

# Principles of Marketing Global Edition

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Chapter 8:  
**Products, Services,  
and Brands**  
Building Customer Value

## What is a Product?

A **product** is anything that can be offered to a market to satisfy a want or need, including physical goods, services, experiences, events, persons, places, properties, organizations, information, and ideas.



**MARKET OFFERING**

Marketing planning begins with formulating an offering to meet target customers' needs or wants. In this chapter we focus on product strategies.



**Product** is anything that can be offered in a market for attention, acquisition, use, or consumption that might satisfy a need or want.

**Service** is a product that consists of activities, benefits, or satisfactions and that is essentially intangible and does not result in the ownership of anything.

Products include more than just tangible objects, such as cars, computers, or mobile phones. Broadly defined, products also include services, events, persons, places, organizations, ideas, or a mixture of these.

Because of their importance in the world economy, we will look at services more closely later in this chapter. Examples include banking, hotel services, airline travel, retail, wireless communication, and home-repair services.

## Products, Services, and Experiences

**Products** and **services** are becoming more commoditized.

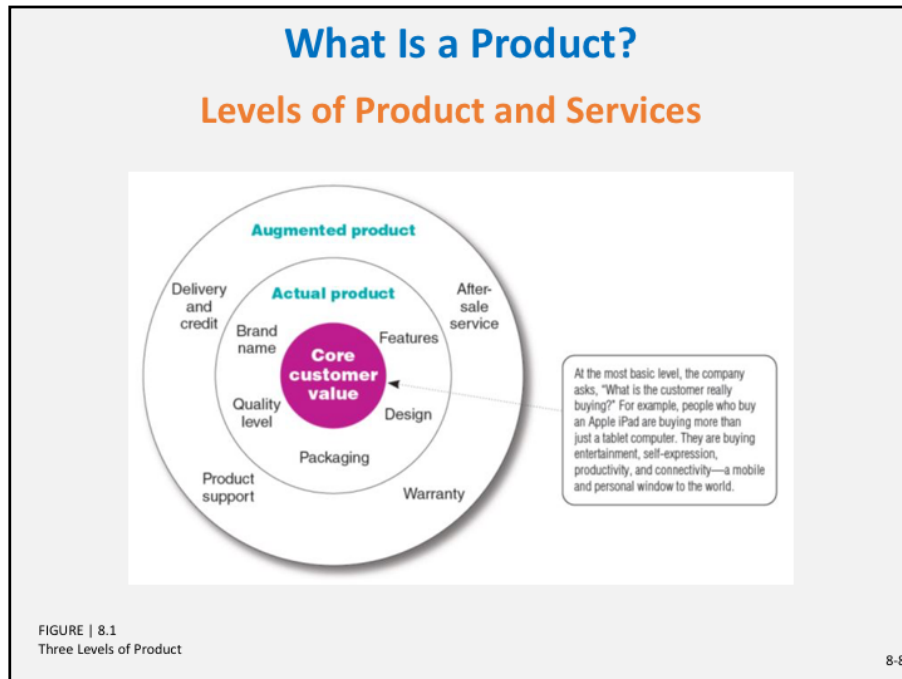
Companies are now creating and managing customer **experiences** with their brands or company.



Products are a key element in the overall *market offering*. Marketing mix planning begins with building an offering that brings value to target customers. This offering becomes the basis on which the company builds profitable customer relationships.

A company's market offering often includes both tangible goods and services. At one extreme, the market offer may consist of a *pure tangible good*, such as soap; no services accompany the product. At the other extreme are *pure services*, for which the market offer consists primarily of a service. Examples include a doctor's exam and financial services. Between these two extremes, however, many goods-and-services combinations are possible.

Experiences have always been an important part of marketing for some companies. Disney has long manufactured dreams and memories through its movies and theme parks.



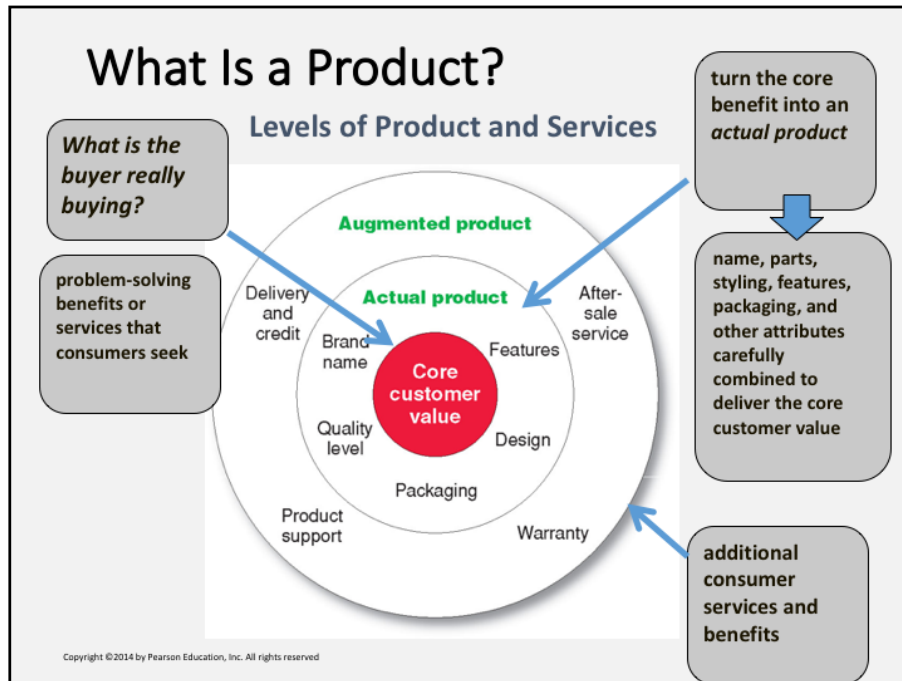
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At the second level, product planners must turn the core benefit into an *actual product*. They need to develop product and service features, a design, a quality level, a brand name, and packaging.

Finally, product planners must build an *augmented product* around the core benefit and actual product by offering additional consumer services and benefits.

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### Levels of Product and Services

Product planners need to think about products and services on three levels (see Figure 8.1). Each level adds more customer value. The most basic level is the *core customer value*, which addresses the question: *What is the buyer really buying?* When designing products, marketers must first define the core, problem-solving benefits or services that consumers seek. A woman buying lipstick buys more than lip color. Charles Revson of Revlon saw this early: “In the factory, we make cosmetics; in the store, we sell hope.” And people who buy an Apple iPad are buying much more than just a tablet computer. They are buying entertainment, self-expression, productivity, and connectivity with friends and family—a mobile and personal window to the world.

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At the second level, product planners must turn the core benefit into an *actual product*. They need to develop product and service features, a design, a quality level, a brand name, and packaging. For example, the iPad is an actual product. Its name, parts, styling, features, packaging, and other attributes have all been carefully combined to deliver the core customer value of staying connected.

Finally, product planners must build an *augmented product* around the core benefit and actual product by offering additional consumer services and benefits. The iPad is more than just a digital device. It provides consumers with a complete connectivity solution. Thus, when consumers buy an iPad, Apple and its resellers also might give buyers a warranty on parts and workmanship, instructions on how to use the device, quick repair services when needed, and a website to use if they have problems or questions. It also provides access to a huge assortment of apps and accessories.

Consumers see products as complex bundles of benefits that satisfy their needs. When developing products, marketers first must identify the *core customer value* that consumers seek from the product. They must then design the *actual product* and find ways to *augment* it to create this customer value and the most satisfying brand experience.

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Two broad classes of products are based on the types of consumers that use them.

Broadly defined, products also include other marketable entities such as experiences, organizations, persons, places, and ideas.

## What Is a Product?

### Product and Service Classifications

**Consumer products** are products and services bought by final consumers for personal consumption.

- Convenience products
- Shopping products
- Specialty products
- Unsought products

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**Consumer products** differ in the ways consumers buy them and, therefore, in how they are marketed (see Table 8.1).



When we classify the vast array of consumer goods on the basis of shopping habits, we distinguish among convenience, shopping, specialty, and unsought goods. The consumer usually purchases convenience goods frequently, immediately, and with minimal effort. Examples include soft drinks, soaps, and newspapers. Staples are convenience goods consumers purchase on a regular basis. Impulse goods are purchased without any planning or search effort, like candy bars and magazines. Emergency goods are purchased when a need is urgent—umbrellas during a rainstorm, boots and shovels during the first winter snow. Shopping goods are those the consumer characteristically compares on such bases as suitability, quality, price, and style. Examples include furniture, clothing, and major appliances. Homogeneous shopping goods are similar in quality but different enough in price to justify shopping comparisons. Heterogeneous shopping goods differ in product features and services that may be more important than price. Specialty goods have unique characteristics or brand identification for which enough buyers are willing to make a special purchasing effort. Examples include cars, stereo components, and men's suits. Unsought goods are those the consumer does not know about or normally think of buying, such as smoke detectors.

## What Is a Product?

### Product and Service Classifications

**Convenience products** are consumer products and services that the customer usually buys frequently, immediately, and with a minimum comparison and buying effort.

- Newspapers
- Candy
- Fast food



**Convenience products** are usually low priced, and marketers place them in many locations to make them readily available when customers need or want them.

#### Discussion Question

*What is a convenience product that you buy?*

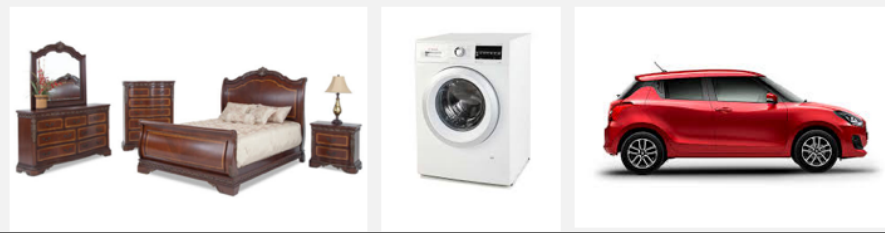


## What Is a Product?

### Product and Service Classifications

**Shopping products** are less frequently purchased consumer products and services that the customer compares carefully on suitability, quality, price, and style.

- Furniture
- Cars
- Appliances



**Shopping products** are usually distributed through fewer outlets but provide deeper sales support to help customers in their comparison efforts.

#### Discussion Question

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## What Is a Product?

### Product and Service Classifications

**Specialty products** are consumer products and services with unique characteristics or brand identification for which a significant group of buyers is willing to make a special purchase effort.

- Medical services
- Designer clothes
- High-end electronics



Buyers normally do not compare **specialty products**. They invest only the time needed to reach dealers carrying the wanted products.

### Discussion Questions

*What is a specialty product that you buy?*

*What is a product that could be convenience, shopping, and specialty?*

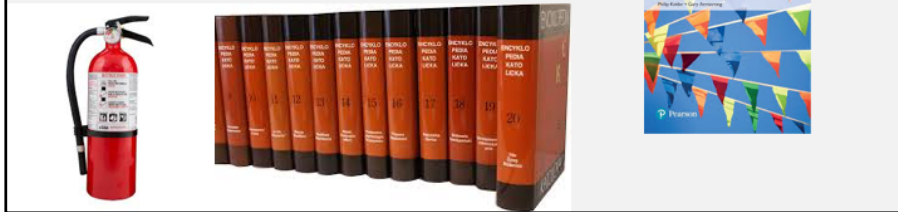
This is a bit of a puzzle. Students might realize that a camera could fall into several categories depending on the buyer and the situation. Certainly, if you are on vacation and you forgot your camera, you would pick one up at a convenience store, pharmacy, or maybe the hotel store. If you were a professional photographer, a camera purchase could easily be specialty if you were buying a \$5,000 camera. Other examples might include mats for the floor of an automobile, tires, or a fan.

## What Is a Product?

### Product and Service Classifications


**Unsought products** are consumer products that the consumer does not know about or knows about but does not normally think of buying.

- Life insurance
- Funeral services
- Blood donations




Most major new innovations are unsought until the consumer becomes aware of them through advertising. By their very nature, **unsought products** require a lot of advertising, personal selling, and other marketing efforts.





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**LIFE INSURANCE**




A photograph showing a man in a red shirt lying on his back in a grassy field, holding a baby in the air. The text 'LIFE INSURANCE' is written in blue capital letters above the image.

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### Unsought Goods

- Products that consumers do not shop for and for which they have no strong need; consumers typically don't think about these products



A small red fire extinguisher and a document titled 'Life Insurance Policy' with a pen resting on it.

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**CONVINIENCE**



**SPECIALTY**



**SHOPPING**



**UNSOUGHT**







Mercedes-Benz



**CONVENIENCE PRODUCTS**  
**BUY FREQUENTLY AND IMMEDIATELY**

- Low priced
- Many purchase locations
- Includes:
  - *Staple goods*
  - *Impulse goods*
  - *Emergency goods*

**SHOPPING PRODUCTS**  
**BUY LESS FREQUENTLY**

- Gather product information
- Fewer purchase locations
- Compare for:
  - *Suitability & quality*
  - *Price & Style*

**SPECIALTY PRODUCTS**  
**SPECIAL PURCHASE EFFORTS**

- Unique characteristics
- Brand Identification
- Few purchase locations

**UNSOUGHT PRODUCTS**  
**NEW INNOVATIONS**

- Products consumers don't want to think about
- Require much advertising and personal selling

## What Is a Product?

### Product and Service Classifications

**Industrial products** are those products purchased for further processing or for use in conducting a business.

- Materials and parts
- Capital items
- Supplies and services



The distinction between a consumer product and an **industrial product** is based on the *purpose* for which the product is purchased. If a consumer buys a lawn mower for use around home, the lawn mower is a consumer product. If the same consumer buys the same lawn mower for use in a landscaping business, the lawn mower is an industrial product.

## What Is a Product?

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**Materials and parts** include raw materials and manufactured materials and parts.

**Capital items** are industrial products that aid in the buyer's production or operations.

**Supplies and services** include operating supplies, repair and maintenance items, and business services.

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The three groups of industrial products and services are materials and parts, capital items, and supplies and services.

**Materials and parts:** Raw materials consist of farm products and natural products. Manufactured materials and parts consist of component materials and component parts. Most manufactured materials and parts are sold directly to industrial users. Price and service are the major marketing factors; branding and advertising tend to be less important.

**Capital items** are industrial products that aid in the buyer's production or operations, including installations and accessory equipment. Installations consist of major purchases such as buildings and fixed equipment. Accessory equipment includes portable factory equipment and tools and office equipment. They have a shorter life than installations and simply aid in the production process.

The final group of industrial products is **supplies and services**. Supplies include operating supplies and repair and maintenance items. Supplies are the convenience products of the industrial field because they are usually purchased with a minimum of effort or comparison. Business services include maintenance and repair services and business advisory services usually supplied under contract.

## Expanding the Total Market



✓ Every product class has the potential to attract buyers who are unaware of the product or are resisting it because of price or lack of certain features.

✓ Marketers can try to **increase the amount, level, or frequency of consumption**. They can sometimes boost the amount through packaging or product redesign. Larger package sizes increase the amount of **product consumers use** at one time.

When the total market expands, the dominant firm usually gains the most. If Heinz can convince more people to use ketchup, or to use ketchup with more meals, or to use more ketchup on each occasion, the firm will benefit considerably because it already sells almost two-thirds of the country's ketchup. In general, the market leader should look for new customers or more usage from existing customers. Every product class has the potential to attract buyers who are unaware of the product or are resisting it because of price or lack of certain features. In addition to sales through our company-operated retail stores, Starbucks sells whole bean coffees through a specialty sales group and supermarkets. Additionally, Starbucks produces and sells bottled Frappuccino® coffee drinks and a line of premium ice creams through its joint venture partnerships and offers a line of innovative premium teas produced by its wholly owned subsidiary, Tazo Tea Company. Marketers can try to increase the amount, level, or frequency of consumption. They can sometimes boost the amount through packaging or product redesign. Larger package sizes increase the amount of product consumers use at one time. Consumers use more of impulse products such as soft drinks and snacks when the product is made more available.

## New Ways to Use a Brand



- 1) New uses,
- 2) New products

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# 6 UNEXPECTED BEAUTY USES FOR VASELINE

New uses



*LifeMama*



## New Product Development (NPD)

- **New Product Development** – development of original products, product improvements, product modifications, and new brands through firm's own R&D efforts.
- Organizations need to replace the existing products with the **new products** to be competitive in the market. The new products **help in gathering higher margins** and hence have a big role to play in growth and survival of an organization.









## New Products could be made by:

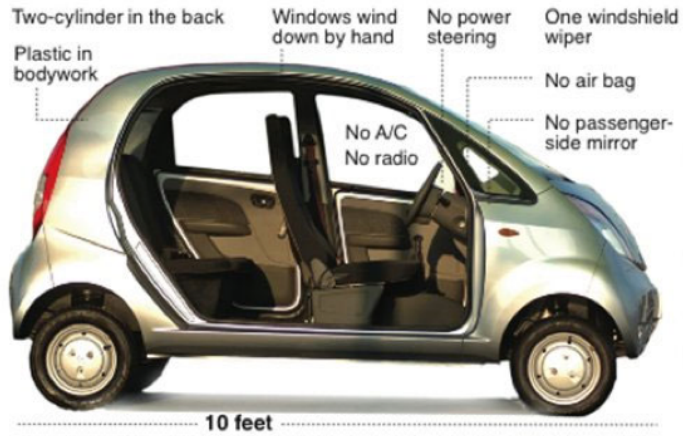
- Reduction in **cost**.
- Product improvements to **improve form or function**.
- **Line extensions** which are copies of existing products with unique features.
- **Market extensions** which are original products positioned differently in the new markets.
- **New category products** which are new to the company but not new to the customers.
- **New-to-the-world products** which are technological innovations that create new market that did not exist earlier.





## What makes it so cheap?

India's Tata Motors on Monday offers its under-\$2,500 Nano, which the company touts is the world's cheapest car. Savings were achieved in the manufacturing, design and absence of features.

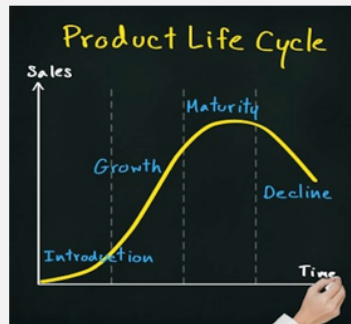


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## Product Life Cycles (PLC)

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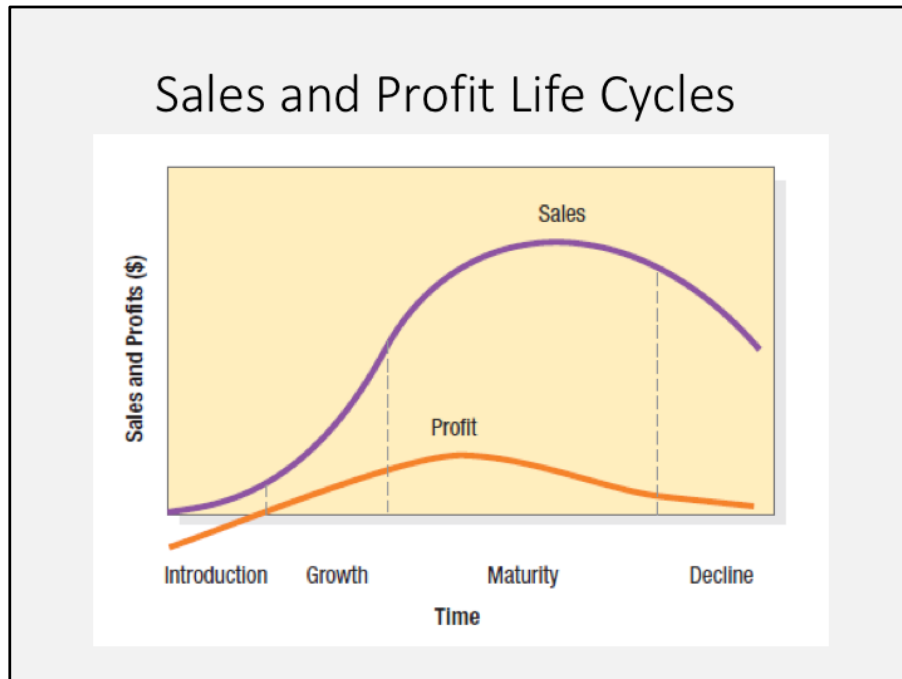


To say a product has a life cycle is to assert four things:

1. Products have a limited life.
2. Product sales pass through distinct stages, each posing different challenges, opportunities, and problems to the seller.
3. Profits rise and fall at different stages of the product life cycle.
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Most product life-cycle curves are portrayed as bell-shaped as shown in Figure 11.4. This curve is typically divided into four stages: introduction, growth, maturity, and decline.

In the Introduction stage, there is a period of slow sales growth as the product is introduced in the market. Profits are nonexistent because of the heavy expenses of product introduction.

In the Growth stage, there is a period of rapid market acceptance and substantial profit improvement.

In the Maturity stage, there is a slowdown in sales growth because the product has achieved acceptance by most potential buyers. Profits stabilize or decline because of increased competition.

In Decline, sales show a downward drift and profits erode.

## Common PLC Patterns: Growth-Slump-Maturity

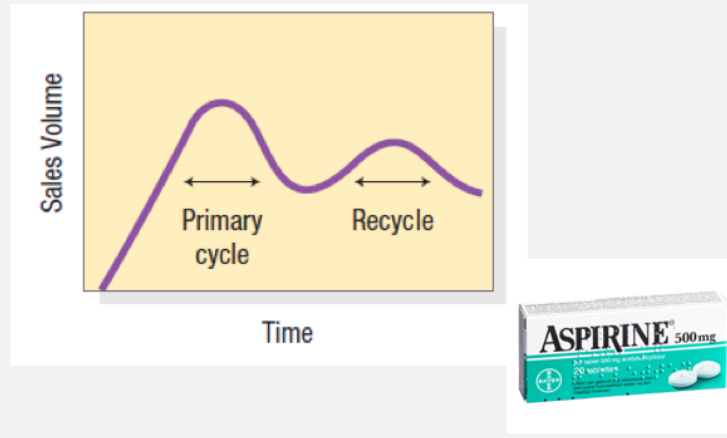


We can use the PLC concept to analyze a product category (liquor), a product form (white liquor), a product (vodka), or a brand (Smirnoff). Not all products exhibit a bell-shaped PLC. Three common alternate patterns are shown in Figure 11.5.

Figure 11.5 (a) shows a growth-slump-maturity pattern, characteristic of small kitchen appliances, for example, such as handheld mixers and bread makers. Sales grow rapidly when the product is first introduced and then fall to a “petrified” level sustained by late adopters buying the product for the first time and early adopters replacing it.

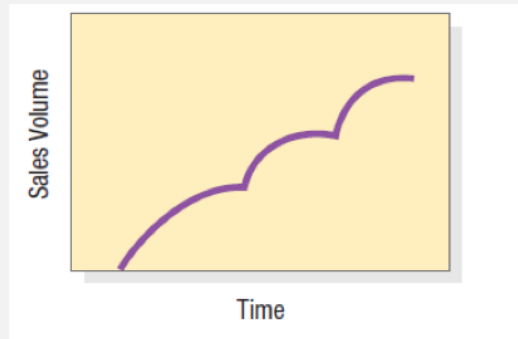


## Common PLC Patterns: Cycle-Recycle



The cycle-recycle pattern in Figure 11.5 (b) often describes the sales of new drugs. The pharmaceutical company aggressively promotes its new drug, producing the first cycle. Later, sales start declining, and another promotion push produces a second cycle (usually of smaller magnitude and duration).

## Common PLC Patterns: Scalloped



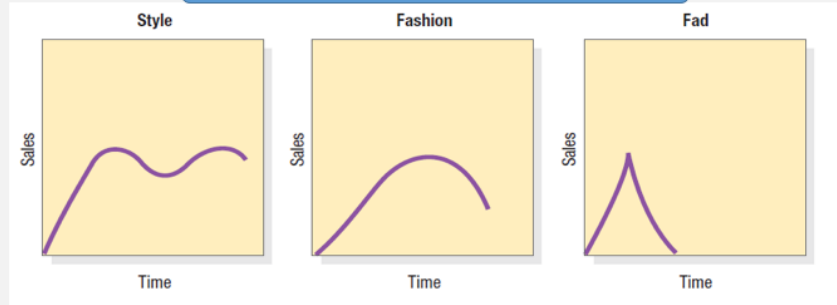
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Another common pattern is the scalloped PLC in Figure 11.5 (c). Here, sales pass through a succession of life cycles based on the discovery of new-product characteristics, uses, or users.

## Style, Fashion, and Fad Life Cycles

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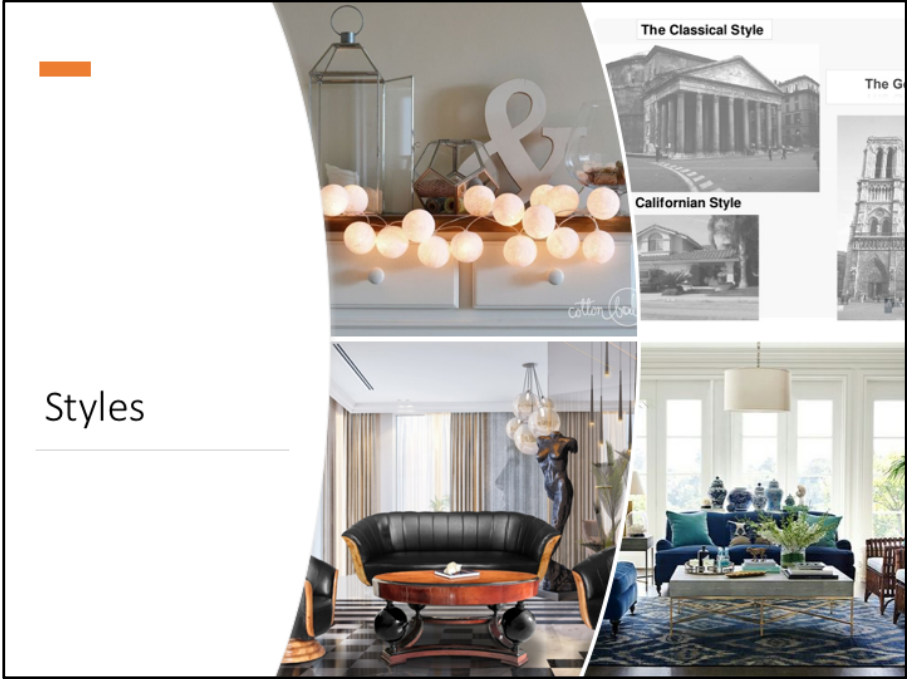


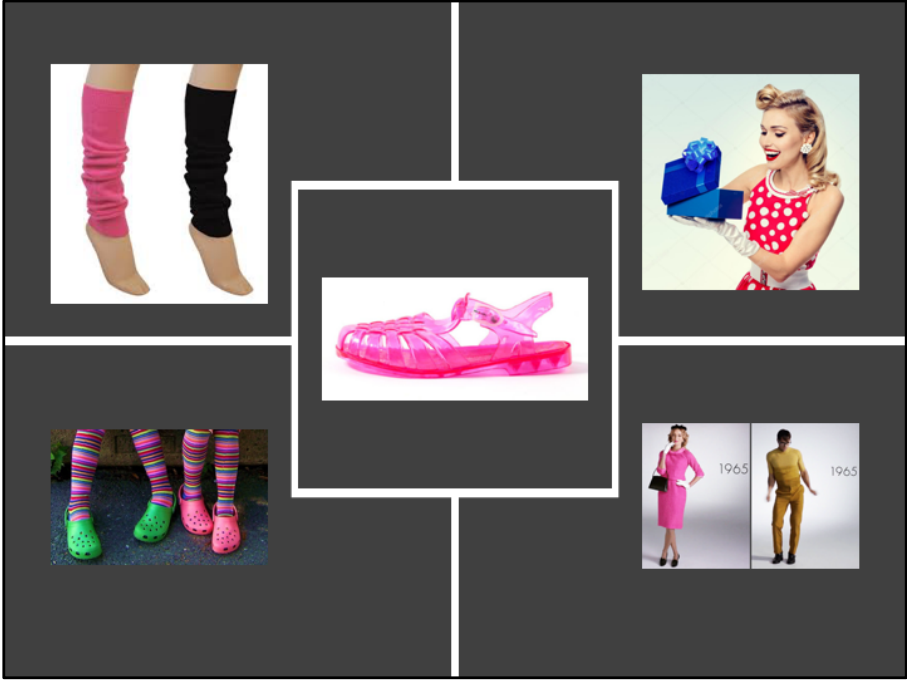
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We need to distinguish three special categories of product life cycles—styles, fashions, and fads as shown in Figure 11.6. A style is a basic and distinctive mode of expression appearing in a field of human endeavor. Styles appear in homes (colonial, ranch, Cape Cod), clothing (formal, business casual, sporty), and art (realistic, surrealistic, abstract). A style can last for generations and go in and out of vogue. A fashion is a currently accepted or popular style in a given field. Fashions pass through four stages: distinctiveness, emulation, mass fashion, and decline. Fads are fashions that come quickly into public view, are adopted with great zeal, peak early, and decline very fast.







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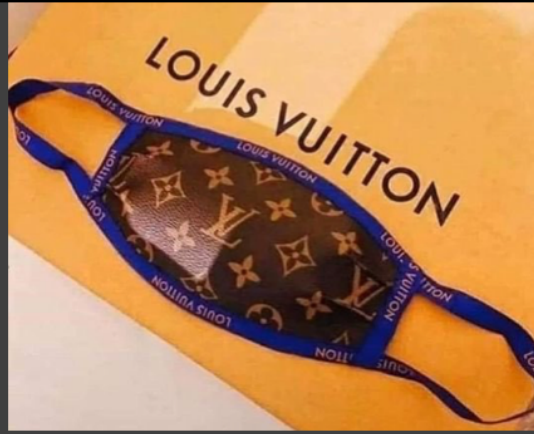
Slime is a fad







Fashion or fad?



or maybe a style?  
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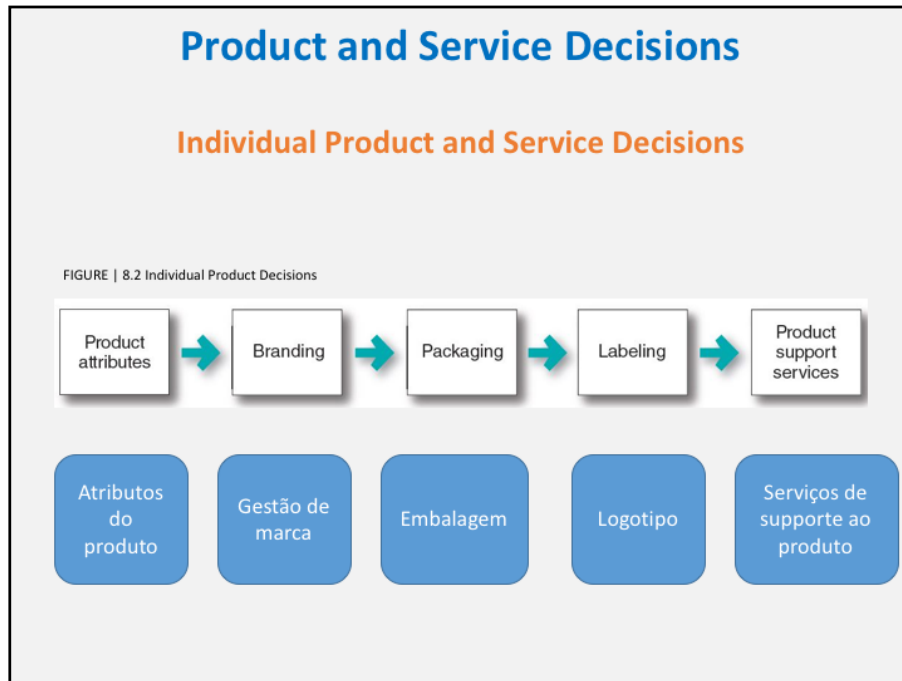


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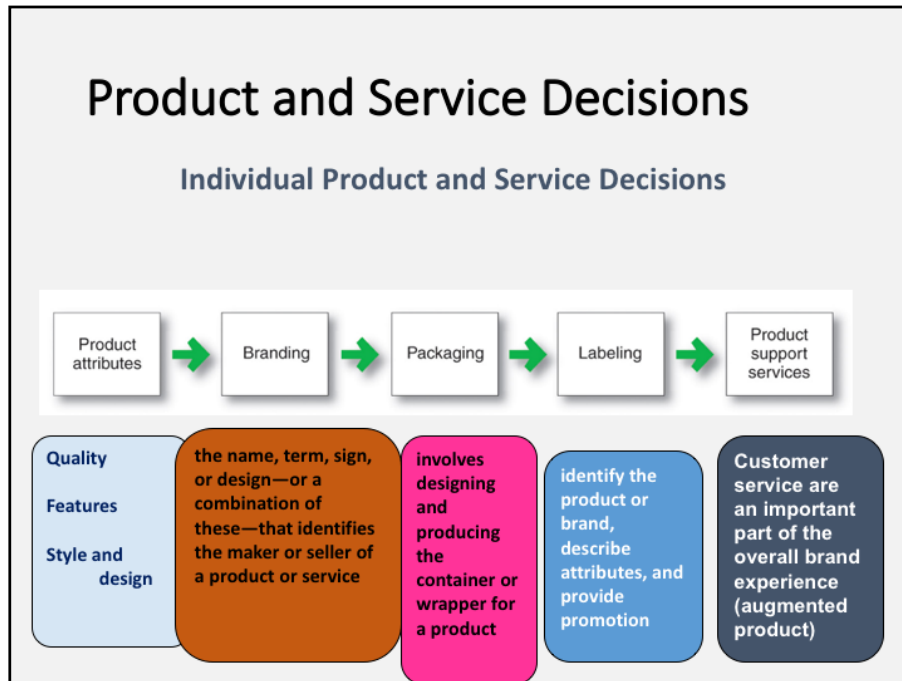


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## Product and Service Decisions

### Individual Product and Service Decisions

Communicate and deliver benefits by **product and service attributes.**

- Quality
- Features
- Style and design

Developing a product or service involves defining the benefits that it will offer.

## Product and Service Decisions

### Individual Product and Service Decisions

**Product quality** refers to the characteristics of a product or service that bear on its ability to satisfy stated or implied customer needs.

- Total quality management
- Return-on-quality
- Quality level
- Performance quality
- Conformance quality

Qualidade do produto refere-se às características de um produto ou serviço que têm a capacidade de satisfazer as necessidades declaradas ou implícitas do cliente.

- ✓ Gestão de qualidade total
- ✓ Qualidade de retorno
- ✓ Nível de qualidade
- ✓ Qualidade de desempenho
- ✓ Qualidade de conformidade

**Product quality** is one of the marketer’s major positioning tools. Quality affects product or service performance; thus, it is closely linked to customer value and satisfaction. In the narrowest sense, quality can be defined as “freedom from defects.” But most marketers go beyond this narrow definition. Instead, they define quality in terms of creating customer value and satisfaction.

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#### Product Features

- Competitive tool for differentiating a product from competitors' products
- Assessed based on the value to the customer versus its cost to the company

A product can be offered with varying **product features**. A stripped-down model, one without any extras, is the starting point. The company can then create higher-level models by adding more features. Being the first producer to introduce a valued new feature is one of the most effective ways to compete.

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How can a company identify new features and decide which ones to add to its product? It should periodically survey buyers who have used the product and ask these questions: How do you like the product? Which specific features of the product do you like most? Which features could we add to improve the product? The answers to these questions provide the company with a rich list of feature ideas.

The company can then assess each feature's *value* to customers versus its *cost* to the company. Features that customers value highly in relation to costs should be added.





## Product and Service Decisions

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**Style** describes the appearance of the product.

**Design** contributes to a product's usefulness as well as to its looks.









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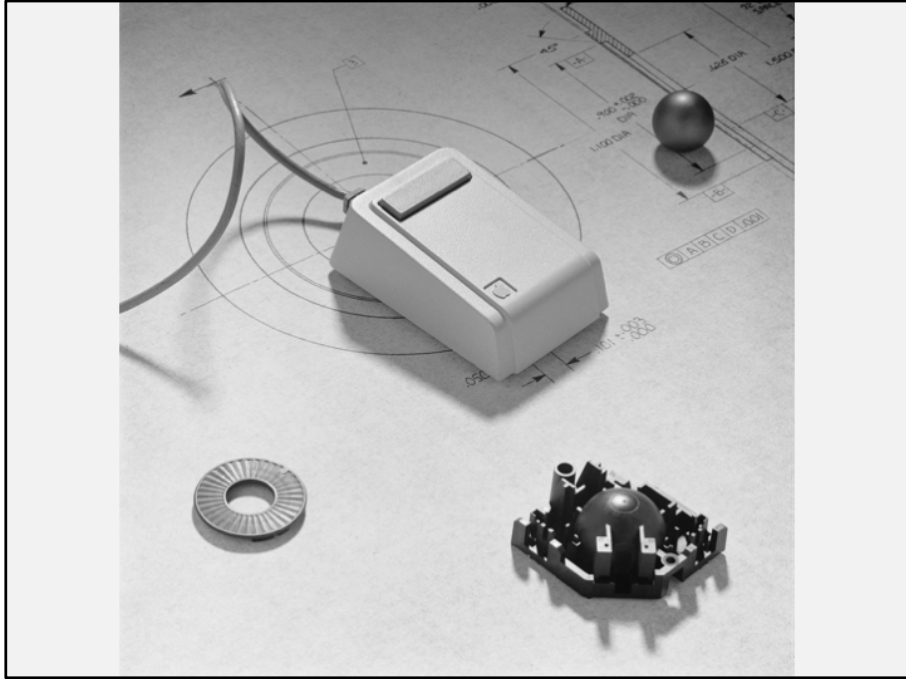
Through award-winning, consumer-driven design, Nest Labs created the **Nest Learning Thermostat**, a sleek device that both looks good and is easy, fun, and effective to use. “Teach it well,” says the company, “and it can lower your heating and cooling bills up to 20 percent.”

Another way to add customer value is through distinctive *product style and design*. Design is a larger concept than style.

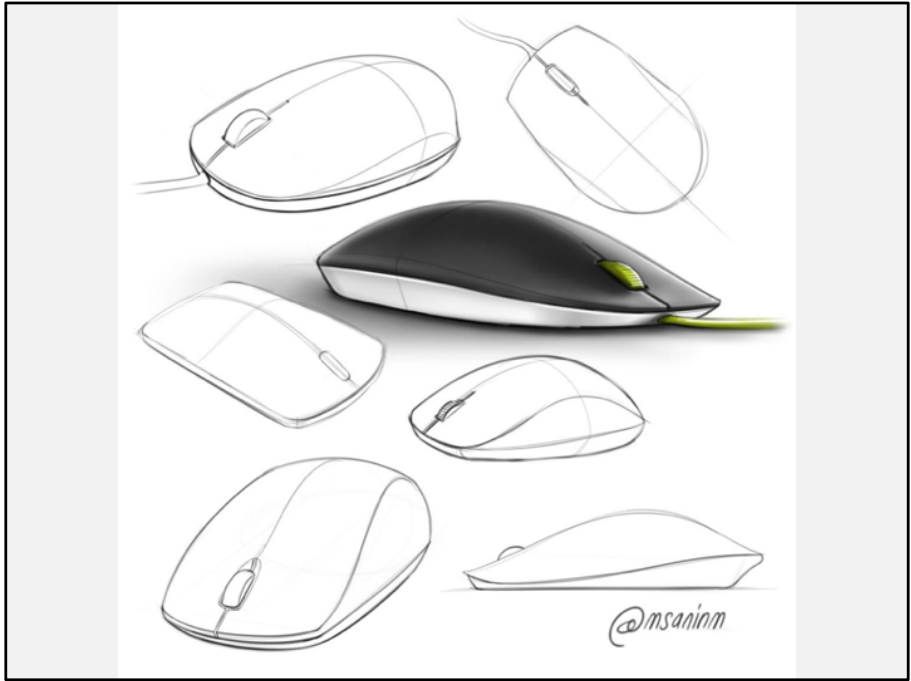
Good design doesn't start with brainstorming new ideas and making prototypes. Design begins with observing customers, deeply understanding their needs, and shaping their product-use experience. Product designers should think less about technical product specifications and more about how customers will use and benefit from the product.

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<p><b>Birkin bag</b></p> <p>Italian trademark no. 1003726, Italian trademark no. 882872, Community trademark no. 4467247</p>			













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**Packaging** involves designing and producing the container or wrapper for a product.

**Labels** identify the product or brand, describe attributes, and provide promotion.



#### **Packaging**

Traditionally, the primary function of the package was to hold and protect the product. In recent times, however, packaging has become an important marketing tool as well. Increased competition and clutter on retail store shelves means that packages must now perform many sales tasks—from attracting buyers, to communicating brand positioning, to closing the sale.

Companies are realizing the power of good packaging to create immediate consumer recognition of a brand. In a highly competitive environment, packaging may be the seller's last and best chance to influence buyers.

Poorly designed packages can cause headaches for consumers and lost sales for the company. Think about all those hard-to-open packages and overpackaging. Overpackaging creates an incredible amount of waste, frustrating those who care about the environment.

By contrast, innovative packaging can give a company an advantage over competitors and boost sales. For example, Puma replaced the traditional shoebox with an attractive and functional yet environmentally friendly alternative—the Clever Little Bag shown in this slide.

Product safety and growing environmental concerns have become a major packaging concern.

#### **Labeling**

Labels range from simple tags attached to products to complex graphics that are part of the packaging. For many companies, labels have become an important element in broader marketing campaigns. Labels and brand logos can support the brand's positioning and add personality to the brand.

There has been a long history of legal concerns about packaging and labels due to a failure to describe important ingredients or include needed safety warnings.

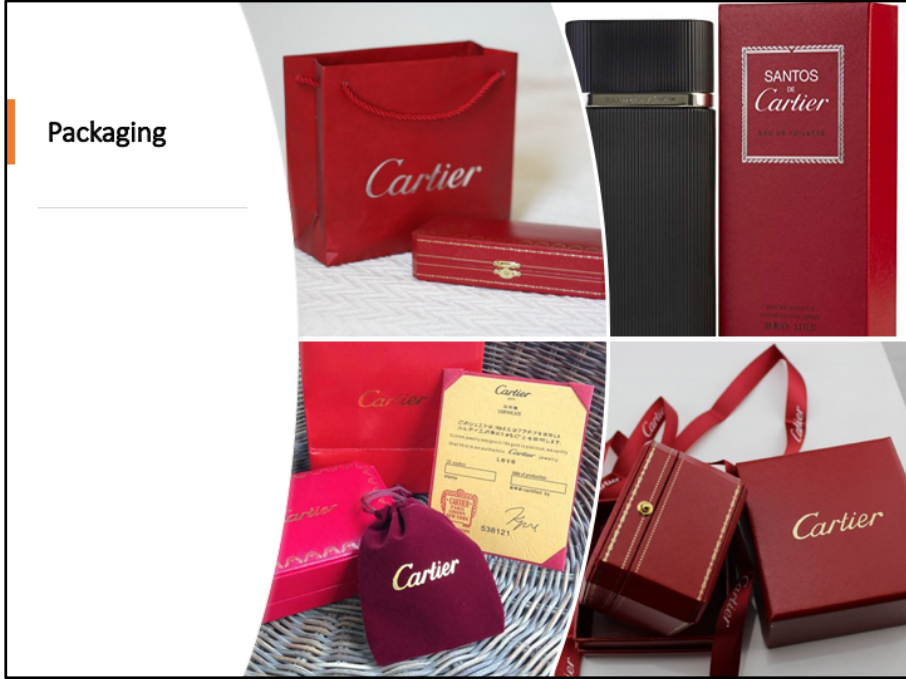
The Fair Packaging and Labeling Act of 1966, which set mandatory labeling requirements, encouraged voluntary industry packaging standards, and allowed federal agencies to set packaging regulations in specific industries.

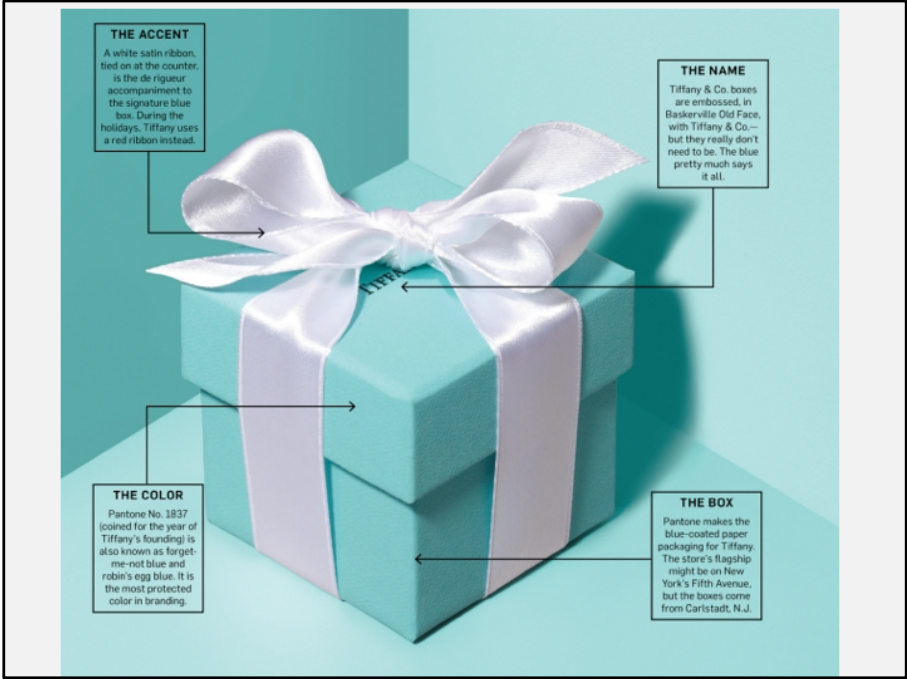
Labeling has been affected in recent times by *unit pricing*, *open dating* and *nutritional labeling*. Federal regulations require sellers to provide detailed nutritional information and regulate the use of health-related terms such as *low fat*, *light*, and *high fiber*. Sellers must ensure that their labels contain all the required information.





Packaging





**THE ACCENT**

A white satin ribbon, tied on at the counter, is the de rigueur accompaniment to the signature blue box. During the holidays, Tiffany uses a red ribbon instead.

**THE NAME**

Tiffany & Co. boxes are embossed, in Baskerville Old Face, with Tiffany & Co.—but they really don't need to be. The blue pretty much says it all.

**THE COLOR**

Pantone No. 1837 (named for the year of Tiffany's founding) is also known as forget-me-not blue and robin's egg blue. It is the most protected color in branding.

**THE BOX**

Pantone makes the blue-coated paper packaging for Tiffany. The store's flagship might be on New York's Fifth Avenue, but the boxes come from Carlstadt, N.J.



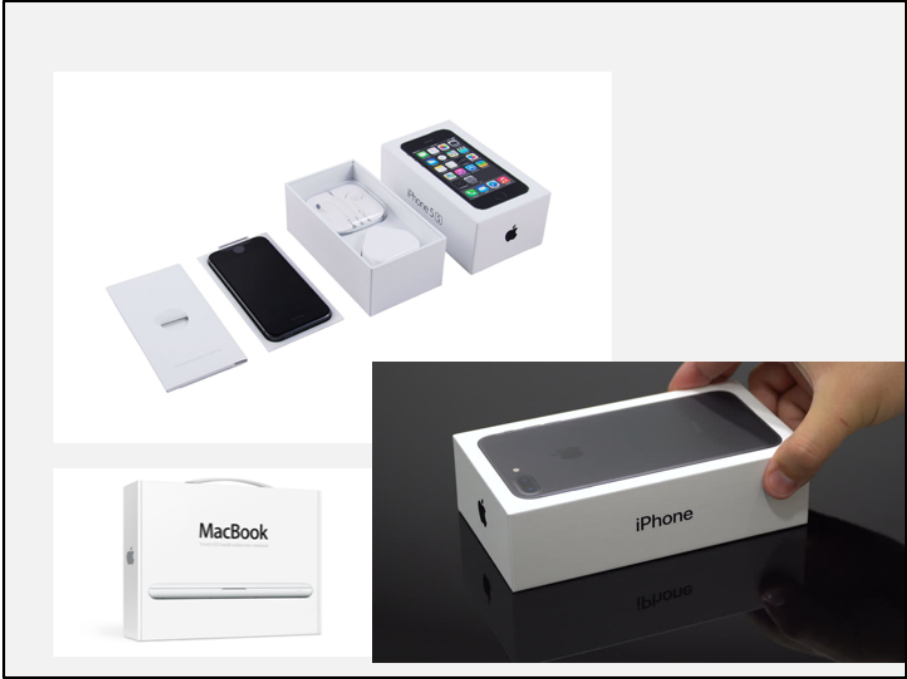


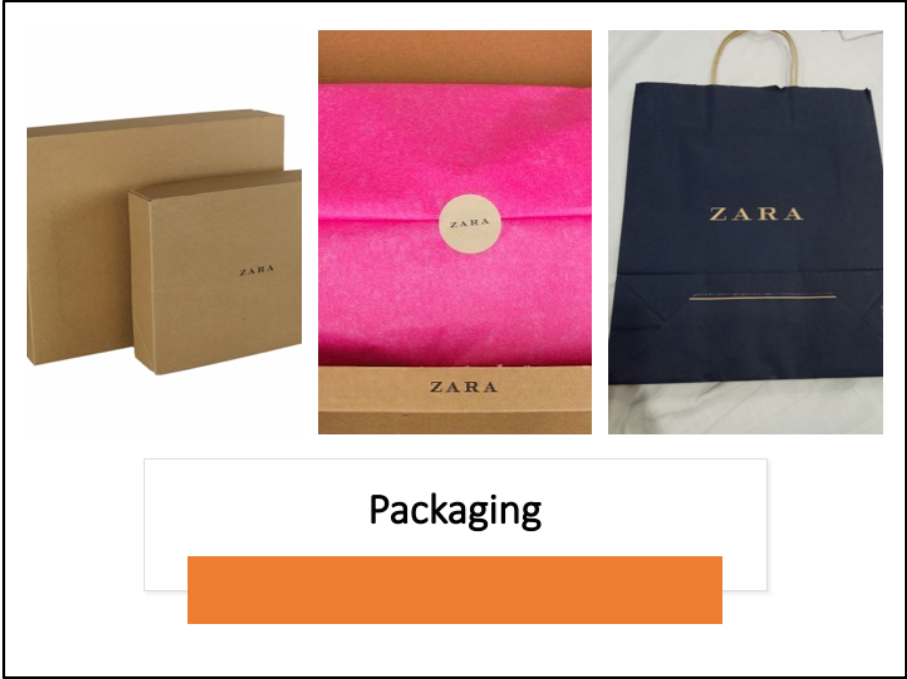
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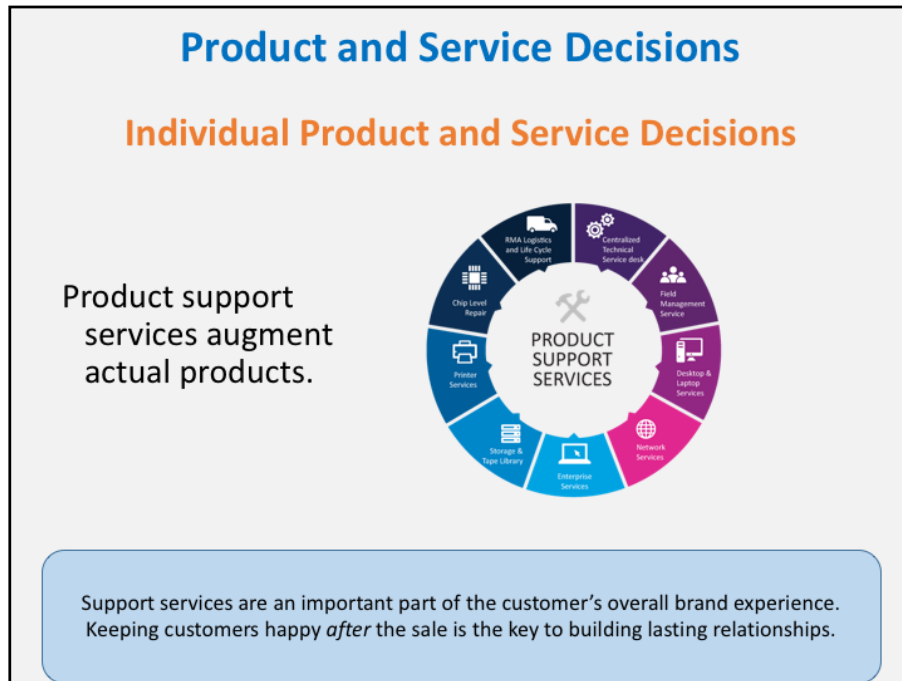




Packaging

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**Customer service:** For more than 100 years, L.L.Bean has been going the extra mile for customers. As founder Leon Leonwood Bean put it: “I do not consider a sale complete until [the] goods are worn out and the customer [is] still satisfied.”

Customer service is another element of product strategy. A company’s offer usually includes some **product support services**, which can be a minor part or a major part of the total offering. Support services are an important part of the customer’s overall brand experience. Keeping customers happy *after* the sale is the key to building lasting relationships.

Many companies now use a sophisticated mix of phone, e-mail, online, social media, mobile, and interactive voice and data technologies to provide support services that were not possible before. For example, Lowe’s has equipped employees with 42,000 iPhones filled with custom apps and add-on hardware, letting them perform service tasks such as checking inventory at nearby stores, looking up specific customer purchase histories, sharing how-to videos, and checking competitor prices—all without leaving the customer’s side.

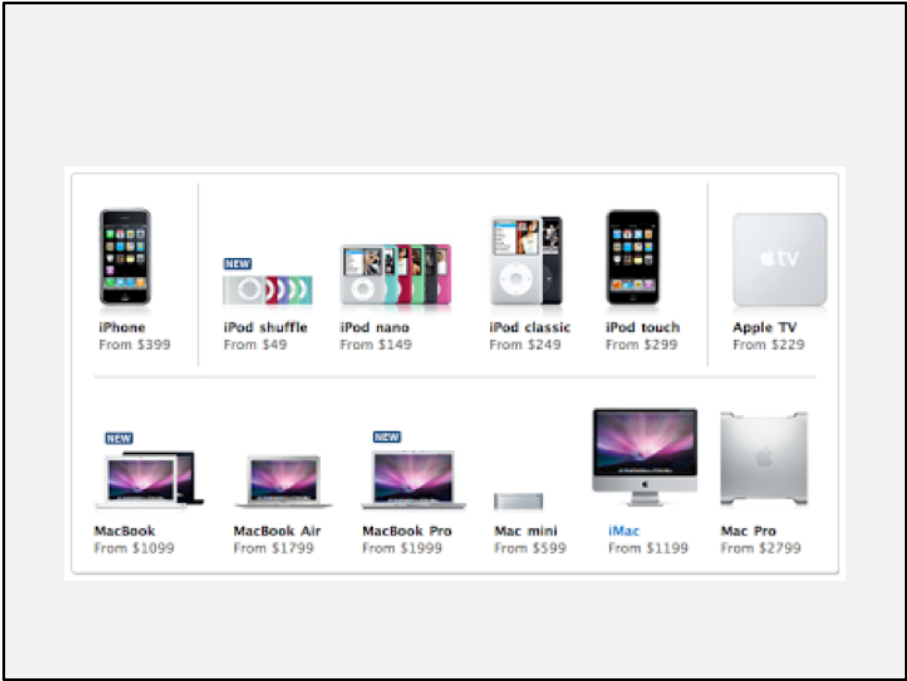
## Product and Service Decisions

### Product Line Decisions

**Product line** is a group of products that are closely related because they function in a similar manner, are sold to the same customer groups, are marketed through the same types of outlets, or fall within given price ranges.



The major product line decision involves *product line length*—the number of items in the product line. The line is too short if the manager can increase profits by adding items; the line is too long if the manager can increase profits by dropping items. Managers need to analyze their product lines periodically to assess each item's sales and profits and understand how each item contributes to the line's overall performance.





## Product and Service Decisions

### Product Line Decisions

**Product line length is the number of items in the product line.**

- Line stretching
- Line filling

Comprimento da linha de produtos é o número de itens na linha de produtos.

- ✓ Alongamento de linha
- ✓ Preenchimento de linha

A company can expand its product line in two ways: by *line filling* or *line stretching*. *Product line filling* involves **adding more items** within the present range of the line for earning extra profits, satisfying dealers, using excess capacity, being the leading full-line company, and plugging holes to keep out competitors.

*Product line stretching* occurs when a company **lengthens its product line beyond its current range** – downward, upward, or both ways.

Product line stretching and filling: Samsung’s bulging Galaxy mobile devices line now offers a size for any need or preference, including smartphones, “phablets,” tablets, and even a wristwatch-like wearable smartphone, the Galaxy Gear.

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*Product line stretching* occurs when a company lengthens its product line beyond its current range – downward, upward, or both ways.

Companies located at the upper end of the market can stretch their lines *downward*. A company may stretch downward to plug a market hole that otherwise would attract a new competitor or respond to a competitor’s attack on the upper end. Or it may add low-end products because it finds faster growth taking place in the low-end segments.

Companies can also stretch their product lines *upward*. Sometimes, companies stretch upward to add higher priced products to their current products. Or they may be attracted by a faster growth rate or higher margins at the higher end of the market.

## Successful Product Line Stretching

- Sales was increased
- Access to different markets
- New customers
- Competitive ability
- Improving a reputation



## Product and Service Decisions

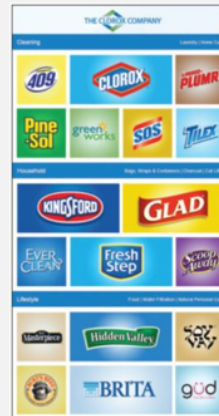
### Product Mix Decisions

**Product mix** consists of all the product lines and items that a particular seller offers for sale.

- Width
- Length
- Depth
- Consistency

O mix de produtos consiste em todas as linhas de produtos e itens que um determinado vendedor oferece para venda.

- ✓ Largura
- ✓ Comprimento
- ✓ Profundidade
- ✓ Consistência



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The product mix: The Clorox Company has a nicely contained product mix consistent with its mission to “make everyday life better every day.”

**Product mix width** is the number of different product lines the company carries.

**Product mix length** is the total number of items the company carries within its product lines.

**Product mix depth** is the number of versions offered of each product in the line.

**Consistency** is how closely the various product lines are in end use, production requirements, or distribution channels.

These product mix dimensions provide the handles for defining the company’s product strategy and increasing business.

From time to time, a company may also have to streamline its product mix to pare out marginally performing lines and models and to regain its focus.

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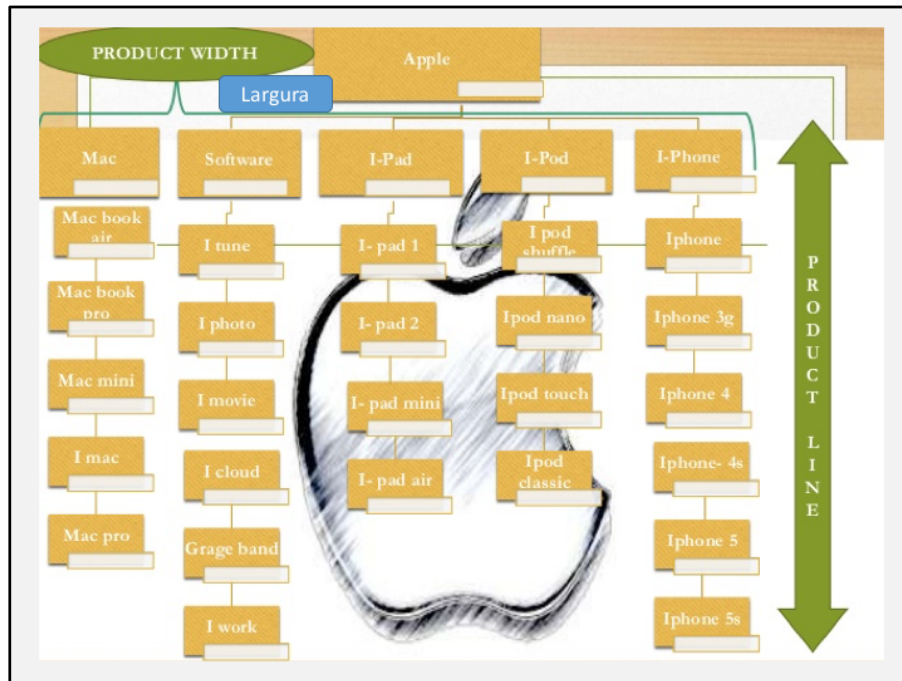
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O **comprimento** do mix de produtos é o número total de itens que a empresa tem em suas linhas de produtos.

A **profundidade** do mix de produtos é o número de versões oferecidas para cada produto na linha.

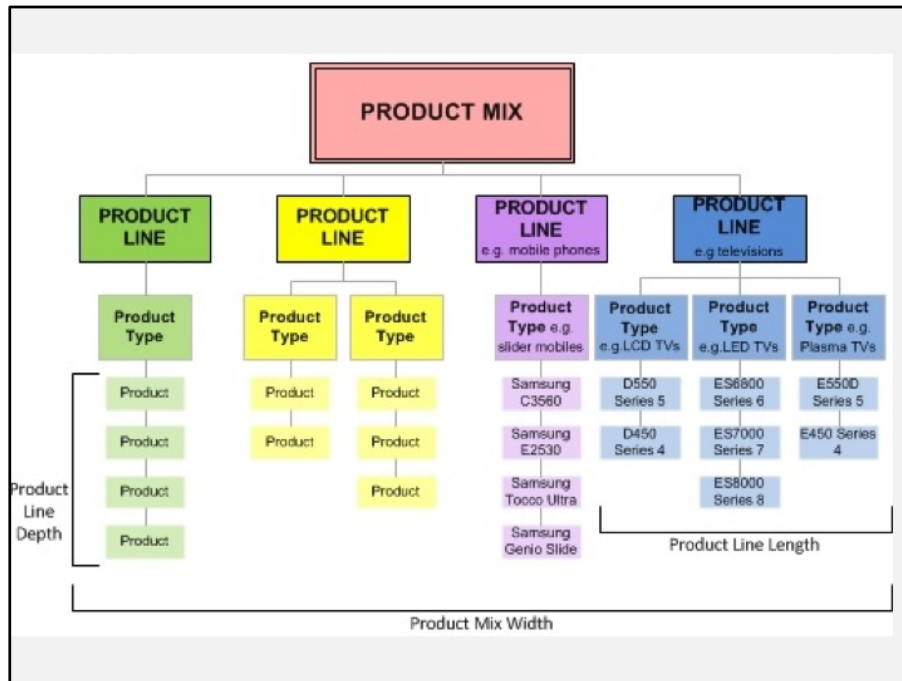
**Consistência** é a proximidade com a qual as várias linhas de produtos estão em uso final, requisitos de produção ou canais de distribuição.



## Product Line Depth

Profundidade

	I PHONE	I PAD	MAC BOOK
P R O D U C T  D E P T H	I PHONE 3G, 8 GB	I PAD AIR, 16 GB	MacBook Pro (15")
	I PHONE 3G, 16 GB	I PAD AIR, 32 GB	MacBook Pro (17")
	I PHONE 5S 32 GB	I PAD MINI 7 INCH	Mac OS X Leopard (10.5)
	I PHONE 5S 64 GB	I PAD MINI 10.1 INCH	MacBook Pro (3rd gen) (Late 2013)





# SERVICES





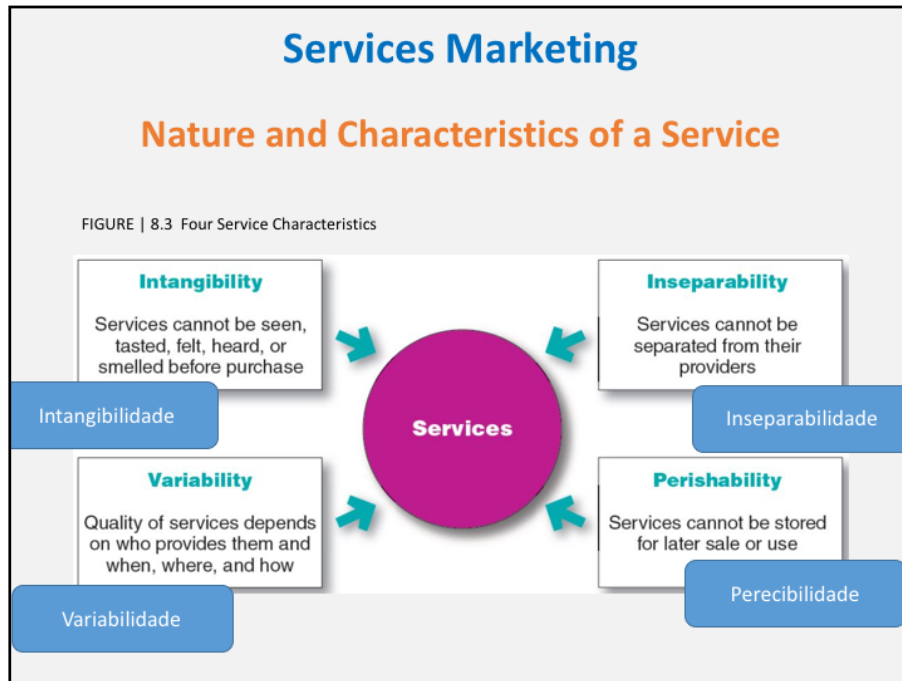
Services have grown dramatically in recent years. The service industry is growing and now accounts for 80 percent of the U.S. gross domestic product (GDP). Services are growing even faster in the world economy, making up 64 percent of the gross world product.

Service industries vary greatly:

*Governments* offer services through courts, employment services, hospitals, military services, police and fire departments, the postal service, and schools.

*Private not-for-profit organizations* offer services through museums, charities, churches, colleges, foundations, and hospitals.

*Business organizations* offer services such as airlines, banks, hotels, insurance companies, consulting firms, medical and legal practices, entertainment and telecommunications companies, real estate firms, retailers, and others.



**Intangibility** refers to the fact that services cannot be seen, tasted, felt, heard, or smelled before they are purchased.

**Inseparability** refers to the fact that services cannot be separated from their providers.

**Variability** refers to the fact that service quality depends on who provides the services as well as when, where, and how the services are provided.

**Perishability** refers to the fact that services cannot be stored for later sale or use.

## Services Marketing

### Marketing Strategies for Service Firms

In addition to traditional marketing strategies, service firms often require additional strategies.

- Service-profit chain
- Internal marketing
- Interactive marketing



successful service companies focus their attention on *both* their customers and their employees.

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In a service business, the customer and the front-line service employee *interact* to co-create the service. Effective interaction, in turn, depends on the skills of front-line service employees and on the support processes backing these employees.

Thus, successful service companies focus their attention on *both* their customers and their employees. They understand the **service profit chain**, which links service firm profits with employee and customer satisfaction.

**Services Marketing**  
**Marketing Strategies for Service Firms**

*Internal service quality* requires superior employee selection and training, a quality work environment, and strong support for those dealing with customers.

*Satisfied and productive service employees* are more satisfied, loyal, and hardworking employees.

*Greater service value* relates to more effective and efficient customer value creation and service delivery.

*Satisfied and loyal customers* make repeat purchases and refer other customers.

*Healthy service profits and growth relate* to superior service firm performance.

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Good service firms use marketing to position themselves strongly in chosen target markets. FedEx promises to take your packages “faster, farther”; Angie’s List offers “reviews you can trust.” At Hampton, “We love having you here.” In addition to traditional marketing mix activities, services require additional marketing approaches.

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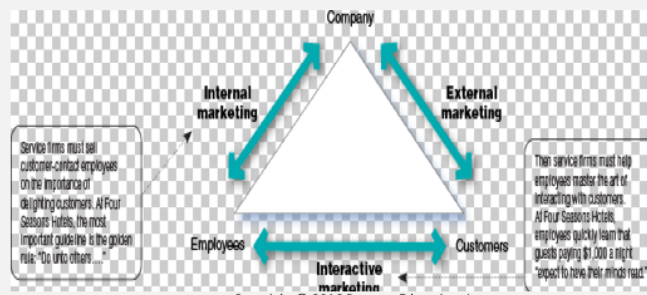
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# Services Marketing

## Marketing Strategies for Service Firms

**Internal marketing** means that the service firm must orient and motivate its customer-contact employees and supporting service people to work as a team to provide customer satisfaction.

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Service marketing requires more than just traditional external marketing using the four Ps. Figure 8.4 shows that service marketing also requires *internal marketing* and *interactive marketing* (next slide.)

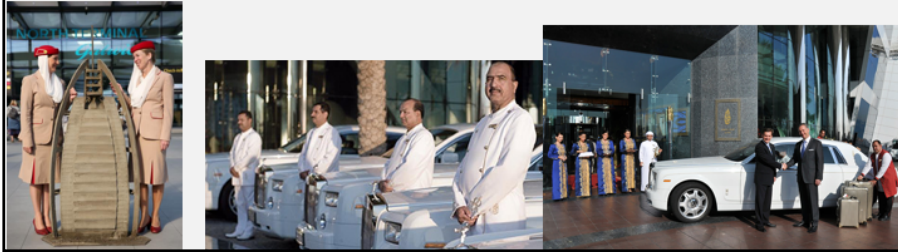
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## Services Marketing

### Marketing Strategies for Service Firms

**Interactive marketing** means that service quality depends heavily on the quality of the buyer-seller interaction during the service encounter.

- Service differentiation
- Service quality
- Service productivity



**Interactive marketing:** In services marketing, service quality depends on both the service deliverer and the quality of delivery. Service marketers have to master interactive marketing skills. Thus, Four Seasons selects only people with an innate “passion to serve” and provides three months of training to instruct them carefully in the fine art of interacting with customers to satisfy their every need.

## Services Marketing

### Marketing Strategies for Service Firms

**Managing service differentiation** creates a competitive advantage.

- Offer
- Delivery
- Image

The *offer* can include innovative features that set one company's offer apart from competitors' offers.

Service companies can differentiate their service *delivery* by having more able and reliable customer-contact people, developing a superior physical environment in which the service product is delivered, or designing a superior delivery process.

Service companies also can work on differentiating their *images* through symbols and branding.

In these days of intense price competition, service marketers must develop a differentiated offer, delivery, and image.

The *offer* can include innovative features that set one company's offer apart from competitors' offers. For example, some retailers differentiate themselves by offerings that take you well beyond the products they stock.

At Dick's Sporting Goods customers can sample shoes on Dick's indoor footwear track, test golf clubs with an on-site golf swing analyzer and putting green, shoot bows in its archery range, and receive personalized fitness product guidance from an in-store team of fitness trainers. Such differentiated services help make Dick's "the ultimate sporting goods destination store for core athletes and outdoor enthusiasts."

Service companies can differentiate their service *delivery* by having more able and reliable customer-contact people, developing a superior physical environment in which the service product is delivered, or designing a superior delivery process. For example, many grocery chains now offer online shopping and home delivery.

Finally, service companies also can work on differentiating their *images* through symbols and branding. Aflac adopted the duck as its advertising symbol. The well-known Aflac duck helped make the big but previously unknown insurance company memorable and approachable.

Other well-known service characters and symbols include the GEICO gecko, Progressive Insurance's Flo, McDonald's golden arches, Allstate's "good hands," and the Twitter bird.



## Services Marketing

### Marketing Strategies for Service Firms

**Managing service quality** enables a service firm to differentiate itself by delivering consistently higher quality than its competitors provide.



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The customer-driven quality movement requires service providers to identify what target customers expect in regard to service quality. Service quality is harder to define and judge than product quality. Customer retention is perhaps the best measure of quality.

Top service companies set high service-quality standards. They watch service performance closely, both their own and that of competitors. They do not settle for merely good service—they strive for 100 percent defect-free service. A 98 percent performance standard may sound good, but using this standard, the U.S. Postal Service would lose or misdirect 440,000 pieces of mail each hour, and U.S. pharmacists would misfill more than 75.3 million prescriptions each week.

Service quality will always vary, depending on the interactions between employees and customers, yet even the best companies will occasionally deliver services which fall short of customer expectations. However, good *service recovery* can turn angry customers into loyal ones and can win more customer purchasing and loyalty than if things had gone well in the first place.

For example, Southwest airlines has a proactive customer communications team whose job is to find the situations in which something went wrong. The team's communications to passengers have three basic components: a sincere apology, a brief explanation of what happened, and a gift to make it up, usually a voucher in dollars that can be used on their next Southwest flight. Surveys show that when Southwest handles a delay situation well, customer service quality rankings score 14 to 16 points higher than on regular on-time flights.

These days, social media such as Facebook and Twitter can help companies root out and remedy customer dissatisfaction with service.

## Services Marketing

### Marketing Strategies for Service Firms

**Managing service productivity** refers to the cost side of marketing strategies for service firms.

- Employee hiring and training
- Service quantity and quality

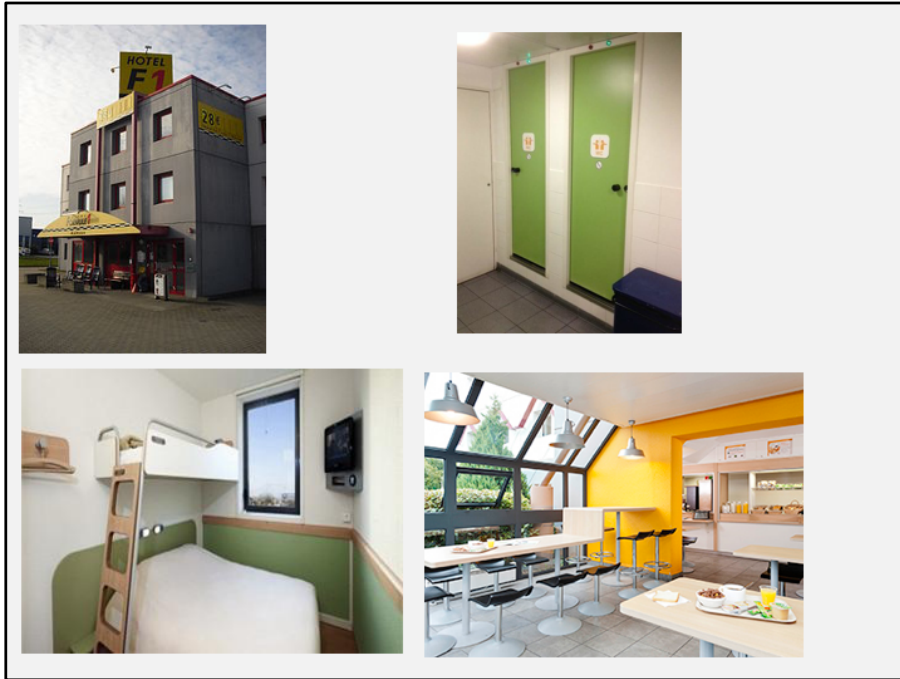
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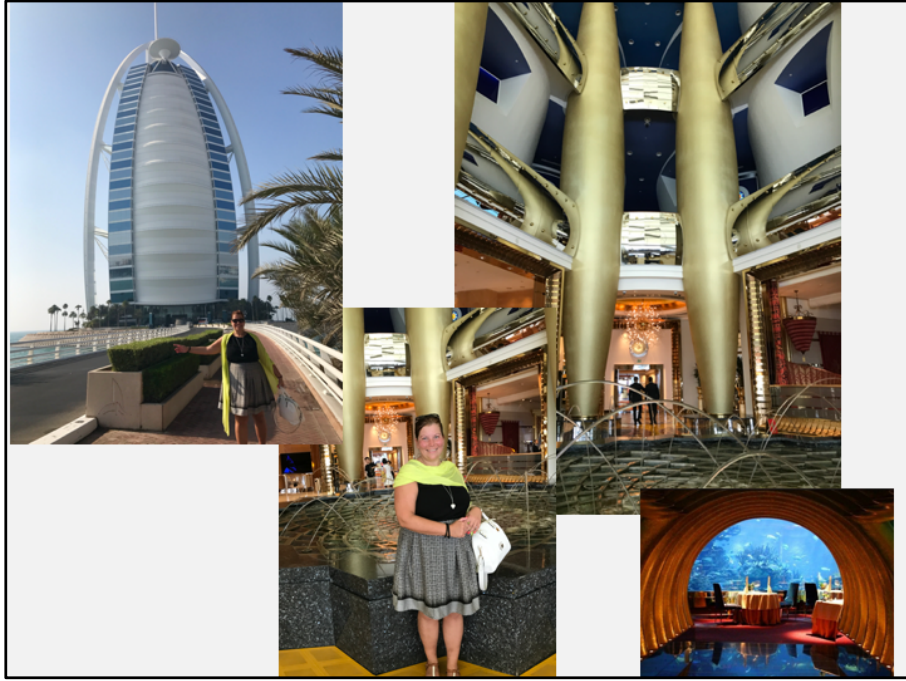
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With their costs rising rapidly, service firms are under great pressure to increase service productivity. A service provider can harness the power of technology to make service workers more productive.

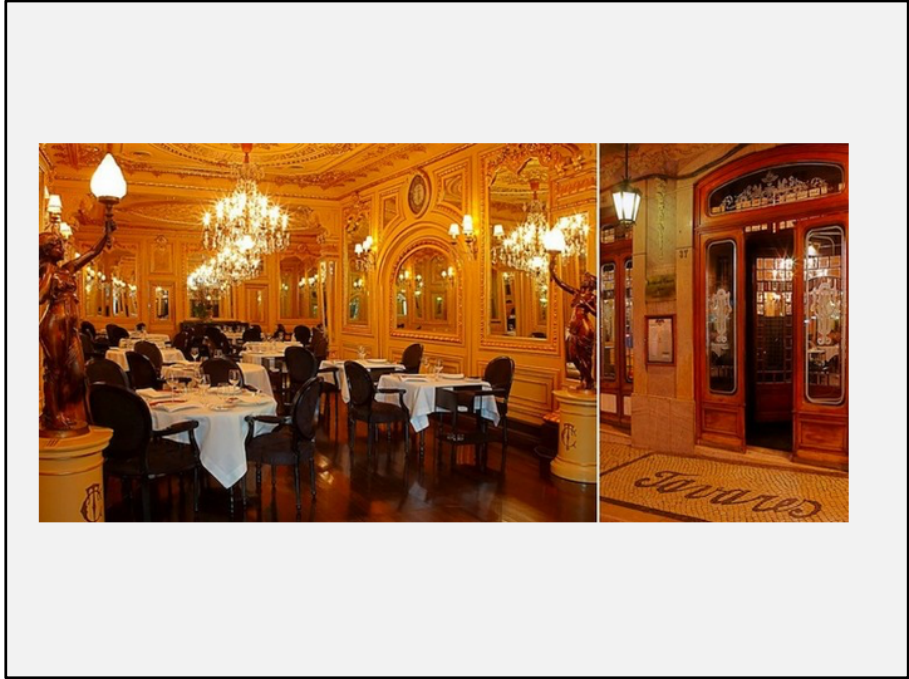
However, companies must avoid pushing productivity so hard that doing so reduces quality. Attempts to streamline a service or cut costs can make a service company more efficient in the short run. But that can also reduce its longer-run ability to innovate, maintain service quality, or respond to consumer needs and desires. For example, some airlines have learned this lesson the hard way as they attempt to economize by cutting back personal counter service, eliminating free snacks, and charging extra for everything from luggage to aisle seats. The result is a plane full of resentful customers. In their attempts to improve productivity, these airlines have mangled customer service.

Thus, in attempting to improve service productivity, companies must be mindful of how they create and deliver customer value. They should be careful not to take *service* out of the service. In fact, a company may purposely lower service productivity in order to improve service quality, in turn allowing it to maintain higher prices and profit margins.

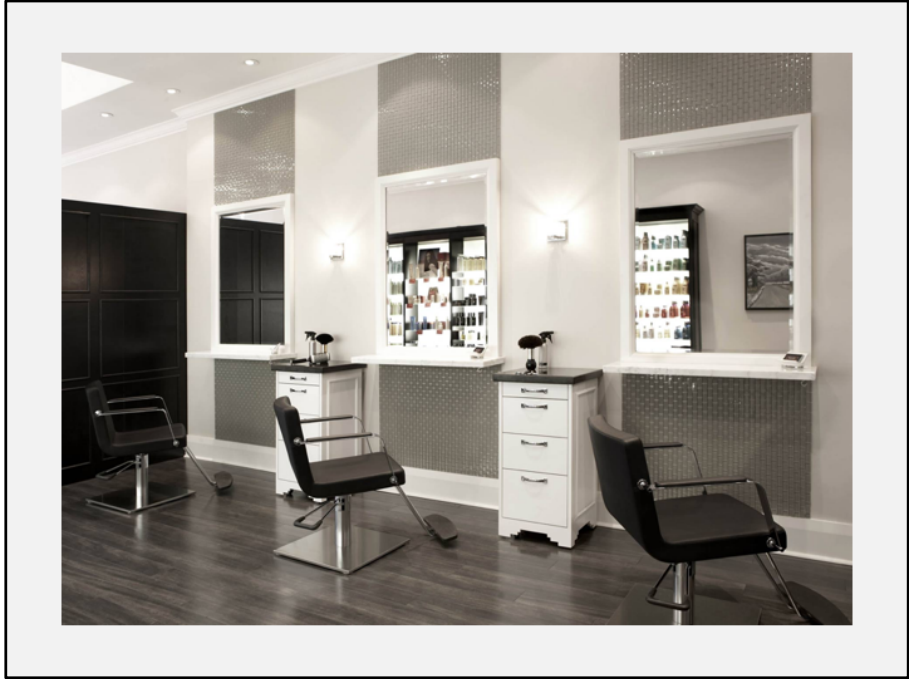
















# BRANDING







## Product and Service Decisions

### Individual Product and Service Decisions

**Brand** is the name, term, sign, or design—or a combination of these—that identifies the maker or seller of a product or service

#### What is a Brand?????

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k5016fh7TrQ>

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### Note to Instructor

#### Discussion Questions

*What brands do you tend to purchase consistently? Why?*

This discussion should lead to the consumer benefits of brands including quality and consistency. It is interesting to now ask students what the benefits might be for the seller of having a strong brand. This will include segmentation, positioning, and the ability to communicate product features

Consumers view a brand as an important part of a product, and branding can add value to a consumer's purchase. Customers attach meanings to brands and develop brand relationships. As a result, brands have meaning well beyond a product's physical attributes.

Branding has become so strong that today hardly anything goes unbranded. Salt is packaged in branded containers, common nuts and bolts are packaged with a distributor's label, and automobile parts—spark plugs, tires, filters—bear brand names that differ from those of the automakers. Even fruits, vegetables, dairy products, and poultry are branded—Sunkist oranges, Dole Classic iceberg salads, Horizon Organic milk, Perdue chickens, and Egghand's Best eggs.

Branding helps buyers in many ways. Brand names help consumers identify products that might benefit them. Brands also say something about product quality and consistency—buyers who always buy the same brand know that they will get the same features, benefits, and quality each time they buy. Branding also gives the seller several advantages. The seller's brand name and trademark provide legal protection for unique product features that otherwise might be copied by competitors. Branding helps the seller to segment markets.



## Cattle Branding



Experts say that branding is not actually painful to the cow. Most of the noises you hear the cow make is from fear of being caught and tied, not from being branded!



*Picasso*

The most recognized symbols in the world









# Roots



Coat of arms of  
Free People's State  
of Württemberg  
1922-1945



Coat of arms of  
Stuttgart  
as of 1938

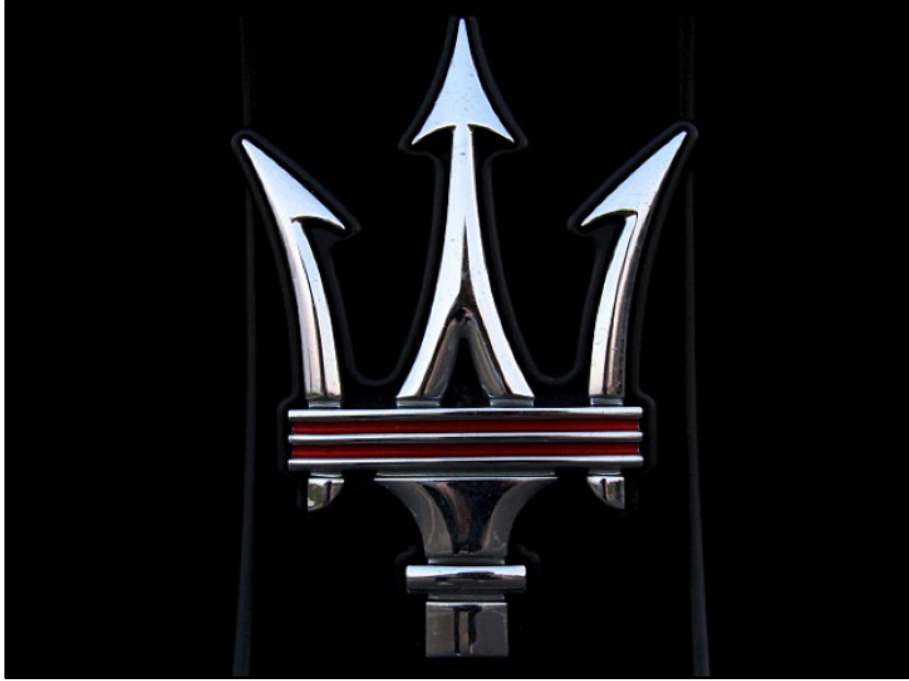


Coat of arms of  
Württemberg-Hohenzollern  
1945-1952



Original sketch of  
Porsche crest by  
Xaver Reimspieß  
1952







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- It wasn't until 1926 that the Maseratis started building their own cars, and with the debut of the Tipo 26 model, the company needed an official logo. Brother Mario, who had not wanted to join the automotive industry, lent his artistic talents to create the perfect emblem for the brand.
  - His inspiration was the trident held by Neptune (known in Greek mythology as Poseidon) in the Fontana de Nettuno statue in Bologna's Piazza Maggiore. This city served as the hometown of the Maserati family and location of the company's first plant before headquarters were moved to Modena.
  - The image—what it calls the "saetta" logo—represents Neptune's command over the seven seas and Maserati's command over the space between them. The red trident encircled by a white oval was designed to compete with the sophisticated appearance of other Italian brand labels.

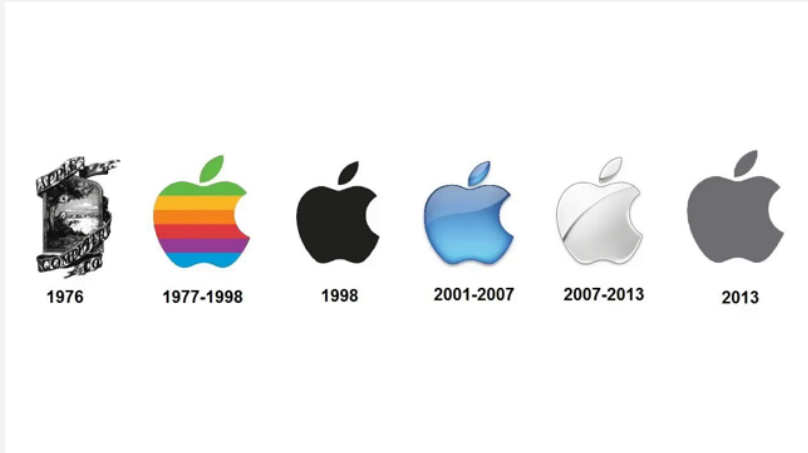








# Apple logo history





#stayhome



Martin Kleppmann   
@martinkl

In 1665, the University of Cambridge temporarily closed due to the bubonic plague. Isaac Newton had to work from home, and he used this time to develop calculus and the theory of gravity.

## Branding Strategy: Building Strong Brands

### Brand Equity and Brand Value

- **Brand equity** is the differential effect that knowing the brand name has on customer response to the product or its marketing.
- **Brand value** is the total financial value of a brand.

Brands are more than just names and symbols. They are a key element in the company's relationships with consumers. Brands represent consumers' perceptions and feelings about a product and its performance—everything that the product or the service *means* to consumers.

A powerful brand has high *brand equity*. It's a measure of the brand's ability to capture consumer preference and loyalty. A brand has positive brand equity when consumers react more favorably to it than to generic or unbranded products.

Ad agency Young & Rubicam's BrandAsset Valuator measures brand strength along four consumer perception dimensions: *differentiation, relevance, knowledge, and esteem*. Brands with strong brand equity rate high on all four dimensions.

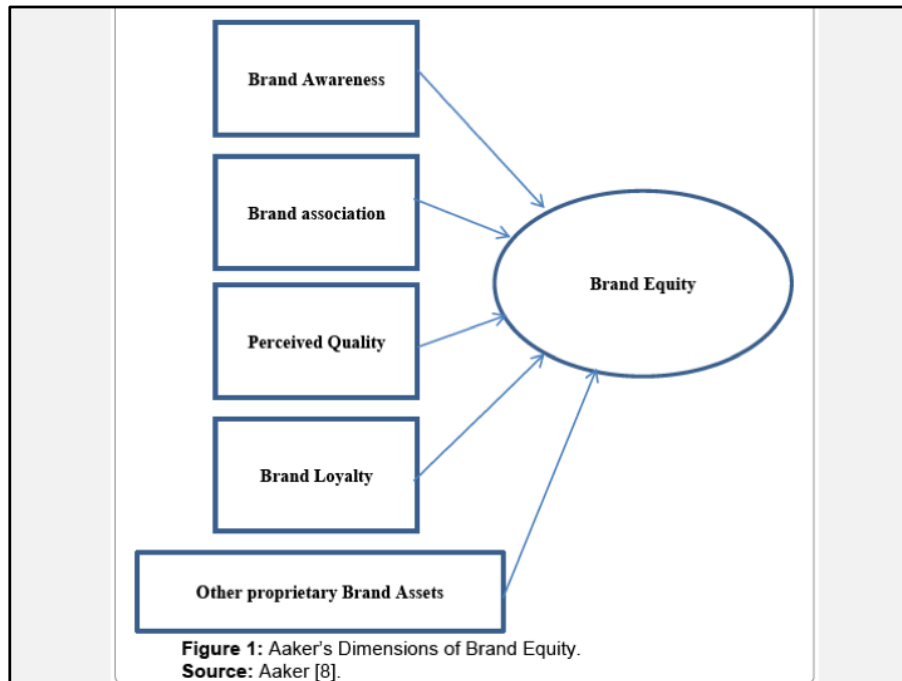
Positive brand equity derives from consumer feelings about and connections with a brand. Strong brands are built around an ideal of improving consumers' lives in some relevant way.

A brand with high brand equity is a very valuable asset. *Brand valuation* is the process of estimating the total financial value of a brand. Measuring such value is difficult. However, according to one estimate, the brand value of Apple is a whopping \$185 billion, with Google at \$113.6 billion, IBM at \$112.5 billion, McDonald's at \$90 billion, Microsoft at \$70 billion, and Coca-Cola at \$78.4 billion.

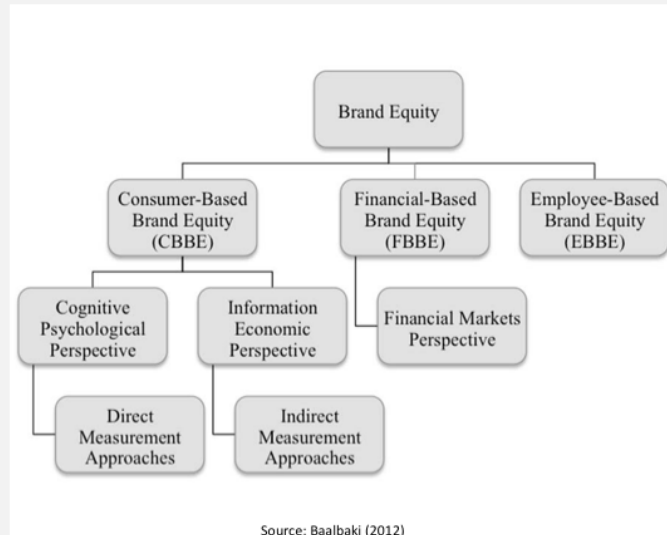
High brand equity provides a company with many competitive advantages:

- high level of consumer brand awareness and loyalty
- more leverage in bargaining with resellers
- easier launch of line and brand extensions
- defense against fierce price competition

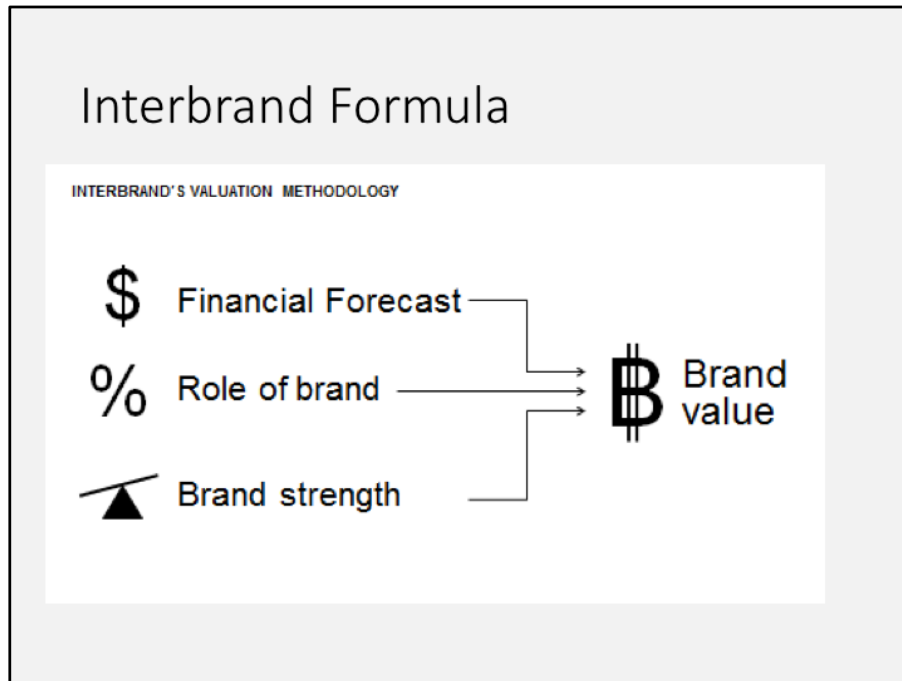
A powerful brand forms the basis for building strong and profitable customer relationships. The fundamental asset underlying brand equity is *customer equity*—the value of customer relationships that the brand creates. Companies need to think of themselves not as portfolios of brands but as portfolios of customers.



# Brand Equity Diagram



## Interbrand Formula



### Financial Analysis

This measures the overall financial return to an organization's investors, or its economic profit. Economic profit is the after-tax operating profit of the brand, minus a charge for the capital used to generate the brand's revenue and margins.

### Role of Brand

This measures the portion of the purchase decision attributable to the brand as opposed to other factors (for example, purchase drivers such as price, convenience, or product features). The Role of Brand Index (RBI) quantifies this as a percentage. RBI determinations for Best Global Brands derive, depending on the brand, from one of three methods: commissioned market research, benchmarking against Role of Brand scores from client projects with brands in the same industry, or expert panel assessment.

### Brand Strength

Brand Strength measures the ability of the brand to create loyalty and, therefore, sustainable demand and profit into the future. Brand Strength analysis is based on an evaluation across 10 factors that Interbrand believes constitute a strong brand. Performance in these areas is judged relative to other brands in the industry and

relative to other world-class brands. The Brand Strength analysis delivers an insightful snapshot of weaknesses of the brand and is used to generate a road map of activities to grow the brand's strength in the future.

### **Data Sources**

Robust brand valuation requires a holistic assessment that incorporates a wide range of information. In addition to extensive desk research and expert panel assessment, the following data feeds are incorporated in the models:

Financial data: [Refinitiv](#) (formerly Thomson Reuters), company annual reports, investor presentations and analyst reports. Refinitiv (formerly Thomson Reuters' Financial and Risk Business), company annual reports, investor presentations and analyst reports.

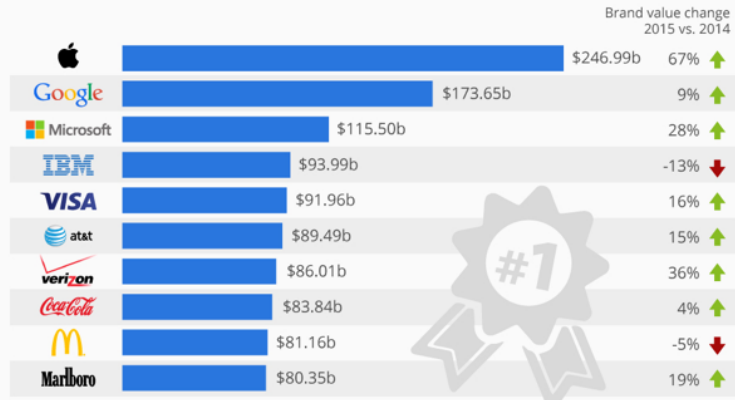
Consumer goods data: [GlobalData](#) (brand volumes and values)

Text Analytics and Social Listening: [Infegy](#)



## Apple Reclaims Title of Most Valuable Brand

Brand value of the world's most valuable brands in 2015



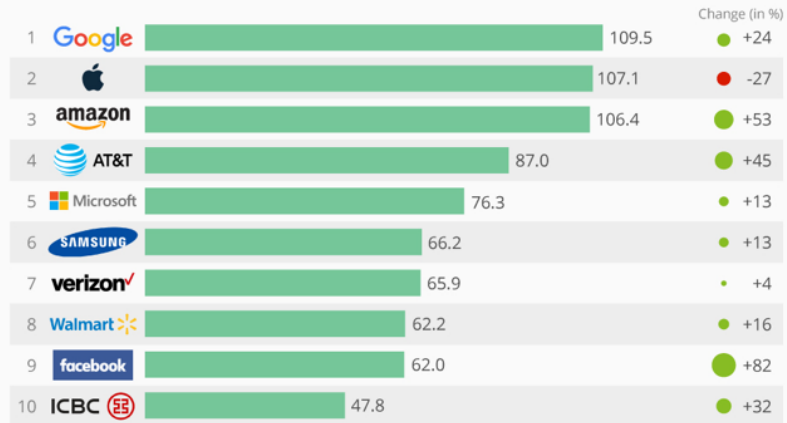
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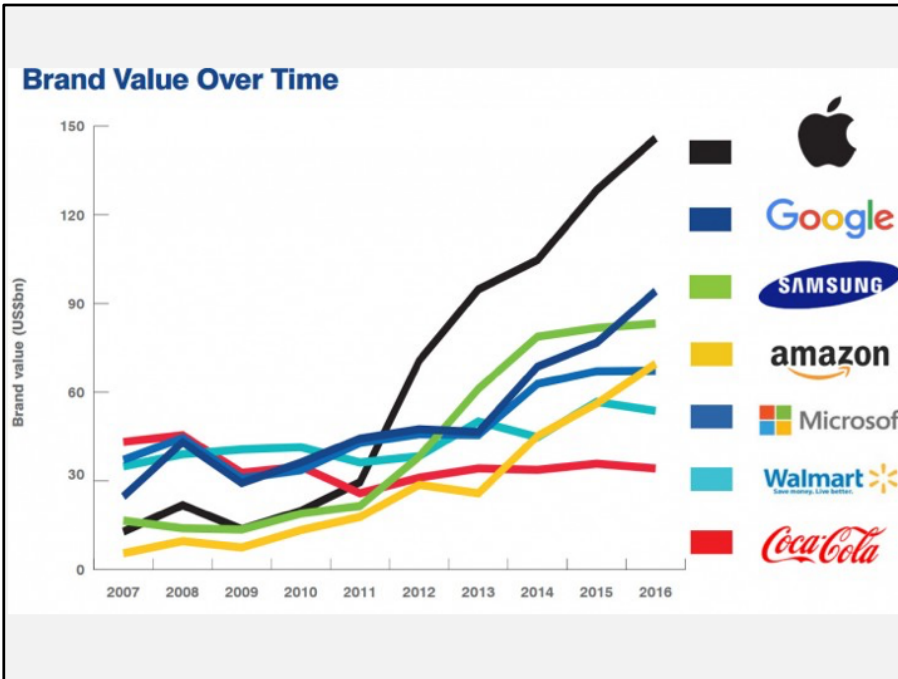
## Most Valuable Brands 2017

Brand value of the 10 most valuable brands (in billion U.S. dollars)



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## THE WORLD'S MOST VALUABLE BRANDS 2020

<b>amazon</b> 1 ← 1 \$220,791m +17.5%	<b>ICBC</b> 6 ↑ 8 \$80,791m +1.2%
<b>Google</b> 2 ↑ 3 \$159,722m +11.9%	<b>f</b> 7 ← 7 \$79,804m -4.1%
<b>Apple</b> 3 ↓ 2 \$140,524m -8.5%	<b>Walmart</b> 8 ↑ 11 \$77,520m +14.2%
<b>Microsoft</b> 4 ← 4 \$117,072m -2.1%	<b>中国平安 PING AN</b> 9 ↑ 14 \$69,041m +19.8%
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# MOST VALUABLE BRANDS IN THE WORLD BY COUNTRY



**Index:**  
 ■ More than \$100 billion  
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## Branding Strategy: Building Strong Brands

### Building Strong Brands

FIGURE | 8.5 Major Brand Strategy Decisions



The major brand strategy decisions involves *brand positioning*, *brand name selection*, *brand sponsorship*, and *brand development*.

Branding poses challenging decisions to the marketer. Figure 8.5 shows that the major brand strategy decisions involve *brand positioning*, *brand name selection*, *brand sponsorship*, and *brand development*.

## Branding Strategy: Building Strong Brands

### Brand Positioning

Marketers can position brands at **any of three levels.**

- Attributes
- Benefits
- Beliefs and values

At the lowest level, they can position the brand on *product attributes*. Attributes are the least desirable level for brand positioning because competitors can easily copy attributes. Customers are not interested in what the attributes are—they are interested in what the attributes will do for them.

A brand can be better positioned by associating its name with a desirable *benefit*.

The strongest brands are positioned on strong *beliefs and values*, engaging customers on a deep, emotional level.

Marketers need to position their brands clearly in target customers' minds. They can position brands at any of three levels.

At the lowest level, they can position the brand on *product attributes*. For example, P&G's Pampers' early marketing focused on attributes such as fluid absorption, fit, and disposability. Attributes are the least desirable level for brand positioning because competitors can easily copy attributes. Customers are not interested in what the attributes are—they are interested in what the attributes will do for them.

A brand can be better positioned by associating its name with a desirable *benefit*. Thus, Pampers can go beyond technical product attributes and talk about the resulting containment and skin-health benefits from dryness.

The strongest brands are positioned on strong *beliefs and values*, engaging customers on a deep, emotional level. For example, Pampers is positioned as a "love, sleep, and play brand where we grow together" that's concerned about happy babies, parent-child relationships, and total baby care.

Successful brands engage customers on a deep, emotional level. Brands ranging from Apple, Google, Disney, and Coca-Cola to Google and Pinterest have achieved this status with many of their customers. Customers don't just like these brands, they have strong emotional connections with them and love them unconditionally.

When positioning a brand, the marketer should establish a mission for the brand and a vision of what the brand must be and do. A brand is the company's promise to deliver a specific set of features, benefits, services, and experiences consistently to buyers. The brand promise must be simple and honest



Attributes



love at  
first touch

**#1 Choice of Hospitals\***

Wrap your baby in the most trusted comfort and protection of **Pampers Swaddlers**, the only diaper trusted to be the **#1 Choice of Hospitals.\***

\*Based on votes of the American Hospital Association

**Pampers**  
love, sleep & play





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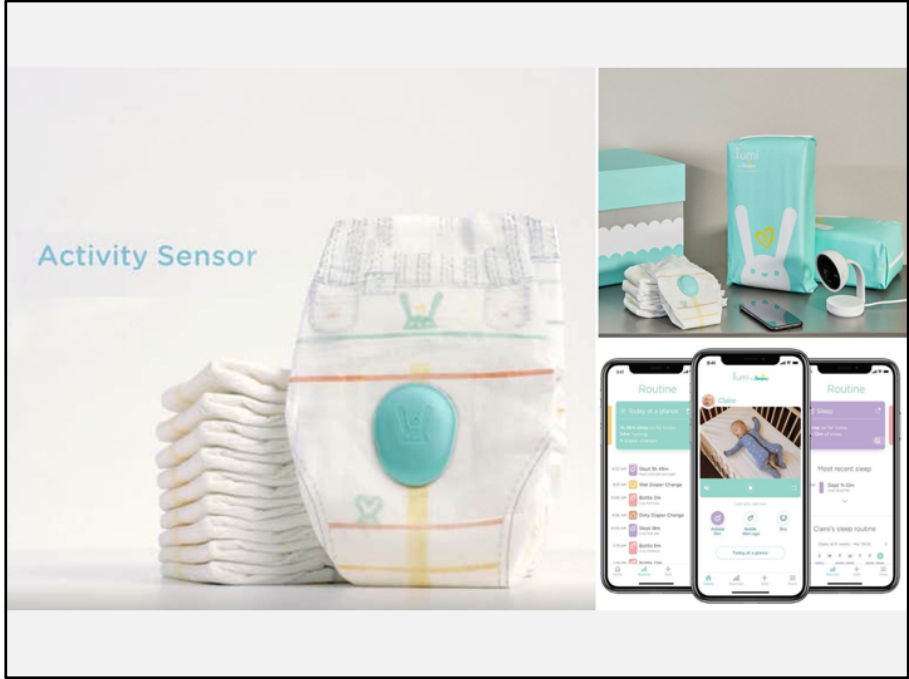


We'll help you watch your **child's health**



## Pampers Just Launched A 'Smart Diaper' That Alerts You When Your Baby Needs A Change





### Pee Warning & Diaper Full Reminder

The image illustrates a smart diaper technology. On the left, a baby is shown wearing a diaper with a sensor. A graph plots humidity levels (Humidity 1, 2, 3) against time, marking three peeing events (1st pee, 2nd pee, 3rd pee) and corresponding warnings (Warning 1, 2, 3). A central gauge shows 65% Diaper Usage, with a note that a Usage Warning Level of 75% indicates a more absorbent diaper is needed. On the right, a woman in a business suit is looking at her smartphone, which displays the app's interface. A notification bubble above her phone says "I have peed".

Humidity 3  
Humidity 2  
Humidity 1  
0

Warning 3  
Warning 2  
Warning 1

1st pee 2nd pee 3rd pee

Keep tracking the humidity level of the diaper catch every urine event for you.

65%  
Diaper Usage  
0% 100%

Usage Warning Level 75%  
More absorbent diaper holds more water. Higher usage warning level may help to save your diapers.

I have peed



### History Data Tells More...

The image features a baby lying on a blue checkered bedsheet, a stack of white diapers, and three smartphones displaying data. The data visualizations include:

- Daily pee time (●) shows the regular urine pattern:** A line graph with red dots and a red curve showing a regular pattern over five days (Mon-Fri). The y-axis is labeled with 11:30, 12:00, and 12:30.
- Wet bum lasts 15 minutes:** A vertical timeline showing a red dot at 08:00 labeled 'Pee' and a green dot at 08:15 labeled 'Diaper Change'.
- Spent \$48 in January:** A card with a blue background and a white icon of a stack of coins, with the text 'Diaper Used: 145 pcs'.

The smartphones display various data visualizations, including bar charts, line graphs, and summary statistics, all related to baby care data.

**MADNESS: WI-FI NAPPIES TO TARGET  
YOUR CHILD'S GENITALS WITH RADIATION**

**HOW MANY IDIOTS WILL BUY THEM?  
LOTS NO DOUBT**

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## Branding Strategy: Building Strong Brands

### Building Strong Brands

#### Brand Name Selection

1. Suggests benefits and qualities
2. Easy to pronounce, recognize, and remember
3. Distinctive
4. Extendable
5. Translatable for the global economy
6. Capable of registration and legal protection

Desirable qualities for a brand name include the following.

(1) It should suggest something about the product's benefits and qualities: Beautyrest, Lean Cuisine, Snapchat, Pinterest.

(2) It should be easy to pronounce, recognize, and remember: iPad, Tide, Jelly Belly, Twitter, JetBlue.

(3) The brand name should be distinctive: Panera, Swiffer, Zappos, Nest.

(4) It should be extendable—Amazon.com began as an online bookseller but chose a name that would allow expansion into other categories.

(5) The name should translate easily into foreign languages. Before changing its name to Exxon, Standard Oil of New Jersey rejected the name Enco, which it learned meant a stalled engine when pronounced in Japanese.

(6) It should be capable of registration and legal protection. A brand name cannot be registered if it infringes on existing brand names.



## The origin of brand names

• Brand names come in many different forms:

- They can be based on **people's names** (Estée Lauder, HR),
- based on **places** (Santa Fe cologne, British Airways),
- based on **animals/birds** (Mustang, Jaguar),
- product **meaning** (Ocean Spray, Beautyrest mattresses),
- other.











## Branding Strategy: Building Strong Brands

### Building Strong Brands

#### Brand Sponsorship

- Manufacturer's brand
- Private brand
- Licensed brand
- Co-brand



The popularity of store brands has soared recently. Walmart's store brands account for a whopping 25 percent of its sales, and its Great Value brand is the nation's largest single food brand.

A manufacturer has four **brand sponsorship** options. The product may be launched as a national brand or a private brand (also called a store brand or distributor brand). Other alternatives include a licensed brand and co-branding.

**National brands** (or **manufacturers' brands**) have long dominated the retail scene. In recent times, however, an increasing number of retailers and wholesalers have created their own **store brands** (or **private brands**). Store brands have been gaining strength for more than two decades, but recent tighter economic times have created a store-brand boom.

For example, Walmart's private brands—Great Value food products; Sam's Choice beverages; Equate pharmacy, health, and beauty products; White Cloud toilet tissue and diapers; Simple Elegance laundry products; and Canopy outdoor home products—account for a whopping 20 percent of its sales. Its private-label brands alone generate more sales than all P&G brands combined, and Walmart's Great Value is the nation's largest single food brand.

At the other end of the grocery spectrum, upscale Whole Foods Market offers an array of store-brand products. Target and Trader Joe's are out-innovating many of their national-brand competitors. As a result, consumers are becoming loyal to store brands for reasons besides price. Recent research showed that 80 percent of all shoppers believe store brand quality is equal to or better than that of national brands. In some cases, consumers are even willing to pay more for store brands that have been positioned as gourmet or premium items.

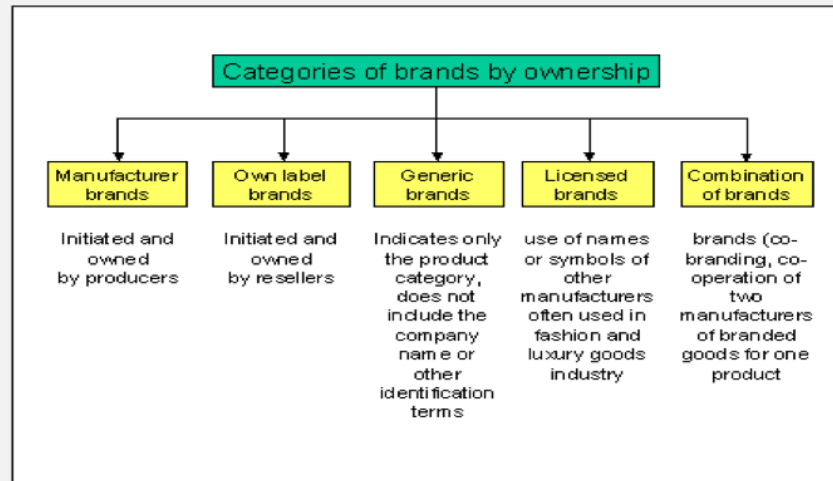
**Licensing:** Some companies license names or symbols previously created by other manufacturers, names of well-known celebrities, or characters from popular movies and books. For a fee, any of these can provide an instant and proven brand name.

**Co-branding** occurs when two established brand names of different companies are used on the same product. Co-branding offers many advantages. Because each brand operates in a different category, the combined brands create broader consumer appeal and greater brand equity. Examples include Benjamin Moore and Pottery Barn, Taco Bell and Doritos.

Co-branding can take advantage of the complementary strengths of two brands. It also allows a company to expand its existing brand into a category it might otherwise have difficulty entering alone.

Co-branding has limitations and usually involves complex legal contracts and licenses. Co-branding partners must carefully coordinate their marketing mix, and each partner must trust that the other will take good care of its brand. If something damages the reputation of one brand, it can tarnish the co-brand as well.

## Brand Categories

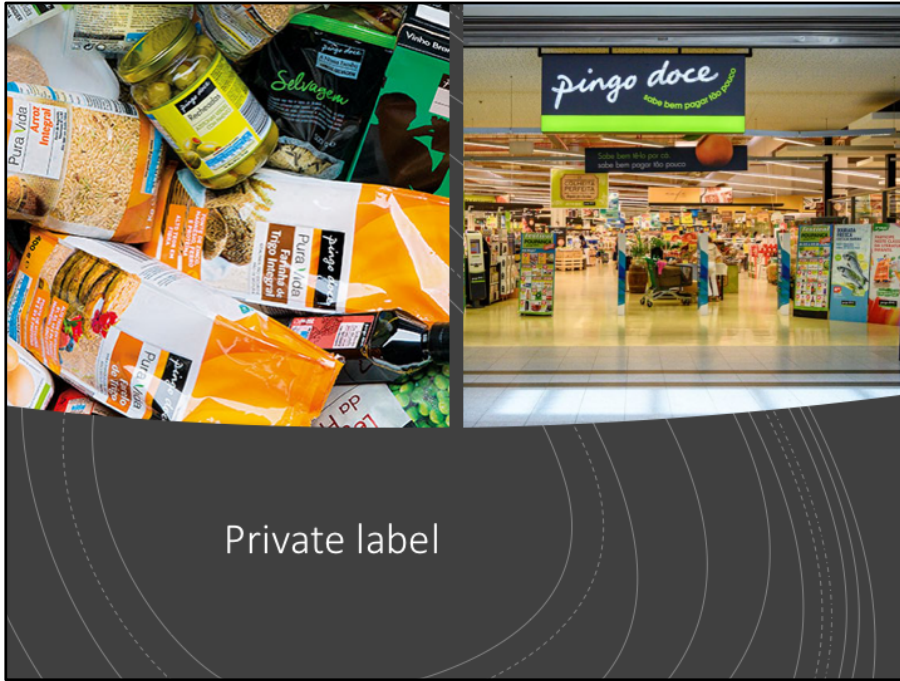


## Manufacturer's brand





Private label







Generic



The diagram shows two illustrations side-by-side. On the left is a blue bag of Lays potato chips with the brand name 'LAYS' in a red circle. Below it, the words 'BRAND NAME' are written in bold, black, capital letters. In the center is the word 'VS' in bold, black, capital letters. On the right is a brown barrel-shaped container labeled 'NO NAME CHIPS' in purple. Below it, the word 'GENERIC' is written in bold, black, capital letters.





### EXAMPLE OF LICENSING

A COMPANY USING THE DESIGN OF POPULAR CHARACTER LIKE MICKEY MOUSE ON THEIR PRODUCTS.



Licensed brand





# CO-BRANDING





Co-branding |





**ORIGINAL AD**



**COKE'S RESPONSE**

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FIGURE | 8.6 Brand Development Strategies

		Product category	
		Existing	New
Brand name	Existing	Line extension	Brand extension
	New	Multibrands	New brands

A company has four choices when it comes to **brand development** (see Figure 8.6). It can introduce *line extensions*, *brand extensions*, *multibrands*, or *new brands*.

**Line extensions** occur when a company extends existing brand names to new forms, colors, sizes, ingredients, or flavors of an existing product category. For example, over the years, KFC has extended its “finger lickin’ good” chicken lineup well beyond original recipe and now offers grilled chicken, boneless fried chicken, chicken tenders, hot wings, and chicken bites. A line extension works best when it takes sales away from competing brands, not when it “cannibalizes” the company’s other items.

**Brand extension** extends a current brand name to new or modified products in a new category. For example, Starbucks has extended its retail coffee shops by adding packaged supermarket coffees, a chain of teahouses (Teavana Fine Teas + Tea Bar), and even a single-serve home coffee, espresso, and latte machine—the Verismo. And P&G has leveraged the strength of its Mr. Clean household cleaner brand to launch several new lines: cleaning pads (Magic Eraser), bathroom cleaning tools (Magic Reach), and home auto cleaning kits (Mr. Clean AutoDry).

**Multibrands:** Companies often market many different brands in a given product



category. For example, in the United States, PepsiCo markets at least eight brands of soft drinks (Pepsi, Mountain Dew, Manzanita Sol, Mirinda, IZZE, Tropicana Twister, and Mug root beer), three brands of energy drinks (Gatorade, AMP Energy, and Starbucks Refreshers), four brands of bottled teas and coffees (Dorland, Tazo, and others), three brands of bottled waters (Aquafina, H2OH!, and SoBe), and nine brands of fruit drinks (IZZE, Lipton, Looza, Ocean Spray, and others). Each brand includes a long list of sub-brands.

**New brands:** A company might believe that the power of its existing brand name is waning, so a new name is needed. Or it may create a new brand name when it enters a new product category for which none of its existing names are appropriate. For example, Toyota created the separate Lexus brand aimed at luxury car consumers and the Scion brand, targeted toward Millennial consumers.

As with multibranding, offering too many new brands can result in a company spreading its resources too thin. In some industries, such as consumer packaged goods, consumers and retailers have become concerned about already too many brands, with too few differences between them.

Thus, P&G, PepsiCo, Kraft, and other large consumer-product marketers are now pursuing *megabrands* by pruning out weaker or slower-growing brands and focusing their marketing dollars on brands that can achieve number-two market share positions with good growth prospects in their categories.



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A company might introduce line extensions as a low-cost, low-risk way to introduce new products. Or it might want to meet consumer desires for variety, use excess capacity, or simply command more shelf space from resellers. However, line extensions involve some risks. An overextended brand name might cause consumer confusion or lose some of its specific meaning. For example, the original Doritos Tortilla Chips have morphed into a U.S. roster of 22 different types of flavors and chips, plus dozens more in foreign markets. Flavors include everything from Nacho Cheese and Pizza Supreme to Blazin' Buffalo & Ranch, Fiery Fusion, and Salsa Verde. Or how about duck-flavored Gold Peking Duck Chips or wasabi-flavored Mr. Dragon's Fire Chips (Japan). Although the line seems to be doing well with global sales of nearly \$5 billion, the original Doritos chips seem like just another flavor. And how much would adding yet another flavor steal from Dorito's own sales versus

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A brand extension gives a new product instant recognition and faster acceptance. It also saves the usually required to build a new brand name. At the same time, a brand extension strategy involves extension may confuse the image of the main brand. Brand extensions such as Cheetos lip balm, Hi Savers gum met early deaths. And if a brand extension fails, it may harm consumer attitudes toward carrying the same brand name. Furthermore, a brand name may not be appropriate to a particular is well made and satisfying—would you consider flying on Hooters Air or wearing an Evian water-fil failed). Thus, before transferring a brand name to a new product, marketers must research how we brand's associations.

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*Multibranding* offers a way to establish different features that appeal to different customer segmer reseller shelf space, and capture a larger market share. For example, although PepsiCo's many bran compete with one another on supermarket shelves, the combined brands reap a much greater ove any single brand ever could. Similarly, by positioning multiple brands in multiple segments, Pepsi's

combine to capture much more market share than any single brand could capture by itself. A major drawback of multibranding is that each brand might obtain only a small market share, and not profitable. The company may end up spreading its resources over many brands instead of building a profitable level. These companies should reduce the number of brands they sell in a given category through screening procedures for new brands. This happened to GM, which in recent years has cut numerous brands from its portfolio, including Saturn, Oldsmobile, Pontiac, Hummer, and Saab.

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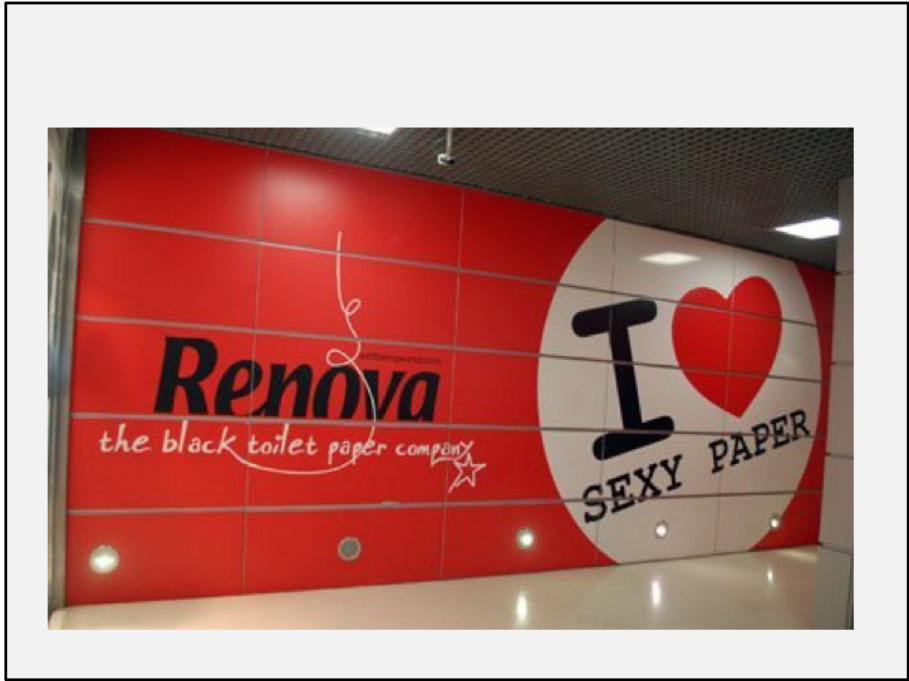


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*Dr. Bayard*

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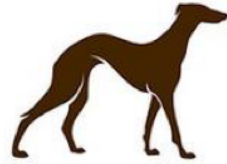




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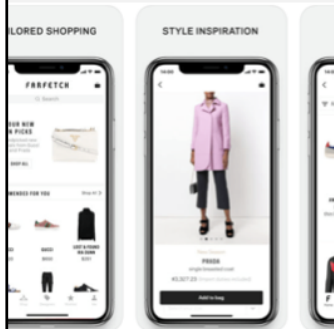
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- **Farfetch** is an online luxury fashion retail platform that sells products from over 700 boutiques and brands from around the world.
- It was founded in 2007 by [José Neves](#), a Portuguese entrepreneur who has been involved in the world of fashion start-ups since the 1990s, when he launched the shoe design business SWEAR.
- Initially, the business secured \$4.5 million in growth equity from Advance Venture Partners in July 2010 to help it expand into Brazilian, North American and European markets. In March 2015, Farfetch gained a further US\$86 million...





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