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NEW FRONTIERS

Generic No More: Retailers Rebrand

Retailers are under increasing pressure

Direct-to-Consumer



Online Growth

5.5B

ecommerce trips L12mos +24% vs YAG

12%

of **all** shopper spend is captured **online** L12mos +1.4% vs YAG



...and as Gen Z/Millennial shoppers gain buying power, consumer behavior will continue to change

Psychographics: Gen Z/Millennial Shoppers

INFLUENTIAL TOUCHPOINTS



34%

of **Gen Z/Millennials** are most influenced most via **social media** and/or their **mobile device**

(173 index vs AO shoppers)

ONLINE BEHAVIOR



23%

of Gen Z/Millennials are weekly online shoppers

(136 index vs AO shoppers)

PRIVATE LABEL PERCEPTION



26%

of **Gen Z/Millennials** rate **Private Label** product **quality** as **excellent**

(126 index vs AO shoppers)



In defense, many retailers have invested significantly to revamp their existing private label brands

Walmart reveals new packaging for Great Value and more

Sam's Club Reinvents its \$10B Private Brand

Target revamps its Target brand as "up & up"

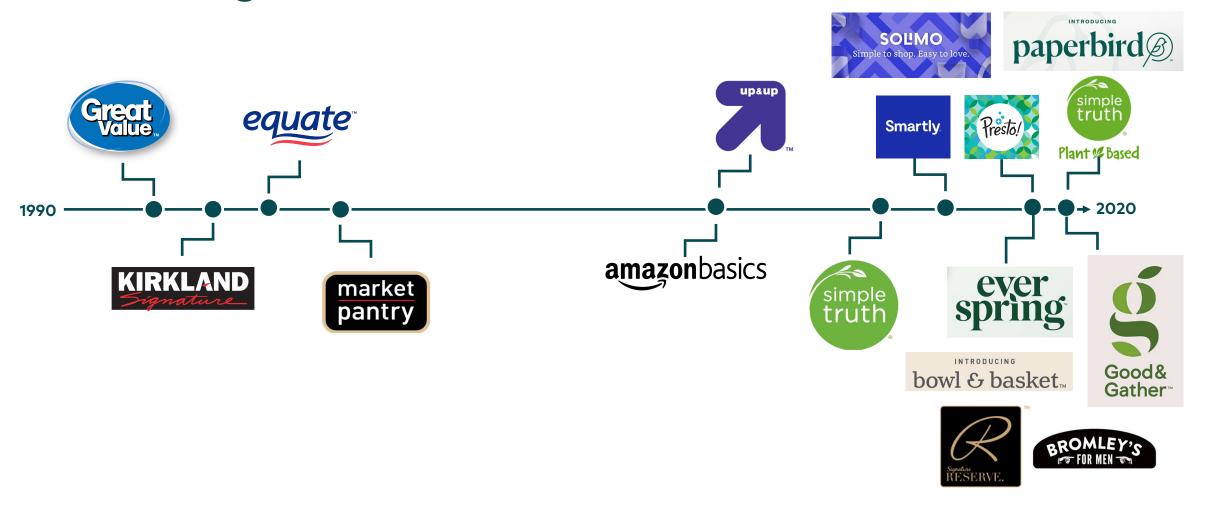
Albertsons ramps up Signature Select

Private brand gets new look and hundreds more products

Hitting refresh: Grocers update their store brands to stay top-of-mind with shoppers



... and several retailers are going a step further, launching additional "owned brands"



"Though the classic copycat branding strategy does help as a tool against manufacturer brands, it does not help differentiate the store against other retailers"

- Nirmalya Kumar: Professor of Marketing, London Business School



These new brands do not follow the "copycat" model







Nearly 1 in 10 "Premium" retailer brand shoppers were unaware that the brand was retailer-owned

225 Index to Traditional Private Label brand shoppers

...and are no longer being positioned as alternatives





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More value

Unbeatable price

66 Compare







Premium Retailer Brand Price Matched to National Brand

G Quality Ingredients

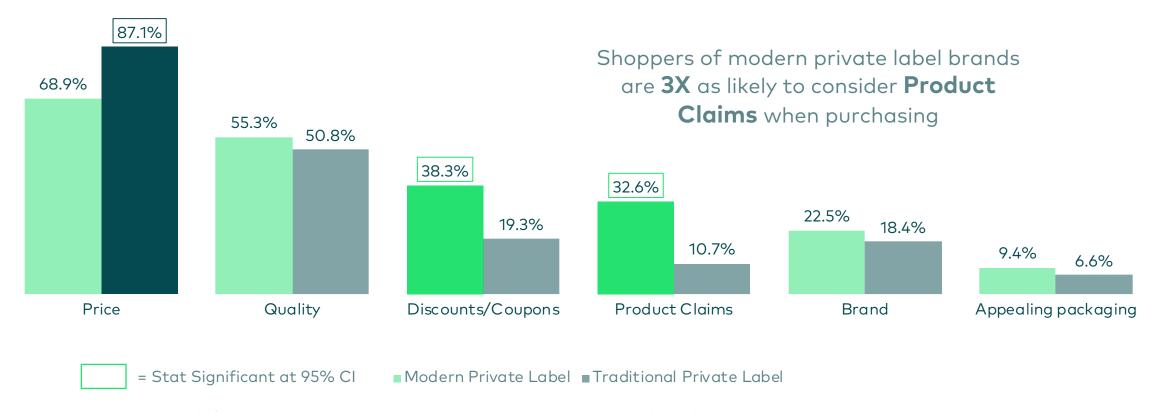
Great Taste



Product claims are important to buyers of these non-generic retailer brands

Important Factors When Deciding to Buy Private Label

% of HH, Premium vs Traditional Private Label

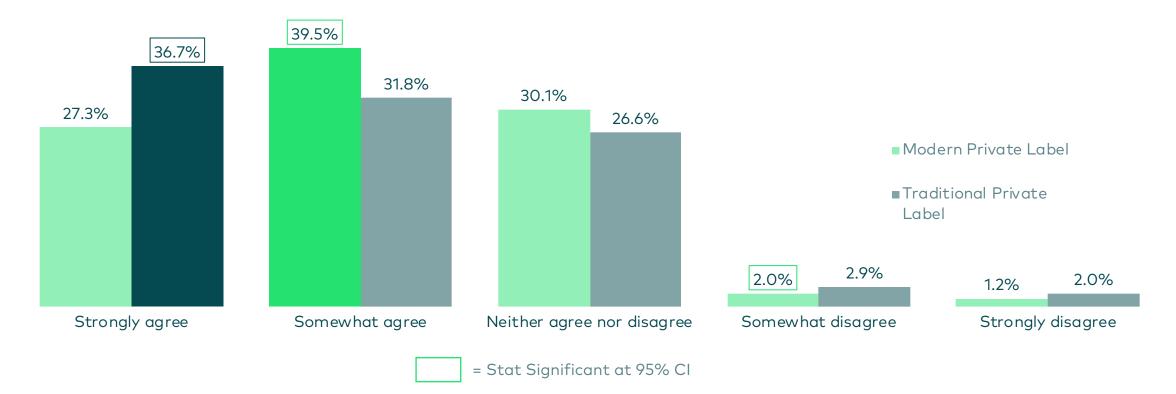




...and while price is still a strong factor, buyers of these new brands are driven less by finances

I feel financially responsible when I buy store brand

% of HH, Premium vs Traditional Private Label





Retailers are advertising accordingly













Retailers are leveraging social and online digital advertising to reach the right consumers, focusing messaging on quality

- No Artificial Ingredients
- 66 No Synthetic Colors
- **66** No GMOs
- Froud Of What's Not In Our Food



Ultimately, Private Label has benefited

Grocery, Household, Health & Beauty Private Label

% Chg, L12mos ending 11/30/19 vs 12mos ending 11/30/16

+13%

110 Private Label

Trips per Year

+17%

\$1,248 Private Label
Annual Spend

+2.5%

\$11.36 Private Label
Spend per Trip

+1.6%

19% Private Label
Share of Wallet*

As private label packaging design and advertising strategies begin to resemble manufacturer brands, how does shopper perception differ between the two?



To test, we put the same creative of a sustainable fictional brand in front of two separate audiences



With the same creative, we introduced the brand differently across both audiences

Audience A:

"A national grocery retailer is currently developing a new store brand product that will be carried only in the retailer's stores and will be marketed under the retailer's name."

Audience B:

"A national **food product** brand is currently developing a new **name brand** product that will be carried in retailers across the country and will be marketed under the brand's name."



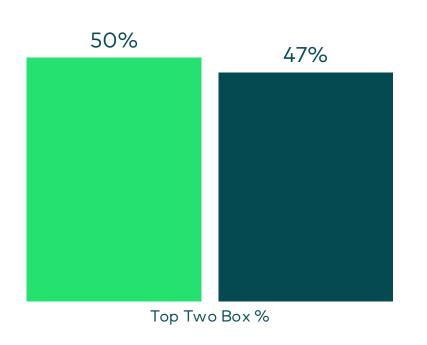
Shoppers did not perceive the store brand any worse than the national brand, but rather slightly preferred it

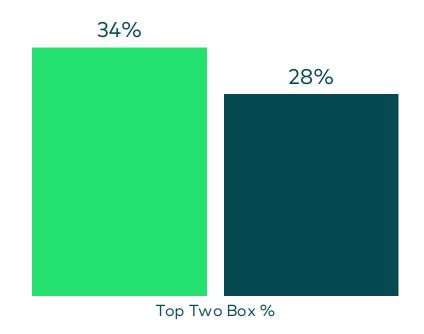
High Quality Perception (Agree/Strongly Agree)

% of HH Top 2 Box:, Store brand vs Name brand audiences

Likelihood to buy (Probably/Definitely)

% of HH Top 2 Box:, Store brand vs Name brand audiences





■ Store Brand ■ Name Brand



Let's look at a real example



At Target, a Household Essentials multi-pronged approach casts a wider shopper net







- Ultra low-cost (most items <\$2)
- Capture leaked trips to discount/dollar stores

- Traditional "Generic" Private Label
- Target budget-conscious of national manufacturer brands
- Natural/Sustainably-focused products
- Target shoppers of smaller niche brands



Everspring shoppers are young, affluent, and have high affinity with more premium HH essential brands





Young Singles & Couples
(140 index to Up&Up)



Advertising

Influenced by Social Media (124 index to Up&Up)



Lifestyle

Urban Affluent (120)



Health / Sustainability

Extremely concerned for Environment (135), Committed Organically (165)



Education

4yr Degree – Graduate Degree (118)

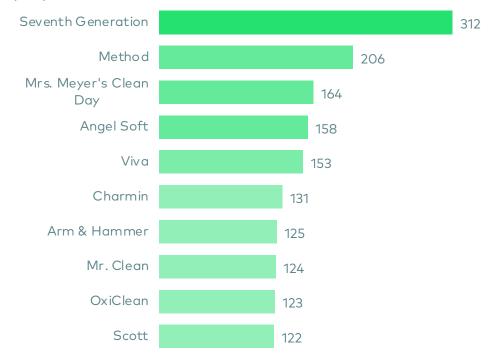


Shopping Attitudes/Behaviors

Status Driven (139), Quality Driven (123), Values Driven (143)

Household Affinity Index: Everspring vs Up&Up

Household Cleaners, Paper & Plastic, Laundry L6mos 6/1/19-11/30/19





...which can be seen in their prior purchase behavior

95%

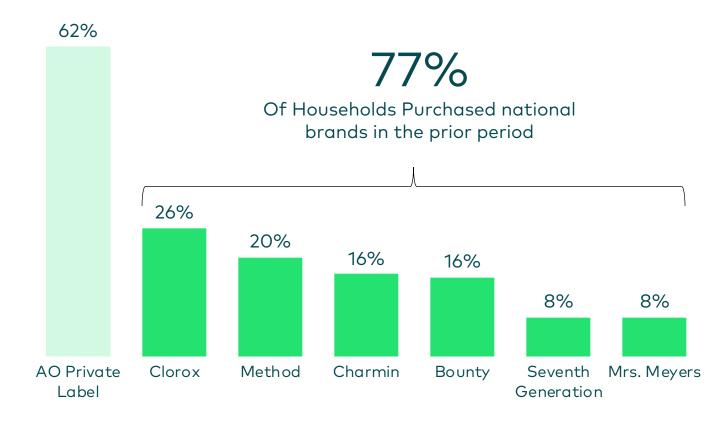
of new **Everspring**® shoppers made a **Target trip** in the prior 6mos

79%

of new **Everspring**® shoppers purchased HH Essentials at **Target** in the Prior 6mos

Prior Period Target Purchase Behavior

% of New Everspring Households, HH Cleaners/Laundry/Paper&Plastic Prior 6mos



Smartly shoppers align more closely to Up&Up, but are more likely to leak to dollar retailers



Lifestage



Large younger Family (115 index to Up&Up)



Lifestyle

Urban Middle Class (114



HH Size 4-6 People (113)

Financial Attitudes



'Spender' not a 'Saver' (110)

Overwhelmed with Burdens (106)

Advertising



Influenced via Mobile Device (108)

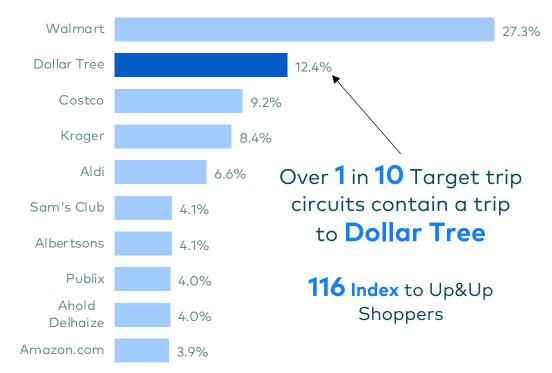
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Holiday Shopping (Past Year)

Back to School (109)

Trip Circuits: Household Essential Trips by Retailers during same week as Target trip

% of Trip Circuits, Smartly HH Essential Shoppers, L6mos





...which explains why over ¼ of new Smartly shoppers were new to the category at Target

96%

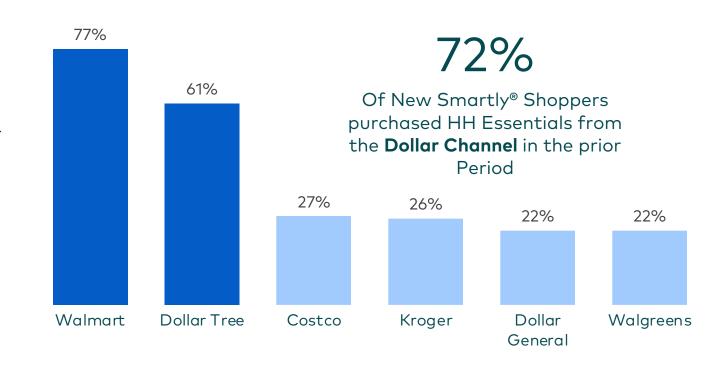
of new **Smartly**® shoppers made a **Target trip** in the prior 6mos

28%

of new **Smartly**® shoppers **did not** purchase HH Essentials at **Target** in the Prior 6mos

Where did smartly shoppers buy HH Essentials in the prior period if not at Target?

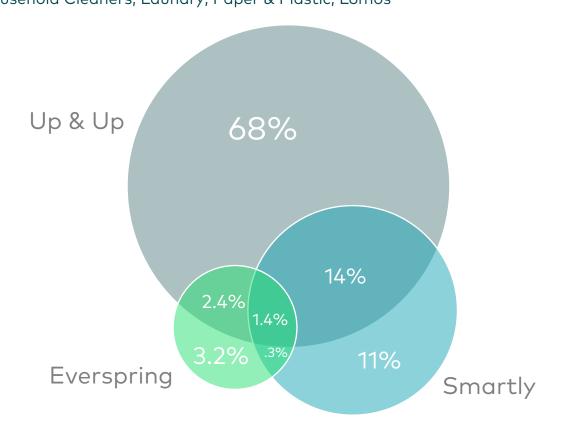
% of households purchasing HH Essentials by retailer, prior 6mos 12/1/18-5/31/19





While overlap exists, both Everspring and Smartly successfully bring non-Up&Up buyers to Private Label

Target Private Label Cross-Purchase
Household Cleaners, Laundry, Paper & Plastic, L6mos



14%

Of households
purchased
Everspring/Smartly
exclusive of Up&Up

These households are now making more Target trips



Target (**Total Store**) Purchase Behavior: L6mos New Brand Shoppers %chg vs YAG



Spend/Trip



Purchase Frequency



Smartly.

+4.3%

+2.0%

+12.8%

+20.5%

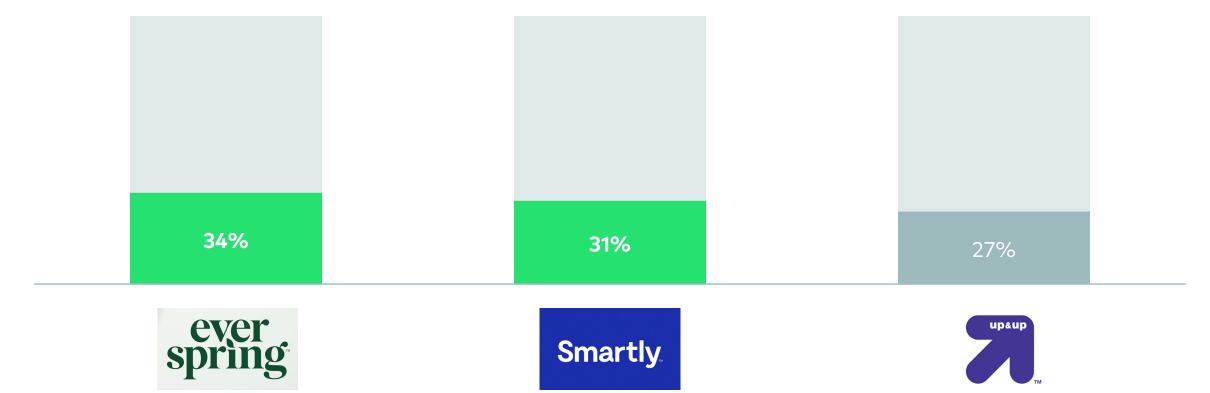
...and higher purchase frequencies drive higher spend

Target HH Essential Purchase Behavior	Purchase Frequency	Spend per Trip	Buying Rate
ever spring	6.8	\$11.97	\$82
Smartly	7.1	\$12.03	\$85
upæup	5.4	\$12.93	\$70



As a result, these shoppers spend more category dollars at Target

Target Household Essentials Share of Wallet Category % spend at Target by Shopper Group





In the 12 months including both Smartly & Everspring launches, household and trip growth drove sales

Target HH Essential (HH Cleaners/Paper&Plastic/Laundry) Private Label

12mos ending 9/30/19 vs YAG





33M

103M

\$641M

Projected Households +5%

Projected Trips +9.7%

Projected Sales +7.6%

Private Label is generic no more. A tiered approach to branding wins shoppers.



What we're seeing

Retailers are using their deep shopper knowledge to launch additional unique brands.

Retailers who are successful are reaching shoppers of smaller/niche brands and capturing leaked trips to other retailers.

Shoppers of these new brands are focused more on product claims and quality, and less on value.

Why it matters to you

As retailers continue to invest in new brands, shoppers who were less engaged with Private Label are more likely to consider shifting.

Private Label continues to grow alongside a strong economy, with a larger share now going to younger and higher income shoppers

Retailers are advertising their brands more in-line with national manufacturers, reaching shoppers in new ways

How you can take action

Contact your Numerator consultant to find out things like:

How can I understand shifting behavior between manufacturer and private label brands?

How does purchase behavior differ between traditional and modern private label brands?

How do demographics / psychographics differ between a retailer's different private label brands?

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