li>Google Analytics</li> <li>Scanner</li> <li>Self-reported, observational, biometric, facial analysis</li> <li>1st, 2nd, 3rd party data</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Attitudinal, behavioral, emotional</li> <li>Big", "small", "thick"</li> <li>Numeric, text, image, video</li> <li>Past, present, future</li> <li>Primary and secondary</li> <li>Quantitative and qualitative</li> <li>Structured/unstructured</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Cross-sectional, longitudinal</li> <li>Descriptive, predictive, prescriptive</li> <li>Nominal, ordinal, interval, ratio</li> <li>Behavioral, passive, transactional</li> </ul>

### 1st, 2nd, 3rd Party



## What is an example of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> party data?

\*Source: Davenport, Thomas H., and Jeanne G. Harris. 2007. Competing on analytics: the new science of winning. Boston, Mass: Harvard Business School Press.



**Experian's 2019 Revenue was** more than \$5 Billion worldwide. What percent of that comes from selling data (versus credit reporting)?



## **Descriptive, Predictive, Prescriptive**

Descriptive	Predictive	Prescriptive
Descriptive analysis uses data to describe "what happened".	Predictive analysis uses data of the past to find relationships in the data and predict future outcomes.	Prescriptive analysis uses a combination of learnings from both descriptive and predictive analysis to prescribe optimal actions.



## **Are Predictive Analytics Reliable?**



No methodology, data source or analytic approach is perfect.

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"I see no reason why excellent growth shouldn't continue..."



### The Data Fluent MR&I Pro Knows Where to Get Data









Passive Data

Internet of Things Sensor data (NEST example) Geo-spatial/Location Data

#### Transactional Data

CRM Data Loyalty Program Data Ecommerce Data Financial Profiling Data (credit data, etc.)

### Market Research Data

Primary research-based: Surveys/FGs/Ethno Home scan data Social Sentiment Biometrics Secondary Data

### Online Behavior Data

Digital Ad Tracking Social Network Activity (in-house tools and/or via 3rd party) Cookie and Pixel Tracking



# **Data Source**

# **Combined for:**



And more



**"78% of US CEOs have overlooked datadriven insights when contrary to their experiences when making critical decisions." KPMG 2018** 

They need help. "Translators". Insights pros. Market researchers.



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