PR News
Driving ROI with
Metrics

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Defining ROI

ROI = Return on Investment

Program costs (including time spent)

+

Social media team salaries

Vs.

Program Impact

=

Return on Investment



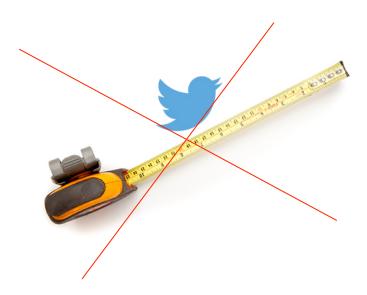


The history of ROI Metrics

In the beginning: Measure the impact of a single tweet? Impossible!



Then it evolved to: Measuring awareness and initial action with likes, comments and followers









Before You Start

To move from a social marketing monitoring program to social business:

- Clearly define your company and program intent and goals
 - Awareness, Engagement Action, Advocacy
- Determine where this program will live
- Create sales/marketing journey maps for each customer type
- Determine the lifetime value (LTV) of a customer
 - Average items purchased per sale
 - Average transactions per customer
 - Average revenue per purchase and per customer
- Determine the financial impact of your programming across company lines (sales, marketing, customer care, HR)
- Establish unique metrics based on program goals





What Impacts KPIs

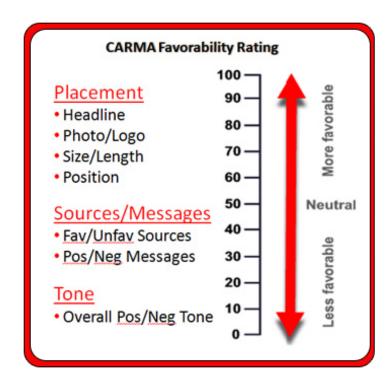
- Overall company and program goals
- Department goal
- Audience type
- Available material
- Current visibility in the market place
- Platforms selected





Brand health
Brand awareness
Share of voice
Sentiment
Coverage/Content

- Total # of articles generated
- Article(s) placement + length
- Assets included (image, quote)
- Comments/thread size
- Secondary coverage
- Downloads and shares
- Inbound traffic and sales leads





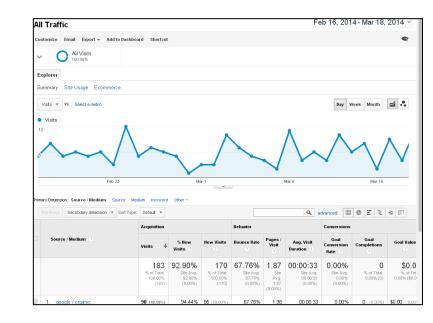


Message adoption

- # of mentions utilizing quotes/reiterating message
- Resonation of message
- Impact of message modifications

Inbound traffic

- URL builders and unique URLs
- Total inbound traffic leads
- New vs. returning visitors
- Time on site and pages views
- Final actions







Customer retention

- Number of issues handled
- Decrease in inbound calls or queries

Lead generation

- Impact on conversion rates
- Impact on funnel movement

Sales

- Reduction on time spent in sales funnel
- Online and in-store traffic
- Purchase
- Amount purchased
- Advocacy sales

Awareness!

Aids potential discovery by true brand fans

Research Phase!

Discovery furthers the consideration process

Take Action!

Engage, write, read, share, buy

Advocate!

Shares news, decreasing consideration

Loyalty!

Re-enters the funnel







Owned channel subscriptions

Fan base advocacy

- # of shares and discussions generated from identified and unidentified brand fans
- Total 3rd party product or company brand recommendations
- Sales
- Offline business referrals

Market analysis/forecasting

Overall discussions on key topics







Creating a metrics framework

	EXPOSURE	ENGAGEMENT	INFLUENCE	IMPACT	ADVOCACY
PROGRAM METRICS	Total OTS for program content	Number of interactions with content Interaction rate Hashtag usage	Increase % association with key attributes Change in issue sentiment	New subscribers Referral traffic to website White paper downloads	Recommendation/ Total Mentions %
CHANNEL METRICS	Number of items Mentions Reach Impressions CPM	Post Likes Comments Shares Views RTs/1000 Followers	Net promoter % by channel	Unique visitors to website referred from each channel	Organic posts by advocates Ratings/Reviews
BUSINESS METRICS			Purchase consideration % Likelihood to recommend % Association with brand attributes	Sales Repeat sales Purchase frequency Cost savings Number leads	Employee ambassadors Brand fans/advocates





	EXPOSURE	ENGAGEMENT	INFLUENCE	ACTION
Paid	Opportunities to See Impressions Click-thrus CPM TRPs	Interaction rate Duration (time spent) Branded search Cost per click	Purchase consideration Change in opinion or attitudes Association with key brand attributes	Visit website Attend the event Buy the product Play the game/contest Download coupon
Earned	Comment sentiment Organic search rank Message inclusion Impressions Net positive impressions	Readership Message recall & retention Awareness Call center calls URL visits	Purchase consideration Change in opinion or attitudes Association with key brand attributes	Visit the store Attend the event Buy the product Vote for/against
Shared	Branded mentions Share of positive online discussion Comment sentiment Number of Followers, Likers	Comments/Post ratio Number of links Number of re-tweets Bookmarks/votes/likes Resolution Rate	Tell a friend Likelihood to recommend to a friend Ratings Reviews	Visit the store Attend the event Buy the product Vote for/against
Owned	Unique visitors, cost per unique visitor Page views Click-thrus Search rank	Return visits Interaction rate Re-commenters Duration (time spent) Subscriptions Links	Tell a friend Change in opinions or attitudes Association with key brand attributes	Download white paper Download game or app Buy the product Request more info



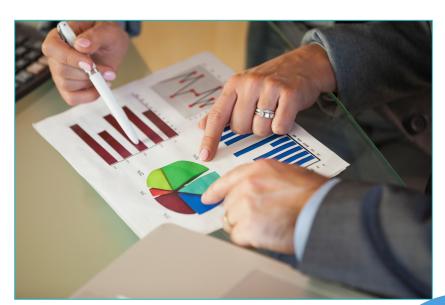
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			AWARENESS	APPRECIATION	ACTION	ADVOCACY	BENCHMARKS
SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM		INTENT	Awareness of social media platform	Brand engagement and appreciation of social media platform	Solicits a response or influences purchase behaviour in some way	Creates word of mouth and stimulates advocacy	
Can be any Social Media platform eg. Social network (community forum,		SOFT METRICS	Search rankings	# of fans / followers	Website referrals	# of bookmarks	Comparative stats from: - similar social media platform/similar historical campaigns - other social media platforms - non social media platforms (e.g. direct mail/banner advertising) - competitor activity - non-sector specific/best in class
			Referrals frombrand website	# of subscribers (email, RSS)	Call centre enquiries	# of status updates	
			Unique visitors	# of comments, interaction, @replies, # of DMs, # of plays, bookmarks	Brochure requests	Share This metrics	
			Reach	# of discussion threads	Coupons downloaded		
			Impressions	inbound links, trackbacks, pinbacks	Handraiser registrations	Digg/Stumbleupon/Reddit	
			Search rankings	# of active users		# of inbound links	
				Poll votes		Influence Ranking	
				Page views		Media coverage incl blogs	
fan page), Blog		,		Videos viewed		Video installs	
Microblogging,App, Sharing video / photos, podcasting, Social Media Advertising.		a		Return visits		spin-offs (video)	
				Dwell time			
				# of competition entries UGC uploads/submissions			
			Cost per Impression (CPI)	Cost per Engagement (CPE)	Cost per Lead (CPL)	Cost per Referral (CPR)	
		FINANCIAL	Cost per unique visitor	Cost per subscriber	Incremental sales		
				Cost per page view	Cost per incremental sale		
				Cost per follower	Frequency of purchase		
				Cost per play (video)	Average purchase value		
					Reduction in call centre costs		
	45%				Retention rates		





Analyzing the data

Gathering the data is one thing, now how do you use it?





Analyzing Data for Program Refinement

Utilize data to determine

- Brand health
- Gaps in your messaging program
- Product/organization clarifications
- Demystifying your offerings
- Ways to reduce operational/customer service costs
- Potential new partnerships
- Message modifications within core and secondary audiences
- New conversation themes
- Product modifications or new offerings
- The conversion rates for initiatives originating online vs. offline





Measurement Tools

The paid: NUVI, Radian6, Sysomos, Hootsuite Enterprise, Omniture

The free: Social Mention, Google alerts, Google searches by time, Hootsuite, TweetDeck, bit.ly, Google Analytics, Facebook analytics,

Twitter analytics

The Experts

- KD Paine
- Beth Kantar
- Altimeter Group
- PR News
- Business Wire





10 Key Takeaways

- 1. Clear your calendar: monitoring and analysis takes time
- 2. Get company buy in from department heads
- 3. Know your company/business division/PR goals
- 4. Set KPIs and baselines before you start
- Everything can be measured. Focus on business impact reducing costs, increasing sales and building a better organization
- 6. Share data internally to initiate bigger change
- 7. Use data to determine social media platform and program focus
- 8. Combine data for even more impact
- 9. Social listening = business action so get company buy in from the start

If your monitoring platform does not work for you, get rid of it.



