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#### THE RUNDOWN

Mobile is a small but mighty screen when it comes to grabbing millennials' attention. New research by Google and IPSOS shows that the small screen has the potential to drive big impact: On a typical day, for those 18- to 34-year-olds who own a smartphone, the smartphone reaches them more than any other device. Moreover, consumption of video on smartphones is far less distracted than it is on TV. Based on the findings, there are two ways that online video may create new opportunities on mobile for brand marketing. First, think multi-screen, build for mobile.

Second, create in-the-moment experiences with mobile.



#### Introduction

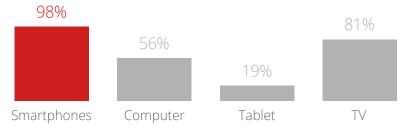
Of all minutes watched on YouTube, 40% is on smartphones,\* which presents an opportunity for brand marketers. Yet understandably, since smartphone screens have shrunk advertising space to the size of a playing card, the effectiveness of mobile in holding consumers' attention and driving impact has been questioned. So how do you build a successful mobile campaign to drive results?

To answer this question, Google and Ipsos researched 1,519 smartphone owners aged 18- to 34-years-old who were asked to keep a detailed diary of all of their online and offline video interactions for a day. To get a representative snapshot, participants were spaced across weekends and weekdays. The research required respondents to use a mobile app; hence the results are limited to millennials who own a smartphone—81% of individuals age 18 to 34 own a smartphone, according to MRI. The results show that when millennials watch video on smartphones, they are far less distracted than when watching video on any other screen, including TV.

### More attention given to video on mobile

Smartphones are the #1 device to reach millennials. In a typical day, 98% of 18- to 34-year-olds reported using smartphones to watch video content in the research—that's higher than the reach of any other device among smartphone-owning millennials.

% of smartphone-owning individuals age 18 to 34 who reported using each device to watch video content in daily video diaries



Source: Google and IPSOS

<sup>\*</sup>YouTube data

Broad reach of millennials via smartphones aside, the research reveals something even more powerful about the experience of watching video on smartphones: It's far less distracted. Video watching on TV was the sole activity just 28% of the time—meaning that only 28% of TV-viewing occasions were uninterrupted and fully garnered the users' attention.

The rest of the time, participants were involved with another activity—such as eating, using a computer, chatting to a friend or cooking—as they were watching TV. Alternatively, video watching was the sole activity for 53% of mobile video sessions.



# Millennials are 2x more likely to be focused while watching video on their smartphones vs. on TV

Source: Google and IPSOS

Home isn't the only place millennials are watching mobile video. Thirty-four percent of mobile video minutes were watched while people were out and about. People watching digital video outside the home are also 1.8x more likely than average to be meaningfully engaged because they are likely to be watching video for active purposes, such as looking for information or exploring a passion.

While marketers have traditionally sought consumers' attention in their living rooms, sitting in front of a television, mobile video consumption is changing that.

# How to make mobile video work for your brand

Smartphones have become an integral part of people's lives. So how can marketers successfully make this an opportunity to connect with their audiences? Here are two tips:

# 1. Think multi-screen, build for mobile

In a multi-screen world, mobile shouldn't be thought of as just the second screen—the

behaviors observed in this research suggest that mobile is important as a main screen. What role can video play for your campaigns on smartphones compared to TV or laptop? What companion experience can you build using smartphones?

#### CASE STUDY



Land Rover used a cross-channel campaign to engage consumers on mobile, running a Range Rover video ad on YouTube that received tens of millions of impressions across all devices. **Fifteen percent of Land Rover's total sales now come from online leads**.

Find out more at www.thinkwithgoogle.com/case-studies/cross-channel-marketing-drives-land-rover-digital-sales.html

#### 2. Create in-the-moment experiences

As mobile captures consumers' full attention, at home or on the go, brands now have the opportunity to reach people anywhere. How can brands deliver in-the-moment, real-time experiences to make use of that full attention?

#### **CASE STUDY**



Volkswagen's SmileDrive app used the power of mobile and YouTube to turn people's morning commute into a shareable experience, **reaching more than 200,000 people** and capturing moments on the go.

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