

5th Edition



The BCG-Altagamma True-Luxury Global Consumer insight panel in line with 2017



10,000+ Consumers



€21K+ Average spend



Largest worldwide luxury Markets



Fifth Ed. 2018

Third Ed. 2016

- 12,000+ • +1,000 in China
- +1,000 in US

~€36K Average spend



12,000+

- +1,000 in China
 - +1,000 in US

~€37K Average spend







5 lenses to take a closer look at the 2017 - 2024 Luxury Market



Categories: Personal growing at ~3% driven by accessories & cosmetics; Experiential 2pp faster



Generation: Millennials will grow from 29% to 50% of luxury market



Nationality: Chinese, again the driving force, up from 32% to 40% of luxury market



True-Luxury Behavioral Segments: Megacitier and Rich Upstarter key within Millennials and Chinese, Absolute Luxurer within mature markets and older consumers



Channel: Store-solo stabilizing in an Omnichannel world?

18 M True Luxury Consumers generating ~30% of global market, expected to further polarize in the next years

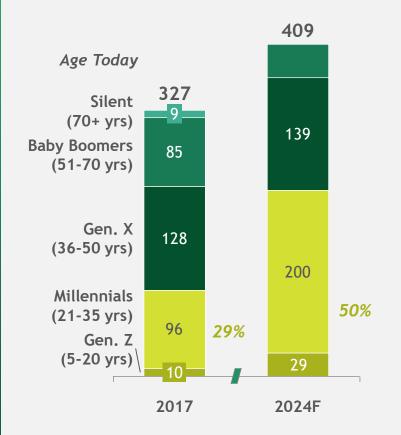


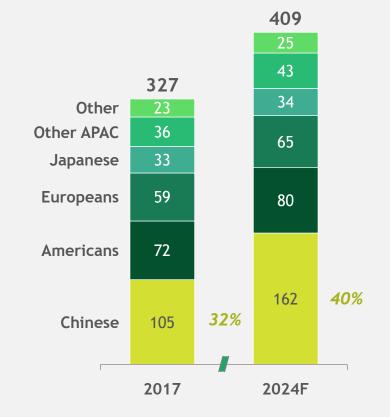
Source: BCG Luxury Market Model

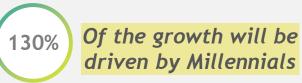
2 most relevant avenues of growth for the Personal Luxury market

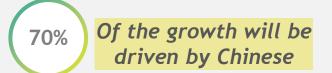






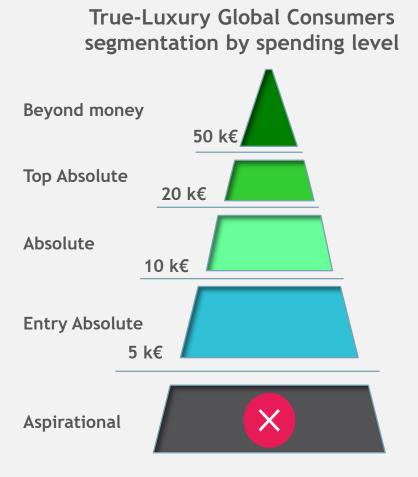






Note: Relative to Personal Luxury Source: BCG Luxury market model

We have been exploring behavior of Luxury consumers for the last 5 years, focusing on the True-Luxury Consumers



True-Luxury Global Consumers Behavioral segmentation



Absolute



Social **#LITTLE** Wearer **PRINCE**



Experiencer



Luxurer

Fashionista



Status Seeker



Timeless Proper



Megacitier



Classpirational



Luxe **Immune**

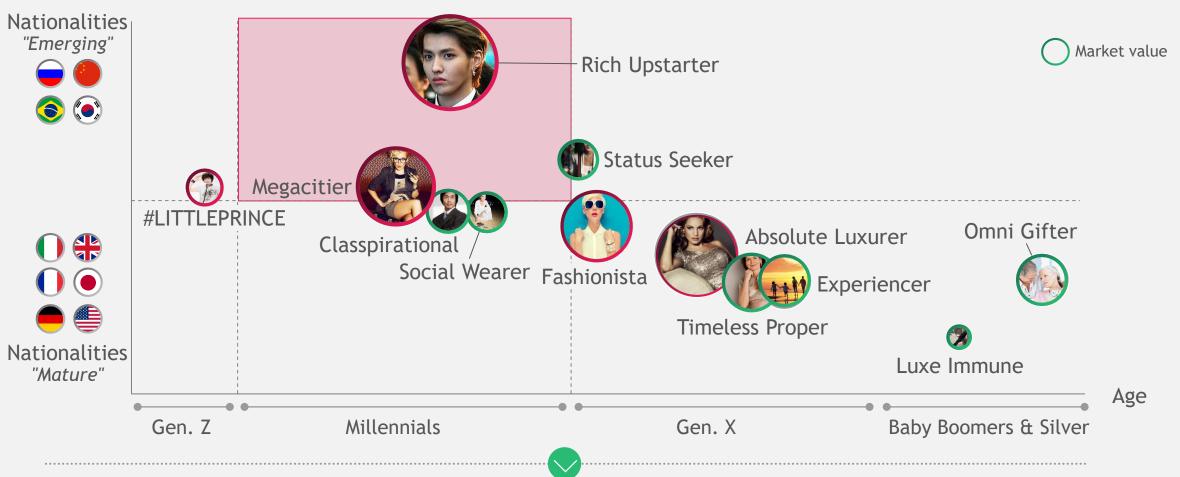


Omnigifter



Rich **Upstarter**

Along 2 main avenues of growth, Megacitier & Rich Upstarter; Absolute Luxurer key in mature markets & older



Brands will win if they will understand in depth stronger & growing behavioral segments: why they buy, what they like, where they buy, where and how they get influenced...



10 trends relevant for the True-Luxury Consumers



Product
& Branding
"What they want"

- 1. Luxury casualwear: keeps increasing vs formal with 73% appeal, +7pp YoY, also driven by "forever young" behaviors
- 2. Luxury product values: traditional values as quality hold but new values as "extravagance & fun" key to success
- 3. Collaborations: cover demand for newness, give a cool edge, strengthen brand awareness & willingness to buy
- 4. Mix and match: ~55% Millennials partially shift from luxury brands to trade down or mix styles buying niche brands
- 5. Brand loyalty: Millennials the generation with highest brand loyalty across categories 36% are loyal vs. 30% overall



"How to reach them"

- 6. Social media: social media keep booming from 9th in 2013 to 1st lever in 2017 on True-Luxury consumers
- 7. Influencers: within social media, influencer power booming because of perceived authenticity



- 8. Omnichannel: achieved ~50%. Online-solo keeps growing with older consumers. Store-solo shows signs of recovery
- 9. Online ecosystem: evolving with regional differences (brand.com vs multi-brand vs generalist marketplaces shares)
- 10. Mono-brand stores: stabilizing due to luxury brands' efforts "Special product" offer, in-store experience improvement

For Millennials particularly relevant "What they want"; for Chinese "Where they buy and how to reach them"



Product
& Branding
"What they want"

- 1. Luxury casualwear
- 2. Luxury product values
- 3. Collaborations
- 4. Mix and Match
- 5. Brand loyalty



Communication
& Media
"How to reach them"

- 6. Social Media
- 7. Influencers



Sales Channels "Where they buy"

- 8. Omnichannel
- 9. Online ecosystem
- 10. Mono-brand stores



True Luxury
Consumers
Global
market
trends







3 Focus: Chinese





Product
& Branding
"What they want"



Communication
& Media
"How to reach them"



Sales
Channels
"Where they buy"



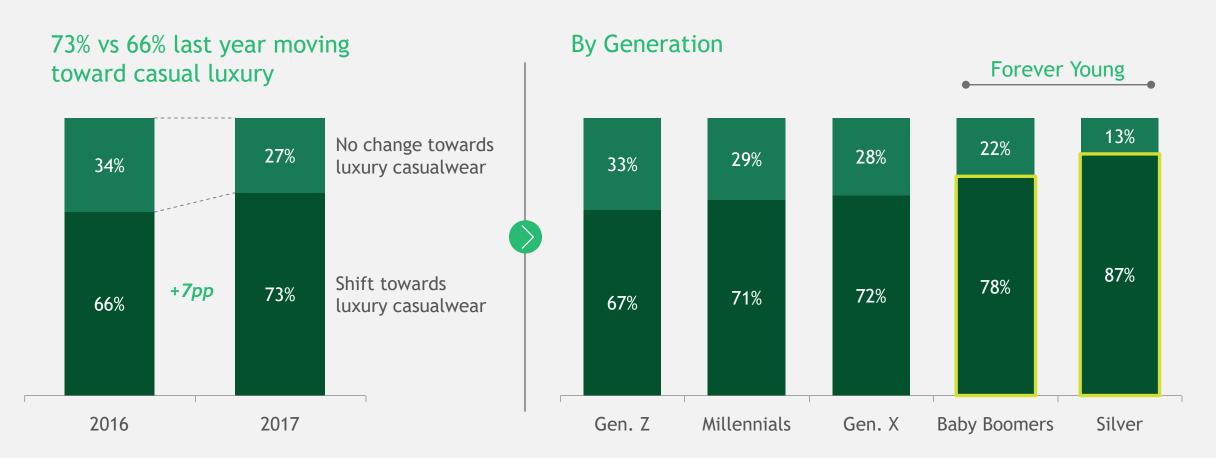






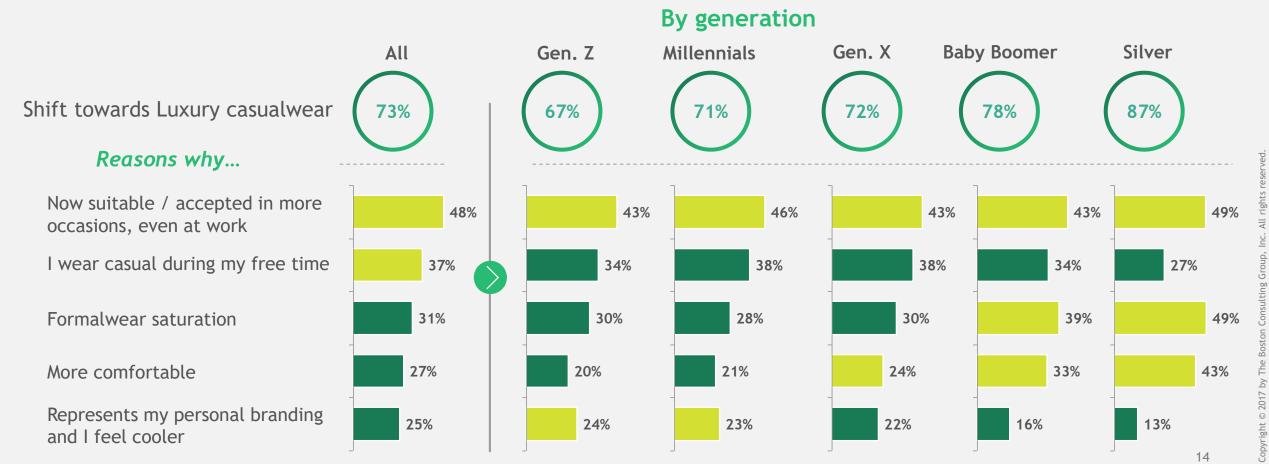
7 by The Boston Consulting Group Inc. All rights reserv

Luxury casualwear confirmed as a major trend, especially for 'Forever Young' generations



Luxury casualwear the "new normal": driven by formal saturation & comfort for older, by coolness for young

? "Thinking about formalwear / casualwear which of the following statements best apply to you?"



:017 by The Boston Consulting Group, Inc. All rights reser

Among top 5 future luxury spending categories True-Luxury Consumers do see 3 casual oriented ones

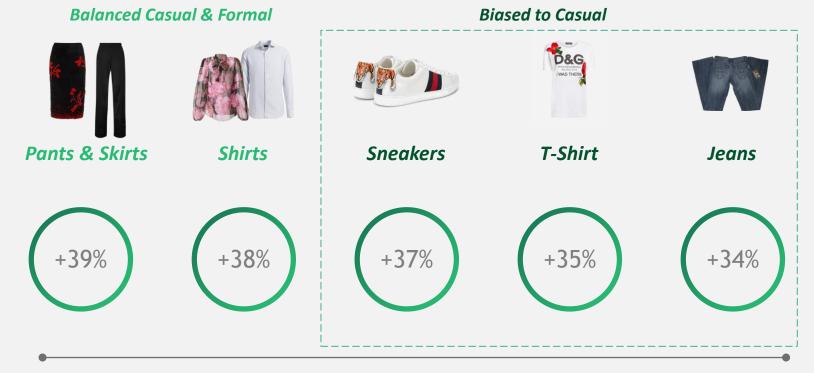
?

Overall True-Luxury consumers

expected spending increase

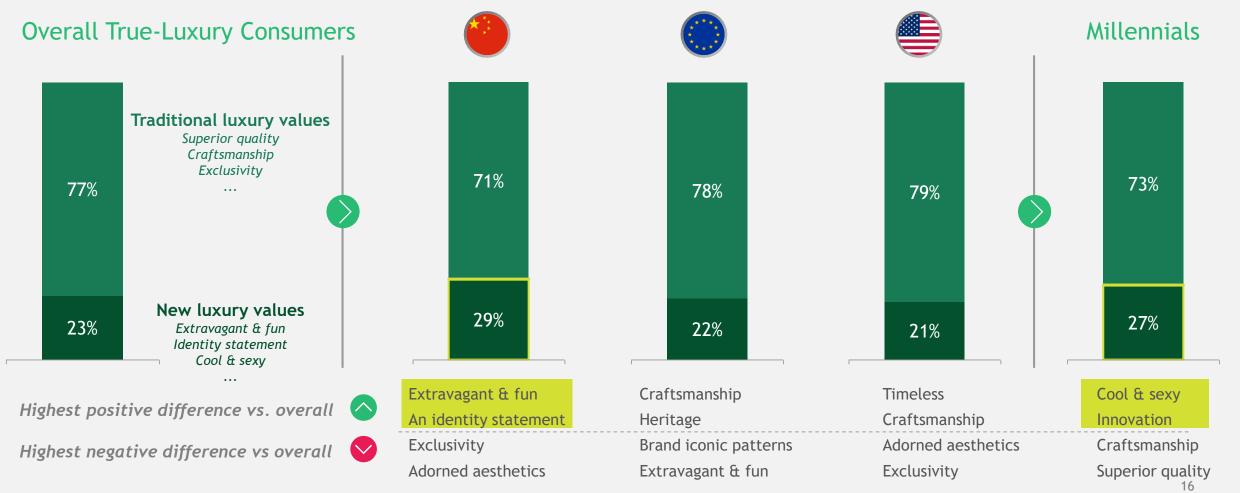
In which categories will your spending on luxury goods be affected the most and in which direction?

Index: % People expecting to increase spending - % of people expecting to decrease spending in that category



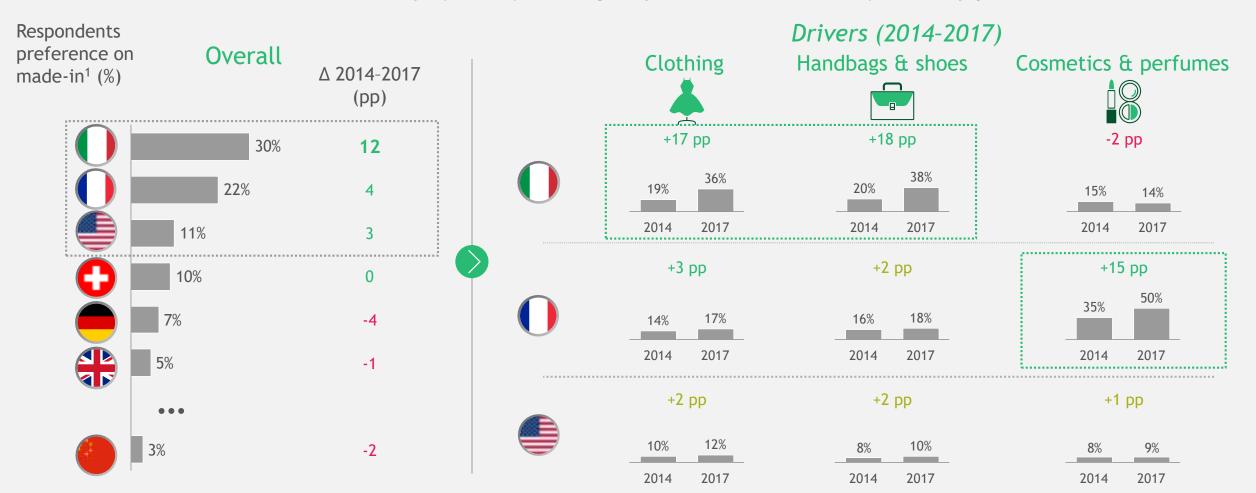
Top 5 categories

Traditional luxury values still predominant, however new values key for success amongst Chinese & Millennials



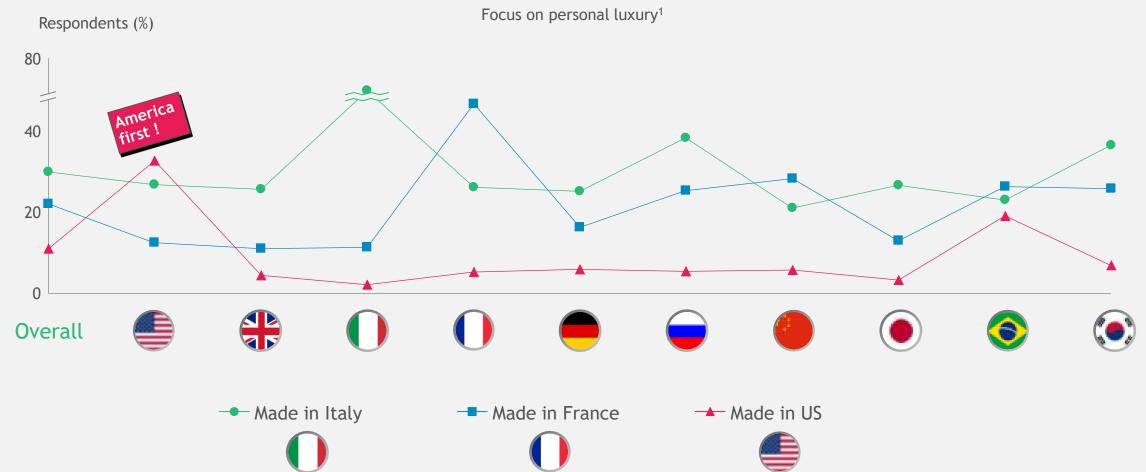
Made-in Italy still leading, fueled by apparel, handbags and shoes

"Which country of manufacturing do you consider the best for luxury products?"



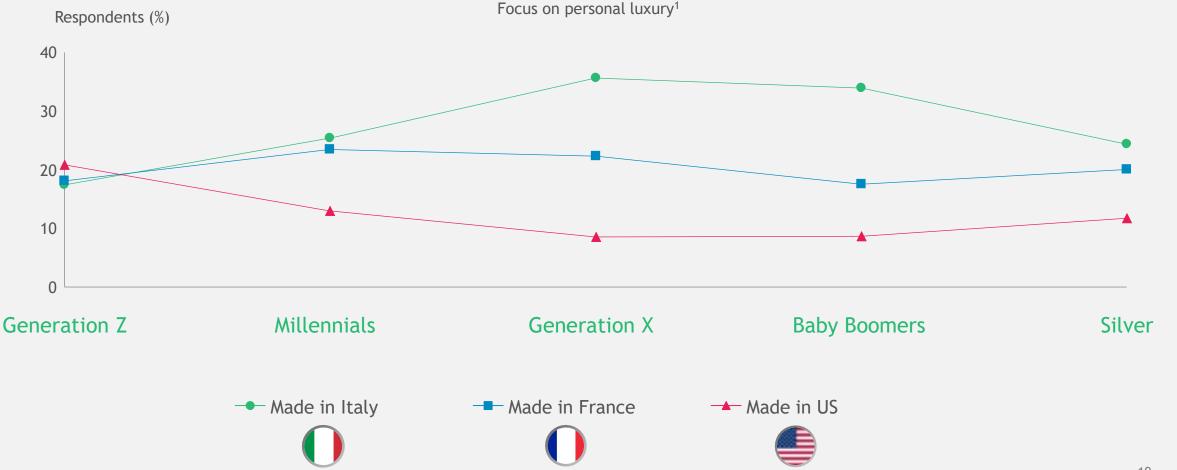
Made-in Italy recognized worldwide, however Made-in France preferred in China, Brazil & France

Made-in preference by consumer nationality



Made-in Italy preferred amongst Gen X & Baby Boomers, Made-in France much closer amongst youngers

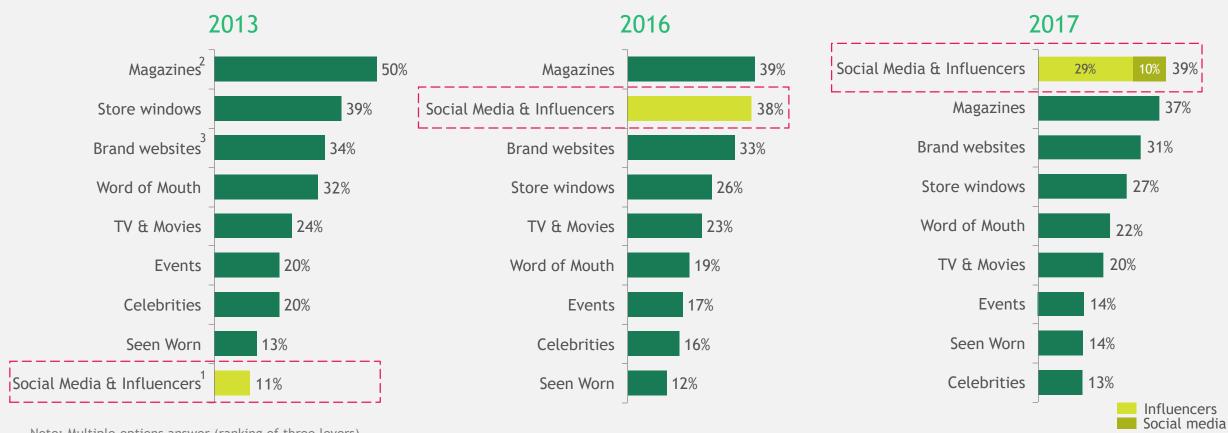
Made-in preference by consumer generation



¹⁹

Social Media rank as 1st influence lever on True-Luxury Consumers, +29pp vs 2013 and +1pp vs 2016

"Which of the following online sources of information / channels impact how you develop opinions or make decisions about luxury purchases?"



Note: Multiple options answer (ranking of three levers)

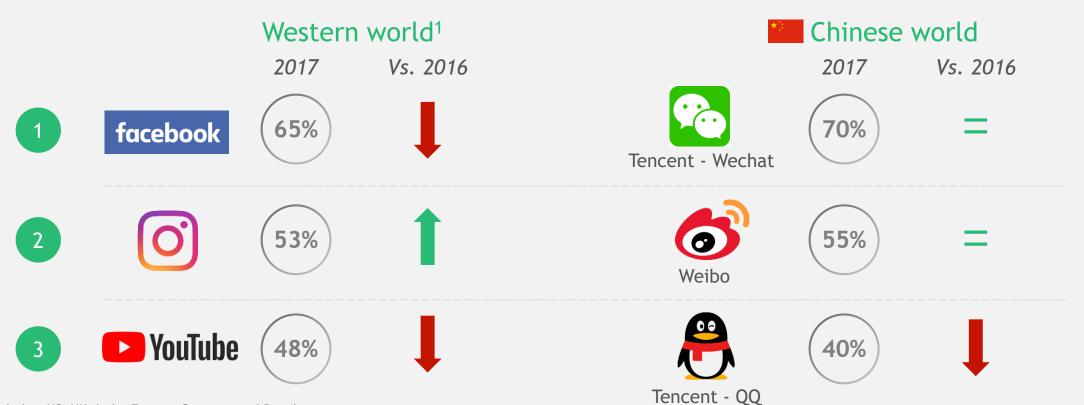
^{1.} Includes Social Media, Online blogs & Influencers; 2. Editorials and Commercial in Magazines. Includes both traditional & digital magazines; 3. Includes also Brand's App Source: BCG-Altagamma True-Luxury Global Consumer Insight Survey 2017 (12K + respondents in 10 countries)

17 by The Boston Consulting Group, Inc. All rights reserv

Instagram gaining space vs. Facebook and Youtube in the West; Wechat, Weibo and QQ leading among Chinese

?

How would you rank the social media you use when interacting with luxury brands, fashion bloggers?









Chiara Ferragni



Gogoboi



Danielle Bernstein



Aimee Song



Aimee Song



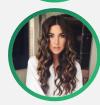
Chiara Ferragni



Sincerely Jules



Becky's Fantasy



Negin Mirsalehi



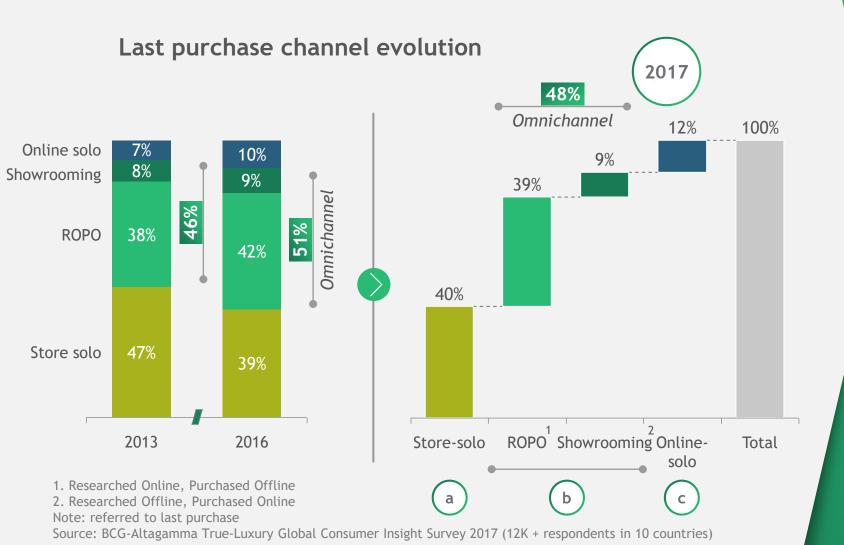
Mr. Bags

The power of influencers does not lie in their follower count, but in their ability to influence through perceived authenticity, a unique point of view and storytelling

Will Influencer-led content creation and power represent a challenge for luxury brands?

22

Omnichannel stabilizing, Online-solo up with senior, signs of store recovery



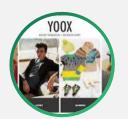
- a Signs of Store-solo stabilization driven by US True Luxury Consumers & younger generations
- Omnichannel stabilizing for the 1st year, however future growth expected to come from Millennials 'Omni' attitude
- c Online-solo continues to grow driven mainly by older generations in mature countries

3 channels dominate True-Luxury online ecosystem, counting for ~90%



33%

Mono-brand website (e.g. Brand.com)



Off price e-tailers (e.g Yoox)



32%

Full price multi-brand (e.g. NAP, Farfetch)



Online flash sales (e.g. Ventee Privee, VIP)



23%

Generalist marketplaces (e.g. Amazon, T-mall, Alibaba, JD)



Social Media linked sales (e.g. WeChat, C2C)

Luxury online ecosystem dominated by Mono-brand online, Full price multibrand & Generalist marketplaces (~90% of the last purchases online)

Mono-brand online preferred in mature markets & by older generations, Generalist strong in China and Multibrand amongst Millennials

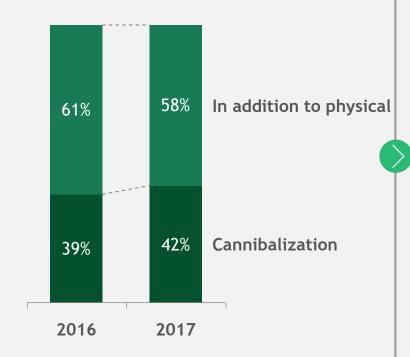
Online ecosystem varies broadly across luxury categories

~60% of purchases perceived to be additional to physical retail purchases; peak in China at ~70%

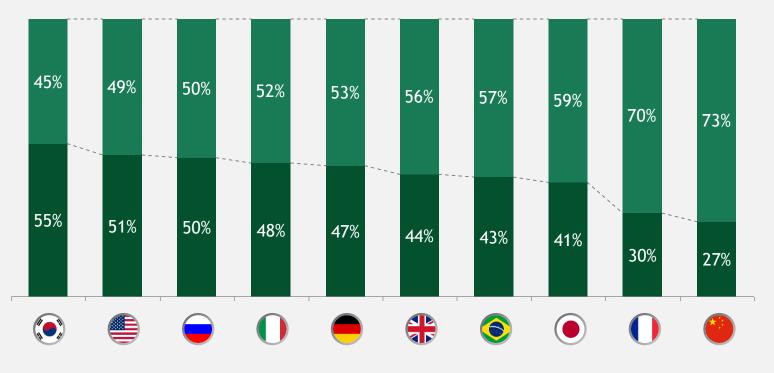
?

"Do you have the feeling that your spending online is in addition to or cannibalizing your luxury spending in physical stores?"

True-Luxury Global Consumers



By nationality

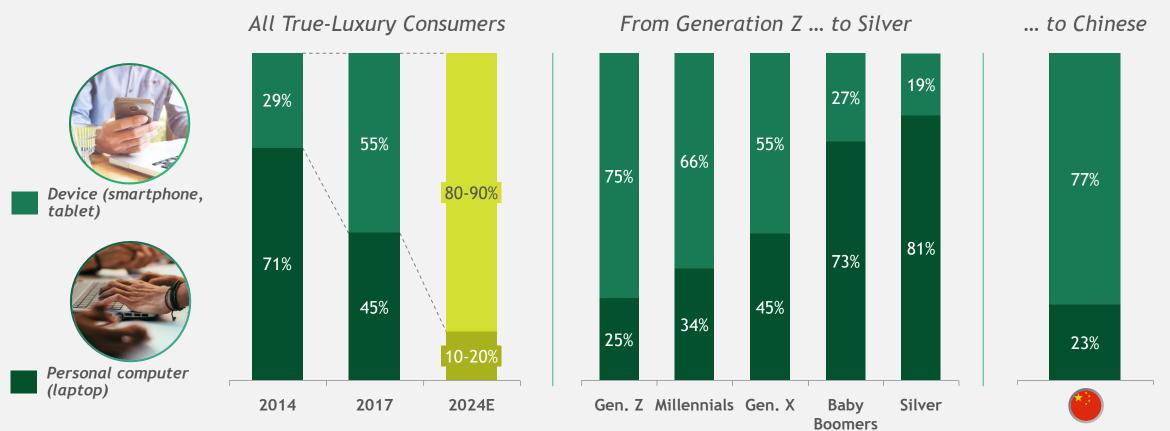


© 2017 by The Boston Consulting Group. Inc. All rights rese

Mobile prevailing over PC for online shopping, driven by Chinese and youth; further increases expected

?

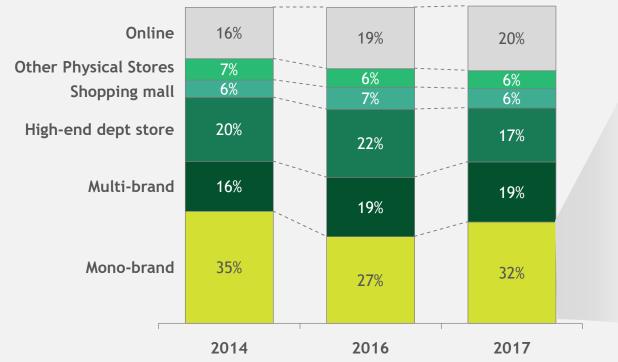
"Which device did you use to buy this item online?"



Mono-brand still the most used channel by True-Luxury Consumers, gaining back some ground vs Dept. Stores

"Which kind of store did you buy the product from?"

True-Luxury Global Consumers



Reasons to purchase in mono-brand stores





Try & touch the product





Offer range of the brand





Intimate and relaxed environment



Convenient location, easy reach



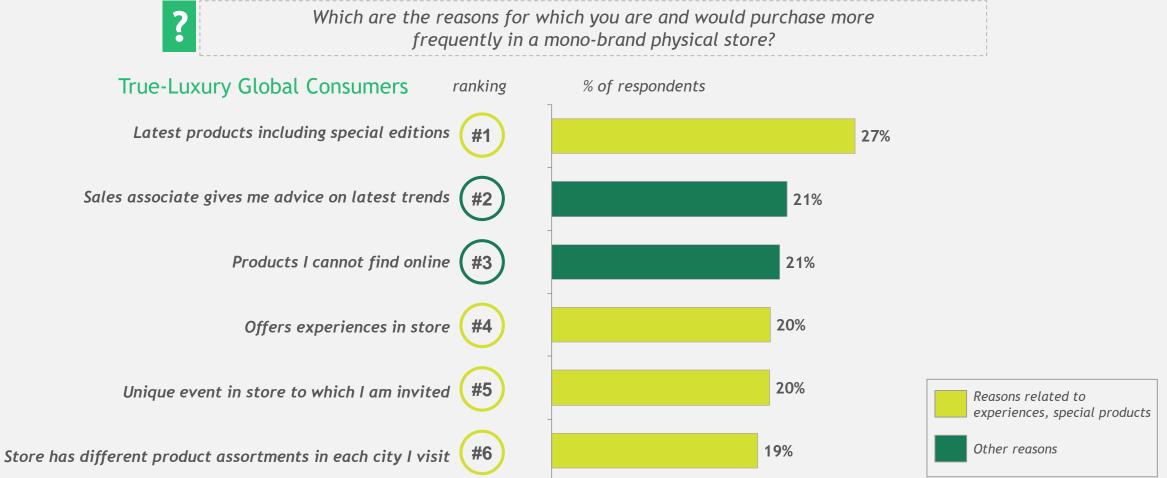
Personal relationship with sales associate

Note: Referred to last purchase

Source: BCG-Altagamma True-Luxury Global Consumer Insight Survey 2017 (12K + respondents in 10 countries)

ght © 2017 by The Boston Consulting Group, Inc. All rights

Brands efforts to offer special editions & new experiences in store drive consumers to increase visits to mono-brands





Product
& Branding
"What they want"



Communication & Media "How to reach them"



Sales
Channels
"Where they buy"



True Luxury
Consumers
Global
market
trends

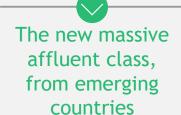




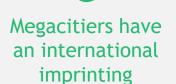


4 segments count for~70% of Millennials True-Luxury spend: focus & deep understanding will allow Brands to win

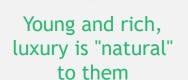










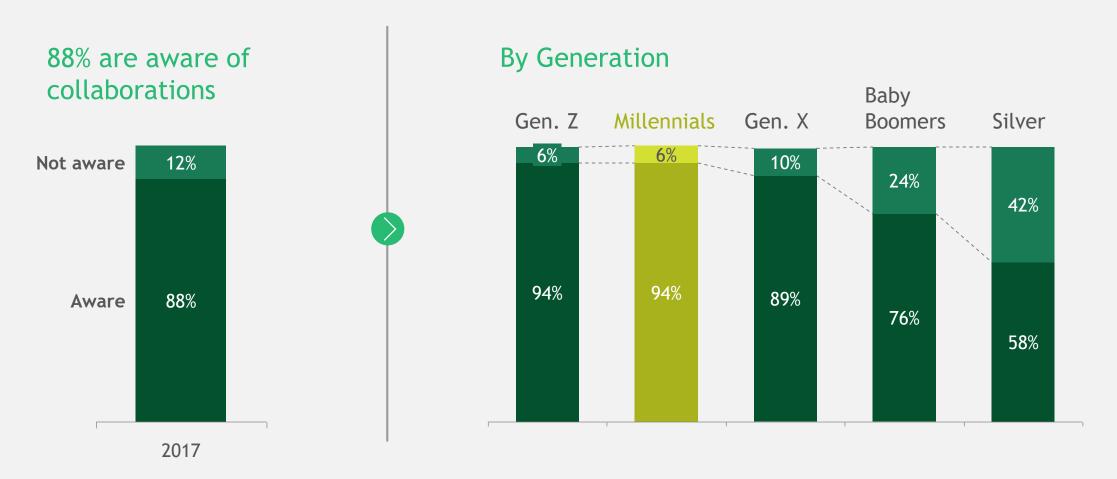






2017 by The Boston Consulting Group. Inc. All rights res

88% of True-Luxury Consumers aware of collaborations, Generation Z and Millennials reaching ~94%

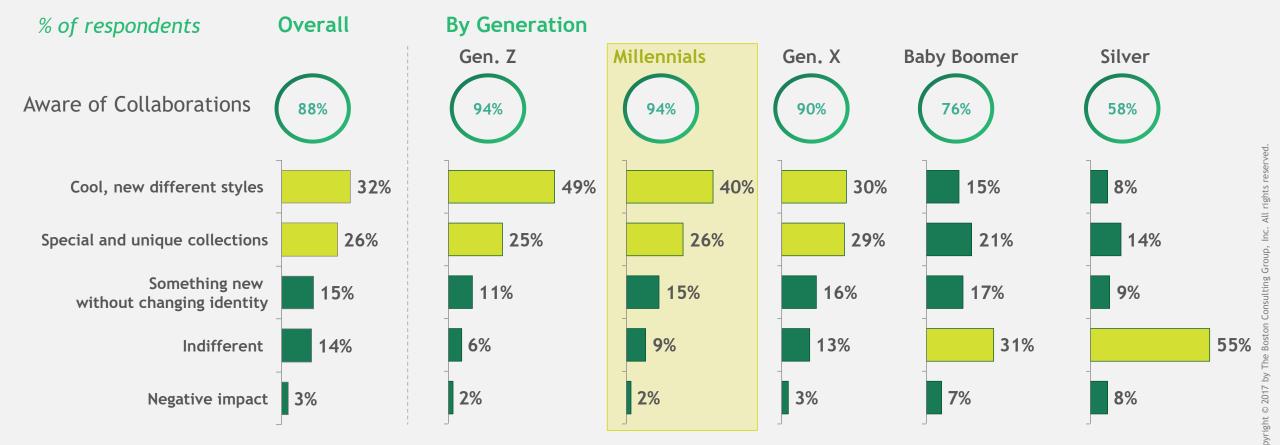




Collaborations with streetwear & artists have a positive impact on young generations and no impact on older ones

?

"Thinking about special editions realized in collaboration with different brands / artists, which of the following statements best applies to you?"



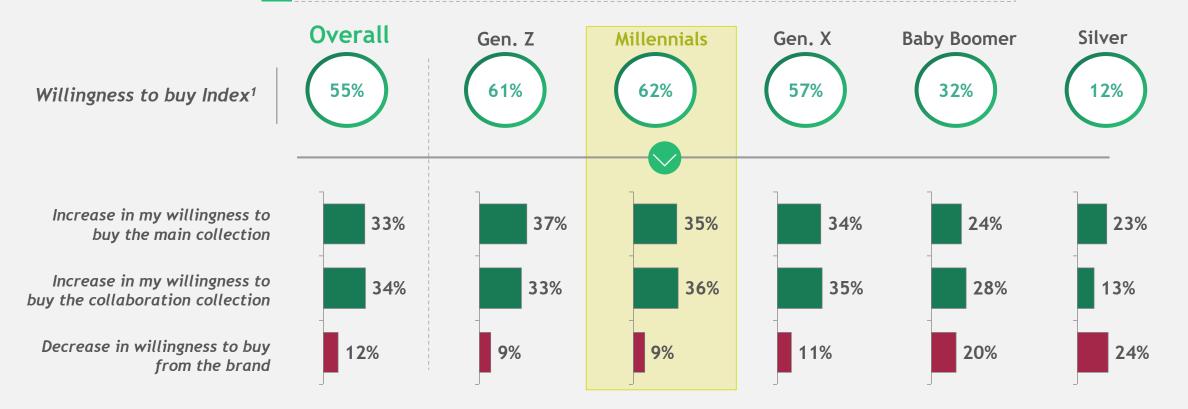
Note: Selected most important answers

Source: BCG-Altagamma True-Luxury Global Consumer Insight Survey 2017 (12K + respondents in 10 countries)

© 2017 by The Boston Consulting Group, Inc. All rights re

Additionally, collaborations have a positive impact on the willingness to buy for ~55% of True-Luxury Consumers

? What is the impact of collaborations in your willingness to buy from the brand?



^{1. % &}quot;Positive influence on my willingness to buy repeatedly from the collaboration's collection" + %"Positive influence on my willingness to buy from the brand's main collection" - %"Negative impact on long-term customers like myself: I do not recognize the brand or want to buy from it anymore"

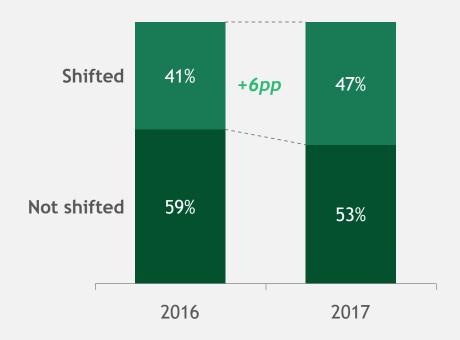
Note: Selected most important answers

Source: BCG-Altagamma True-Luxury Global Consumer Insight Survey 2017 (12K + respondents in 10 countries)

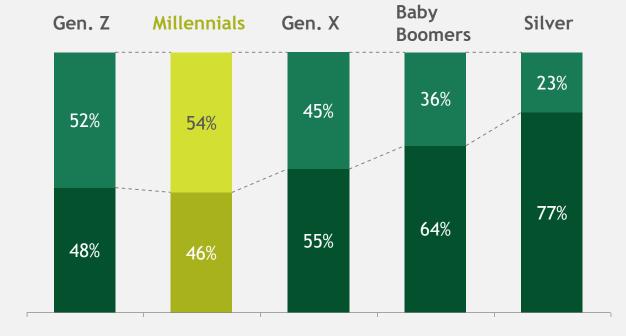
The mix & match trend attains ~54% for millennials

"Thinking about your spending of 2/3 years ago and that of the last 12 months, do you have the feeling that you have partially shifted your spending from luxury brands to premium / fast fashion / niche or sports brands?

47% of respondents have shifted from top luxury brands



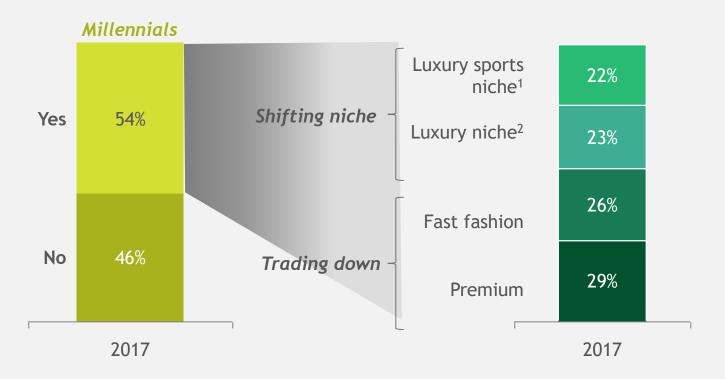
By Generation





~54% of Millennials shift from luxury brands; they trade down or mix styles buying niche brands

~54% of Millennials shift from top luxury brands

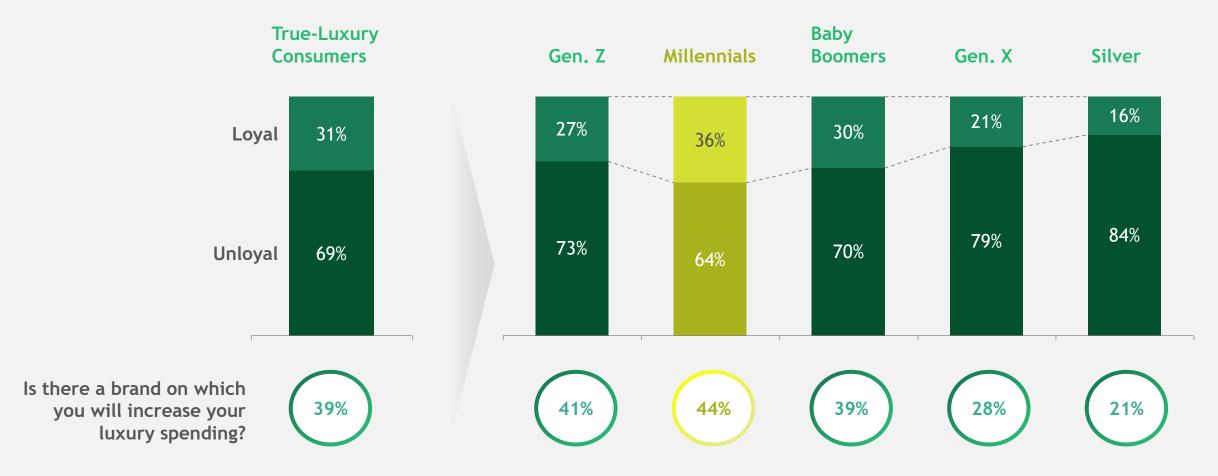


Relevant categories

- Sneakers, Backpacks, T-shirts
- Formal shoes, Sunglasses, Perfumes
- T-Shirts, Shirts, Jeans
- Handbags, Perfumes, Watches

2017 by The Boston Consulting Group Inc. All rights reser

Although they mix & match, Millennials are the most loyal generation across luxury brand categories



Millennials: some luxury brands know them and reach them better

~25 brands included in the analysis¹



"Is there a brand on which you have reduced / you will reduce your luxury spending? Is there a brand on which you have increased / you will increase your luxury spending?"



Satisfaction Index = % respondents who will increase their spend - % respondents who will reduce their spend



























































= Brand Ranking for True-Luxury Consumers





4 key segments to capitalize Millennials growth, ready?









- What do we find in the key segments' wardrobe?
- Which mix of style do they look for: casual vs. formal products; extravagant vs. classy?
- What is the relevance of the collaboration collection vs. the main collections? Is this a way to increase their spending?
- How do they want their relationship with the brand to be "managed"? Be recognized, be rewarded...?

Positive halo effect on neighboring segments

Classpirational



Fashionista



•



Product
& Branding
"What they want"



Communication & Media "How to reach them"



Sales
Channels
"Where they buy"



True Luxury
Consumers
Global
market
trends





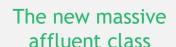






3 segments count for ~55% of Chinese True Luxury spend: focus & deep understanding will allow Brands to win









Millennials







China's digital ecosystem is highly integrated and dominated by two players

Tencent Connectivity & Content focused





Digital commerce focused

Online e-commerce



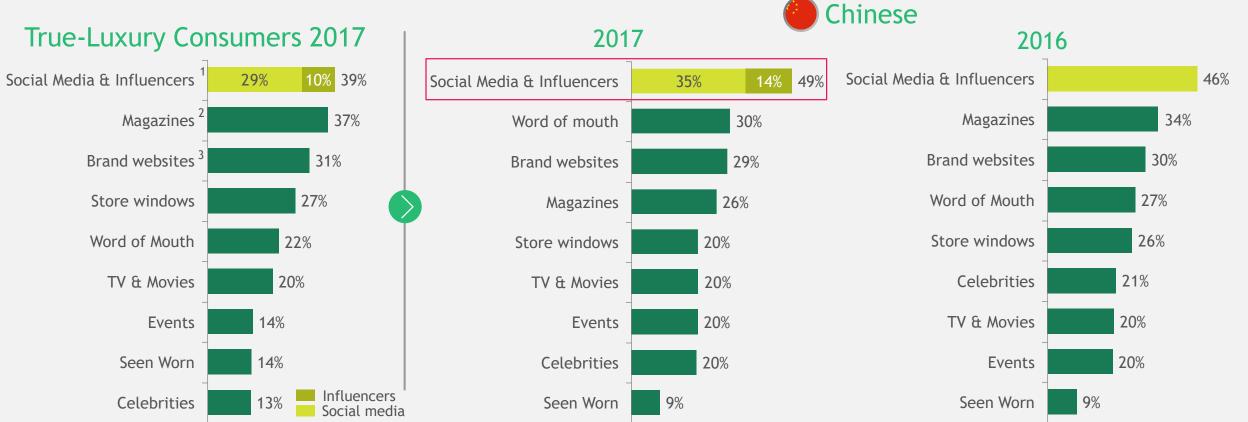
Source: BCG Analysis



Social Media rank as the 1st influence lever, followed by Word of Mouth & Brands websites

?

"Which of the following online sources of information / channels impact how you develop opinions or make decisions about luxury purchases?"

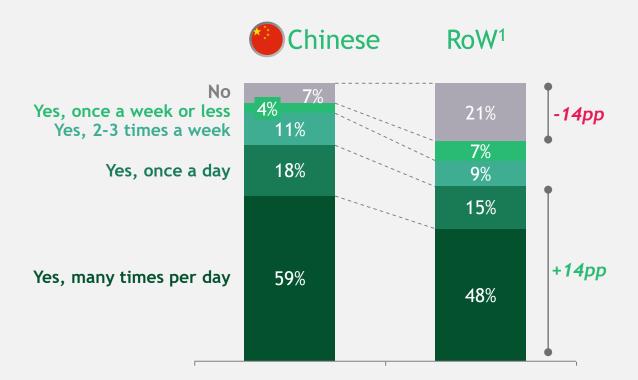


Note: Multiple options answer (ranking of five levers) 1. Includes Social Media, Online blogs & Influencers; 2. Editorials and Commercial in Magazines. Includes both traditional & digital magazines; 3. Includes also Brand's App

Source: BCG-Altagamma True-Luxury Global Consumer Insight Survey 2017 (12K + respondents in 10 countries)

Chinese True-Luxury Consumers increasingly use Social Media

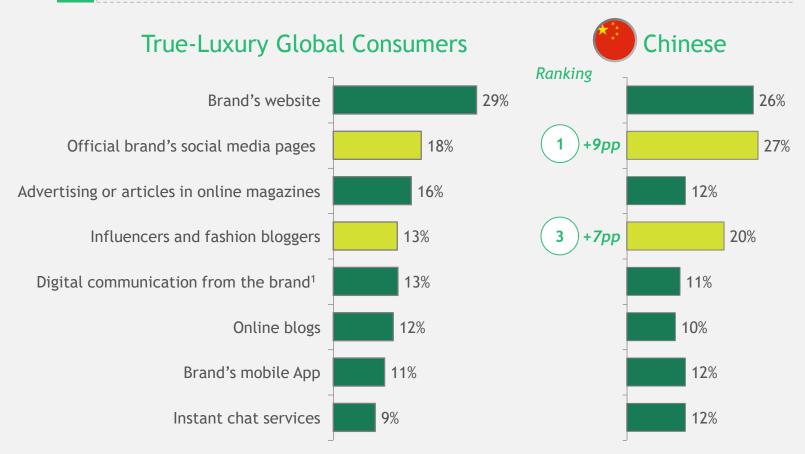
? Do you use Social Media to interact with luxury brands?



Chinese's interaction with luxury brands through Social Media is increasing and already higher if compared with other countries consumers' interaction

Within online sources, Brand Social Media 1st, influencers 3rd

"Which of the following online sources of information / channels impact how you develop opinions or make decisions about luxury purchases?"



Social Media & Influencers' relevance driven not only by consumers but also by the ecosystem and by investments from platforms

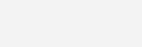
It will be key for Luxury brands to partner with Social Media platform



Social media: Tencent's WeChat helps brands influence consumers along the entire shopping journey

Reach

Engage



Transaction

After-sales & CRM



Moments Ads

Official Accounts

Omni-channel enhancement

WeCard

WeChat Index Fan recruitment:

target audience through user tags

3rd party accounts:Native, tailor-made ads

"@ brand" feature:

engage with fans in the ad's comment box

Own account: engage fans with self-generated content

WeChat Pay: direct in-place payment option

Mini programs: link customers to brand 020 experience, both in-store and for after-sale service

WeChat Pay: attracts users to go from online to offline

Insights into user interests to help brands communicate useful content on "social hotspots". Keyword trends, article-reading habits, and word-of-mouth monitoring analytics

Convert

Customized deals & gift cards

45



Moments Ads: engage with fans and potential customers on China's most widely used social sharing platform

'@brand' feature: interact with loyal fans

Integrate into EC campaign with WeChat Pay



















'Fans Recruit': reach potential customers

Special Event Campaign

Customized purchase experience



Digital content: Tencent's content ecosystem reaches and engages a wide range of potential customers

Reach

Engage

Convert

Transaction

After-sales & CRM











Tencent News Room

Live Broadcasting

Music Platform

IP Co-Operation

Online TV

Penguin Media Platform/Online Media Group: co-created and distribute branded, social-native content)

Social apps: immersive social, entertainment and news event live broadcasting, with KOL and celebrity network

QQ Music: banner + native ads for target listeners

Content ecosystem: embed innovative ads into Tencent's hottest games and movies/shows, incorporating celebrities and scenario relevance for social buzz

Penguin TV: engage with high-income TA on the big screen, enhancing interaction and exposure

Push product reservation opportunities to customers

7/



Chinese ROPO over indexed due to online struggles



Chinese consumers more 'Omni' than True Luxury Consumers (~61% vs 48%)

Omnichannel relevance driven by higher ROPO & by not yet attractive Online Solo alternative

Online Solo struggle to emerge due to counterfeit products' fear & the lack of a worthy luxury experience on the mass market platforms

^{1.} Researched Online, Purchased Offline

^{2.} Researched Offline, Purchased Online

Chinese: some brands well ahead competition

~25 brands included in the analysis1



"Is there a brand on which you have reduced / you will reduce your luxury spending? Is there a brand on which you have increased / you will increase your luxury spending?"



Satisfaction Index = % respondents who will increase their spend - % respondents who will reduce their spend





















































= Brand Ranking for True-Luxury Consumers



3 key segments to capitalize Chinese growth, ready?







- How often do they expect brands to create new content / provide information through channels (from commercials to social media)?
- How to help Chinese define their identity statement through their wardrobe?
- Which influencers or fashion bloggers do they like to see in collaboration with luxury brands?
- Which sales channels do consumers prefer? Why? Which type of engagement are they looking for?

Positive halo effect on neighboring segments

Classpirational





•



right © 2017 by The Boston Consulting Group. Inc. All rights reserved.

The True Luxury Consumer: What BCG could do for Luxury Companies leveraging the study



Brand Equity to support sales boost



Launch an ad hoc survey on True Luxury Consumer of the brand to bring insight to the next level on key topics relevant for the business

- e.g. Categories, Geographical Markets, Consumer generations
- e.g. Digital, retail execution, megacities penetration,
- •



Voice of consumers to inform key decisions



Launch an ad hoc consumer study tailored on the specific target consumer of a Brand to inform key business decisions

- e.g. Possible merge / demerge of two lines
- •



Actionable consumer segmentation



Develop a tailored and proprietary consumer behavioral segmentation for the brand, applying BCG behavioral segmentation to Brand CRM data

- To capture future organic growth and boost LFL retail sales
 - Inform key decisions in merchandising, assortment, CRM, marketing,...
 - Define and launch pilots
 - Measure and scale up

ight © 2017 by The Boston Consulting Group, Inc. All rights reserved.

Authors of "True-Luxury Global Consumer Insights 2018"



Nicola Pianon

Senior Partner and Managing Director

Leading Fashion & Luxury Division in Italy Greece and Turkey 27 years @ BCG

Contacts

Pianon.nicola@bcg.com Tel. +39 02 65599 204 Mobile +39 335 237556



Angela Wang

Partner and Managing Director

Leading Fashion & Luxury Division in China 8 years @ BCG

Contacts

Wang.angela@bcg.com Tel. +86 10 8527 9022 Mobile +86 139 1066 0982



Javier Seara

Partner and Managing Director

Leading Fashion & Luxury Division Worldwide 14 years @ BCG

Contacts

Seara.javier@bcg.com Tel. +49 89 2317 4331 Mobile +49 170 334 4331



Olivier Abtan

Partner and Managing Director

Leading Fashion & Luxury Division in WESA 19 years @ BCG

Contacts

Abtan.olivier@bcg.com Tel. +33 1 4017 4381 Mobile +33 6 03 61 61 00



Filippo Bianchi

Partner and Managing Director

Leading Fashion & Luxury Division in CEMA 14 years @ BCG

Contacts

Bianchi.filippo@bcg.com Tel. +39 02 65599 204 Mobile +39 335 237556

