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Export Business Map

Make the Web work for British exporters



Preface

Over the last ten years, the Web has become part of life for many people around the world. In fact 2.8 billion people are online today, that's still only 39% of the global population. Looking forward to 2020 Eric Schmidt predicted that there will be 8 billion people connected - many of these via smartphone.

The technology is fuelling a revolution in how we all communicate, share, make decisions, and make purchases. Research has shown that companies using the Web for sales and marketing are growing more than twice as fast as those not online. They also use the Web to reach a wider pool of customers – exporting twice the proportion of their "offline" competitors.

How can you take advantage of this major opportunity? Last year, we introduced the Global Business Map, which gave you an overview of market data from more than 40 countries. This year, we have picked ten of the most interesting markets for British exporters and go into even more detail: we have added new data and a seasonality calendar, which gives you insights into the most important bank holidays and events in each market.

You will find a wide range of information that is potentially transformational for your business. Every section starts with a breakdown of fundamental facts for each country, followed by information about search and display – including numbers about Web search or the advertising market. After that, you will get an overview of mobile behaviour in that specific country, displaying how many people own a mobile phone and what role the mobile Internet plays. In the section on social media, you will not only learn how many people are logged into social networks, but also how much time they spend there each month.

There's a multitude of market opportunities, and the Internet brings them to your door step – but of course, every country is unique. That's why we give you a lot of country-specific details at a glance. Did you know, for example, that Italy has the highest Internet user growth in Europe? Or that by 2016 Sweden will account for 4.8 million digital buyers?

It's time to reach new customers in new markets and make the Web work for you.

SEASONALITY CALENDAR GERMANY

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TARGETING GERMANY EXPORTING OPPORTUNITIES

OVERVIEW

Population

81.3 million [1]



Demographic Profile

51%

Online Usage

62% of the population uses the Internet daily [2]



Online Shopping

64% buy things online [2]



SEARCH, YOUTUBE AND DISPLAY

Web Searches

60%

of purchasers who used a search engine to do research before purchasing [3]

YouTube Reach

48%

of online population [4] You Tube

67%

say that being able to skip ads increases the enjoyment of the content on YouTube [5]

Video Advertising

Google Display Network Reach

90%[6]



MOBILE

Smartphone Penetration

50% of people are using a smartphone [10]

Mobile Internet Users

74% of all smartphone users are daily online with their device [10]

Mobile Purchases

38% purchase online on their smartphone [10]

SOCIAL

Population

42%

are social network users [8]

Frequency

64%

check their social network accounts several times a day [9]

Engagement

51%

of people read blogs and online reviews at least once a month [10]

Usage

50%

of mobile surfers list social networks as their favourite online activity [11]

MORE FACTS

\$1.5 trillion exported. Germany is the largest exporter in Europe [12]

48% of retailers offer an English version of their website [13]

29 of Fortune Global 500 companies are headquartered in Germany [14]

[1] CIA: The World Factbook, April 2012 [2] Connected Consumer Study, 2014

[3] Consumer Barometer, 2013

[4] Google Internal Data, 2012 [5] YouTube Global Audience Study, 2013 [6] Google Internal Data, 2012 [7] Our Mobile Planet, 2013 [8] eMarketer, 2013 [9] Google Internal Data, 2012 [10] Connected Consumer Study, 2014 [11] Google Internal Data, 2012 [12] The World Factbook, 2013 [13] OC&C Global Retail E-mpire report, 2013

[14] Fortune, 2013

^{*}Ascension – Also Father's Day *bauma – Engineering Vehicles and Tools Fair, Munich *Buchmesse – International Book Fair, Frankfurt *CeBIT – International Computer Expo, Hanover

^{*}drupa – Print Media Fair, Düsseldorf *Gamescom – Interactive Games and Entertainment Fair, Cologne

^{*}IAA – International Motor Show, Hanover *IFA – Consumer Electronics and Home Appliances Trade Show, Berlin

SEASONALITY CALENDAR USA

Retail

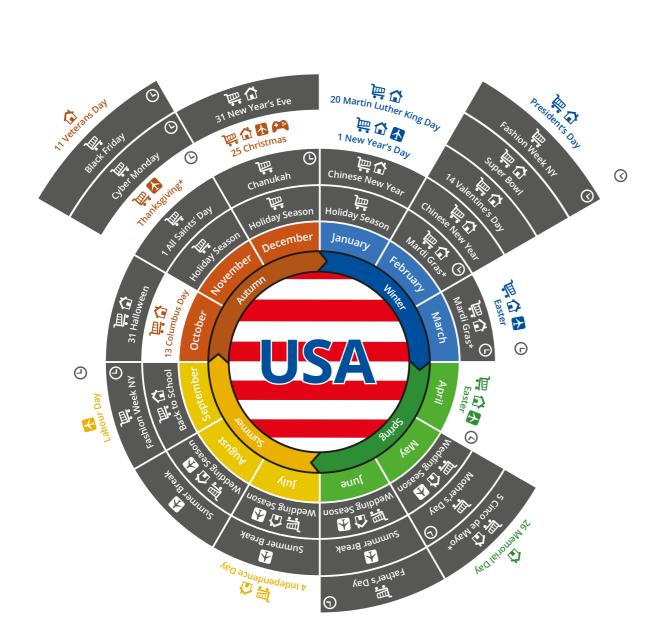
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Bank holiday

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TARGETING USA EXPORTING OPPORTUNITIES

OVERVIEW

Population

316.7 million [1]



Demographic Profile

49.2% 50.8% female

Online Usage

85% of people have Internet access [2]



Online Shopping

64% buy things online [2]



SEARCH, YOUTUBE AND DISPLAY

Web Searches

48% of purchasers used a search engine to do research before purchasing [3]

YouTube Reach

58% of online population [4]



Video Advertising

Gen C are 2x more likely to agree "I would rather watch videos posted by brands on YouTube than watch TV commercials" [5]

Google Display Network Reach

>95%[6]



MOBILE

Mobile Usage

38% used a mobile coupon to purchase a product in store [7]

Smartphone Penetration

56% of people are using a smartphone [7]

Mobile Internet Usage

92% of smartphone owners use the mobile internet daily [7]

Mobile Purchases

46% of smartphone owners have made a purchase

on their phone [7]

SOCIAL

Population

67% are social network users [8]

Frequency

67.2% of Internet users use Social Networks [9]



Engagement

1.38 hours per day on social networks [10]



Usage

72%

of US businesses use external social media for business purposes [11]

MORE FACTS

Key languages:

82.1% English 10.7% Spanish [12]

56% of US Internet users state deals and discounts on products to be the leading influence on digital purchasing decisions [13]

The ability to **compare prices** is the most important reason for US Internet users to shop online rather than in-store [16]

[1] CIA: The World Factbook, July 2013 [2] Connected Consumer Study, 2012 [3] Consumer Barometer, 2013

[4] Google Internal Data, 2012 [5] YouTube Insights, Oct. 2013

[6] Google Internal Data, 2012 [7] Our Mobile Planet, 2013 [8] eMarketer, 2013 [9] eMarketer, April 2013 [10] GlobalWebIndex, 2012

[11] Google Internal Data, 2012

[12] CIA: The World Factbook, July 2013 [13] Source: eMarketer, June 2013 [14] eMarketers, June 2013

^{*}Black Friday – Busy shopping day held the day after Thanksgiving.
*Cinco de Mayo – Celebration of Mexican heritage and pride held on the fifth of May.

^{*}Cyber Monday - Held on the Monday immediately following Black Friday. Created by companies to persuade consumers to shop online.

^{*}Mardi Gras – Carnival celebrations beginning on or after Epiphany and culminating on the day before

^{*}Thanksgiving – Holiday to give thanks for the food collected at the end of the harvest season. Held on the fourth Thursday of November.

SEASONALITY CALENDAR FRANCE

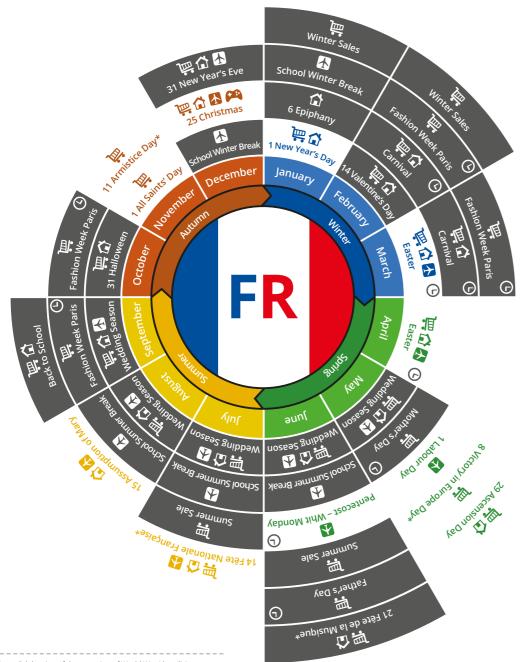
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^{*}Armistice Day - Celebration of the cessation of World War I hostilities on the Western Front. *Fête de la Musique – Music festival also known as World Music Day.

TARGETING FRANCE EXPORTING OPPORTUNITIES

OVERVIEW

Population

65.5 million [1]



Demographic Profile

48.5% 51.5% female

Online Usage

77% of people have Internet access [2]

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Online Shopping

51%

buy things online [3]

SEARCH, YOUTUBE AND DISPLAY

Web Searches

59% of purchasers used a search engine to do research before

YouTube Reach

55% of online population [5]

You Tube

Video Advertising

69% say that being able to skip ads increases the enjoyment of the content on YouTube [6]

Google Display Network Reach

>90%[7]



MOBILE

Mobile Usage

purchasing [4]

60% access information on smartphone and follow-up on other device [8]

Smartphone Penetration

49% of people are using a smartphone [10]

75%

Mobile Internet Usage

of all smartphone users are daily online with their device [10]

Mobile Purchases

29% purchase online on their smartphone [10]

SOCIAL

Population

hours per month on social networking sites [9]



Frequency

59%

of smartphone users visit social networks at least once a month [10]

Engagement

50%

of people read blogs and online reviews at least once a month [110

Usage

47%

share or re-share links on social networks [11]

MORE FACTS

3rd market in Europe in terms of B2C e-commerce sales [12]

38% of retailers offer an English version of their website [13]

\$579 billion exported [14]

[12] emarketer, June 2013 [13] OC&C Global Retail E-mpire report, 2013

[14] The World Factbook, 2012

^{*}Fête Nationale Française – Bastille Day – Celebration of French culture *Victory in Europe Day – Holiday to celebrate the end of World War II.

^[1] Insee, 2012

^[2] Connected Consumer Study, 2012[3] Connected Consumer Study, 2014

^[4] Consumer Barometer, 2013

^[5] Google Internal Data, 2012

^[6] YouTube Global Audience Study, 2013 [7] Google Internal Data, 2012 [8] Our Mobile Planet, 2013 [9] Google Internal Data, 2012 [10] Connected Consumer Study, 2014

^[11] YouTube Global Audience Study, 2013

SEASONALITY CALENDAR AUSTRIA

Retail

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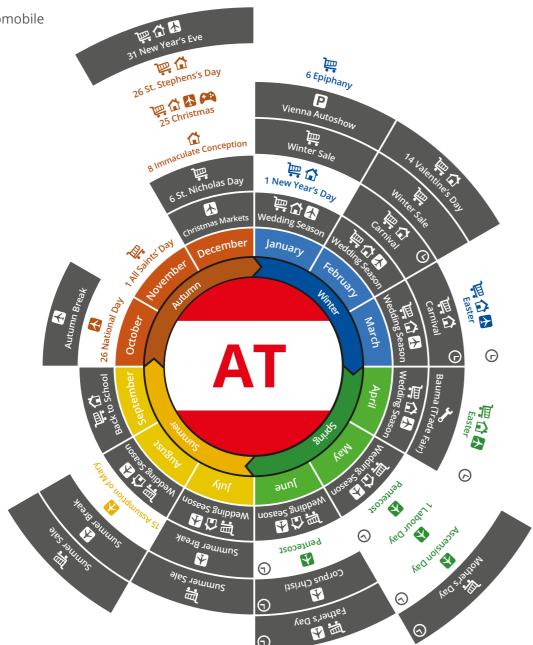
Bank holiday

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TARGETING AUSTRIA EXPORTING OPPORTUNITIES

OVERVIEW

Population

8.2 million [1]

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Demographic Profile

48.7% 51.3% female

61% of the population uses the Internet daily [2]

Online Usage

51% buy things online [2]

Online Shopping



SEARCH, YOUTUBE AND DISPLAY

Web Searches

36% of purchasers used a search engine to do research before

purchasing [3]

YouTube Reach

80% of YouTube users are online daily [4]

You Tube

Video Advertising

YouTube users are 2.4x more likely to buy electronics, gadgets, or other devices [4]

MOBILE

Mobile Usage

44% have used mobile banking [5]

Smartphone Penetration

56% of people are using a smartphone [7]



Mobile Internet Usuage

65% of all smartphone users are daily online with

their device [7]

Mobile Purchases

25% purchase online on their smartphone [7]

SOCIAL

Population

37% are social network users [6]

Frequency

54% of smartphone users visit social networks at

least once a month [7]

Engagement

46%

of people read blogs and online reviews at least once a month [7]

Usage

43%

of YouTube users talk about what they saw on YouTube with their peers [8]

MORE FACTS

\$167 billion exported [9]

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is the most common legal entity of all active online-shops with 61.6% [10]

50.8%

of all online-shops in Austria have a legal entity which is based outside the country [10]

SOURCES: [1] CIA: The World Factbook, July 2013 [2] Connected Consumer Study, 2014

[3] Consumer Barometer, 2012[4] Global YouTube Audience Study, 2013

[5] Our Mobile Planet, 2013

[8] YouTube Global Audience Study, 2013 [9] The World Factbook, 2012

SEASONALITY CALENDAR SPAIN



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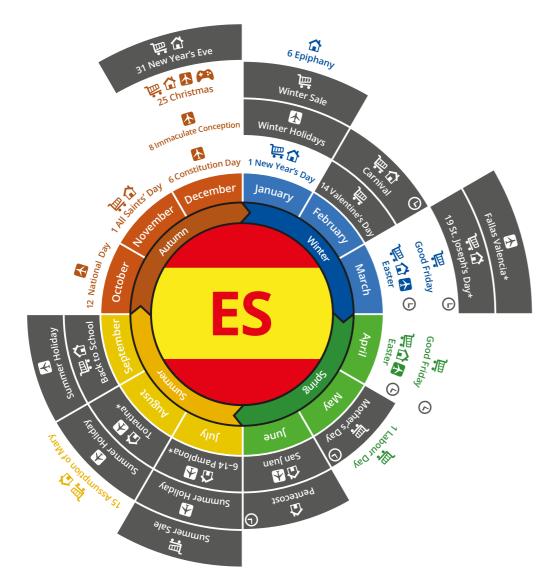


Local



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TARGETING SPAIN EXPORTING OPPORTUNITIES

OVERVIEW

Population

47.3 million [1]



Demographic Profile

49% male

Online Usage

78% of the population uses the Internet daily [2]



Online Shopping

41% buy things online [2]



SEARCH, YOUTUBE AND DISPLAY

Web Searches

41% of purchasers who used a search engine to do research before purchasing [3]

YouTube Reach

86% of YouTube users are online daily [4]

You Tube

Video Advertising

YouTube users are 2.8x more likely to buy electronics, gadgets, or other devices [4]

MOBILE

Mobile Usage

64% have searched for directions on their smartphone [5]

Smartphone Penetration

72% of people are using a smartphone [7]

Mobile Internet Users

72% of all smartphone users are daily online with their device [7]

Mobile Purchases

20% purchase online on their smartphone [7]

SOCIAL

Population

46%

are social network users [6]



Frequency

70% of smartphone users visit social networks at

least once a month [7]

Engagement

50%

of people read blogs and online reviews at least once a month [7]

Usage

58%

of YouTube users talk about what they saw on YouTube with their peers [8]

MORE FACTS

3rd most popular country for British expats [9]

The UK is the **5th** biggest export partner with 6.5% of export [10]

Mobile marketing is worth €110 million ...

[1] CIA World Factbook, July 2013 [2] Connected Consumer Study, 2014

[3] Consumer Barometer, 2014

[6] eMarketer, 2013 [7] Connected Consumer Study, 2014 [8] YouTube Global Audience Study, 2013 [9] International Passenger Survey, 2012

[10] The World Factbook, 2012 [11] eMarketer, 2013

SEASONALITY CALENDAR ITALY

Retail

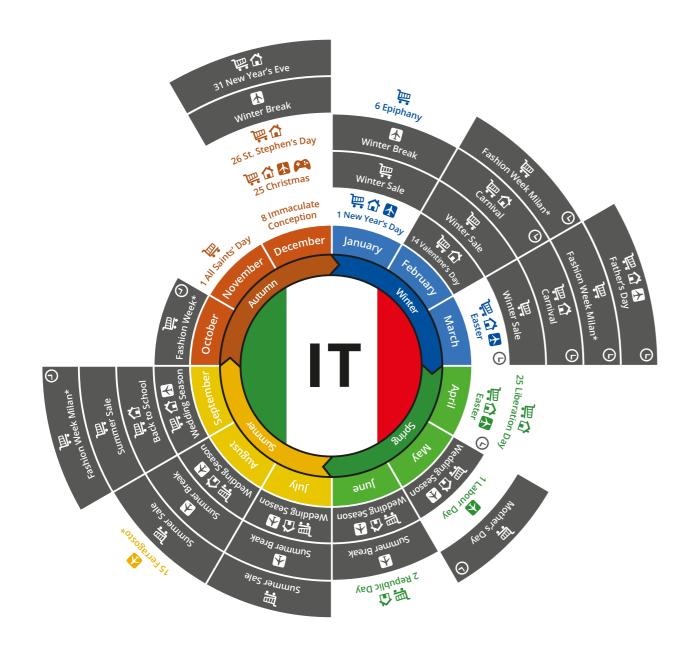
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TARGETING ITALY **EXPORTING OPPORTUNITIES**

OVERVIEW

Population

61.3 million [1]



Demographic Profile

51%

Online Usage

72% of the population uses the Internet daily [2]



Online Shopping

41% buy things online [2]



SEARCH, YOUTUBE AND DISPLAY

Web Searches

39% of purchasers used a search engine to do research before

80%

of YouTube users are online daily [4] You Tube

YouTube Reach

Video Advertising

74% say that being able to skip ads increases the enjoyment of the

content on YouTube [4]

MOBILE

Mobile Usage

purchasing [3]

45% have searched for travel-information or holidays on their smartphone [5]

Smartphone Penetration

53% of people are using a smartphone [7]

Mobile Internet Usage

78% of all smartphone users are daily online with their device [7]

MobilePurchases

21% purchase online on their smartphone [7]

SOCIAL

Population

32%

are social network users [6]



Frequency

64%

of smartphone users visit social networks at least once a month [7]

Engagement

YouTube users are 3x more likely to attend live events [8]

Usage

1.55 hours on social networks daily [9]



MORE FACTS

\$474 billion exported [10] 66%

consider price the most important aspect of buying online [11]

35%

consider ease and speed of the online checkout process [11]

[6] eMarketer, 2013 [7] Connected Consumer Study, 2014

^{*}Fashion Week Milan - Held semi-annually in Milan. Part of the "Big Four" Worldwide Fashion weeks.

^{*}Ferragosto - Italian holiday to commemorate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

^[1] CIA: The World Factbook, March 2012

^[2] Connected Consumer Study, 2014 [3] Consumer Barometer, 2013

^[4] YouTube Global Audience Study, 2013

^[5] Our Mobile Planet, 2013

^[8] YouTube Global Audience Study, 2013 [9] GlobalWebIndex, 2012 [10] The World Factbook. 2012 [11] Source: eMarketer, 2011

SEASONALITY CALENDAR NETHERLANDS

Retail

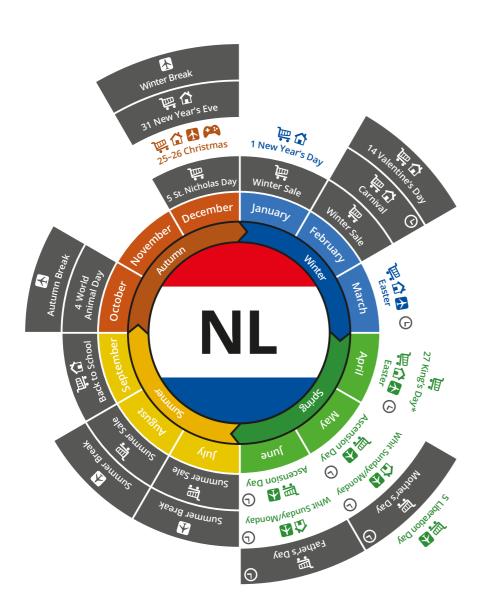
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Travel

Local

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Bank holiday



TARGETING NETHERLANDS **EXPORTING OPPORTUNITIES**

OVERVIEW

Population

16.8 million [1]



Demographic Profile

50% male

Online Usage

80% of the population uses the Internet daily [3]

SEARCH, YOUTUBE AND DISPLAY

Web Searches

60%

of purchasers used a search engine to do research before purchasing [4]

YouTube Reach

74% of online population [5]

You Tube

Video Advertising

72% say that being able to skip ads increases the enjoyment of the content on YouTube [6]

Google Display Network Reach

Online Shopping

65%

buy things online [3]

>90%[7]



MOBILE

Mobile Usage

52% use their smartphone as a way to get quick answers [8]

Smartphone Penetration

65% of people are using a smartphone [9]



Mobile Internet Usage

75% of all smartphone users are daily online with their device [9]

Mobile Purchases

24% purchase online on their smartphone [9]

SOCIAL

Population

No.1

in Europe when it comes to active social media usage, with 65% of the population on social networks [8]

Frequency

69%

of smartphone users visit social networks at least once a month [9]

Engagement

1 million active users per day on Google+ [10]



41%

Usage

say that YouTube has more unique content than TV [11]

MORE FACTS

No.8 for export in the world, with \$577 billion exported [12]

27% of retailers offer an English version of their website [13]

87% of dutch people speak english [14]

[1] CBS, September 2013

[2] CBS, April 2013 [3] Connected Consumer Study, 2014

[4] Consumer Barometer, 2013

[5] Google Internal Data, 2012

[6] YouTube Global Audience Study, 2013 [7] Google Internal Data, 2012 [8] Our Mobile Planet, 2013 [9] Connected Consumer Study, 2014

[10] NewCom, 2013

[14] European Commission, 2006

[11] YouTube Global Audience Study, 2013 [12] The World Factbook, 2012 [13] OC&C Global Retail E-mpire report, 2013

^{*}Armistice Day - Celebration of the cessation of World War I hostilities

on the Western Front. *Fête de la Musique – Music festival also known as World Music Day.

^{*}Fête Nationale Française – Bastille Day – Celebration of French culture *Victory in Europe Day – Holiday to celebrate the end of World War II.

SEASONALITY CALENDAR

SWITZERLAND

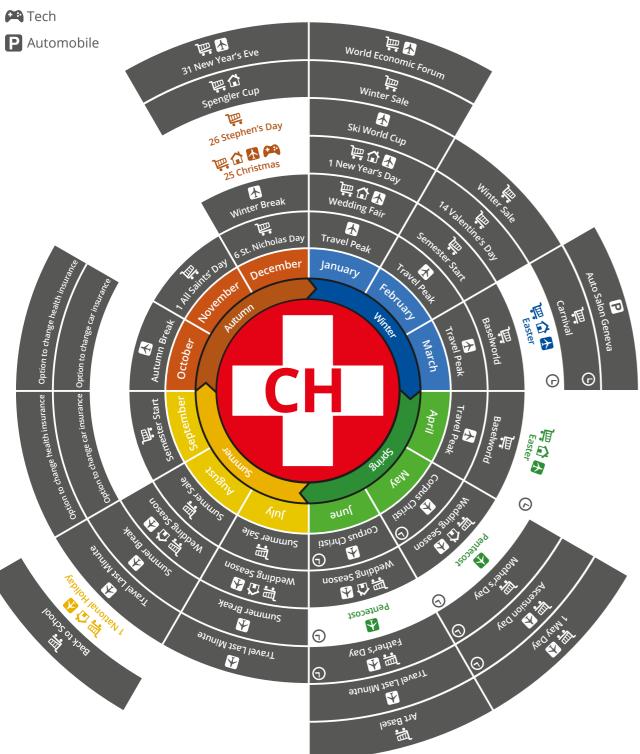
Retail

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Bank holiday

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TARGETING SWITZERLAND **EXPORTING OPPORTUNITIES**

OVERVIEW

Population

7.99 million [1]



Demographic Profile

49.2% 50.8% female

Online Usage

68% of the population uses the Internet daily [2]



Online Shopping

53% buy things online [2]



SEARCH, YOUTUBE AND DISPLAY

Web Searches

36% of purchasers used a search engine to do research before purchasing [3]

YouTube Reach

88% of YouTube users are online daily [4] You Tube

Video Advertising

65% say that being able to skip ads increases the enjoyment of the content on YouTube [4]

Google Display Network Reach

>75%[5]



MOBILE

Mobile Usage

28% are open to receiving mobile ads if freebies are included [6]

Smartphone Penetration

60% of people are using a smartphone [9]

Mobile Internet Usage

71% of all smartphone users are daily online with their device [9]

Engagement

Mobile Purchases

30% purchase online on their smartphone [9]

SOCIAL

Population

43%

are social network users [7]



Frequency

76% of smartphone users visit social networks regularly [8]

39% of people read blogs and online reviews at least once a month [9]

Usage

13%

of Internet users shop via social media platforms [10]

MORE FACTS

4 official languages: German, French, Italian and Romansch [11]

Switzerland has a GDP per capita of \$79,033 [12]

users are comfortable buying products from unfamiliar websites

- [1] CIA: The World Factbook, July 2013 2] Connected Consumer Study, 2014
- [3] Consumer Barometer, 2012
- [4] Global YouTube Audience Study, 2013 [5] Google Internal Data, 2012
- [7] eMarketer, 2012 [8] Google Internal Data, 2012 [9] Connected Consumer Study, 2014 [10] eMarketer/PWC, 2013
- [11] CIA World Factbook, July 2013 [12] International Monetary Fund, 2013
- [13] Consumer Commerce Barometer, 2011

SEASONALITY CALENDAR SWEDEN

Retail

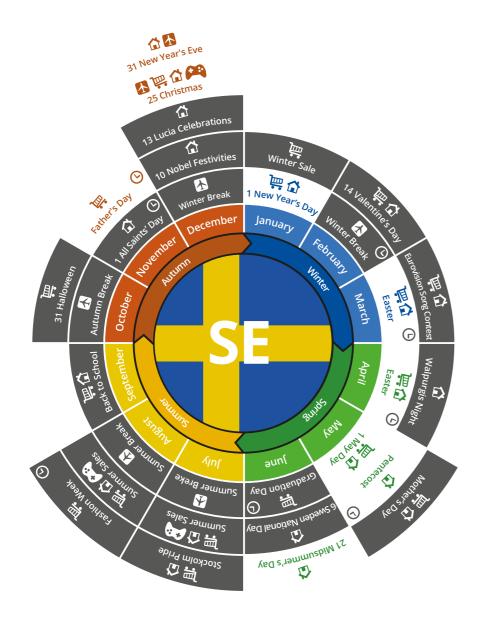


Local

Tech

O Moveable feasts: dates change each year

Bank holiday



TARGETING SWEDEN EXPORTING OPPORTUNITIES

OVERVIEW

Population

9.52 million [1]



Demographic Profile

53% male

Online Usage

71% of the population have access to the Internet [3]

Online Shopping

60% buy things online [4]



SEARCH, YOUTUBE AND DISPLAY

Web Searches

37% of purchasers used a search engine to do research before purchasing [5]

YouTube Reach

95% of YouTube users are online daily [6]

You Tube

Video Advertising

YouTube users are 3x more likely to buy electronics, gadgets, or other devices [6]

MOBILE

Mobile Usage

74% have read the news on their phone [7]



Smartphone Penetration

75% of people are using a smartphone [9]



Mobile Internet Usage

81% of all smartphone users are daily online with their device [9]

Mobile Purchases

30% purchase online on their smartphone [9]

SOCIAL

Population

57% are social network users [8]

Frequency

67% of smartphone users visit social networks at least once a month [9]

Engagement

47% of people read blogs and online reviews at least once a month [9]

Usage

17% of Internet users are active on Google+ [10]



MORE FACTS

\$181 billion exported [11] **UK** is the 3rd biggest export partner [11]

89% of Swedish people speak English [12]

SOURCES: [1] World Bank, 2012

[2] CIA World Factbook, July 2013 [3] Consumer Barometer, 2012

[4] Connected Consumer Study, 2014

[6] Global YouTube Audience Study, 2013 [7] Our Mobile Planet, 2013 [8] eMarketer, 2013 [9] Connected Consumer Study, 2014 [10] GlobalWebIndex, 2013

[11] The World Factbook, 2012

[12] European Commission, 2006

^{*}Walpurgis bonfires are part of a Swedish tradition dating back to the early 18th century.

SEASONALITY CALENDAR CANADA

Retail

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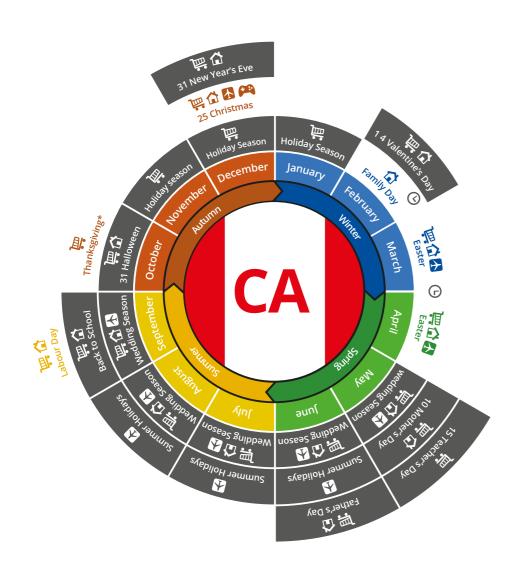
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TARGETING CANADA EXPORTING OPPORTUNITIES

OVERVIEW

Population

34.88 million [1]



Demographic Profile

52.8% 47.2% female

Online Usage

74% of the population uses the Internet daily [3]



Online Shopping

57% buy things online [3]



SEARCH, YOUTUBE AND DISPLAY

Web Searches

33% of purchasers used a search engine to do research before purchasing [3]

YouTube Reach

YouTube is the 2nd largest search engine, accounting for 80% of the hour of online video watched on average per day [4]

Video Advertising

17% of the Internet users are on YouTube [5] You Tube

MOBILE

Mobile Usage

76% have used an app on their smartphone [6]

Smartphone Penetration

58% of people are using a smartphone [8]



Mobile Internet Usage

70% of all smartphone users are daily online with their device [8]

Mobile Purchases

36% purchase online on their smartphone [8]

SOCIAL

Population

66%

are social network users [7]

Frequency

71%

of smartphone users visit social networks at least once a month [8]

Engagement

54%

of people read blogs and online reviews at least once a month [9]

Usage

20%

are subscribed to at least one YouTube channel [9]

MORE FACTS

\$459 billion exported [10] **UK** is the 3rd biggest export partner [10]

4th most popular country for British expats [11]

^{*}Labour Day - Start of Hockey Season.

^{*}Thanksgiving - In October as opposed to the US Thansgiving, which falls in November.

^[1] World Bank, 2012 [2] CIA World Factbook, July 2013

^[3] Connected Consumer Study, 2014 [4] Google Engage Conference, Vancouver, 2012

^[7] eMarketer, 2013 [8] Connected Consumer Study, 2014

^[9] eMarketer, 2013 [10] The World Factbook, 2012 [11] International Passenger Survey, 2012



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