

NIELSEN MUSIC

# 2018 U.S. MUSIC 360

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# INTRODUCTION

Music is the "universal language" of the U.S. population. Nielsen's 2018 Music 360 report is a powerful source of consumer behaviors and attitudes, filled with a comprehensive range of self-reported data to help you deeply understand today's music consumer. These exclusive insights give you just a small snapshot of the important business decisions that can be answered by purchasing the full report.

# IN ADDITION TO THE CONTENT PREVIEWED HERE, THE FULL 2018 MUSIC 360 REPORT INCLUDES:

- ► How music fans spend their money and which activities (concerts, live events, subscriptions, physical music, etc.) are capturing the most share of wallet
- ▶ A deep dive into the growing sector of voice-assistant smart speakers and the music fans who use them
- A detailed guide on playlists, one of streaming's most engaging ways of keeping music fans listening longer
- Essential findings on live concerts and events and the best ways for brands to engage passionate ticket buyers

## And much, much more!



# **VOICE ACTIVATION**

# SMART SPEAKERS (AMAZON ECHO, GOOGLE HOME, AND APPLE HOMEPOD) INTRODUCE A NEW MUSIC CONSUMER

- ▶ Voice-activated device users are among music's fastestgrowing consumer bases.
- ➤ They spend more than 2x Gen Pop on music on an annual basis, with the weekly smart-speaker music listeners spending an additional \$50 per year on music than the average smart-speaker owner.

# Who are they?



**56%** Male **40%** Millennials



48% earn \$80K+ HH income



23% Hispanic 8% Asian/Asian American

Source: Nielsen U.S. Music 360 Report

For a full guide to device usage and the buying power of smart-speaker owners, contact your local Nielsen rep to purchase the full **2018 U.S. MUSIC 360 REPORT.** 





# TOP INTEREST GENRES

ANATOMY OF A FAN: HIP-HOP/RAP & COUNTRY

The consumption habits and buying power of two of music's biggest genres:

#### **COUNTRY FANS**

- **33.9** hours spent listening to the genre per week
- \$ Country fans outspend Top 40 and Hip-Hop/Rap fans in annual music investments
- 15% Percentage of Hispanic music listeners who identify as Country fans
- 34% Percentage of Country fans with a household income of \$80,000+

## **HIP-HOP/RAP FANS**

- 38 hours spent listening to the genre per week (the most of any leading interest genre)
- Hip-Hop/Rap fans are tied with EDM fans as most likely to stream music
- 20% Percentage of Hispanic music listeners who identify as Hip-Hop/Rap fans
- 38% Percentage of Hip-Hop/Rap fans with a household income of \$80,000+

Source: Nielsen Music 360 Report (21+/LDA BevAl Edition)

Want to learn more about fans of every genre, from classic rock to bachata? Contact your local Nielsen rep for a custom report of findings from the **2018 U.S. Music 360 field study.** 

# LIVE

# FESTIVAL ATTENDANCE IS ON THE RISE

- ▶ More than half of Gen Pop attended live music events in the past year (up by 2% in 2017).
- Music festivals posted the biggest gain in attendance from 2017, with Hispanics and Millennials having highest festival attendance this year.
- ▶ Hispanic audiences overindex ahead of teens and Millennials in attending many live event types, including concerts, free outdoor community music events, and small live music sessions.
- ▶ EDM fans are ahead of all leading interest genres in highest attendance of live music events (74%), followed by Alt Rock, Hip-Hop/Rap, Top 40/Pop, and Country.

Source: Nielsen U.S. Music 360 Report

Want to learn more about the who, what, and where of live music? Contact your local Nielsen rep to purchase the full **2018 U.S. Music 360 report.** 

**52%** of the U.S. population goes to live music events



# **FULL CONTENT SUMMARY**

# NIELSEN 2018 U.S. MUSIC 360 CONTENT

Syndicated report will focus on Gen Pop, as well as Teens, Millennials, and Hispanic audiences

## **GENERAL - MUSIC LANDSCAPE**

- Money spent on entertainment activities, including music categories
- · Importance of hobbies/interests
- · Various hobbies/activities done over the past year
- · Time with music primary activity and in the background
- % of weekly music listening by format (streaming audio, radio, etc.)
- · Location of music listening
- Past year and typical week penetration of top formats (CD, radio, streaming, etc.)
- · Music discovery sources
- · Attitudes around music

#### MUSIC GENRE LISTENERSHIP

- · Genre listenership (often and occasional)
- Deep dive on top genre listeners (e.g., hours with music, spend on music, live event attendance, etc.)

## TECHNOLOGY FOR MUSIC

- · Devices owned
- Devices used for music listening and frequency
- · Voice usage and occasions
- Deep dive on voice music users (e.g., demos, engagement with music, spend, etc.)

## **STREAMING**

- · Streaming service awareness
- Streaming service usage and frequency
- Subscription services usage, past usage, free trials
- · Likeliness of paying for subscription
- · Playlisting engagement and frequency by type
- · Actions taken after liking a song on a playlist
- Features important when deciding on a streaming service
- · Recommendation of specific services

#### **RADIO**

- Penetration of radio (streaming, satellite, over the air)
- · Who is the radio listener
- · Activities while listening to radio (cooking, socializing, etc.)
- Music listening in the car (radio, connected device, CD, etc.)

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

- · Social media platform general usage and frequency
- · Social media platform usage for music content
- · Music discovery on social, including specific platforms

#### **BRANDS**

- Favorability toward brand activations/partnerships
- Products purchased in the past 3 months or intent to purchase (beer, beauty, etc.)
- Services/activities done in past 6 months or intent to do (travel, open bank account, etc.)

#### **EVENTS**

- Types of live music events attended
- How soon after ticket are released, purchase tickets
- · Sources of live music event discovery
- Actions taken at live music events (social media, visit artist web, etc.)
- Festival awareness top 30
- Attendance/intent to attend/social following of festivals - top 30
- · Awards shows watched

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