

FRANCE



Beyond the feed: **Social media** report 2024

Exploring social media trends, user profiles and brand preference.

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Understanding the social sphere in 2024

Which social networks are leading the way in 2024?

This report leverages 52-weeks of survey data from YouGov Profiles to reveal social media time spent, reasons for using social media, and television versus social media as a news source. We explore how user demographics shift between each social media platform – as well as sharing noteworthy attitudes to advertising, safety and integrity.

In addition, this report leverages YouGov BrandIndex to discover the top 10 brands among users of each social network, based on difference to purchase consideration in comparison to the general population.

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Methodology

The insights in this report combine syndicated data from [YouGov Profiles](#) and [YouGov BrandIndex](#).

YouGov Profiles is an ever-growing source of living consumer data, with 2 million+ data variables from YouGov's 27+ million global panel members.

YouGov Profiles is a 52-week dataset, with data collected continuously and updated weekly. Unless otherwise specified, insights in this analysis reflect a 52-week moving average, and as such should be interpreted directionally.

Throughout this report, we look at weekly users of the top 5 most-used social networks:

- Weekly Facebook users (n= 17,138)
- Weekly Instagram users (n=11,086)
- Weekly YouTube users (n=9,943)
- Weekly Snapchat users (n=6,194)
- Weekly TikTok users (n=5,152)

*The reported sample size (n) is primarily based on basic age and gender variables. However, it may vary when considering other variables within the dataset.

YouGov BrandIndex is our always-on brand tracker, which tracks brands across 16 vital brand health metrics.

In this report, we have highlighted the brands that are winning over each social network users based on consideration scores.

Consideration scores are rounded to the nearest decimal point. Brands must have scores available for at least 183 days to qualify for the ranking between April 1, 2023, to March 31, 2024. When a brand is tracked in multiple sectors, only the first entry is shown.

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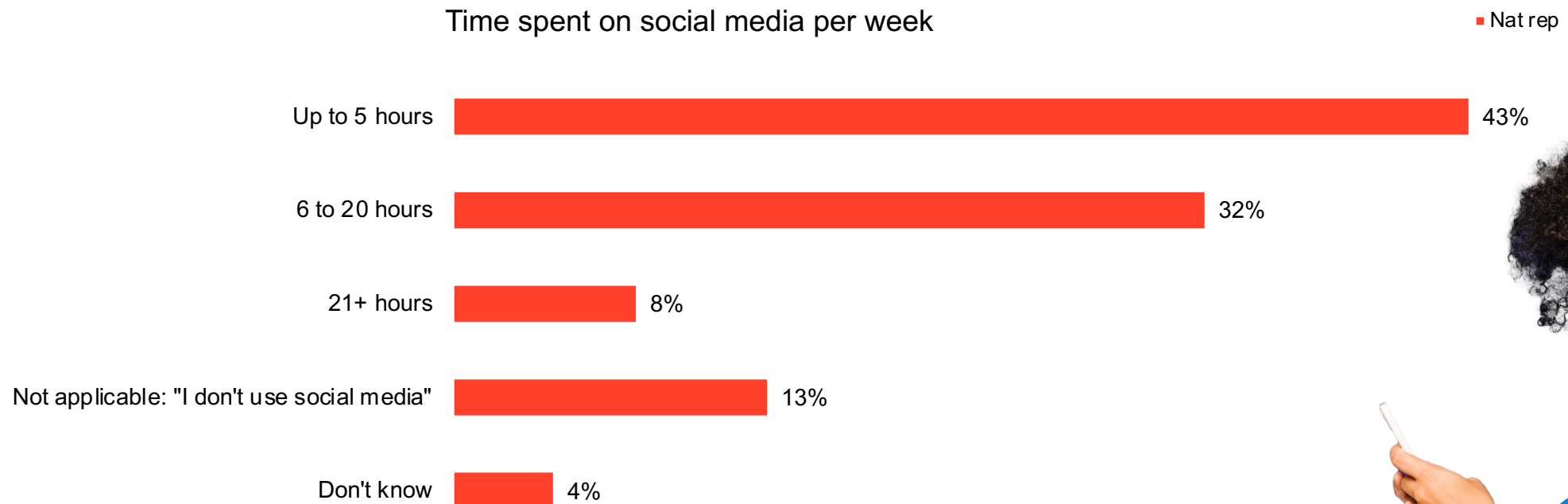


Social media usage

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Almost 1 in 3 spend 6-20 hours on social media per week

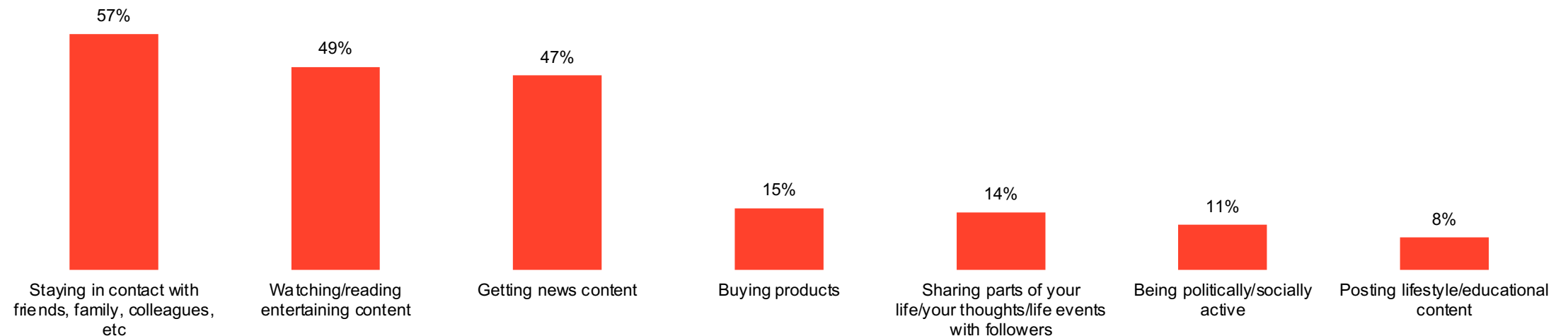


15% of people in France use social media for buying products

57% of French people use social media to stay in contact with friends, family and colleagues.

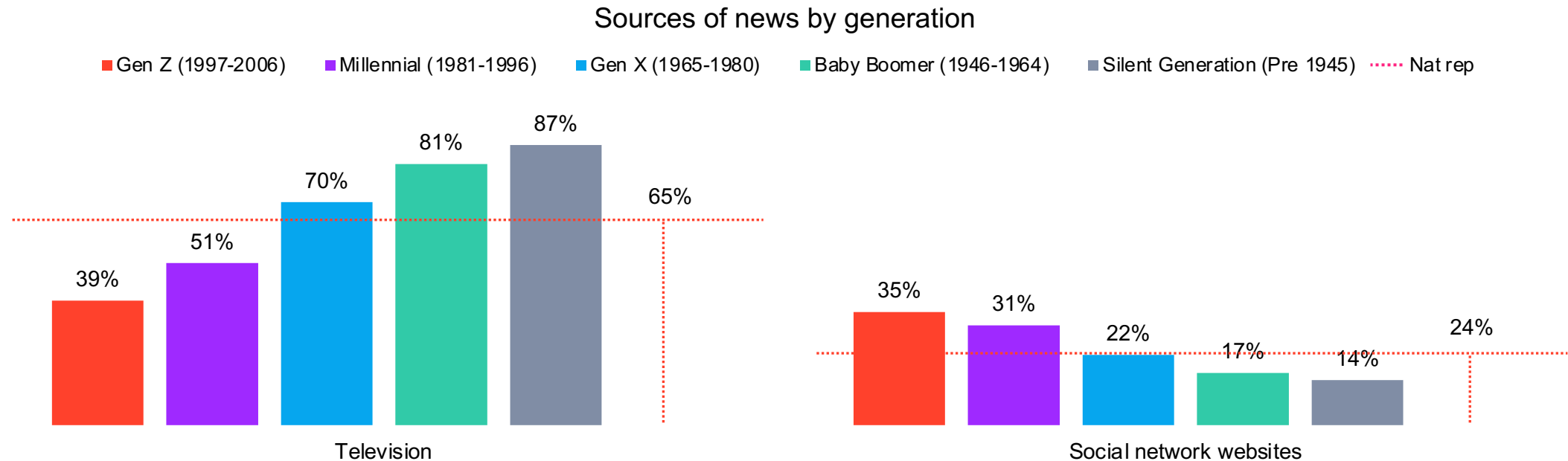
Reasons for using social media

■ Nat rep



Social networks are almost on par with television as a source for news among Gen Z

On a national level, **65%** of French people use television as a source of news compared to **24%** who use social networks.



YouGov Profiles+ France, April'24 (n>540)

Question: Which, if any, of the following sources do you use to access news?

Social profiles: How weekly users of each social network differ

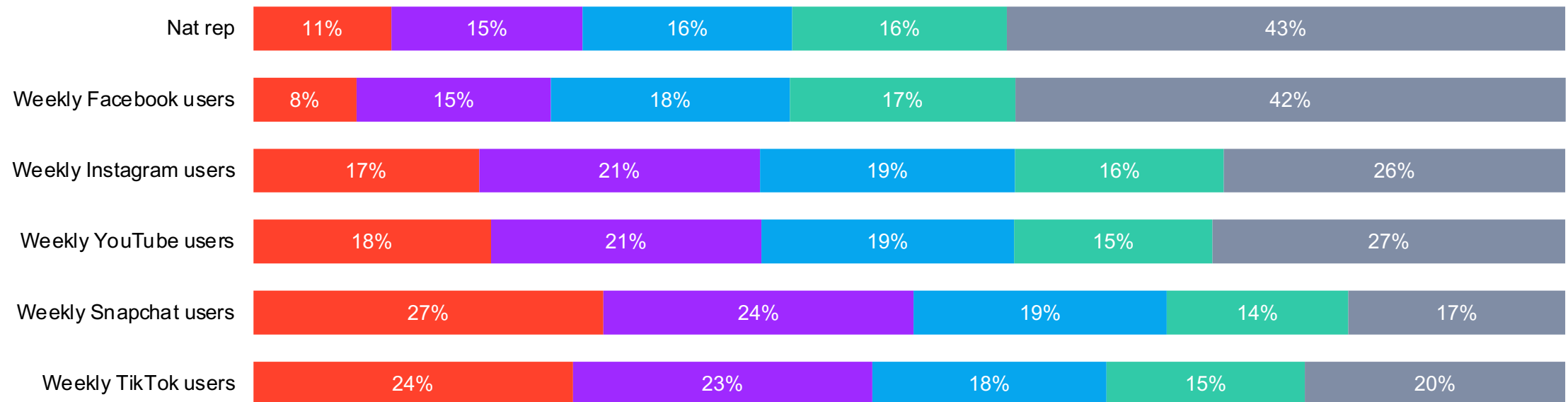


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Weekly Snapchat and TikTok users skew younger, Facebook mirrors the general population

Age breakdown of weekly users per network

18-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55+

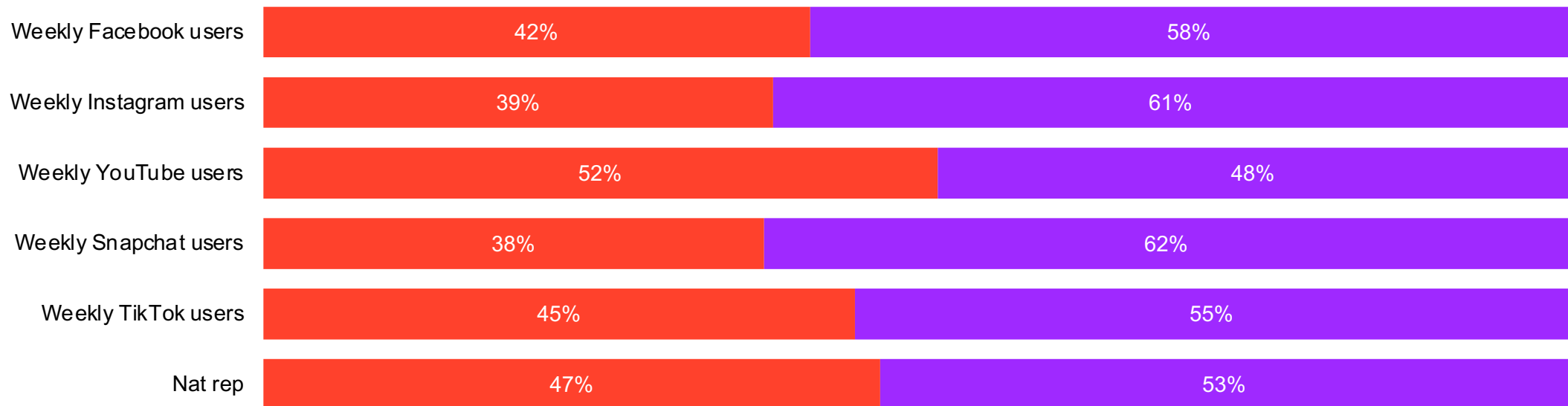


Weekly YouTube users are more likely to be male compared to other social networks

While weekly Snapchat and Instagram users are more likely to be female.

Gender breakdown per network

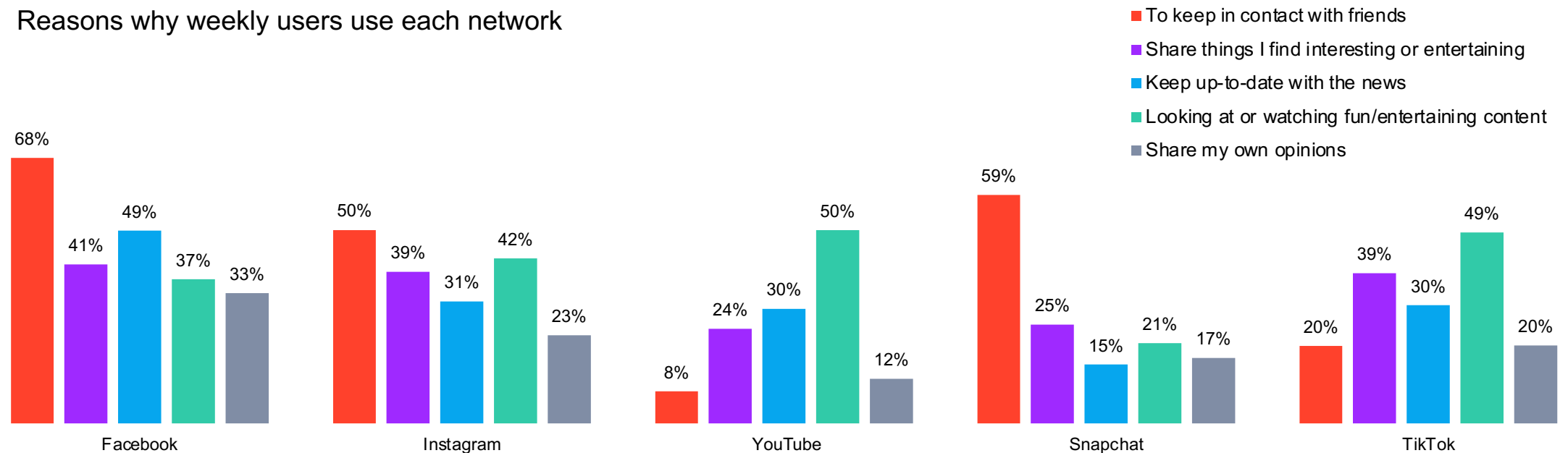
■ Male ■ Female



2 in 3 Facebook users use the platform to keep in contact with friends

39% of TikTok users use the platform to share things they find interesting, 50% of YouTube users use the platform to watch fun content.

Reasons why weekly users use each network



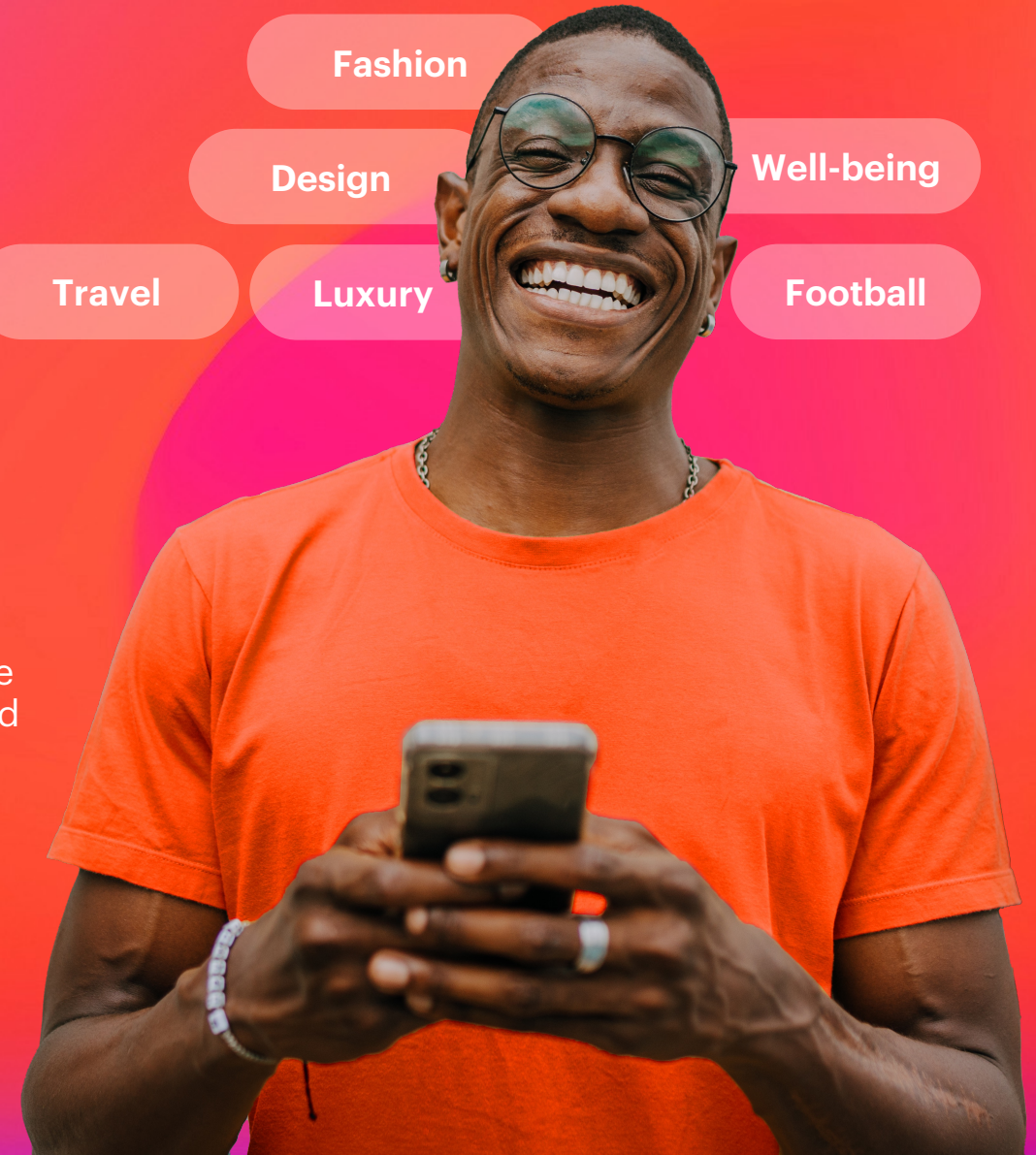
YouGov Profiles+ France, April'24 (n>4,900)

Question: Which reasons best describe what you use a social network for? Please select all that apply

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Exploring attitudes to social media



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1 in 3 Gen Z agree they are more likely to engage with advertisements on social media than on regular websites

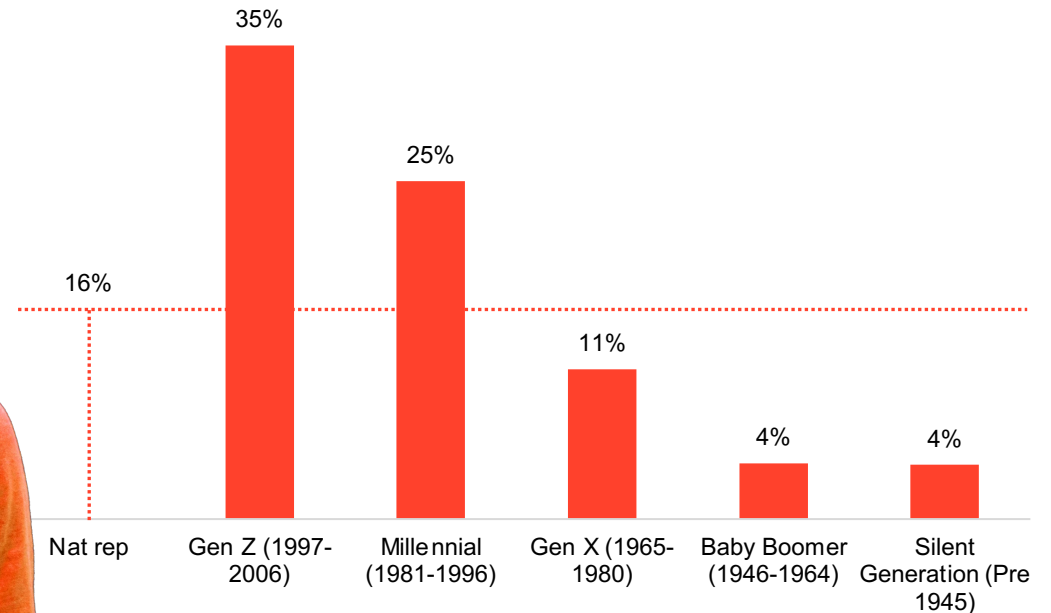
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compared to the national representative.

YouGov Profiles+ France, April'24 (n>510)



"I'm more likely to engage with advertisement on social media than on regular websites"

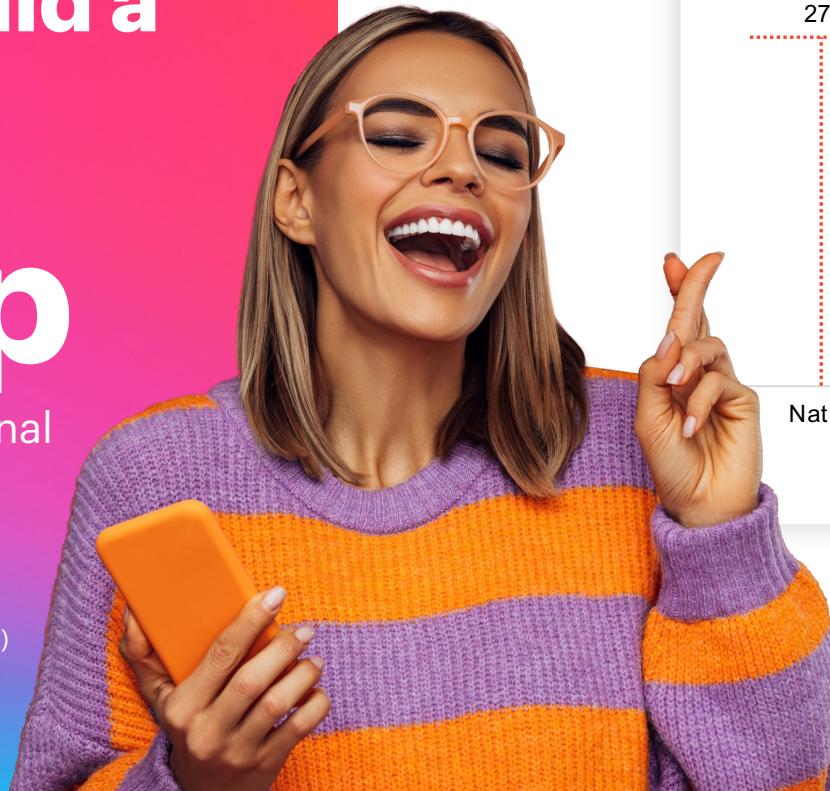


**41% of Gen Z
state they spend
more time on
social media now
than they did a
year ago**

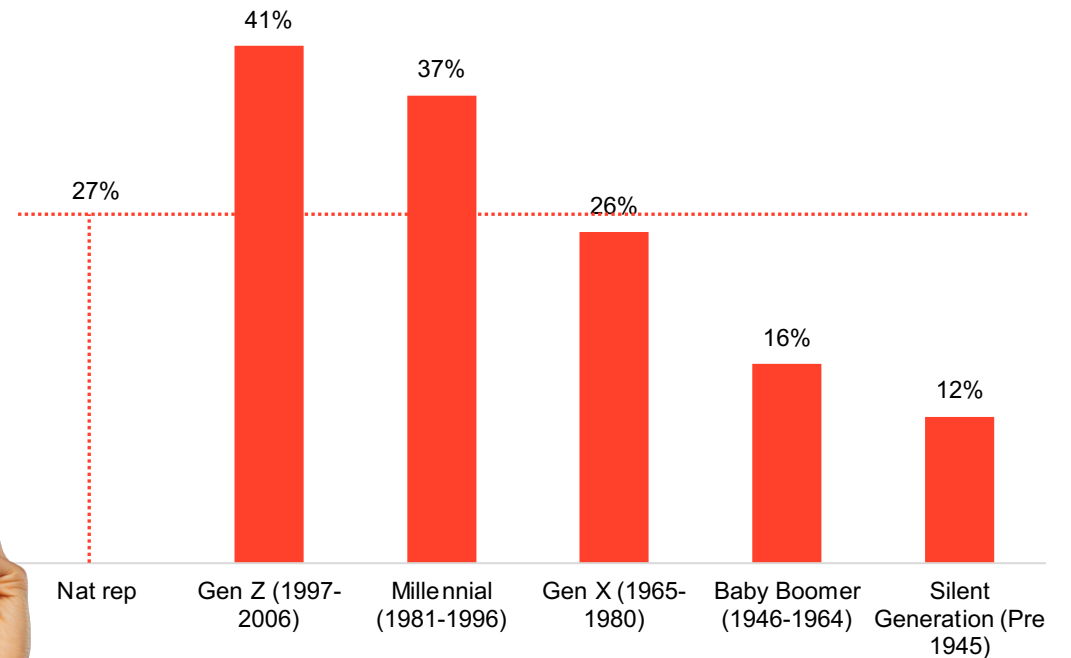
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YouGov Profiles+ France, April'24 (n>510)



"I spend more time on social media now than I did a year ago"



The majority of French people agree that social media can be socially damaging and should be limited

73%

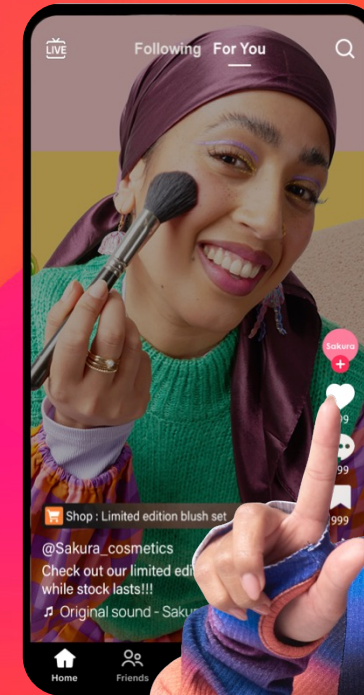
of French people agree: "I think we should be encouraged to take regular breaks from social media."

60%

of French people agree: "I think social media is changing the way we interact with each other for the worse."

82%

of French people agree: "I think parents should limit the time their child(ren) spend(s) on social media."



Brand rankings among weekly social network users

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Brand rankings methodology

Looking at hundreds of thousands of YouGov panel surveys, we compared brand purchase consideration of weekly social media users for Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, Snapchat and TikTok in France versus the general population.

The brands in this section are ranked by the difference in consideration between the two groups. For instance, 47.7% of weekly TikTok users would consider buying from McDonald's, while 32% of the general population feel the same. This 15.7 percentage-point difference places McDonald's higher in our ranking than Netflix, despite the latter having an overall higher consideration among weekly TikTok users (61.8%). Consideration scores are rounded to the nearest decimal point, and differences are determined from those rounded scores.

This data in this analysis comes from connecting YouGov BrandIndex and YouGov Profiles. Brands must have been tracked for 183 days to qualify for the ranking, which measures consideration sentiment between respective social network users and nat rep.



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Facebook

Instagram

YouTube

Snapchat

TikTok



Which overall brands do **weekly Facebook** users prefer?

Rank	Brand name	Weekly Facebook users	Nat rep	Difference
1	Doctolib	55.4%	51.4%	4.0
2	Panier de Yoplait	28.0%	24.1%	3.8
3	Whirlpool	28.4%	25.0%	3.5
4	Amazon	64.2%	60.8%	3.4
5	FDJ	31.8%	28.4%	3.4
6	France 2	38.1%	34.8%	3.3
7	TF1	38.8%	35.8%	2.9
8	Zoo de Beauval	28.4%	25.5%	2.9
9	M6	36.6%	33.8%	2.8
10	Bonduelle	35.1%	32.6%	2.6

YouGov BrandIndex FR, April 1st 2023 to March 31st 2024

Weekly Facebook users (n>4,000). Excludes social networks and messaging app services. Affiliated brands have been removed after the first inclusion.

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Instagram

YouTube

Snapchat

TikTok



Which overall brands do **weekly Instagram** users prefer?

Rank	Brand name	Weekly Instagram users	Nat rep	Difference
1	Netflix	56.4%	47.4%	9.0
2	IKEA	50.8%	41.9%	8.9
3	Airbnb	43.8%	35.0%	8.8
4	Disneyland Paris	35.5%	26.8%	8.7
5	iPhone	42.0%	33.3%	8.7
6	Apple	36.5%	28.7%	7.8
7	Vinted	34.4%	26.9%	7.4
8	McDonald's	38.6%	32.0%	6.6
9	Spotify	24.9%	18.4%	6.4
10	Booking.com	47.8%	41.5%	6.4

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Weekly Instagram users (n>2,300). Excludes social networks and messaging app services.. Affiliated brands have been removed after the first inclusion.

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Which overall brands do **weekly YouTube** users prefer?

Rank	Brand name	Weekly YouTube users	Nat rep	Difference
1	Google	65.6%	58.0%	7.6
2	Burger King	38.1%	31.0%	7.1
3	Disneyland Paris	33.8%	26.8%	7.0
4	Amazon Prime Video	36.1%	29.2%	6.9
5	PayPal	28.4%	21.5%	6.9
6	McDonald's	38.5%	32.0%	6.5
7	Fnac	39.8%	33.3%	6.5
8	Haribo	30.3%	24.1%	6.2
9	Windows	39.1%	32.9%	6.2
10	Amazon	66.8%	60.8%	6

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Weekly YouTube users (n>1,900). Excludes social networks and messaging app services. Affiliated brands have been removed after the first inclusion.

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Which overall brands do **weekly Snapchat** users prefer?

Rank	Brand name	Weekly Snapchat users	Nat rep	Difference
1	Netflix	61.6%	47.4%	14.2
2	Disneyland Paris	40.5%	26.8%	13.7
3	Kinder	35.3%	22.7%	12.6
4	Desperados	36.5%	24.3%	12.2
5	McDonald's	44.1%	32.0%	12.1
6	Nike	42.6%	31.4%	11.1
7	Action	50.3%	39.3%	11.0
8	Lipton Ice Tea	30.9%	20.1%	10.9
9	Burger King	41.4%	31.0%	10.4
10	Primark	23.8%	13.6%	10.2

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Weekly Snapchat users (n>1,100). Excludes social networks and messaging app services. Affiliated brands have been removed after the first inclusion.

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Which overall brands do **weekly TikTok** users prefer?

Rank	Brand name	Weekly TikTok users	Nat rep	Difference
1	McDonald's	47.7%	32.0%	15.7
2	Disneyland Paris	41.7%	26.8%	14.9
3	Netflix	61.8%	47.4%	14.4
4	Burger King	44.9%	31.0%	14.0
5	Disney+	30.4%	18.0%	12.4
6	iPhone	45.1%	33.3%	11.8
7	Nike	42.5%	31.4%	11.0
8	H&M	35.2%	24.7%	10.5
9	KFC	28.2%	18.0%	10.2
10	Coca-Cola	36.7%	26.7%	10.0

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Weekly TikTok users (n>890). Excludes social networks and messaging app services. Affiliated brands have been removed after the first inclusion.

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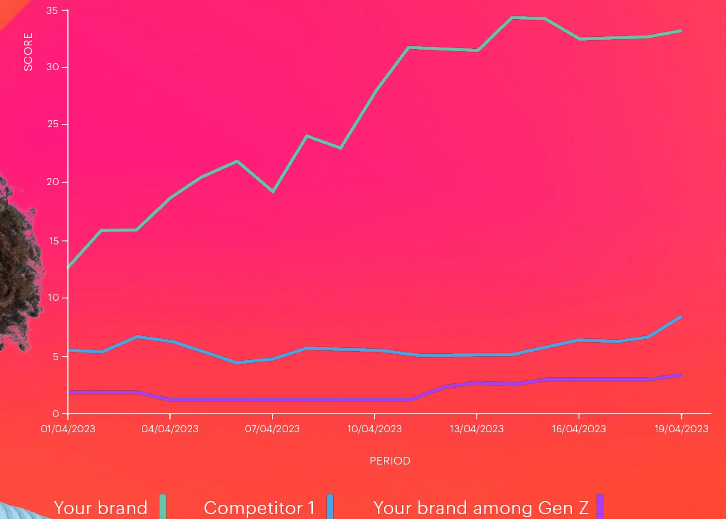
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