

# Digital Loyalty.

Trends from Global, Autonomous Customers.



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# The BT Innovation Process & Eco-System.

## *Innovation Within Each Stage of the Value Chain*



### **Discovery**

- Global Scouting
- Research & Venturing
- Strategic University Programme
- New Ideas
- Shared Learning & Best Practice
- Customer and Partner network

### **Articulation**

- Innovation Showcases
- Hothouse Centres
- Concept demonstrators
- Working prototypes
- User trials
- Thought Leadership Papers/Blogs

### **Validation**

- Innovation Central
- Proposition Development
- Draft Business Cases
- Business Approvals
- Customer Experience Journey

R&D investment of £470m -15/16

4 global research centres (UK, China, UAE and US ) & multiple academic partnerships

Partner ecosystem – customers, industry, universities, government

Portfolio of 4700 patents

13,000 Technologists worldwide

# 1. Making it easy is a growing priority.



Busy Autonomous customers put a lot of effort into dealing with organisations and prefer easy interactions

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62%

Find dealing with customer service issues exhausting



3 in 4

Constantly research products to buy online



55%

Put a lot of effort into safeguarding their consumer rights

Only 1 in 5

Regularly experience first contact resolution for customer service

## Building customer engagement



30%

Increase in consumers saying convenience is more important than price (UK & US)

85%

It should be easier to contact orgs. by phone, web chat and email

71%

Like it when orgs. notice I have a problem with customer service & try to help

88%

Consumers would be more loyal to orgs. if they are easy to deal with

## Buy more from organisations that make it easier

90%  
China

84%  
India

83%  
UAE

82%  
USA

81%  
Singapore

79%  
Indonesia

73%  
UK

72%  
Belgium

68%  
Germany

50%  
Spain



# What is Effort?

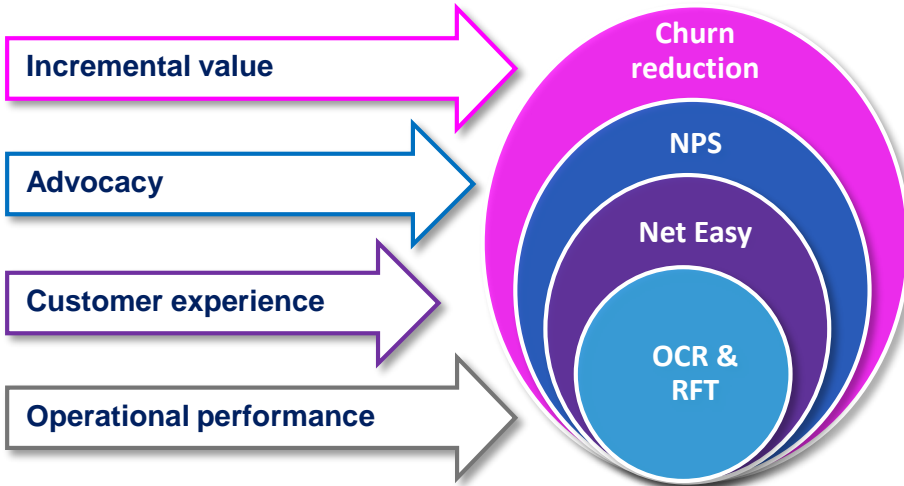


1. Cognitive effort – the amount of mental energy required to process something.
2. Time effort – how much time it takes to wait, consume and transact.
3. Physical effort – how much physical energy it takes to do something.
4. Emotional effort – how much negative versus positive emotional energy is required.



# “Net Easy” Does It.

Making it Easy is the missing link between operational quality and loyalty:



## Why measure Easy?

- ✓ True voice of the customer
- ✓ Drives advocacy, VFM & loyalty
- ✓ Highly actionable feedback
- ✓ Applicable in all channels
- ✓ Engages and resonates with staff
- ✓ Low effort also = lower cost

Customers finding it easy are  
40% less likely to churn

“How easy was it to get the help you wanted from BT today?”

Easy

Neither / Don't know

Difficult

% Easy

% Difficult

Net Easy Score

Some Channels Are Easier Than Others.

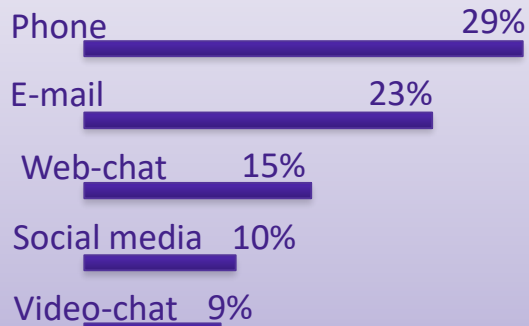


## 2. Supported self service is a necessity.

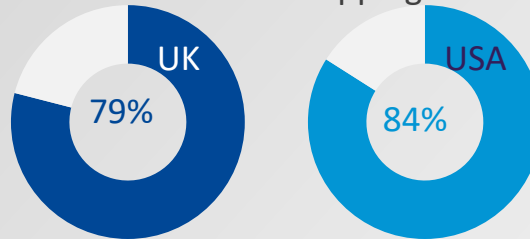


Consumers like self-service, but when it goes wrong they want live help there and then

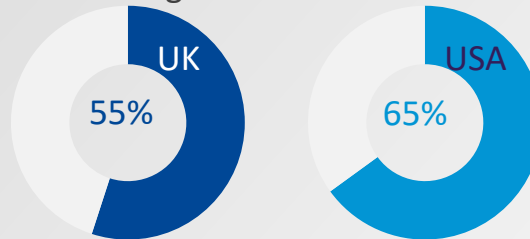
When you most recently had a problem with self-service what type of support did you want?



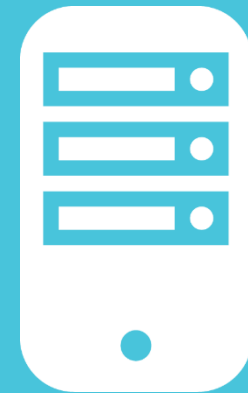
Want advisor available on phone/web-chat when internet shopping



Co-browsing would add value



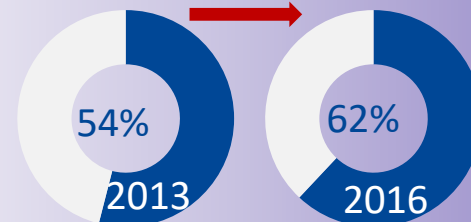
Customer service via Apps would add value



55%  
UK

62%  
USA

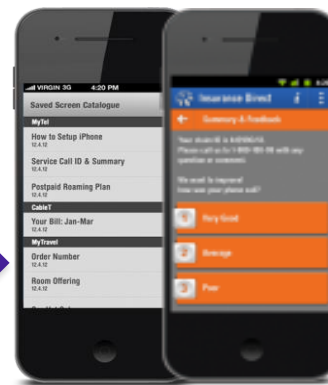
Prefer using the phone than FAQs (UK)



### 3. Omnichannel: still omnipresent.



Channel switching is accelerating



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50%

Regularly phone call centre & look at web on smartphone



81%

Organisations should always offer different channels to meet my needs



51%

Would like to switch from web-chat to video-chat (62% - switch from web-chat to phone)



3 in 4

Any agent should be instantly familiar with my contact history



67%

Would like visual IVR on their smartphone

Less than 1 in 3

Agree organisations make it easy to switch between different channels

Would like organisations to offer the following...

E-mail same call centre agent	90%
Voice biometrics for ID&V	73%
Apps with web-chat	71%
Visual IVR on smartphone	67%
Social media to phone call	63%
Switch from web chat to phone	62%
Share my screen with an agent	62%
Skype calls to call centres	55%
Service through Facebook	53%
Switch from web-chat to video	51%
Secure tech. for phone payments	50%

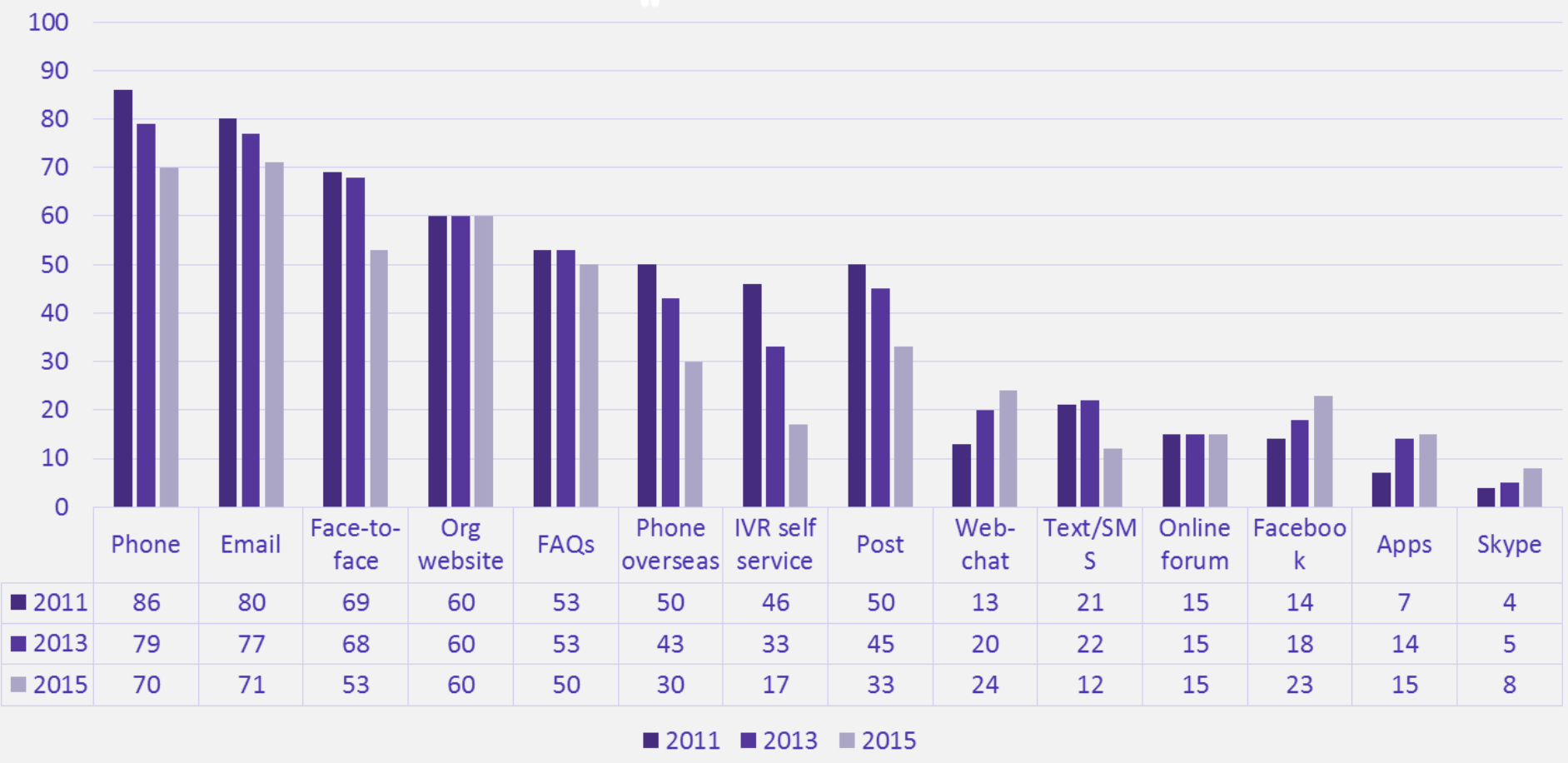


# Omni-channel rules: Changing usage of channels by consumers



Web-chat and social media fastest growing, as the traditional channels fall away in terms of customers contacting organisations

Which of these methods of contacting organisations do you use currently? (UK)



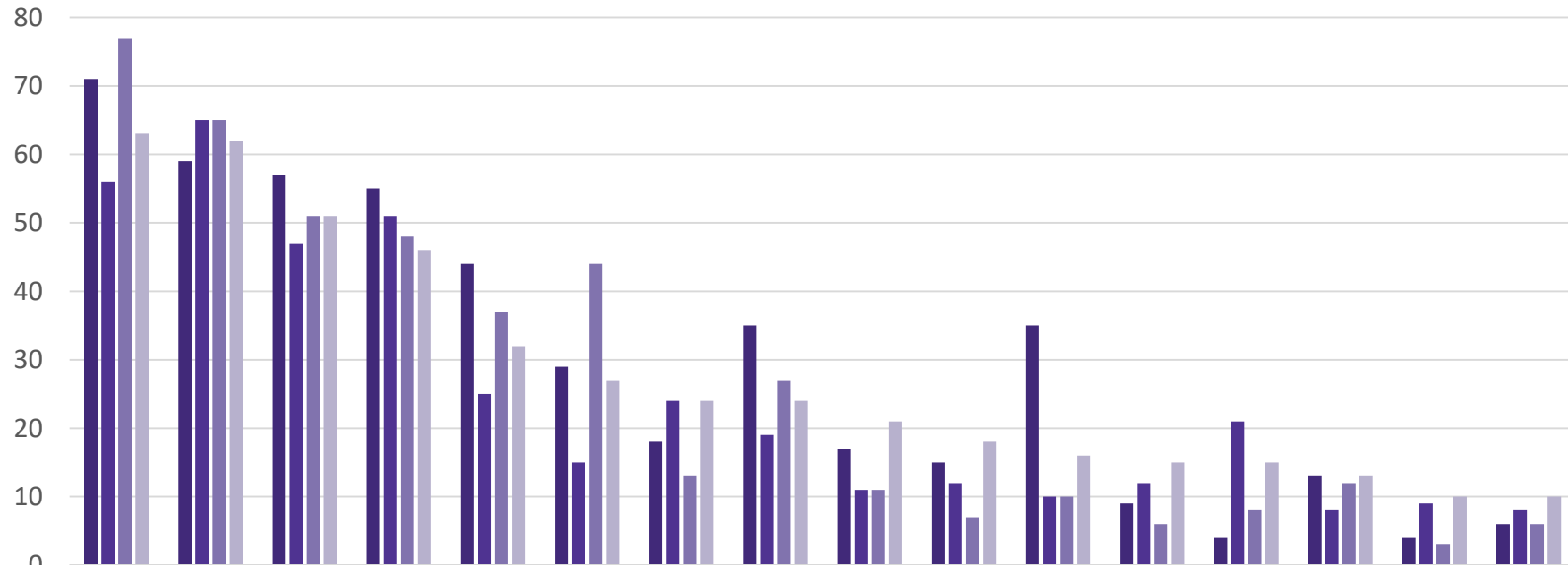
Channels scoring less than 5% are not included – other social media, video-chat.

# Global variations in usage of channels.



Spain is more enthusiastic about technology than much of Europe.

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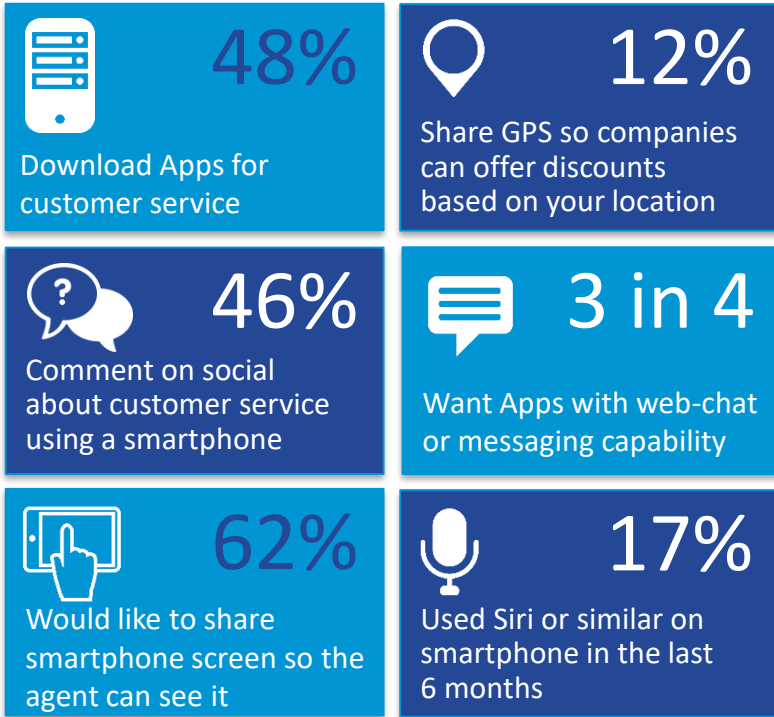


# 4. Mobility is all: smart phones create smart customers.



Smartphones and customer service should work hand-in-hand, but too many Apps lead to dead-end support

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## Would like Visual IVR when calling on a smartphone

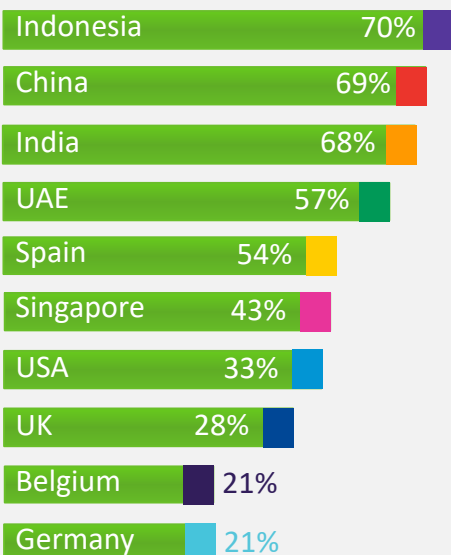


# 5. Security concerns increase.



Publicity around ID &V and card payment security means new solutions are needed to drive engagement

## Buy more over the phone if payment is secure



55%

It takes too long to identify me when I phone the call centre



73%

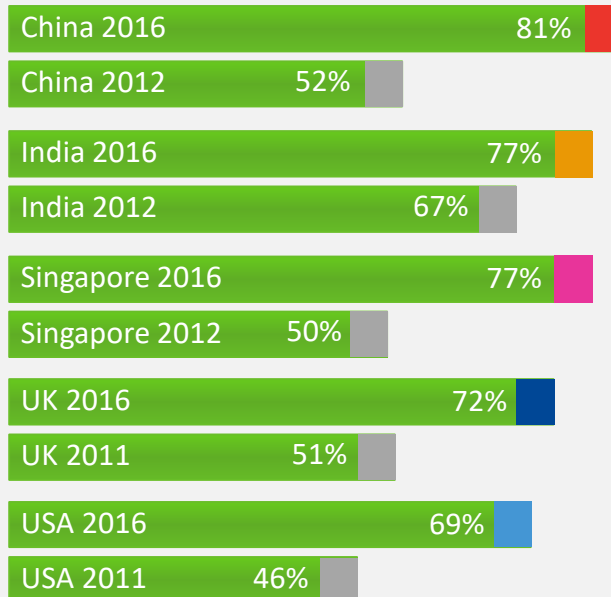
Would like voice biometrics for ID&V



49%

Want technology to secure card payments over the phone (the agent can not see/hear the account or card details)

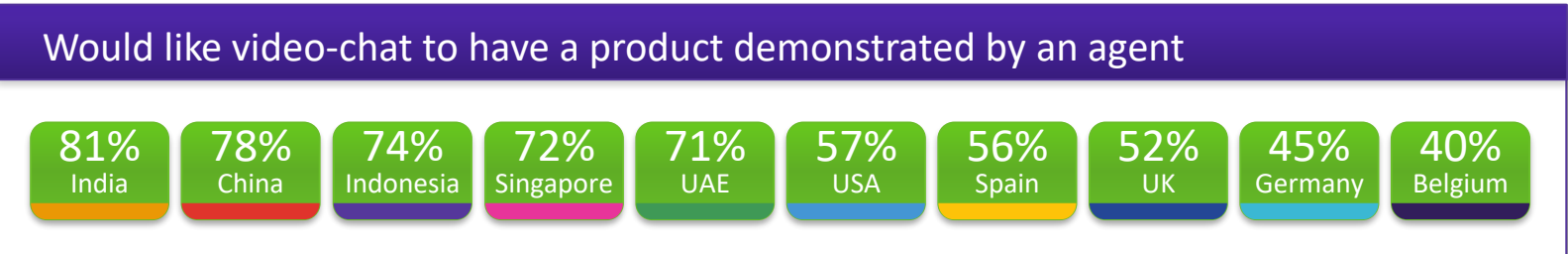
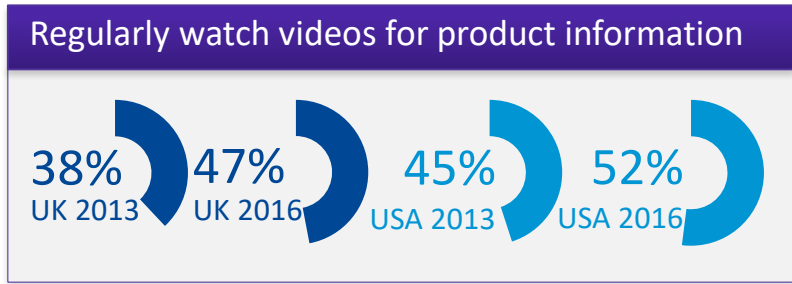
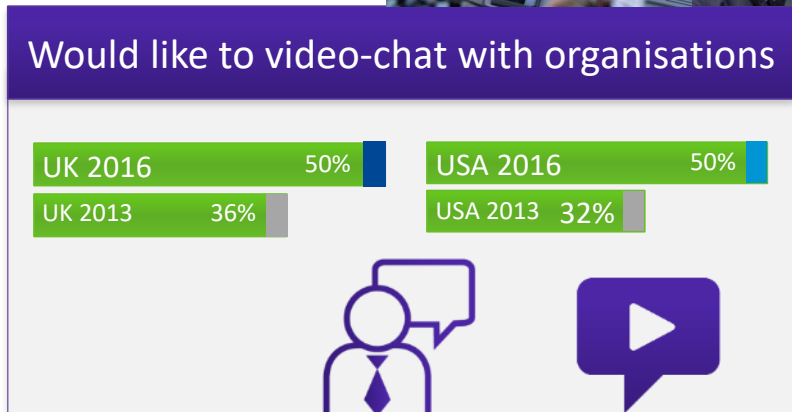
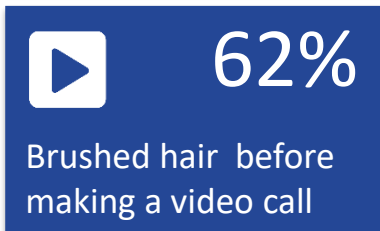
## I worry about security on the phone



Source: BT/Avaya, 2015. Except where stated, data is the 10 country total.

# 6. Video culture continues to grow.

As video is more part of our daily lives, there is growing interest in video-chat for customer service and engagement



# Case study: Personalised Video as a Service.

BT Personalised Video as a Service is like mail merge for video.



Personalised, relevant and effective communication  
Improving customer service, sales, retention and loyalty

In a pilot for a major financial services provider it achieved:



**X2**  
Open rate

**X9**  
Click rate

**16%**  
watch video

**50%** replay  
video within a  
day

**32%**  
replay  
video  
within a  
week

**18%** replay  
the video  
after a week

**400% increase in loan sales**

## 7. Social customers demand social customer service.

Consumers want more customer service by social media and less marketing - but there are sector differences



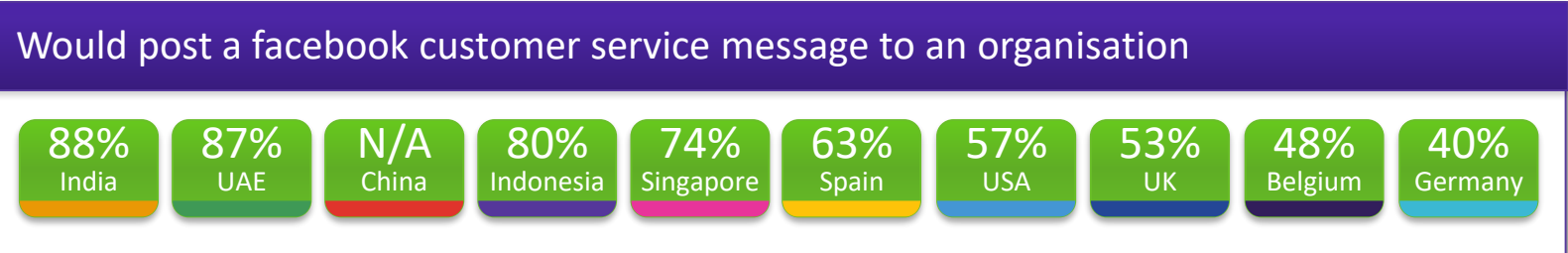
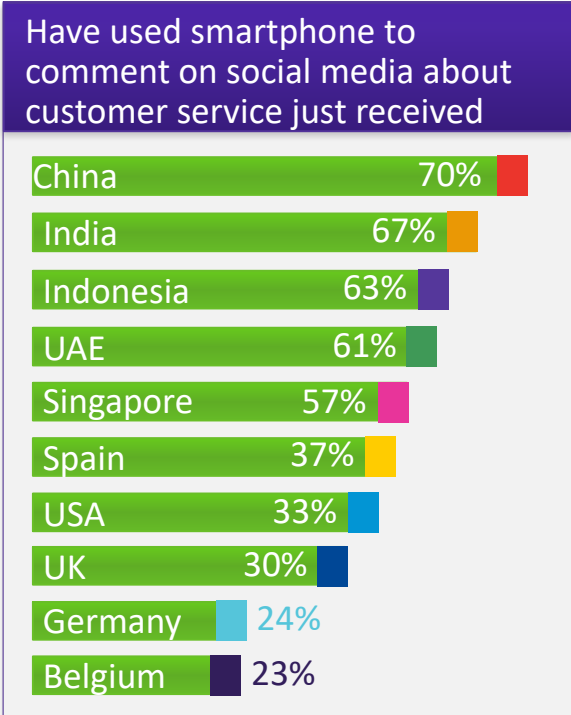
**70%**  
Expect response to social media comment in 15 mins

**35%**  
would post a complaint on social media

**25%**  
Have had customer service by social media (15% made complaint)

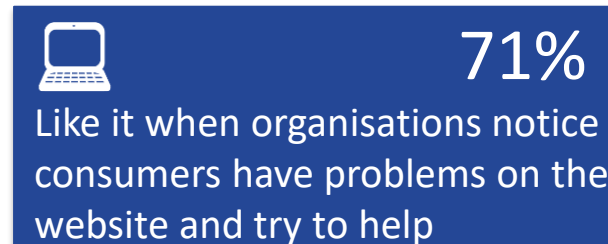
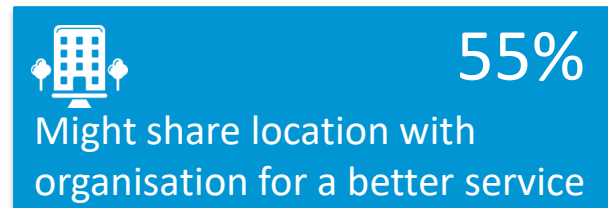
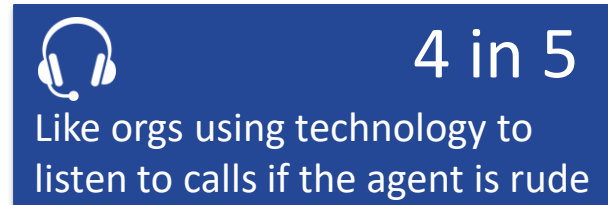
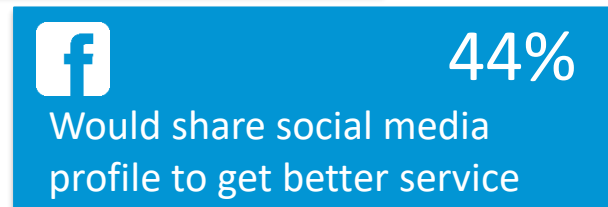
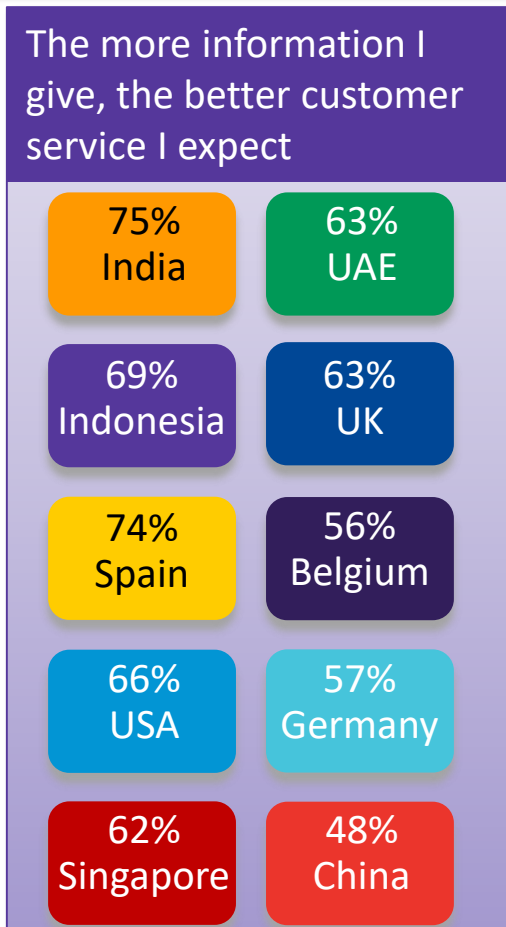
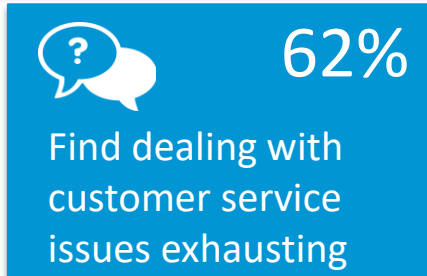
**2 in 3**  
Want responses to comments by same platform

**1 in 3**  
for an urgent issue or emergency  
Twitter/Facebook is the best way to get customer service



# 8. The emerging “ego” system:

Creating smart customer service: it’s all about me!





# Digital Loyalty & Autonomous Customers – summary...

Autonomous customers control customer relationships through online access to information, advice from other consumers and use of self-service. This means they are less loyal and harder to engage.

- Making it **easy** is the top priority – busy autonomous customers put a lot of effort into dealing with organisations and prefer easy interactions.
- **Supported** self-service is a necessity – consumers like self-service, but when it goes wrong they want live help there and then.
- **Omni-channel** is omni-present – adding functionality will drive customer journey ease, reduce high buyer drop-out and improve engagement.
- **Mobility** is all - Smartphones and customer service should work hand-in-hand, but too many Apps lead to dead-end support.
- **Security** concerns over customer data – new solutions are needed to drive engagement and makes security easy.
- **Video** culture continues to grow – as video is more part of our daily lives, there is growing interest in video-chat for customer service.
- **Social media** service used by one in four consumers – but they expect a response fast.
- Embracing the **“me”-conomy** – using data to appropriately personalise the relationship.



# Thank You.

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