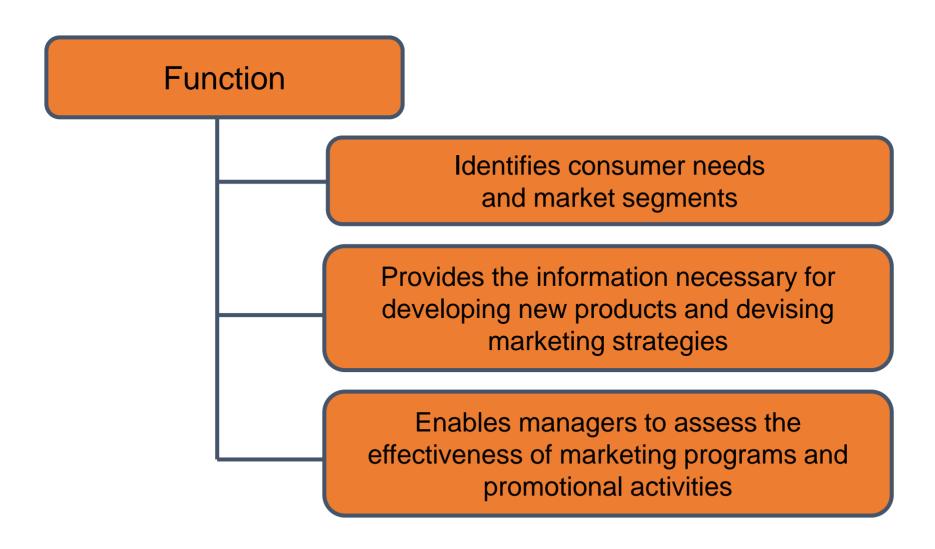
# CHAPTER 9 MARKETING RESEARCH

#### Marketing Research



The process of planning, collecting, and analyzing data relevant to a marketing decision.

#### Three Basic Functions



#### MARKETING RESEARCH STUDIES

**Products** 

**Advertising** 

**Prices** 

**Packages** 

**Names and Logos** 

**Services** 

**Buying habits** 

**Colors** 

Uses

**Awareness** 

**Familiarity** 

**New concepts** 

**Traffic patterns** 

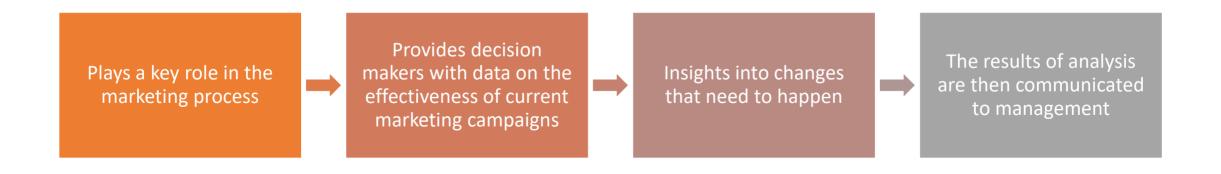
**Wants** 

Needs

**Politics** 



#### Research



#### THE ROLE OF MARKETING RESEARCH

**Gathering and presenting Descriptive** factual statements **Diagnostic** Explaining data **Predictive** "What if?"

#### MANAGEMENT USES OF MARKETING RESEARCH

- Improve the quality of decision making
- Trace problems
- Focus on keeping existing customers
- Understand the marketplace
- Alert them to marketplace trends
- Gauge the value of goods and services, and the level of customer satisfaction



# Steps in a Market Research Project

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#### MARKET RESEARCH PROBLEM

Marketing Research Problem

Determining what information is needed and how that information can be obtained efficiently and effectively.

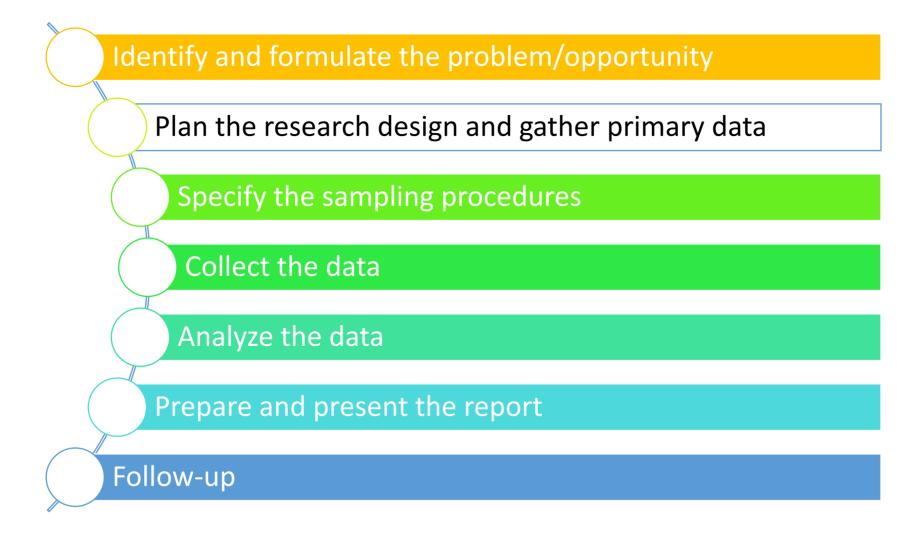
Marketing Research Objective The specific information needed to solve a marketing research problem; the objective should be to provide insightful decision-making information.

Management Decision Problem

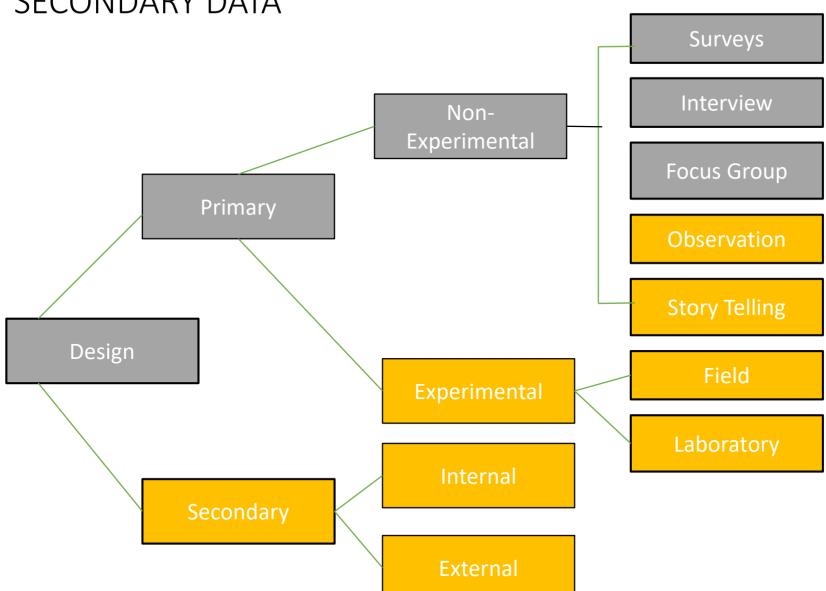
A broad-based problem that uses marketing research in order for managers to take proper actions.

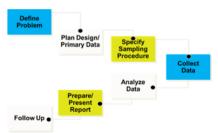


# Steps in a Market Research Project



DETERMINE THE RESEARCH DESIGN & GATHERING SECONDARY DATA





### SECONDARY DATA

#### Secondary Data



Data previously collected for any purpose other than the one at hand.

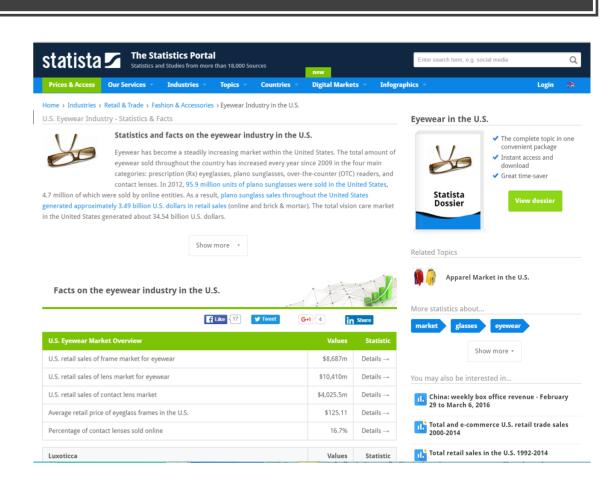
- Originating within the company can include documents, annual reports, product testing results, employees, customers, internal database.
- Outside sources in form of government departments and agencies, trade, industry associations, online media



# A WEALTH OF DATA INSIDE THE COMPANY

- Annual reports
- Reports to stockholders
- Product testing
- News
- Media
- Customers
- Employees
- Suppliers
- Distributors
  - Often a lot of this information can be found inside the company database

DOCUMENTS DALING SELECTION (LING SIMILIATION NIKE SUNGLASSES FOR RUNNERS PROTECT VISION AND MAXIMIZE THE VIEW Nike and Transitions Coloral, leading provider of assolve coloral and performance sun lenses, stame ou to create the Nike ANX Transitions Opera Tim—lenses that adjust to variable light. The lenses that adjust to variable light. The lenses that studies in the Nike Talliand 1. Riphoreformance sunglasses detailed specifically for univers. With these game-changing shades, the lenses adjust, as the light charges, from plantes study forces and combinate.



#### SOURCES OF SECONDARY DATA

**Internal Corporate Information** 

**Government Agencies** 

**Trade and Industry Associations** 

**Business Periodicals** 

**News Media** 

# EXTERNAL SECONDARY DATA FOR NIKE

Government
Eyewear System
(G-Eyes)

Contact Lens Manufacture Association The Food and Drug Administration

Contact lens regulation

Government Technology

Association of Optometrists

Department of Health and Vision

Nike internal customer database

Nike sunglasses sales (geographically)

### ADVANTAGES OF SECONDARY DATA

Saves time and money if on target

Aids in determining direction for primary data collection

Pinpoints the kinds of people to approach

Serves as a basis of comparison for other data

### DISADVANTAGES OF SECONDARY DATA

May not give adequate detailed information

May not be on target with the research problem

Quality and accuracy of data may pose a problem

Who gathered the data?

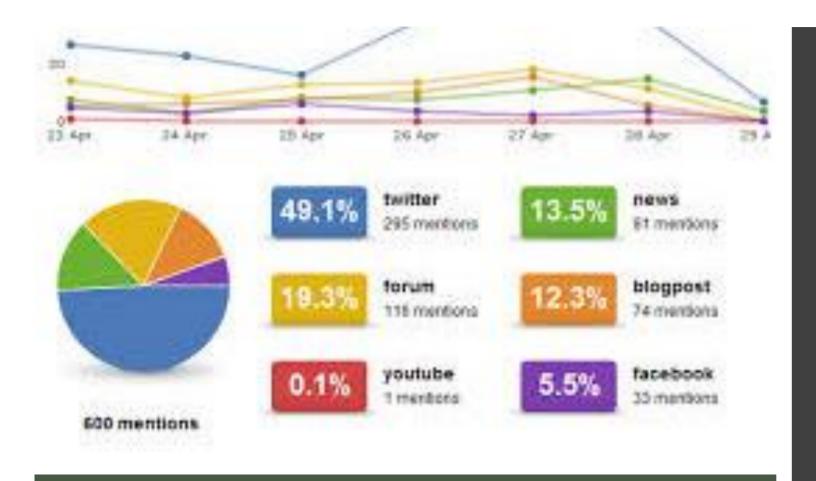
What methodology did they use?

When was the information gathered?



# NEW AGE OF SECONDARY DATA

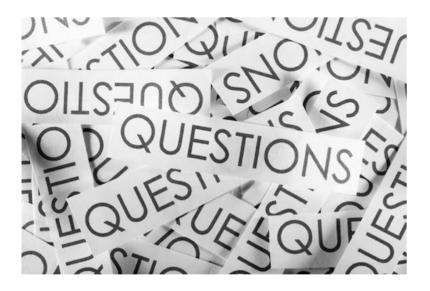
- Past, gathering of secondary data was challenging and time consuming
  - Trips to the library, writing government officials, phone conversations with personnel
- Internet changed this all
  - Huge source of behavioral data
  - Customer purchase patterns
  - Competition



# SOCIAL MEDIA MONITORING

- Through social media monitoring, a researcher can learn what is being said about the brand and the competition.
- Monitoring social media and tracking shopping behavior online are only two inputs into the new era of big data.

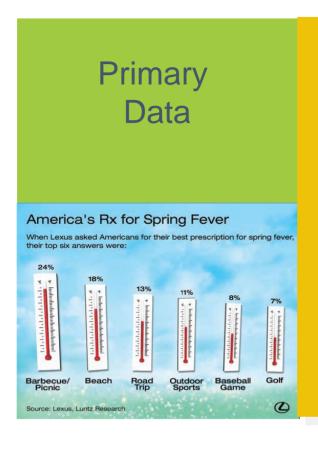




# RESEARCH DESIGN FOR PRIMARY DATA

- After secondary data is compiled
  - Conclude with a through situation analysis
- Researchers list unanswered questions and ranks them
- Researchers must decide the exact information required to answer the questions
- Research budget is decided upon

# PLANNING THE RESEARCH DESIGN & PRIMARY DATA



Information collected for the first time. Can be used for solving the particular problem under investigation.

Fills the knowledge gaps left from secondary data collection



# DETERMINE PRIMARY RESEARCH

 Formal research is used when a company wants to collect primary data directly from the marketplace

#### Qualitative

 Gain insight into the marketplace and opinions (feelings, thoughts)

#### Quantitative

Hard numbers about specific marketing issues

#### ADVANTAGES OF PRIMARY DATA

Answers a specific research question Data is current Source of data is known Secrecy can be maintained

## DISADVANTAGES OF PRIMARY DATA

- Expensive
  - \$15 minute phone interview with 1,000 adults males can cost \$50,000.
  - Internet less expensive
- Disadvantage of cost is usually offset by advantages



#### SURVEY RESEARCH



The most popular technique for gathering primary data in which a researcher interacts with people to obtain facts, opinions, and attitudes.

#### FORMS OF SURVEY RESEARCH FOR NIKE

**In-Home Interviews Mail Surveys Mall Intercept Interviews Executive Interviews Telephone Interviews Focus Groups** 

#### FORMS OF SURVEY RESEARCH

Mall Intercept Interview Survey research method that involves interviewing people in the common areas of shopping malls.

**Executive Interview** 

A type of survey that involves interviewing businesspeople at their offices concerning industrial products or services.

### FORMS OF SURVEY RESEARCH



Seven to ten people who participate in a group discussion led by a moderator.

# Questionnaire Design

An interview question that encourages an answer **Open-Ended** phrased in the respondent's own words. Question An interview question that asks **Closed-Ended** the respondent to make a selection from a Question limited list of responses. Scaled-A closed-ended question designed to measure the intensity Response of a respondent's answer. Question

## OBSERVATION RESEARCH



#### Watching what people do:

- > Systematic process of recording the behavioral patterns of people, objects and occurrences without questioning them.
- > Common forms: people watching people, one-way mirror

# OBSERVATIONAL RESEARCH

Situation	Example
People watching people	Observers stationed in supermarkets watch consumers select frozen Mexican dinners; the purpose is to see how much comparison shopping people do at the point of purchase.
People watching phenomena	Observer stationed at an intersection counts traffic moving in various directions.
Machines watching people	Movie or videotape cameras record behavior as in the people-watching-people example above.
Machines watching phenomena	Traffic counting machines monitor traffic flow.

## ETHNOGRAPHIC RESEARCH



The study of human behavior in its natural context; involves observation of behavior and physical setting.

# Experiments are used by researchers to gather primary data.

#### **Experiment Variables**

Price
Package design
Shelf space
Advertising theme
Advertising expenditures

# **EXPERIMENTS**











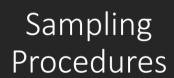
### MOBILE RESEARCH

Mobile devices and laptops are being used for all kinds of marketing research. A few techniques that are now employed using mobile devices are:

Location-based surveys

Product scanning during the shopping process

Using cameras on mobile devices to upload digital images and videos



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## SAMPLING PROCEDURES

Once Nike decided how they will collect primary data

- Select the sampling procedures we will use
  - Impossible to talk to everyone
  - Too expensive and time consuming
- Need to select a sample of the group we wanted to interview
- Important issues to take into consideration when determining this number:
  - the desired reliability of the results
  - the budget

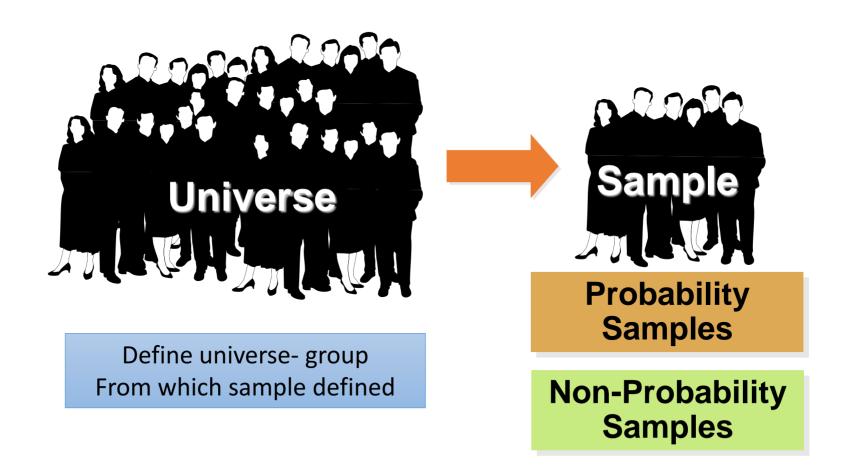
Sample

A subset from a large population.

**Universe** 

The population from which a sample will be drawn.

### SAMPLING PROCEDURE



#### PROBABILITY SAMPLES

Probability Sample

A sample in which every element in the population has a known statistical likelihood of being selected.

Random Sample

A sample arranged so that every element of the population has an equal chance of being selected.

#### NONPROBABILITY SAMPLES

Nonprobability Sample

Any sample in which little or no attempt is made to get a representative cross-section of the population.

Convenience Sample

A form of nonprobability sample using respondents who are convenient or readily accessible to the researcher.

#### TYPES OF ERRORS

Measurement Error Error when there is a difference between the information desired and the information provided by research

Sampling Error

Error when a sample somehow does not represent the target population.

Frame Error

Error when a sample drawn from a population differs from the target population.

Random Error Error because the selected sample is an imperfect representation of the overall population.



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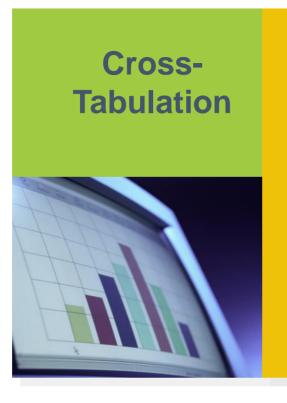
# COLLECTING THE DATA – Field Service Firms

- Companies use field service firms who specialize in interviewing respondents on a subcontracted basis
- Data collection from several cities
- Conducting interviews, focus groups, mall intercept locations, ethnographic activities

## Analyze the Data

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### ANALYZING THE DATA



A method of analyzing data that lets the analyst look at the responses to one question in relation to the responses to one or more other questions.

## ANALYZE DATA

- Data analysis:
  - involves entering data into computer files
  - inspecting data for errors (data cleaning)
  - running tabulations (frequencies)
  - conducting various statistical tests
  - Purpose is of this analysis is to interpret and draw conclusions from the mass of collected data

## Sample Cross-Tab

Which of the following do you expect to purchase in the next 12 months?

Yearly house hold income	Golf Clubs	Gym Membership	Sport Sunglasses	Desktop computer	Laptop Computer	Cell Phone	Contact Lenses	Nike Maxsight Lenses	Total
Less than \$25K	5%	3%	2%	13%	18%	21%	1%	0.5%	154
26K - 50K	6%	4%	3%	12%	15%	21%	7%	0.2%	194
\$51K - 75K	8%	7%	7%	14%	12%	22%	15%	19.0%	208
\$76K - 100K	10%	8%	10%	14%	16%	34%	34%	25.0%	143
\$101K - \$150K	14%	11%	12%	18%	8%	34%	15%	36.0%	107
more than \$150K	13%	10%	5%	15%	17%	40%	38%	64.0%	214
I prefer not to answer	25%	48%	30%	9%	11%	10%	20%	10.0%	228

(respondents play athletic sport at least 3 times/week)

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# PREPARING AND PRESENTING THE REPORT

- Concise statement of the research objectives
- Explanation of research design
- Summary of major findings
- Conclusion with recommendations
- Written and oral