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Background

The Connected Consumer is a quarterly study conducted by Decision Lab starting in 2019. The study focuses on consumers' online habits, including social media usage, entertainment (music, movies, online videos), as well as online shopping. Data in this report is collected using Decision Lab's online panel.

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Achieved sample

QUARTER	SAMPLE COLLECTION PERIOD	TOTAL SAMPLE SIZE
Q42022	Oct 2022 - Dec 2022	1584
Q32022	Jul 2022 – Sep 2022	1507
Q22022	Apr 2022 – Jun 2022	1644
Q12022	Jan 2022 – Mar 2022	1455
Q42021	Oct 2021 - Dec 2021	881
Q32021	Jul 2021 – Sep 2021	1440
Q22021	Apr 2021 – Jun 2021	1833
Q12021	Jan 2021 – Mar 2021	2028
Q42020	Oct 2020 - Dec 2020	884
Q32020	July 2020 – Sep 2020	1655
Q22020	Apr 2020 – Jun 2020	1099
Q12020	Dec 2019 – Feb 2020	2149
2019	Aug 2019 – Sep 2019	457



The Connected Consumers' profiles







GEN Z BORN BETWEEN 1997 – 2006 AGE 16 – 25

GEN Y (MILLENNIALS) BORN BETWEEN 1981 – 1996 AGE 26 – 41 **GEN X** BORN BETWEEN 1960 – 1980 AGE 42 – 62

Key highlights



After a bleak Q3 2022, social media usage spiked in the last quarter of 2022. Giants such as Facebook and YouTube received tremendous boosts overall and across category usage.



Q42022 witnessed the decline of TikTok—albeit slight—despite the platform's consistent growth since the beginning of the publication.



One area that TikTok continued to grow in is e-commerce, with a +5% increase in usage. However, this growth happens in a healthy landscape with major players experiencing increased usage overall.



Zalo – fast-rising on usage overall – broke through consecutive quarters of plateauing performance and gained 6% in favorability as a messaging app in Q4 2022.

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Spotify

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Social Media Platforms

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Top 3 social media platforms—Penetration rates (%)



Usage of the top 3 social media platforms increased in Q4 2022

The usage of Zalo and YouTube rose faster than that of Facebook, helping Zalo to inch closer to being the most used social platform in Vietnam.

Overall increases in social media usage are observed across platforms



Q: Which of the following social media platforms are you using? (Choose all that apply)

Q42022 n=1584

Majority of increases in usage came from Gen X across platforms. On the other hand, TikTok's usage decreased by 9% among Gen Z.

Q42021

Q32021

Q2 2021

Q12021



Consumers' primary applications



The primary position of TikTok decreased by 1%, while that of YouTube expanded.

Q: What is your one primary app?

Q42022n=1584

YouTube's source of growth was apparent across age groups.





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Q32021

Q12021

Q2 2021



Gen Z n=513; Gen Y n=636; Gen X n=435



Messages

Platforms by Category

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Entertainment Videos

The usage of YouTube and Facebook improved from Q3's setback, highlighting the comeback of the two platform giants.



Furthermore, YouTube regained 4% in consumer favorability, while TikTok encountered the first setback ever.



YouTube's revival can be seen among Gen X (+8%) and Gen Z (+3%), while the latter is growing less favored of TikTok (-5%)



Short Videos

Facebook Reels and YouTube Shorts gained new grounds in the short videos category, making Facebook tie with TikTok as the most used platforms for short-videos.



A slight decrease (-1%) in consumer favorability can be seen for TikTok.



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TikTok's favorability decline continues a two-quarter trend among Gen Z and is starting to show for Gen Y



Movies Streaming

YouTube's regaining of popularity can be seen in the Movies category as well. Individual local players all see rising levels of usage. Top platforms for movies streaming—Penetration rates (%) Q42022 ■Q32022 ■Q22022 ■Q12022 76% 33% 31% 28% 28% 17% 16% 15% 13% reboot T. MGO Google MUNE VietelN YOITUPE FRIPIAN Nettit Vieon Q: Which website/apps do you use to watch movies/TV shows? Q42022 Choose all that apply. n=1584

Yet, only YouTube gained favorability from consumers in Q4'22. Though consumers use local platforms more, they don't prefer them more.



Q: Which of the following apps do you use most often to watch movies?

*Local platforms include: FPT Play, VTV Go, K+, Keeng, MyTV Net, Viettel TV, Fim+/Galaxy Play, & VieON

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YouTube's resurging position can be observed among Gen Y and Gen Z consumers.



Q: Which of the following apps do you use most often to watch movies?





Gen Z n=513; Gen Y n=636; Gen X n=435

E-Commerce Platforms

Q4 2022 saw the continued rise of TikTok, growing 5% QoQ. E-Commerce platforms usage rebounded overall from the previous quarter.



Shopee's status as the go-to platform for e-commerce remains unchallenged in Q4'22



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That said, favorability for Lazada grew strongly among Gen X (+6%) and Gen Y (+3%), posing some challenges to Shopee.



News

After consecutive quarters of overall declines, consumers show interests in using platforms for news.



Favorability for using platforms for reading news grew for all platforms in the Top 3





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Quarter 4 2022 saw Gen X consumers flocking to Google for news searching. Facebook improved favorability among Gen Z



Messaging

Messaging platforms were more utilized in Q4 2022, with usage increasing across platforms.



Zalo broke through the "glass ceiling", earning 6% increase in favorability, further solidifying position in the category



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Favorability for Zalo among Gen Z jumped 8%, highlighting an important source of growth for this channel, besides regaining lost grounds for the other age groups



Food Delivery Apps

The top 2 apps, GrabFood and ShopeeFood, continued to be used more by Vietnamese consumers.



However, only GrabFood gained preference from users. Baemin, given its lower usage in Q4'22, also suffered from diminished favorability from users.



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GrabFood kept winning Gen X and Gen Y age groups, while ShopeeFood's favorability kept riding a downward trend among Gen Z consumers



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E-wallet

Momo and ZaloPay are the top 2 most used e-wallets overall.

Top e-wallets—Penetration rates (%)



Momo leads the market in terms of brand used most often, far outstripping the second-favorite ZaloPay



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Though ViettelPay is among the top 3 used most often brands for Gen X and Y, Gen Z users prefer ShopeePay more



Ride hailing

Grab dominates more than onethird of the ride-hailing market in Vietnam. Top ride-hailing—Penetration rates (%)



Naturally, Grab is the most preferred app for ride-hailing. Mai Linh Taxi enjoy slightly more favorability from consumers over GoJek



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Mai Linh Taxi wins over GoJek for the Gen X and Gen Y groups



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