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PROSUMER

A consumer who is usually interested in products/ services of a brand. They upload reviews and comments and respond to other reviews and comments about the product.

This highly digitally active group is not tied to traditional services providers.

Nomad

Look for high-quality, responsive service and value for money.

Quality Seeker

View human advisors as crucial, they do not feel they can get what they need without human advice

Hunter

INTERNET USERS IN KENYA

Statistics as of March 2017. As of the measured period, 40.5 million people were active internet users. With Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube and Google+having the highest number of prosumers.

Communications Authority of Kenya



THE TRANSITION

CLICKS AND MORTAR



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A business that possesses a building or a store for operations.



A type of business that involves both online and offline operations which typically include both a website and a physical store.



THE PROSUMER JOURNEY



THE DIGITAL SHOPPER PATH TO PURCHASE SURVEY

Methodology: Online study done across the East African region (Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania) in July 2017.

Sample size: 342.

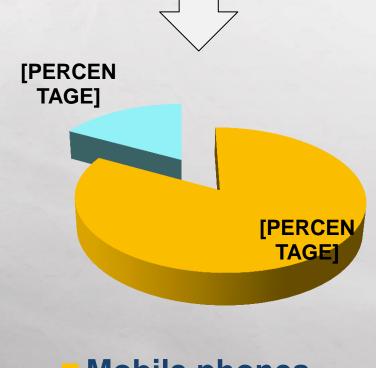
Objective: Determine the prosumer behaviors on online platforms.



SMART PHONE OWNERSHIP AND USAGE

Internet penetration in Kenya is 89.4%

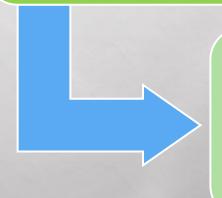
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Mobile phones

Other devices

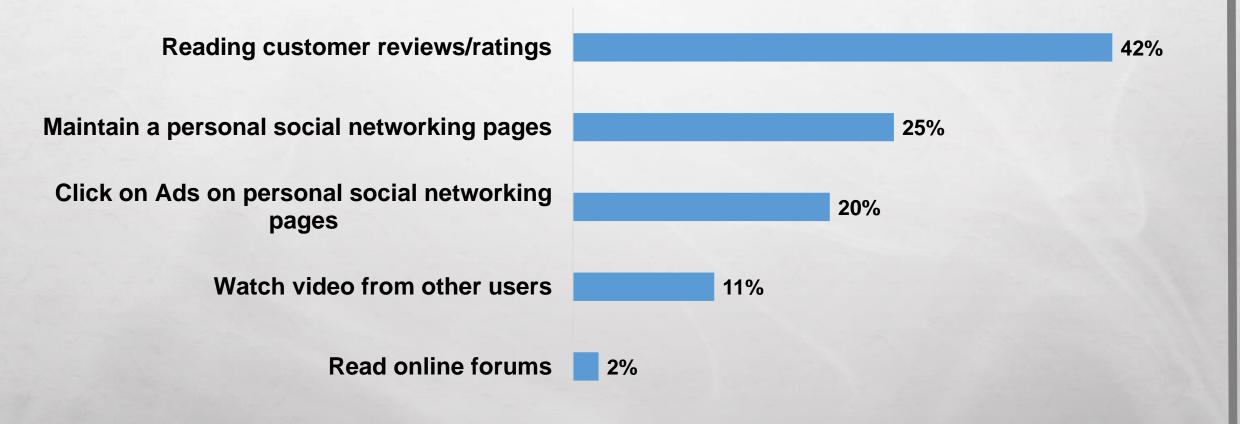
79% of Kenyan population are active mobile phone users.



60% of mobile phone users in Kenya own smart phones.

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ACTIVITIES ON SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS



RESPONSE TO THE SHIFT



- This is an online one stop shop with a presence in 13 countries in Africa.
- The app has over 5 million downloads on Google play store.

RESPONSE TO THE SHIFT



363,000 active customers in Kenya. With Kenya having 5 times more drivers as compared to Uganda and Tanzania.

RESPONSE TO THE SHIFT



- Over 900,000 registered users.
- In addition, over 80% or 560,000 of their registered users are monthly active users.

THE DAWN IS HERE

Changing customer behaviors have prompted a shift in research and client priorities by digitizing the prosumer journey.



DELIBERATION



Have we designed our systems and tailored them in a way that interacting and keeping up with the prosumer would be easy in future?

QUESTION & SWER