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# **True-Luxury** *Global Consumer Insight*

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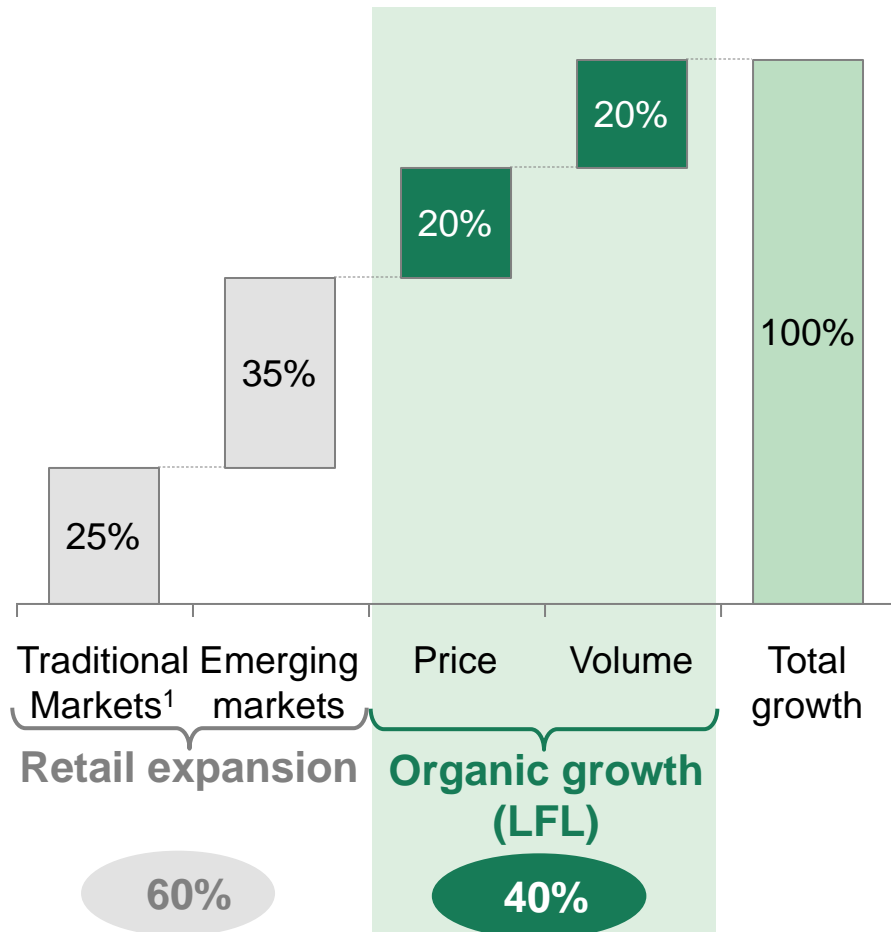
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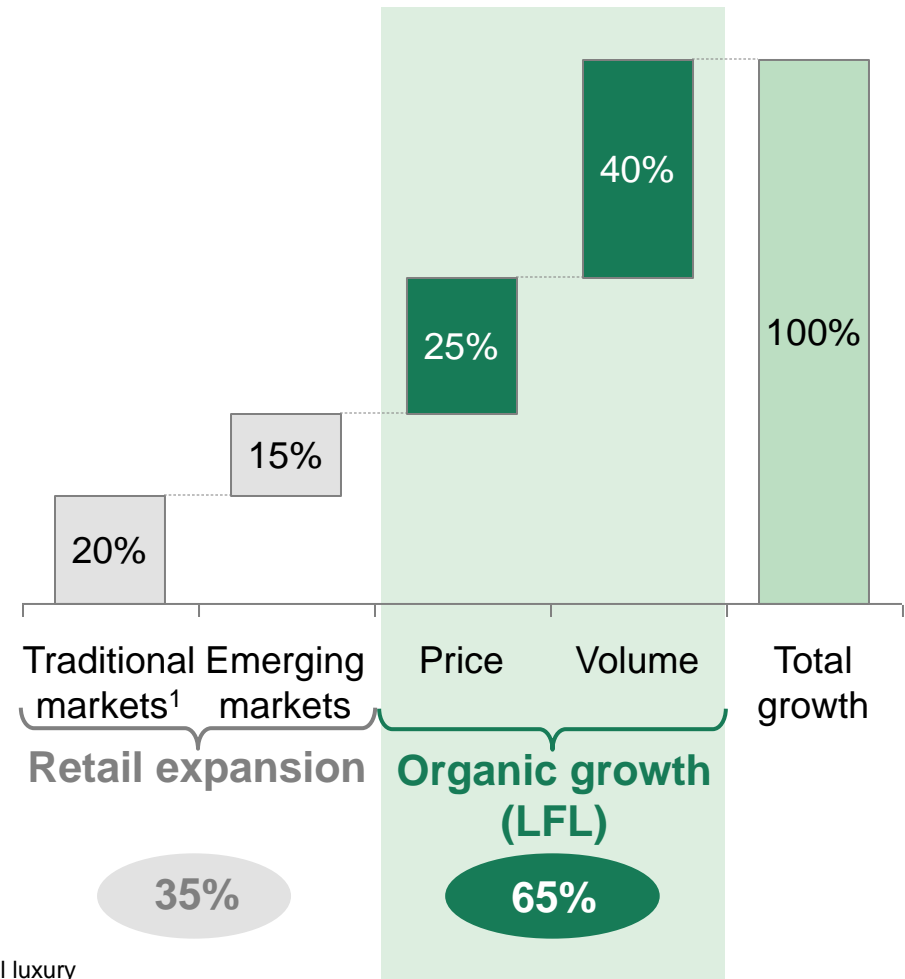
What's in for you?

# Organic growth: 2 / 3 of next decade growth

## Last decade growth components<sup>2</sup>



## Upcoming decade growth components<sup>2</sup>



1. Europe (Italy, France, UK, Germany, Spain, Nordics), US and Japan; 2. Referred to personal luxury (apparel, accessories, hard luxury, Perfume & Cosmetics)

Source: Bernstein / BCG analysis

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# The CONSUMER era



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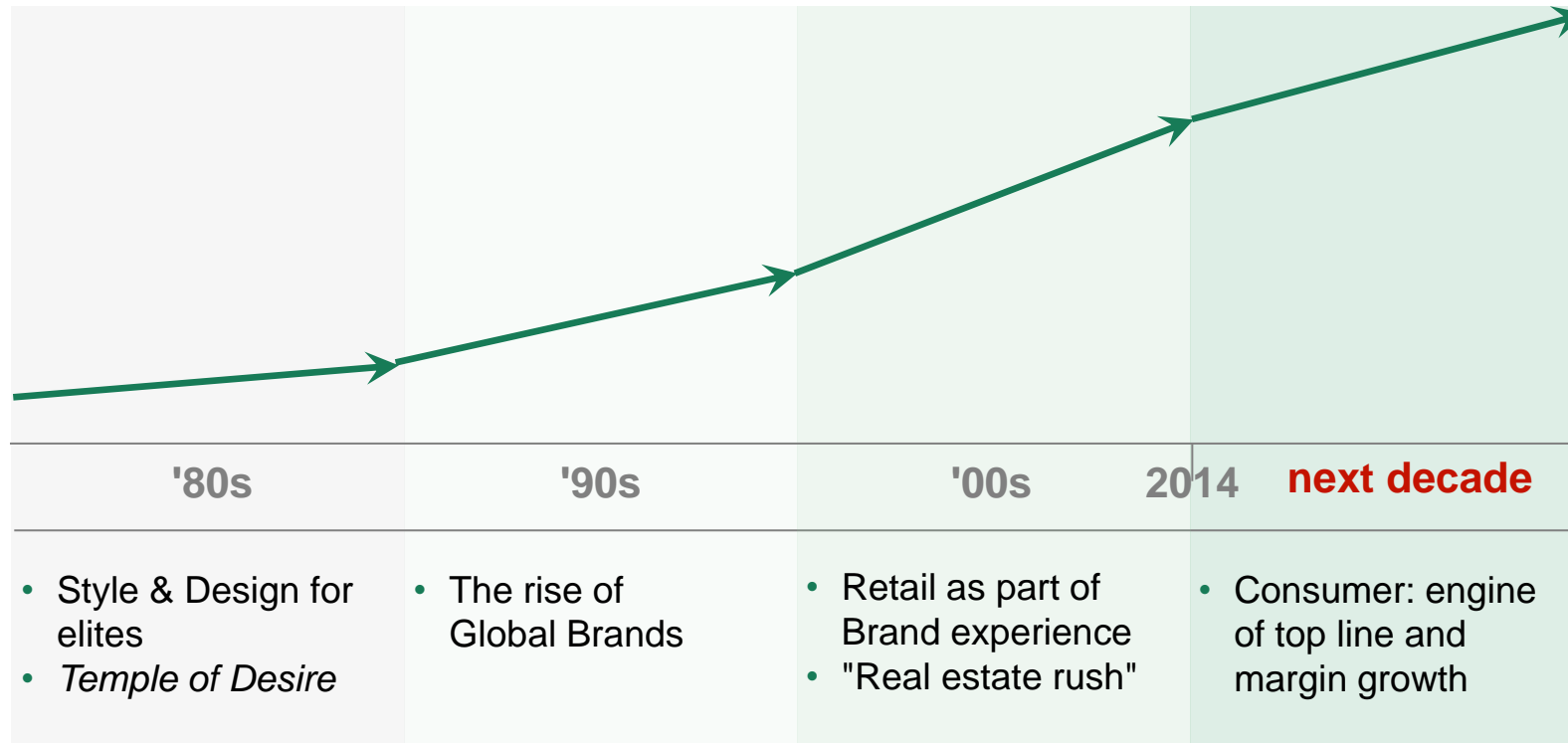
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+Retail



**+Consumer**



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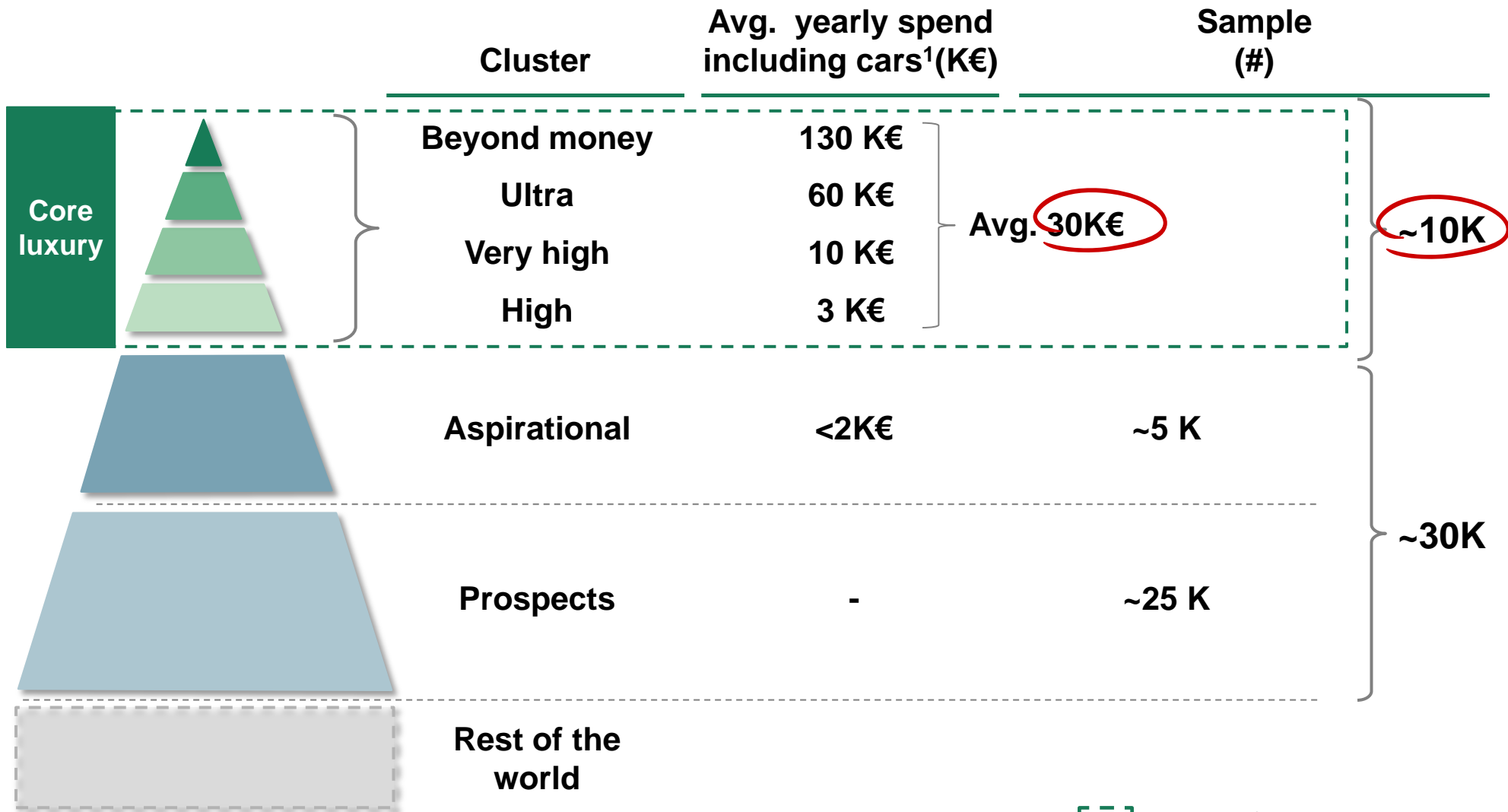


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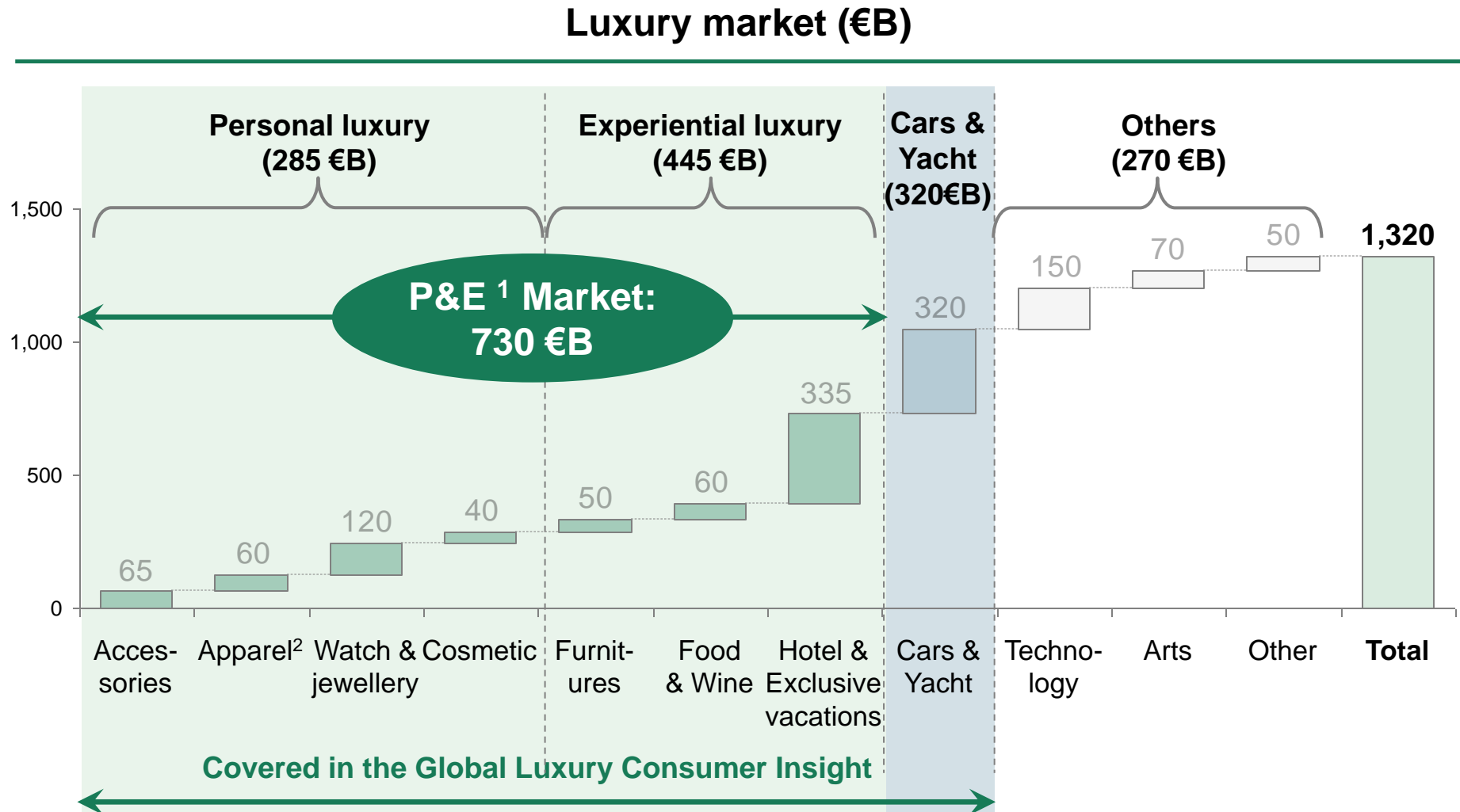
# True-Luxury Consumers talk to you today



1.Cars & Yacht  
Source: BCG Analysis



# All luxury categories in scope: our actual sample spent ~230 M€ in luxury goods last year



1. Personal and Experiential luxury

Note: Some numbers are rounded.

Source: BCG 2013 specific survey, BCG-IPSOS market research

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# Mapped Consumers opinion on 100+ luxury brands



Source: BCG 2013 specific survey

Note: Including: cars, hotel, furniture & design, sunglasses (not exhaustive)

# Sounding board of WW leading brands to ensure robustness and actionability of the insight



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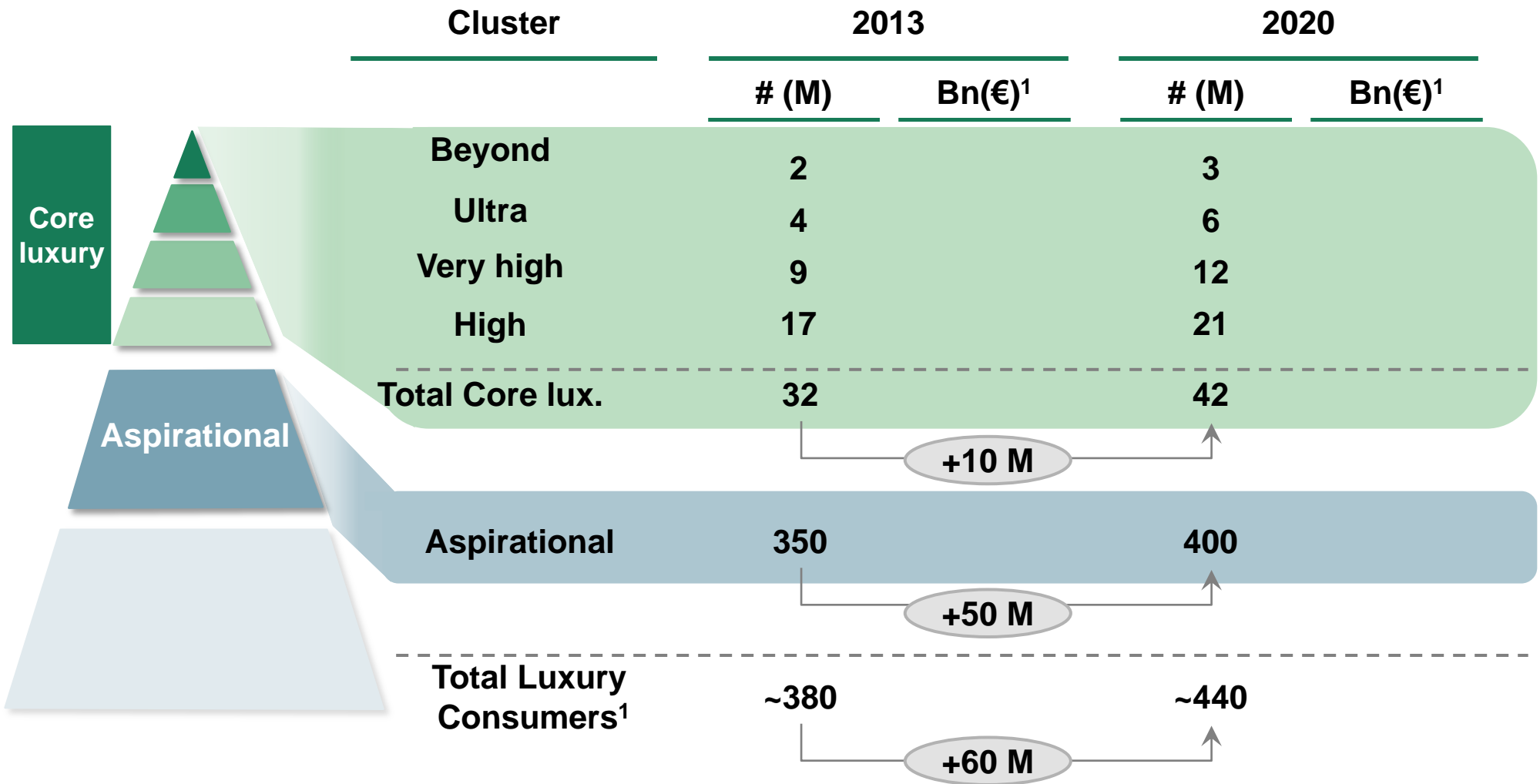


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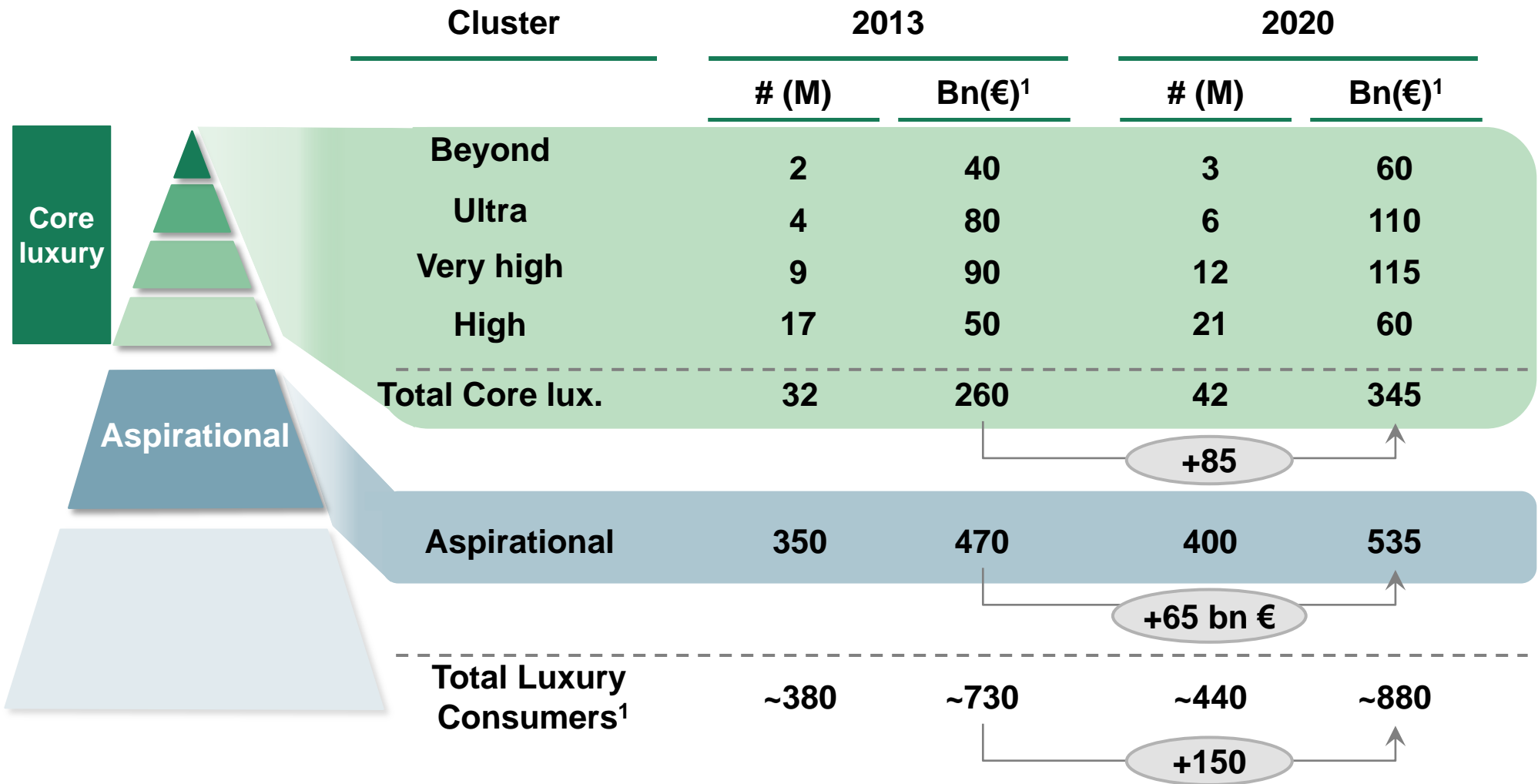
# 380M Luxury Consumers to become 440M by 2020



1. Including experiential and personal luxury, excluding cars  
 Source: BCG Analysis  
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# Personal and experiential luxury market to grow from today **730** to **880 Bn€**

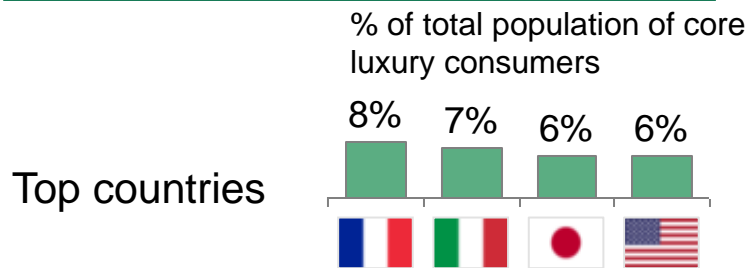


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# Disaffection: ~1M core luxury consumers impacted; 4Bn€ luxury spend at risk

## Profile & Relevance



### Profile

- Age
- % in top 20% HH
- 45-50
- 100%

### Value impact

- Current value<sup>1</sup>
- Value at risk
- 8 Bn€
- 4 Bn€ (50%+)

## Categories impacted and retention levers

- Most **discontinued** categories



Perfumes & cosmetics



Sunglasses



Shoes

- Most **resilient** categories



Hotels



Furniture



Vacation

- Key **retention** levers



Quality



Craftsmanship



In-store service

1. 2013 value

Note that disaffected are current luxury consumers expected to decrease their spend on luxury

Source: BCG ad hoc luxury study

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# Luxury: the art of balancing *Intro* and *Extro* values

## *Intro* values

***Quality***  
***Exclusivity***  
***Craftsmanship***  
***Timeless***

## *Extro* values

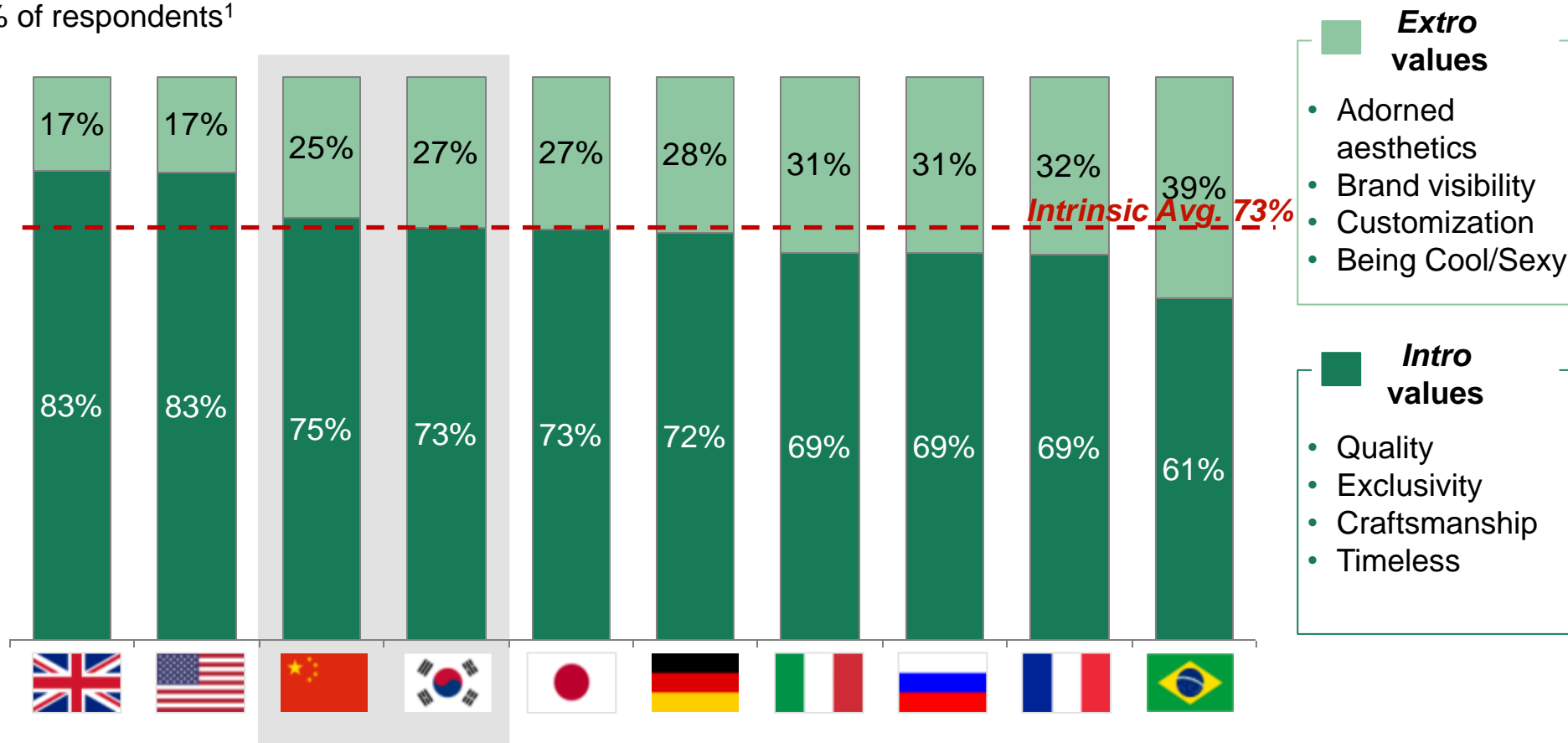
***Adorned aesthetics***  
***Brand visibility***  
***Customization***  
***Being Cool/Sexy***



# Intro values roaring, also in China and S. Korea

"What is luxury to you?"

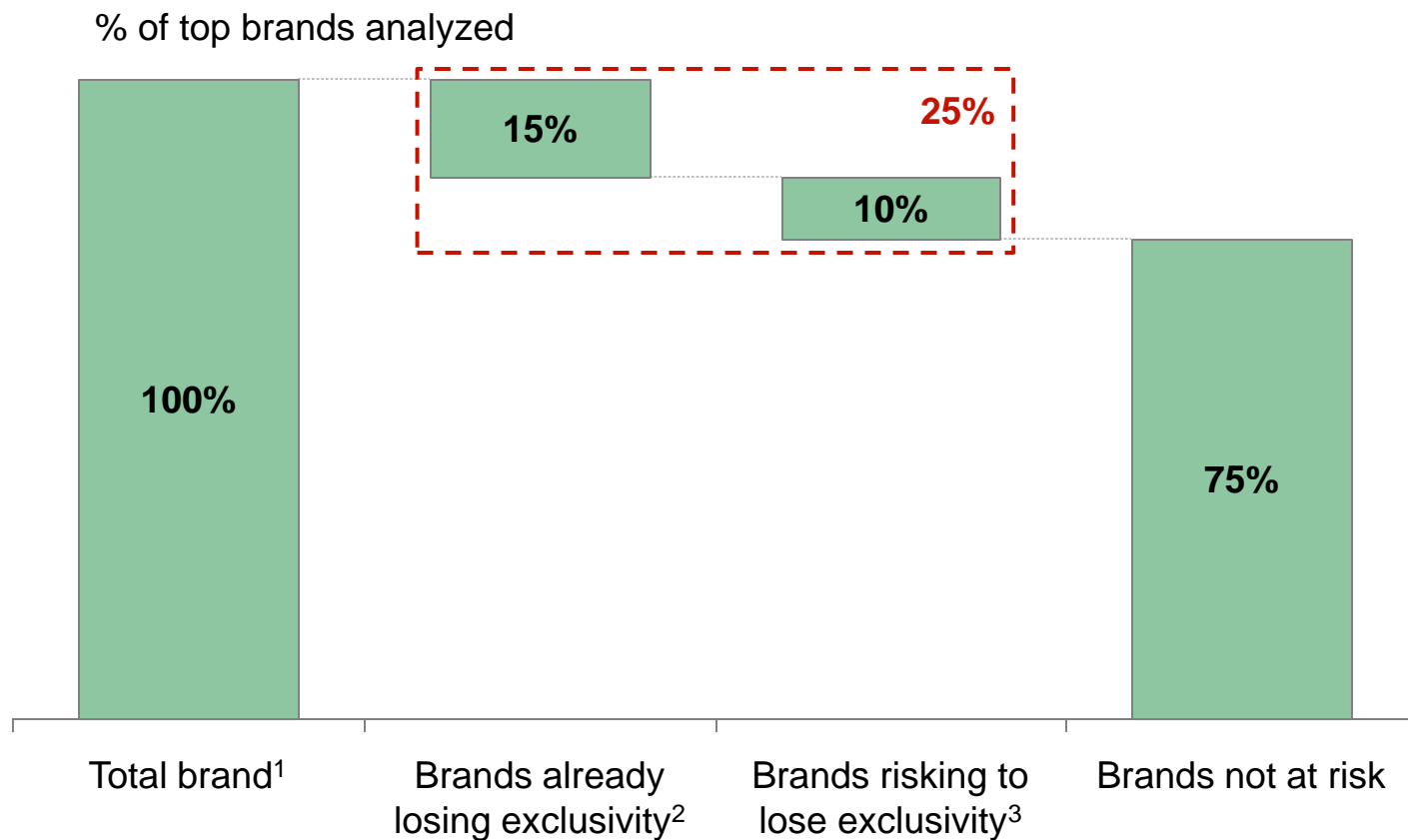
% of respondents<sup>1</sup>



1. Respondents were asked to rank the top three values: the graph represents the value ranked as the most important  
Source: BCG 2013 specific survey (10,000 core luxury consumers in 10 countries)

# ~25% of luxury brands at risk of losing exclusivity

*"Which are the brands you think are losing exclusivity?"*



1. Analysis on top brands included in the survey with at least 200 respondents purchasing their products  
 2. Brands losing exclusivity: brands with at least 100 respondents declaring that the brand is losing exclusivity  
 3. Brands with 50 to 100 respondents declaring that the brand is losing exclusivity

Note: for the entire analysis considered only brands with at least 200 respondents purchasing their products: ~100 brands

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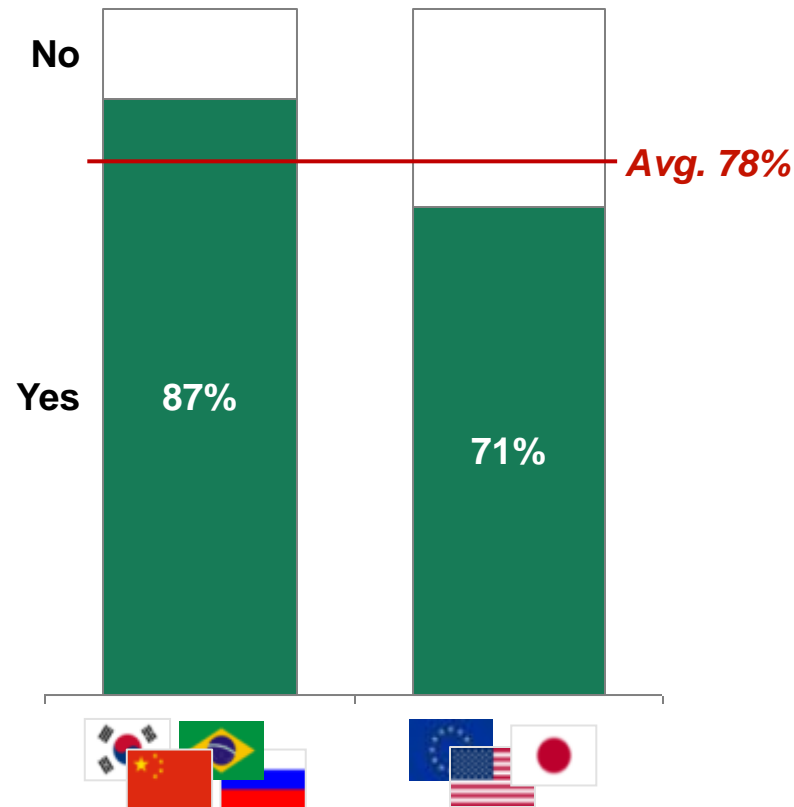
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# "Made In" rocks in all geographies with emerging markets the most sensitive

*"Do you check where luxury products you buy are made in?"*

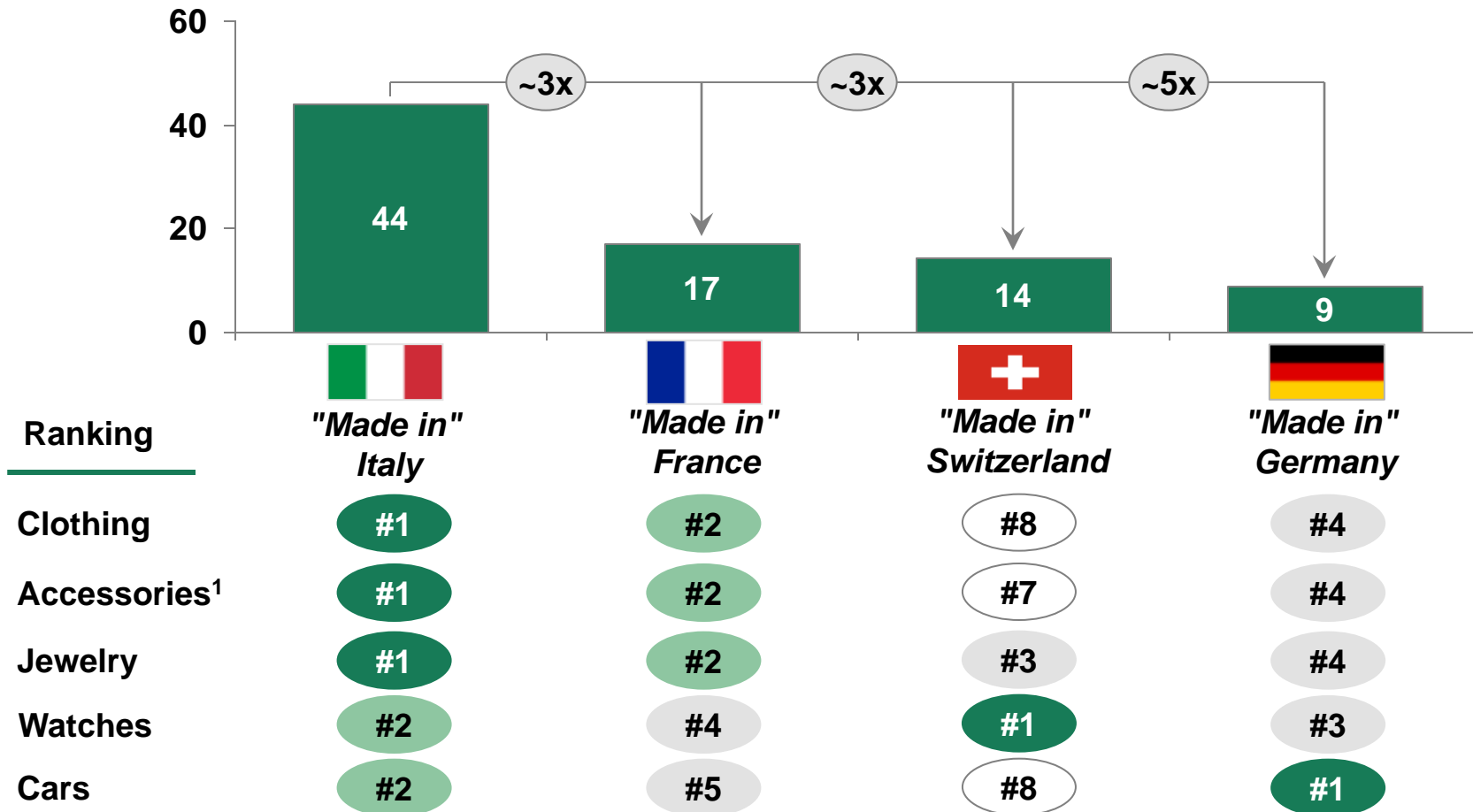
% of respondents



## 2 "Made In Italy" outperforms "Made In France" and is first for all categories except watches & cars

*"Which country of manufacturing do you consider the best for Luxury?"*

% over "Made In" respondents



Source: BCG 2013 specific survey (10.000 core luxury Consumers in 10 countries)

Note: 1. Accessories include handbags, shoes and sunglasses

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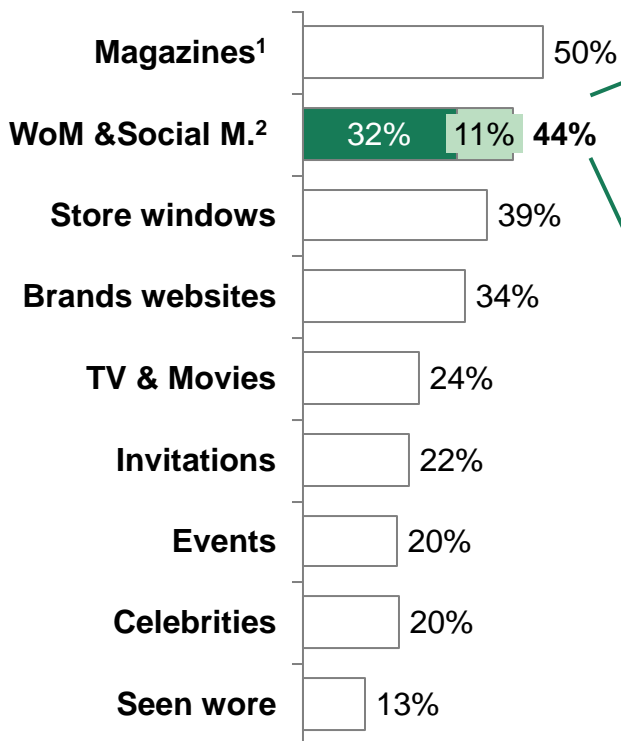
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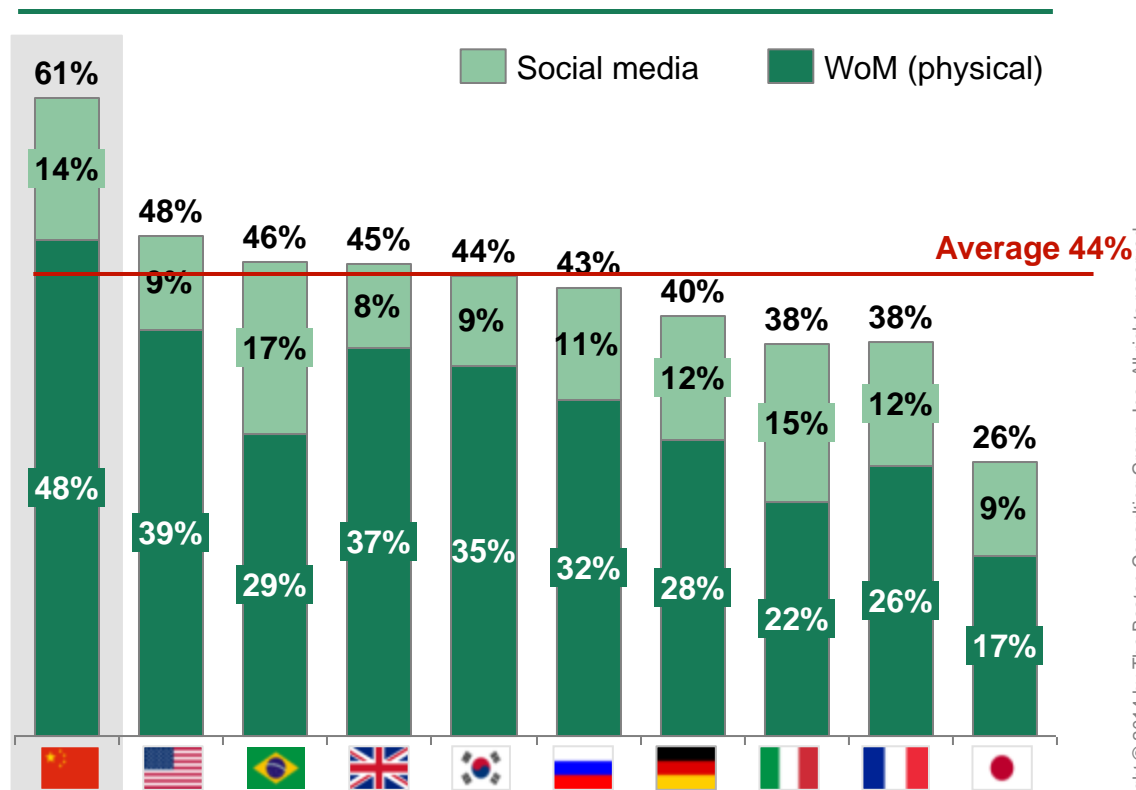
# Word of Mouth is a key influence lever

*"Which of the following has an impact on your purchase decision?"*

% of respondents



## Different WoM influence across markets



<sup>1</sup> Including fashion, lifestyle and other magazines and newspapers

<sup>2</sup> Respondent influenced by Social media and other Websites but not by physical Word of Mouth

Note: multiple choices possible; Source: BCG 2013 specific survey (10.000 core luxury Consumers in 10 countries)

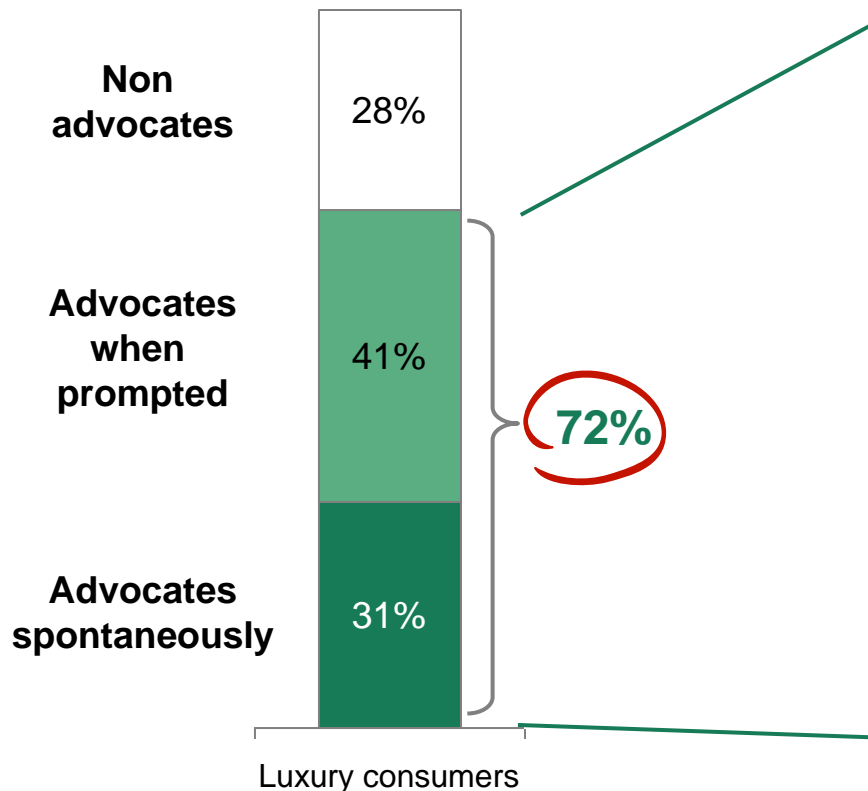
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# 3 2 out of 3 luxury Consumers are **active advocates**. Quality and design key to activate them

*"Have you recommended a brand in the last 12 months?"*

*"Please indicate the reason why you have recommended this brand"*

% of Advocates respondents



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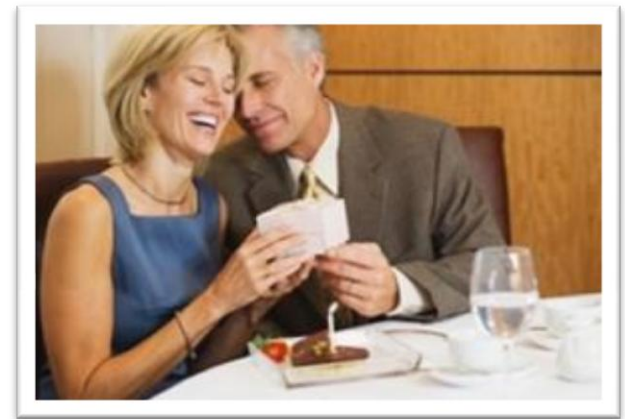
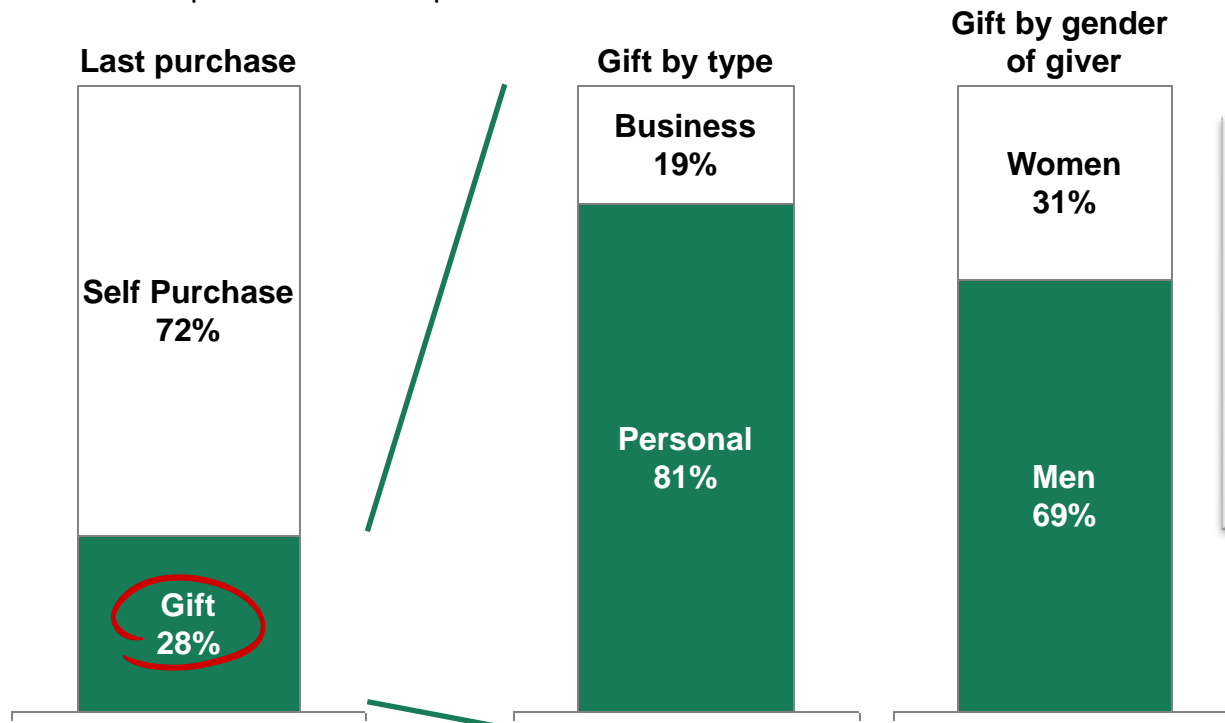
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# Gift represents ~30% of core luxury spend: 7 gifts out of 10 made by men

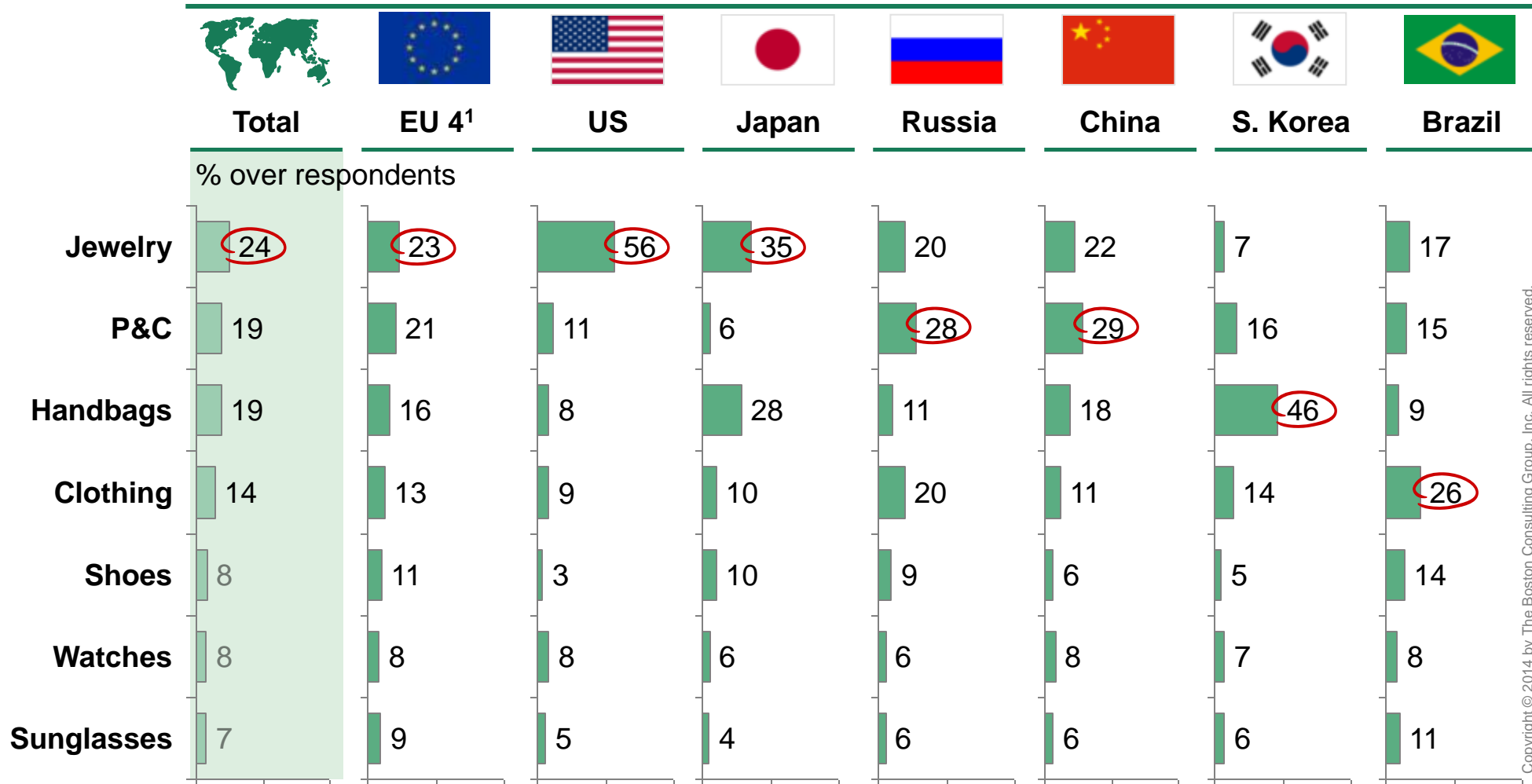
*"Who was the recipient of your last purchase?"*

% of total respondents on last purchase



# 4 P&C, Jewelry and Handbags the **most gifted** categories, with significant differences by country

Top gifted categories by market



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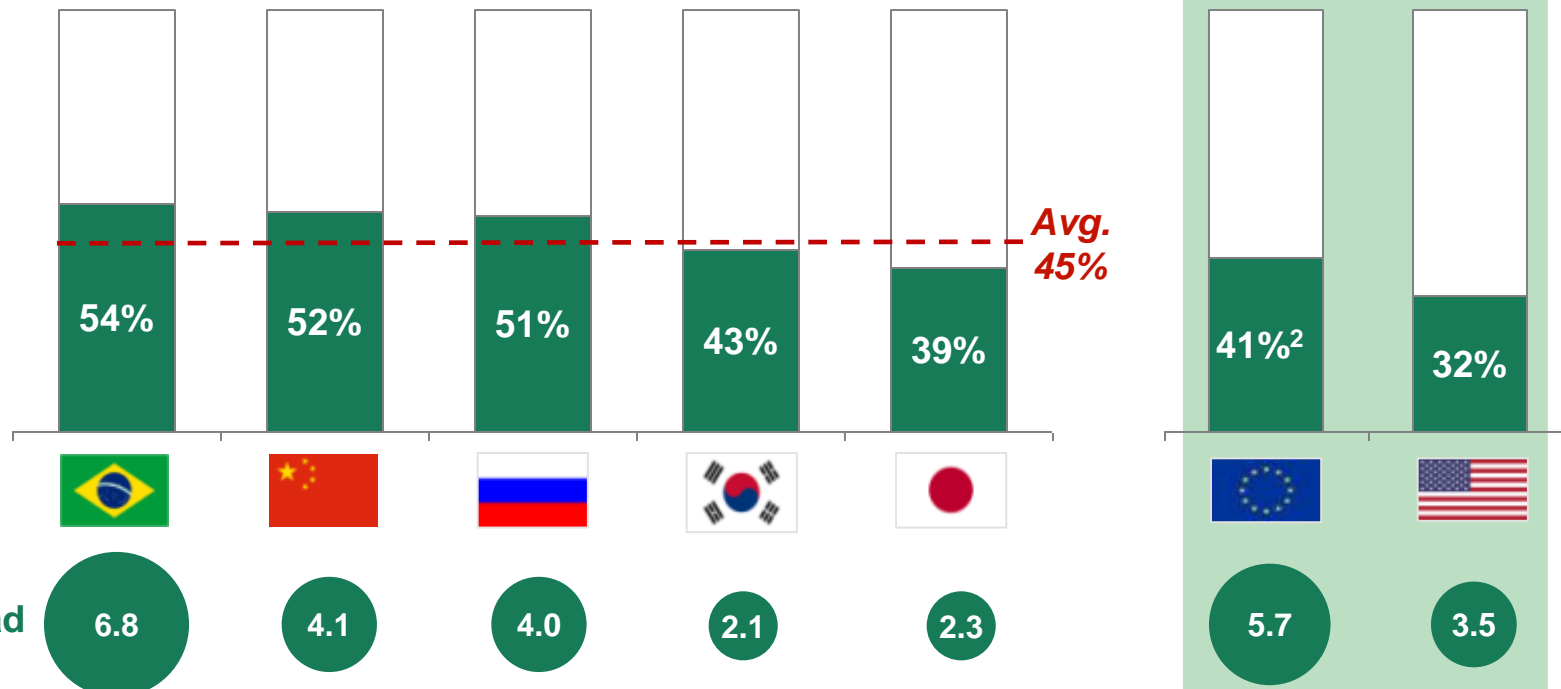
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# 5 50% of luxury spending made out of the home country

"How much have you spent out of your home country in last 12 months?"

% of total luxury expenditure



Average spend abroad (K€/Year¹) (cars excluded)

□ Spend in home country  
■ Spend abroad

1. Average spend abroad of a single Consumer per year. Includes all respondents ; 2. Mainly within Europe

Note: EU includes Italy, France, UK and Germany

Source: BCG 2013 specific survey (10.000 core luxury Consumers in 10 countries)

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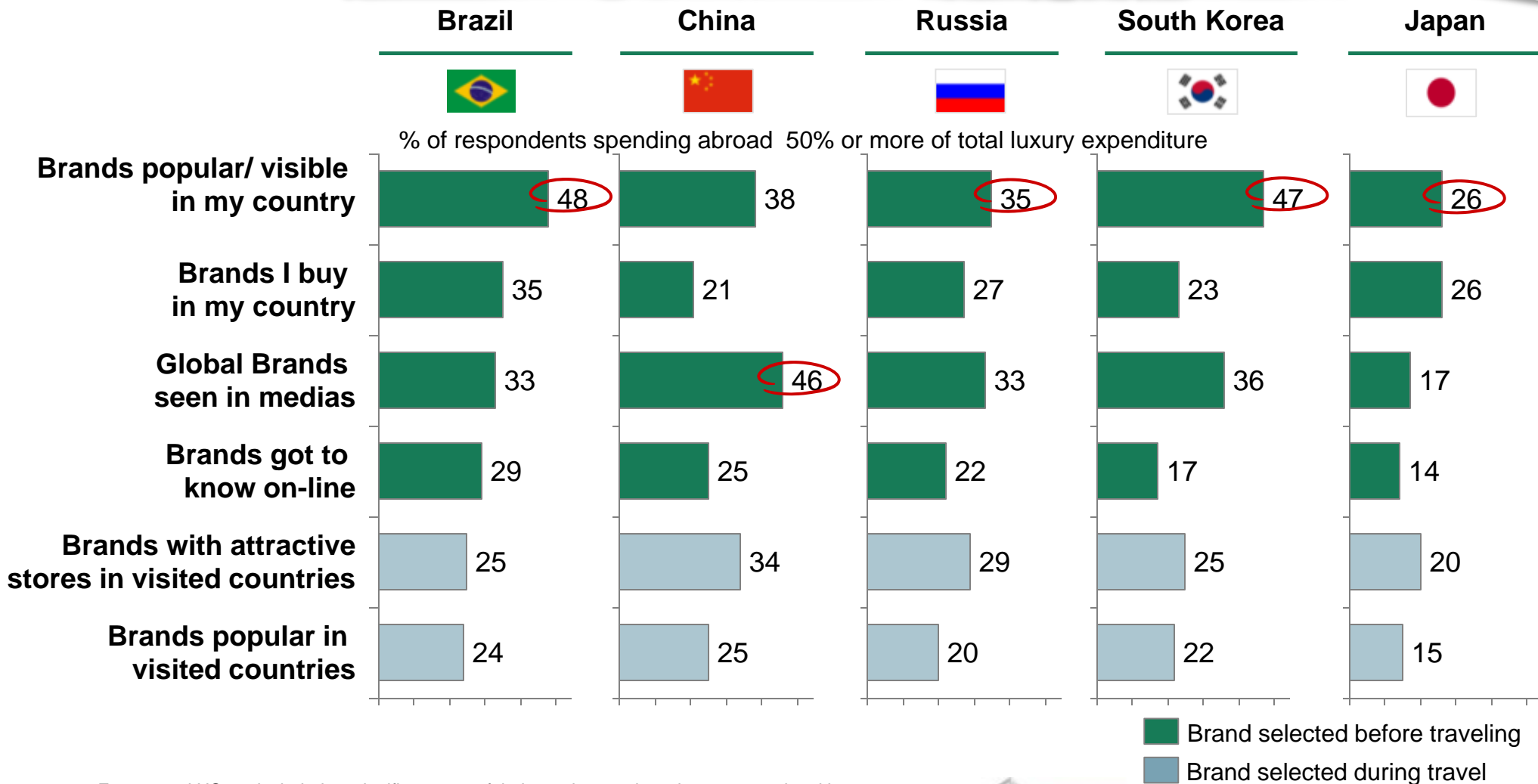
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# Brands need to be known before to get on the shopping list of luxury globetrotters

"When you are abroad, how do you select the brands to purchase?"

EU & US excluded<sup>1</sup>

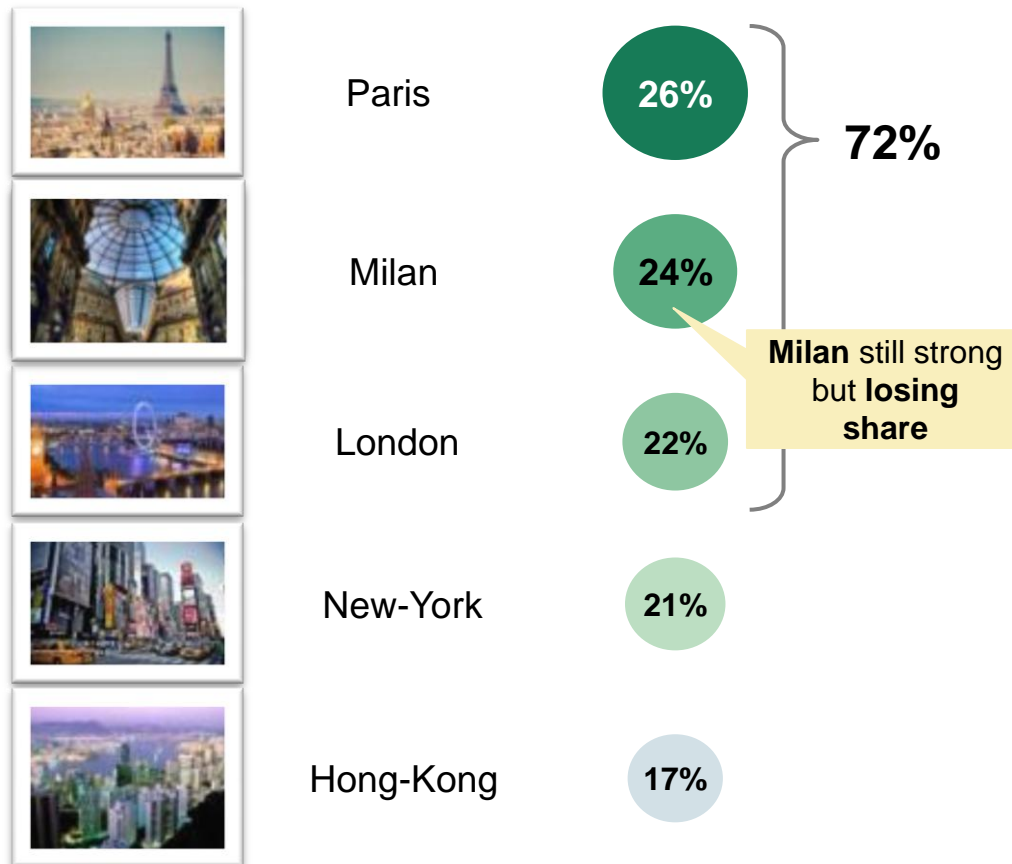


1. Europe and US not included as significant part of their purchases abroad are on a regional base  
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# 5 Traditional hubs capture 70+% of luxury travelers but top European destinations losing share

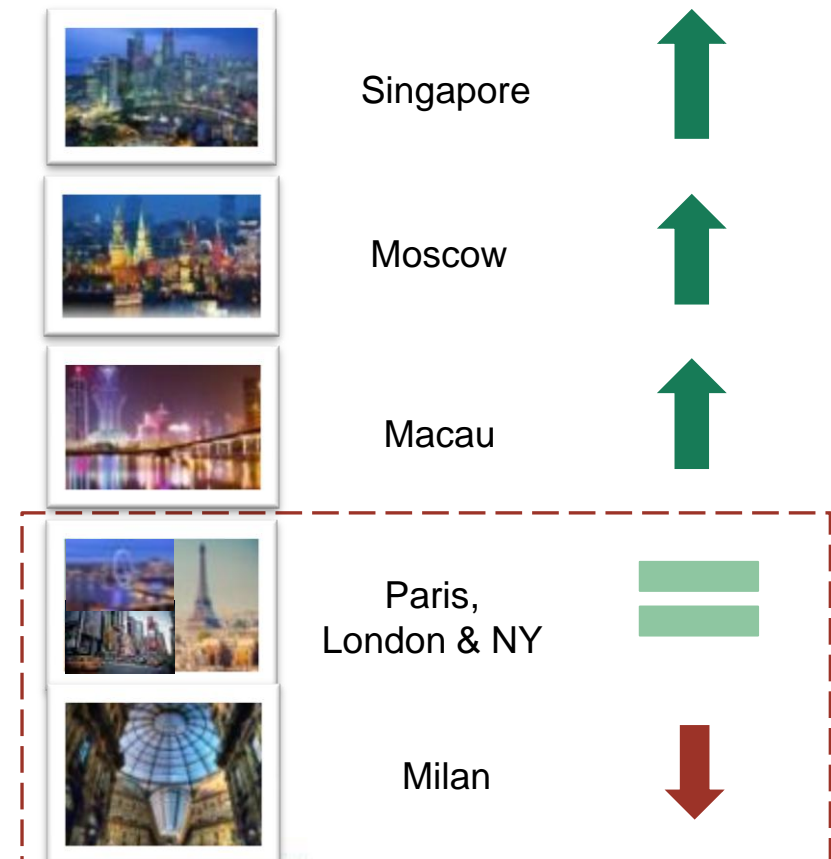
*"In which city have you bought in the past 12 months?"*

Excluding Consumers in their home country<sup>1</sup>



*"In which city do you plan to buy in the next 12 months?"*

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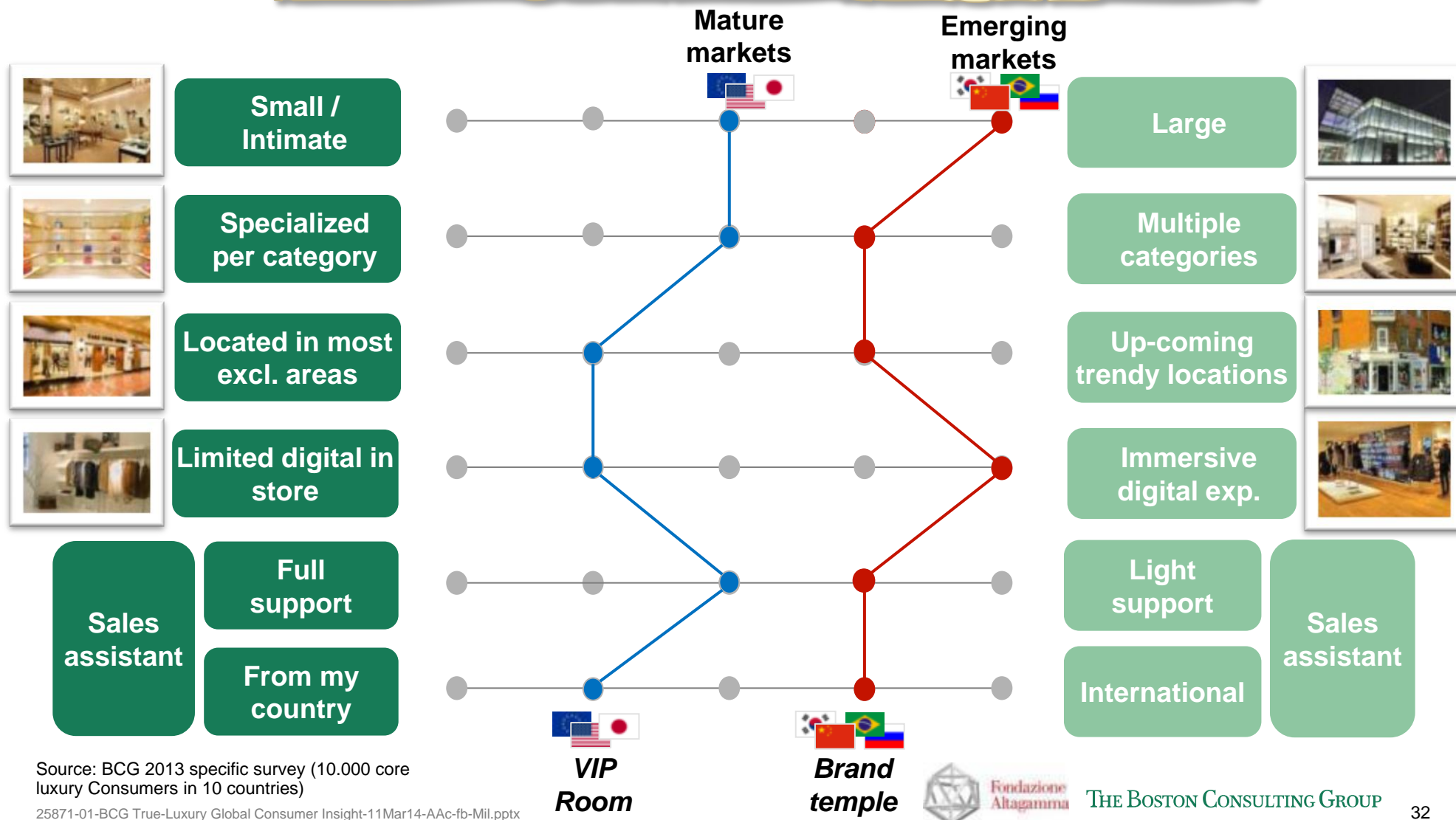
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# DOS: one size does not fit all

*"Which characteristics should your ideal store have?"*



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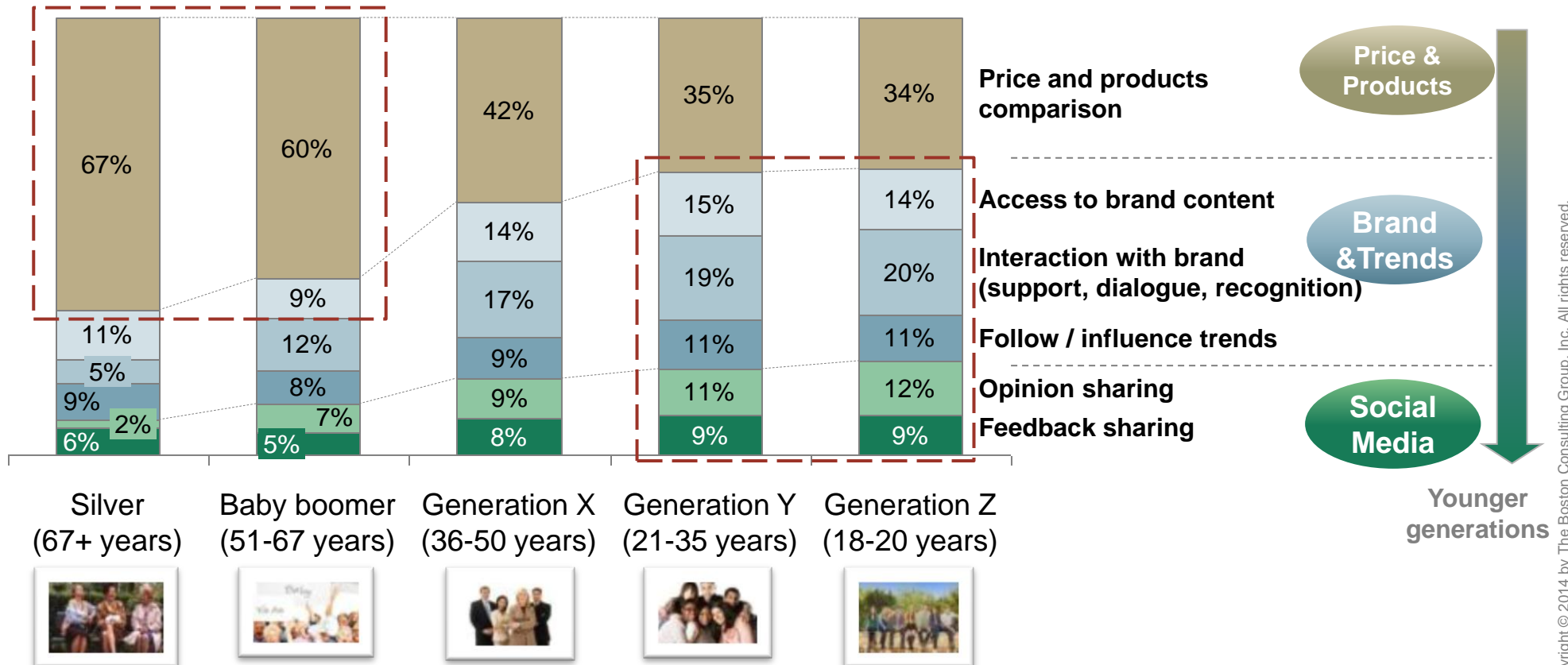
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# 7 Use of digital as an information source different across generations

*Why do you use digital beyond purchasing?*

% of respondents<sup>2</sup>



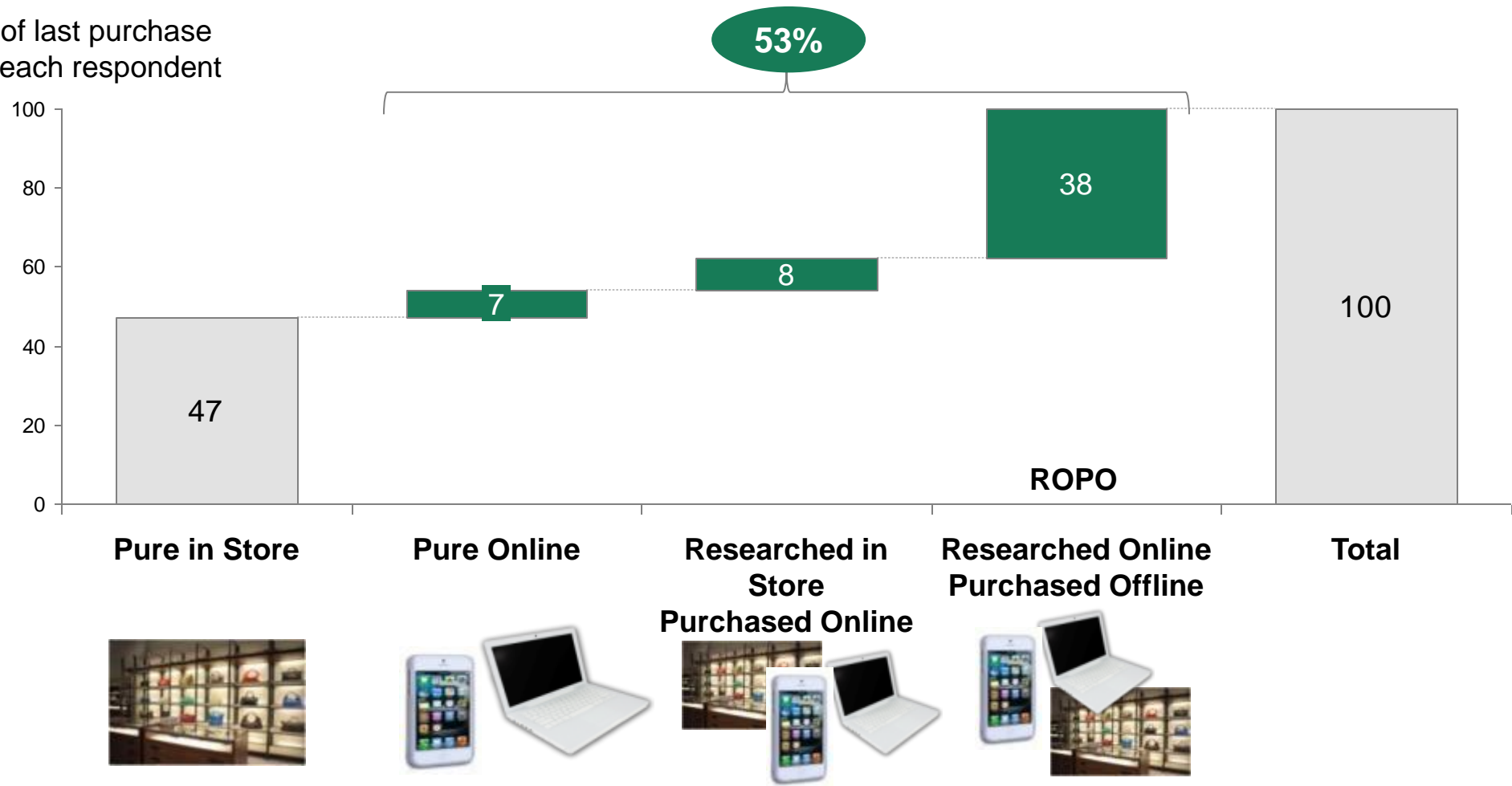
Note: Respondents purchasing Online or Researching Online and Purchasing Offline  
Source: BCG 2013 specific survey (10.000 core luxury Consumers in 10 countries)

2. Up to 2 answers possible, index value represented

# 7 Channels are blurring with online influencing over 50% of total luxury purchases

*"Where have you bought the last item purchased? Where have you researched it?"*

% of last purchase  
for each respondent



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# 8 Global segments accounting for 80% of Core luxury market, 3 of them for 50%+

Global segments (gender / geography balanced)								Gender specific		Country specific	
											
Absolute luxurer	Megacitier	Experien cer	Fashionista	Status Seeker	# Little Prince	Social Wearer	Classpirational	Timeless Proper	Omni Gifter	Luxe Immune	Rich Upstarter
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8%	9%	11%	11%	9%	6%	3%	13%	10%	8%	6%	6%
29	17	12	8	8	10	14	3	8	10	4	4
61	38	33	21	16	15	10	10	21	19	6	5
24%	15%	13%	8%	6%	6%	4%	4%	8%	8%	2%	2%

counting for 50%+  
of lux. market

1.Does not include cars

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# So what's in for you?

## Key take-aways

- 2 / 3 of the next decade growth will be **organic (today markets, today stores)**
- **380 M luxury Consumers** to become **440**; total market to increase by **150 €Bn** of which **85 €Bn** coming from **42M Core Luxury Consumers**
- Socio demos no longer predictive of core luxury Consumer behaviors: **12 unique segments entering your stores with different expectations**

## Call for action

- Growth is there but there will be **winners and losers**. Actions required include a **set of commercial lever**
  - **Retail**: country and generation customization
  - **Quality and Exclusivity** as Brand life insurance
  - **Advocacy** a key pillar of an effective **Omni-media strategy**
  - **Digital**: from brick to digital and back again
- **"Made In Italy"** an asset to build on for the long term growth
- "Amazonization" of Brand assets: **consumer knowledge** will make the difference

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