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# MEDIA & COMMERCE BEHAVIOUR TRENDS

## TEMPORARY VS PERMANENT CHANGES



## TODAYS SPEAKERS



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# Introduction

Media, commerce and online advertising trends through COVID-19

Gai Le Roy, CEO IAB

# In April Australians shifted online time to desktop and tablet

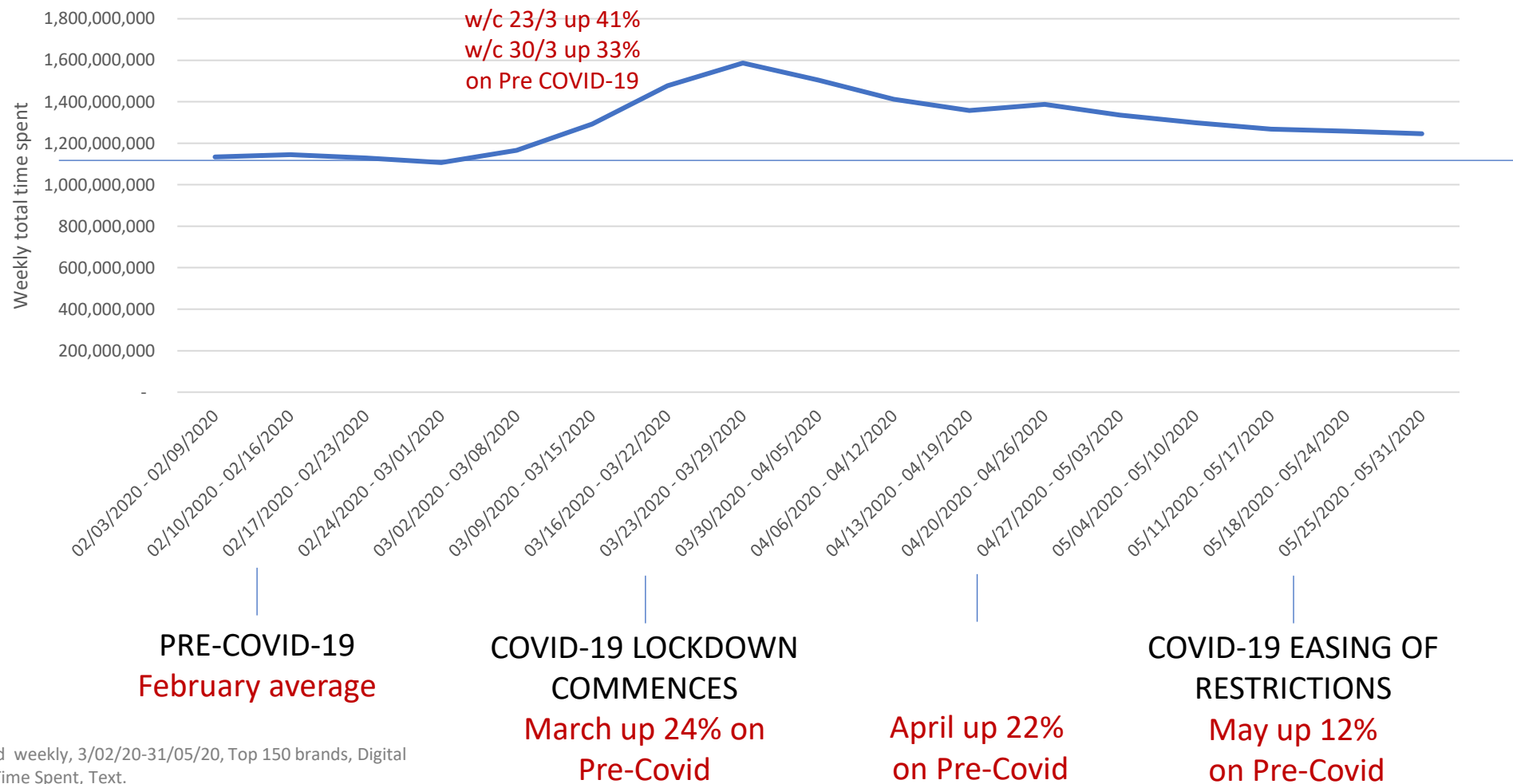
	MOBILE	DESKTOP	TABLET
Unique audience	16.6m	18.7m	7.4m
Av time pp	78hr 44min	28hr 21min	62hr 55min
Share of device time	57%	23%	20%
Total time Mar 20 v Apr 20	-3%	22%	14%

With many Australians WFH in April, online time on mobile dropped slightly while time spent on desktop and tablet surged from previous month.

Source; Nielsen Digital Panel text April 2020 PC age 2+, Smartphone & Tablet age 18+ (total time spent March 2020 v April 2020)

# A boom time for digital content consumption

## TOTAL TIME SPENT FOR TOTAL AUDIENCE OF TOP 150 DIGITAL CONTENT BRANDS



# Digital media connecting and informing during COVID-19

MoM CHANGES IN TOTAL ONLINE TIME SPENT BY CATEGORY (Mar 20 v Apr 20)



SOCIAL  
NETWORKING  
+21%



NEWS  
+ more than 40%  
March & April v  
February



EDUCATIONAL  
RESOURCES  
+ more than 24%  
March & April v  
February



GOVERNMENT &  
NON-PROFIT  
+24%



INSTANT MESSAGING  
+24%



MAJOR RETAILERS  
+25%



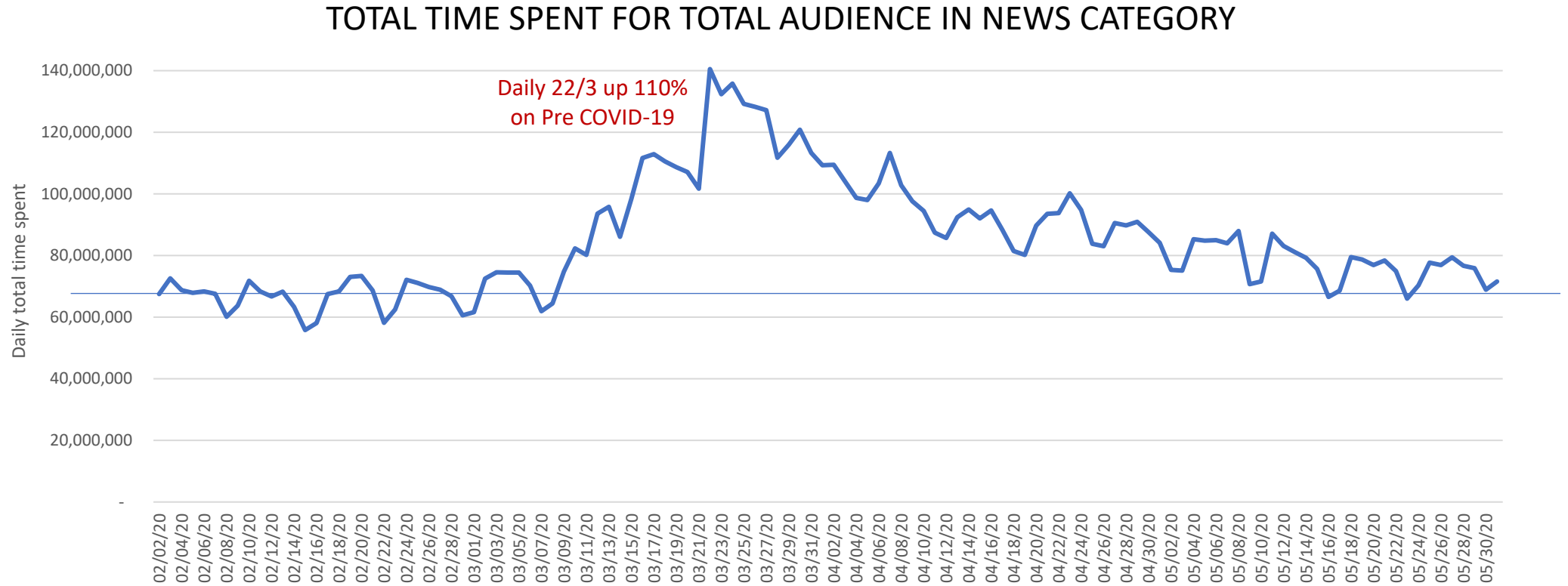
FAMILY  
Kids/games/toys +51%  
Genealogy +27%  
Parenting +13%  
Home & garden +61%



COMPUTERS  
Software +27%  
News +30%  
Internet tools +96%  
ISP +74%

Source; Nielsen Digital Panel text April 2020 PC age 2+, Smartphone & Tablet age 18+ (total time spent March 2020 v April 2020)

# Digital news content engagement heightened as we hunt for information



Source: Digital Content Ratings, Tagged Daily, 2/02/202-31/05/20, Current Events & Global News sub-category, Digital (Computer/Mobile), People 2+, Total Time Spent, Text.

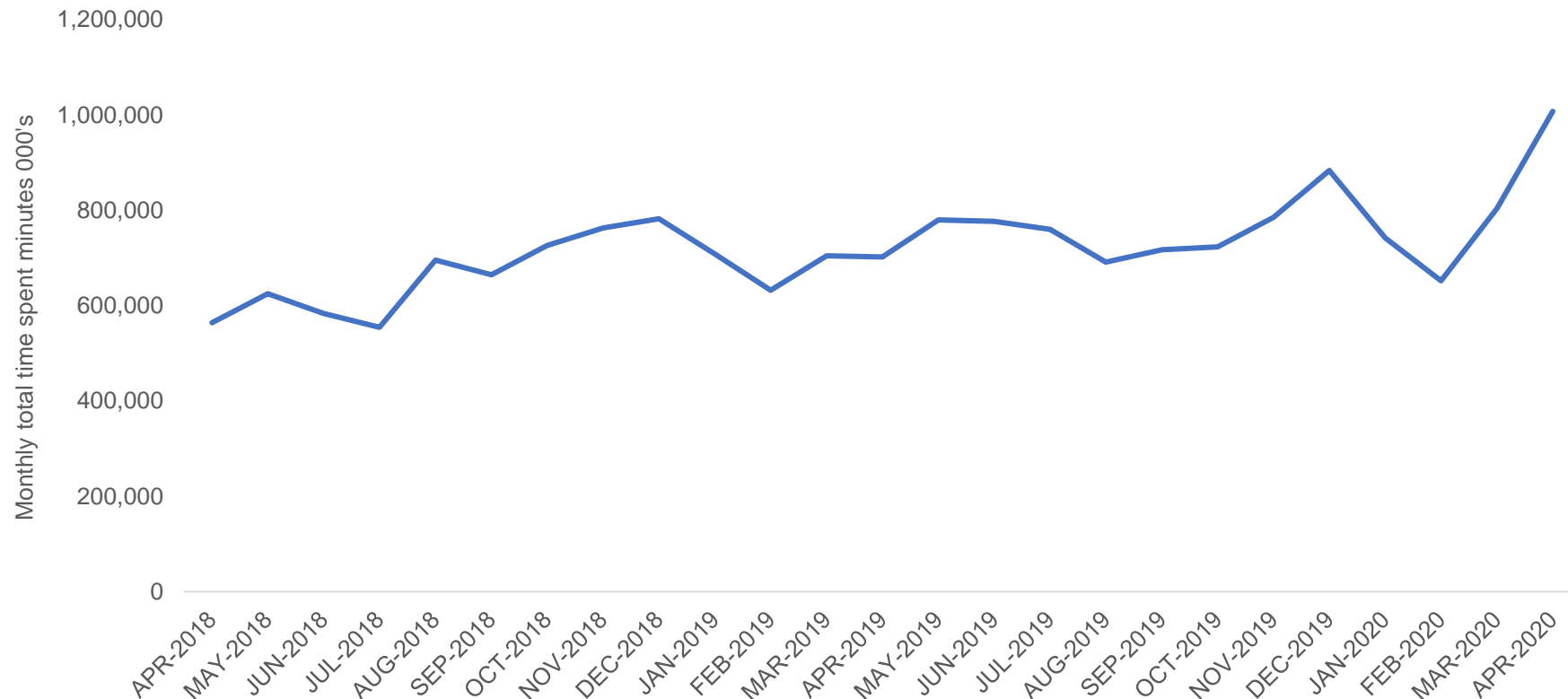
**PRE-COVID-19**  
67 million min/day  
February average

**COVID-19 LOCKDOWN COMMENCES**  
w/c 23/3 up 88% on  
February Pre-Covid-19

**COVID-19 EASING OF RESTRICTIONS**  
Month May up 16%  
on Pre-Covid-19

# Time spent on major retail sites up 44% year on year

## TOTAL TIME SPENT ON MASS RETAILERS WEBSITES



17.8 million Australians visited a shopping website in April 2020.

Time spent on mass retailer websites is up 44% YOY (and up 14% on peak December).

Local retailers picking up the increase – time spent on mass retailer sites excluding Amazon is up 82% YoY.

Source: Nielsen Digital Panel text PC age 2+, Smartphone & Tablet age 18+ (total time spent YOY April 19 V April 20)



# Increased time spent on retail websites in April

## CHANGES IN TOTAL ONLINE TIME SPENT BY CATEGORY



MASS RETAILERS  
+44% YoY  
+25% MoM

- Supermarkets up in Mar & Apr
- Discount retailers
- Office supplies
- Electronics



APPAREL & BEAUTY  
+17% YoY  
+5% MoM

- Sports stores
- Beauty products



HOME & GARDEN  
+57% YoY  
+61% MoM

- Hardware
- Home furnishings
  - Craft



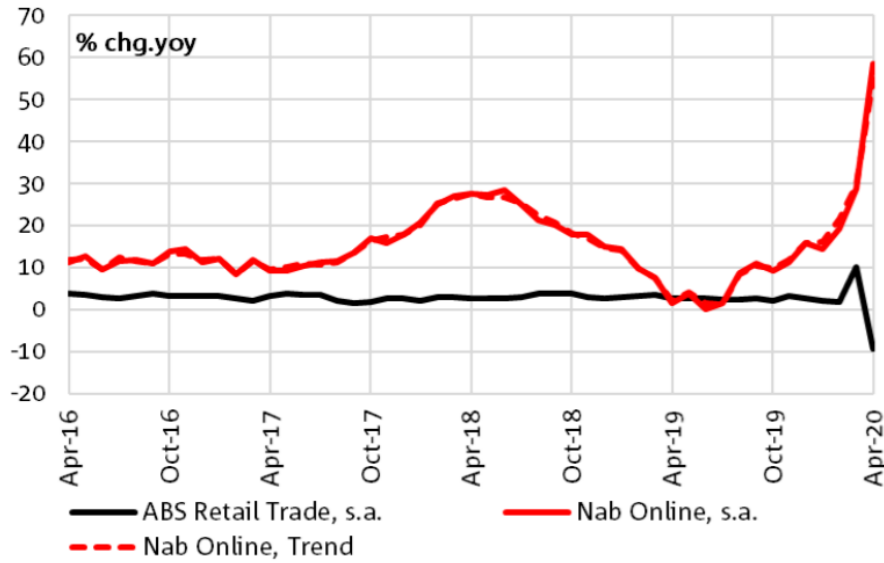
FOOD  
+14% YoY  
+6% MoM

- Takeaway online delivery services
- Alcohol stores

Source: Nielsen Digital Panel text PC age 2+, Smartphone & Tablet age 18+ (total time spent YOY April 19 V April 20; MOM Mar 20 v Apr 20)

# Highest ever recorded monthly growth rate in online retail sales

Online Retail Sales and ABS retail sales



The NAB Online Retail Sales Index rapid growth accelerated again in April (16.2%), on a month-on-month, seasonally adjusted basis. This is the highest ever recorded monthly growth rate in the series history (2012).

In year-on-year terms, the growth in the NAB Online Retail Sales Index accelerated (+58.5% y/y s.a.) in April, the highest year-on-year growth rate comparison in the series history

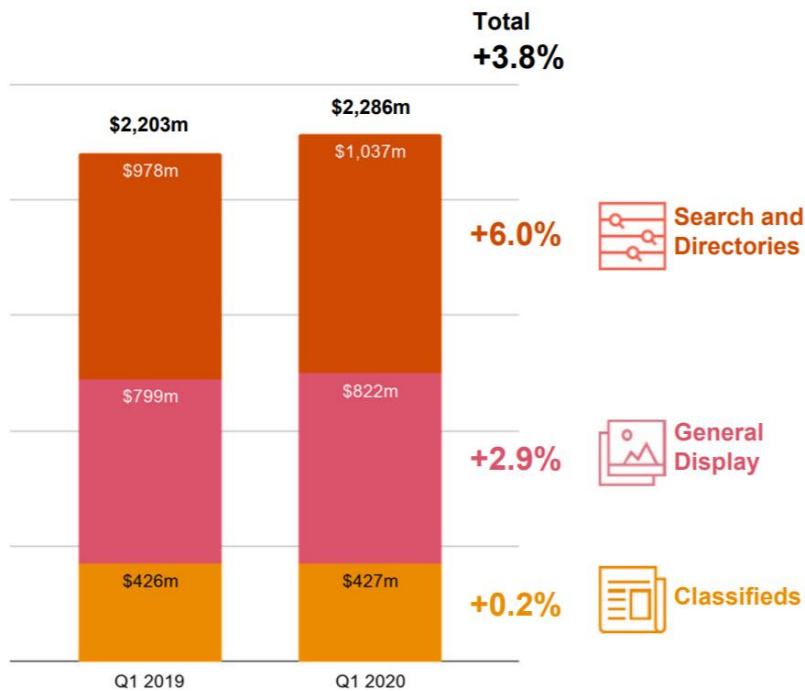
Year-on-year growth (% s.a.)			
	Feb-20	Mar-20	Apr-20
NAB Online Index	19.3	28.6	58.5
ABS Traditional Retail	1.8	10.1	-9.4*p

Source: NAB Online Retail Sales Index April 2020

# Digital advertising spending slowed from Q1

Q1 Jan – Mar 2020

IAB/PWC Online Advertising Expenditure Report



April 2020

IAB Market Pulse Wave 1  
COVID-19 Ad Impact

21% of advertisers surveyed had paused all spend and a further 57% had pulled back their expenditure.

May 2020

IAB Market Pulse Wave 2  
COVID-19 Ad Impact

Approximately 50% of advertisers who had previously pulled spending are now back in market investing, though at mostly at a reduced level.

Source: IAB Australia/PwC Online Advertising Expenditure Report, Qtr Ended Dec 31 2019, CY2019;

IAB Australia Industry Market Pulse – COVID 19 Ad Impact – fieldwork April 2020 n = 78, May n=19 media agency executives (on behalf of individual clients) & senior marketers

# Continue to invest in advertising thru the economic downturn to reap the long-term reward

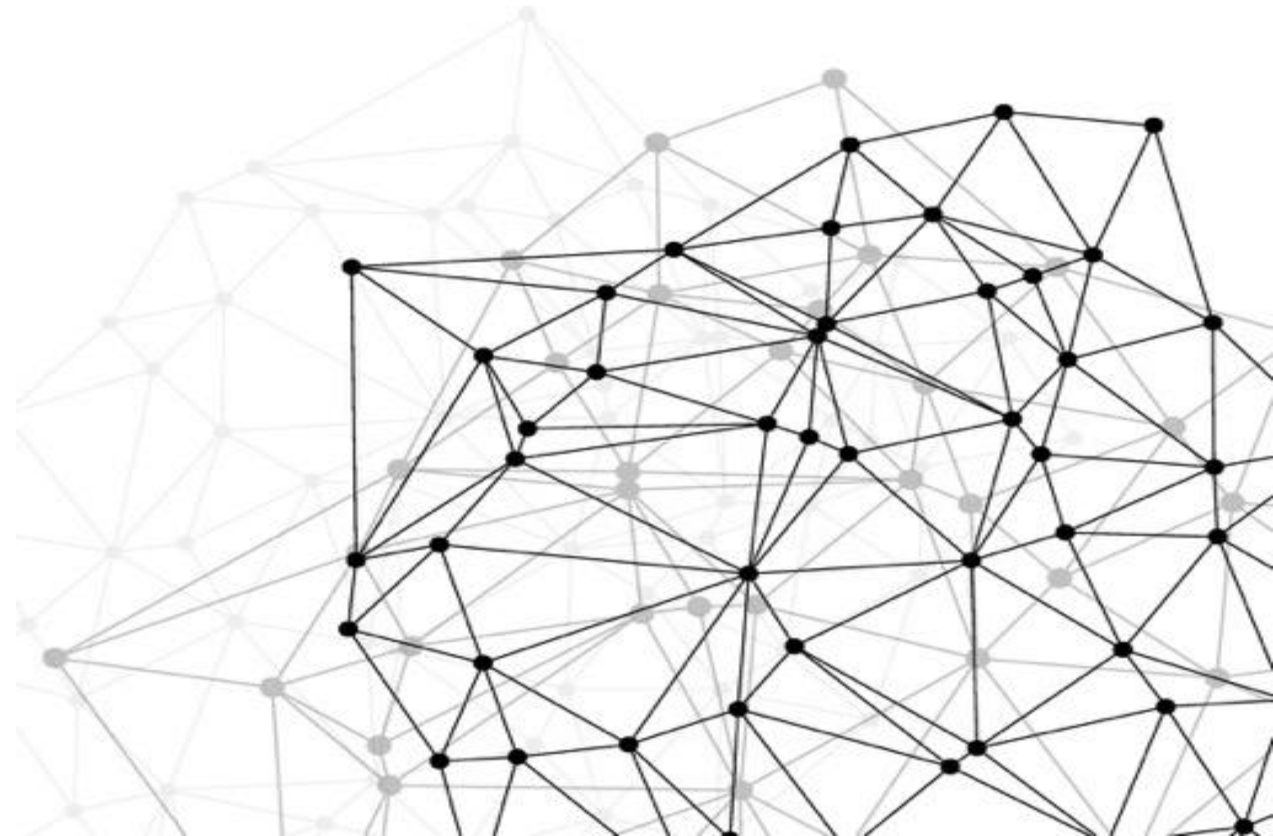


# Venture Insights Consumer Survey

## Online life under COVID-19

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Head of Research  
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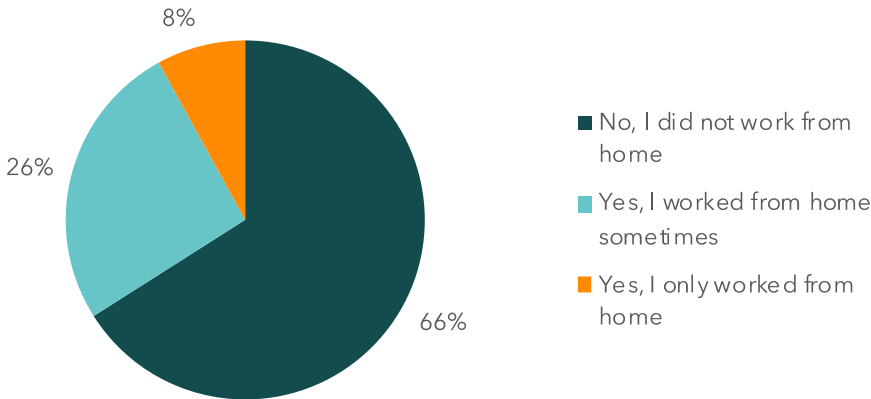
# Survey parameters

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**A behavioural change survey was conducted by Venture Insights and commissioned by NBN Co (completed 28th April 2020). The aim of the survey was to understand how new needs due to COVID-19 had changed consumer broadband and technology usage.**

**The survey was conducted nationally across Australia for 1,006 respondents, all with a broadband connection, and with a representative survey sample across demographic and regional groupings.**

Prior to COVID-19 (before 1 March) did you work from home? (Respondents who were in part or full time employment)



SOURCE: Venture Insights Australian Consumer Behavioural Survey, April 2020, n=585

## Working from home

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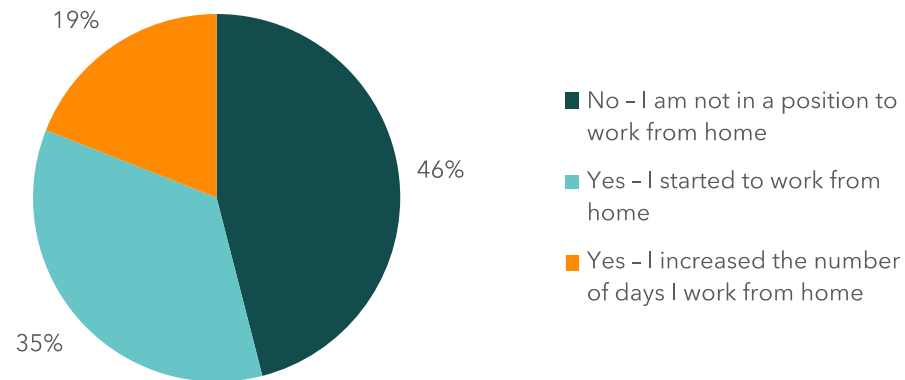
**81% of all working from home respondents say that the experience of working from home has positively changed the way they think about managing work/life flexibility.**

**69% of all respondents purchased one or more devices to support their online activities, and that number increased to 79% for those working from home.**

**43% of all respondents had created new or dedicated office space, 26% had improved home cybersecurity and 20% had improved or purchased home wi-fi setup. These numbers were 56%, 20% and 20% respectively for those who were working from home.**

**67% of all respondents say that they expect to work from home more after the COVID-19 crisis has ended.**

After the COVID-19 crisis started (from 1 March), did you start working from home and/or increase your number of days working from home? (Respondents who were in part or full time employment)



SOURCE: Venture Insights Australian Consumer Behavioural Survey, April 2020, n=585

## Growing application use: telehealth

**Almost half (48 per cent) of survey respondents who had a medical consultation in the past two months have had a telehealth consultation.**

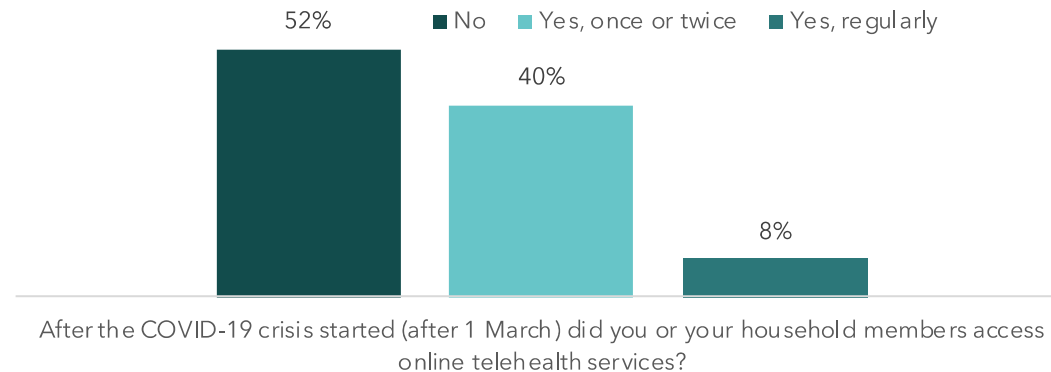
**The share of respondents 65 and over who said that their household was accessing telehealth services doubled, from one in eight (13 per cent) to one in four (27 per cent).**

**A preference for face to face consultation (29%), a lack of awareness about telehealth services (18%), and a lack of offering of telehealth services (15%) were the main reasons for not using telehealth services.**

**Almost two thirds (63%) of all respondents said they would consider using telehealth services in the future.**

**Broadly, metropolitan and younger respondents were more likely to have used telehealth services and be open to using them in future.**

Telehealth during COVID-19 (without the respondents who have not needed a health consultation since COVID-19 started)



SOURCE: Venture Insights Australian Consumer Behavioural Survey, April 2020, n=713

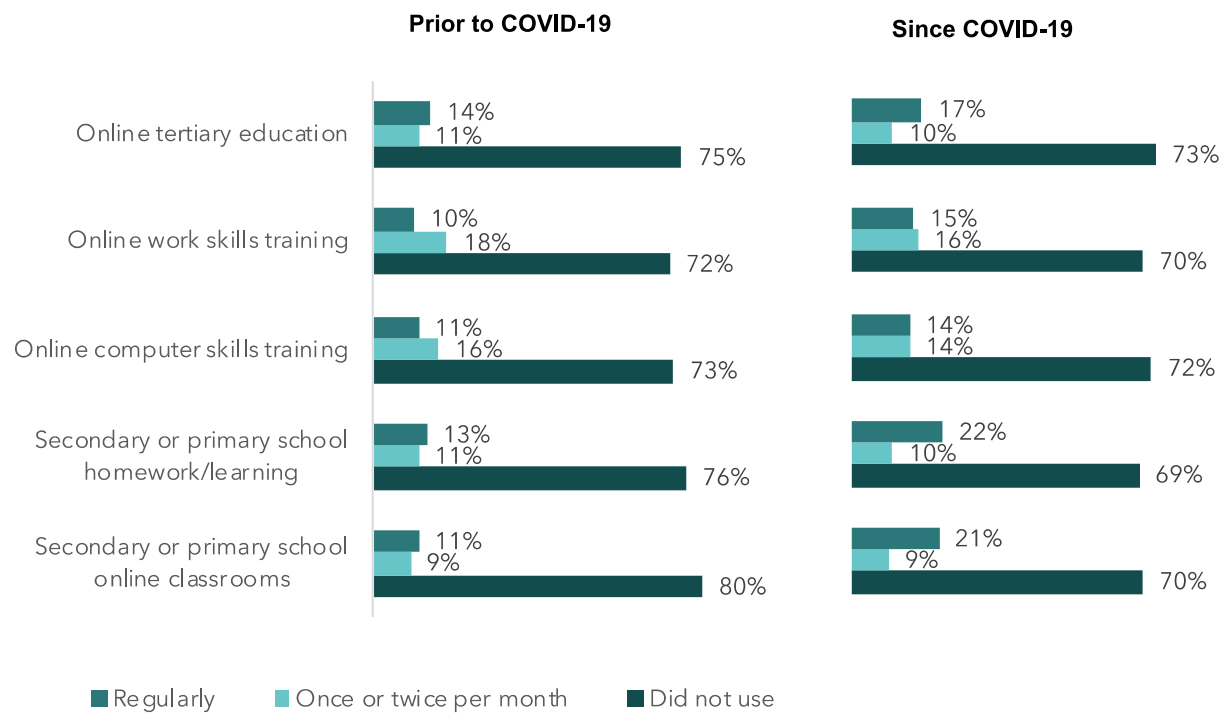


# Online education

**Respondents using secondary or primary school homework/learning and secondary or primary school online classrooms has increased to 32% and 30% respectively, as compared to 24% and 20% respectively prior to COVID-19.**

**Households with young Australians aged 18-24 said their household used social distancing time to upskill, with almost one third (30%) undertaking online work skills training.**

How often you or other household members use the following online education services?



SOURCE: Venture Insights Australian Consumer Behavioural Survey, April 2020, n=1,006

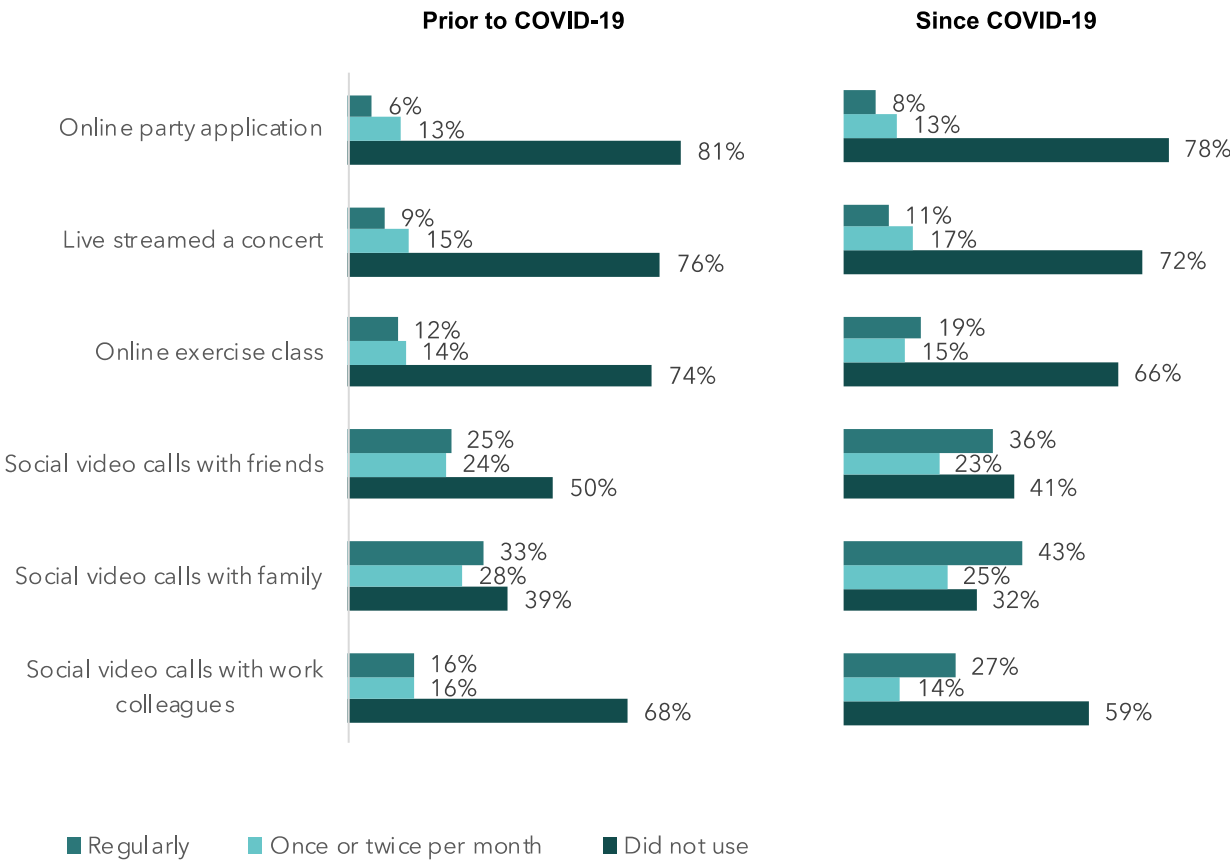
# Social communication

Since COVID-19, there has been an increase by up to 10% in the share of respondents using social video calls with friends, family and colleagues as compared to pre-COVID-19.

The share of respondents using online exercise classes has also increased by 8%.

Metropolitan and younger respondents were significantly more likely to use social communication applications before and after COVID-19

How often you or other household members used the following online social activities to connect with people?



SOURCE: Venture Insights Australian Consumer Behavioural Survey, April 2020, n=1,006

A high-angle, top-down photograph of a woman with long brown hair lying on her back on a dark grey sofa. She is wearing a white t-shirt and light blue denim jeans with a tear at the knee. She is holding a tablet computer with both hands, her red-painted fingernails visible on the screen. The background shows a wooden floor and a dark wooden chair leg.

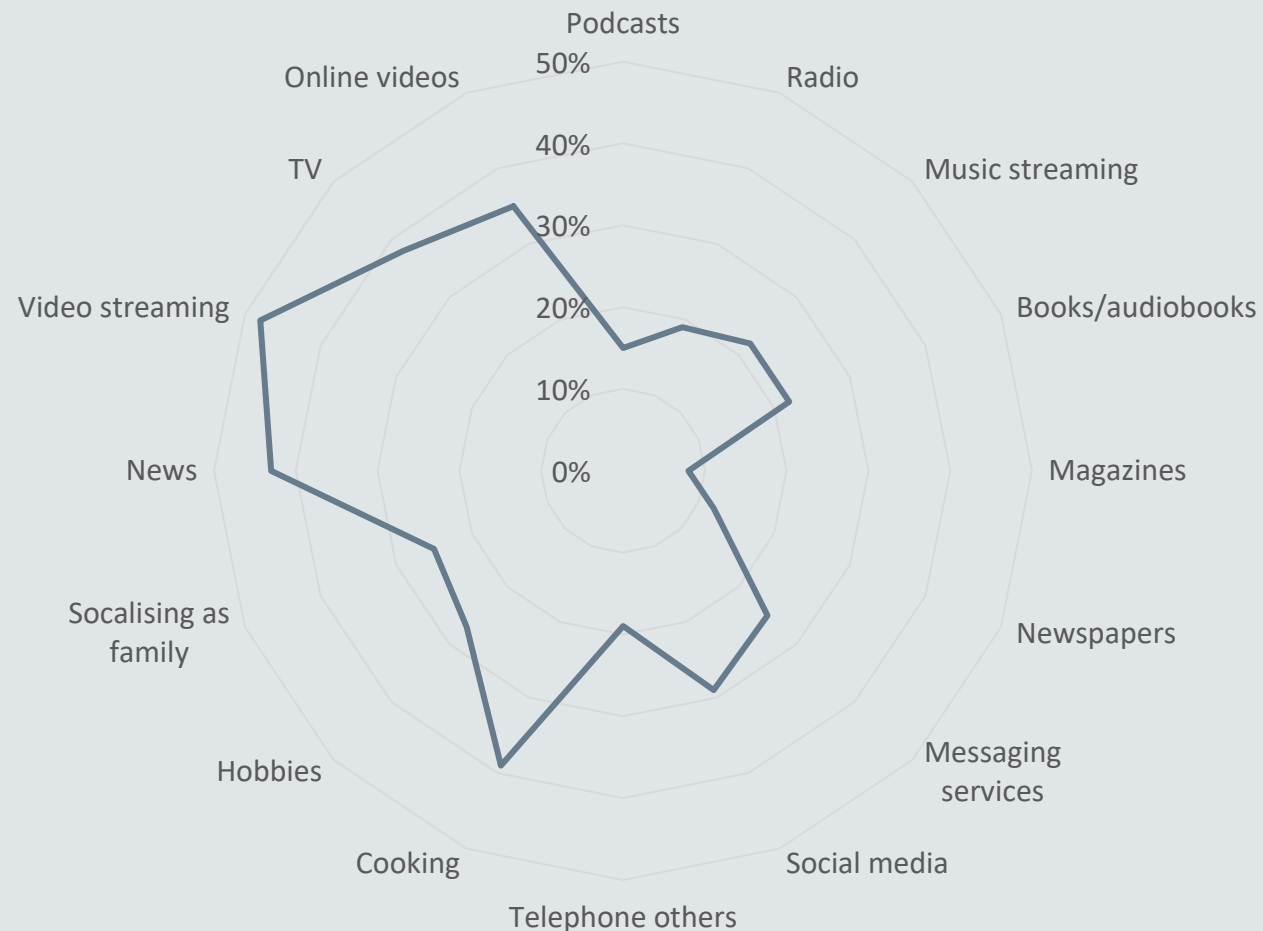
BEYOND COVID:  
Commerce, connectivity, community

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# We are in a forced period of experimentation

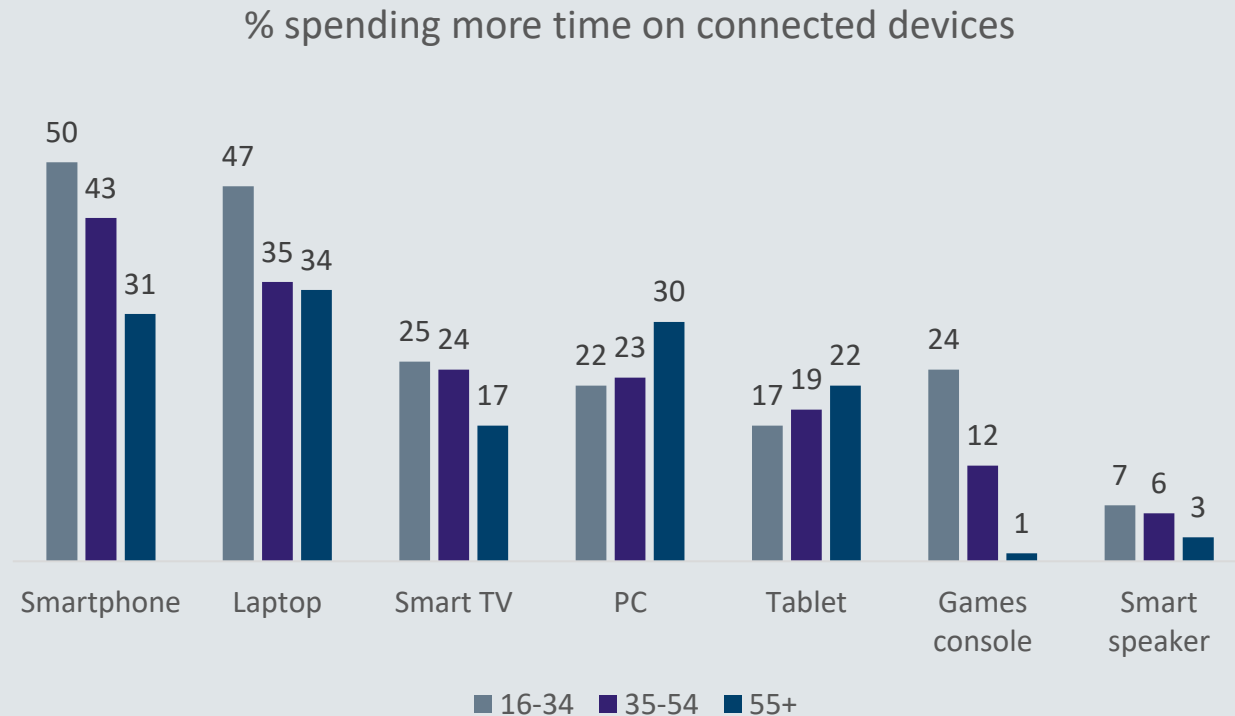
Which of the following have you been spending more time doing?



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# Pushing the internet harder than ever before



“Traditionally, weekend internet traffic is highly distinguishable from weekday traffic, noted by a two-day hump in traffic, that signature has been eliminated completely.”

Artur Bergman, Executive Chair, Fastly

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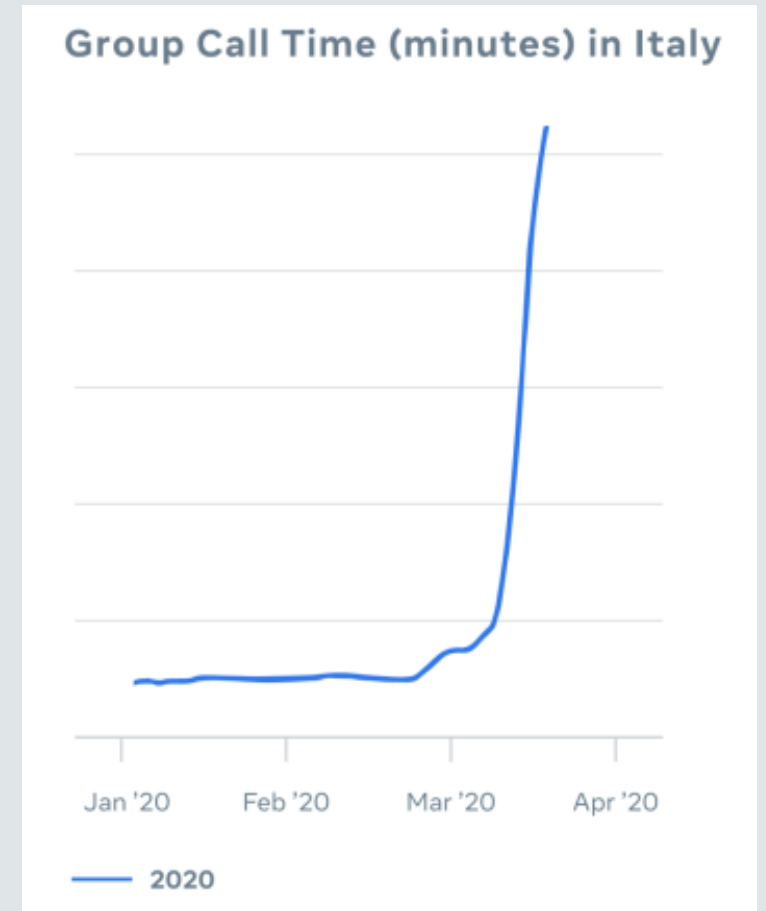
# On our own platforms

In many of the countries hardest hit, total messaging has increased more than **50% over the last month**.

Voice and video calling have more than **2x** on **Messenger** and **WhatsApp** in places hardest hit by the virus.

In Italy, we saw up to **70% more time spent** across our apps in March.

In Australia, **Instagram Live** views **doubled** in a week in March.



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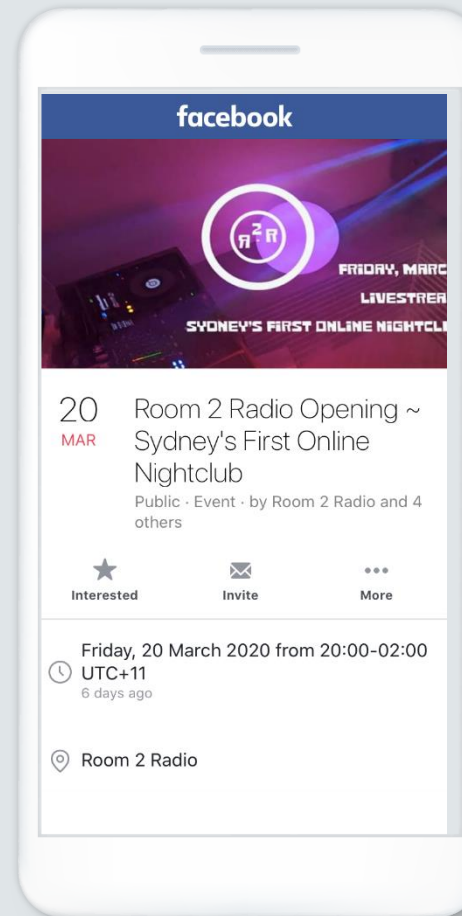
## Concerts



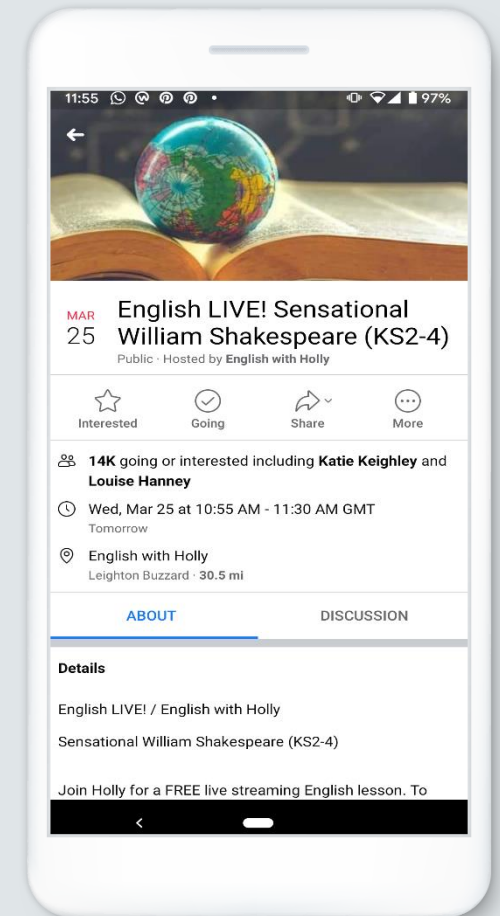
## Cooking



## Clubs

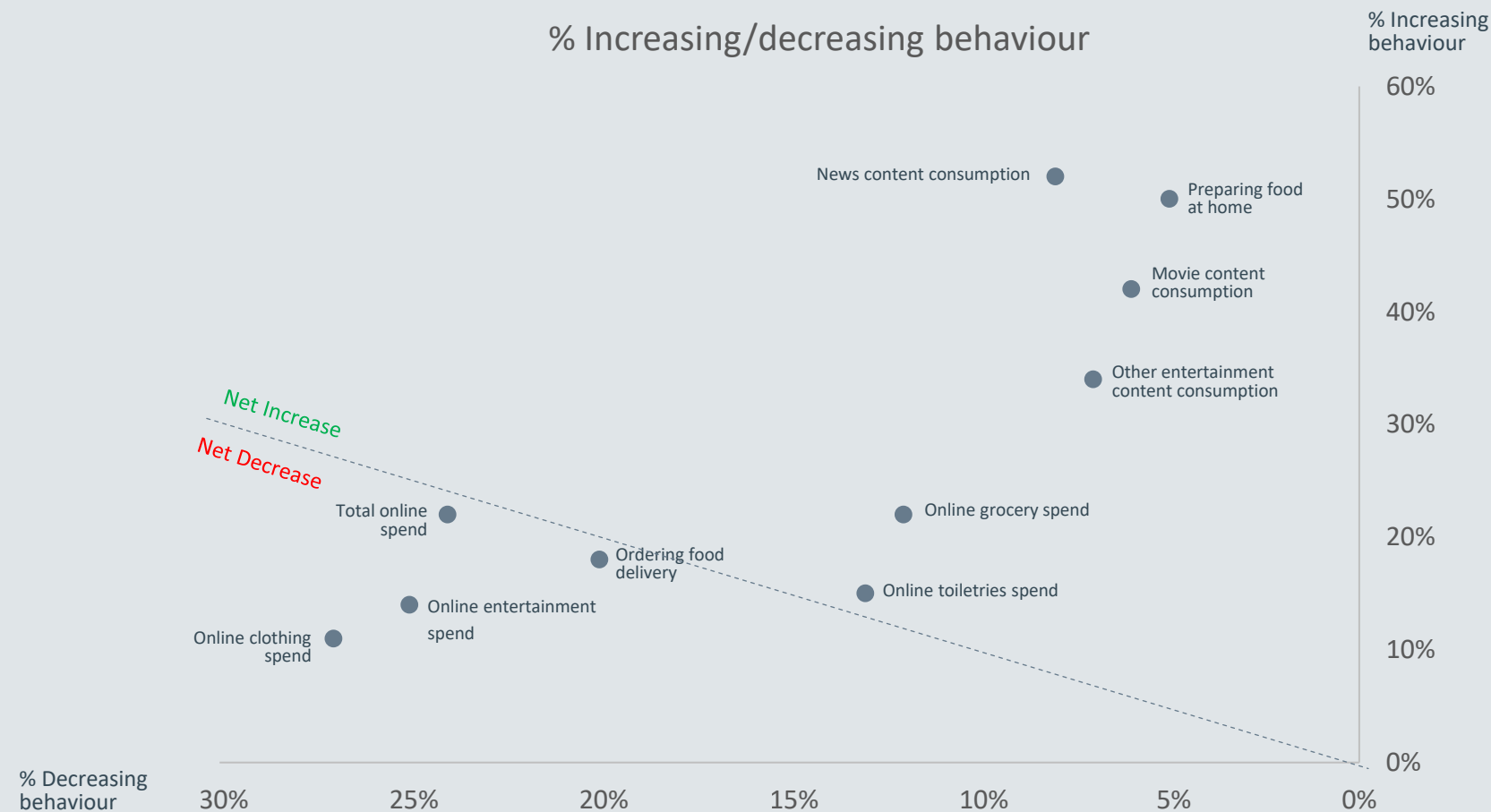


## School lessons



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# Habits being broken on mass



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Source: COVID-19 impact on AU consumer behaviour" consumer research by YouGov (online survey of 3,070 respondents in Australia), 25<sup>th</sup> May 2020

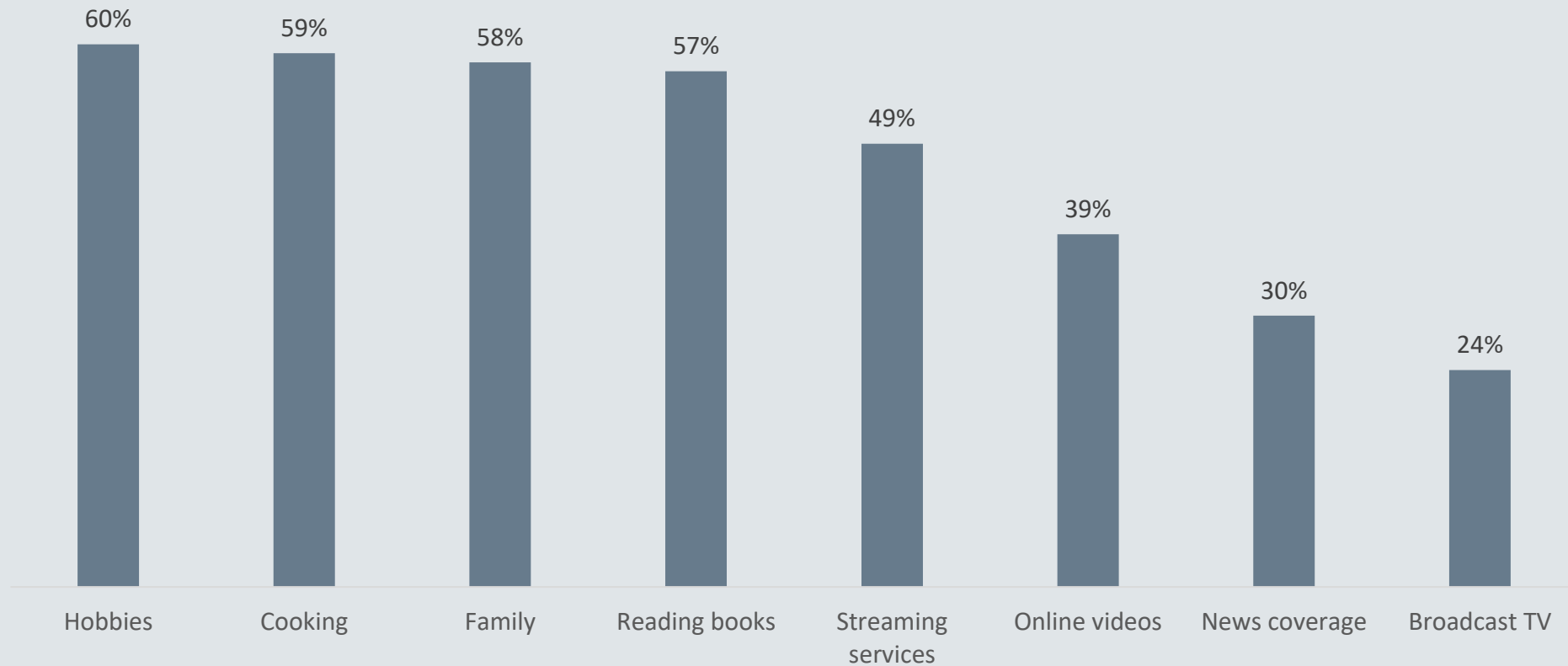


What will last?



# Significant numbers believe they'll maintain new behaviours

% of those doing more who believe they will continue after the crisis



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# We could see lasting change, but context matters

66

(18 to 254 days)

days average  
to form a habit

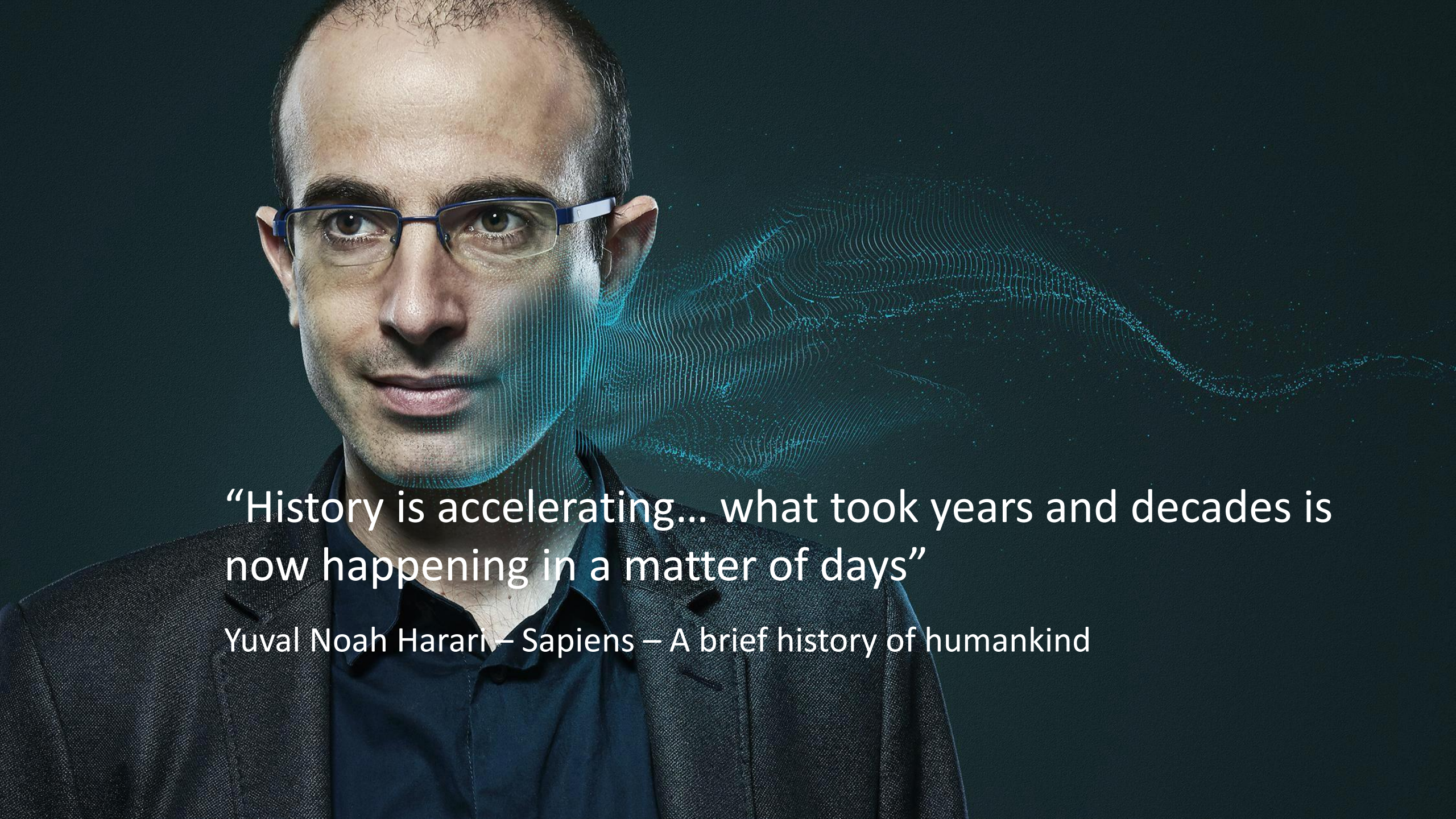
Trigger

Friction

Reward

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A portrait of Yuval Noah Harari, a man with glasses and a dark jacket, looking directly at the camera. A glowing blue digital face overlay is visible on the right side of his face, extending into the background. The background is dark with a subtle pattern of light blue lines and dots, suggesting a digital or technological theme.

“History is accelerating... what took years and decades is now happening in a matter of days”

Yuval Noah Harari – Sapiens – A brief history of humankind



# Shopping moves more online

After the outbreak is over, do you think you'll do any of the following?



	Australia	UK	Pre COVID-19 growth potential	Post COVID-19 acceleration potential
Grocery & liquor	0-5%	5-10%		
Health & beauty	5-10%	10-15%		
Recreational & other goods	20-25%+	40%+		
Homewares & appliances	10-15%	40%+		
Apparel	10-15%	30-35%		
Automotive	5-10%	5-10%		

Lower growth potential Higher growth potential

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# Tech touch: Retooling for a contactless world

General

Perspex, cashless, capacity

Cinema

Staggered seating

Restaurants

Contactless waiters

Clothing

Disinfected items

Department stores

Virtual stylists

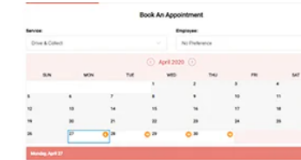
## How does Drive & Collect work?

①



Purchase products online using our Click & Collect service.

②



When your order is ready to collect, we'll send you a link to select a convenient pick up date and time.

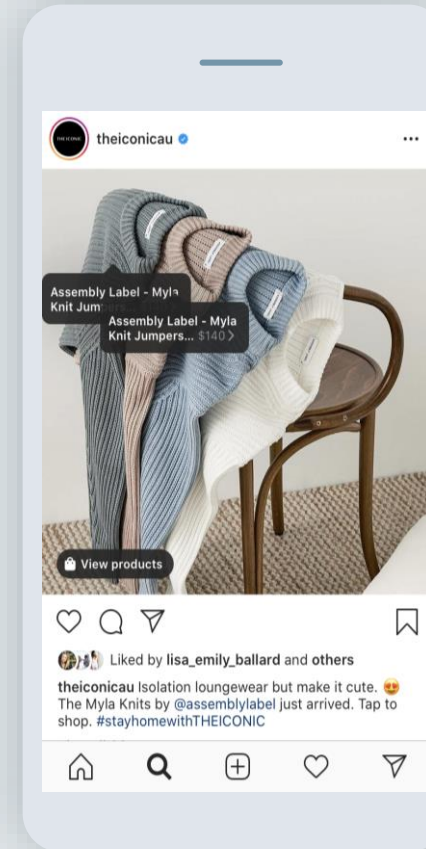
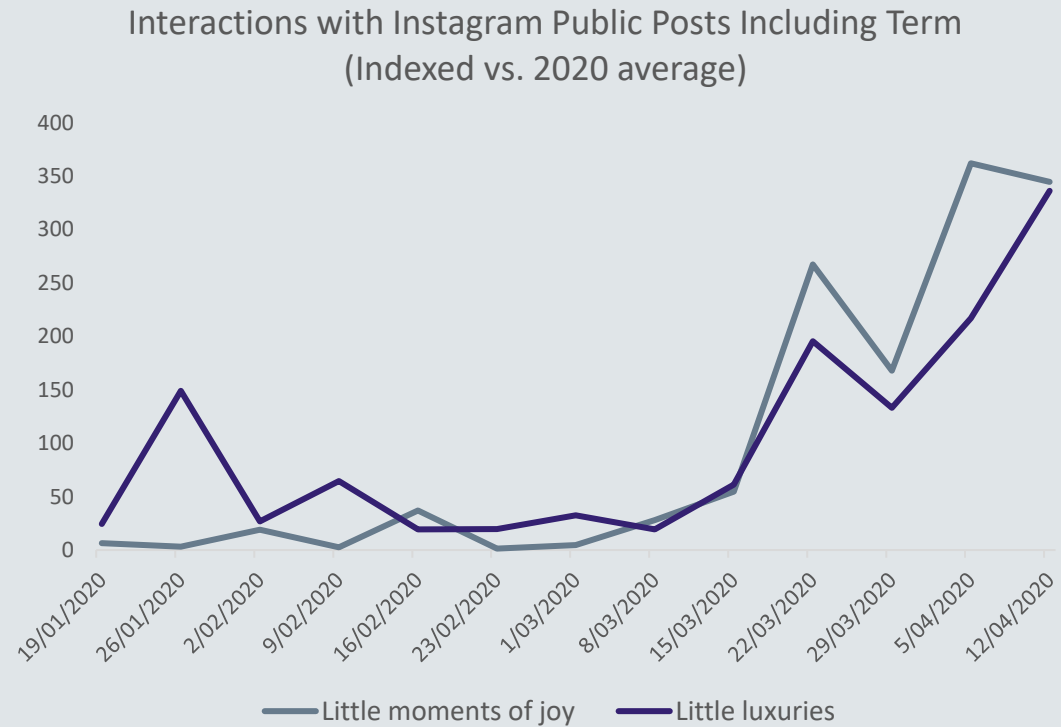
③



On arrival, please park in the designated Drive & Collect bays and have your order confirmation ready to contact the store. A team member will bring your order and place it into the boot of your car without you getting out.

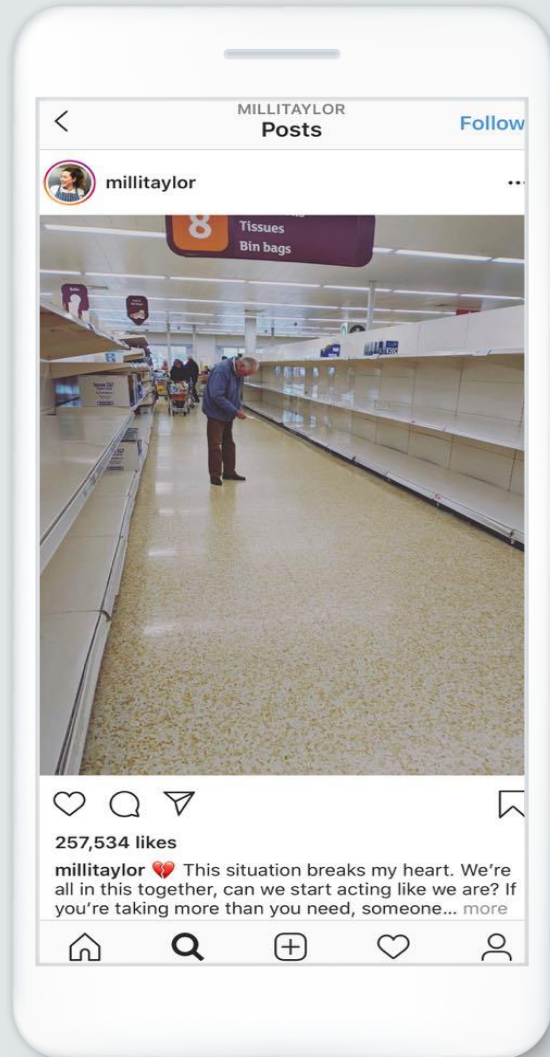


# The rise of joy substitutes



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# Move to collectivism: from 'me' to 'we'



>200,000

people in Australia are members of COVID-19 local support groups on Facebook

300m

The IG Stay Home sticker surpassed 300m uses in the first month after launch globally

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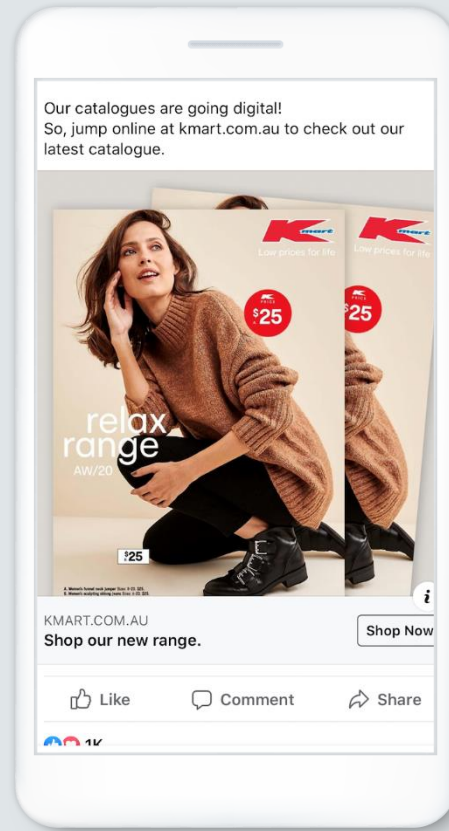


# From fixed to flexible marketing

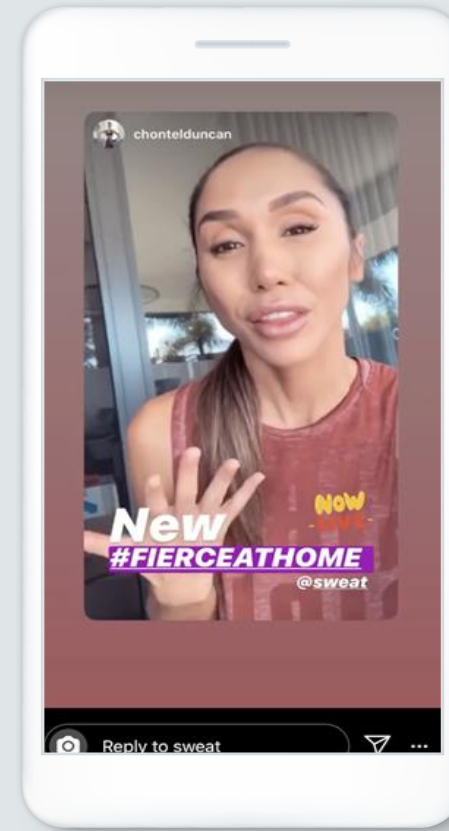
## Supply chain



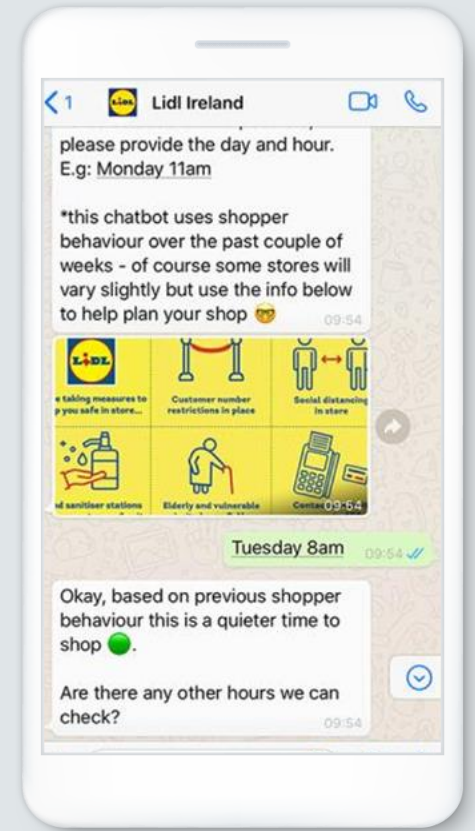
## Channels



## Consumer demand



## Customer care



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# BEYOND COVID: Commerce, connectivity, community

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# **MEDIA & COMMERCE BEHAVIOUR TRENDS**

## **Temporary vs Permanent Changes**

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Kathy Benson, Chief Client Officer, Ipsos Australia & New Zealand

11 June 2020

**GAME CHANGERS**






# Crisis or cultural change, either way, we need to continue to understand


**1** **Stay in touch** with your customer. Sync in with the psyche of the local market. Do not go dark. Do not disconnect.

**2** A strong brand's primary weapon is the product itself. Keep **evolving the product**, don't be afraid to quickly ideate and launch new products to meet the new emerging needs in a swiftly changing marketplace.

**3** The consumer is changing, and fast. Don't just keep up with the change. Get **ahead of the change**.



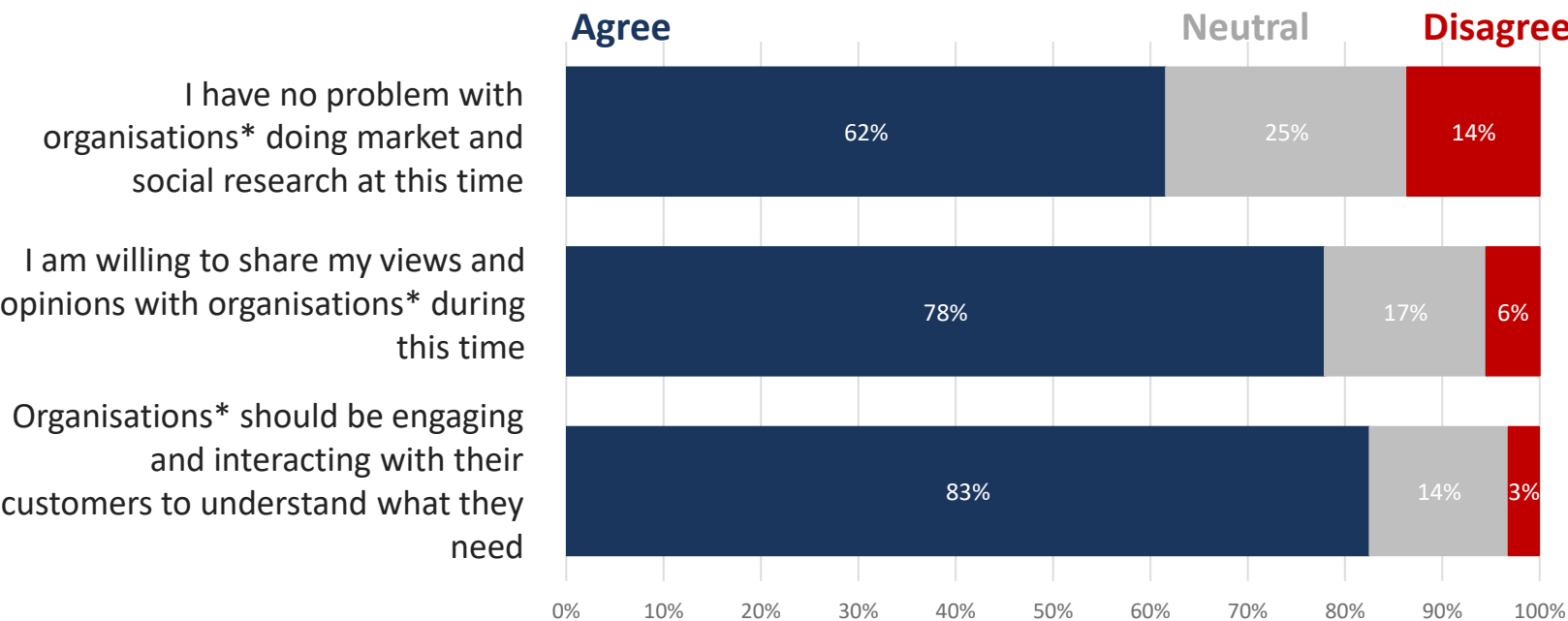
The best brands have one foot in their category and one foot in culture.





# Crisis Q1: should we do research, should we advertise, what should we do?

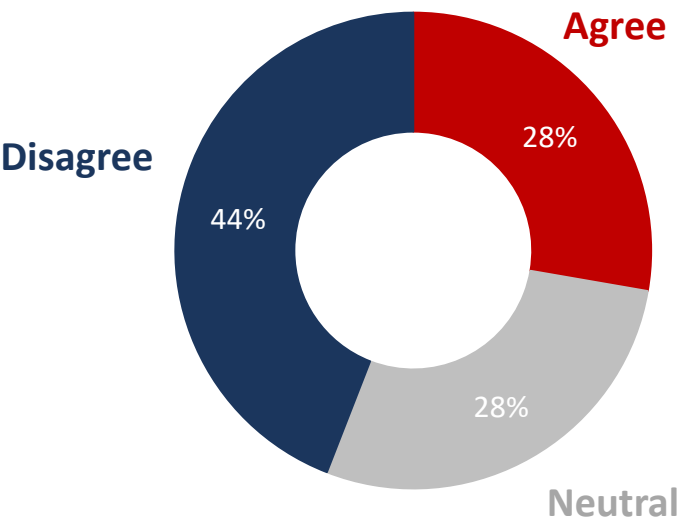
## So we did some research.....



\*Organisations refers to both Government and commercial businesses

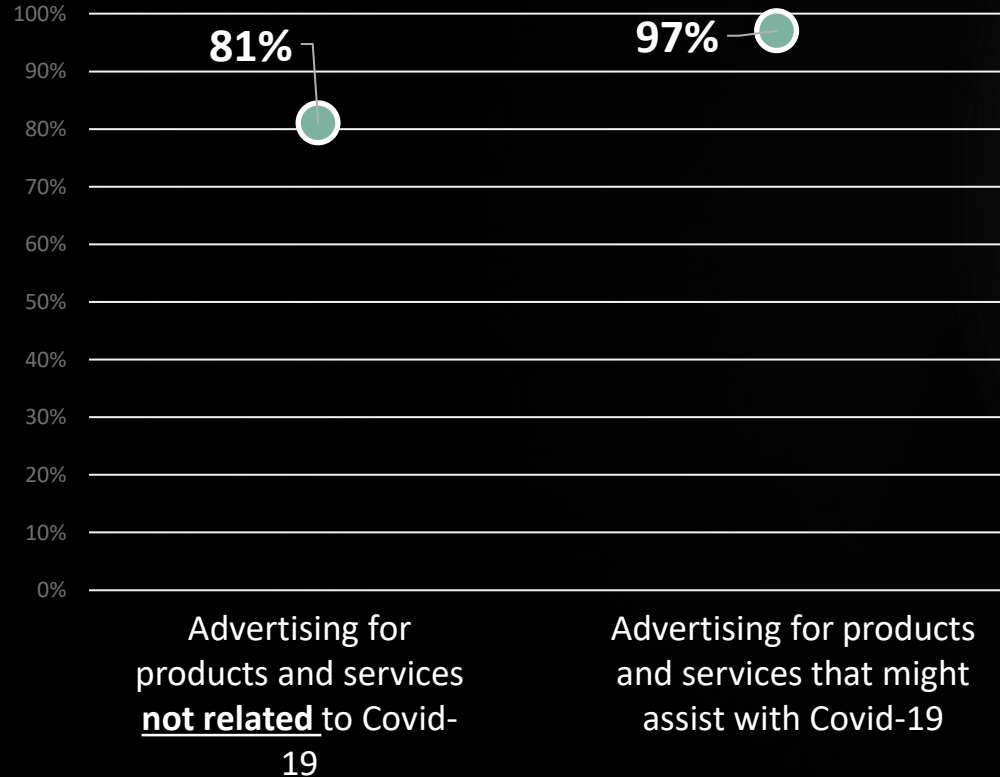
Source: Ipsos internal research; Australian general population 18+; n=1,000; fieldwork was conducted March 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>

Organisations\* still doing market research or advertising on matters not related to Covid-19 are being insensitive and wasting my time



# Do not go dark. Do not disconnect.

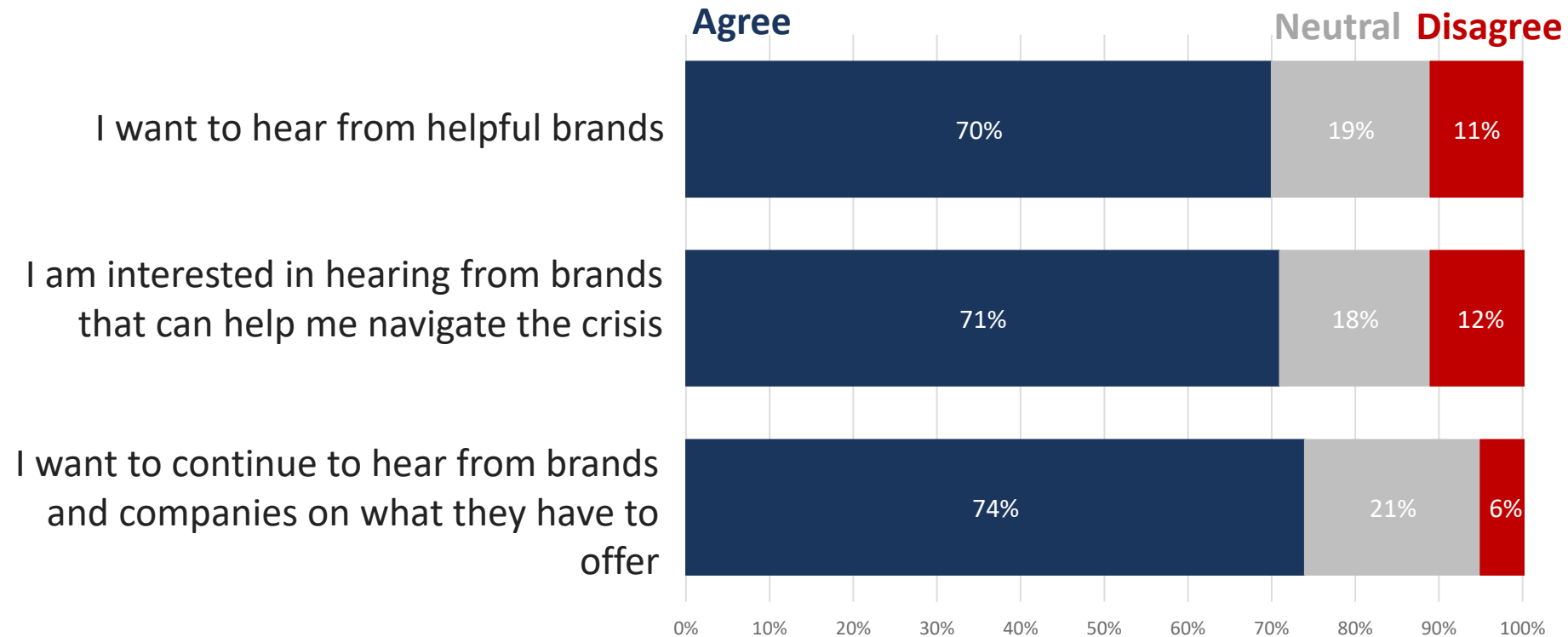
## % Appropriate/neutral for Businesses



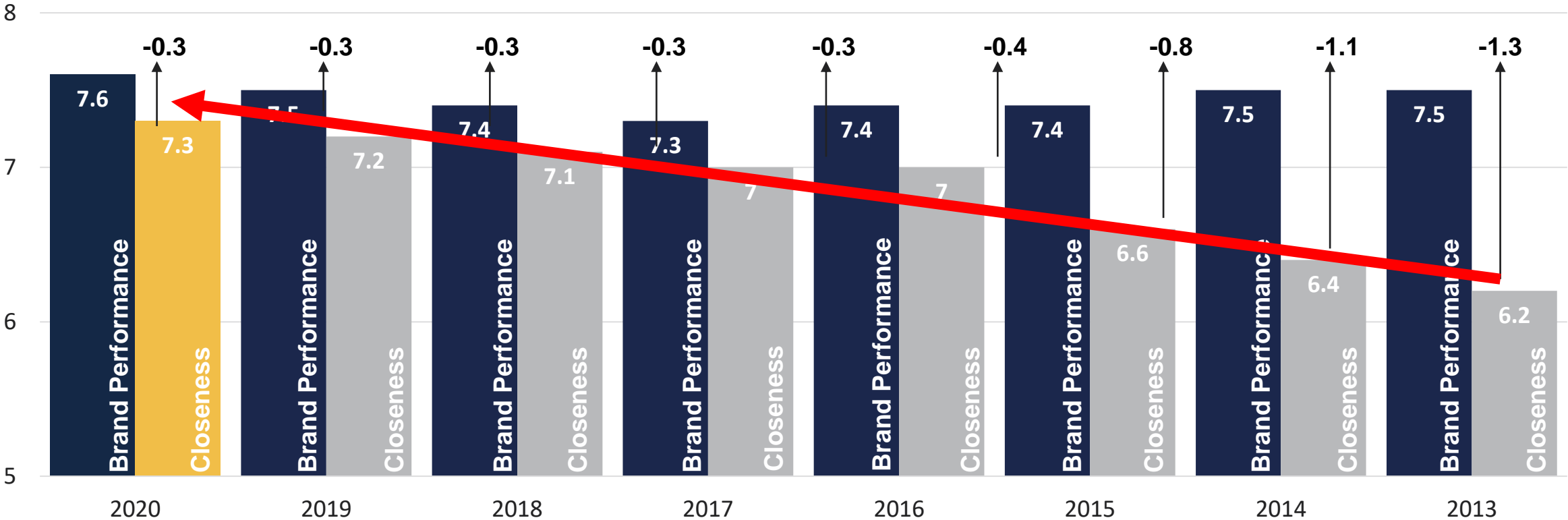
*"This is no time to  
abandon your customers"*

Robert Morgan, Executive Chairman of  
Clemenger BBDO

# Business unusual: consumers expect brands to step up and lead

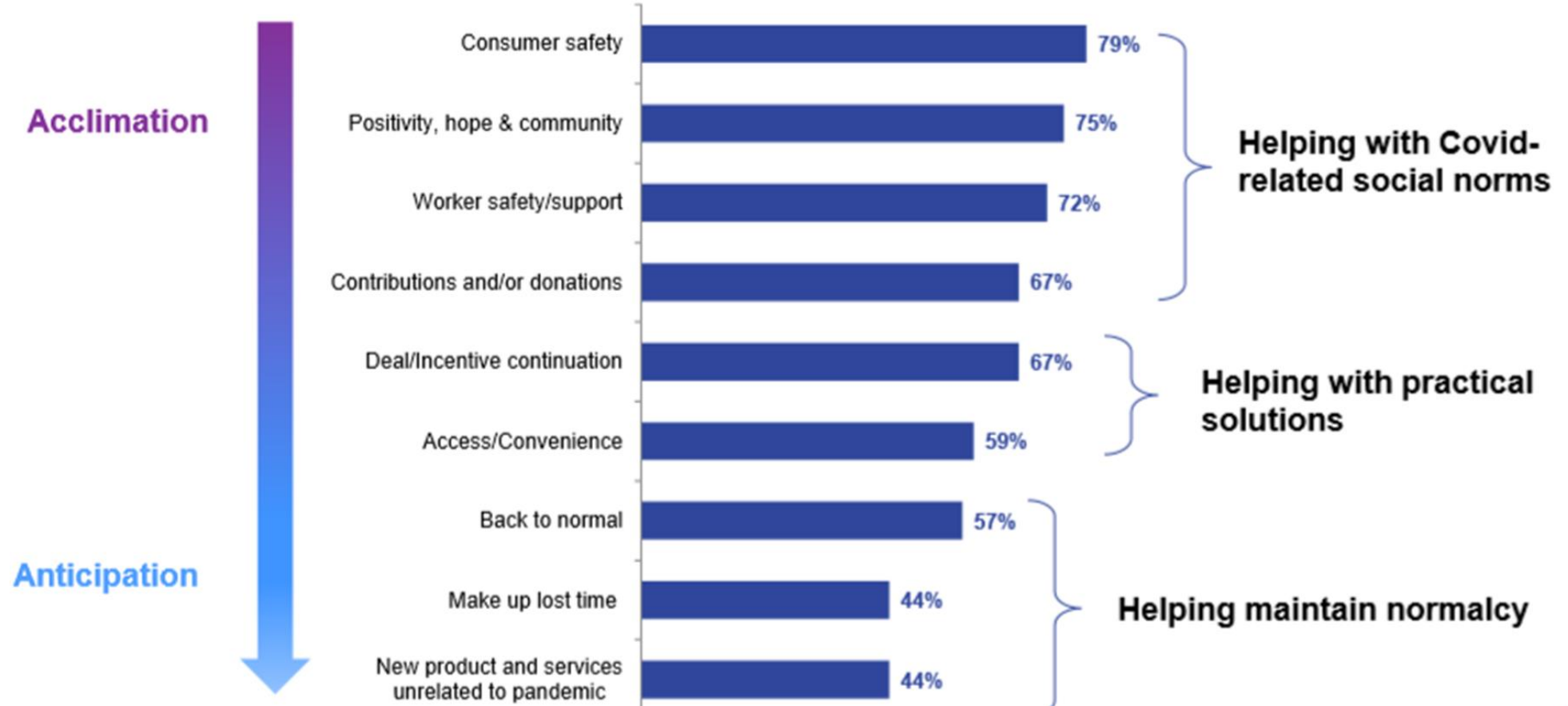


# And stay close



# What and how to communicate?

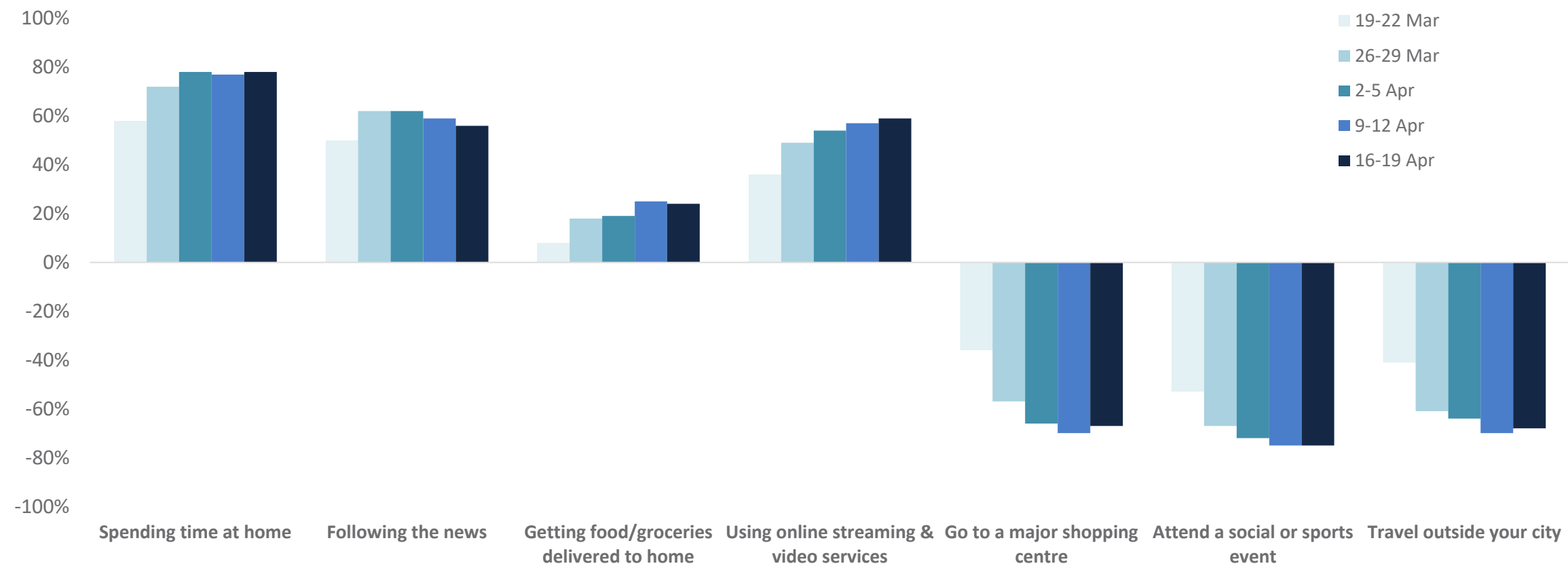
Message importance aligns with crisis phases. Get ready to pivot





# Entrenched behaviours changed rapidly

Doing more frequently compared to a month ago



# And a tsunami of Covid ripple effects followed



Signals

Politics returns as the lockdowns ease



Signals

Egg cups sell out as lockdown creates time for breakfasts at home



Signals

Hotel and home cleaning brands combine



Signals

Thai Airways reward frequent fliers for staying at home



Signals

McDonalds Brazil redesigns its logo to incorporate elements of social distancing



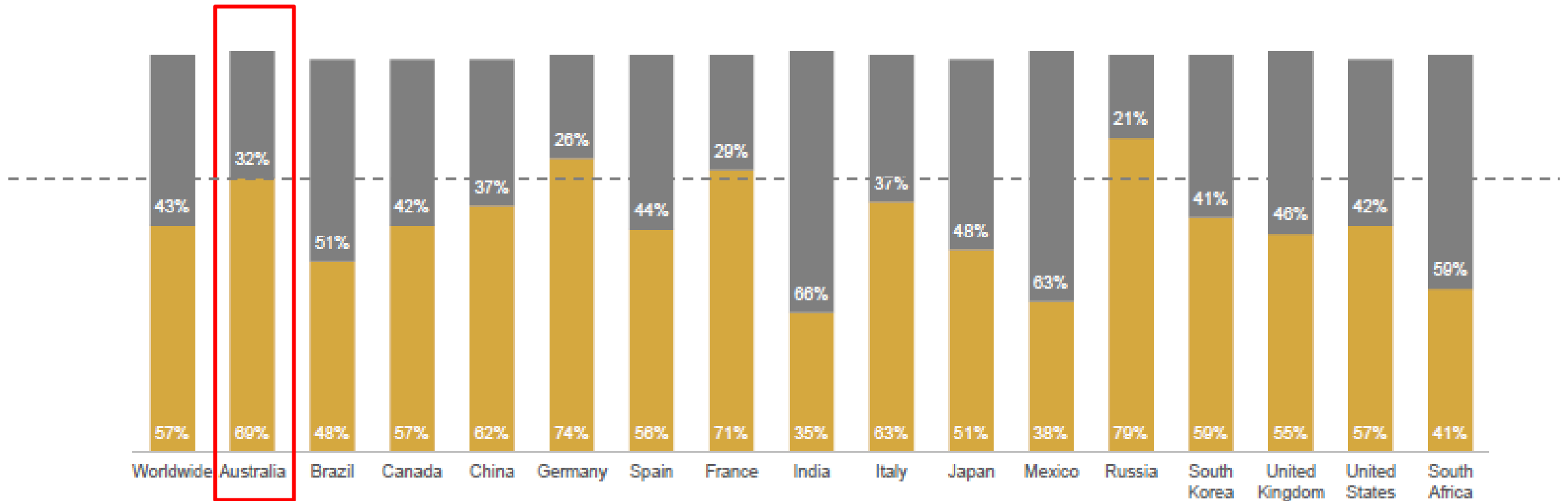
Signals

Streaming-only films to be nominated for the Oscars

# But will the changes last?

Australians had it pretty good and permanent change might not be as prevalent in our country, but some things might stayed changed. Which?

- I will change many things or completely change things in my life
- I will do everything the same or make small changes



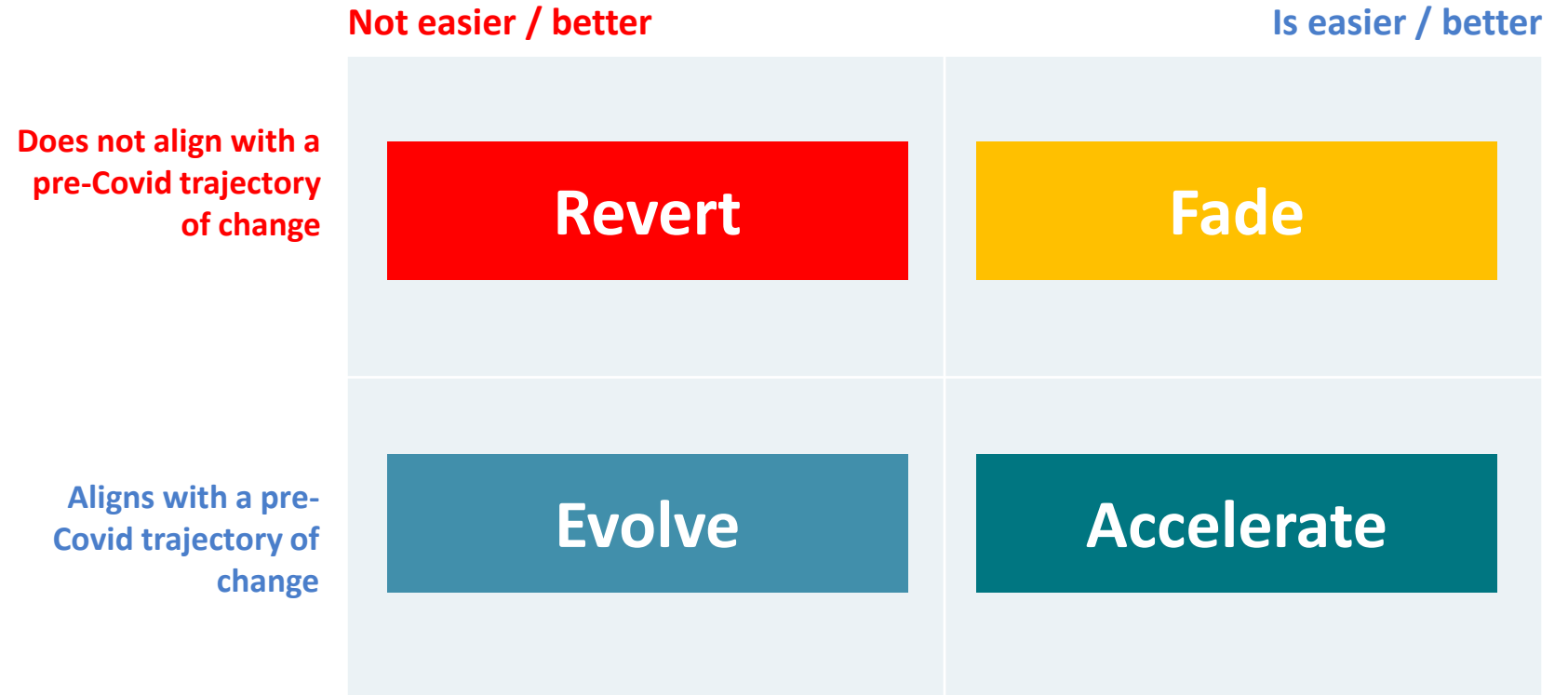
# Crisis Q2: can we rely on research we do now?

## Are we collecting 'dirty' data?

BeSci Principle

Data collected during this time will include some 'noise' or 'dirt' from the impact of Covid and should be 'washed'

Global Forces & Trends



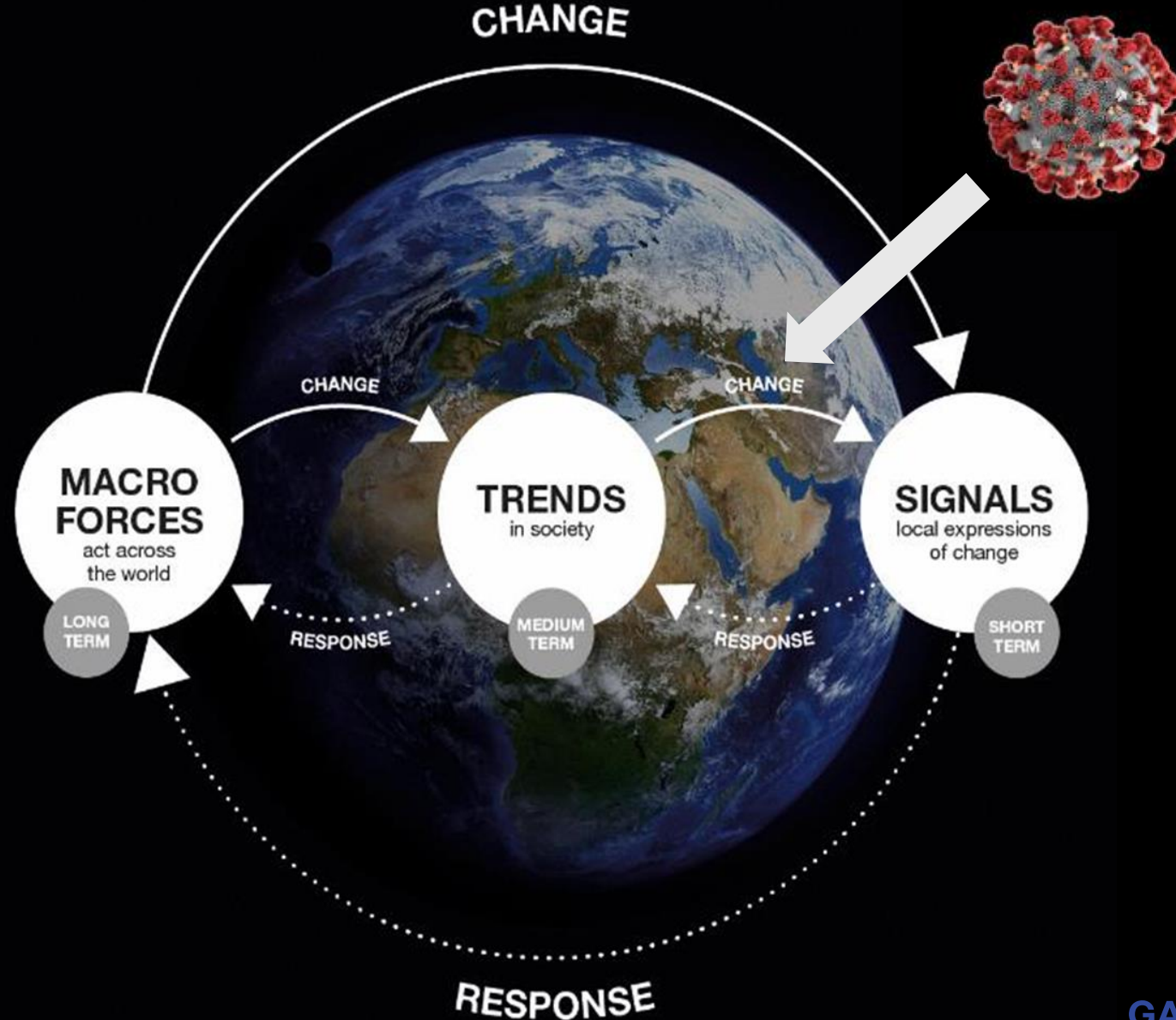
# A lot of predictions are wrong

“When a century has passed all thought of our so-called speaking pictures will have been abandoned. It will never be possible to synchronize the sound with the picture.”

Oscar-winning director  
D.W. Griffith, 1924



# Because they are based on the wrong clues

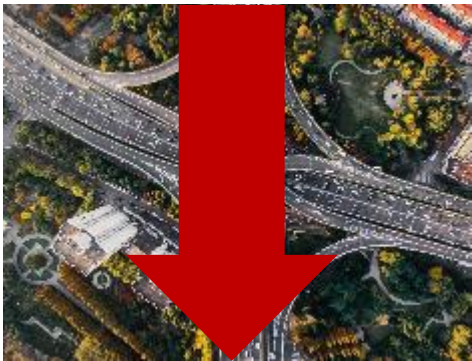


## *A 'shock' to the eco-system!*

Covid-19 has produced a tsunami of new signals that are impacting life now and may result in impending change to our future societies.

# Pre-Covid macro forces of change

Dynamic populations



Growing inequality and opportunity



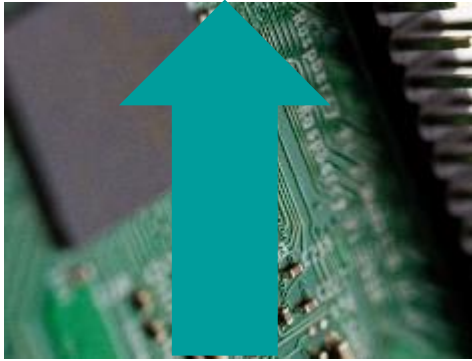
Geopolitical tensions



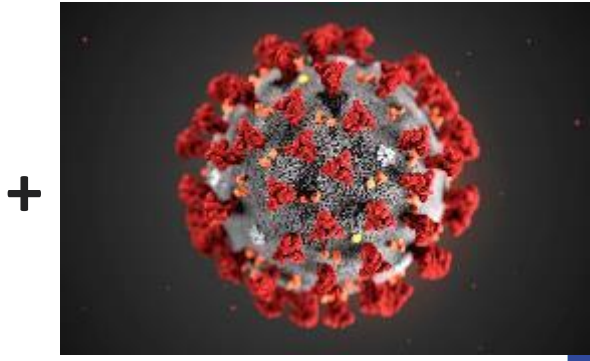
Data world



Technology tipping points



The fragile planet



GAME CHANGERS



# We are adaptive decision makers...

## SEEK UNTAPPED RITUALS



Identify new, potentially durable routines that are not yet ritualized.

## HELP INTERNALIZE NEW HABITS



Build benefit associations and affirm the behavior, building confidence in its mastery.

## CULTIVATE A SENSE OF SHARED EXPERIENCE



When trying new behaviors, people often feel self-consciously alone. Show them others are doing it too, so they will be more likely to repeat it.

## DELIVER AN ALIGNED BRAND EXPERIENCE



Develop positioning and delivery that provide mutual reinforcement – laying the groundwork for repetition.

# ... and brands can *craft the context*



**The most agile brands will thrive  
– not the biggest**

**BE  
SURE.  
MOVE  
FASTER.**

**GAME CHANGERS**





# Q&A



WEDNESDAY 17 JUNE  
9 AM - 10 AM

# AUSTRALIAN DIGITAL ADVERTISING PRACTICES 2020 UPDATE



