

## Is "doing good" good for business?

Measuring the impact of sustainability and social efforts on brand and sales performance

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## A little bit about me

- Hi, I'm Morgan!
- I lead product marketing for Momentive
- I've been with Momentive for 6 1/2 years
- I'm a researcher-turned-marketer



## Momentive is a leader in agile insights and experience management

Our AI-powered solutions:



### Insights at immense scale

55B+

Answered

questions

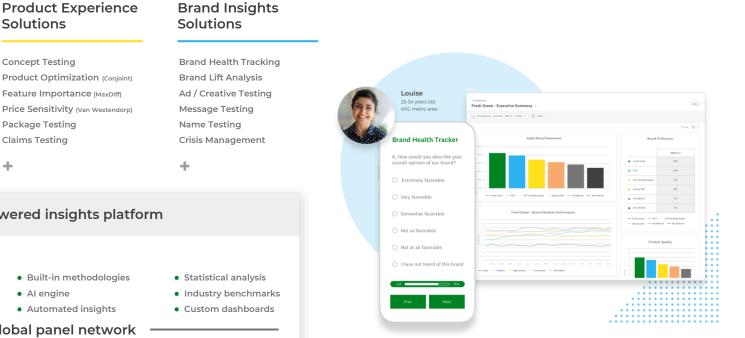


Of the Fortune 500 **2.2M** 

Daily responses 144M+

Global panelists

## One platform for all of your quantitative insights



### **Market Insights** Solutions

### Market Sizing Industry Tracking Competitive Intelligence Market Segmentation Usage & Attitudes Shopper Insights

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### Al-powered insights platform • Flexible research design Built-in methodologies Data security/ compliance Al engine • 100+ integrations Automated insights **Global panel network** 130+ Countries 144M+ People 60 Languages

Solutions

Concept Testing

Package Testing

Claims Testing

## Agenda



## 01

Top trends: sustainability and social values

- What's hot right now
- How preferences have changed
- How shopping has changed
- Companies doing this well

## 02

Research tips: incorporating social topics into your studies

- Understanding buyers
- Claims testing
- Concept/package testing
- Brand health tracking



## TOP TRENDS Sustainability and social values

## **Consumers care more about** the environment



### **44%** of consumers say they care about environmental issues **much more** today than they did a year ago.



N= 1,097 US consumers; March 2021 Q: Would you say you care about environmental issues much more, much less, or about the same amount as you did a year ago?

## **O2** Consumer habits and preferences are evolving







are reducing their use of single-use plastics (e.g. straws, disposable bags)





## **1**<sub>in</sub>**5**

### are regularly composting waste

N = 873 US adults 18+ Q: Which of the following lifestyle practices do you or your household observe? (Select all that apply)





## **1** in **10**

are using alternative power sources (solar, wind, etc)







are at least somewhat likely to consider an electric vehicle for their next car purchase

N = 13,749; April 2021 Source: <u>Pew Research Center</u>





**1** in **5** 

consumers have tried plant-based meat alternatives

N = 1,380; 9/9/21- 9/10/21; US Adults 18+ Q: Which of the following foods have you tried in the last 12 months? Select all that apply Image source: <u>Epicurious</u>

## 03 Consumers are opening their wallets for social values



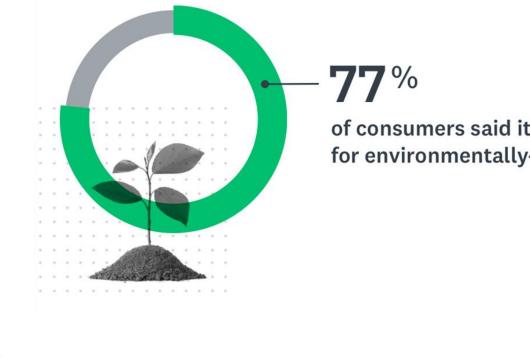


4 in 5

consumers have made purchase decisions **based on their values** in the past year.

N = 1,097; Adults 18+ in the US





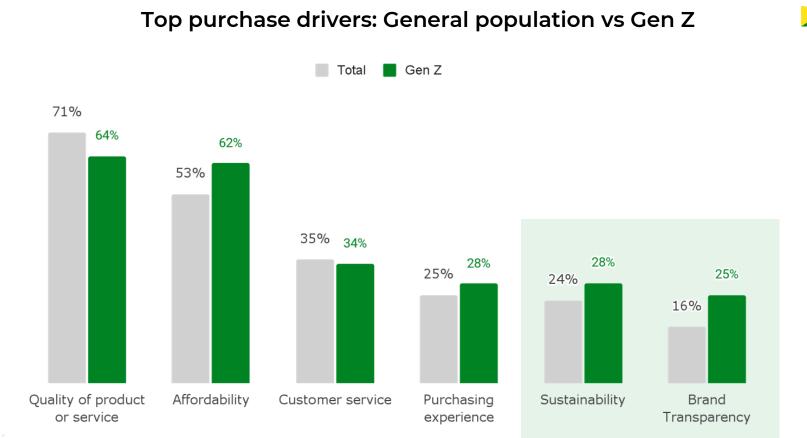
of consumers said it's worth it to pay more for environmentally-friendly products Consumers are willing to pay more for **food** that is...



Produced sustainably



Produced by brands committed to social and environmental justice



## Social justice is also central to the B2B buying process

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IT Decision Makers care too...







90% of IT decision makers say Corporate Social Responsibility is important in their purchasing decisions 89% of IT decision makers say they are likely to **stop purchasing** from a vendor whose business decisions conflict with their organization's values

N = 252; July 26, 2021; IT Decision Makers Q: How important are a vendor's Corporate Social Responsibility values (i.e. equality, sustainability, community giving) to your organization's IT purchasing decisions? Q: How likely are you to stop purchasing from a vendor if they made a business decision that conflicted with your organization's values?

## 05 But quality and price still reign supreme

### Top purchase drivers: General population vs Gen Z Gen Z Total 71% 64% 62% 53% 35% 34% 28% 28% 25% 25% 24% 16% Quality of product Affordability Customer service Purchasing Sustainability Brand or service experience Transparency

### **O6** Consumer brands are committed to sustainability

## Pledging their commitment:



- The 25 largest consumer goods companies have made commitment to increase recyclable content, minimize packaging or reuse material
- 80% of those companies are working toward fully recyclable packaging for all of their products by 2030 at the latest



# 100%

# recyclable or reusable packaging by 2025

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**Johnnie Walker** created the world's first ever 100% plastic free paper-based spirits bottle



L'Oréal innovates for a sustainable beauty routine with an exclusive paper bottle developed hand in hand with Paboco®, the Paper **Bottle Company** 



Secret and **Old Spice** rolled out cardboard deodorant tubes





### **Product Environmental Report**

13-inch MacBook Air

#### Made with better materials

100% 100%

recycled aluminum enclosure

recycled tin in the

solder of the main logic board

#### **Energy efficient**

71% less energy consumed than the ENERGY STAR® energy efficiency requirement



### Responsible packaging



94%

of the wood fiber comes from recycled and responsible sources

of the packaging is fiber based, due to our work to use less plastic in packaging

### Tackling climate change

### 100%

We're committed to transitioning our entire manufacturing supply chain to 100 percent renewable electricity by 2030.

#### Smarter chemistry<sup>1</sup>

· Arsenic-free display glass · Mercury-free · Brominated flame retardant-free · PVC-free · Beryllium-free

#### Apple Trade In

Return your device through Apple Trade In and we'll give it a new life or recycle it for free.

### 100% recycled aluminum. 1000% here for it.

Using recycled aluminum in device enclosures lowers their overall carbon impact.



Source: Apple

### 07 Sustainability-first brands are becoming popular



N=981 US adults 18+ Q: When you think of companies that take positive actions to protect the environment, which ones come to mind?





## EVERLANE







### So...

### How do you measure the impact of sustainability and social efforts on brand and sales performance?

#### In-market distribution tests

Understand the impact of sustainable products onshelf to optimize assortment

### PnP & attribution studies

Measure actual price sensitivity and sales impact of launching sustainable products

#### Pre-testing w/ survey methods

Know what product features, claims, and creative will resonate most with your buyers

### Brand health tracking

Measure the impact of your social responsibility efforts on brand health and perception



#### RESEARCH TIPS

## Incorporating social topics into your studies

01 Understand what your buyers care about

### Measure shifting attitudes and behaviors

Usage & Attitudes studies can help you dig into specific social and environmental topics to learn what people prefer and how that drives action.

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#### Get category-specific insights vs relying on broad trends

What's true for paper products might not be the case for beauty or electronics. Get insights specific to your category to develop a product marketing strategy.

### Understand tradeoffs with choice-based methods

Techniques like Conjoint and MaxDiff help you understand the relative importance of product attributes & know how consumers weigh options.



### Why MaxDiff?



#### **Traditional Rating Scale**

Thinking about buying software for your company, **how important** are each of the following criteria to you?

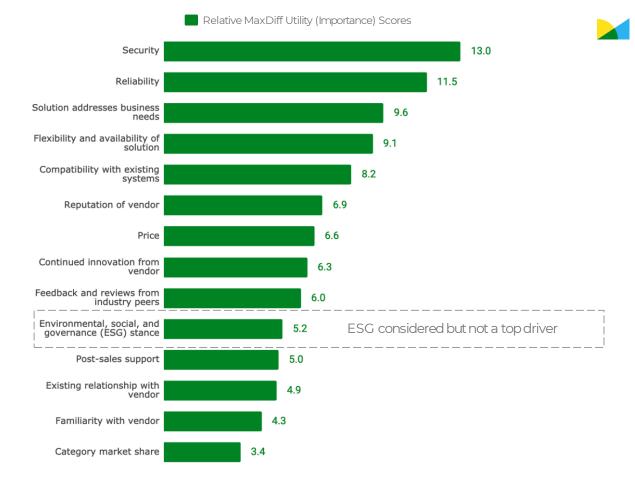
			Somewhat important		Extremely important
Reputation	0	0	0		0
Security	0	0	0	0	
Reliability	0	0	0		0
Price	0	0	0	0	
ESG stance	0	0	0		0

#### **MaxDiff Best-Worst Scaling**

Which of the following purchase criteria are **most** and **least** important to you?



MaxDiff analysis: Security and reliability most important for ITDMs when selecting a vendor



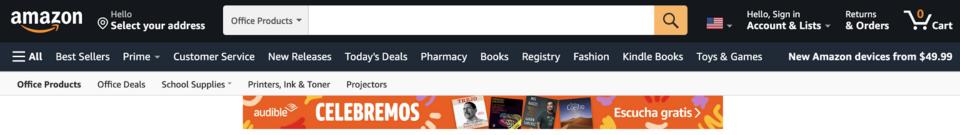
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For some products, sustainability is the main event. For some, it's an "*and*."

#### Ann Meitz

Vice President, Sustainability & Packaging Innovation, Consumer Business Group at 3M





Office Products > Office & School Supplies > Paper > Notebooks & Writing Pads > Self-Stick Notes



Post-it Super Sticky Full Stick Notes, 3x3 in, 12 Pads, 2x the Sticking Power, Rio de Janeiro Collection, Bright Colors (Orange, Pink, Blue, Green), Recyclable (F330-12SSAU)

#### List Price: \$17.99 Details

Price: **\$9.83** Get **Fast, Free Shipping** with Amazon Prime & FREE Returns You Save: **\$8.16** (45%)

Available at a lower price from other sellers that may not offer free Prime shipping.

Color	Rio De Janerio Collection
Size	12 Pads
Brand	Post-it
Unit Count	12 Sheets
Shape	Square

#### About this item

• 3 in x 3 in, Rio de Janeiro Collection

#### \$9.83

Get Fast, Free Shipping with Amazon Prime & FREE Returns ~

FREE delivery Monday, October 4 if you spend \$25 on items shipped by Amazon

Or fastest delivery **Thursday**, **September 30**. Order within 10 hrs 18 mins

Select delivery location

In Stock.

Qty: 1 🗸

Add to Cart

Buy Now

Secure transaction

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Roll over image to zoom in

	Post-it Notes Original	Post-it Super Sticky Notes	Post-it Recycled Super Sticky Notes	Post-it Super Sticky Pop-up Notes	Post-it Super Sticky Full Stick Notes	EXTREME Post-it Extreme Notes
Stick and re-stick	$\checkmark$	✓	1	1	1	1
Removes cleanly	V	V	√	1	√	1
Made with unique adhesive designed for paper	1					
Super Sticky: 2X the sticking power		V	V	V	V	
Recyclable	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	4	$\checkmark$	1	
For Pop-up Note dispensers				1		
Made with 30% postconsumer content			1			
Water resistant						1
Extreme: 100X the holding power						√
Holds in hot & cold environments						V

### 02 Know what claims will resonate most

#### We tested the following claims:

- 1. Sustainably made
- 2. Non-toxic
- 3. Made from 100% recycled materials
- 4. 100% recyclable
- 5. 100% compostable
- 6. 100% biodegradable

#### Against these attributes:

- Appeal
- Unique
- Believable
- Relevant
- Innovative

- Quality
- Purchase intent
- Environmentally friendly

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• Safe for my family

### Sustainability Claims Test



<b>Confidence level</b> 95%	Α	В	С	D	E	F
	Sustainably Made	Non-toxic	Recycled	Recyclable	Compostable	Biodegradable
Overall appeal	67%	75% A	78% A	82% ABE	73%	80% AE
Unique	36%	37%	39%	42%	50% ABCD	44% AB
Believable	39%	42%	50% AB	50% AB	54% AB	52% AB
Relevant	45%	56% A	53% A	58% A	53% A	56% A
Innovative	41%	38%	49% AB	48% AB	54% AB	49% AB
Quality	54%	60%	58%	65% AC	64% A	61% A
Purchase intent	48%	53%	60% AB	61% AB	57% A	57% A
Environmentally friendly	55%	56%	67% AB	75% ABC	76% ABC	75% ABC
Safe for my family	58%	68% A	68% A	72% A	73% A	69% A

N = 1,202; Location: United States (USA); Regions: All regions; Gender Balancing: Census; Age: 18-99;; Age Balancing: Basic Census; Income: \$0-\$200k+ Created by and for the use of Momentive for marketing purposes. This study was not commissioned or endorsed by Coldfish® or any other companies displayed. 03 Get consumer feedback on new packaging concepts

We tested the new paper-based Johnnie Walker bottle against the original

#### **Current Packaging Design**



Johnnie Walker Black Label is the world's best-selling Scotch whisky brand, enjoyed in more than 180 countries worldwide.

#### New Packaging Design



Johnnie Walker Black Label is the world's best-selling Scotch whisky brand, enjoyed in more than 180 countries worldwide. Now available in the world's first ever 100% plastic free paper-based spirits bottle, made entirely from sustainably sourced wood.



Johnnie Walker's new packaging performed significantly better than the current on visual attributes, but was on par for purchase intent



#### General Population

	A	В		
Confidence level 95%	anter-			
	Black Label - Current	Black Label - New		
Purchase intent	47%	49%		
Unique	40%	74% A		
Overall appeal	64%	65%		
Meets your needs	51%	56%		
Visually appealing	68%	64%		
Stands out	52%	65% A		
Eye-catching	48%	63% A		
Innovative	30%	69% A		
Quality	68%	71%		
Affordable	27%	34% A		
Clear	77%	76%		

Packaging Test; May 24th 2021 n=730; United States (USA); Gender Balancing: Census; Age: 21-99; Income: \$0-200k+; Created by and for the use of Momentive for marketing purposes. This study was not commissioned or endorsed by Diageo® or any other companies displayed.

### Among existing consumers, purchase intent for the new packaging was on par with current, indicating low risk of alienation

#### Johnnie Walker consumers

	A	В	
Confidence level 95%	and the second sec		
	Black Label - Current	Black Label - New	
Purchase intent	78%	78%	
Unique	64%	83% A	
Overall appeal	93%	86%	
Meets your needs	77%	79%	
Visually appealing	91% B	72%	
Stands out	84%	80%	
Eye-catching	72%	79%	
Innovative	55%	79% A	
Quality	84%	86%	
Affordable	39%	51%	
Clear	87%	95%	

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### 04 Incorporate social values into your brand trackers

#### Measure trends in social and environmental topics over time

Track how consumers are paying attention to social issues related to your product category, and get ahead of behavioral changes.

### Capture social values with your brand associations

Add key social values to the list of brand attributes you are tracking over time, to understand the tie to your brand identity.

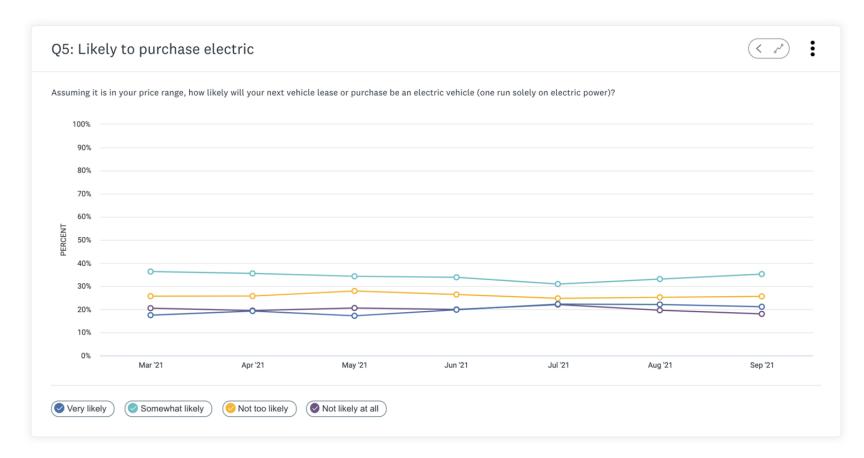
#### Measure brand lift from socialcentric campaigns

As soon as you start incorporating social messages in your packaging and campaigns, track the impact to brand perception and health.



### **Example: electric vehicles**







#### Brand Health Tracker

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Which of the following best describes our brand?

Innovative	
Trustworthy	
Safe	
Sustainable	
Family-friendly	
Premium quality	
Unique	
Exciting	
Fun	
Helpful	
 New	
Next	

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### In summary...



#### 01

Consumers care more about the environment

#### **02** Consumer behaviors are

evolving

#### 03

Spending is becoming more aligned to values **04** Function still matters more than values

#### **05** Brands are pledging commitments

#### **06** Study how these trends impact

your category

### 07

Test packaging and claims before launch

#### 08

Track the impact of your efforts over time



# Thank you!



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