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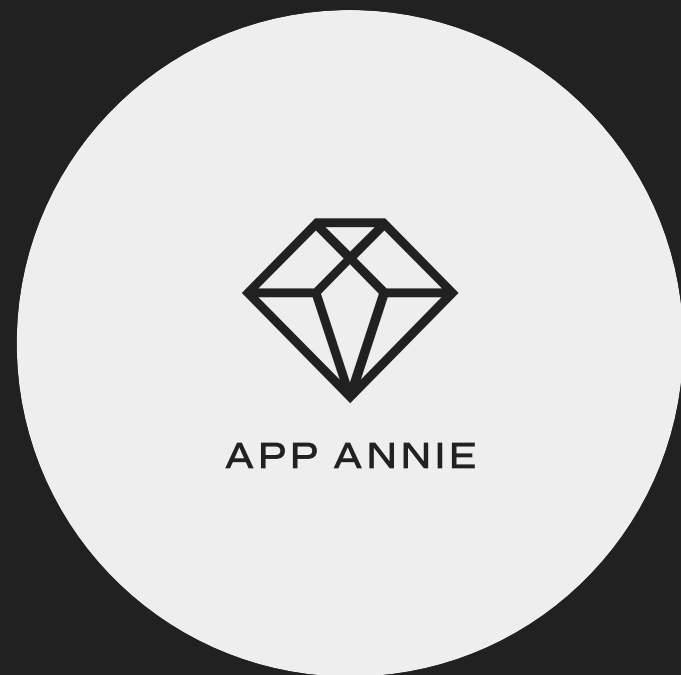
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# GLOBAL DIGITAL HEADLINES

OVERVIEW OF THE ADOPTION AND USE OF CONNECTED DEVICES AND SERVICES AT A WORLDWIDE LEVEL



TOTAL  
POPULATION



**7.91**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE

**+1.0%**

URBANISATION

**57.0%**

MOBILE  
CONNECTIONS



**8.28**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE

**+2.9%**

TOTAL vs. POPULATION

**104.6%**

INTERNET  
USERS



**4.95**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE

**+4.0%**

TOTAL vs. POPULATION

**62.5%**

ACTIVE SOCIAL  
MEDIA USERS



**4.62**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE

**+10.1%**

TOTAL vs. POPULATION

**58.4%**



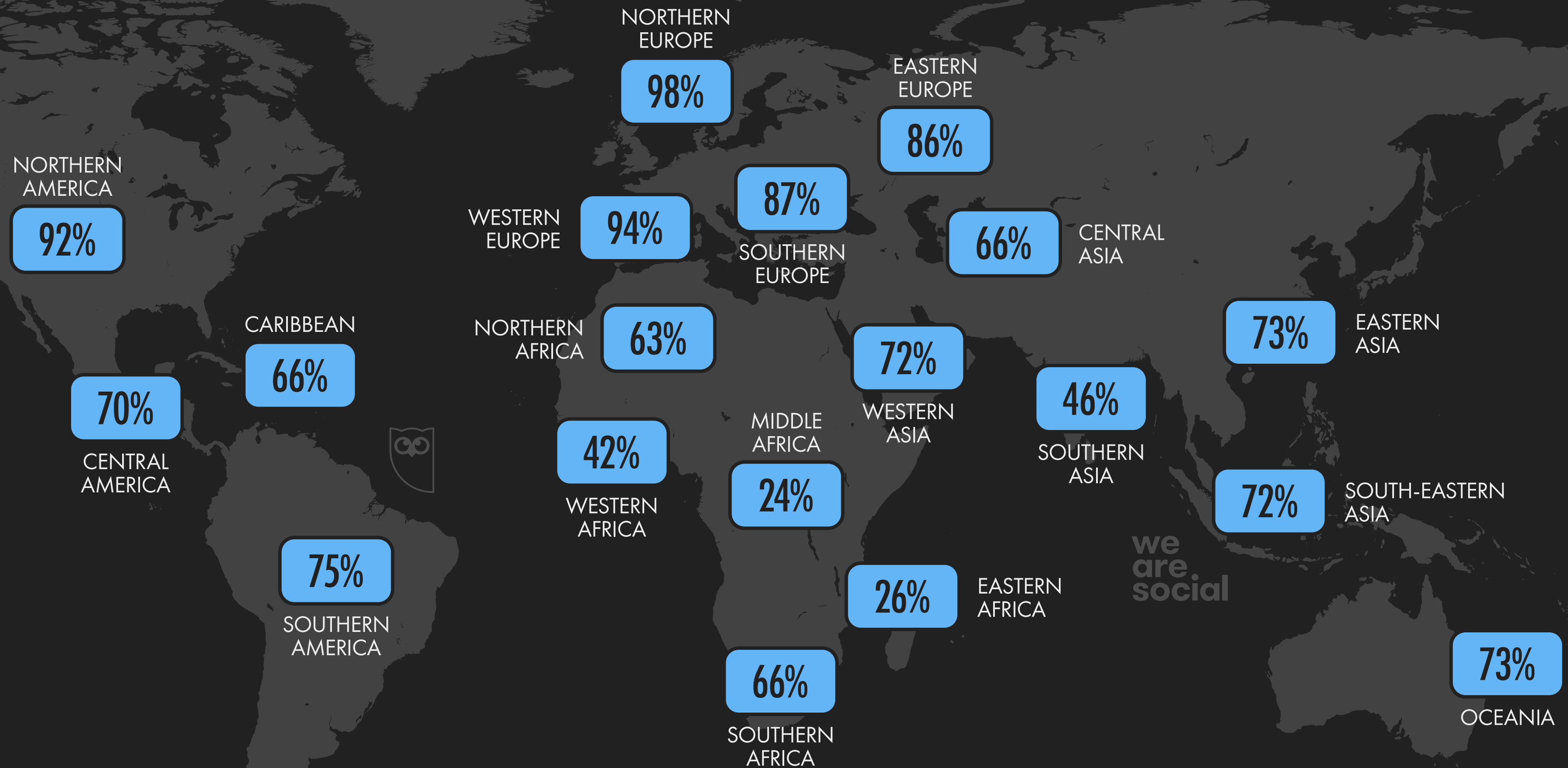
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# INTERNET ADOPTION

INTERNET USERS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION



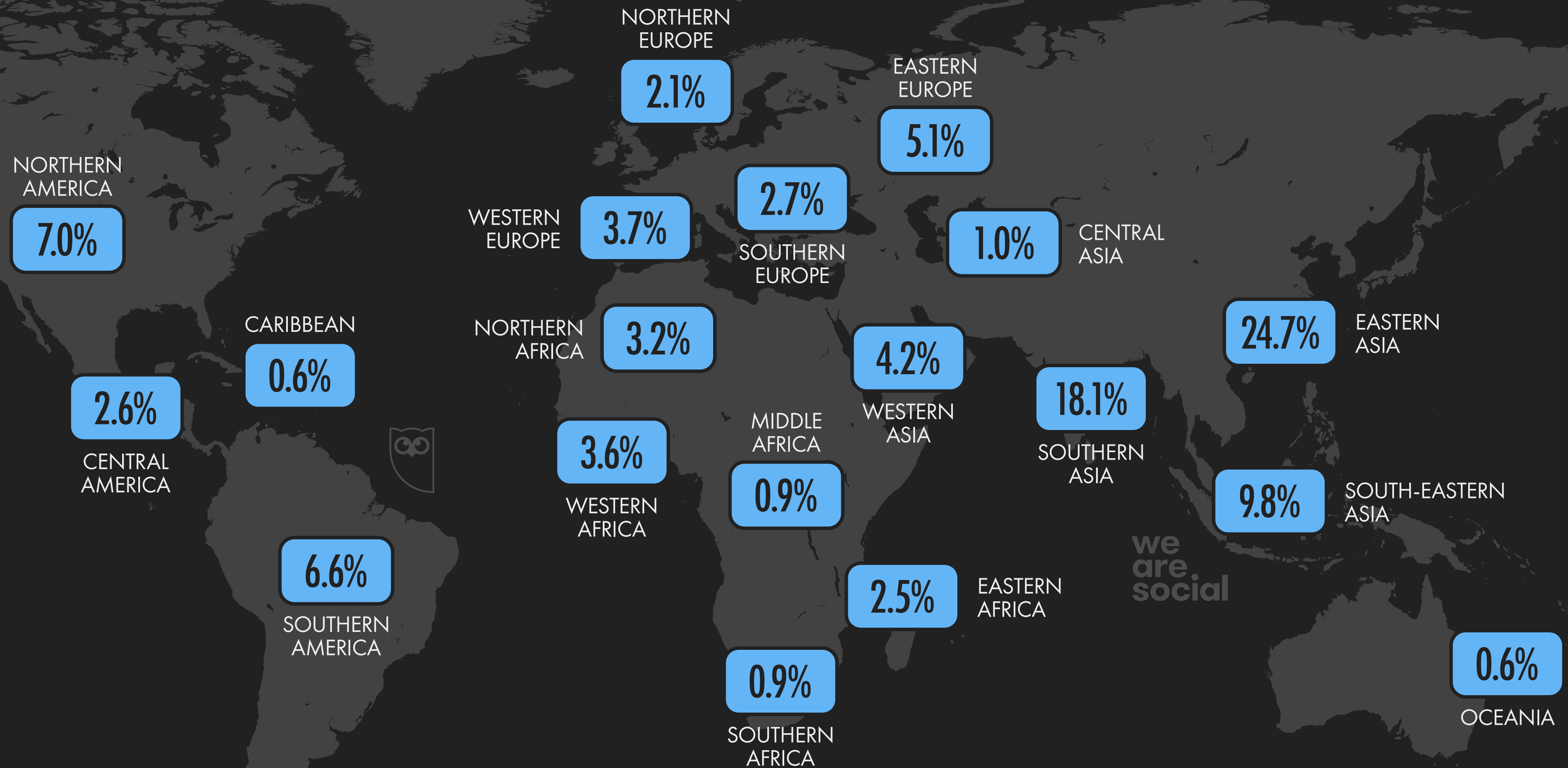
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# SHARE OF GLOBAL INTERNET USERS

INTERNET USERS AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL GLOBAL INTERNET USERS





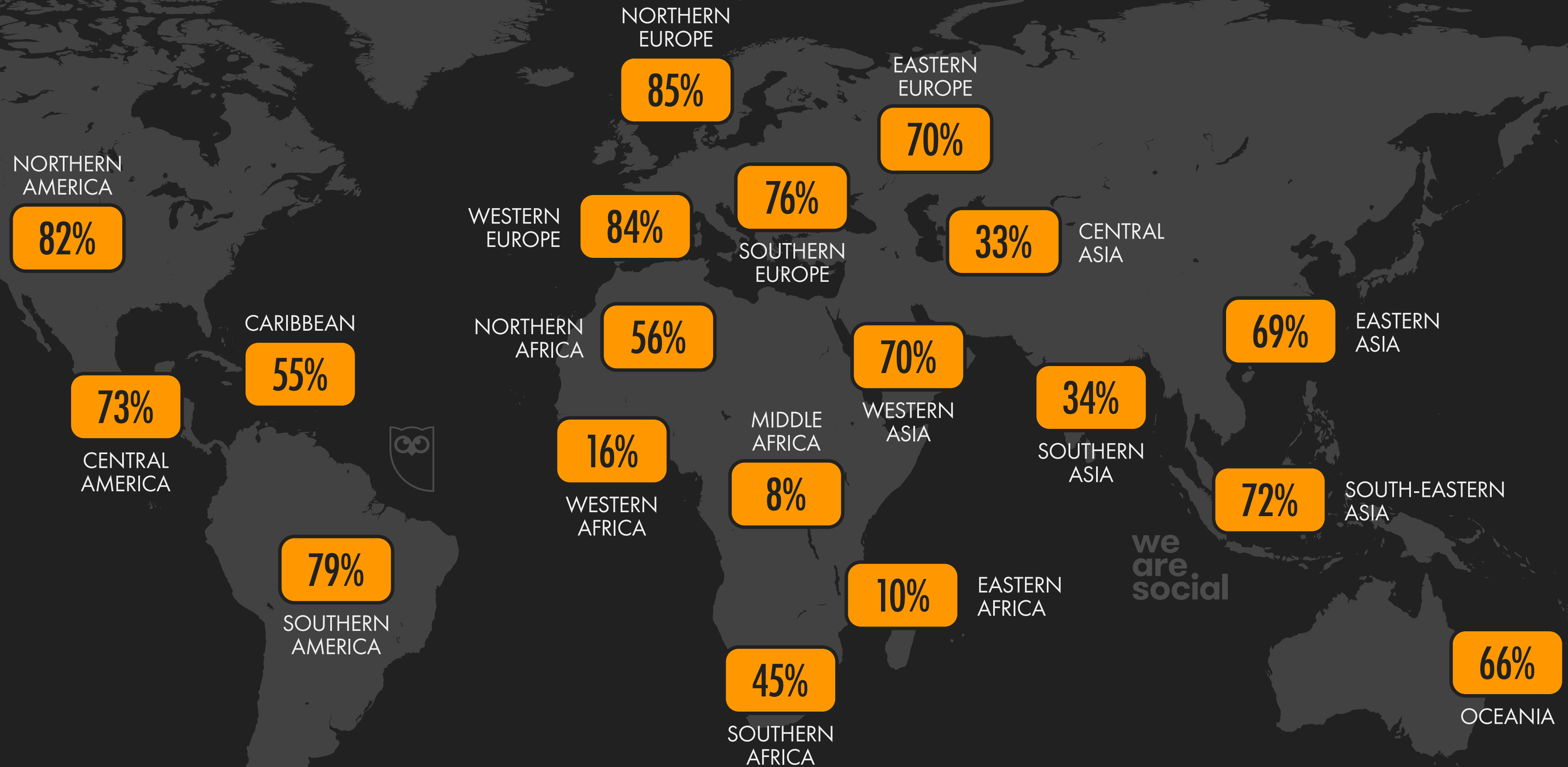
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# SOCIAL MEDIA USERS vs. TOTAL POPULATION

ACTIVE SOCIAL MEDIA USERS AS A PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL POPULATION (NOTE: USERS MAY NOT REPRESENT UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS)



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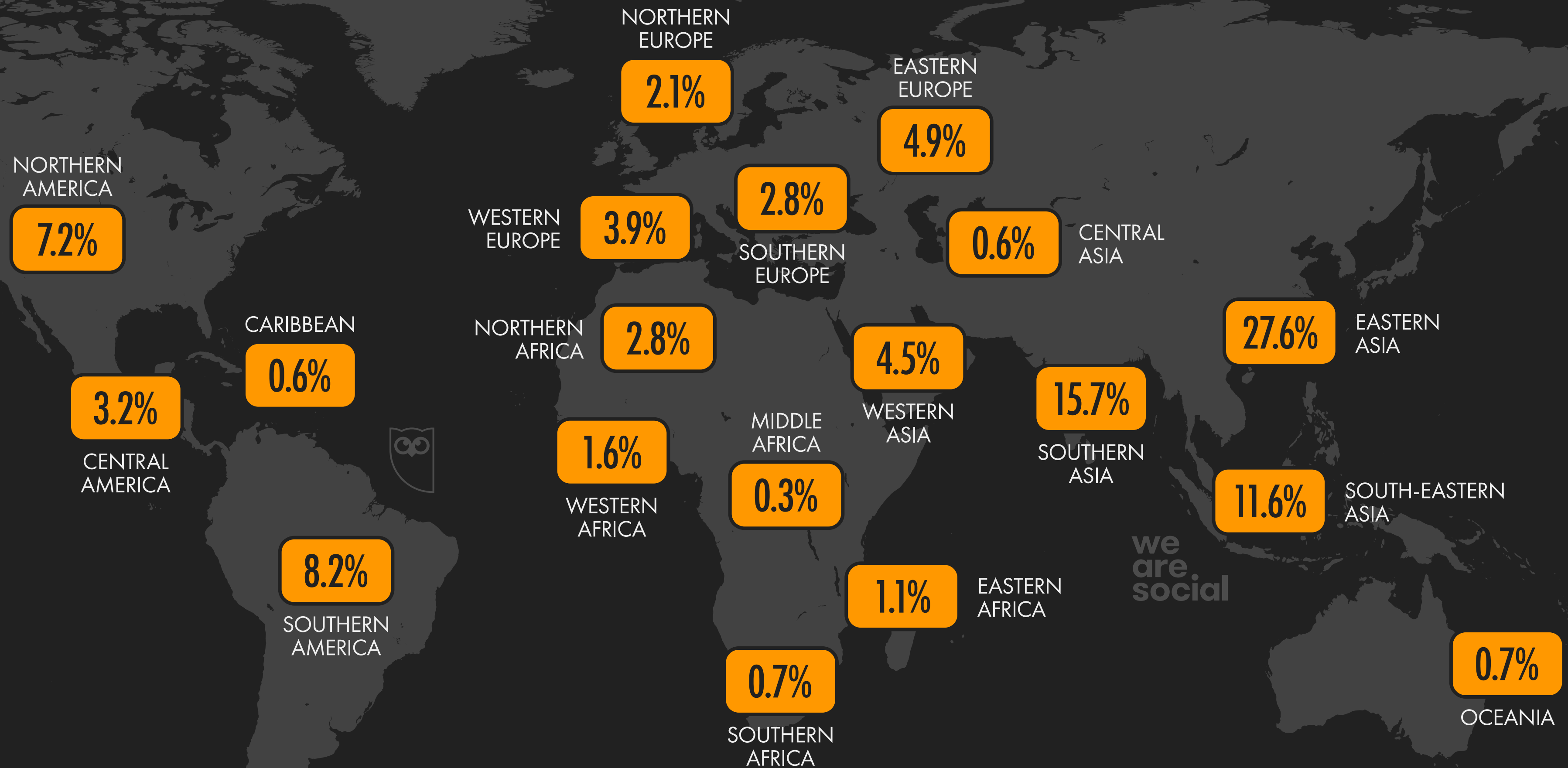


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# SHARE OF GLOBAL SOCIAL MEDIA USERS

ACTIVE SOCIAL MEDIA USERS IN EACH REGION AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL GLOBAL ACTIVE SOCIAL MEDIA USERS



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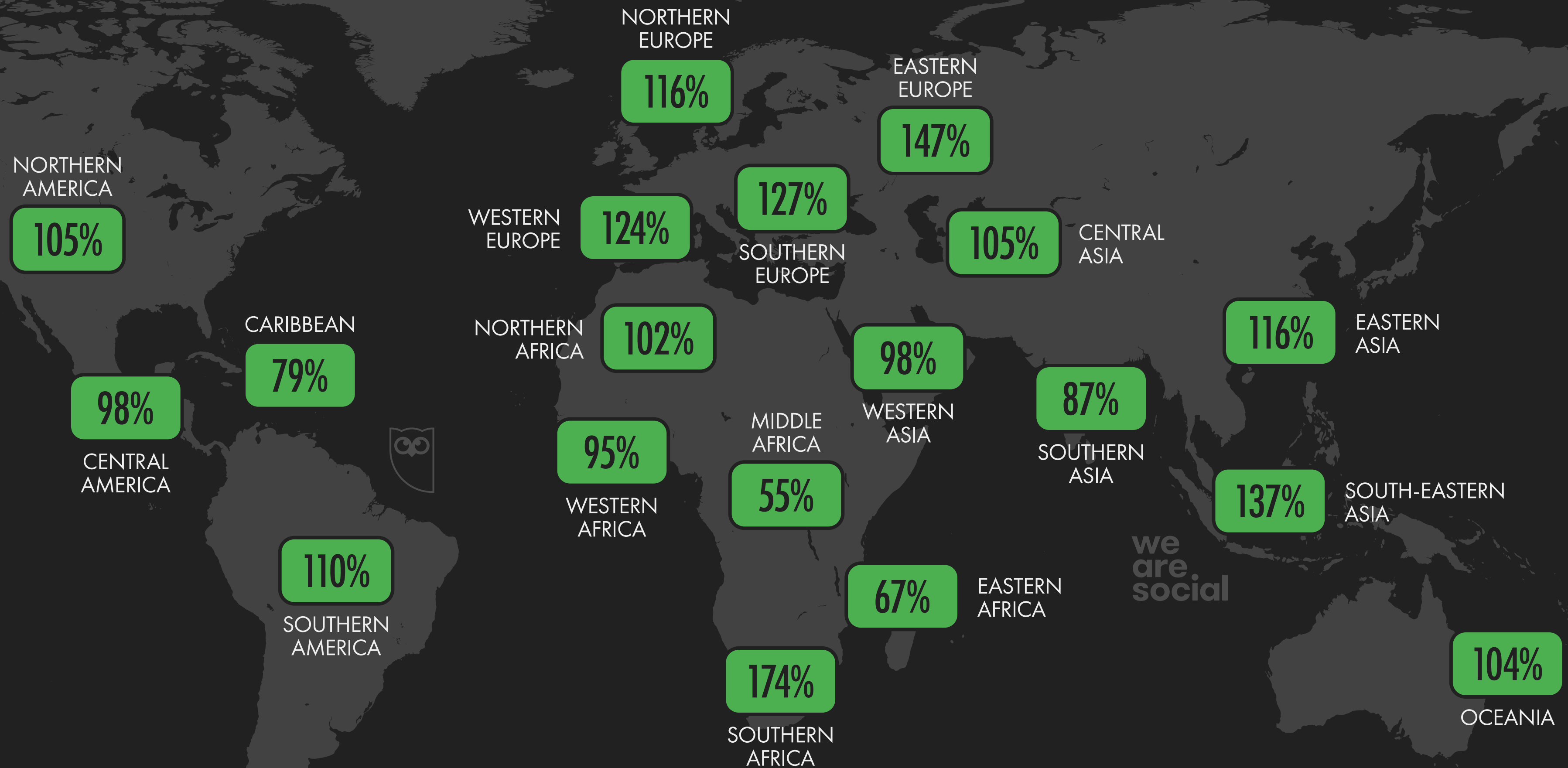
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# MOBILE CONNECTIVITY

CELLULAR MOBILE CONNECTIONS COMPARED WITH TOTAL POPULATION



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# Digital Trends

Three ways to embrace change and gain an edge on social media in 2022

## ◆◆ Stretch the social experience

There's more to social commerce than having a "buy now" button in your posts. Social media has become a top channel for online brand research, second only to search engines, and is widely used for every stage of the purchase journey. That's why businesses are reimagining what their commerce experience looks like. To win in 2022, you must create a thoughtful path that leads to and extends far beyond the point of purchase on social.

## ◆◆ Share the care

Once upon a time, businesses could afford to dabble in social customer service. But since the pandemic, most have relied on a more robust customer care strategy to find their happily ever after. In 2022, brands will continue to meet customers where they are by making social a core channel for customer care, and social marketers—who understand this channel intuitively and know the customers deeply—should be brought on board to help.

## ◆◆ Get acquainted with Gen Z

Gen Z is currently the largest demographic group globally. They spend an average of 3 hours on social media per day, and social is their go-to channel for everything from entertainment and news, to shopping and messaging. These digital natives are driving where social is headed next. And even if Gen Z isn't your target audience, understanding their influence on the digital and social universe will help give your brand a competitive advantage in 2022 (and beyond).



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# ESSENTIAL DIGITAL HEADLINES

OVERVIEW OF THE ADOPTION AND USE OF CONNECTED DEVICES AND SERVICES



CHINA

TOTAL  
POPULATION



**1.45**  
BILLION

URBANISATION

**63.4%**

CELLULAR MOBILE  
CONNECTIONS



**1.63**  
BILLION

vs. POPULATION

**112.6%**

INTERNET  
USERS



**1.02**  
BILLION

vs. POPULATION

**70.9%**

ACTIVE SOCIAL  
MEDIA USERS



**983.3**  
MILLION

vs. POPULATION

**68.0%**



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# DIGITAL GROWTH

CHANGE IN THE USE OF CONNECTED DEVICES AND SERVICES OVER TIME



CHINA

TOTAL  
POPULATION



**+0.3%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE

**+4.6 MILLION**

CELLULAR MOBILE  
CONNECTIONS



**+1.8%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE

**+29 MILLION**

INTERNET  
USERS



**+3.6%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE

**+36 MILLION**

ACTIVE SOCIAL  
MEDIA USERS



**+5.6%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE

**+53 MILLION**



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# DIGITAL CULTURE AT A GLANCE

CN

THE PEOPLE, TERMS AND MEDIA PEOPLE ARE ENGAGING WITH ONLINE

WORD OF THE YEAR

**伤害不大, 侮辱极强**  
**LITTLE HARM BUT HUGE INSULT**  
(DIGITALING, 2021)

MOST STREAMED SONG

**漠河舞厅 - 柳爽**  
**MOHE DANCE HALL - LIU SHUANG**  
(TENCENT, 2021)

MOST POPULAR BILIBILIER

**罗翔**  
**LUO XIANG**  
(BILIBILI, 2021)

MOST STREAMED TV SHOW

**叛逆者**  
**THE REBEL**  
(BILIBILI, 2021)

MOST TALKED ABOUT CELEBRITY

**吴亦凡**  
**KRIS WU**  
(ABC NEWS, 2021)

HIGHEST GROSSING MOVIE

**长津湖**  
**THE BATTLE AT LAKE CHANGJIN**  
(WIKIPEDIA, 2021)

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# POPULATION ESSENTIALS

DEMOGRAPHICS AND OTHER KEY INDICATORS



CHINA

TOTAL  
POPULATION



**1.45**  
BILLION

FEMALE  
POPULATION



**48.7%**

MALE  
POPULATION



**51.3%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN TOTAL POPULATION



**+0.3%**  
**+4.6 MILLION**

MEDIAN AGE OF  
THE POPULATION



**39.1**

URBAN  
POPULATION



**63.4%**

POPULATION DENSITY  
(PEOPLE PER KM<sup>2</sup>)



**154.1**

OVERALL LITERACY  
(ADULTS AGED 15+)



**96.8%**

FEMALE LITERACY  
(ADULTS AGED 15+)



**95.2%**

MALE LITERACY  
(ADULTS AGED 15+)



**98.5%**





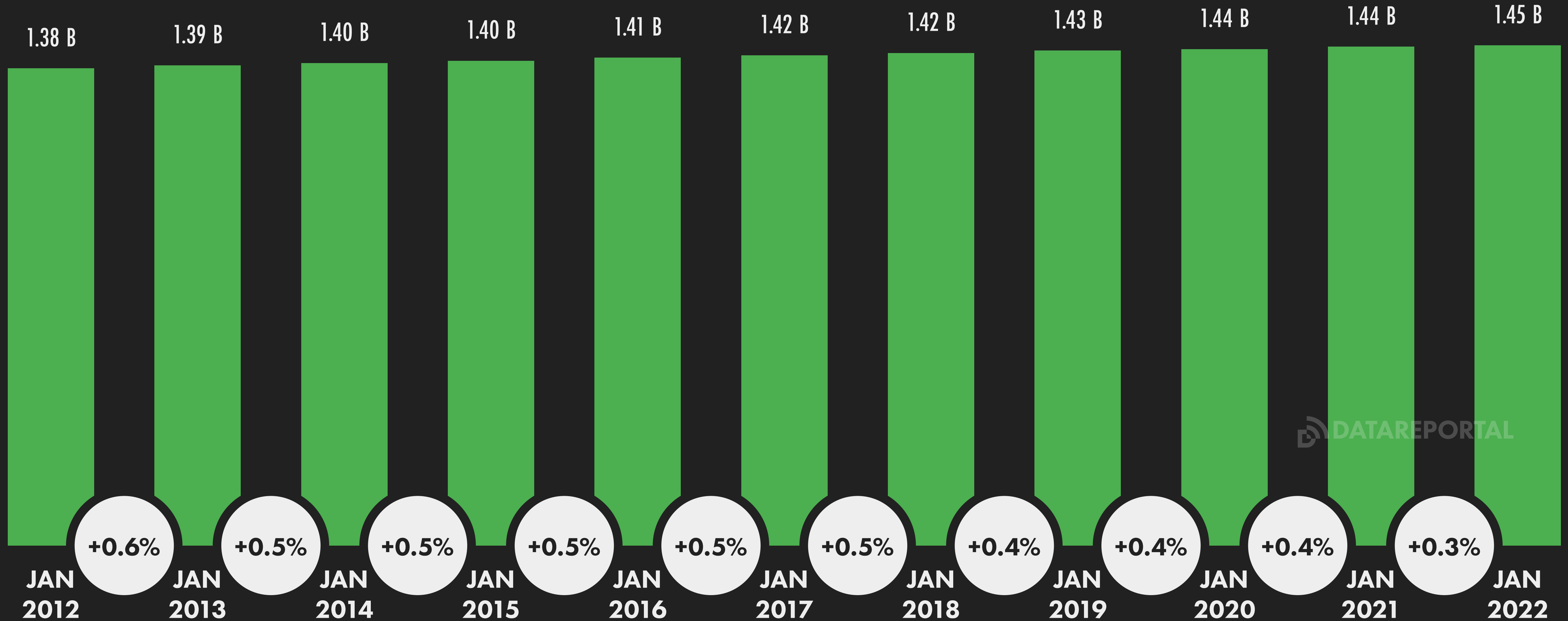
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# POPULATION OVER TIME

TOTAL POPULATION AND YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE



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# POPULATION BY AGE

SHARE OF THE TOTAL POPULATION BY AGE GROUP



CHINA

TOTAL  
POPULATION



1.45  
BILLION

POPULATION  
AGED 0-4



5.6%

POPULATION  
AGED 5-12



9.5%

POPULATION  
AGED 13-17



5.8%

POPULATION  
AGED 18-24



8.1%

POPULATION  
AGED 25-34



14.6%

POPULATION  
AGED 35-44



14.2%

POPULATION  
AGED 45-54



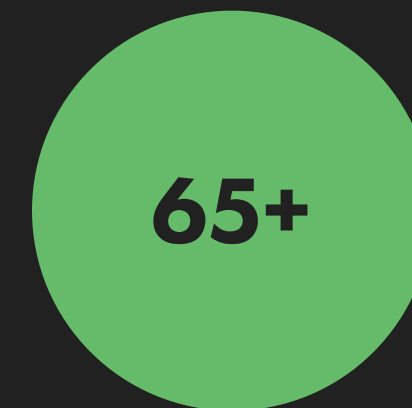
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POPULATION  
AGED 55-64



13.2%

POPULATION  
AGED 65+



12.8%

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# DEVICE OWNERSHIP

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO OWN EACH KIND OF DEVICE



CHINA

ANY KIND OF  
MOBILE PHONE



GWl.

**94.7%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-1.7% (-160 BPS)**

SMART  
PHONE



KEPIOS

**94.7%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-1.7% (-160 BPS)**

FEATURE  
PHONE



GWl.

**3.9%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-13.3% (-60 BPS)**

LAPTOP OR  
DESKTOP COMPUTER



GWl.

**52.3%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+4.2% (+210 BPS)**

TABLET  
DEVICE



**35.5%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+12.3% (+390 BPS)**

GAMES  
CONSOLE



GWl.

**13.3%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+13.7% (+160 BPS)**

SMART WATCH OR  
SMART WRISTBAND



KEPIOS

**33.7%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+23.4% (+640 BPS)**

TV STREAMING  
DEVICE



KEPIOS

**9.8%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+42.0% (+290 BPS)**

SMART HOME  
DEVICE



GWl.

**20.0%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+25.8% (+410 BPS)**

VIRTUAL REALITY  
DEVICE



**6.0%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+33.3% (+150 BPS)**

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# DAILY TIME SPENT WITH MEDIA

THE AVERAGE AMOUNT OF TIME EACH DAY THAT INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 SPEND WITH DIFFERENT KINDS OF MEDIA AND DEVICES



CHINA

TIME SPENT USING  
THE INTERNET



**5H 15M**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-2.2% (-7 MINS)**

GWI.

TIME SPENT WATCHING TELEVISION  
(BROADCAST AND STREAMING)



**2H 57M**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-8.3% (-16 MINS)**



TIME SPENT USING  
SOCIAL MEDIA



**1H 57M**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-5.6% (-7 MINS)**

GWI.

TIME SPENT READING PRESS MEDIA  
(ONLINE AND PHYSICAL PRINT)



**2H 31M**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-8.5% (-14 MINS)**

TIME SPENT LISTENING TO  
MUSIC STREAMING SERVICES



**1H 21M**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-11.0% (-10 MINS)**



TIME SPENT LISTENING  
TO BROADCAST RADIO



**1H 14M**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+2.8% (+2 MINS)**

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TIME SPENT LISTENING  
TO PODCASTS



**1H 07M**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-10.7% (-8 MINS)**



TIME SPENT USING  
A GAMES CONSOLE



**1H 15M**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-7.4% (-6 MINS)**



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# OVERVIEW OF INTERNET USE

ESSENTIAL INDICATORS OF INTERNET ADOPTION AND USE



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TOTAL  
INTERNET  
USERS



**1.02**  
BILLION

INTERNET USERS AS  
A PERCENTAGE OF  
TOTAL POPULATION



**70.9%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN THE NUMBER OF  
INTERNET USERS



**+3.6%**  
**+36 MILLION**

AVERAGE DAILY TIME SPENT  
USING THE INTERNET BY  
EACH INTERNET USER



**5H 15M**  
**-2.2% (-7 MINS)**

GWl.

PERCENTAGE OF USERS  
ACCESSING THE INTERNET  
VIA MOBILE PHONES



**91.1%**

**SOURCES:** KEPIOS ANALYSIS; ITU; GSMA INTELLIGENCE; EUROSTAT; GWl; CIA WORLD FACTBOOK; CNNIC; APJII; LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES; UNITED NATIONS. TIME SPENT AND MOBILE SHARE DATA FROM GWl (Q3 2021), BASED ON A BROAD SURVEY OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64. SEE [GWI.COM](https://www.gwi.com) FOR MORE DETAILS. **NOTES:** "YOY" FIGURES SHOW YEAR-ON-YEAR GROWTH. FOR CHANGE IN TIME, "H" DENOTES HOURS AND "M" DENOTES MINUTES. **ADVISORY:** DUE TO COVID-19-RELATED DELAYS IN RESEARCH AND REPORTING, FIGURES FOR INTERNET USER GROWTH MAY UNDER-REPRESENT ACTUAL TRENDS. SEE [NOTES ON DATA](#) FOR MORE DETAILS. **COMPARABILITY:** SOURCE AND BASE CHANGES.

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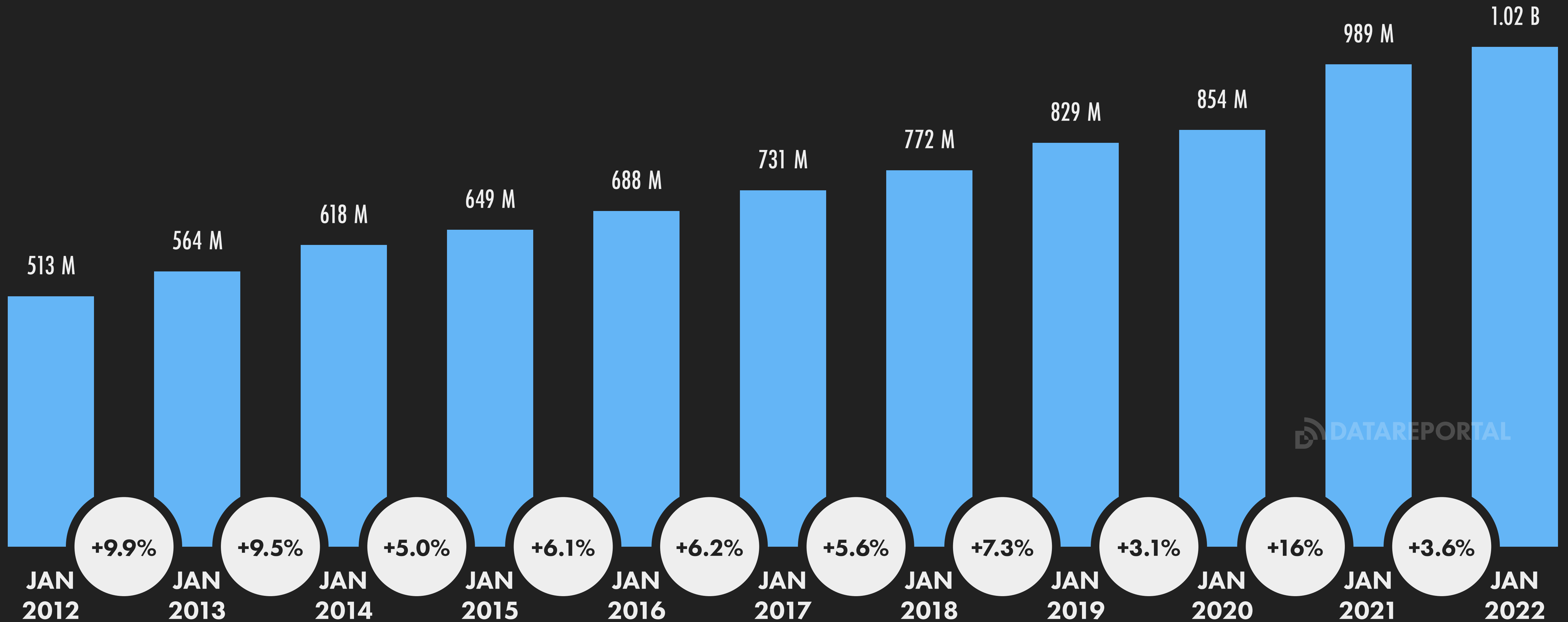
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# INTERNET USERS OVER TIME

NUMBER OF INTERNET USERS AND YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE



CHINA



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# INTERNET USER PERSPECTIVES

INTERNET USER NUMBERS PUBLISHED BY DIFFERENT SOURCES



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INTERNET USERS:  
ITU



1.02  
BILLION

vs. POPULATION

70.6%

INTERNET USERS:  
CIA WORLD FACTBOOK



1.02  
BILLION

vs. POPULATION

70.6%

INTERNET USERS:  
INTERNETWORLDSTATS



989.1  
MILLION

vs. POPULATION

68.4%

**SOURCES:** AS STATED ABOVE EACH ICON. **NOTES:** WHERE SOURCES PUBLISH INTERNET ADOPTION AS A PERCENTAGE (I.E. PENETRATION), WE COMPARE THE LATEST PUBLISHED ADOPTION RATES IN EACH COUNTRY TO OUR LATEST FIGURES FOR POPULATION TO DERIVE ABSOLUTE USER NUMBERS. WHERE SOURCES PUBLISH ABSOLUTE USER NUMBERS, WE COMPARE THESE ABSOLUTE USER FIGURES TO OUR LATEST FIGURES FOR POPULATION TO DERIVE VALUES FOR "vs. POPULATION". **COMPARABILITY:** POTENTIAL MISMATCHES. INTERNET USER FIGURES QUOTED ELSEWHERE IN THIS REPORT USE DATA FROM MULTIPLE SOURCES, INCLUDING SOURCES NOT FEATURED ON THIS SLIDE.



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# DAILY TIME SPENT USING THE INTERNET

AMOUNT OF TIME THAT INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 SPEND USING THE INTERNET EACH DAY



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DAILY TIME SPENT USING THE INTERNET ACROSS ALL DEVICES



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5H 15M

TIME SPENT USING THE INTERNET ON MOBILE PHONES



3H 06M

TIME SPENT USING THE INTERNET ON COMPUTERS AND TABLETS



2H 09M

MOBILE'S SHARE OF TOTAL DAILY INTERNET TIME



58.9%



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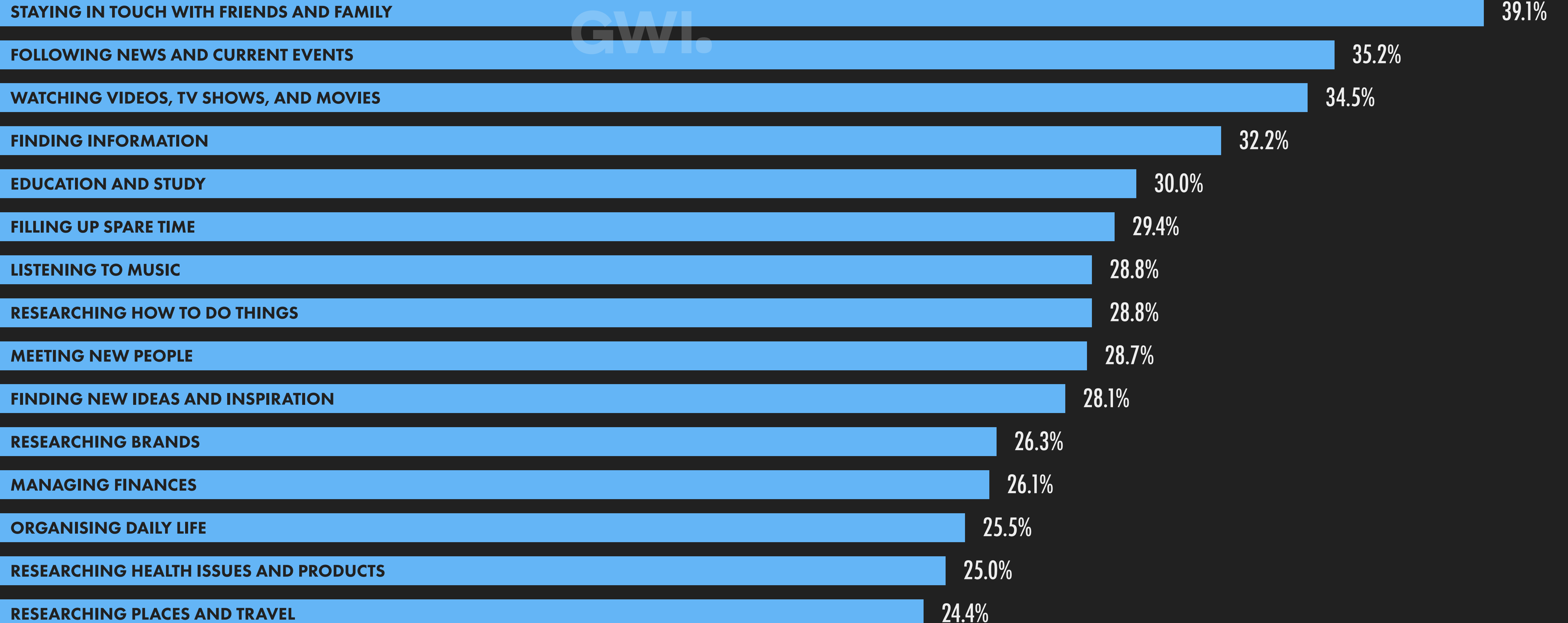
# MAIN REASONS FOR USING THE INTERNET

PRIMARY REASONS WHY INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 USE THE INTERNET



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# DEVICES USED TO ACCESS THE INTERNET

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO USE EACH KIND OF DEVICE TO ACCESS THE INTERNET



CHINA

MOBILE  
PHONE (ANY)



GWI.

91.1%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
-2.5% (-230 BPS)

LAPTOP OR  
DESKTOP (ANY)



68.3%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
+13.5% (+810 BPS)

SMART  
PHONE



GWI.

90.1%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
-2.8% (-260 BPS)

FEATURE  
PHONE



4.2%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
+31.3% (+100 BPS)

TABLET  
DEVICE



29.8%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
+22.6% (+550 BPS)

PERSONAL LAPTOP  
OR DESKTOP



59.0%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
+8.5% (+460 BPS)

WORK LAPTOP  
OR DESKTOP



GWI.

36.1%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
+18.8% (+570 BPS)

CONNECTED  
TELEVISION



29.3%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
+16.3% (+410 BPS)

SMART HOME  
DEVICE



GWI.

16.8%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
[NEW DATA POINT]

GAMES  
CONSOLE



9.1%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
+62.5% (+350 BPS)

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# INTERNET CONNECTION SPEEDS

MEDIAN DOWNLOAD SPEEDS (IN MEGABITS PER SECOND) OF MOBILE AND FIXED INTERNET CONNECTIONS



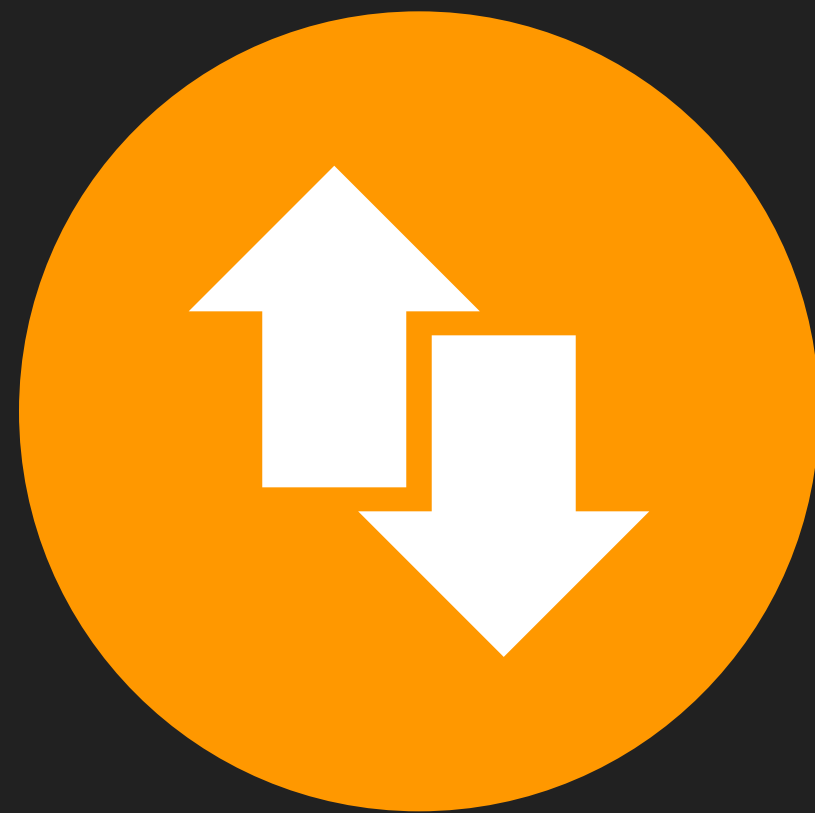
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MEDIAN DOWNLOAD SPEED  
OF CELLULAR MOBILE  
INTERNET CONNECTIONS



**96.84**  
MBPS

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN MEDIAN CELLULAR MOBILE  
INTERNET CONNECTION SPEED



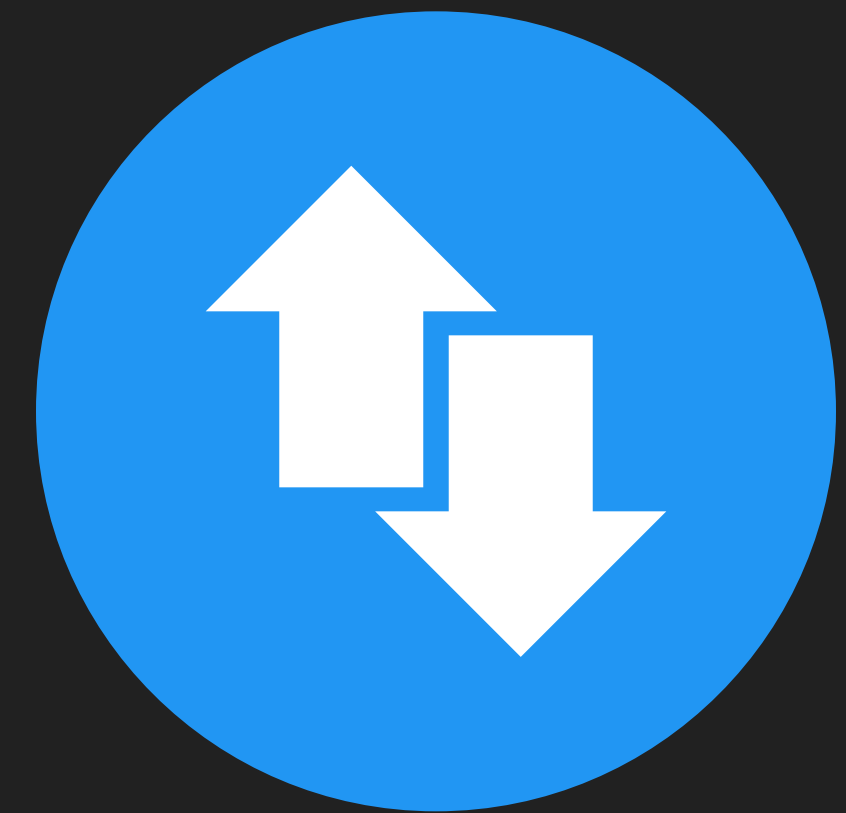
**+79.9%**  
**+43.01 MBPS**

MEDIAN DOWNLOAD  
SPEED OF FIXED  
INTERNET CONNECTIONS



**146.62**  
MBPS

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN MEDIAN FIXED INTERNET  
CONNECTION SPEED



**+55.6%**  
**+52.40 MBPS**

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# SHARE OF WEB TRAFFIC BY DEVICE

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL WEB PAGES SERVED TO WEB BROWSERS RUNNING ON EACH KIND OF DEVICE



CHINA

MOBILE  
PHONES



64.32%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE

+6.6% (+400 BPS)

LAPTOP AND  
DESKTOP COMPUTERS



34.82%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE

-9.8% (-378 BPS)

TABLET  
DEVICES



0.86%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE

-20.4% (-22 BPS)

OTHER  
DEVICES



0%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE

[UNCHANGED]

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# SHARE OF WEB TRAFFIC BY BROWSER

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL WEB PAGES SERVED TO EACH BRAND OF WEB BROWSER RUNNING ON ANY DEVICE



CHINA

CHROME



**50.86%**  
YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+12.2% (+554 BPS)**

SAFARI



**10.53%**  
YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+26.9% (+223 BPS)**

MICROSOFT EDGE



**4.06%**  
YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+111% (+214 BPS)**

FIREFOX



**2.90%**  
YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-7.6% (-24 BPS)**

SAMSUNG INTERNET



**0.42%**  
YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-8.7% (-4 BPS)**

OPERA



**0.22%**  
YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-12.0% (-3 BPS)**

UC BROWSER



**11.56%**  
YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-26.0% (-406 BPS)**

OTHER



**19.45%**  
YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-22.2% (-554 BPS)**





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# MOST-VISITED WEBSITES: ALEXA RANKING

RANKING OF THE MOST-VISITED WEBSITES ACCORDING TO ALEXA INTERNET, BASED ON TOTAL MONTHLY WEBSITE TRAFFIC



CHINA

#	WEBSITE	TIME PER DAY	PAGES PER DAY	#	WEBSITE	TIME PER DAY	PAGES PER DAY
01	TMAIL.COM	07M 01S	3.83	11	ZHANQI.TV	02M 52S	5.41
02	BAIDU.COM	05M 16S	4.92	12	XINHUANET.COM	02M 55S	5.64
03	QQ.COM	03M 51S	3.88	13	ALIPAY.COM	03M 04S	3.35
04	SOHU.COM	03M 38S	4.56	14	GOOGLE.COM.HK	04M 34S	5.90
05	TAOBAO.COM	04M 17S	3.49	15	CSDN.NET	03M 16S	4.89
06	360.CN	03M 17S	4.23	16	YY.COM	02M 49S	5.24
07	JD.COM	03M 32S	4.35	17	HUANQIU.COM	02M 50S	5.17
08	WEIBO.COM	02M 45S	3.31	18	TIANYA.CN	02M 54S	5.14
09	SINA.COM.CN	02M 50S	3.36	19	17OK.COM	02M 17S	4.02
10	PANDA.TV	02M 51S	5.43	20	HAOSOU.COM	07M 11S	14.50

**SOURCE:** ALEXA INTERNET, USING FIGURES PUBLISHED IN DECEMBER 2021. **NOTES:** ALEXA INTERNET IS THE NAME OF AMAZON'S INSIGHTS ARM, AND DATA SHOWN HERE ARE NOT RESTRICTED TO ACTIVITIES ON ALEXA VOICE PLATFORMS. "TIME PER DAY" FIGURES REPRESENT THE AVERAGE DAILY AMOUNT OF TIME THAT GLOBAL VISITORS SPEND ON EACH DOMAIN, MEASURED IN MINUTES AND SECONDS. "PAGES PER DAY" REPRESENT THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF PAGES THAT GLOBAL VISITORS OPEN ON THE DOMAIN EACH DAY. BECAUSE FIGURES FOR "TIME PER DAY" AND "PAGES PER DAY" REFLECT GLOBAL ACTIVITY, VALUES WILL BE THE SAME ACROSS ALL COUNTRIES. **ADVISORY:** SOME WEBSITES FEATURED IN THIS RANKING MAY CONTAIN ADULT CONTENT. PLEASE USE CAUTION WHEN VISITING UNKNOWN DOMAINS.

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# SEARCH ENGINE MARKET SHARE

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL WEB TRAFFIC REFERRED BY SEARCH ENGINES THAT ORIGINATED FROM EACH SEARCH SERVICE



CHINA

GOOGLE



2.22%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
-39.3% (-144 BPS)

BING



3.94%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
+32.2% (+96 BPS)

BAIDU



86.82%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
+16.7% (+1,245 BPS)

YAHOO!



0.02%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
[UNCHANGED]

YANDEX



0.17%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
+143% (+10 BPS)

DUCKDUCKGO



0%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
[UNCHANGED]

ECOSIA



0.01%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
[FROM 0%] (+1 BPS)

OTHER



6.82%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
-63.9% (-1,208 BPS)



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# ACCESSING ONLINE INFORMATION

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO ENGAGE IN EACH KIND OF ONLINE ACTIVITY



CHINA

USE VOICE ASSISTANTS (E.G. SIRI, GOOGLE ASSISTANT) TO FIND INFORMATION **EACH WEEK**



GWI.

32.9%

VISIT SOCIAL NETWORKS TO LOOK FOR INFORMATION ABOUT BRANDS AND PRODUCTS



KEPIOS

32.9%

USE IMAGE RECOGNITION TOOLS (E.G. GOOGLE LENS, PINTEREST LENS) ON MOBILE **EACH MONTH**



30.8%

USE ONLINE TOOLS TO TRANSLATE TEXT INTO DIFFERENT LANGUAGES **EACH WEEK**



26.0%



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# WATCHING ONLINE VIDEO CONTENT

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO WATCH EACH KIND OF VIDEO CONTENT VIA THE INTERNET EACH WEEK



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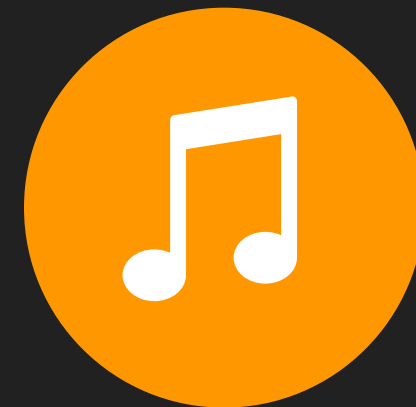
ANY KIND  
OF VIDEO



GWI.

95.6%

MUSIC  
VIDEO



KEPIOS

44.1%

COMEDY, MEME,  
OR VIRAL VIDEO



GWI.

26.5%

TUTORIAL OR  
HOW-TO VIDEO



D

23.2%

VIDEO  
LIVESTREAM



36.3%

EDUCATIONAL  
VIDEO



KEPIOS

25.8%

PRODUCT  
REVIEW VIDEO



GWI.

29.4%

SPORTS CLIP OR  
HIGHLIGHTS VIDEO



D

33.8%

GAMING  
VIDEO



GWI.

30.0%

INFLUENCER  
VIDEOS AND VLOGS



31.1%

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# STREAMING TV CONTENT VIA THE INTERNET

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO WATCH TV CONTENT VIA STREAMING SERVICES (E.G. NETFLIX) EACH MONTH



CHINA

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO STREAM TV CONTENT OVER THE INTERNET



GWI.

94.1%

INTERNET USERS WHO STREAM TV CONTENT vs. INTERNET USERS WHO WATCH ANY KIND OF TV



KEPIOS

98.7%

AVERAGE DAILY TIME INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 SPEND WATCHING STREAMING TV



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1H 33M

TIME SPENT WATCHING STREAMING TV AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL TIME SPENT WATCHING TV



52.5%

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# LISTENING TO ONLINE AUDIO CONTENT

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO LISTEN TO EACH KIND OF AUDIO CONTENT VIA THE INTERNET EACH WEEK



CHINA

LISTEN TO MUSIC  
STREAMING SERVICES



38.6%

GWI.

LISTEN TO ONLINE RADIO  
SHOWS OR STATIONS



28.4%



LISTEN TO  
PODCASTS



19.2%



LISTEN TO  
AUDIO BOOKS



32.8%

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# DEVICES USED TO PLAY VIDEO GAMES

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO PLAY VIDEO GAMES ON EACH KIND OF DEVICE



CHINA

ANY DEVICE



77.4%

GW.I.

SMARTPHONE



58.8%



LAPTOP OR DESKTOP



28.1%

GW.I.

GAMES CONSOLE



20.4%

TABLET



12.5%



HAND-HELD GAMING DEVICE



16.4%

GW.I.

MEDIA STREAMING DEVICE



13.6%



VIRTUAL REALITY HEADSET



12.7%

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# SMART HOME MARKET OVERVIEW

VALUE OF THE MARKET FOR SMART HOME DEVICES (U.S. DOLLARS)



CHINA

NUMBER OF HOMES WITH  
SMART HOME DEVICES



statista

**67.58**  
**MILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+16% (+9.3 MILLION)**

TOTAL ANNUAL VALUE OF THE  
SMART HOME DEVICES MARKET



KEPIOS

**\$20.11**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+34% (+\$5.1 BILLION)**

VALUE OF SMART HOME  
APPLIANCES MARKET



statista

**\$10.37**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+37% (+\$2.8 BILLION)**

VALUE OF SMART HOME CONTROL  
& CONNECTIVITY DEVICE MARKET



**\$2.81**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+30% (+\$656 MILLION)**

VALUE OF SMART HOME  
SECURITY DEVICE MARKET



**\$3.03**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+33% (+\$755 MILLION)**

VALUE OF SMART HOME  
ENTERTAINMENT DEVICE MARKET



statista

**\$1.71**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+29% (+\$387 MILLION)**

VALUE OF SMART HOME  
COMFORT & LIGHTING MARKET



**\$1.06**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+34% (+\$267 MILLION)**

VALUE OF SMART HOME  
ENERGY MANAGEMENT MARKET



**\$1.13**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+34% (+\$290 MILLION)**

**SOURCE:** STATISTA DIGITAL MARKET OUTLOOK. SEE [STATISTA.COM](https://www.statista.com) FOR MORE DETAILS. **NOTES:** "SMART HOME DEVICES" INCLUDE: DIGITALLY CONNECTED AND CONTROLLED HOME DEVICES THAT CAN BE REMOTELY CONTROLLED; SENSORS, ACTUATORS AND CLOUD SERVICES THAT ENABLE HOME AUTOMATION; CONTROL HUBS THAT CONNECT SENSORS AND ACTUATORS TO REMOTE CONTROLS AND TO EACH OTHER; AND SMART HOME-RELATED SOFTWARE SALES (INCLUDING SUBSCRIPTION FEES). DOES NOT INCLUDE SMART TVS, OR B2B OR C2C SALES. FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATES OF FULL-YEAR REVENUES FOR 2021 IN U.S. DOLLARS, AND COMPARISONS WITH EQUIVALENT VALUES FOR THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR. **COMPARABILITY:** BASE CHANGES.

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# AVERAGE ANNUAL REVENUE PER SMART HOME

AVERAGE ANNUAL SPEND ON SMART HOME DEVICES PER SMART HOME (U.S. DOLLARS)



CHINA

PENETRATION OF  
SMART HOME DEVICES



14.5%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+15% (+115 BPS)**

statista

ARPU: SPEND ON ALL  
SMART HOME DEVICES



\$298

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+16% (+\$40.36)**

KEPIOS

ARPU: SMART  
HOME APPLIANCES



\$342

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+3.1% (+\$10.36)**

statista

ARPU: SMART HOME CONTROL  
& CONNECTIVITY DEVICES



\$122

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-0.3% (-\$0.34)**

ARPU: SMART HOME  
SECURITY DEVICES

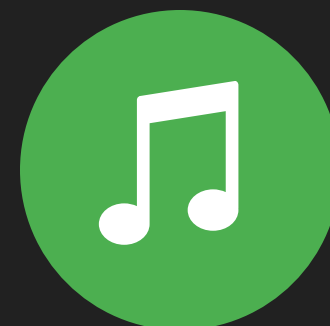


\$103

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+1.3% (+\$1.30)**

statista

ARPU: SMART HOME  
ENTERTAINMENT DEVICES



\$60.32

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+1.1% (+\$0.63)**

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ARPU: SMART HOME  
COMFORT & LIGHTING

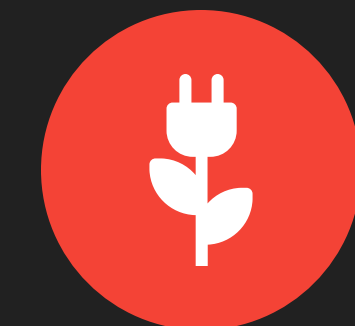


\$35.42

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+2.1% (+\$0.72)**

KEPIOS

ARPU: SMART HOME  
ENERGY MANAGEMENT



\$47.01

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-1.9% (-\$0.89)**

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# USE OF ONLINE FINANCIAL SERVICES

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO OWN OR USE EACH KIND OF DIGITAL FINANCIAL SERVICE



CHINA

USE A BANKING, INVESTMENT,  
OR INSURANCE WEBSITE OR  
MOBILE APP EACH MONTH



22.1%

USE A MOBILE PAYMENT  
SERVICE (E.G. APPLE PAY,  
SAMSUNG PAY) EACH MONTH



30.6%

OWN ANY FORM  
OF CRYPTOCURRENCY  
(E.G. BITCOIN, ETHER)



5.7%

GWI.



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# ONLINE PRIVACY AND SECURITY

PERSPECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES OF ONLINE ADULTS RELATING TO THEIR ONLINE DATA PRIVACY AND SECURITY



CHINA

EXPRESS CONCERN  
ABOUT WHAT IS REAL  
vs. WHAT IS FAKE  
ON THE INTERNET



[N/A]

WORRY ABOUT  
HOW COMPANIES  
MIGHT USE THEIR  
ONLINE DATA



GWl.

26.8%

DECLINE COOKIES  
ON WEBSITES  
AT LEAST SOME  
OF THE TIME



KEPIOS

32.6%

USE A TOOL TO BLOCK  
ADVERTISEMENTS ON  
THE INTERNET AT LEAST  
SOME OF THE TIME



GWl.

43.4%

USE A VIRTUAL PRIVATE  
NETWORK (VPN) TO  
ACCESS THE INTERNET AT  
LEAST SOME OF THE TIME



29.3%



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# OVERVIEW OF SOCIAL MEDIA USE

HEADLINES FOR SOCIAL MEDIA ADOPTION AND USE (NOTE: USERS MAY NOT REPRESENT UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS)



CHINA

NUMBER OF SOCIAL  
MEDIA USERS



983.3  
MILLION



YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN SOCIAL MEDIA USERS



+5.6%  
+53 MILLION



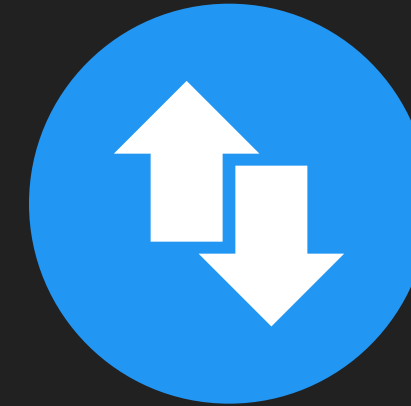
AVERAGE DAILY TIME SPENT  
USING SOCIAL MEDIA



1H 57M



YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE IN TIME  
SPENT USING SOCIAL MEDIA



-5.6%  
-7 MINS

GWI.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF SOCIAL  
PLATFORMS USED EACH MONTH



8.0

SOCIAL MEDIA USERS  
vs. TOTAL POPULATION



68.0%



SOCIAL MEDIA USERS  
vs. POPULATION AGE 13+



80.1%



SOCIAL MEDIA USERS  
vs. TOTAL INTERNET USERS



95.9%



FEMALE SOCIAL MEDIA USERS  
vs. TOTAL SOCIAL MEDIA USERS



48.8%



MALE SOCIAL MEDIA USERS  
vs. TOTAL SOCIAL MEDIA USERS



51.2%

**SOURCES:** KEPIOS ANALYSIS; COMPANY ADVERTISING RESOURCES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS; CNNIC; TECHRSA; OCDH; U.N.; U.S. CENSUS BUREAU. DATA FOR TIME SPENT AND AVERAGE NUMBER OF PLATFORMS: GWI (Q3 2021). SEE [GWI.COM](https://www.gwi.com) FOR MORE DETAILS. **NOTE:** FIGURE FOR "AVERAGE NUMBER OF SOCIAL PLATFORMS USED EACH MONTH" INCLUDES DATA FOR YOUTUBE. **ADVISORY:** SOCIAL MEDIA USERS MAY NOT REPRESENT UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS. FIGURES FOR REACH vs. POPULATION AND REACH vs. INTERNET USERS MAY EXCEED 100% DUE TO DUPLICATE AND FAKE ACCOUNTS, DELAYS IN DATA REPORTING, AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN CENSUS COUNTS AND RESIDENT POPULATIONS. SEE [NOTES ON DATA](#) FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

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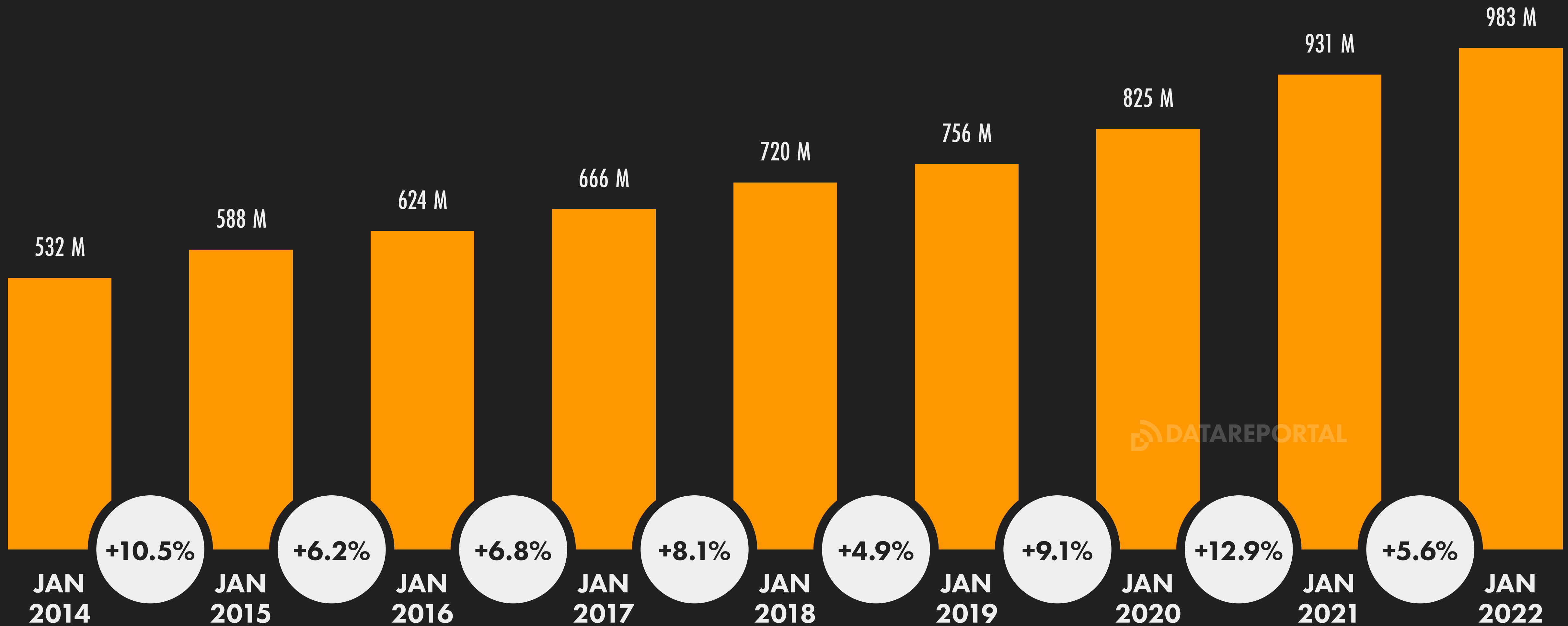
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# SOCIAL MEDIA USERS OVER TIME

NUMBER OF SOCIAL MEDIA USERS AND YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE



CHINA



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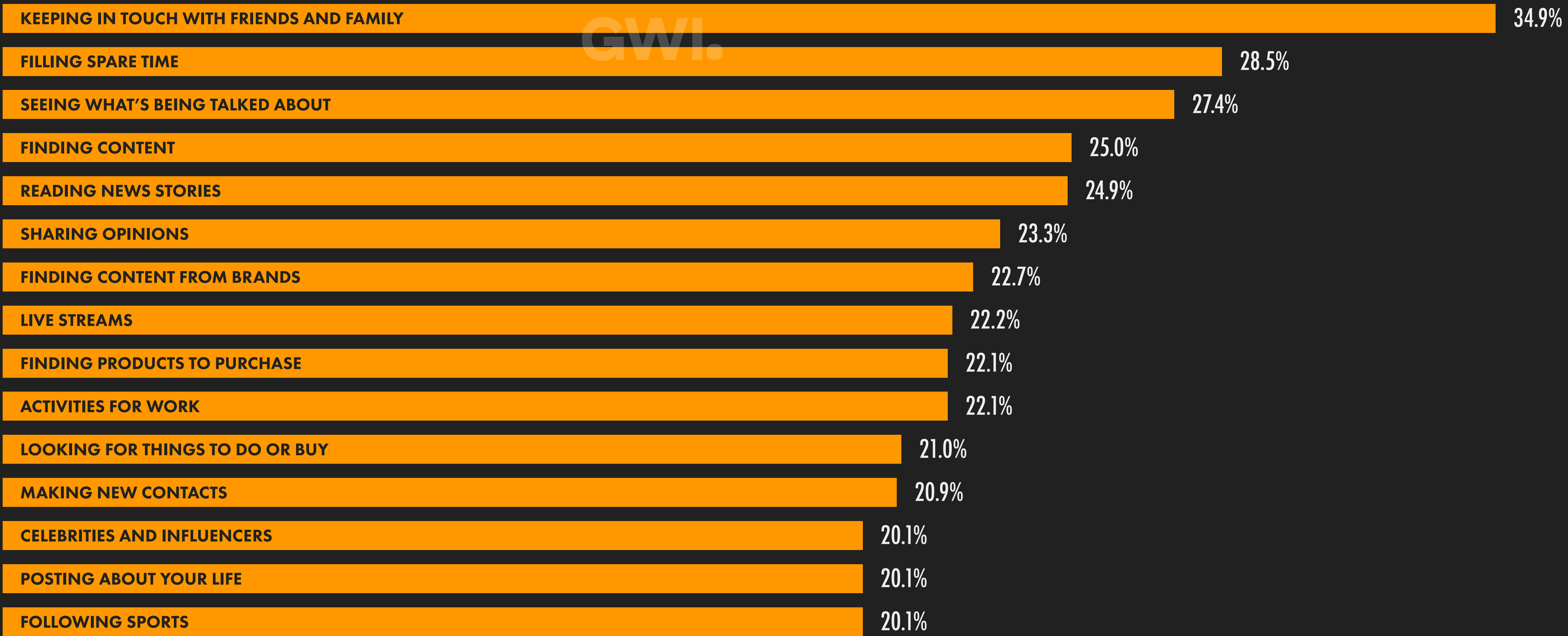
# MAIN REASONS FOR USING SOCIAL MEDIA

PRIMARY REASONS WHY INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 USE SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS



CHINA

GWII.





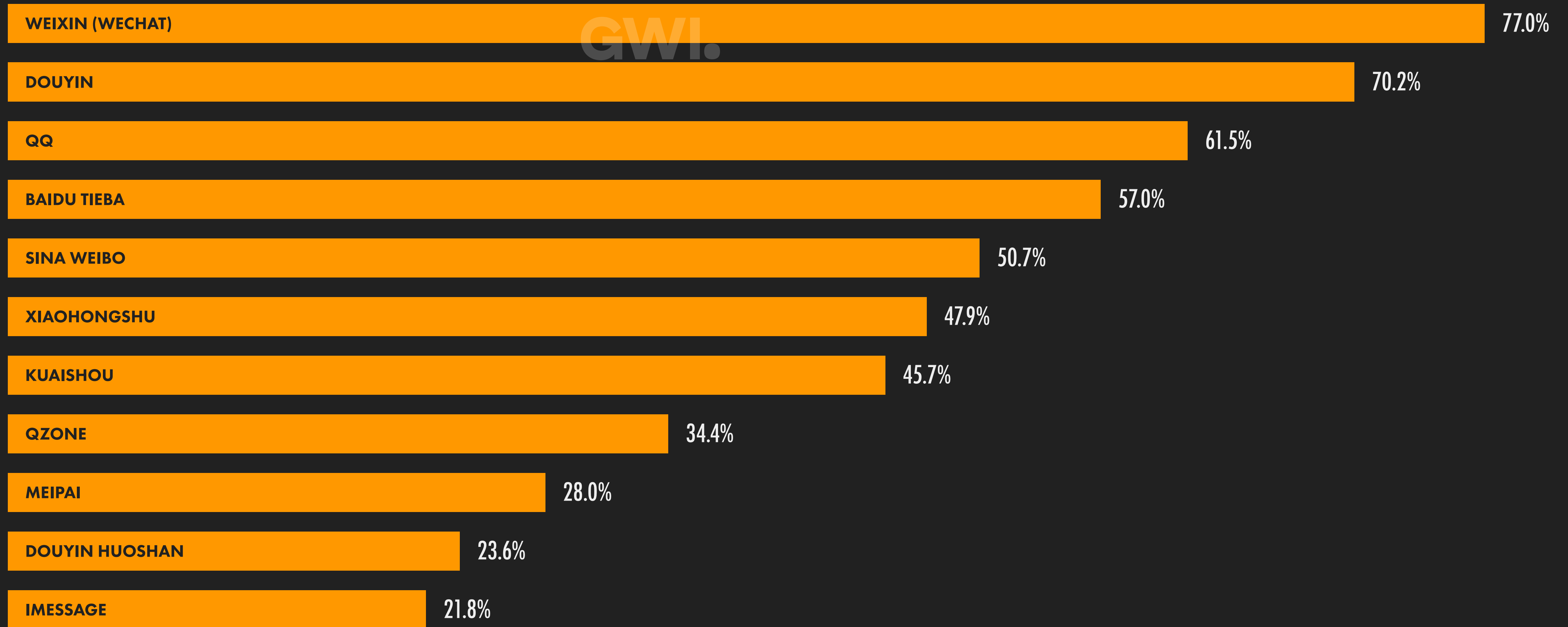
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# MOST-USED SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO USE EACH PLATFORM EACH MONTH



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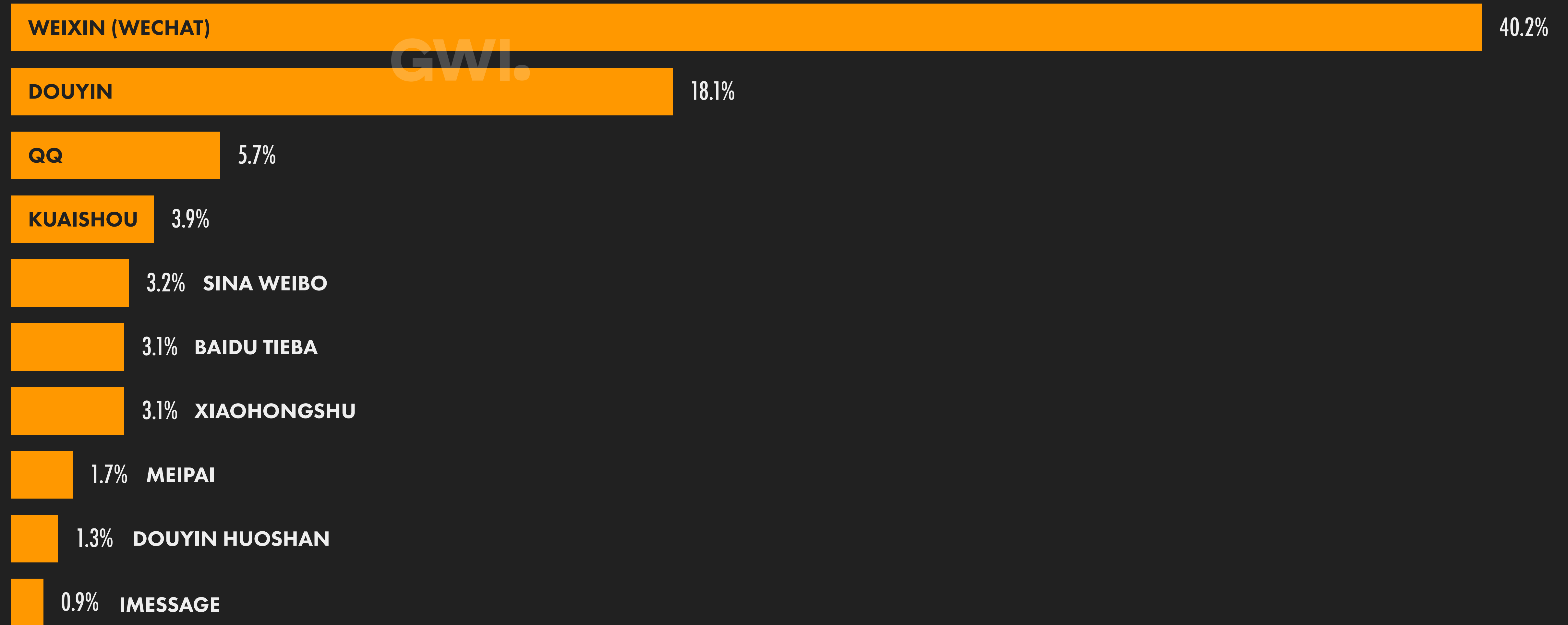
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# FAVOURITE SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO SAY THAT EACH OPTION IS THEIR "FAVOURITE" SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM



CHINA



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# USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA FOR BRAND RESEARCH

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO USE EACH SOCIAL MEDIA CHANNEL TO FIND INFORMATION ABOUT BRANDS AND PRODUCTS



CHINA

ANY KIND OF SOCIAL  
MEDIA PLATFORM



GWI.

83.7%

SOCIAL  
NETWORKS



32.9%

QUESTION & ANSWER  
SITES (E.G. QUORA)



GWI.

21.5%

FORUMS AND  
MESSAGE BOARDS



21.9%

MESSAGING AND  
LIVE CHAT SERVICES



22.8%

MICRO-BLOGS  
(E.G. TWITTER)



GWI.

25.7%

VLOGS (BLOGS IN  
A VIDEO FORMAT)



17.6%

ONLINE PINBOARDS  
(E.G. PINTEREST)



12.9%

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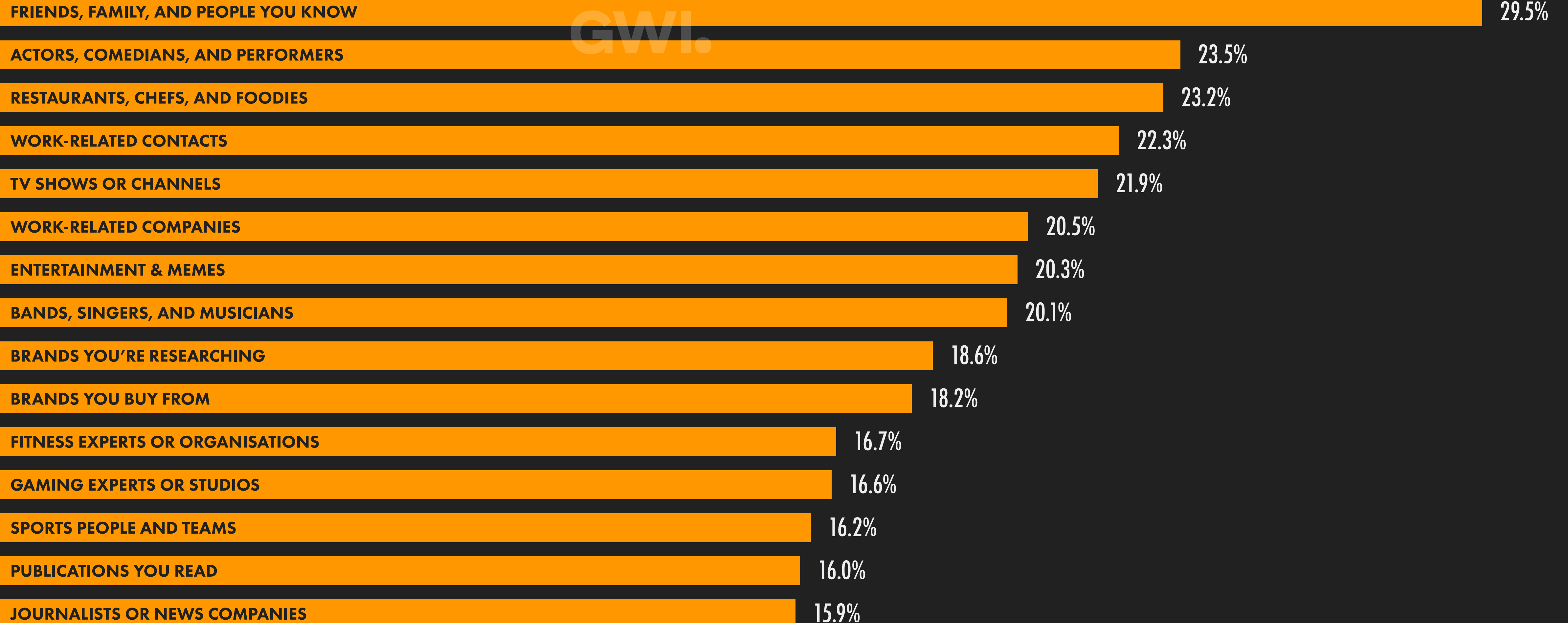
# TYPES OF SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS FOLLOWED

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO FOLLOW EACH TYPE OF ACCOUNT ON SOCIAL MEDIA



CHINA

GWI.





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# MOBILE CONNECTIVITY

USE OF MOBILE PHONES AND DEVICES THAT CONNECT TO CELLULAR NETWORKS



CHINA

NUMBER OF CELLULAR  
MOBILE CONNECTIONS  
(EXCLUDING IOT)



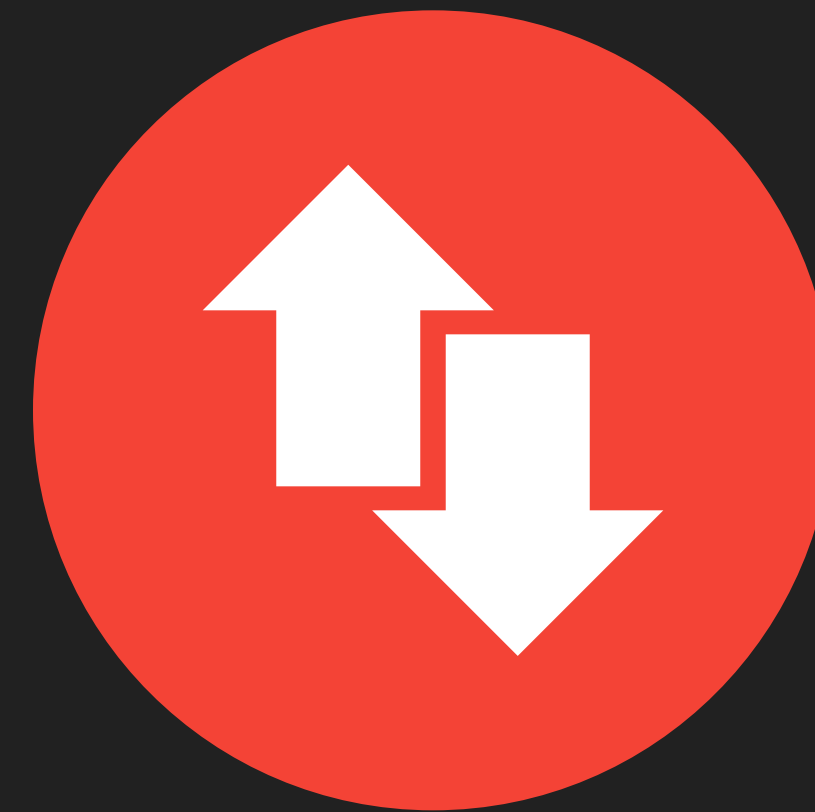
**1.63**  
BILLION

NUMBER OF CELLULAR MOBILE  
CONNECTIONS COMPARED  
WITH TOTAL POPULATION



**112.6%**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN THE NUMBER OF CELLULAR  
MOBILE CONNECTIONS



**+1.8%**  
**+29 MILLION**

SHARE OF CELLULAR MOBILE  
CONNECTIONS THAT ARE  
BROADBAND (3G, 4G, 5G)



**99.6%**



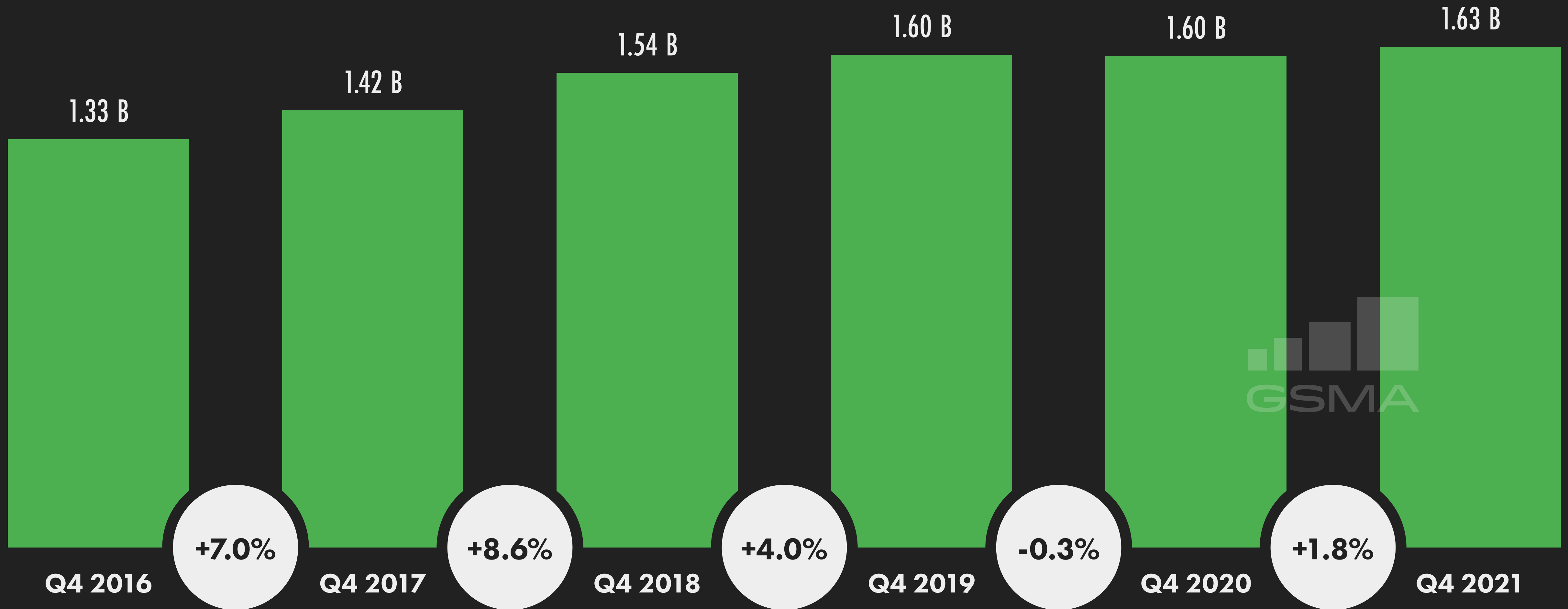
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# CELLULAR MOBILE CONNECTIONS OVER TIME

NUMBER OF CELLULAR MOBILE CONNECTIONS AND YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE



CHINA



**SOURCE:** GSMA INTELLIGENCE. **NOTE:** WHERE LETTERS ARE SHOWN NEXT TO FIGURES ABOVE BARS, "K" DENOTES THOUSANDS (E.G. "123 K" = 123,000), "M" DENOTES MILLIONS (E.G. "1.23 M" = 1,230,000), AND "B" DENOTES BILLIONS (E.G. "1.23 B" = 1,230,000,000). WHERE NO LETTER IS PRESENT, VALUES ARE SHOWN AS IS. **COMPARABILITY:** BASE REVISIONS. NUMBERS MAY NOT CORRELATE WITH VALUES PUBLISHED IN OUR PREVIOUS REPORTS.

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# AFFORDABILITY OF MOBILE INTERNET ACCESS

THE COST OF BUYING A SMARTPHONE HANDSET AND 1GB OF CELLULAR MOBILE DATA, AND COMPARISONS WITH AVERAGE MONTHLY INCOME



CHINA

PRICE OF THE  
CHEAPEST SMARTPHONE  
HANDSET (IN USD)



**\$97.54**

PRICE OF THE CHEAPEST  
SMARTPHONE HANDSET  
vs. AVERAGE INCOME



**10.5%**

AVERAGE PRICE OF  
1GB OF CELLULAR  
MOBILE DATA (IN USD)



**\$0.52**

AVERAGE PRICE OF 1GB  
OF CELLULAR MOBILE DATA  
vs. AVERAGE INCOME



**0.06%**

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# SHARE OF MOBILE WEB TRAFFIC BY MOBILE OS

PERCENTAGE OF WEB PAGE REQUESTS ORIGINATING FROM MOBILE HANDSETS RUNNING EACH MOBILE OPERATING SYSTEM



CHINA

SHARE OF MOBILE WEB TRAFFIC ORIGINATING FROM ANDROID DEVICES



79.94%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
-0.4% (-29 BPS)

SHARE OF MOBILE WEB TRAFFIC ORIGINATING FROM APPLE IOS DEVICES



19.28%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
+3.6% (+67 BPS)

SHARE OF MOBILE WEB TRAFFIC ORIGINATING FROM SAMSUNG OS DEVICES



0.02%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
[FROM 0%] (+2 BPS)

SHARE OF MOBILE WEB TRAFFIC ORIGINATING FROM KAI OS DEVICES



0%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
[UNCHANGED]

SHARE OF MOBILE WEB TRAFFIC ORIGINATING FROM OTHER OS DEVICES



0.76%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
-34.5% (-40 BPS)

**SOURCE:** STATCOUNTER. **NOTES:** FIGURES REPRESENT THE NUMBER OF WEB PAGES SERVED TO BROWSERS ON MOBILE PHONES RUNNING EACH OPERATING SYSTEM COMPARED WITH THE TOTAL NUMBER OF WEB PAGES SERVED TO MOBILE BROWSERS IN NOVEMBER 2021. FIGURES FOR SAMSUNG OS REFER ONLY TO THOSE DEVICES RUNNING OPERATING SYSTEMS DEVELOPED BY SAMSUNG (E.G. BADA AND TIZEN), AND DO NOT INCLUDE SAMSUNG DEVICES RUNNING ANDROID. PERCENTAGE CHANGE VALUES REPRESENT RELATIVE CHANGE (I.E. AN INCREASE OF 20% FROM A STARTING VALUE OF 50% WOULD EQUAL 60%, NOT 70%). "BPS" VALUES REPRESENT BASIS POINTS, AND INDICATE THE ABSOLUTE CHANGE. FIGURES MAY NOT SUM TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING.

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# MOBILE APP MARKET OVERVIEW

HEADLINES FOR MOBILE APP DOWNLOADS AND CONSUMER SPEND (IN U.S. DOLLARS) BETWEEN JANUARY AND DECEMBER 2021



CHINA

AVERAGE TIME THAT EACH  
USER SPENDS USING A  
SMARTPHONE EACH DAY



**3H 10M**

TOTAL NUMBER  
OF MOBILE APP  
DOWNLOADS



**98.38**

**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF  
MOBILE APP DOWNLOADS



**+2%**

ANNUAL CONSUMER  
SPEND ON MOBILE APPS AND  
IN-APP PURCHASES (USD)



**\$56.76**

**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN CONSUMER SPEND ON  
APPS AND IN-APP PURCHASES



**+17%**

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# APP ANNIE APP RANKING: ACTIVE USERS

APP ANNIE'S RANKING OF MOBILE APPS AND MOBILE GAMES BY AVERAGE NUMBER OF MONTHLY ACTIVE BETWEEN JANUARY AND DECEMBER 2021



CHINA

#	MOBILE APP	COMPANY	#	MOBILE GAME	COMPANY
01	WEIXIN (WECHAT)	TENCENT	01	HONOUR OF KINGS	TENCENT
02	DOUYIN	BYTEDANCE	02	GAME FOR PEACE	TENCENT
03	PINDUODUO	XUNMENG	03	ANIPOP	HAPPY ELEMENTS
04	ALIPAY	ANT FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP	04	MINI WORLD BLOCK ART	MINIWAN
05	KUAISHOU	KUAISHOU	05	LEAGUE OF LEGENDS: WILD RIFT	TENCENT
06	TAOBAO	ALIBABA GROUP	06	LANDLORD POKER	TENCENT
07	BAIDU	BAIDU	07	MINECRAFT POCKET EDITION	MICROSOFT
08	QQ	TENCENT	08	JJ DOUDIZHU	JJWORLD
09	QQ BROWSER	TENCENT	09	QQ SPEED	TENCENT
10	TOUTIAO	BYTEDANCE	10	SNAKE OFF	WEIPAI

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# APP ANNIE APP RANKING: IOS DOWNLOADS

APP ANNIE'S RANKING OF MOBILE APPS AND MOBILE GAMES BY TOTAL NUMBER OF DOWNLOADS FROM THE **APPLE IOS APP STORE** IN FULL-YEAR 2021



#	MOBILE APP	COMPANY
01	DOUYIN	BYTEDANCE
02	KUAISHOU	KUAISHOU
03	WEIXIN (WECHAT)	TENCENT
04	NATIONAL ANTI FRAUD CENTRE	MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SECURITY
05	ALIPAY	ANT FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP
06	PINDUODUO	XUNMENG
07	BAIDU	BAIDU
08	TENCENT VIDEO	TENCENT
09	IQIYI	BAIDU
10	QQ	TENCENT

#	MOBILE GAME	COMPANY
01	HONOUR OF KINGS	TENCENT
02	GAME FOR PEACE	TENCENT
03	ANIPOP	HAPPY ELEMENTS
04	LANDLORD POKER	TENCENT
05	LEAGUE OF LEGENDS: WILD RIFT	TENCENT
06	GENSHIN IMPACT	MIHOYO
07	CALL OF DUTY: MOBILE	ACTIVISION BLIZZARD
08	MINECRAFT POCKET EDITION	MICROSOFT
09	SNAKE OFF	WEIPAI
10	QQ SPEED	TENCENT



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# APP ANNIE APP RANKING: IOS CONSUMER SPEND

APP ANNIE'S RANKING OF MOBILE APPS AND MOBILE GAMES BY TOTAL CONSUMER SPEND VIA THE **APPLE IOS APP STORE** IN FULL-YEAR 2021



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#	MOBILE APP	COMPANY
01	DOUYIN	BYTEDANCE
02	TENCENT VIDEO	TENCENT
03	IQIYI	BAIDU
04	QQ MUSIC	TENCENT
05	YOUKU	ALIBABA GROUP
06	KUAISHOU	KUAISHOU
07	QQ	TENCENT
08	MANGOTV	HAPPY SUNSHINE
09	BOSS ZHIPIN	KANZHUN
10	BILIBILI	BILIBILI

#	MOBILE GAME	COMPANY
01	HONOUR OF KINGS	TENCENT
02	GAME FOR PEACE	TENCENT
03	FANTASY WESTWARD JOURNEY	NETEASE
04	SANGOKUSHI STRATEGY	ALIBABA GROUP
05	GENSHIN IMPACT	MIHOYO
06	MOONLIGHT BLADE	TENCENT
07	RISE OF KINGDOMS	LILITH
08	YI NIAN XIAOYAO	G-BITS
09	CROSSFIRE	TENCENT
10	WESTWARD JOURNEY ONLINE	NETEASE





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# FINANCIAL INCLUSION FACTORS

PERCENTAGE OF THE POPULATION AGED 15+ THAT OWNS OR USES EACH PRODUCT OR SERVICE



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ACCOUNT WITH A  
FINANCIAL INSTITUTION



80.2%

FEMALE 76.4%  
MALE 84.0%



CREDIT CARD  
OWNERSHIP



20.8%

FEMALE 18.2%  
MALE 23.4%



DEBIT CARD  
OWNERSHIP



66.8%

FEMALE 63.1%  
MALE 70.3%



MOBILE MONEY ACCOUNT  
(E.G. MPESA, GCASH)



[N/A]

FEMALE [N/A]  
MALE [N/A]

MADE OR RECEIVED DIGITAL  
PAYMENTS IN THE PAST YEAR



67.9%

FEMALE 64.1%  
MALE 71.7%



MADE A PURCHASE ON THE  
INTERNET IN THE PAST YEAR



45.3%

FEMALE 46.7%  
MALE 43.9%



USED ONLINE BANKING  
IN THE PAST YEAR



39.8%

FEMALE 38.9%  
MALE 40.7%



USED THE INTERNET TO  
PAY BILLS IN THE PAST YEAR



39.5%

FEMALE 37.4%  
MALE 41.7%

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# WEEKLY ONLINE SHOPPING ACTIVITIES

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO ENGAGE IN SELECTED ECOMMERCE ACTIVITIES EACH WEEK



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PURCHASED A PRODUCT  
OR SERVICE ONLINE



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64.4%

ORDERED GROCERIES  
VIA AN ONLINE STORE



31.7%

BOUGHT A SECOND-HAND  
ITEM VIA AN ONLINE STORE



16.8%

USED AN ONLINE PRICE  
COMPARISON SERVICE



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25.5%

USED A BUY NOW,  
PAY LATER SERVICE



31.0%

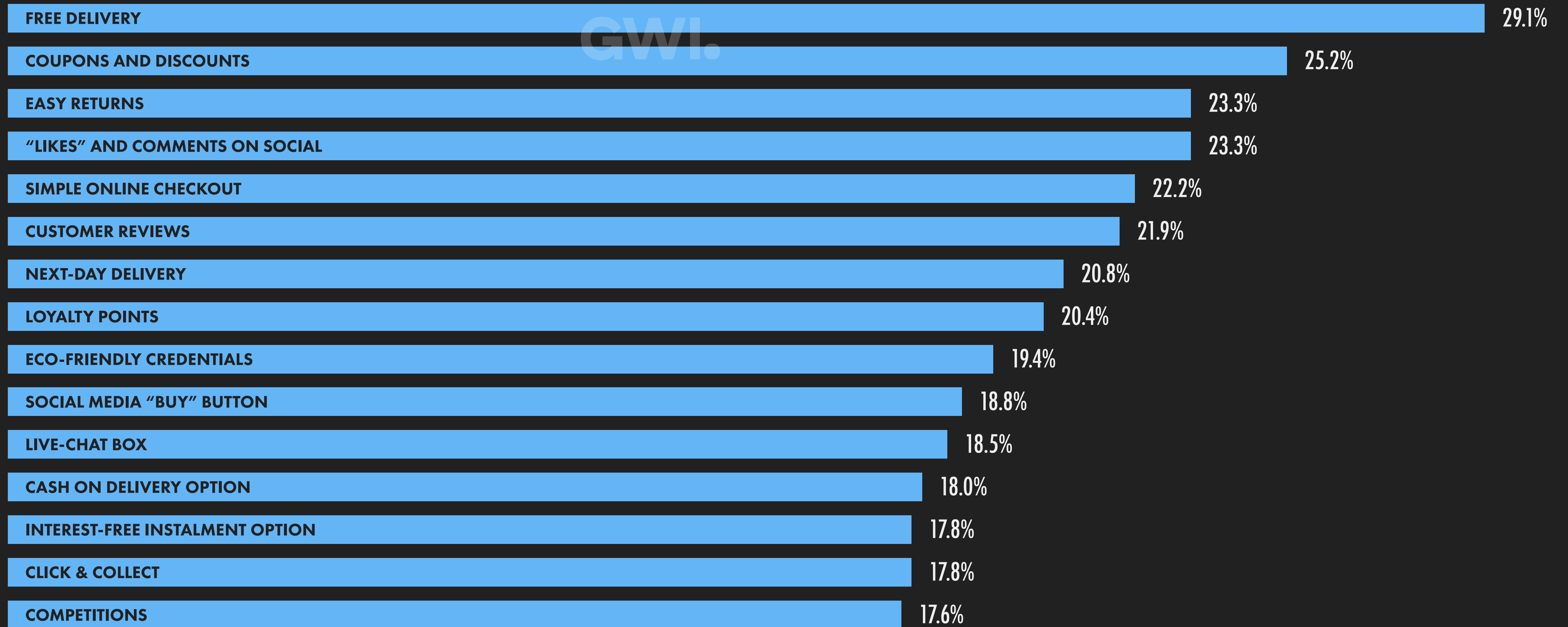
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# ONLINE PURCHASE DRIVERS

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO SAY EACH FACTOR WOULD ENCOURAGE THEM TO COMPLETE AN ONLINE PURCHASE



CHINA



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# OVERVIEW OF CONSUMER GOODS ECOMMERCE

HEADLINES FOR THE ADOPTION AND USE OF CONSUMER GOODS ECOMMERCE (B2C ONLY)



CHINA

NUMBER OF PEOPLE  
PURCHASING CONSUMER  
GOODS VIA THE INTERNET



994.0  
MILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+6.6% (+62 MILLION)**

TOTAL ANNUAL SPEND  
ON ONLINE CONSUMER  
GOODS PURCHASES (USD)



\$1.49  
TRILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+11% (+\$145 BILLION)**

AVERAGE ANNUAL REVENUE  
PER CONSUMER GOODS  
ECOMMERCE USER (USD)



\$1,494

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+3.9% (+\$56.38)**

SHARE OF CONSUMER GOODS  
ECOMMERCE SPEND ATTRIBUTABLE TO  
PURCHASES MADE VIA MOBILE PHONES



81.2%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+1.2% (+97 BPS)**

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**SOURCE:** STATISTA DIGITAL MARKET OUTLOOK. SEE [STATISTA.COM](https://www.statista.com) FOR MORE DETAILS. **NOTES:** "CONSUMER GOODS" INCLUDE: ELECTRONICS, FASHION, FURNITURE, TOYS, HOBBY, DIY, BEAUTY, CONSUMER HEALTHCARE, PERSONAL CARE, HOUSEHOLD CARE, FOOD, BEVERAGES, AND PHYSICAL MEDIA. FIGURES REPRESENT ESTIMATES FOR FULL-YEAR 2021, AND COMPARISONS WITH EQUIVALENT VALUES FOR THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR. FINANCIAL VALUES ARE IN U.S. DOLLARS. PERCENTAGE CHANGE VALUES ARE RELATIVE (I.E. AN INCREASE OF 20% FROM A STARTING VALUE OF 50% WOULD EQUAL 60%, NOT 70%). "BPS" VALUES REPRESENT BASIS POINTS, AND INDICATE ABSOLUTE CHANGE. **COMPARABILITY:** BASE AND CATEGORY DEFINITION CHANGES. FIGURES ARE **NOT COMPARABLE** WITH PREVIOUS REPORTS.



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# ECOMMERCE: CONSUMER GOODS CATEGORIES

ANNUAL SPEND IN EACH CONSUMER GOODS ECOMMERCE CATEGORY (U.S. DOLLARS, B2C ONLY)



CHINA

ELECTRONICS



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**\$398.0**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+3.3% (+\$13 BILLION)**

FASHION



KEPIOS

**\$297.5**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+4.3% (+\$12 BILLION)**

FURNITURE



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**\$104.6**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+0.06% (+\$65 MILLION)**

TOYS, HOBBY, DIY



**\$190.4**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+11% (+\$18 BILLION)**

PERSONAL & HOUSEHOLD CARE



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**\$105.6**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+9.6% (+\$9.3 BILLION)**

FOOD



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**\$234.8**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+39% (+\$66 BILLION)**

BEVERAGES



KEPIOS

**\$83.64**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+32% (+\$20 BILLION)**

PHYSICAL MEDIA



**\$70.61**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+10% (+\$6.6 BILLION)**

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# ONLINE TRAVEL AND TOURISM

ANNUAL SPEND ON ONLINE TRAVEL AND TOURISM SERVICES (U.S. DOLLARS)



CHINA

FLIGHTS



**\$23.86**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-46% (-\$20 BILLION)**

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CAR RENTALS



**\$7.52**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+19% (+\$1.2 BILLION)**



TRAINS



**\$19.61**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-27% (-\$7.1 BILLION)**

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LONG-DISTANCE BUSES



**\$636.1**  
MILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**-50% (-\$633 MILLION)**

HOTELS



**\$31.22**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+47% (+\$10 BILLION)**



PACKAGE HOLIDAYS



**\$13.48**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+46% (+\$4.2 BILLION)**

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VACATION RENTALS



**\$2.98**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+13% (+\$341 MILLION)**



CRUISES



**\$140.0**  
MILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+98% (+\$69 MILLION)**

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# DIGITAL MEDIA SPEND

ANNUAL SPEND ON DIGITAL MEDIA DOWNLOADS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS



CHINA

TOTAL



**\$66.04**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+19% (+\$11 BILLION)**

VIDEO GAMES



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**\$48.82**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+17% (+\$7.3 BILLION)**

VIDEO-ON-DEMAND



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**\$12.78**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+27% (+\$2.7 BILLION)**

EPUBLISHING



**\$2.20**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+12% (+\$241 MILLION)**

DIGITAL MUSIC



**\$2.24**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+20% (+\$370 MILLION)**

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# ONLINE FOOD DELIVERY OVERVIEW

HEADLINES FOR THE ADOPTION AND USE OF ONLINE FOOD DELIVERY SERVICES



CHINA

NUMBER OF PEOPLE  
ORDERING FOOD DELIVERY  
VIA ONLINE PLATFORMS



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**766.7**  
MILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE IN  
THE NUMBER OF ONLINE  
FOOD DELIVERY USERS



**+15.4%**  
**+102 MILLION**

TOTAL ANNUAL VALUE  
OF ONLINE FOOD  
DELIVERY ORDERS (USD)



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**\$159.0**  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN THE VALUE OF ONLINE  
FOOD DELIVERY ORDERS



**+18.6%**  
**+\$25 BILLION**

AVERAGE ANNUAL VALUE  
OF ONLINE FOOD DELIVERY  
ORDERS PER USER (USD)



**\$207**  
YOY: **+2.7%**

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# OVERVIEW OF CONSUMER DIGITAL PAYMENTS

HEADLINES FOR THE ADOPTION AND USE OF DIGITALLY ENABLED PAYMENT SERVICES BY END CONSUMERS



CHINA

NUMBER OF  
PEOPLE MAKING  
DIGITAL PAYMENTS



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**987.8**  
MILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE  
MAKING DIGITAL PAYMENTS



**+6.6%**  
**+61 MILLION**

TOTAL ANNUAL VALUE  
OF DIGITAL PAYMENT  
TRANSACTIONS (USD)



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**\$2.89**  
TRILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN THE VALUE OF DIGITAL  
PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS



**+18.1%**  
**+\$443 BILLION**

AVERAGE ANNUAL VALUE  
OF DIGITAL PAYMENTS  
PER USER (USD)



**\$2,928**  
YOY: **+11%**

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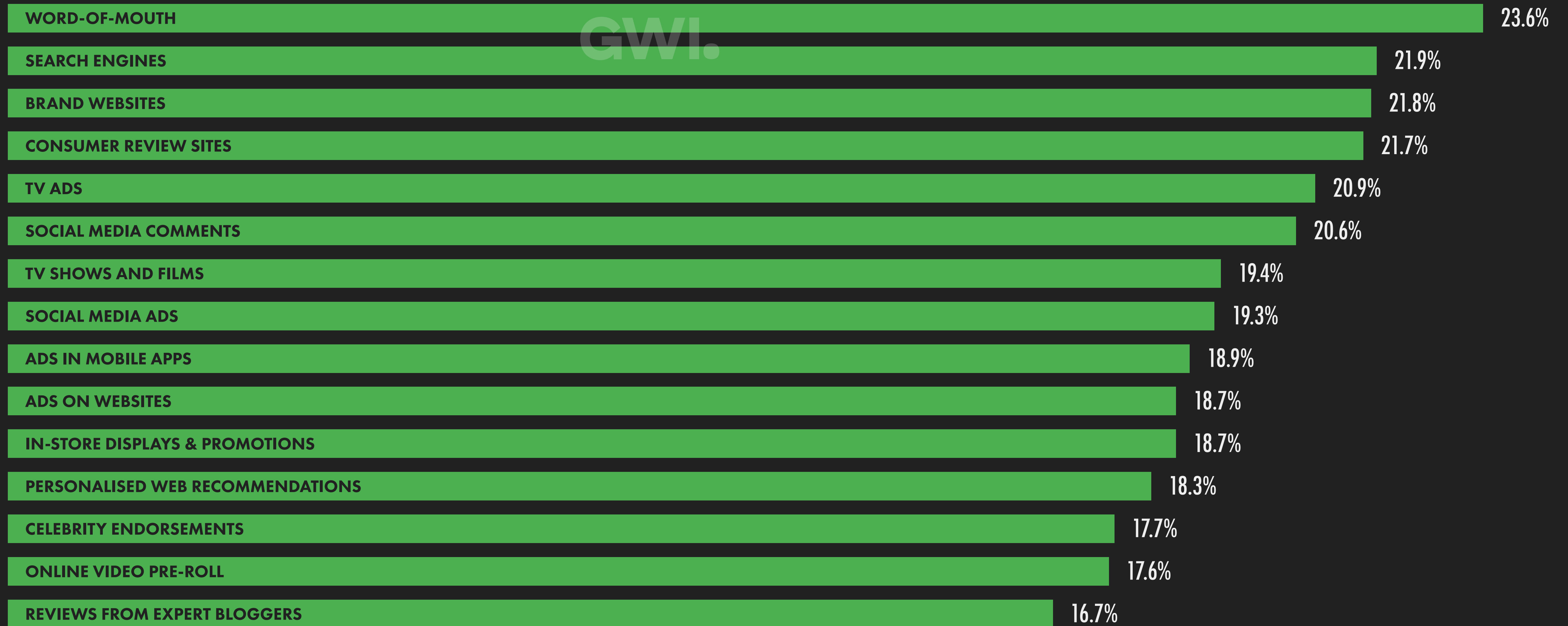
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# SOURCES OF BRAND DISCOVERY

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO DISCOVER NEW BRANDS, PRODUCTS, AND SERVICES VIA EACH CHANNEL OR MEDIUM



CHINA



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# ENGAGEMENT WITH DIGITAL MARKETING

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO SAY THEY ENGAGE IN EACH KIND OF ONLINE ACTIVITY



CHINA

RESEARCH BRANDS  
ONLINE BEFORE  
MAKING A PURCHASE



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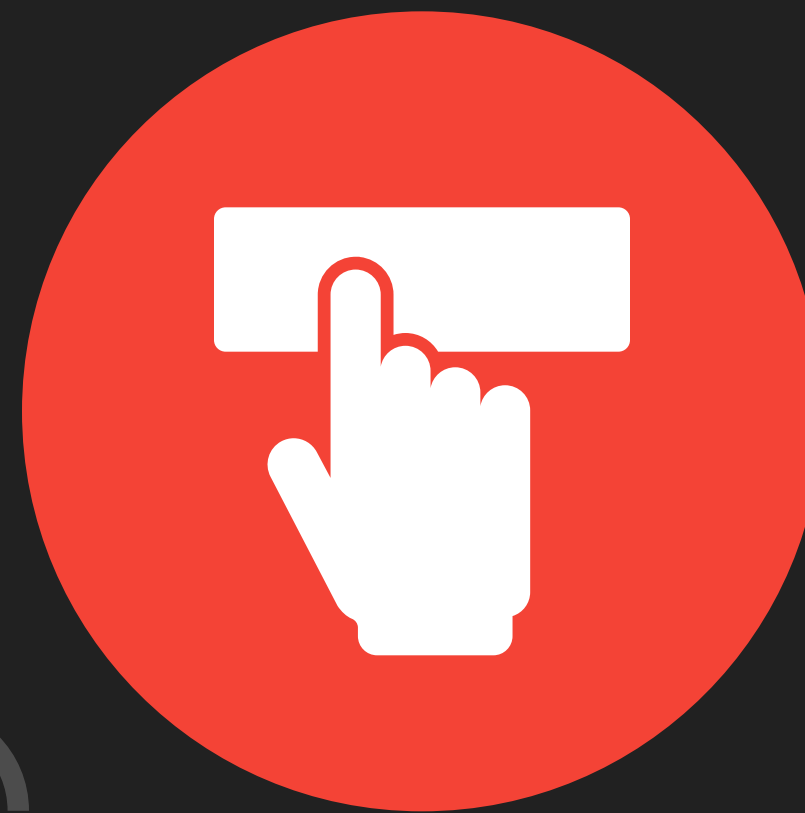
42.6%

VISITED A BRAND'S  
WEBSITE IN THE  
PAST 30 DAYS



21.0%

CLICKED OR TAPPED  
ON A BANNER AD ON A  
WEBSITE IN THE PAST 30 DAYS



16.7%

CLICKED OR TAPPED ON A  
SPONSORED SOCIAL MEDIA  
POST IN THE PAST 30 DAYS



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17.7%

DOWNLOADED OR  
USED A BRANDED MOBILE  
APP IN THE PAST 30 DAYS



17.1%

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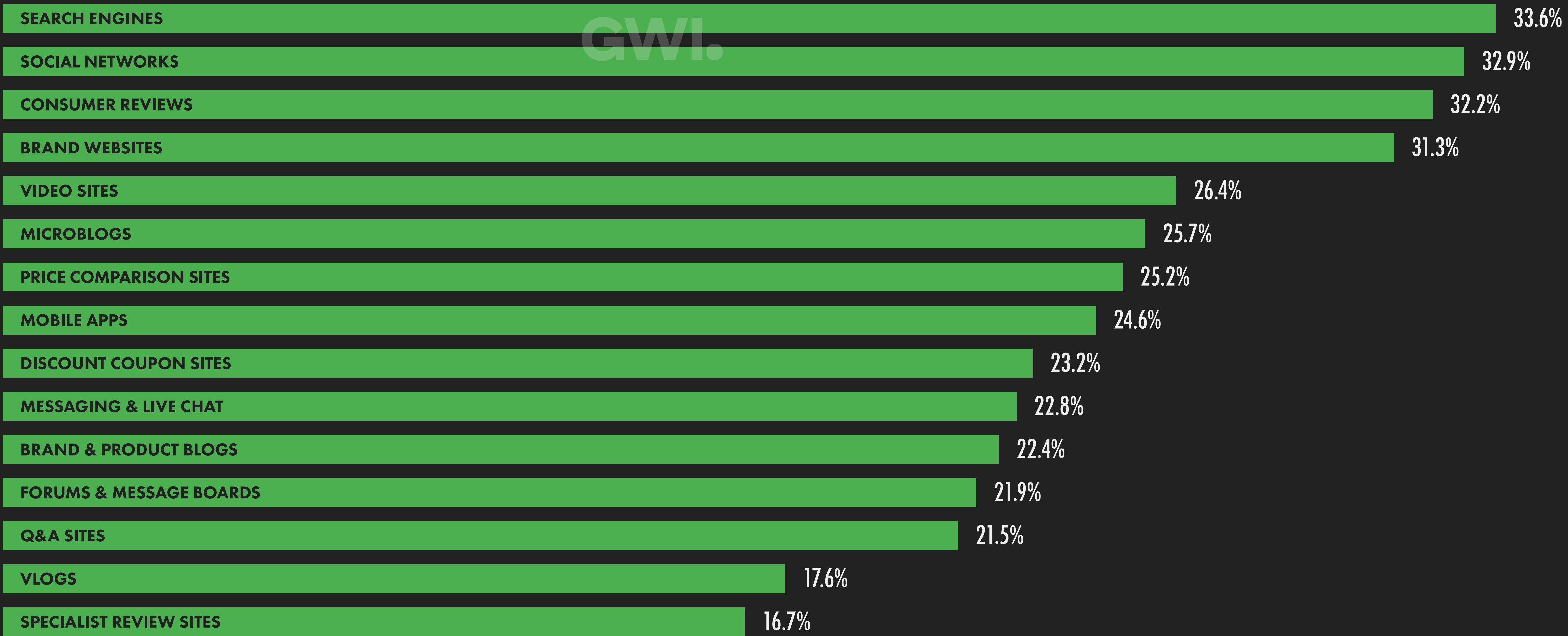
# MAIN CHANNELS FOR ONLINE BRAND RESEARCH

PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS AGED 16 TO 64 WHO USE EACH CHANNEL AS A PRIMARY SOURCE OF INFORMATION WHEN RESEARCHING BRANDS



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# VALUE OF THE DIGITAL ADVERTISING MARKET

ANNUAL SPEND ON DIGITAL ADVERTISING, WITH DETAIL BY ADVERTISING FORMAT (U.S. DOLLARS)



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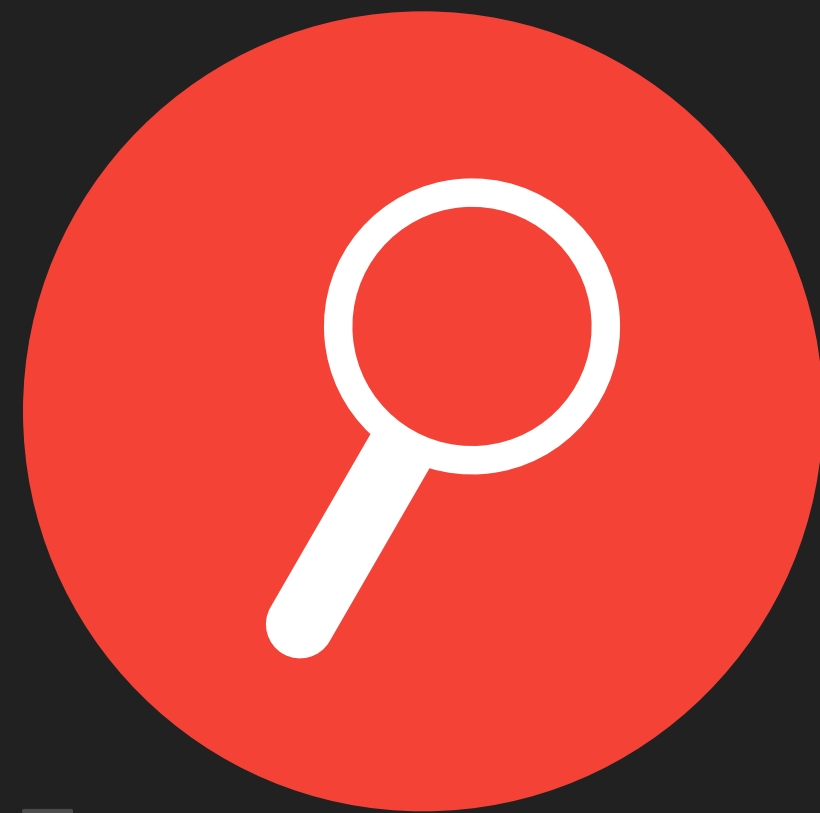
TOTAL



**\$103.3**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+16% (+\$14 BILLION)**

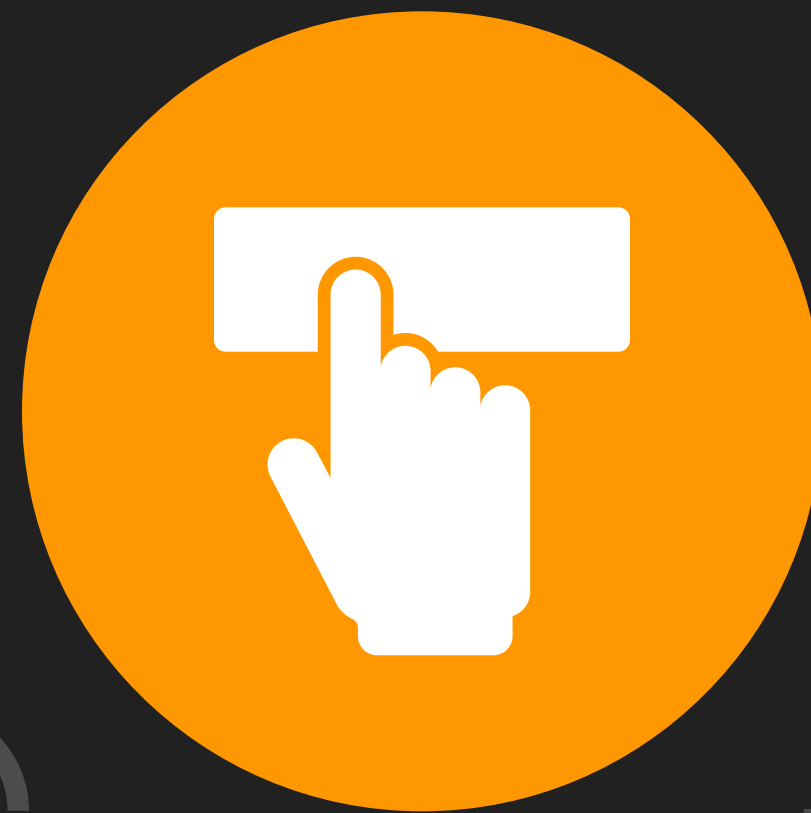
SEARCH ADS



**\$36.83**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+12% (+\$4.0 BILLION)**

BANNER ADS



**\$40.70**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+17% (+\$6.0 BILLION)**

VIDEO ADS



**\$19.30**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+21% (+\$3.3 BILLION)**

CLASSIFIEDS



**\$6.43**  
**BILLION**

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
**+12% (+\$694 MILLION)**

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# SOCIAL MEDIA ADVERTISING OVERVIEW

SOCIAL MEDIA'S SHARE OF THE DIGITAL ADVERTISING MARKET



CHINA

SOCIAL MEDIA'S SHARE  
OF TOTAL DIGITAL  
ADVERTISING SPEND



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43.7%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE IN  
SOCIAL MEDIA'S SHARE OF TOTAL  
DIGITAL ADVERTISING SPEND



KEPIOS

+5.1%  
+210 BPS

ANNUAL SPEND  
ON SOCIAL MEDIA  
ADVERTISING (USD)



\$45.13  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN SOCIAL MEDIA  
ADVERTISING SPEND



+21.5%  
+\$8.0 BILLION

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# PROGRAMMATIC ADVERTISING OVERVIEW

SHARE OF DIGITAL ADVERTISING FULFILLED VIA PROGRAMMATIC TECHNOLOGIES



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PROGRAMMATIC'S  
SHARE OF TOTAL DIGITAL  
ADVERTISING SPEND



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84.6%

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE IN  
PROGRAMMATIC'S SHARE OF  
TOTAL DIGITAL ADVERTISING SPEND



+1.3%  
+105 BPS

ANNUAL SPEND ON  
PROGRAMMATIC  
ADVERTISING (USD)



\$87.39  
BILLION

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE  
IN PROGRAMMATIC  
ADVERTISING SPEND (USD)



+17.1%  
+\$13 BILLION

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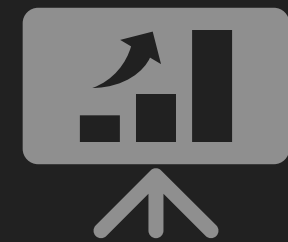
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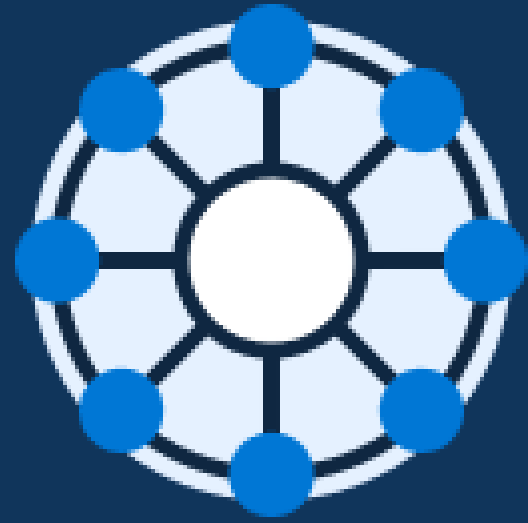
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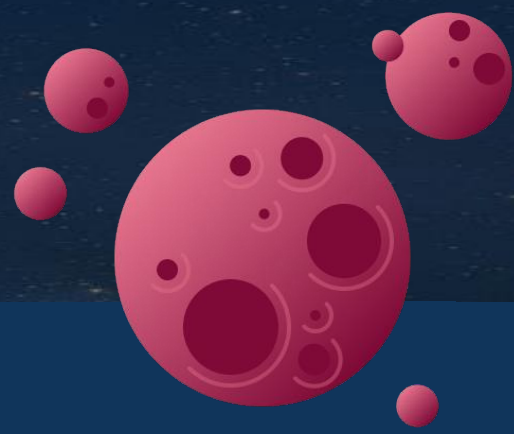


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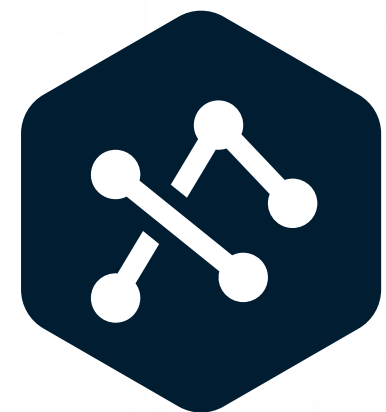
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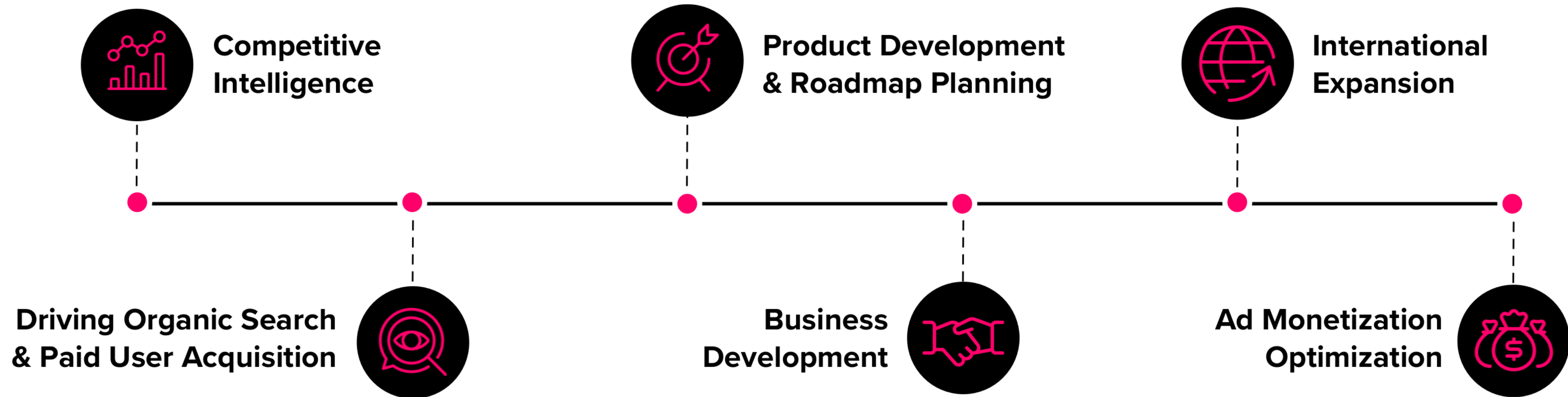
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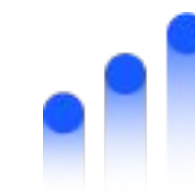
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# NOTES ON DATA VARIANCE, MISMATCHES, AND CURIOSITIES

**Note:** This page is a summary of our comprehensive notes on data variance, potential mismatches, and curiosities, which you can read in full at <https://datareportal.com/notes-on-data>.

This report features data from a wide variety of different sources, including market research agencies, internet and social media companies, governments, public bodies, news media, and private individuals, as well as extrapolations and analysis of that data.

Wherever possible, we've prioritised data sources that provide broader geographical coverage, in order to minimise potential variations between data points, and to offer more reliable comparison across countries. However, where we believe that standalone metrics provide a more reliable reference, we use such standalone numbers to ensure more accurate reporting.

Please note that some data points may only be available for a limited selection of countries, so we may not be able to report the same data in all reports.

From time to time, we may also **change the source(s)** that we use to inform specific data points. As a result, some figures may appear to change in unexpected ways from one report to another. Wherever we're aware of these changes, we include details in the

footnotes of each relevant chart, but please use caution when comparing data from different reports, because changes to research samples, base data, research methodologies, and approaches to reporting may mean that values are **not comparable**.

Furthermore, due to the differing data collection and treatment methodologies, and the different periods during which data have been collected, there may be significant differences in the reported metrics for similar data points throughout this report. For example, data from surveys often varies over time, even if that data has been collected by the same organisation using the same approach in each wave of their research.

In particular, reports of internet user numbers vary considerably between different sources and over time. In part, this is because there are significant challenges associated with collecting, analysing, and publishing internet user data on a regular basis, not least because research into public internet use necessitates the use of face-to-face surveys. Different organisations may also adopt different approaches to sampling the population for research into internet use, and variations in areas such as the age range of the survey population, or the balance between urban and rural respondents, may play an important role in determining eventual findings. Note that COVID-19 has limited internet user research.

Prior to our Digital 2021 reports, we included data sourced from social media platforms' self-service advertising tools in our calculations of internet user numbers, but we **no longer include this data** in our internet user figures. This is because the user numbers reported by social media platforms are typically based on **active user accounts**, and may not represent unique individuals. For example, one person may maintain more than one active presence (account) on the same social media platform. Similarly, some accounts may represent 'non-human' entities, including: pets and animals; historical figures; businesses, causes, groups, and organisations; places of interest; etc.

As a result, the figures we report for social media users may **exceed** internet user numbers. However, while this may seem counter-intuitive or surprising, such instances do not represent errors in the data or in our reporting. Rather, these differences may indicate delays in the reporting of internet user numbers, or they may indicate higher instances of individuals managing multiple social media accounts, or 'non-human' social media accounts.

If you have any questions about specific data points in these reports, or if you'd like to offer your organisation's data for consideration in future reports, please email our reports team: [reports@kepios.com](mailto:reports@kepios.com).

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