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Walmart Customer Spark Community Panel Deep Dive

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Walmart Customer Spark Community | Introduction

Introducing: Walmart Customer Spark Community

The Walmart Customer Spark Community is an exclusive, invitation-only network of verified shoppers that set the standard for reliable and in-depth product and service evaluations.

The following analysis highlights the advantages of the Walmart Customer Spark Community over four other industry-leading panels, showcasing its superior engagement, response quality, and depth of insights. By leveraging the Walmart Customer Spark Community, you can tap into a highly engaged and diverse group of shoppers to gain valuable metrics that fuel creativity while maintaining a competitive edge.



Walmart Customer Spark Community | Engagement and quality

The Walmart Customer Spark Community panel was evaluated against four industry-leading panels in terms of response quality.

How?

An online survey with a minimum of 500 qualified respondents per panel. The programming and hosting was conducted by a third-party agency. Each sample was click-balanced* by National U.S. Census representation.

*Click balancing ensures that demographic data isn't scudded towards one demographic but rather represent a balanced (distributed or weighted) pool of respondents. This method is intended to help reduce sampling bias caused by over-representation of certain demographics due to higher response rates.

Walmart Customer Spark Community | Engagement and quality

Our community panelists were highly engaged relative to members of other industry-leading panels



Our members spent 13% more time responding to the full survey, indicating greater thoughtfulness

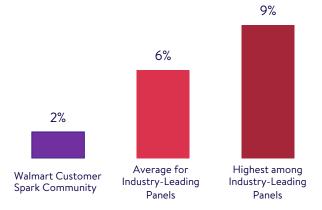
Walmart Customer Spark Community 8 min 26 sec

Average for Industry-Leading Panels 7 min 27 sec

Shortest Time among Industry-Leading Panels 6 min 39 sec

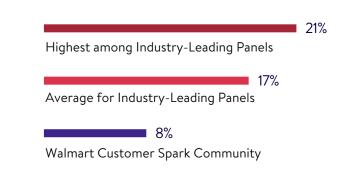


Other industry panels reported 3x as many "speeders", or respondents who answered quickly without fully engaging, indicating a lower level of attentiveness



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Other industry panels reported 2x as many "straightliners", or respondents who gave the same answer across multiple questions, indicating a lack of engagement

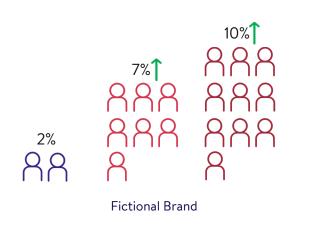


Walmart Customer Spark Community Engagement and quality

Our unique approach to first-party research coupled with transactional history gives our data an edge

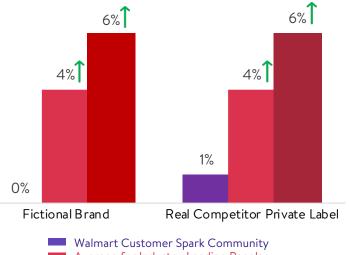


Our members report 5% less awareness of fictional brand, indicating more honest, thoughtfulness insights





Our members report zero to minimal purchases of fictional and competitor private brands at **Walmart** in the past 3 months, highlighting greater attentiveness in the results



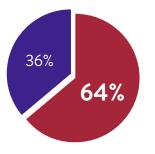
Average for Industry-Leading Panels

Highest among Industry-Leading Panels



Issues with self-reported data are common to all industry-leading panels. Customer Perception mitigates such issues by leveraging hyper-targeting supported by transactional records to fuel accuracy in survey recruitment.

64% of respondents who claimed no purchases at **Walmart** in the past 3 months had transactions in the database, showing the unreliability of self-reported data and the need for cross-referencing with transactional records.



Walmart Customer Spark Community | Innovative insights

The Customer Perception Research Team analyzed the richness of the Walmart Customer Spark Community data by running a short study with panelists and identified areas of overlap with other industry-leading panels.

We asked the question:

If you could invent a new potato chip flavor, what would it be?

Walmart Customer Spark Community | Innovative insights

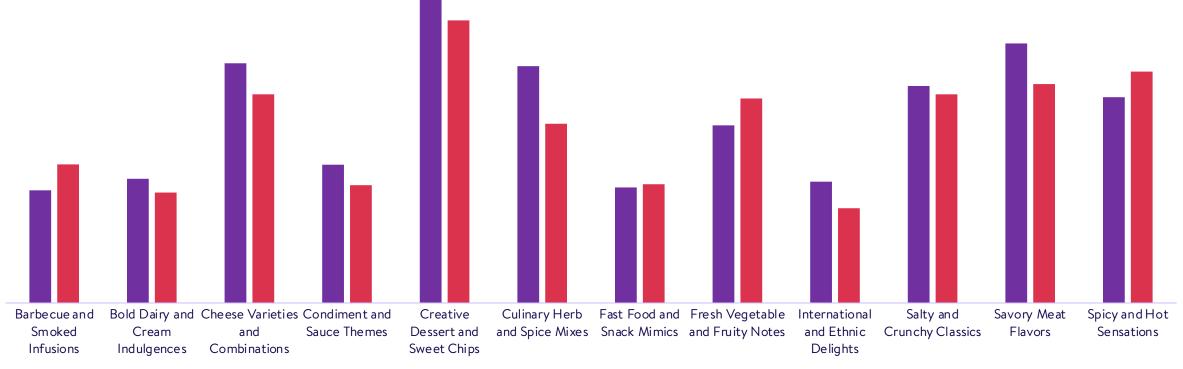
Our members provided more unique suggestions and complex answers without prompt

"Something with **less sodium**, but flavored like sauerkraut. Top the Tator flavored (I use that for chip dip). Bags of normal potato chips with a **packet inside to make a dip** (ranch, sour cream, onion, etc.) **Bags of chips with recipe cards** that show how to use them in casseroles, dip in chocolate, etc. I'm always looking for ways to jazz up casseroles/hot dishes."

"I would love a somewhat salty but also just a tad bit spicy type of curvy, golden brown potato chip that's **air fried, and sold in different size bags**. It would be even better if we can find a **biodegradable packaging option** for it."

"I would like an enchilada flavor potato chip and for **the bag to have a zip lock**. And I would like a refried bean potato chip." Walmart Customer Spark Community | Innovative insights

Our members provided equal depth and quality to other panels in the industry



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Industry-Leading Panels

Walmart Customer Spark Community | Retail shopping patterns

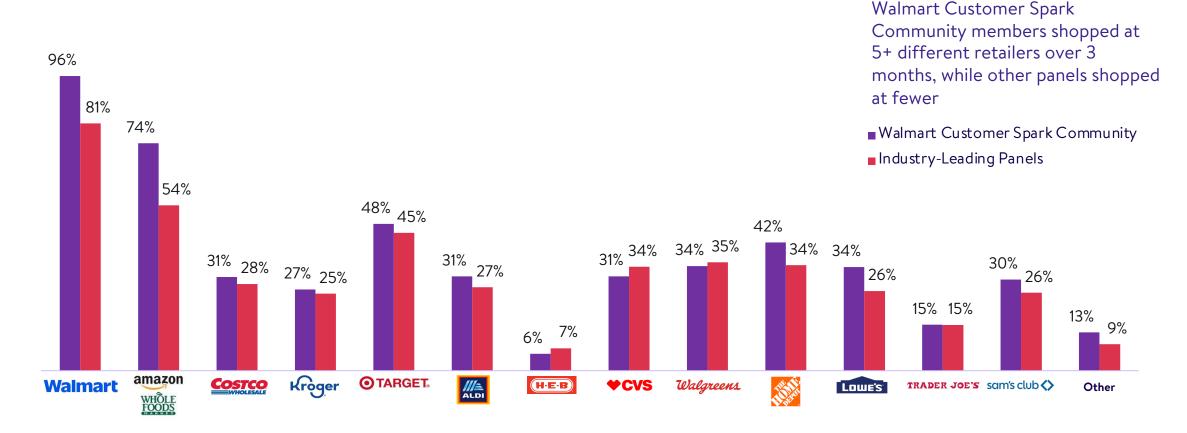
The Customer Perception Research Team examined the Walmart Customer Spark Community cross-shopping behavior beyond Walmart and their purchasing patterns across product categories.

We asked:

Which of the following retailers have you made a purchase from in the last three months? Indicate the categories you have purchased from.

Walmart Customer Spark Community | Retail shopping patterns

Walmart Customer Spark Community members represented diverse retail spending habits



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Walmart Customer Spark Community | Retail shopping patterns

Walmart Customer Spark Community members' cross-retail purchasing patterns are comparable to industry-leading panels



*The survey included 14 categories for respondents to indicate past 3 months purchase across retailers. Categories: Grocery, Activities & Art Supplies, Electronics & Entertainment, Clothing & Shoes & Accessories, Home & Furniture, Garden, Health & Wellness, Beauty & Personal Care, Sports & Outdoors, Pet Supplies, Baby Supplies, Home Improvement, Toys, Seasonal Decor & Party Supplies.

Walmart Customer Spark Community | Conclusion

Conclusion: Walmart Customer Spark Community

The Walmart Customer Spark Community stands out for its high engagement and commitment to providing high-quality responses, with members offering more detailed and nuanced answers than other industry-leading panels.

Additionally, the diverse shopping habits of the Walmart Customer Spark Community, extending beyond **Walmart**, enrich their perspectives and make their feedback invaluable. This broader representation ensures that the insights we gather are both comprehensive and truly reflective of the wider customer landscape.

