



Twelve Year study exploring how brands tangibly improve peoples' lives functionally, enhance their personal well-being, and contribute to wider society.





The Meaningful Brands Study is unique within the industry

1

Dating from 2009, was the

FIRST GLOBAL FRAMEWORK to

connect brands with human well-being

2

Explores

PROPRIETARY

METRIC of brand

strength for business and marketing planning

3

Helps us identify how and

where to

MEANINGFULLY

ENGAGE with people

through customer, brand and media experiences











In current landscape, consumers and society expect more long-term value from businesses and brands



After almost 50 years, Davos
Manifesto was updated,
emphasizing the
responsibility for businesses
to be stewards of the planet
and all people



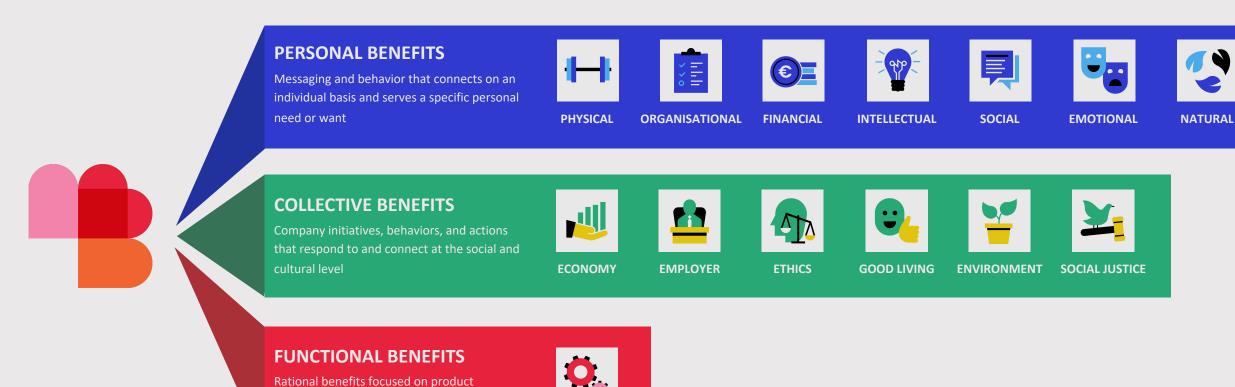
The idea of stakeholder capitalism is growing in momentum





A Tangible Definition of 'Meaningful'

Understanding what matters across 3 pillars and 14 dimensions



FUNCTIONAL

functionality, customer service, interactivity,

and technology





Brands are measured against specific attributes – pertinent to their category - within each pillar



FUNCTIONAL

How the product or service delivers

Quality Prods

Responsible

Tariffs Range

Technology-driven

Tools & services

Safety features

Range

Respect

Safe &

Scents

Unique

Upright

- Banking app
- Best Camera
- Clear Info
- Comfortable clothes
- Compatibility
- Data privacy
- Delivers
- Designs
- Digital experience
- Easy journey
- Easy returns
- Easy Switch
- Exclusive exp.
- Fair Prices
- Fix cuts

- Handling
- Handset Change
- Helpful Staff
- In charge
- In store experience
- Inclusive Collection
- Innovative
- Interactions
- Leader
- Multisensory
- Price's consistency
- Proactive
- Quality brands



PERSONAL

How brands improve peoples' lives



- Healthy
 - Attractive



ORGANISATIONAL

- Life Easier



- Best interests





- Better Habits
- Save Time



FINANCIAL

- Savings
- Wealth



- Trendy
- Skills
- New Ideas



SOCIAL

- Belonging
- Sharing
- Connecting
- Closer



EMOTIONAL

- Me Happy
- Makes me content
- Self-Esteem
- Peace of Mind
- Show-off/Pride
- Self expression
- Privileged
- Relaxed



- Env. Enabler
- Sense of Purpose



COLLECTIVE

A brands role in society



ECONOMY

- Local Suppliers
- Development
- Benefits the Economy



SOCIAL JUSTICE

- Migrants
- LGBT+ rights
- Women's rights Anti-racism
- Social Leader Improve access
- Diversity



- Transparent
- Causes
- Data protection

Healthy lives

Culture access

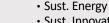
Food security

Education

Poverty

GOOD LIVING

Fthical



 Sust. Innovations Clean supply chain

Respects Animals

Sust. consumption

Climate change

Respects Nature

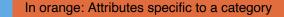
FNVIRONMENT

- Food waste
- Sust. Brands



- Good employer
- Jobs
- Invests







The Study is Valuable in Multiple Ways

specific

FUNCTIONAL,

PERSONAL AND

COLLECTIVE benefits

that people are
seeking from a brand
in a given category

Recognizing the **DEFICIT**and capitalizing on this
for competitive
advantage

BEST KIND OF
CONTENT

For a brand to deliver within the customer's journey

Unlocking the

AUTHENTIC role for a

brand to play in a

landscape that

requires new kinds of

SOCIETAL

COMMITMENTS





For the 12th year, there is a decline in the value most consumers see from brands

People would not care if

75% of brands disappeared





Worse still - Uncertainty Spills over.

Political and social unrest, disinformation and distrust have begun to impact our relationship with brands.



Of Consumers are Tired of Brands' Empty Promises







Cynicism Cynicism Cynicism Cynicism

The Age of Cynicism

Cynicism Cynicism



Meaningful Brands 2021 in numbers

2021 Study

(Conducted Q3 2020)

+395,000

citizens

+2,000

brands

30 markets

21 industries





The chaotic cultural landscape exacerbated in 2020 has significantly impacted consumer priorities and behavior













A state of crisis has shifted our priorities

Three quarters of Global Citizens feel we are living in a global crisis across four key areas



Public Health

78%



Politics

72%



Economy

77%



Environment

72%





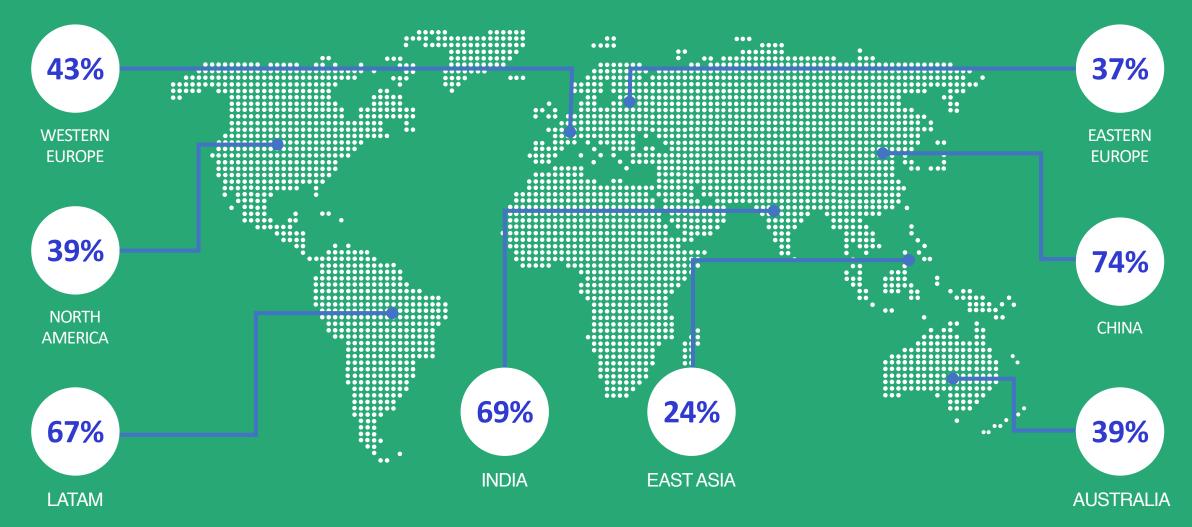


Amidst this culture of chaos and uncertainty, we are sadly, globally aligned

Less than half of brands are actually seen as trustworthy







Brand Trust is At an All Time Low In Many Parts of the World







Yet expectation is at an All Time High

73%

think brands must act NOW for the good of society & planet





People not only expect better behavior – they are willing to pay more!

53%

are ready to pay more for a brand that takes a stand on environmental and social issues

64%

of citizens prefer to buy from companies with a reputation for having a purpose other than just profits

+10 pts. vs





You can't con your consumer

They are aware of your actions

Only 36%

feel satisfied with companies' or brands' concrete actions to make the world a better place

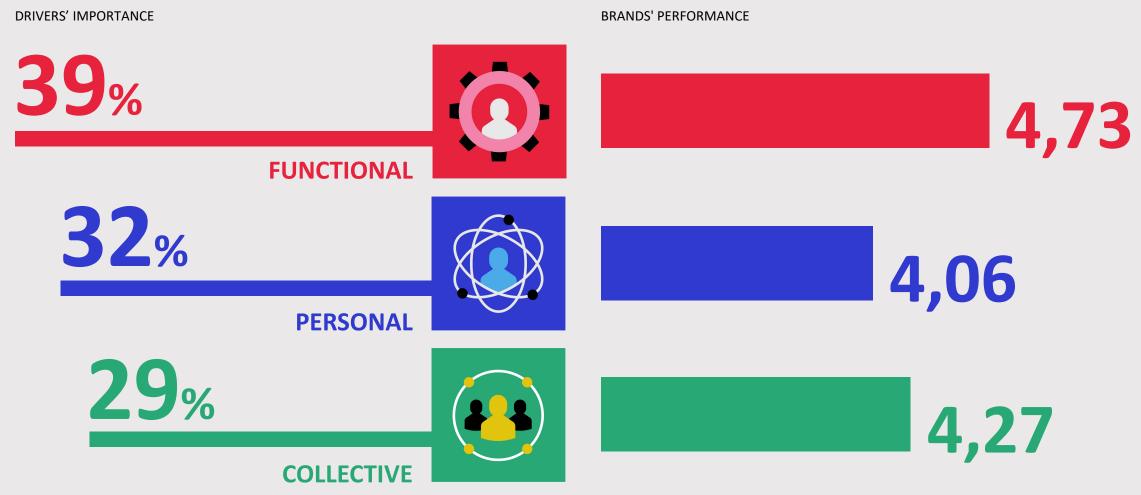
Only 34%

of consumers think companies and brands are transparent about their commitments and promises





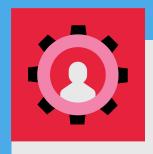
Brands continue to focus on functional delivery – it's important but not the whole picture







Consumers are seeking more Personal and Collective Benefits to enhance their well-being



FUNCTIONAL

Deliver a good product / service

39% ∨ -2p

Quality Prods V

106 Delivers V

105 Safe & Responsible V

104 Fair Prices

103 Leader V



PERSONAL

Improve peoples'

32% ^ +2pts

112 Life Easier A

108 Peace of Mind \wedge

108 Life Satisfaction

107 Show-off / Pride ^

106 Me Happier



COLLECTIVE

Play a role in society & environment

29% =

113 Transparent

110 Ethical

Benefits the Economy

107 Good employer ^

107 Jobs



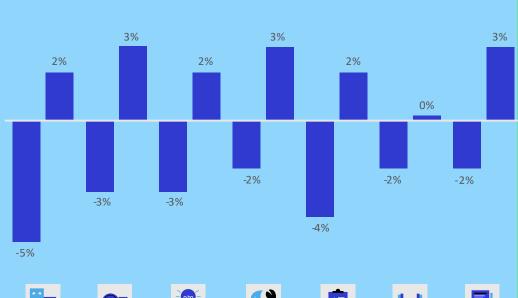


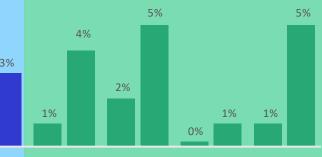


While the spike in Personal Benefits has been influenced by the crisis **Collective Benefits have been trending long term**

Evolution 2017-2019 & 2019-2021

Near term opportunities across Personal benefits





Long term opportunities across Collective benefits



Emotional



Financial





Natural



Organisational





Social



Economy







Employer





This year, we looked more widely at how brands aim to deliver against 'collective benefits'

We analysed our study alongside the UN's Sustainable Development Goals which also aim to help brands truly deliver on purpose and sustainability



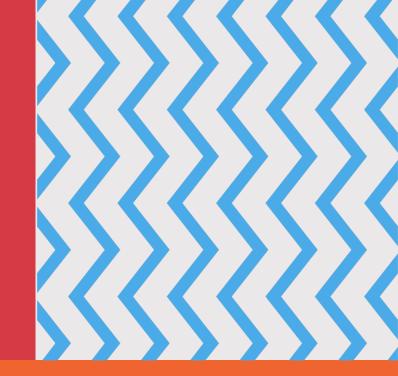
COLLECTIVEBENEFITS







The UN set long-term, ambitious sustainable development goals to help achieve a better world for all, holding all sectors of society accountable.





« Our goal:

By 2030, achieve a better more sustainable future for all! **ENGAGE PEOPLE, COMPANIES AND GOVERNMENTS**. Our 17 sustainable development goals are an urgent call for action »



The SDGs Focus on: People, Planet, Prosperity

17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)





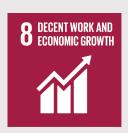
End poverty in all its forms everywhere



Ensure affordable, reliable, sustainable work for all



Food security, nutrition & sustainable agriculture



Sustained, inclusive and sustainable work for all



Regulating emissions and promoting renewable energy



Ensure healthy lives and wellbeing for all ages



Inclusive and sustainable industrialization & innovation



Sustainably use the oceans & marine resources



Inclusive, quality & lifelong learning for all



Reduce income inequality within and among countries



Protect ecosystems, combat desertification & biodiversity



Achieve gender equality & empower all women



Make cities inclusive, safe, resilient & sustainable



Promote peaceful & inclusive societies with justice for all



Achieve sustainable water and sanitation for all



Ensure sustainable consumption & production patterns



Strengthen partnerships for sustainable development



MB Collective Benefit attributes mapped against the UN SDG Goals helps to identify the path forward for Brands





POVERTY



WOMEN'S RIGHTS



ANTI-RACISM DIVERSITY MIGRANTS SOCIAL LEADER LGBT+ RIGHTS



RESPECTS NATURE RESPECTS ANIMALS



FOOD WASTE FOOD SECURITY



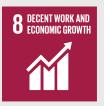
SUSTAINABLE ENERGY



DEVELOPMENT



HEALTHY LIVES



BENEFITS THE ECONOMY JOBS GOOD EMPLOYER



CLEAN SUPPLY CHAIN SUST. CONSUMPTION LOCAL SUPPLIERS SUST. BRANDS



ETHICAL DATA PROTECTION



EDUCATION IMPROVE ACCESS



INVESTS SUST. INNOVATIONS



CLIMATE CHANGE





Globally, Consumers increasingly expect brands to strengthen their collective pillar

Three specific dimensions saw a significant increase































GOOD LIVING

SOCIAL JUSTICE

ETHICS

+5%

+4%

NEW

NEW

+1%

Consumption

Sustainable Energy

ECONOMY

+5%

Good Employer

EMPLOYER

Invests for tomorrow's economy

Uses local suppliers where +3%

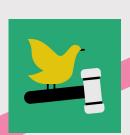
Fosters the local community +4% development

Its business activities benefit the economy of the country today





It's not just about jumping on the bandwagon to support the latest social cause



SOCIAL JUSTICE







EMPLOYER







ECONOMY





























ETHICS







Brands should focus on what is most authentic to them

Building a better world starts at home



Food



Zero hunger



Resp Consumption & production



Industry, innovation & infrastructure



Healthcare



Good health & well-being



Decent work & economic growth



Resp. Consumption & production





Transport



Decent work & economic growth



Resp. Consumption & production



Industry, innovation & infrastructure



Consumer electronics



Decent work & economic growth



Industry, innovation & infrastructure



Resp. Consumption & production



Apparel



Resp. Consumption & production



Reduced inequalities



Industry, innovation & infrastructure





What key area should your Brand focus on?

The overlay helps easily pinpoint where Brand deficits and opportunities lie



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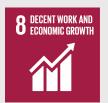
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CLIMATE CHANGE





Based on the outcome, brands can focus their efforts on the areas of opportunity that are most essential for them to address



UN SDG GOAL

UN SDG RESOURCES

HAVAS EXPERTISE

Investigate > Identify > Ideate > Implement

e.g.

- Education
- Improve access







Goal 4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

- Why business should support education
 A Framework for Business Engagement in Education
- Children's Rights and Business Principles
- Principles for Responsible Management Education
- From our library
- Additional Tools: SDG Compass: SDG Matrix

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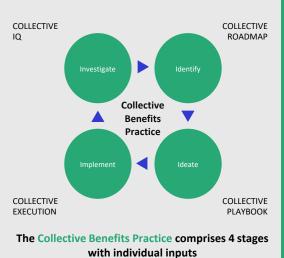
- Clean supply chain
- Sustainable Consumption
- Local Suppliers
- Sustainable Brands







Our bespoke approach to boosting a brand's Collective Benefits







Age of Cynicism

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

GAIN TRUST THROUGH TRANSPARENCY

- How trustworthy is your brand considered to be based on past and current actions? Are there / Where are the gaps?
- Do your communication goals align with your brand heritage?
- What specific collective attributes connect with your brand that enables you to organically get more involved?
- How can your brand's content strategy more authentically connect with consumers?

PURPOSE OVER PROFIT

- How can your client leverage the Havas 'Collective Benefits' Tool to better inform communication strategies?
- What SDG's are the lowest hanging fruit that your brand can genuinely align to and consider to take greater action?
- What are first steps your brand can take to workshop a gap analysis on your current sustainability standing vs. the SDGs?







The Age of Cynicism

Observations Observations Observations

Opservation

Additional Observations

Observations
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Brands' status
elevated by
increasing Personal
and Collective
benefits

Top 30 Brands

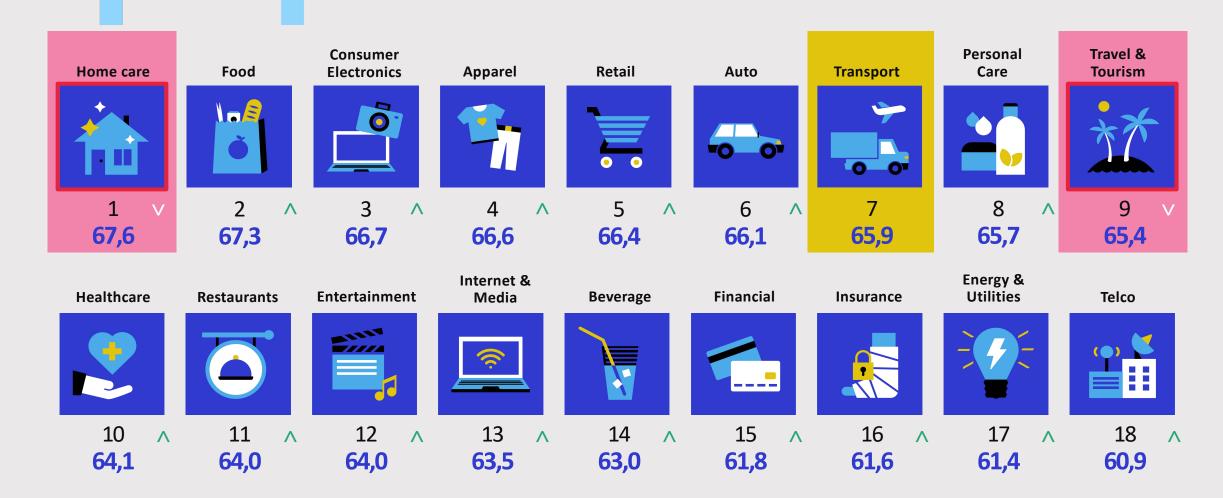


of Consumers want more meaningful experiences





Overall, most categories gain in meaningful scores







Most Meaningful Global Brands 2021

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Google	P PayPal	(C) WhatsApp	► YouTube	SAMSUNG	Microsoft	Walmart 🔆	Caðbury	VISA	IKEA
75,0	72,9	72,1	71,8	71,7	71,7	71,5	71,4	71,3	71,1
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Libe	ALDI	NIVEA	adidas	Skip	DANONE		<i>lego</i>	FROM FRIN	NETFLIX
70,9	70,8	70,4	70,3	70,3	70,2	70,0	69,9	69,6	69,6
21 New in 2021	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
FIFA	Nestlē	Colgate	SONY	Booking.com	Dove	DISNEP	Heinz	Kellvygis	Gillette
69,5	69,5	69,4	69,4	69,4	69,3	69,1	69,0	69,0	68,9





Brands that focus on personal and collective benefits resonate more with Consumers







The categories and brands that saw accelerated growth is not surprising given the behavioral changes shaped by the cultural backdrop

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ACCESSIBLE RETAIL	Walmart >¦<	+6%	ALDI	+5%	Lide	+4%	IKEA	+3%	zalando	+3%
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HOMETAINMENT	Spotify [®]	+6%	GAMELOFT	+5%	NETFLIX	+3%	<i>lego</i>	+2%	₽ YouTube	+2%
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TECH SOLUTIONS	AMERICAN EXPRESS	+5%	SAMSUNG	+3%	VISA	+3%	mastercard	+3%	① LG	+3%
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There are immediate opportunities to forge meaningful connections in the short term

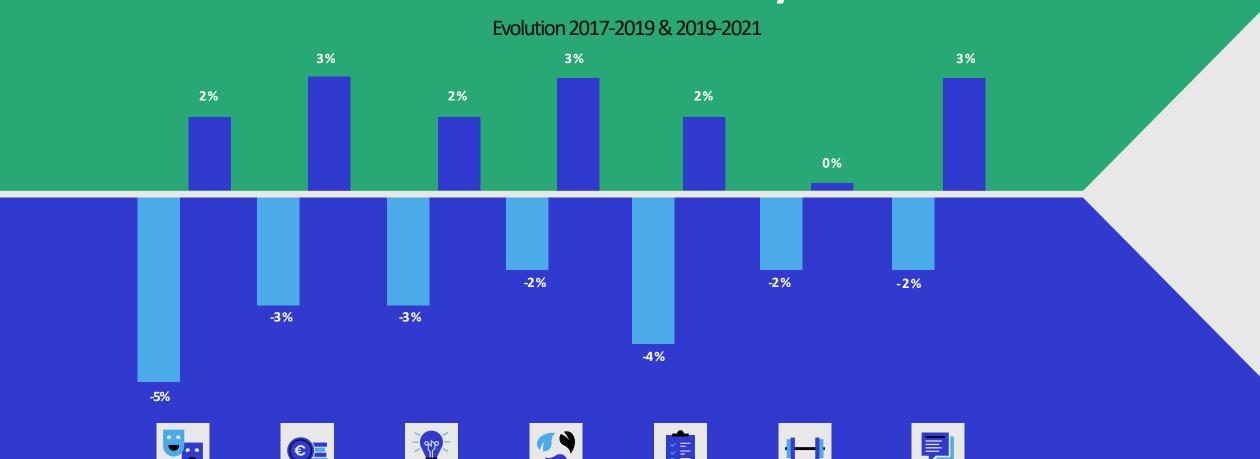


of Consumers expect Brands to show support to people in times of crisis





The crisis brought a greater need for personal benefits to be met today



Organisational



Financial



Social

Consumers expect brands to help in decreasing life's stressors



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Makes my life easier

106



Gives me peace of mind



Helps me feel truly happy

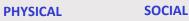


Helps me feel content in my daily life





PERSONAL



NATURAL

FINANCIAL

ORGANISATIONAL

INTELLECTUAL

EMOTIONAL

















+3%

+3%

+3%

+2%

+2%

+2%

Specific dimensions have also increasingly become more in demand







SOCIAL

+3%

Makes me feel part of a group

+3%

Helps me to share experiences/moments with others

+2%

Helps me to connect with people and/or meet new people



INSPIRE

+4%

Inspires me to make the world a better place

+2%

Enables me to be more environmentally friendly



FINANCIAL



+3%

Helps me save money

+3%

Helps me grow my wealth

The attributes within each that have become more important to consumers, follow the theme of focusing on people, the planet, and prosperity



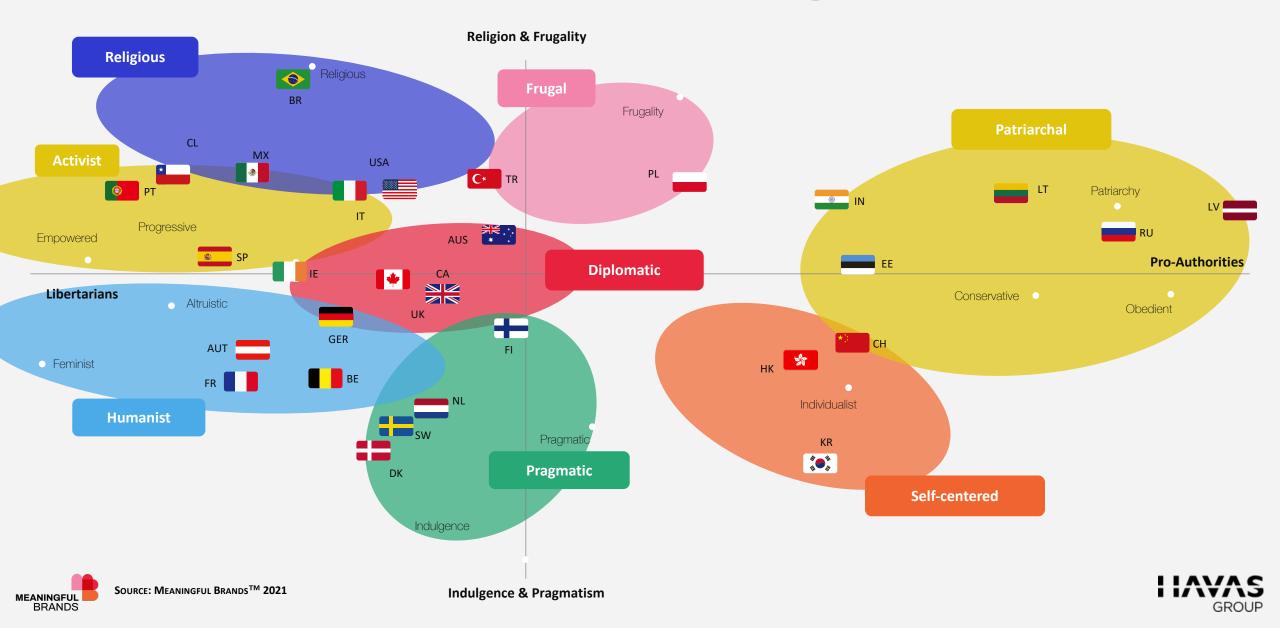


East Meets West **Cultural** intricacies matter:

'we' vs. 'me' mentality influences expectations

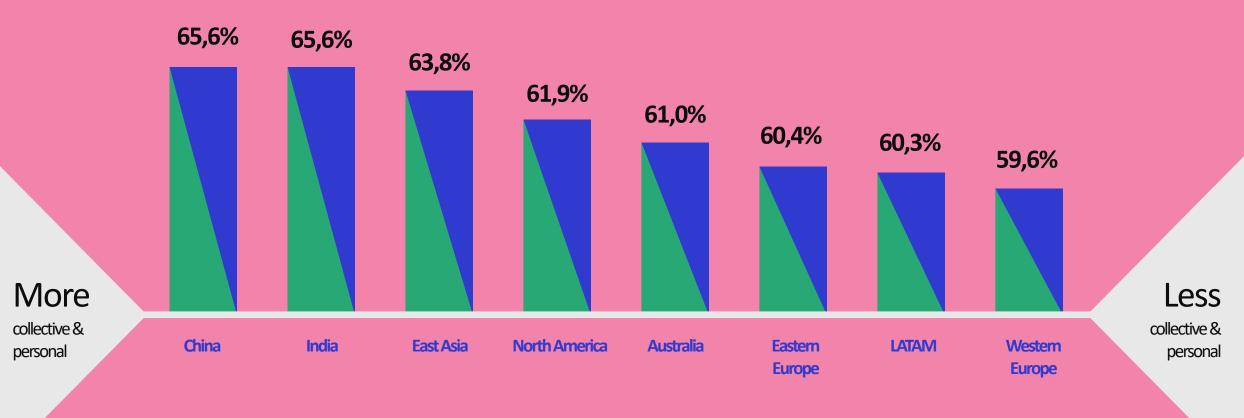


Cultural ethos defines what is right in societies



There is a higher expectation in the East for personal and collective benefits compared to the West

Surprisingly, LATAM is on par with Europe







Personal Benefits:

After organizational and emotional benefits, unsurprisingly, consumers in APAC seek to connect while Western countries seek more individual gains







Collective Benefits:

Clearly influenced by the impacts of the cultural landscape specific to a region, morality is top of mind for Western countries while Asian countries place top importance on the environment



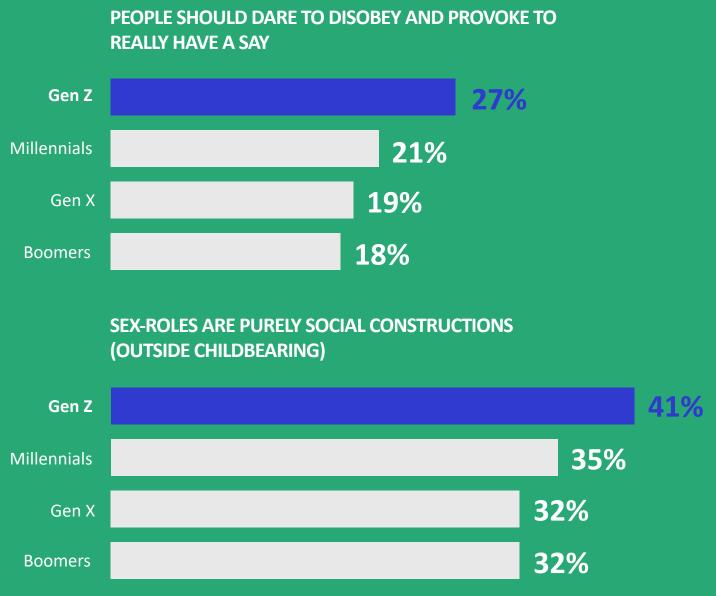
Gen Z is an open-minded generation who seek individuality and don't mind questioning society 'rules'





Gen Z are more likely to speak their minds and challenge traditional constructs than other generations







Brands that enable them to convey their individuality pique their interest



are looking for differentiated products and services which allow them to express their individuality

vs. 36% Boomers





Gen Z is particularly focused on Reduced inequalities

Inclusion and Expression of Self are of paramount importance for this generation

GEN Z

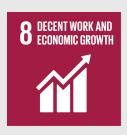
12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION

AND PRODUCTION



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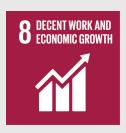


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TOTAL POPULATION



107



106



105

BOOMERS (+56 YO)



109



108



106





Gen Z have extra heart for brands that take effective action and are accepting of all people

Takes a lead on social issues

105



Embraces diversity

102





Meaningful Content:

Nearly half of content fails to deliver

Compared to pre Covid, 'Help'
Content is on the rise

48%

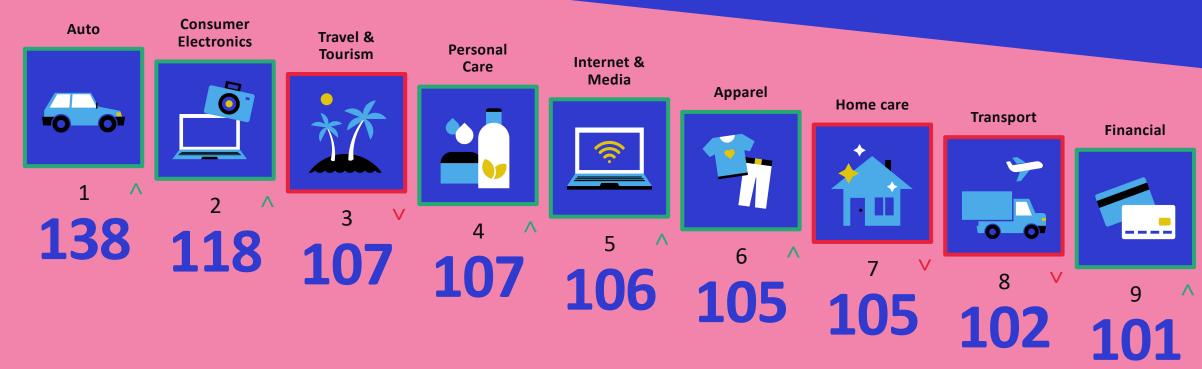
of the content provided by Brands is not meaningful to Consumers





Content effectiveness varies by industry

Categories that had limited engagement due to govt safety measures were negatively impacted





The most expected roles of content are to Reward and Inspire





BEVERAGE

FOOD



- 1. Help
- 2. Inform
- 3. Reward



- 1. Reward
- 2. Entertain
- 3. Inspire



- 1. Entertain
- 2. Reward
- 3. Inspire



- 1. Help
- 2. Inspire
- 3. Reward

ENTERTAINMENT



- 1. Reward
- 2. Entertain
- 3. Inspire

INTERNET & MEDIA



- 1. Entertain
- 2. Inspire
- 3. Help

TELCO



- 1. Help
- 2. Reward
- 3. Inform

PERSONAL CARE



- 1. Help
- 2. Inspire
- 3. Inform







Most associated

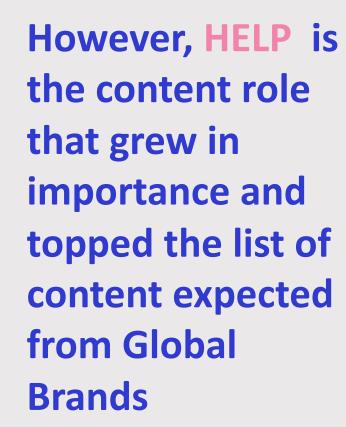




Must Have Have to be there

Most

expected



Least expected





INSPIRE



ENTERTAIN



EDUCATE





Opportunity

Least associated



What you say is as important as how you say it

ASSOCIATED CONTENT TYPE ACROSS DIFFERENT POINTS IN A CONSUMER DECISION JOURNEY

•	FAMILIARITY	?	CONSIDER PREMIUM PRICE		PURCHASE	4	ADVOCACY	€ [€ RE-PURCHASE
108	Long movie	115	Personalities' Testimonial	111	Celebrities' collaboration	107	TV / Billboards / Radio /	108	Books / E-Books
106	Books / e-books	115	Celebrities' collaboration	111	Personalities' Testimonial		Magazine	108	Long movie
106	Educational material	113	TV / Billboards / Radio /	111	TV / Billboards / Radio /	106	Newspaper / magazines	108	Educational material
106	Documentary		Magazine		Magazine	105	Audio content/services	107	Audio content / services
106	Short movie / video	112	Newspaper / magazines Brand Photo on Social Media	109	Audio content/services Newspaper / magazines	105	Short movie / video TV show	106	Documentary
106	Audio content / services	110	Audio content/services	103	Party / Dinner	103	Personalities' Testimonial	106	Short movie / video
105	TV show	107	Party / Dinner	108	Short movie / video	104	Long movie	104	TV show
104	AR experience	107	Music video	108	Brand Photo on Social Media	104	Celebrities' collaboration	104	Organizational Tool/App
104	Music video	106	Video game & online game	108	Music video	104	Party / Dinner	104	Newspaper / magazines
103	Party / dinner	106	Short movie / video	107	TV show	104	Music video	104	Music video





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