## AUDIENCE NET

## Live Music Consumers

## Who Are They?

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## SAMPLE

## 3,014 Respondents

A statistically and demographically representative sample of the US population.

All respondents had online access.


## LIVE ATTENDEE PERSONAS



## SECTION

Live Music Purchasing

## DEFINITIONS: PURCHASING

Tickets to concerts/gigs were the third most purchased music products at $17 \%$, while $7 \%$ purchased a ticket to at least one festival.

All respondents were asked which, if any, music-related products they had purchased over the past 6 months
Over half of the sample (58\%) had purchased or been given a music related product over the past 6 months.


1 in 5 16-44 year olds had purchased a ticket
to a music concert/gig over the past 6 months.
Ticket purchasing, for both music concerts/gigs and festivals, peaked among
those aged between $16-44$, before dropping within the older age groups.

TOTAL $16-24 \bigcirc$ 25-34 ${ }^{2}$ 35-44 ${ }^{45-54}$ - $55-64 \quad$ 65+


## TOTAL SPENDING

## Expectantly, spending increased

the more expensive the product.

Expensive items such as gig tickets and festival tickets attracted the highest amount of spending. $84 \%$ had spent at least $\$ 40$ on gig tickets, and importantly, of that $84 \%$, $54 \%$ had spent over $\$ 100$. Festival tickets showed a similar, yet slightly reduced, trend; $73 \%$ had spent at least $\$ 40$, and of that $73 \%, 42 \%$ had spent over $\$ 100$.


Question: Roughly how much have you personally spent on the following in the past 6 months?
Base: Various - those who bought each produc

## DISTANCE WILLING TO TRAVEL

Festival and music gig/concert ticket purchasers were then asked how far they were willing to travel to attend their chosen event.

Over half of festival ticket purchasers (51\%) were willing to travel over 100 miles to attend their chosen festival. Of this, a fifth ( $21 \%$ ) were willing to travel over 300 miles
By comparison, gig/concert ticket attendees were less willing to travel long distances, with $40 \%$ travelling over 100 miles.

## LIVE MUSIC ATTENDEES (\%)

TO A FESTIVAL TO A GIG/CONCERT


[^0]music festival? | Base: 522 Concert/gig attendees. 205 festival attendees

## SECTION 2:

## Live Music Attendees

## ATTENDEES ARE HEAVILY ENGAGED

Live music attendees, to both gigs/concerts and festivals, were considerably more engaged with music than the national population, over-indexing on agreement with each of the tested statements.

Here respondents were asked whether they agree or disagree with a range a statements relating to the role music plays in their lives. These were then used to determine the level of engagement each respondent had with music.

|  | Total | Gig Goers | Festival Goers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MY FRIENDS OFTEN ASK ME ABOUT NEW MUSIC | $27 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $47 \%$ |
| MUSIC IS CENTRAL TO MY LIFE | $40 \%$ | $58 \%$ | 53\% |
| I KNOW MORE ABOUT MUSIC THAN MOST PEOPLE I KNOW | $31 \%$ | $47 \%$ | $55 \%$ |
| MUSIC IS MY FAVORITE KIND OF ENTERTAINMENT | $38 \%$ | $\mathbf{5 0} \%$ | $49 \%$ |
| I ACTIVELY SEARCH FOR NEW MUSIC | $35 \%$ | $\mathbf{5 0} \%$ | $49 \%$ |

## AND THEY ARE HEAVY MUSIC PURCHASERS

Reflective of their higher engagement with music, festival attendee segments
were more likely to have purchased a music related product.
Particularly popular items included tickets for music/concerts/gigs (between
$50 \%-70 \%$ ). Music Merchandise (between 40\%-50\%) and Vinyl Albums (around 20\%).

## MUSIC PRODUCT PURCHASING (\%)

- total


## - COACHELLA

- lollapalooza
- warped tour


[^1]
## FESTIVAL GOERS ARE MEDIA HUNGRY

Respondents who carried out each the tested activities were then asked how long they roughly spend doing each in a typical day. Responses were accumulated, allowing the average time listening (in minutes) to be calculated.
Both gig and festival attendees spend longer listening to music than the average American. While the average American listens to music for an average 162 minutes a day, gig/concert attendees

AVERAGE TIME SPENT ON EACH ACTIVITY (\%)


[^2]Base: 2,968 Respondents

## ATTENDEES ARE BIG LISTENERS

## Given their aforementioned increased engagement with music, gig and festival attendees were more likely to listen to each radio format, over a weekly period*, than the national population. <br> Key stand-outs were AM/FM Radio stations streamed online and other internet radio (Pandora etc.), where over-indexes were the most prominent. <br> In terms of individual attendee segments, Coachella attendants were the heaviest users, recording the peak usage levels across all radio formats, except Radio via TV where Warped Tour attendees reined. <br> WEEKLYREACH (\%)

TOTAL GIG-GOERS FESTIVALGOERS COACHELLA LOLLAPALOOZA WARPED TOUR



AM/FM Radio Stations
Streamed Online

[^3]at any one time during the last seven days? | Base: 3,006 Respondents

Again, given their aforementioned increased engagement with music, attendees were more likely to listen to online platforms, than the average American.

YouTube, Spotify, iTunes and Podcast(s) recorded the most significant over-indexes amongst both gig-goers and festival-goers, as well as Pandora amongst latter segment. Although wider gig-goers and festival-goers recorded higher usage levels of digital files, usage dropped amongst the individual segments (Coachella, Lollapalooza etc.). Here, Coachella attendees were again the heaviest users, with their usage peaking across most platforms. The exception being Vinyl, which was particularly popular amongst Warped Tour attendees (13\% vs 3\%)



Question: Which, if any, of the following have you used in order to listen to audio content (music or speech) for five minutes or more
at any one time during the last seven days? | Base: 3,006 Respondents

## EECTION 3: Discovery

## AND BIG MUSIC EXPLORERS

Attendees discovered more music through all tested channels that the national population, especially digital platforms.

As more active music consumers, attendees naturally discovered more music through each listening method than the national average. Digital discovery methods particularly stood out, such as YouTube and features on streaming services, such as: 'Artist Radio', playlists, and browsing ‘Similar Artists', ecommendations from friends and live performances were also key stand outs amongst gig-goers.

## MUSCDISCOVERYMETHODS (\%)

total gig-goers festivalgoers coachella lollapalooza warped tour




Question: How do you typically discover music?
Base: 3,006 Respondents

## ‘GO TO’ SOURCE POST DISCOVERY

Respondents were then asked, once they had discovered a new piece of music they like, what their 'go to' source was to listen to it. Respondents could choose one option only Given engagement with music was high among event attendees, it has so far been difficult to determine their main source of music listening, given they over-index on most, if not all, radio and online sources. Here however, as respondents were allowed to choose only one method of consumption, they were forced to weigh each method against one another, thus revealing their utmost preferred source.

Among attendee segments, a music service a respondent had subscribed to (Spotify, Apple Music, Deezer etc.) was the clear winner here, recording the most significant over-indexes of the options tested (between 28\%-38\% compared to $18 \%$ amongst the national population).

## 'GO TO' SOURCES POST DISCOVERY (\%)



[^4]Base: 3,006 Respondents

## ATTENDEES MORE LIKELY TO SEARCH FOR NEW MUSIC

Respondents were asked how they split their listening time between listening to music familiar to them, or searching and discovering new music.

All attendee segments spent around or over a quarter of their listening time searching for a discovering new music, again reflective of their engagement with the media form.
Of the individual attendee segments, Coachella attendees with the most likely to seek out new music at $39 \%$.

FAMILIAR MUSIC VS DISCOVERING SOMETHING NEW (\%)


## - LISTENING TO MUSIC WHICH IS FAMILIAR TO YOU

- SEARCHING FOR AND DISCOVERING NEW MUSIC (NOT NECESSARILY NEW RELEASED MUSIC, JUST MUSIC NEW TO YOU)

Question: How is your music listening split between the following?
Base: 3,006 Respondents

## SECTION $4:$

## Subscriptions

## AND ARE MORE LIKELY TO BE PAID SUBSCRIBERS

Attendees were much more likely to have a paid subscription to a music streaming service than the average American. Over a third of gig-goers (38\%), and over a half of festival-goers (55\%), stated they paid for a subscription, both significant overindexes, which are again reflective of their increased engagement with music

Out of the individual festival attendees, Coachella attendants were the most likely to pay for streaming at $80 \%$. Followed by Warped Tour attendants (72\%) and Lollapalooza attendants (65\%).

## PAID SUBSCRIPTION UPTAKE (\%)



[^5]Base: 3,006 Respondents


## Festival Sponsorship

## 80\%

of US millennials state that brand sponsorship enhances the festival experience

## 36\%

state that brand sponsorship enhances the festival experience to a great extent

## Artist Clusters \& Brands

Taylor Swift Beyoncé Iggy Azalea

Katy Perry

- Lorde

One Direction



[^0]:    Question: In general. How far are you willing to travel to attend a music concert / gig? In general., how far are you willing to travel to attend

[^1]:    Question:Which of the for
    Base: 3,006 Respondent

[^2]:    All those who carry out each activity in a 'typical' day

[^3]:    Question: Which, if any, of the following have you used in order to listen to audio content (music or speech) for five minutes or more

[^4]:    Question:Onceyounave

[^5]:    uestion: Do you pay for a premium subscription to a music streaming service?

