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Introduction





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AR adoption is tracking with the mobile usage boom - by 2025, nearly **75% of the global population and almost all smartphone** users will be frequent AR users.<sup>1</sup>



**73% of people successfully identify AR when they see it<sup>2</sup>,** but when talking about it, they have a hard time defining or describing what it is.



**65% of AR consumers around the world and across generations use AR to have fun;** the majority are discovering AR through social / communications apps.<sup>3</sup>



AR is generally seen as a "toy", but **76% of people expect and desire to use it as a practical "tool"** in their everyday lives.<sup>4</sup>



Interacting with products that have AR experiences leads to a **94% higher conversion rate.**<sup>5</sup>



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# Consumers are redefining the digital experience by using AR.

Augmented Reality (AR) is the next form of mobile engagement that is exciting consumers, driving an enhanced engagement with brands, elevating consumer experiences and increasing brand revenues.



Augmented Reality refers to experiences in which the real-world environment seen through your phone, computer, app camera, or an AR headset is altered or enhanced with the addition of images, objects, text, or other digitally-added information. Augmented Reality could be applied to both visuals of the front facing (selfie) and outward facing (world) cameras.<sup>1</sup>



There is something really unique happening right now – an incredible number of hobbyists and professionals are using AR. Downloading tools across the Snap AR platform. They're taking time to learn, they're curious."



Eitan Pilipski SVP Camera Platform Snap Inc.



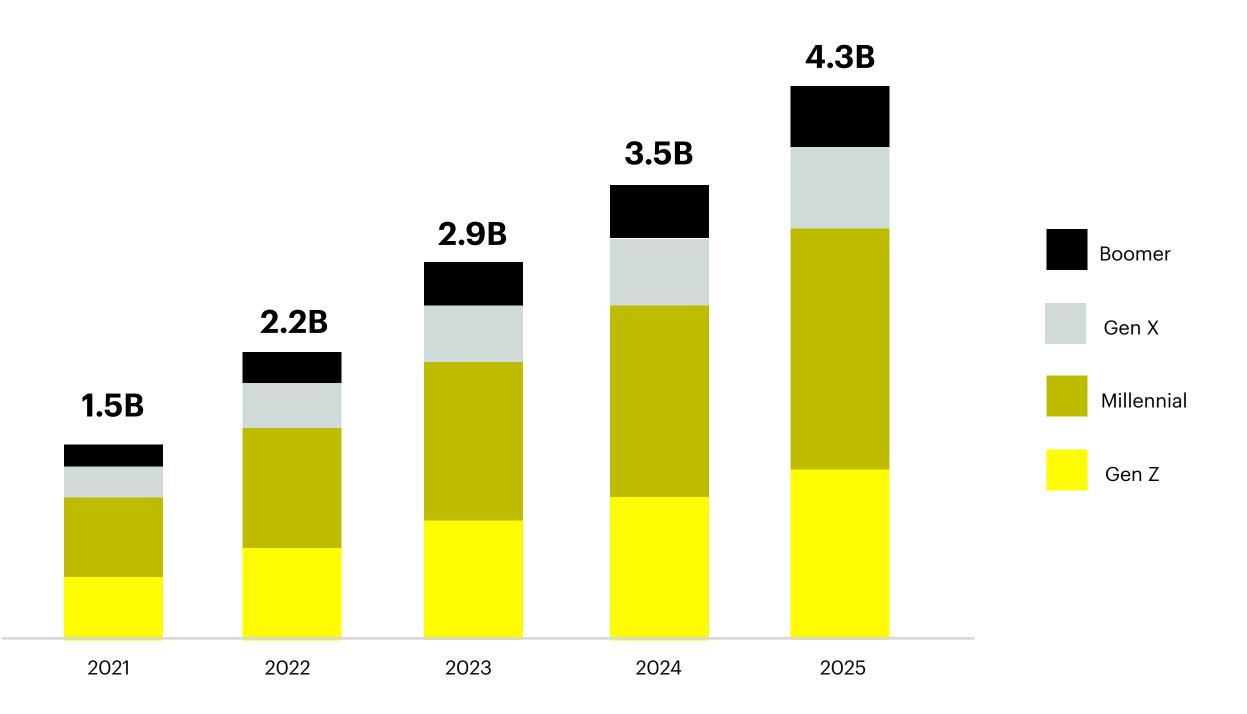
By 2025, nearly 75% of the global population\* and almost all people who use social / communication apps will be frequent AR users.<sup>1</sup>

Based on people ages 13-69 who use social / communication apps

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# AR is growing

### **Frequent AR Consumers**



Note: 2021 AR Consumers based on people who use AR weekly or daily from 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc.

2022 to 2025 forecasted in line with 2000-2003 growth rate of smartphone users since AR is in the Toy-launchedphase of adoption; if we look at where this transition took place with mobile phones, one can argue that this was when games like 'snake' started being available (e.g., 1997: Nokia 6110 device released, 1999: emojis were invented, 2000: Nokia 3310, and the first commercially available camera phone launched in Japan).



<sup>(r</sup>Our commitment to reinventing the camera is most evident through our advances in augmented reality. Today, more than 200 million people engage with AR on Snapchat everyday on average. We have codeveloped our vision for augmented reality together with our growing community and have created cutting-edged tools and capabilities that allow creators to build increasingly advanced Lenses and distribute them to the entire Snapchat community."



Evan Spiege Chief Executive Officer Snap Inc.

# Younger, more grouporiented households are driving **AR growth**

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = Gen Z (n=2,379), Millennials (n=1,751), Gen X (n=159) Q: What year were you born? | Q: How familiar are you with AR? | A: I use AR all the time 2: Base = Age 45-50 agreeing AR is practical (n=281), Age 13-24 agreeing AR is practical (n=1,891) Q: What year were you born? | Q: Augmented Reality is for entertainment / Augmented Reality is practical | A: Agree

much more with B, Agree somewhat more with B

3: Base = Solo HH (n=272), 5+ HH (n=1,403)

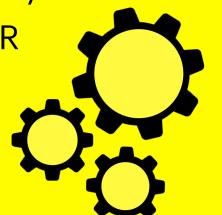
Q: How many people occupy your residence (including you)? This includes related family members and all the unrelated people, if any, who live with you. | Q: How useful and/or important do you think AR will be in 5 years? | A: Very useful / important, Somewhat useful / important

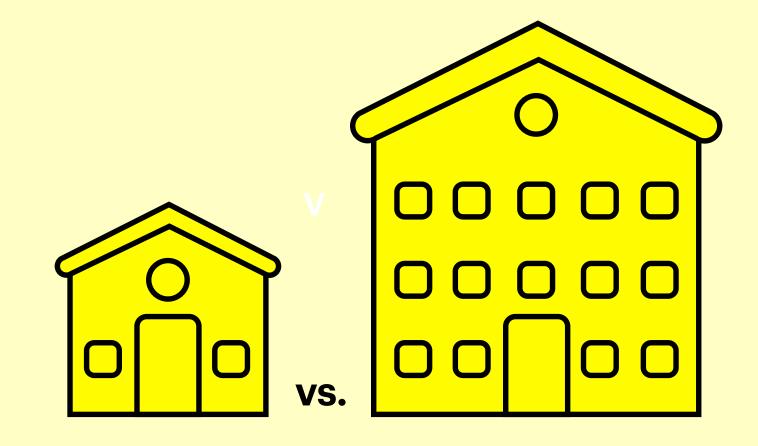
Gen Z / Millennials are both 71% more likely to use AR all the time vs. older generations.<sup>1</sup>

Older generations are nearly **20% more** likely to view AR primarily as practical.<sup>2</sup>

### **Age Differences**

### Household





Bigger households are 89% more likely than solo households to use AR all the time.<sup>3</sup>

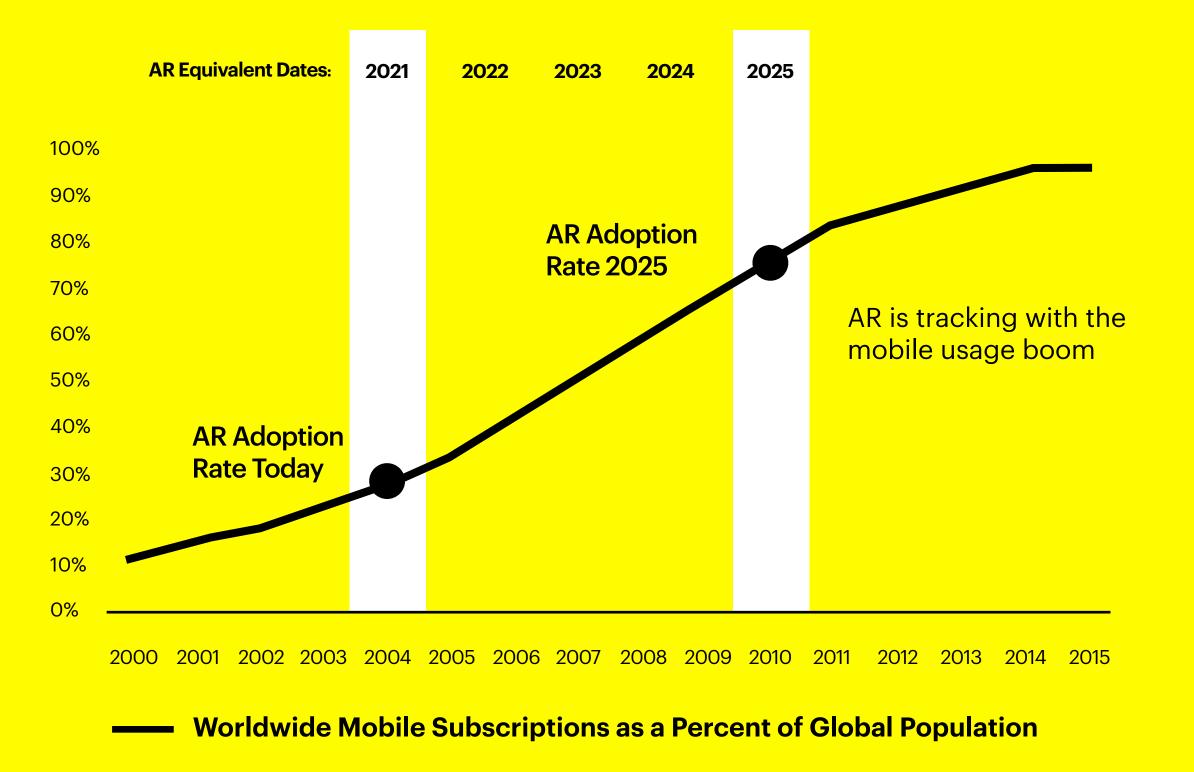
Note: People who live with others is based on households with 5 or more individuals. Increased number of household members implies more time spent being social with friends and family, a driver of AR usage.



**Snap Inc.** 

# Compared to mobile tech adoption **AR is poised** to take-off







AR-related patents in the US grew more than 3x over the last 10 years.<sup>1</sup>



**5**G will accelerate AR technology adoption with benefits like increased download speeds and accessibility.<sup>2</sup>





# As AR evolves, it will revolutionize our lives and will become as changing how we view and



🔬 📄 Allan Cook Digital Reality Business Leader Deloitte Digital

significant of a technology shift as the web or mobile was to society, interact with the world around us."



# AR's Impact on Brands





# A lot of people are using AR to make purchase decisions and plan to keep doing so

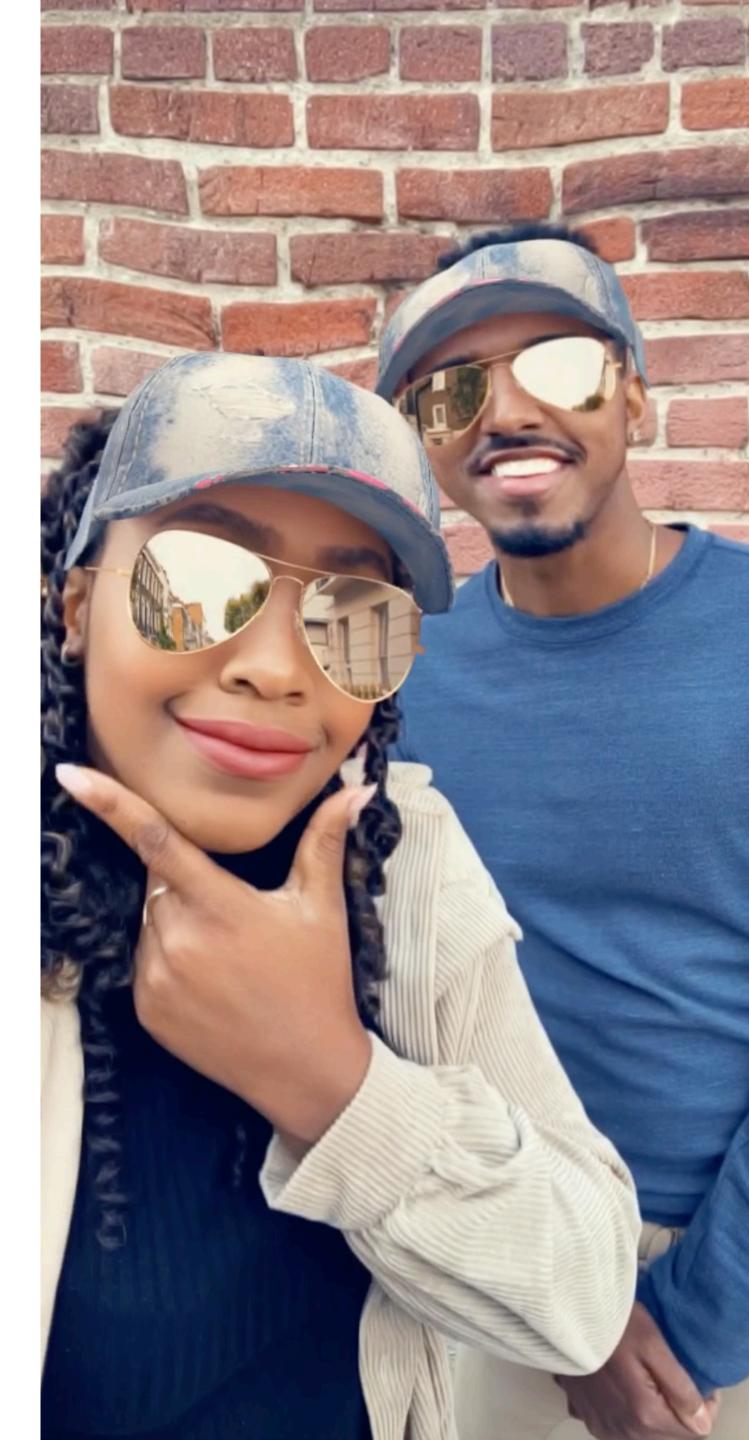
There are

100million **consumers** 

shopping with AR online and in-stores.<sup>1</sup>



agree they'll use AR the same or more when shopping next year.<sup>2</sup>

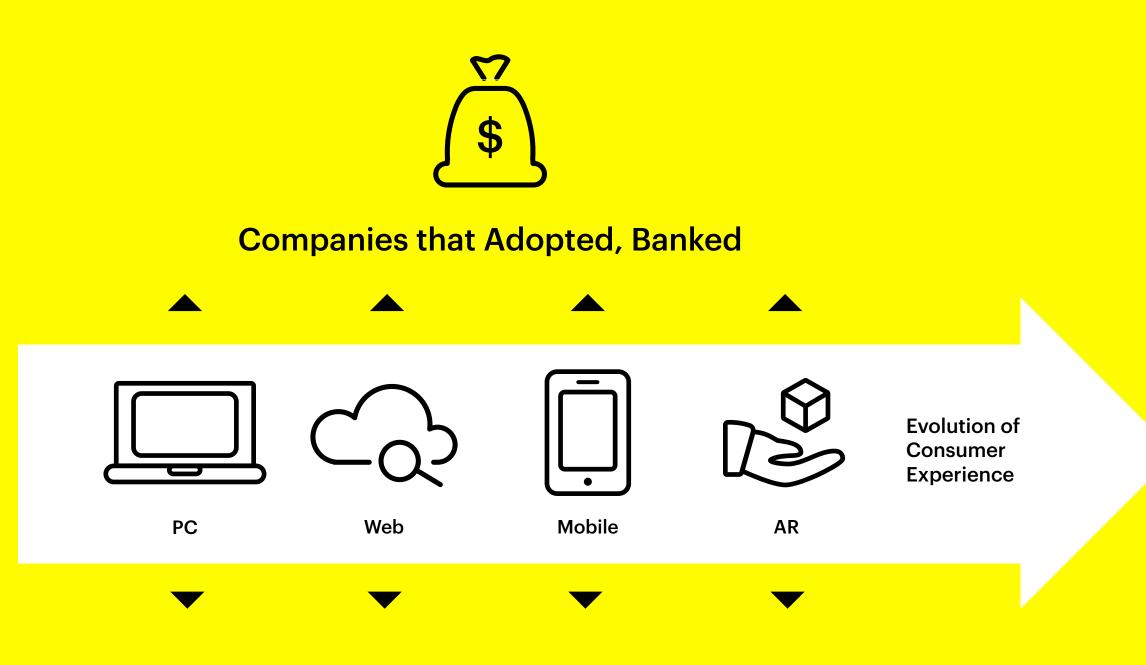


# AR is the new consumer experience and cannot be ignored

Consumers continuously expect more *personalized* and *engaging* experiences that enable them to interact with the world.

The companies that *embrace change can* become dominant industry players – those that don't, fall behind competitors ...and sink.

It's not too late to be a leader and get first mover benefits.



#### **Companies that Didn't, Sank**







# Historically, advertising interrupted your life to get your attention. With AR a brand with the camera and leverage to tell your own story in a way that is genuinely interesting, entertaining and relevant to your friends and followers."



can create content that you can personalize



### AR captures consumer attention

AR delivers almost **2x** the levels of visual attention compared to their non-AR equivalent,

leading to improved memories and more powerful responses from consumers.<sup>1</sup>

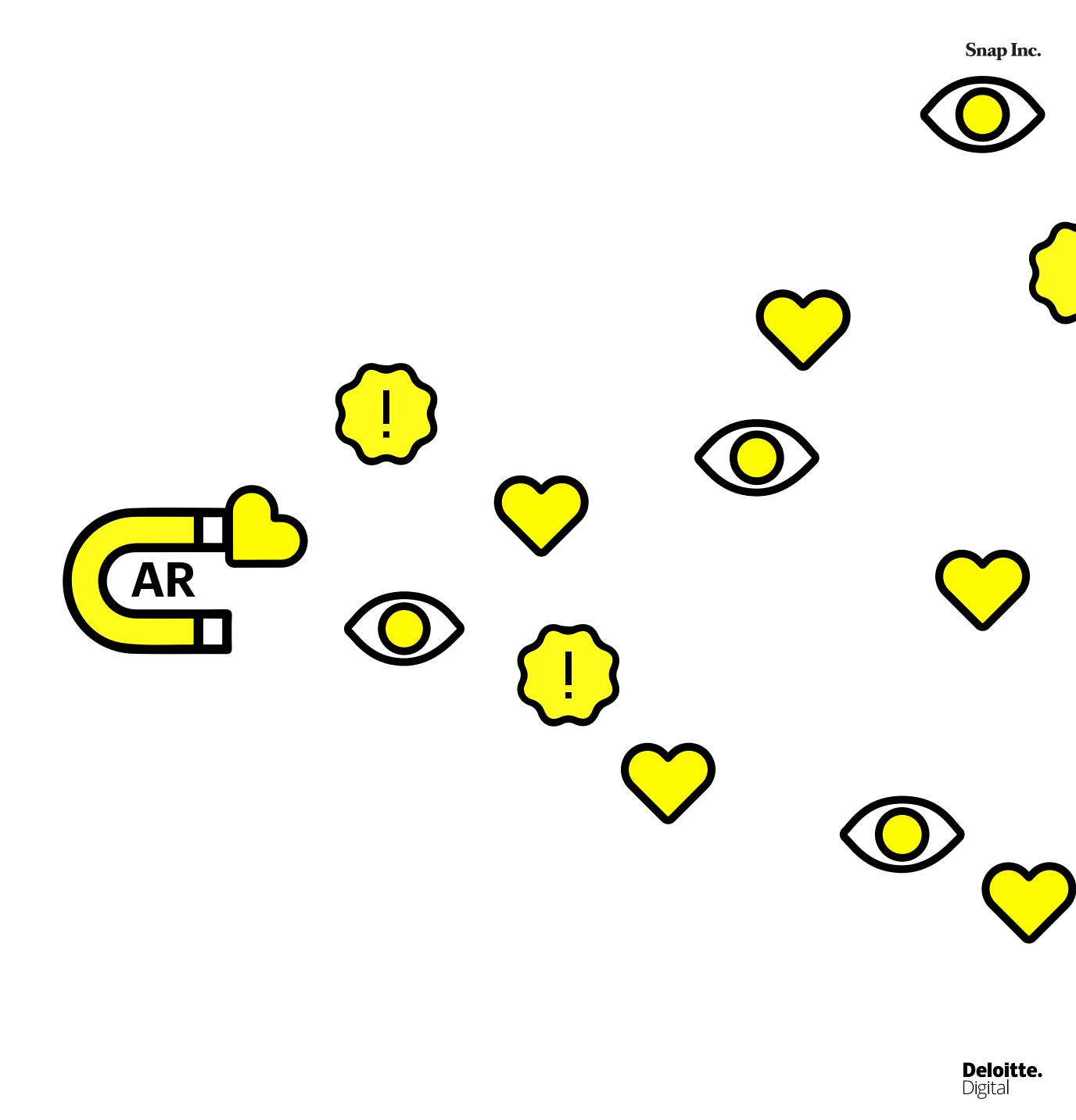


People who frequently use AR with their family and friends are **50% more likely to pay attention to a brand.**<sup>2</sup>

1: Zappar <u>Article</u>, "How augmented reality affects the brain"

2: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = Over 60% of friends and family sharing AR (n=1,330), Less than 20% of friends and family sharing AR (n=1,209)

Q: How many of your friends and family do you think use AR today? | Q: Sometimes brands will create AR experiences through an app camera (e.g., a big movie company makes an AR experience where the heroes of a movie are fighting next to you, or a restaurant provides you a lens/filter/effect that turns you into a hamburger). What impact, if any, does interacting with that AR experience have on your perception of that brand?



# Brands and people connect better with AR experiences

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = People who use AR all the time (n=1,760)

Q: Sometimes brands will create AR experiences through an app camera (e.g., a big movie company makes an AR experience where the heroes of a movie are fighting next to you, or a restaurant provides you a lens/filter/effect that turns you into a hamburger). What impact, if any, does interacting with that AR experience have on your perception of that brand? | A: I am more likely to pay more attention to the brand, I am more likely to share a brand's AR experience with friends and family, I am more likely to consider their products

### **Brands are**



**more likely** to be considered if they have a branded AR experience.<sup>1</sup>





## **AR builds** consumer confidence

56%



1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = Aggregate (n=8,770) Q: How does AR impact your browsing and/or shopping experience?

2: NielsenIQ Analysis, Augmented retail: The new consumer reality

3: 2016 Label Insight Transparency ROI Study via Inc.

4: ARInsider Article, "Does AR Really Reduce eCommerce Returns?"

### of shoppers agree that AR gives them more confidence about product quality.<sup>1</sup>

## **Over half**

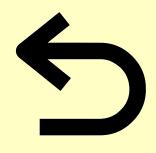
of people want to use AR technology to assess products, allowing for a risk free, "try-before you buy", experience.<sup>2</sup>



### **Nearly 3 in 4 consumers**

say they're willing to pay more for a product that promises the total transparency that AR can provide.<sup>3</sup>

Returns are a \$550 billion problem, which AR can help fix. AR-guided purchases led to a 25% decrease in returns.<sup>4</sup>









# **Social is driving AR adoption.** People want to share their favorite Brand's AR experiences

1: 2021 Alter Agents research commissioned by Snap Inc. and Publicis Media

Note: Letters indicate statistically significant difference at 95% confidence level



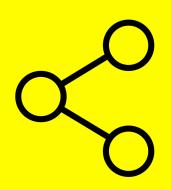


Rely on friends and family to discover branded AR experiences<sup>1</sup>

Gen Z



63% Gen X



Find it important to share branded AR easily<sup>1</sup>





# The results are in the second secon







# AR interactions drive conversion

The conversion rates that we've seen have surprised us, as a result **we're doubling-down on AR** experiences to drive eCommerce."

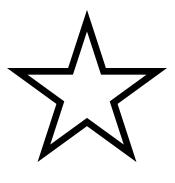


Robert Triefus EVP of Brand & Customer Engagement Gucci

### Interacting with products that have AR experiences leads to a



higher conversion rate, as individuals can better assess them and feel connected with brands.<sup>1</sup>



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AR is Evolving Fast





### Over 4.5 billion AR photos and / or videos are taken daily by **consumers**

AR use will grow with an increase in awareness and access to AR experiences and content.

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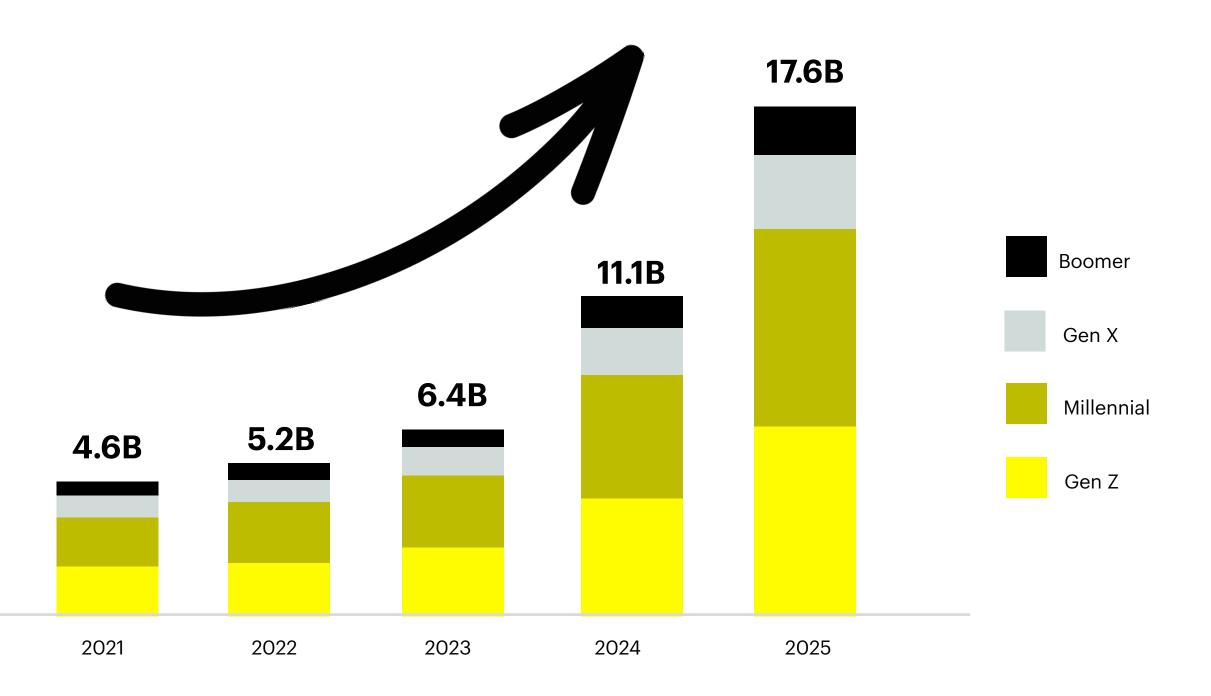


On Snapchat, there are **500** million minutes of AR playtime per day on average.<sup>2</sup>

2: Snap Inc. internal data Q1 2020

### AR Photos / Videos Per Day<sup>1</sup>

Generational Breakout of Daily AR Photos / Videos Created



TO per Day.<sup>1</sup>

2021-2025 CAGR of AR Photos / Videos

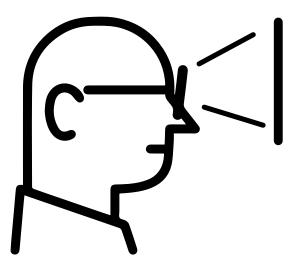


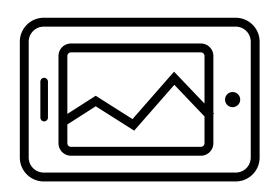




As mobile devices improve, the phone and the camera are becoming synonymous, allowing everyone to experience the world through each others' eyes.







Today, we experience the world through the lens of the camera...

Consumers are **23% more** likely to use the frontfacing camera when they use AR to express themselves.<sup>1</sup> ...tomorrow, the lens will become smart glasses.

The camera will...

#### Be the New Search

Pointing your camera at something will be similar to typing a term into a search bar.

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"Snap's choice of a smartphone's camera as the interface is a familiar, comfortable tool that is almost always within reach. Snap adapted an interface that complemented users' natural movement–leveraging sophisticated facial mapping and computer vision technology that creates 3D animations that rotate and expand."<sup>2</sup>







In tech, there is an inner circle of trends to take seriously. AR is properly in that you cannot touch or live."

# (now-18 months) and outer circle (18-36 months) the inner circle. Nothing is more powerful than AR; it is the bridge between the 2D and the 3D world, and we've never had that before – we instead forced ourselves to accept the 2D world



The "technology" phase: Consumers and developers try new Technologies, like communication platforms, to create and connect with the world.

**Discover and test** a new capability.

TOY

AREHERE

\*

The "feature" phase: Test and Toy with AR to play and have fun via applications like selfies.

TOOL

The "impactful" phase: engage with useful features, like AR directions on how to get home.

### TOTALITY

#### Business as usual / the new normal:

See AR's full power as developers make more content available to use in everyday life, shifting from selfie to world and play to utility.

Interact with frictionless applications and experiences. Expectations to use AR becomes ubiquitous across platforms, providing interaction points to engage with the world in its totality.

**E.G.** Using a lens to give yourself puppy ears or putting your face on a dancing rabbit.

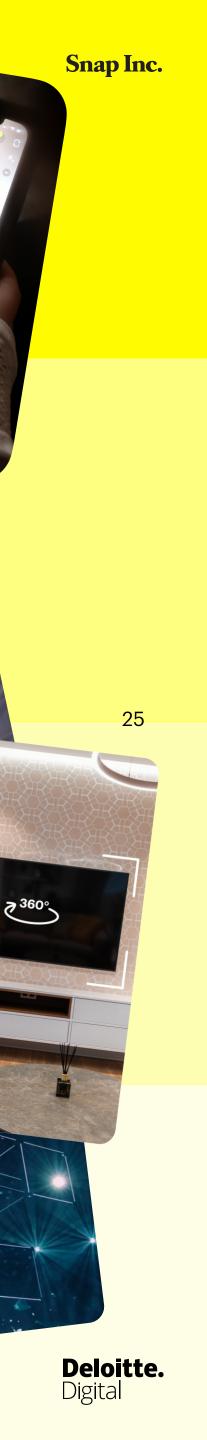
Experiment with interesting features.

E.G. Testing out a hair color and sharing this with friends or capturing a 3D monster.

Understand the benefits or utility of AR experiences. As this understanding grows, so too, do practical applications and how they might be used.

**E.G.** Trying out a brand's lipstick to see how it looks on or how a TV looks on the wall to determine which size of TV to purchase.

E.G. Shopping seamlessly across brands and platforms.





AR is Here Today and Here to Stay





# Where in the world is AR being used?

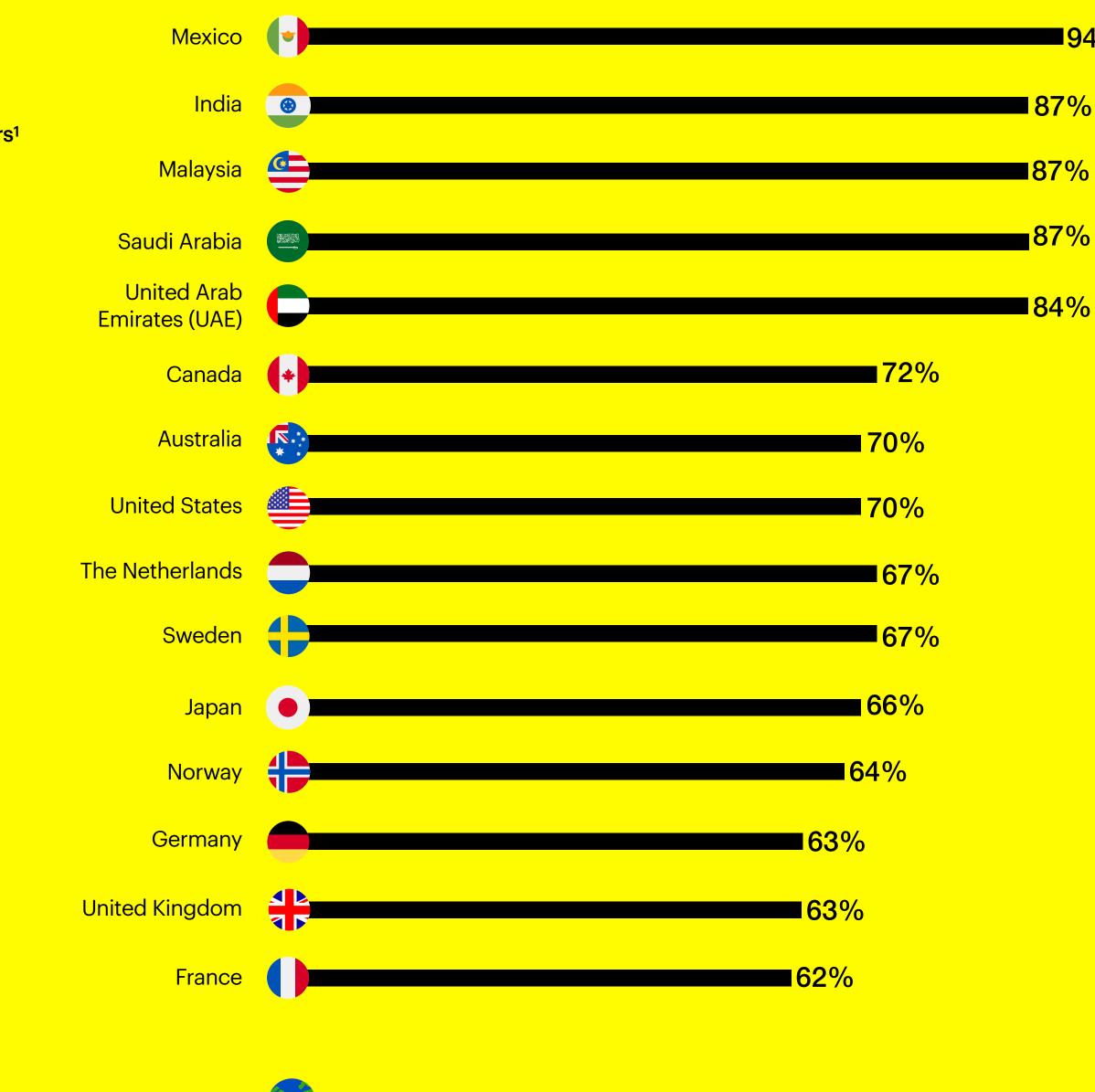
**Over 2/3** of consumers in all markets believe AR will be useful and important in 5 years.<sup>2</sup>

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc.

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Q: How useful and/or important do you think AR will be in 5 years? | A: Very useful / important, Somewhat useful / important

% think it will be important in 5 years<sup>1</sup>



Global Average

**74%** 



#### 94%

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# Where do people love using AR most today?

What are people using AR for at home?<sup>2</sup>



1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = Aggregate (n=10.028)

Q: Where do you typically use AR? Please rank the locations from where you use AR the most to the least. | A: At Home Rank 1st 2: Base = At home – Communication (n=7,458), M&E (n= 5,253), Gaming (n=5,508), Shopping (n=4,139) Q: Where do you typically use AR? Please rank the locations from where you use AR the most to the least. | A: At Home Rank 1st | Q: How often do you use AR for any of the following reasons? | A: Several times each day, Once a day, Several times a week, Once a week, A few times a month, Once a month

### 67% of consumers use AR primarily in their homes.<sup>1</sup>

Consumers predominantly use AR at home, and do so for a wide range of uses.

**74%** 

Communication

₩ 55% Gaming



Media & Entertainment

41% Shopping







# How are people learning about AR?

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc.

Base = Aggregate (n=12,813)

Q: Where did you first discover AR content? | A: I saw people I know using it on social media, communication, and camera apps, I saw it in an advertisement on a social media, communication, or camera app, I stumbled across it while exploring viral content on social media, communication, or camera app, I saw celebrities / influencers use it on social media, communication, and camera apps, I read about it on a blog / forum, I heard about it from friends / family, in-person

2: Base = People who use AR all the time with 60%+ friends who share (n=1,645), People who have used AR before with 60%+ friends who share (n=1,578)

Q: How familiar are you with AR? | A: I use AR all the time, I have used AR before | Q: How many of your friends and family do you think use AR today? | A: 60-80%, Over 80%



learn about AR from social / communication channels and networking.<sup>1</sup>

Frequent AR users are more likely to have **over 50%** of their friends and family using AR.<sup>2</sup>





# Why dothey use AR?

TECH:

TOY:

TOOL:

### **OSMOSIS**

"I didn't even realize I was using it"



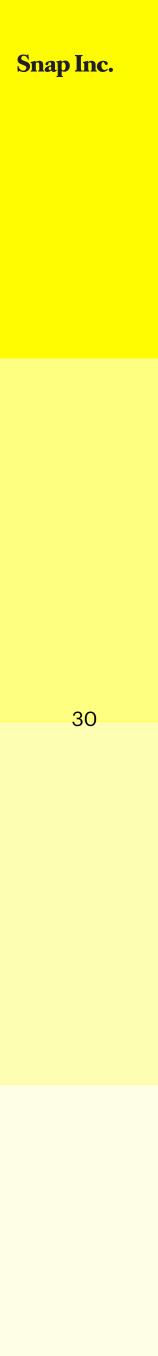
#### "I want to have fun and connect with friends"

UTILITY

"I need to and it's useful"

### TOTALITY: UBIQUITY

"It's everywhere and commonplace"





### Why do they use AR? Osmosis

# 61%

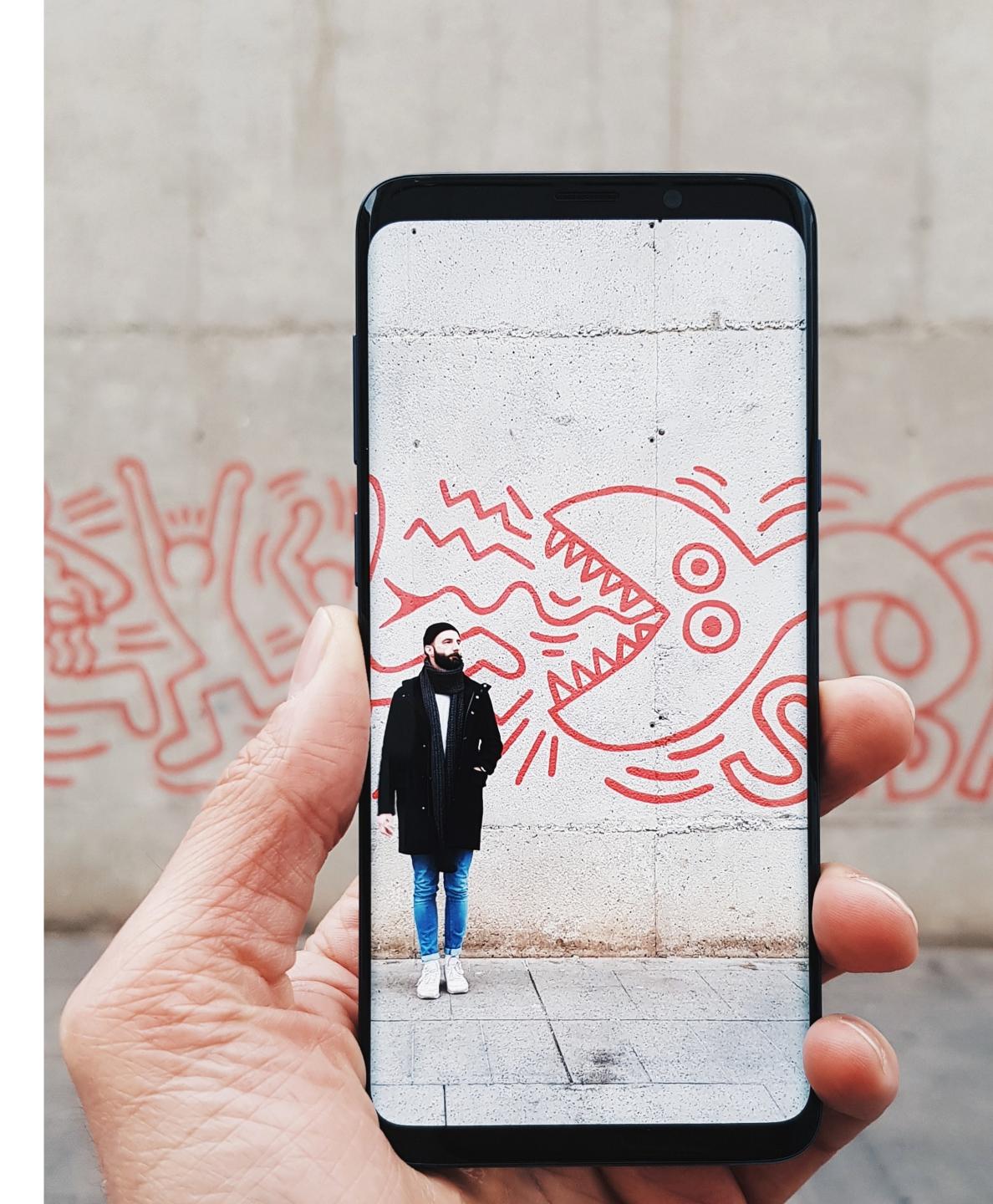
of people use AR for communication.<sup>1</sup>

People may have a hard time describing AR, but

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successfully identify AR when they see it.<sup>2</sup>

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### Why do they use AR? JOY



# funny try technology reality New products gaming Pokemon good better Creative A D real

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc Base = Aggregate (n=6,571) Q: Why do you like to use AR? | A: Open end

friends online photos **useful** express games shopping allows different pictures exciting something cool think Creativity life things play Snapchat future time USE myself world easy product look more.



# Why do they use AR?

From the consumer  $\frac{1}{100} + \frac{1}{100} + \frac{1}{100}$ perspective, they are willing to handle an AR learning curve, if they are having fun doing it along the way."

Jason Yim, CEO & Chief Analyst Trigger Global

# 65%

of consumers use AR to have fun, the biggest driver for AR use.<sup>1</sup>

1 and 2: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = Aggregate (n=10,166) Q: Why do you use AR? Q: What year were you born? | Q: Why do you use AR?

The draw of AR comes from feelings of joy. People are fascinated by themselves, and AR can be a great tool for explore those emotions."



Adrian Mills Creative Brand & Advertising Business Lead Deloitte Digital



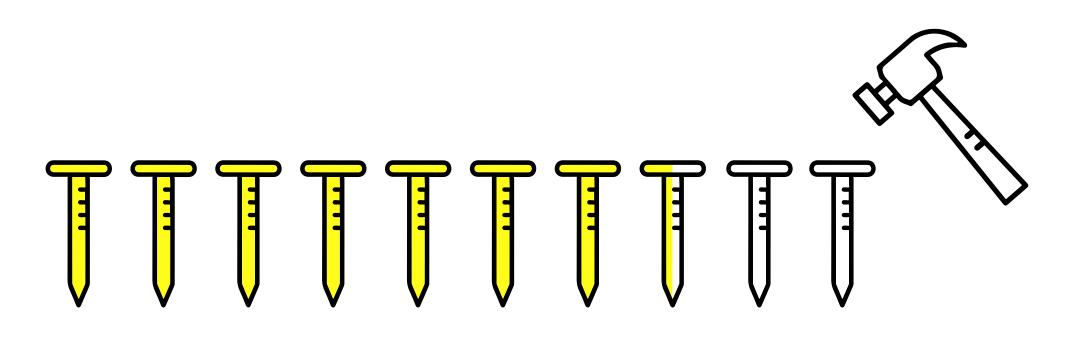


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### Why do they use AR? From Utility to Ubiquity

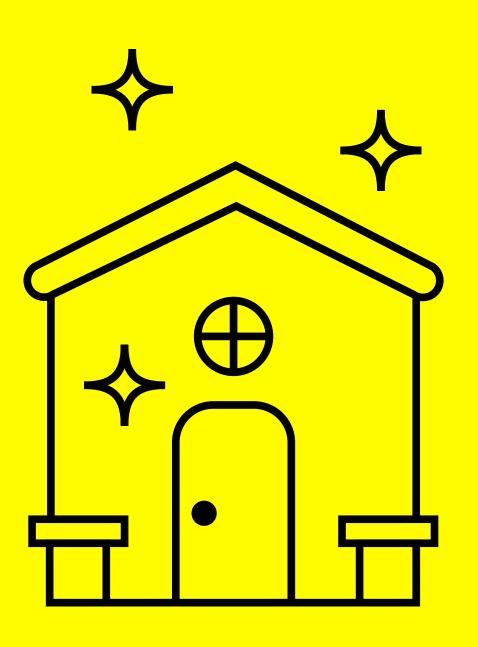
We are over halfway there.

Over 3 in 4 already recognize AR as useful.<sup>1</sup>





Snapchatters are **3x more likely** than Non-Snapchatters to say they are using AR to try on products more than they did last year.<sup>3</sup> Ubiquity is achieved as consumers encounter AR everywhere, something that currently **50% of AR** users experience.<sup>2</sup>



1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = Aggregate (n=11,938)

- Q: Augmented Reality is useful / Augmented Reality is not useful | A: Agree much more with A, Agree somewhat more with A
- 2: Base = Aggregate (n=7,745)
- Q: "I see Augmented Reality everywhere" | A: Agree Much more with A, Agree somewhat more with A 3: 2021 Global Cassandra Study commissioned by Snap Inc.
- Base: Aggregate (n=27,006)

Q: Which of the following, if any, are true for you? Select all that apply.









Shrenik Sadalgi, Director of R&D Wayfair

# The more AR and visual computing becomes a natural medium for searching, learning, and viewing information in our environments, the more adoption we will see."

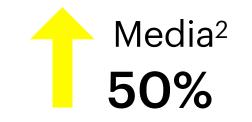






### 74% of consumers believe that AR will be even more important in their lives in the next 5 years.<sup>1</sup>

Next year, consumers plan on using AR more in 4 key growth areas, showing the increase in value that they see in AR and that they are excited for future uses.

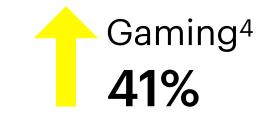




31% want to create their own interactive media plots by guiding characters through a script.<sup>6</sup>

**54%** want to readily view information about an item or product as soon as it's scanned with the phone camera.<sup>6</sup>

4: Base = Aggregate (n=2,898) Q: Will you use AR in gaming more or less than last year?





**41%** want to project their AR avatar into their favorite games, media & entertainment.<sup>6</sup>

41% want to customize environments to their own imagination and share with others.<sup>6</sup>





<sup>1: 2021</sup> Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = Aggregate (n=11,493)

Q: How useful and/or important do you think AR will be in 5 years? A: Very useful / important, Somewhat useful / important

<sup>2:</sup> Base = Aggregate (n=3,232)

Q: How would you like to use AR in the next year to enhance

the way you view sports, concerts, movies, and TV?

<sup>3:</sup> Base = Aggregate (n=3,394) Q: Will you use AR while browsing and/or shopping more or less than last year?

<sup>5:</sup> Base = Aggregate(n=2.805)

Q: How do you feel about AR on social media, communication, and camera apps? | A: I want more ways to interact with friends and family using AR 6: Base = Project through AR avatar (n=4,696), Create TV/Movie/Video plot narratives (n=3,560), Readily view information about item or product (n=6,243), Customize environments (n=4,717)

Q: Below is a list of ways you could use AR in the future. Please select all the ways that you would be interested in using AR.

### Utility is a primary driver for AR's future use<sup>1</sup>

Navigation 36%

Learn Something new 35%

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc.

Base = Why use AR - Wellness (n=1,680), Improve Productivity (n=2,636), Instructions (n=3,517), Learn something new (n=4,903), TV & Sports (n=2,798), Navigation (n=4,156) | Desire for more AR use - Wellness (n=4,021), Improve Productivity (n=4,635), Instructions (n=5,453), Learn something new (n=6,601), TV & Sports (n=3,814), Navigation (n=5,658) Q: Why use AR | Q: Desire for more AR use

## Wellness 139%

### Improve Productivity Instructions **176% 155%**

TV & Sports 36%











# Are You Ready for the Future?





# I think AR is that big, it's huge. I get excited because of the things that could be done that



hief Executive Officer Apple Inc.

I regard [AR] as a big idea, like the smartphone. The smartphone is for everyone, we don't have to think the iPhone is about a certain demographic, or country or vertical market: it's for everyone. could improve a lot of lives. And be entertaining."

### Fast-Forward to Totality or Press Pause?



### Drivers accelerating the adoption of AR

- Consumers are becoming creators
- Desire to increase utility
- Increased mobile usage through COVID-19
- Keeping things fun

### Barriers slowing the adoption of AR

- Lack of content
- Industry-wide limited enablement & engagement with the developer / creator community
- Need for frictionless experience





### Consumers are becoming creators

Everyday consumers have more access to technology tools that enable them to be creators of digital content.

AR is a creative vehicle

64%

believe AR allows them to be more creative.<sup>1</sup> 53%

believe they are AR creators in their everyday lives.<sup>2</sup>

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc.

Base = Aggregate (n=10,061) Q: How much do you agree or disagree with each of the statements below? AR allows me to be more creative | A: Agree/strongly agree

2 and 3: Base = Aggregate (n=8,252), Snapchatters (n=4,842), Non-Snapchatters (n=3,410)

Q: Have you ever used tools (e.g. Snapchat Lens Studio, Facebook for Developers/Spark AR, Instagram for Developers, TikTok for Developers) to create your own AR filters/lenses/effects? | A: Yes

Snapchatters are **1.5x** as likely to be AR creators.<sup>3</sup>

# 6306 Snapchatters

### vs. 4396 Non-Snapchatters

have used tools to create AR.





# The need to increase utility

The pandemic exacerbated the demand for fun and practical content and reinforced AR's importance.

### **AR helps shoppers** make decisions.



of AR shoppers believe that AR is more important

for making browsing and / or shopping more rewarding / fun.<sup>1</sup>

As more retailers and brands invest in increasingly sophisticated AR-powered experiences, reaching more consumers across an ever-increasing number of touch points, consumer expectations will continue to escalate. They are demanding more utility for their time and attention. The brands and retailers who step-up to successfully meet this opportunity will stand out and be more likely to earn their business."



James Clarke Sr. Director Media Strategy & CRM Frito-Lay North America





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### COVID-19 accelerated AR adoption

Worldwide spending on augmented reality and virtual reality (AR/VR) is forecast to accelerate out of the pandemic, growing from just over \$12.0 billion this year to \$72.8 billion in 2024.1

1: International Data Corporation Worldwide Augmented and Virtual Reality Spending Guide via <u>IDC</u> 2: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc.

Base = People who use AR all the time (n=2,405) Q: Based on the above description, which of the following best describes your familiarity with AR before today? | A: I use AR all the time | Q: Think about how your life has changed as a result of COVID-19 and pandemic restrictions. How, if at all, has COVID-19 changed the importance of AR in your life? AR makes digital experiences more useful and important

3: Base = People who use AR all the time (n=2,525)

Q: Based on the above description, which of the following best describes your familiarity with AR before today? | A: I use AR all the time | Q: Think about how your life has changed as a result of COVID-19 and pandemic restrictions. How, if at all, has COVID-19 changed the importance of AR in your life? AR makes me feel like I am somewhere else 4: Base = People who use AR all the time (n=2.382)

Q: Based on the above description, which of the following best describes your familiarity with AR before today? | A: I use AR all the time | Q: Think about how your life has changed as a result of COVID-19 and pandemic restrictions. How, if at all, has COVID-19 changed the importance of AR in your life? AR creates possibilities for new tech innovations

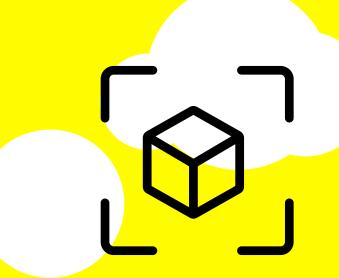
### COVID-19 has reinforced AR's importance as a bridge between the physical and the digital.

### **56%**

say COVID-19 has made AR digital experiences more important.<sup>2</sup>



**56%** say COVID-19 has made shopping with AR more rewarding and fun.<sup>3</sup>



### **59%**

say COVID-19 has made AR tech innovations more important.<sup>4</sup>





E-commerce benefited the most from COVID-19 and it's here to stay. AR has the opportunity to piggyback on this trend."



Mike Boland CEO ARtillery



In the wake of COVID-19, in which retailers worldwide shut down for months, retailers using AR are enjoying a 19% spike in customer engagement...and the customer conversion rate increases by 90% for customers engaging with AR versus those that don't."<sup>1</sup>



Judy Mottl Editor **Retail Customer Experience** 



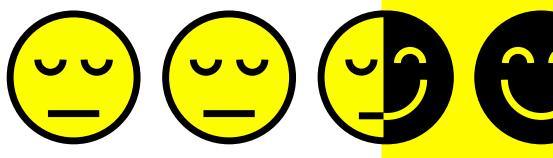






# Keeping things fun

The experience of overlaying imagery onto the real world is fun.



**74%** of consumers say that AR has entertainment value.<sup>1</sup>

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### **Develop** more content

Keep AR consumers engaged with new, relevant content.

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = View information about an item or product (n=7,592), View instructional guides (n=6,587) Q: Below is a list of ways you could use AR in the future. Please select all the ways that you would be interested in using AR

### **Consumers** want AR to simplify their lives



want to see more information about a product.<sup>1</sup>

want to view instructional guides.<sup>1</sup>

For brands to keep customers engaged, they need to increase the volume and relevance of content to improve customer value.





The more a consumer spends time with something, the more likely they are to buy it – there is no question that when the ad is personal / interactive, engagement rate goes up...How do you create an ad that deeply engages the consumer? That's why we have AR. When an ad is interactive, such as AR, there's no question the interaction & engagement rates go up."



Dea Lawrence CMO Variety

# Develop more content

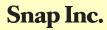
The case for investment in AR is there – customers using AR spend more time in apps and have higher purchase rates.

Brands can create engaging content and gain access to developer networks by tapping into an ecosystem of platform businesses.\*

### According to Adi Tatarko, Houzz's CEO, customers spend more time in apps that offer AR – **up to 2.7x more time** –



and importantly, Houzz customers using AR are **11x more** likely to make a purchase.<sup>1</sup>







## The labor market is evolving towards jobs that demand more digital skills, not fewer. Meanwhile burgeoning in greater demand than ever due to more ingrained into our daily lives."

technologies like Augmented Reality – social restrictions – are set to become

# Enable & engage developers

AR skillsets are nascent but growing.

**Over 50%** of AR developers have under a year of experience.<sup>1</sup>

Consumers represent untapped potential for social and communications platforms with **63% of consumers** having tried at least one social platform developer account.<sup>2</sup>



Snapchatters are AR content creators 55% of Snapchatters who have Lens Studio are Gen Z.<sup>5</sup>

SlashData Report, A closer look at AR/VR practitioners' experience & goals
 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc.
 Base = Aggregate (9,773)
 Q: Please select from the list the development tools and apps that you are familiar / have tried or created with.
 3 and 4: SlashData Report, A closer look at developers & non-developers involved in AR/VR

5: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc.

Base = Snapchatters who have Lens Studio (n=4.181)

Q: Have you ever used tools (e.g. Snapchat Lens Studio, Facebook for Developers/Spark AR, Instagram for Developers, TikTok for Developers) to create your own AR filters/lenses/effects? | Q: What year were you born?

East Asia, North America, and South Asia are hotspots for AR and VR skillsets.



of global AR / VR practitioners are in East Asia, North America and South Asia (31%, 23% and 14% respectively).<sup>3</sup>

Over half of AR / VR practitioners in South Asia are students.<sup>4</sup>





### Consumers are becoming casual AR creators

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc.

Base = People who use tools to create AR frequently – to experience the latest technology (moderately/very important) (n=3,363), People who use tools to create AR frequently – to create something unique, that others haven't yet (moderately/very important) (n=3,363).

Q: Have you ever used tools (e.g. Snapchat Lens Studio, Facebook for Developers/Spark AR, Instagram for Developers, TikTok for Developers) to create your own AR filters/lenses/effects? | Q: How important are each of the following to you when creating custom filters/lenses/effects? | A: Moderately Important, Very Important

## Novelty is driving this adoption.



create AR to experience the latest technology.<sup>1</sup>

# \$<br/>6<br/>6<br/>5<br/>%

create AR to build something that hasn't been done before.





### Casual creators want AR to shape how they interact with the world

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Thanks to companies like Snap, people are now familiar with lighttouch AR. With 5G, tech is finally catching up with ambition."



Kris Soumas Head of Gaming & Next Gen Entertainment Verizon -

### Casual creators have the opportunity to shape AR's future.



• want to enhance and share the realworld footage they capture.<sup>1</sup>



want to know more about products that they scan.<sup>1</sup>



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want to navigate to new areas of interest.<sup>1</sup>

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = People who use tools to create AR frequently – to enhance real-world footage (n=2,422), People who use tools to create AR frequently - to readily view

information about an item or product (n=2,518), People who use tools to create AR frequently - to reade AR frequently - t





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### II A strong developer ecosystem will drive valuable content



Platforms that enable them to deliver their creative vision, while being rewarded for their contribution via revenue sharing agreements.





### **Fulfillment**

"AR seems to me the best way to democratize my work – everyone can wear my creations. It can't be the future if no one can try it on."





### **Developer Ecosystem** Needs

### Tools

Significant platform-specific configuration and development support, to meet growing and uncaptured demand.

"Someone needs to provide a sandbox that everyone uses so that developers can focus on developing."



Anwar Noriega CEO and Co-Founder Wabisabi Design



Platform developer support for creating AR experiences, especially as developer support for non-AR mobile applications starts to decline.

"The perfect AR platform listens to and communicates with its creators."



The freedom and license to create innovative AR content, test this content with consumers, and iterate on new ideas, without the fear of scrutiny, loss of work, and / or overbearing performance metrics.

"It's one thing to develop for people remotely connecting, but developing to enable people to interact in the same space via AR is exciting."

Founder & Lens Creator



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## Snap Inc. has over creators, who have made over 5 million

The key is harnessing AR in a very intuitive way. Partnering with Snap allows us to bring our products to life in an exciting new way."

> Shane Horneij Senior Director Performance Marketing King

Snap [Inc.] has done so many great things for adoption of AR for both consumers and developers. Snapchat filters taught the world what AR was and the art of the possible."



Max Dawes 🛛 🕞 Managing Director Zappar





### **I** Reduce friction

Educate consumers and increase hardware access to continue to propel AR's evolution

### **2** Consumer Behavior

Consumers will continue to learn about AR and how it can be used to enhance their experience.

Brands should entertain and educate consumers on the value AR can provide and incentivize them to partake in the AR movement.

### **Hardware / Access**

As battery life, network latency, and processing continue to improve, AR devices will become slim, functional, and aesthetically pleasing.

Brands should strive to provide experiences that can scale and adopt to technology advancements and provide equitable access for Creators and consumers.

The barriers for **creatives without a technical** background to create AR experiences is understanding the technical limitations. You have to understand these to pave over the cracks. As soon as there is a glitch or issue for user it breaks the illusion."

Qi Pan Director of Engineering **Computer Vision** Snap Inc.







Conclusion





### Conclusion

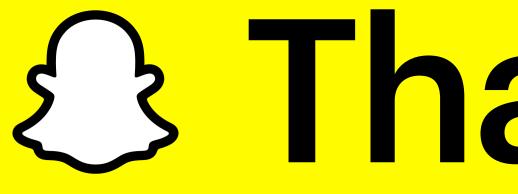
Consumers continuously expect more personalized and engaging experiences that enable them to interact with the world. AR is delivering that to consumers, today, but there remains untapped potential for so much more.

Brands know the consumer appetite for AR is already here consumers are far more likely to pay attention to brands using AR. There is a content imperative for brands to meet consumers AR demand, and now is the time to meet this demand. Brands that meet the demand for AR experiences may be more likely to gain market share in the future.

The convergence of use cases and the networking effects is expediting AR adoption. But to unlock AR's potential, brands, developers, and platforms need to work together to accelerate content development and grow the AR ecosystem.







# **S** Thank you







Appendix





### Report Methodology

### **Research Overview Global**, **Quantitative Online Survey**

- 20-minute online survey among 15,000 ٠ international respondents
- Survey in field from February 23, 2021 April 5, 2021

### Alignment with **Interdisciplinary Experts**

Experts within the AR industry participated in in-depth ٠ interviews to provide context for survey findings and contribute guidance on the future of AR in society.

### **Local Market Additions and Exceptions**

### **Respondent Qualification**

n=1000 per market

Ages 13-50

500 Snapchatters who use Snapchat at least once daily, split evenly amongst age groups 13-17, 18-24, and 25-50

To ensure a representative read on Snapchatters, cell weighting based on nested gender and age were applied to each country to correct for demographic imbalances due to set sampling size. 500 Non-Snapchatters, who do not have Snapchat downloaded/have never heard of Snapchat, minimum of N=100 in all three age groups

Markets: Australia, Canada, France, Germany, India, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, The Netherlands, Norway, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, United Arab Emirates, United States, United Kingdom

U.S.: Ethnicity quota (maximum 65% white respondents, maintained only for Snapchatters; Non-Snapchatters sample should be roughly nationally representative)

KSA and UAE: Representative expat / citizen quotas (88% expat in UAE; 30% expat in KSA for both Snapchatters and Non-Snapchatters).

Norway: Sample recruited for n=1000 to be representative of social media and communication app users in that market, with a skew on ages reflective of other markets (evenly distributed across 13-17, 18-24, and 25-50)

Japan: Sample recruited for n=1000 to be representative of smartphone users in that market, with a skew on ages reflective of other markets (evenly distributed across 13-17, 18-24, and 25-50)







### Frequent AR Users Methodology

### 2021 Baseline

**Frequent AR Users** 

People who use AR weekly or daily based on responses to 2021 Global Deloitte Study commissioned by Snap Inc.<sup>1</sup> and extrapolated to population

Survey Equivalent Ages:	13-24	25-44	45-50
AR Usage Frequency (2021)	Gen Z	Millennial	Gen X / Boomer
Several times each day	26%	19%	12%
Once a day	13%	13%	7%
Several times a week	19%	18%	15%
Once a week	8%	8%	8%
A few times a month	10%	11%	12%
Once a month	4%	5%	8%
Less than once a month	8%	13%	17%
I don't use AR in this way	12%	14%	21%
Frequent	66%	58%	42%



### **Population Base**

2021 Global Population Base: People ages 13-69 = 5.61B worldwide in 2020<sup>2</sup> 2021 Social and Communications App Population Base: Global Population x Social Media Penetration Rate (48% in 2021)<sup>3</sup> = 2.71B

Note: Assumes no increase or decrease in population. Base from 2021 stays same across five years

### 2022-2025 Forecast



2021 Baseline

See above

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc.

Base = Gen Z (n=4,319), Millennial (n=3,584), Gen X / Baby Boomer (n=348) Q: How often do you use AR for any of the following reasons? Communication

Note: Boomers assumed similar behavior to Gen X since Boomers were not part of survey group

2: United Nations Population Division Department of Economic and Social Affairs, World Population Prospects 2019, World Population 2020

3: Statista Global Social Network Penetration 2017-2025

### **AR Adoption Rate**

AR Adoption Rate of Total Population AR Adoption Rate of Social and Comms App Population

Note: Adoption Rate capped at 100% in out years

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### 2000 Growth Rate of Smartphone Users

Note: 2021 AR Users is at 1999 smartphone user's adoption level since AR is in the Toy-phase of adoption; if we look at where this transition took place with mobile phones, one can argue that this was when games like 'snake' started being available (e.g., 1997: Nokia 6110 device released, 1999: emojis were invented, 2000: Nokia 3310 launched, and the first commercially available camera phone launched in Japan)





### **AR Photos / Videos per Day Methodology**

Overall: Calculations were done by age groups in the 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. and netted up into a generational view. The following methodology was used for each age group (Ages: 13-17, Ages 18-24, Ages: 25-34, Ages: 35-44, Ages: 45-50)

### 2021 and 2022 Baselines

### **Number of People**

Step 1: Determine Global Population for ages 10-69 (5.99B)<sup>1</sup>

Note: Survey only included Ages 13-50. Ages 10-12 were assumed to have similar behavior to Ages 13-17. Ages 51-69 were assumed to have similar behavior to Ages 45-50.

Step 2: Determine percent of people within crosstab of survey questions for Frequency of photos/and or videos taken daily AND % of photos/ and or videos that are AR<sup>2</sup>. 2021 based on responses to behaviors today. 2022 based on responses to behaviors next year.

Step 3: Apply percent of population from Step 2 to population to get number of people within each crosstab



X

Step 1: Identify scenarios for number of photos and or videos taken daily

Note: Since the survey had ranges (few than 5, 5-10, 10 more), to determine the number of photos, we develop low, mid, high case.

Low: assumes lowest quantity in each range (1,5,10) Mid: assumes average of low and high case (2.5, 7, 12) High: assumes highest quantity in each range (5, 10, 14 14 was used as a cap for high case to keep daily photos reasonable amount for an average user

Step 2: Select case to apply to analysis

Note: High case was chosen based on input from Snap

### **2023-2025 Forecast**

2023-2025

2022 Baseline X 2007 Growth Rate of Smartphone Device Sales

1: United Nations Population Division Department of Economic and Social Affairs, World Population Prospects 2019, World Population 2020 2: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = Aggregate (n=15,635)

3: AR Insider Article, "ARCore Reaches 400 Million Devices"



### % of Photos/Videos that are AR

Step 1: Identify scenarios for percent of photos and or videos taken that are AR

) or bed a	Note: Since the survey had ranges (less than 20%, 20-40%, 40-60%, 60-80%, Over 80%), to determine number of photos taken daily that were AR, we developed a low, mid, high case. Low: assumes lowest quantity in each range (0%, 20%, 20%, 60%, 80%)
!) s at a	Mid: assumes average of low and high case (10%, 30%, 50%, 70%, 90%)
	High: assumes highest quantity in each range (20%, 40%, 60%, 80%, 100%)
Inc.	Step 2: Select case to apply to analysis
, mc.	Note: High case was chosen based on input from Snap Inc.
	Step 3: Apply adjustment factor to correct for people who are using AR but may not realize it

Note: Based on 2021 Global Deloitte Study commissioned by Snap Inc., it was discovered that ~13% of respondents who use AR could not successfully identify AR >50% of the time.<sup>2</sup>

### Daily AR Photos and/or Videos

Step 1: Take annual AR photos and or videos and divide by 365 to get daily AR photos and or videos by age group

Step 2: Add all age groups to get total daily AR photos and or videos

Note: Device growth is used as a proxy for photos/videos growth. Growth rate assumes 2007 smartphone device growth. As of 2021, there are ~1.05B AR Compatible Devices: ARCore (Android)<sup>3</sup> + ARKit (iOS)<sup>4</sup>. If this grows at global smartphone growth equivalent, there could be ~4.1B by 2025





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# Expert Interviews

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### Expert Interviews

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Tony	Parisi	United States	Unity	3/3/2021
Anwar	Noriega	Mexico	CEO / Cofounder at Wabisabi Design	3/4/2021
Ines	Alpha	France	3D Makeup Artist	3/5/2021
Alice	Bezirard-Fischer	United Arab Emirates	Wella Company	Write-in
Kirsten	Soumas	United States	Verizon	3/8/2021
Shane	Horneij	United Kingdom	Performance Marketing King	3/9/2021
Qi	Pan	United Kingdom	Snap	3/9/2021
Kimberlee	Archer	United States	Snap	3/9/2021
Carolina	Arguelles	United States	Snap	3/9/2021
Robert	Triefus	Switzerland	Gucci	3/12/2021
Clara	Bacou	United Kingdom	Lens Creator	3/18/2024
Timoni	West	United States	Unity	, ,
Lara	Bean	United Kingdom	adidas	3/16/2021
Peggy	Johnson	United States	Magic Leap	3/19/2021
Cheney	Jon	United States	Seek XR	3/17/2021
James	Clarke	United States	Frito-Lay North America	Write-in
Andrew	McPhee	United States	Snap	3/17/2021
Eitan	Pilipski	United States	Snap	3/17/2021
Allan	Cook	United States	Deloitte Digital	3/18/2021







### **AR connections drive revenue**

AR **Connections** 

**Over half** of consumers view AR as social.<sup>1</sup>

Brand Engagement 33%

+

### The Recipe for Revenue Success

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = Aggregate (n=8,173) Q: AR is a group activity / AR is a solo activity. A: Agree much more with A, Agree somewhat more with A 2: Base = AR is a group activity – Agree much more with (n=1,194), Aggregate (n=4,945)

Q: AR is a group activity / AR is a solo activity. A: Agree much more with A | Q: Sometimes brands will create AR experiences through an app camera (e.g., a big movie company makes an AR experience where the heroes of a movie are fighting next to you, or a restaurant provides you a lens/filter/ effect that turns you into a hamburger). What impact, if any, does interacting with that AR experience have on your perception of that brand? 3: Base = AR is a group activity – Agree much more with (n=1,143), Aggregate (n=4,109)





more likely to share brand experiences.<sup>2</sup>



more likely to purchase products from the brand.<sup>3</sup>

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# The VICE model is how we see people building and using AR in case that isn't about visualizing, communicating, instructing or engaging or some combination."



Allan Cook Digital Reality Business Leader Deloitte Digital

both their personal and professional lives. We have yet to find an AR use

Develop with consumers in mind:

Deloitte Digital's VICE Model for Impactful, Engaging Experiences

### Question: What makes a good AR app?



### Answer: One that sells. Obvious, yes. Easy? No.

Based on our experience from the work we do with our clients at Deloitte and this research study, the VICE Model is a simple way to think about how AR adds significant value and can deliver maximum impact.







**Develop with** consumers in mind:

Deloitte Digital's **VICE Model** for Impactful, Engaging Experiences



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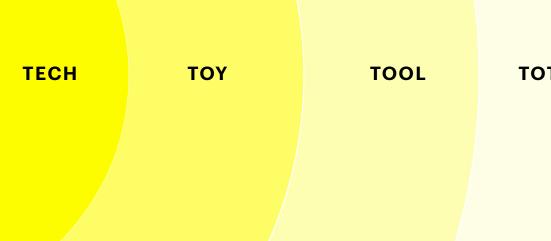
Show environments that pique people's interest by allowing them to see the world – real or virtual – in new ways. Very little is impossible to conceptualize; if a brand can imagine something, it can show anything to consumers.

Collaborate

Enable people to talk, share, and connect with each other. Anywhere. Anytime.

### **Instruct** & Inform

Give people access to 'dummy-proof' instructions that intuitively walk them through how to accomplish a task or assemble a product at their own pace. Bonus: Give them access to a digital expert to guide and educate them through the steps or tasks.



### Communicate &

### **Entertain &** Engage

Provide a fun way for people to engage with entertainment, media, and each other. Excite consumers with innovation and imagination.



### **AR Use Cases** The Vice Model for Impactful Experiences

"There are two focuses when leveraging AR – consumer engagement with product, such as try on technology, and consumer engagement with a company, such as using storytelling to highlight a company's values (i.e., sustainability)."

Home

Furnishings

Lara Bean adidas

T Try On



Work Together

"In the long term, multi-user interaction with AR is the stronger case."

Qi Pan Director of Engineering Snap Inc.

Senior Manager Operations & Digital Optimization

"[AR] needs to be useful and provide the information you need to better educate yourself to make a purchase. The more a consumer spends time with something, the more likely they are to buy it – there is no question that when the ad is personal / interactive, engagement rate goes up."

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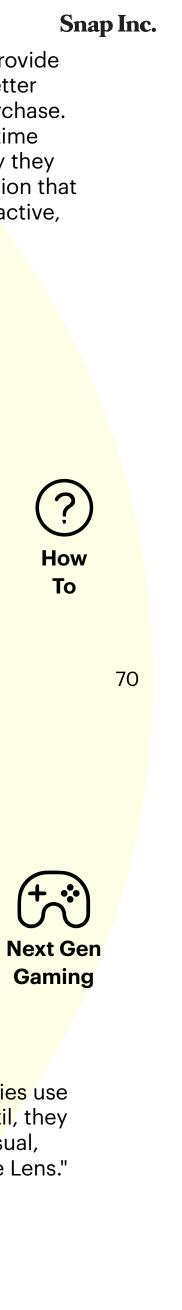
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"Consumers in different countries use AR differently. Example: In Brazil, they tend to be more expressive, visual, with art-centric and music type Lens."

Kimberlee Archer Head of AR Marketing Snap Inc.



Vision & Visualize



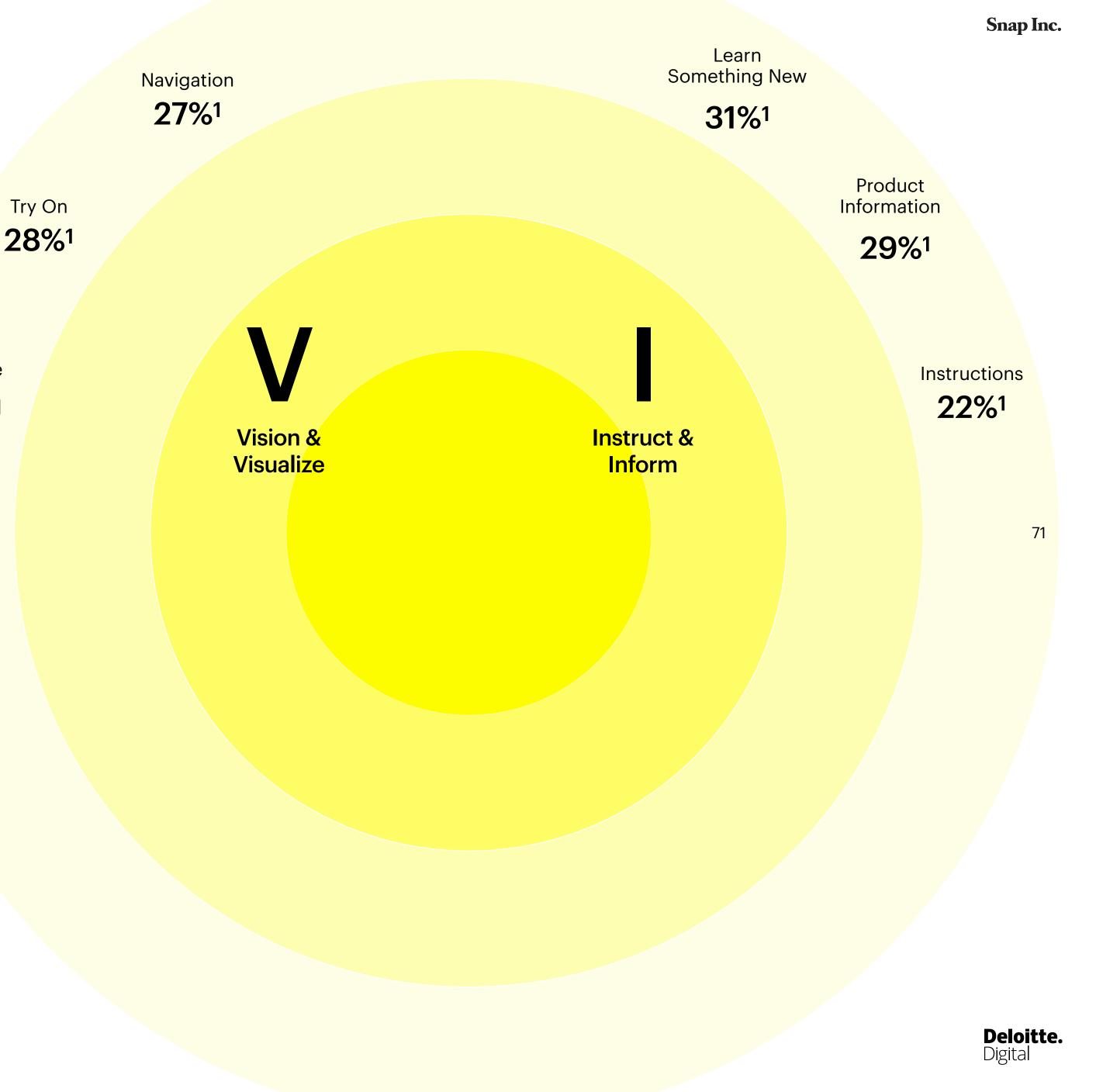
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### What are they using AR for?

Top ways that people use AR to enVision & Visualize and Instruct & Inform.

Feel Creative **34%**<sup>1</sup>

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = Why use AR – Feel creative (n=5,322), Improve shopping (n=4,370), Navigation (n=4,156) , Learn something new (n=4,903), Product information (n=4,520), Instructions (n=3,517) Q: Why use AR



# What are they using AR for?

Top ways that people use AR to Communicate & Collaborate and Entertain & Engage.

> Improve Productivity **17%**<sup>1</sup>

> > Communicate **31%**<sup>1</sup>

1: 2021 Global Deloitte Digital Study commissioned by Snap Inc. Base = Why use AR - Improve Productivity (n=2,636), Communicate (n=4,924), Connect with others (n=3,837), TV & Sports (n=2,798), Gaming (n=6,121), Wellness (n=1,680) Q: Why use AR



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> Gaming **39%**1

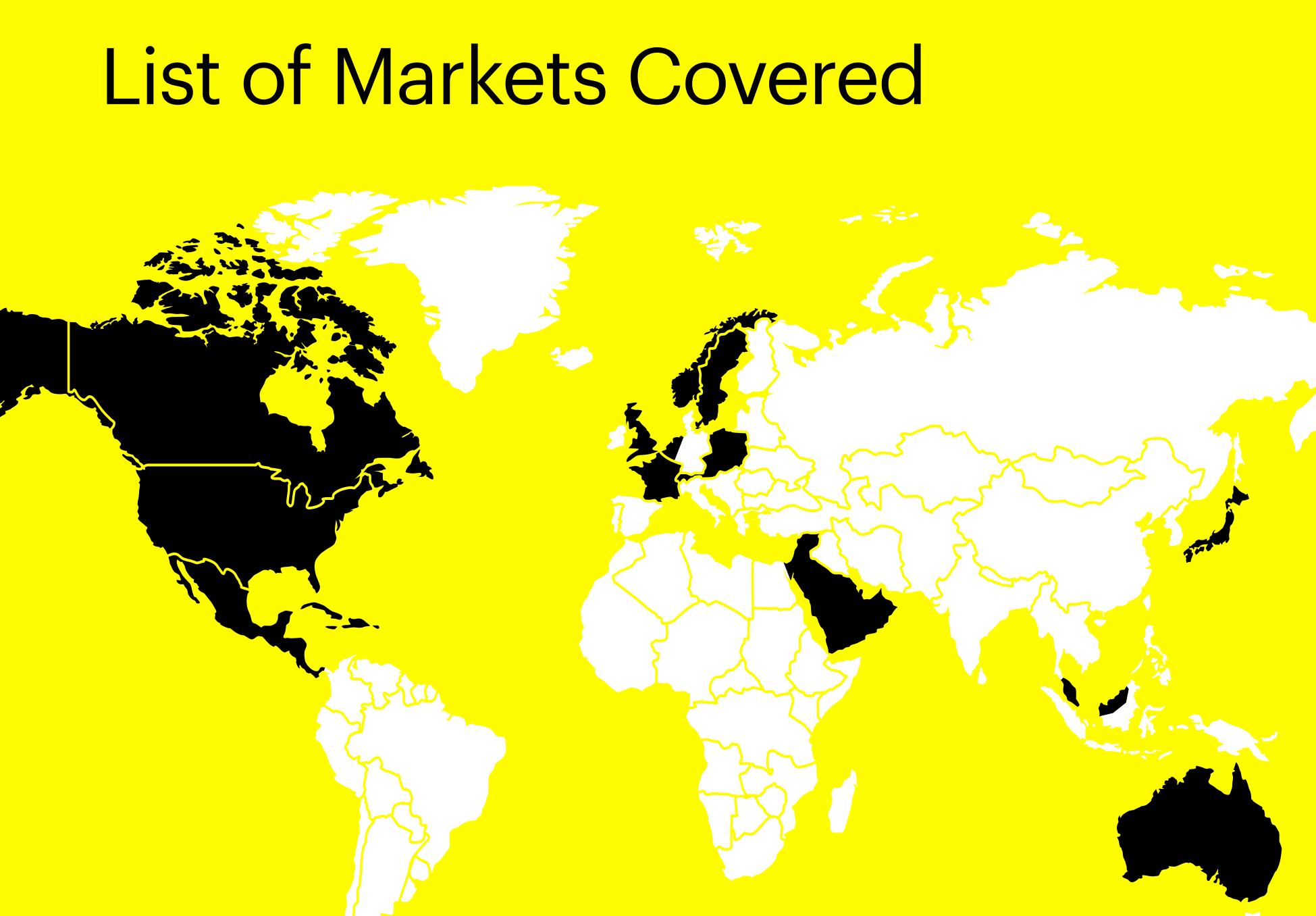
Connect with Others

**25**%<sup>1</sup>

TV & Sports **18%**1















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