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Next-Gen Metrics for Analyzing Your Customer Behavior

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Smartphone Movement Data



Credit/Debit Spend Data



Opinion Data



Today's Webinar

Next-gen Metrics for Analyzing Your Customer Behavior

Session contents

- The need for better ways to measure customer transaction behavior
- Measurement approaches to solve for basic shortcomings
- The features of 'next level' customer transaction behavior metrics

Datasets utilized

Sense3

Sense360 credit/debit transaction panel of 5M+ shoppers

Sense360 smartphone movement panel of 5M+ customers

Sense360 syndicated Retail Customer Experience (CX) dataset



Why is there a need for better ways of monitoring customer transaction behavior?

Customer Transaction Behavior 1.0

Some baseline ways of monitoring customer activity with your brand

Common measures (non-exhaustive), sometimes possible with internal data alone

1x 2x 3x

Frequency

of the customers that transacted at all, how many times on average did they transact in the time period?



Retention

of the customers that transacted, how many transacted again by X period in the future?



- Both metrics are viewed as averages across the customer base. How can you read trends when your customer base changes over time?
- Understanding who is "loyal" and who has the potential to increase their usage hard to tell if the frequent customers are frequent with just your brand, or with the whole market
- Hard to tell if those who were not retained had a poor experience or if they never had the opportunity to transact again (e.g. don't live where your locations are)



Case in Point: What story is Frequency telling?

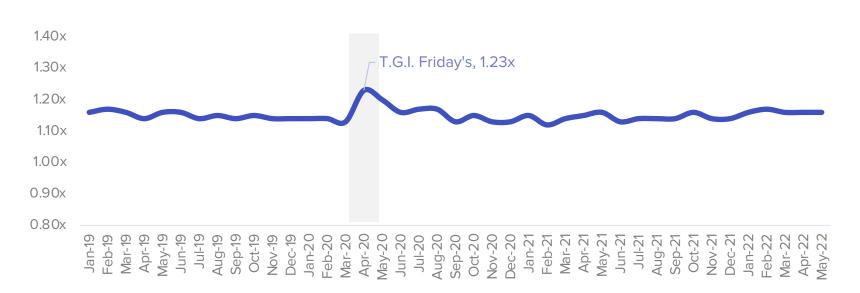
Since the start of 2019, in which of these months would you guess T.G.I. Friday's had it's best average customer frequency?

- August 2019 (end of summer pre-COVID)
- February 2020 (final month pre-COVID)
- April 2020 (first full month of COVID)
- June 2021 (start of summer post-vaccine roll-out)

Average monthly frequency was highest for T.G.I. Friday's in April 2020

Monthly Average Frequency per Customer

National; Spend excluding 3rd Party Delivery



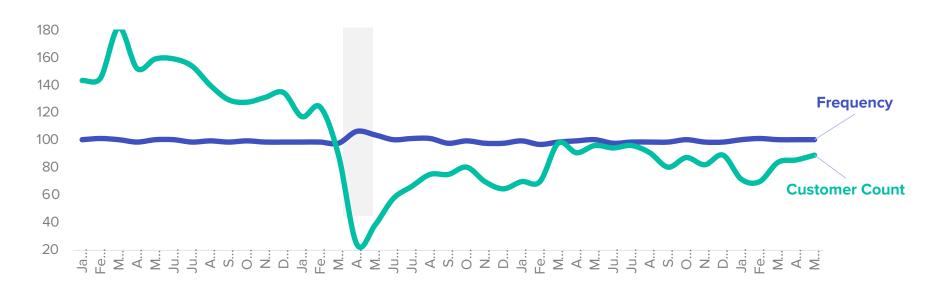


...but this was during a low point for the brand

Average frequency jumped because lower-freq customers stopped transacting entirely

Indexed Monthly Average Frequency and Customer Count

National; Spend excluding 3rd Party Delivery; Index 100 = on par with full period average for each metric





Case in Point: What story is Frequency telling?

Would you want to increase average customer frequency metrics if it meant losing a significant count of your customers?

Can you tell if the customers that stayed changed their frequency at all?

If multiple metrics need to be looked at together, what mental math are you expecting from your audience to do in order to tell if net business impact is good or bad?

What we are ultimately getting at by using these metrics at all?

If the ultimate objective of the business is to maximize total \$ of profit now and into the future, these measurements matter:

- How many customers do we have?
- 2 How often does each customer transact?
- How much do they spend when they transact?
- What does it cost us to serve them in each transaction?
- What other fixed costs do we have to maintain the business?

But if strategies to improve one of these hurt the other, is analyzing metrics for just one of them in isolation a good idea?

For a consumer insights / marketing audience, let's try Wh to solve for these 3. The other two are more often managed by a get financial / US operational stakeholder metrics at all !

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Measurement approaches

to solve for it

Frequency Bands analyses and Migration analyses provide visibility basic metrics can't



Frequency Bands Analyses

Deconstructs "average" customer frequency into a breakout of the proportion of customers who transacted at each level of frequency



Compares one time period to the next to see what customers moved from one level of frequency to the next, transacted with the brand as a new customer, or left the brand altogether

With Sense360, both of these approaches allow metric benchmarking to competitors, and allow each group of customers to be profiled in terms of where else outside of the brand their dollars are spent, demographic characteristics, and how much they contribute in sales (not just transaction frequency)



Example Frequency Band

% of Guests

Cumulative % of Guests

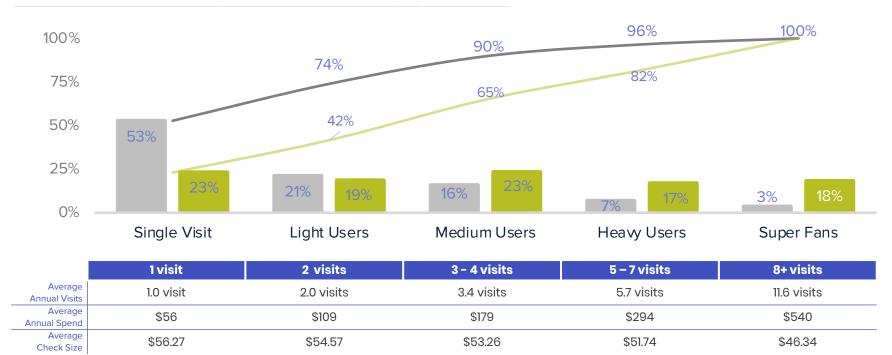


% of Transactions

Cumulative % of Transactions

Olive Garden Usage Groups

2021 distributions of Olive Garden guests and transactions by usage group





It's also possible to go deeper to identify exactly how each frequency band is evolving

Different strategies may emerge depending on if issues are reduced behavior among the heaviest customers, vs. among the medium / lighter ones

Example Retailer: Frequency Band Migration

% of Retailer's shoppers by frequency band during Period 1 vs. Period 2

Year 1				Year 2				Overall Shifts		
Group		% of shoppers		Heavy	Medium	Light	One Time	Lapsed	Freq. Growth (+)	Freq. Decline (-)
Heavy	(6+)	29.8%	Where they	58.6%	25.0%	7.2%	5.5%	3.8%		41.4%
Medium	(3-5)	23.3%	migrated to in	13.2%	28.7%	17.2%	19.9%	21.0%	13.2%	58.1%
Light	(2)	16.5%	Year 2	4.5%	17.2%	15.5%	24.7%	38.1%	21.7%	62.8%
One Time	∋ (1)	30.4%		1.8%	9.3%	10.8%	22.4%	55.7%	21.9%	55.7%
New		-		2.1%	12.9%	20.6%	64.3%	-		

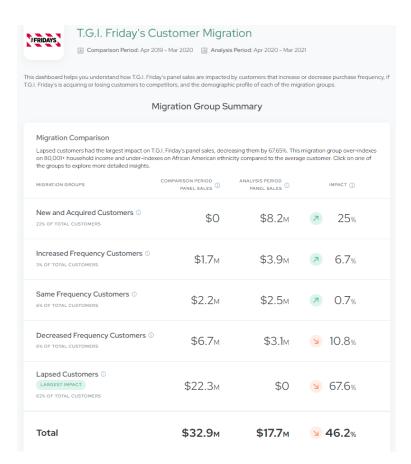
Represents increasing frequency distribution

Represents decreasing frequency distribution



Revisiting T.G.I. Friday's and quantifying the impact of customers who left vs. those who arrived and who stayed

From Sense360's Intelligence Product: Customer Migration Dashboard

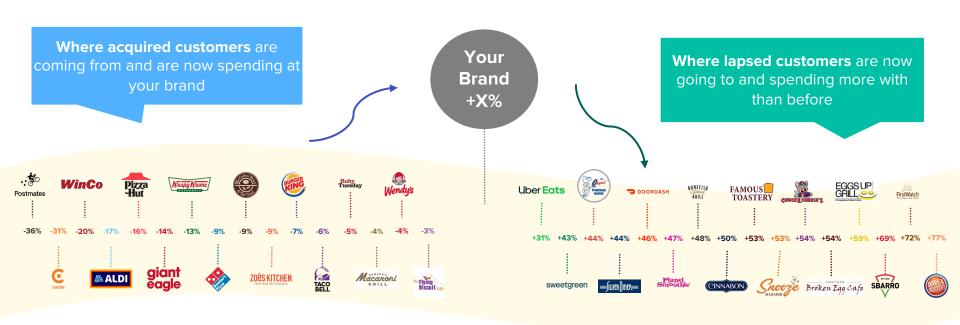


An increase in average frequency among customers who staved is not as insightful a picture as a migration analysis is, which quantifies the negative impact of customers who left and the extent it was / was not balanced out by new customers and spend changes from existing customers



Drilling into migration groups can show where they're coming from and where they're going

A critical piece in attributing success to certain strategies and diagnosing issues to tackle





What are the components to take customer behavior measurement to the 'next level'?

Sens360 believes in 5 core features of the best consumer behavior metrics for the modern era











Tracks observed, not just stated, behaviors

Captures the full customer journey, not just in your brand's four walls Is able to be benchmarked to competitors in the market Is representative of all customers, not just the most engaged / vocal

Is collected at scale, with adequate sample and granularity



01 Observed, not just stated

Where possible, metrics should source from datasets that passively track what customers have actually done, as opposed to their recollections recounted days / weeks / months afterward.

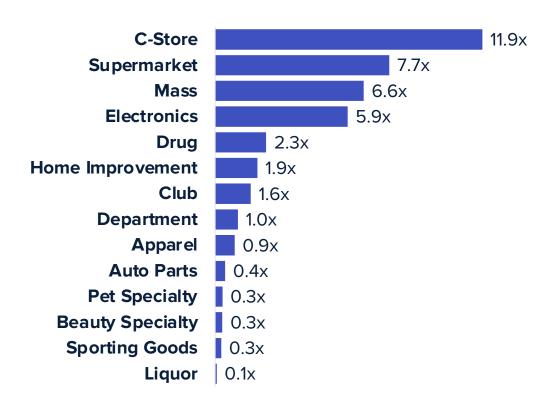
It matters because...

Stated behaviors run a higher risk of inaccurate, or incomplete, reporting.

For example, are you likely to under or over-state how often you go to the gym? How about how many times per week you eat fried food?



Q1 2022 Average # of Transactions per Person, by Retail Category



Do you remember exactly how many times you transacted with each of these types of retailers in the past 3 months?

02 The full customer journey

Data on what the customer does before or after interacting with your brand provides rich insight beyond just behaviors seen during his/her time within the brand's four walls. Included in this is knowing their longitudinal history of past times they transacted with your brand.

It matters because...

Knowing the extent the customer shops elsewhere and where they shop provides context for developing strategies to improve loyalty, target advertising, and even select locations for future sites.



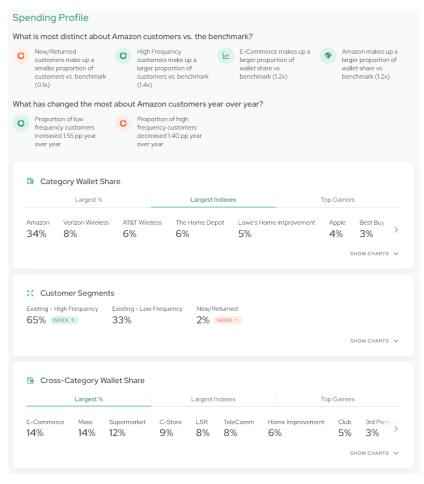
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Example Customer Profile: Amazon

Unblinded visibility into that retailer shopper's:

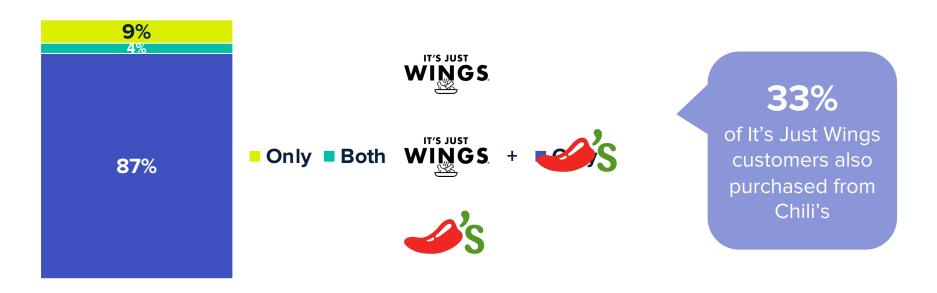
- wallet spread out across other competitors, across other categories like restaurants and convenience stores
- frequency bands
- how each of the above both trend and index against the customer profiles of market peers

From Sense360's Intelligence Product: Customer Profile Dashboard



Having a longitudinal view of the same customer's behavior can also reveal channel / sub-brand shifting within the same parent brand

2021 Chili's + It's Just Wings Customers: From Which Brand(s) Did They Purchase?





03 Possible to benchmark

Having any sense of what behaviors are good or bad, and the targets to strive for in each metric, is assisted by comparing a brand to its peers.

It matters because...

What attributes of a brand seem to be a "problem area" metric might not actually be an issue in the quest to capture market share from competitors, if competitors are even worse at it (and vice versa).

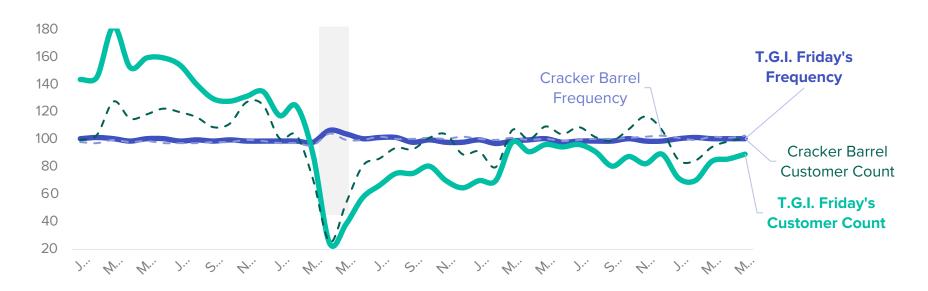


Revisiting T.G.I. Friday's frequency trend

Comparing to another full service dining brand, like Cracker Barrel, shows the frequency spike that accompanied the customer count decline wasn't a unique characteristic of the brand

Indexed Monthly Average Frequency and Customer Count

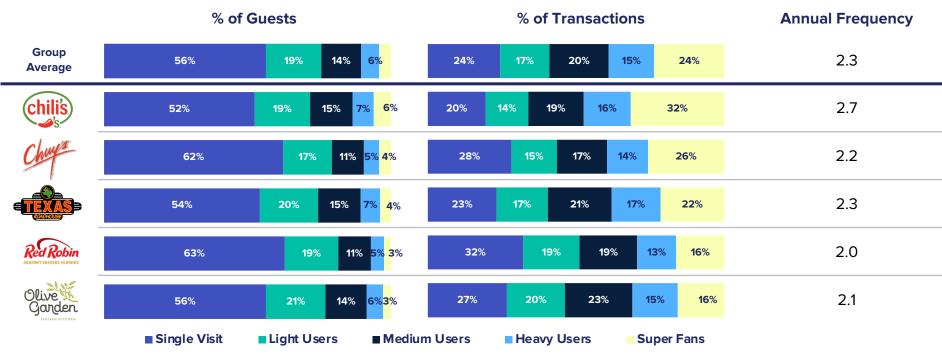
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Benchmarking frequency bands

Contextualize if the more likely opportunity exists to acquire more light users or build a bigger following of heavy users



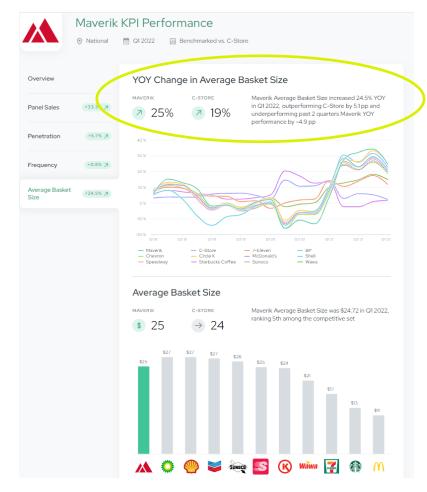


Example KPI Benchmarking: Maverick

Unblinded visibility into that brand's:

- Topline sales from Sense360's panel
- Base metrics on penetration (i.e. customer count as a % of the population), frequency, and basket size
- Trends of the above and brand vs. brand comparisons

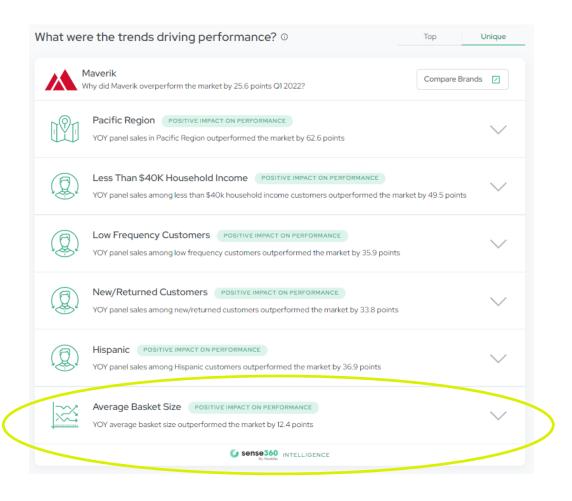
From Sense360's Intelligence Product: KPI Tracking Dashboard



Example Performance Drivers: Maverick

Utilize Sense360's models to inform you which metrics are actually contributing to the performance, both in total and uniquely relative to the rest of the market's trends

From Sense360's Intelligence Product: Competitive Performance Dashboard

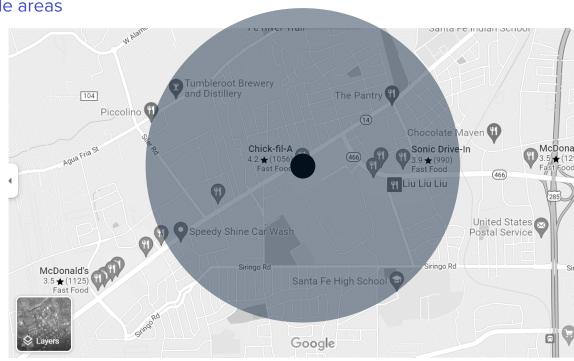


Using unique metrics to normalize for differences between brands

Brand Draw, a Sense360 smartphone location panel metric, reveals the foot traffic performance of a restaurant brand within its immediate trade areas

Brand Draw Definition: % of market visits that the brand receives, solely among visits that occur within 1 mile of its locations

Note: Brand Draw is a lessoften used metric with numerous caveats for proper interpretation. See appendix for details



What does Brand Draw reveal that Visit Share, or Share of Transactions, doesn't?

Visit Share (Foot Traffic Data) or Share of Transactions (Txn Data)

- Better for quantifying the total size of each brand in the market
- Better for determining if a brand is over or underperforming the rest of the entire market over time
- When also paired with total traffic or sales-based data, is better at revealing if the total market is expanding or contracting

Brand Draw (Foot Traffic Data)

- Better for comparing the performance of a brand to other brands in more of a per-store basis
- Better for determining how well a brand is doing, just in geographic areas where it is stands a solid chance of being the place visited
- When also paired with total traffic or sales-based data, is better at revealing if local trade areas are expanding or contracting



How different can brands be in Visit Share vs. Brand Draw?

Select Quick Service and Fast Casual Brand Examples

2021 Full Year Data, National; 107 Brands Considered

	Brand Draw	Brand Draw Rank	Visit Share	Visit Share Rank
McDonald's	25%	1	20.2%	1
Sonic Drive-In	21%	2	5.2%	5
Whataburger	19%	3	1.5%	16
Culver's	17%	4	1.4%	17
Chick-fil-A	16%	7	4.4%	9
Starbucks Coffee	15%	8	9.2%	2
In-N-Out Burger	14%	9	0.5%	26
Dutch Brothers Coffee	10%	13	0.4%	33
Subway	8%	27	6.8%	3
Carl's Jr.	4%	66	0.3%	39



Similarly, normalizing by amount of stores can reveal who's punching above their weight, not just who's the biggest

Share of Transactions, Normalized by Share of Stores

2022 Q1, National; Select Market of Convenience Stores (non-exhaustive)

	Share of Transactions	Share of Stores	Normalized Transactions per Store (100 Index)
7-Eleven	19%	34%	56
Circle K	15%	22%	69
Speedway	13%	14%	97
Wawa	13%	3%	402
Sheetz	9%	2%	379
Casey's General Store	9%	8%	107
QuikTrip	8%	3%	249
Pilot Flying J	4%	3%	132
Racetrac	3%	2%	167
ampm	3%	6%	53
GetGo	2%	1%	21 4
Kum & Go	2%	2%	108



04 Representative

Measuring how your best, worst, and average customers each behave will better depict the realities for your brand vs. only focusing on the most engaged users.

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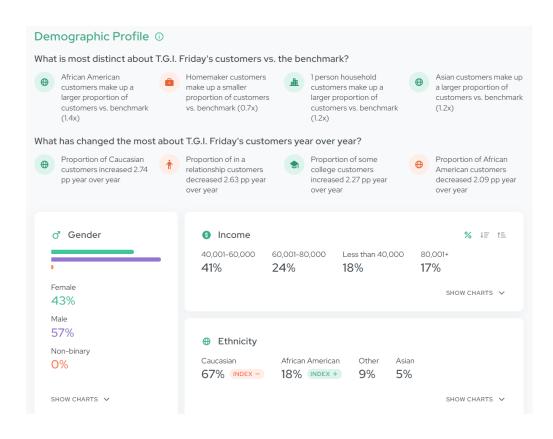
Many structures for monitoring customer behavior face a bias on who is able to be tracked (e.g. loyalty program members who skew towards the heaviest / most frequent customers and were the only ones willing to enroll in the program). These customers may behave differently than the ones you are looking to grow in value.



Example Customer Demographics: T.G.I. Friday's

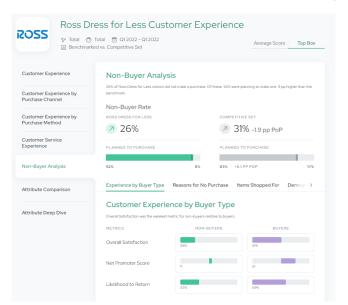
Unblinded view into a brand's customer demographics (e.g. age, gender, income, ethnicity, children in household, education, etc.), plus trends and indexes against the market average for each

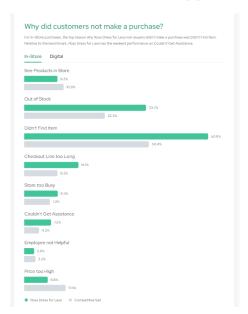
From Sense360's Intelligence Product: Customer Profile Dashboard



Using targeted surveys to get feedback from more than just your most engaged customers

Unlike other CX feedback programs that field responses via loyalty programs, purchase receipt links, or post-purchase follow-up emails, Sense360's Non-buyer Analysis helps quantify the proportion of shoppers for each retailer who browse but do not buy, and profiles their shopping journey + who they are





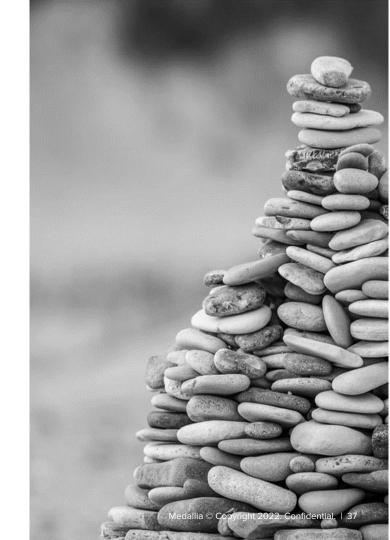


05 At scale

Adequate sample sizes to cut by type of customer, geography, and other specifics is a more useful diagnosis tool than taking the 30,000 foot view of the customer base as a whole.

It matters because...

Insufficient samples risk exaggerated or volatile metrics and weak insights. And being unable to drill down also limits the ability to diagnose issues and craft targeted strategies.

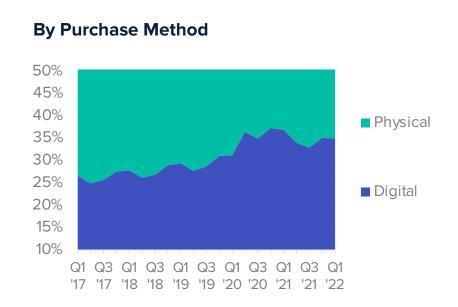


Robust sample sizes showcase the details behind behavior

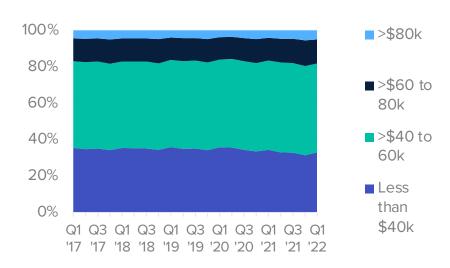
Cuts by demographic, geography, daypart, purchase type, and others

Dollar Retail Category: Distribution of Sales

National; Credit / Debit Transactions (exl. 3rd Party)

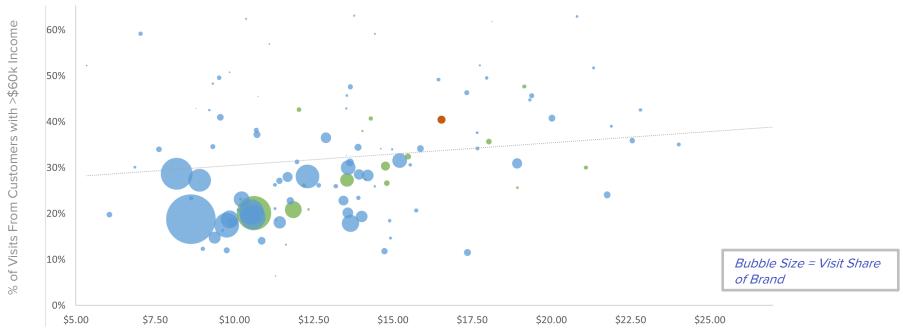


By Household Income of Shopper



Bigger panel datasets allow you to better understand patterns to establish cause and effect

This illustrative example shows Limited Service Restaurants can likely only grow to a certain size if they aren't catering to the less affluent, value-centric consumer





From Sense360's Foot Traffic and Transaction Datasets, 2019 data. Non-standard analysis subject to restatement

Average Check Size

Principles for using these types of datasets

- Understand research panel caveats and pick the right use cases for metrics based on them. Metrics won't always line up with internal data, but that doesn't make them not useful!
- Know what is self-serve vs. what to rely on Sense360 analysts to do
- One simple number to track might not be the ultimate objective prioritize a simple takeaway that comes from a more thorough analysis approach
- Some of these metrics are most insightful when visited over a longer duration they are not always a weekly or monthly view if a very large part of your customer base doesn't transact that frequently

Recap: Key Takeaways

Next-gen metrics for Analyzing Customer Behavior

- Many metrics that have historically been the primary measurement of customer transaction behavior, e.g. frequency and retention, can lack appropriate context that compromises insights. If the main objective of monitoring a brand's customer behavior is to inform strategies to maximize profitability, better approaches than siloed monitoring of one simple metric are needed
- Sense360's approach to this is to leverage more robust techniques like frequency bands and migration analyses to more holistically depict how a brand's customer base in changing, and the behaviors of those customers
- The metrics coming out of these analyses lean 5 key pillars of using data that:
 - · Is based on observed, not just stated, data
 - · Sees the full customer journey, including outside of the brand
 - Is benchmarkable to competitors
 - Is representative of the full customer base, not just the most engaged
 - Is collected at scale
- These pillars open the door to many other useful analyses too, like non-buyer analyses, normalized brand performance comparisons when controlling for footprint, customer profiling, and more
- Today's session focused especially on monitoring behaviors associated with
 the "who", "when", "how much", and "where else" of transacting with a brand.
 There are many next-gen approaches to measuring the details within one
 specific shopping experience pre- and post- transaction too. Medallia has
 tools like Decibel to go deeper into ecommerce digital shopper behavior, for
 example. And Sense360's syndicated surveys collect sentiments and
 experience details surrounding the purchase as well.

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Thank You

What are the important caveats in interpreting Brand Draw?

- Like Visit Share, Brand Draw is also a share-based (and not total volume) metric. The local trade area's visit volume may expand and contract, so a brand's performance could go up (or down) based on over- (or under-) performing competitors. This is even if actual sales or transaction volume moves in the opposite direction as Brand Draw does.
- **Focuses on in-person traffic,** so sales performance due to check size growth or off-premise channels may not be fully represented.
- Comparing brands to one other, or the same brand in different regions, may need context on how densely trafficked the area is. Having 50% Brand Draw in a rural, untrafficked area may be less valuable than having 10% Brand Draw in a competitive, busy urban core.
- Looking at competitors' Brand Draw is how they do in their respective trade areas, not yours. Though it may be possible for Sense360 to generate custom metrics showing share occupied by competitors solely within your trade area.
- There are other nuances to the methodology, especially when looking at trends as stores open and close in your trade areas. Consult with your Sense360 Client Engagement and Analytics contacts to discuss further.