



b4t is based on two approaches of research: creative tracking and brand tracking. This way the influence of the creation on the advertising impact can be comprehensively displayed as well as the contribution of all media genres to the success of the campaign.

Brand Tracking

Brand tracking analyzes the campaign impact and the impact contribution of the media channels used and evaluates brand perception according to individually definable KPIs.

Creative Tracking

The advertising material tests of the creative tracking measure both the level of attention and the assertiveness of print ads and online motifs.





Creative tracking provides a detailed impact profile for the assertiveness and activation of advertisements in consumer magazines and display/video advertising.

For each tested motif, you receive results that show you the effect of your creation in an uncomplicated and easily understandable way using the following KPIs:

- Recognition
- Impression (16 impression parameters, e.g. sympathy and distinctiveness)
- Activation (depending on creation elements: 10-17 activation parameters)
- Branding
- **Previous Brand Awareness**
- Appeal

Of course, you can also analyse sector benchmarks or the results of creations of other brands and compare them with the values of your own motif in order to put the results of your own creation into context.



Creative Tracking

Study Profile

total population	German-speaking population 16-69 years old with web usage within the last three months, stationary and mobile online users
method	CAWI (Computer assisted Web Interview)
sample	400 cases per motif / 4,000 cases per month
institutes	programming DCORE field institute IPSOS
survey period	monthly from January - December
publication	monthly at https://www.m-cloud.de/b4t/
number of motifs	60 motifs per month = 50 print motifs + 10 online motifs, 720 motifs per year in total
number of motifs per respondent	six motifs per respondent, either online or print only random selection



The success of a campaign can only be as good as the advertising medium used.

It depends on:

the **level of attention** of the
advertising
medium

the impression of the advertising medium

the **activation** of the viewer by the motif

the viewer's

evaluation of
the advertising
medium

the brand fit
of the
advertising
medium and
the advertised
brand



Recognition



Appeal



Actions Taken / Planned



Evaluation

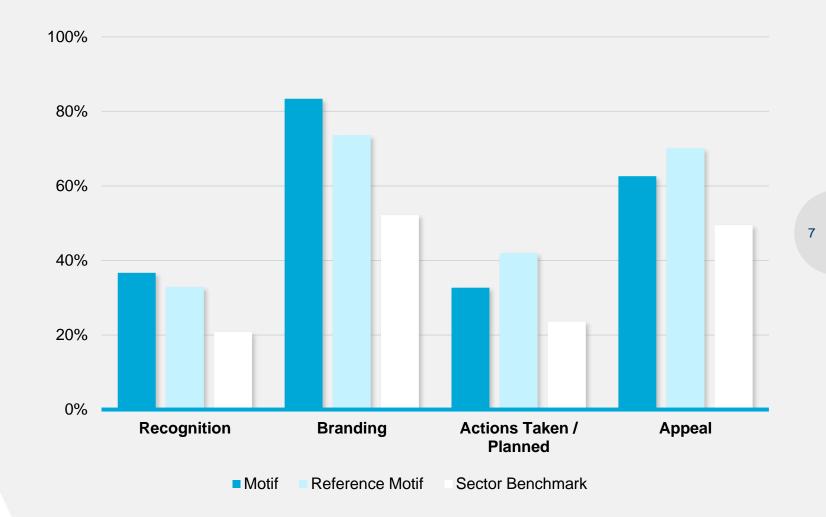


Branding



Creative tracking captures the **standard KPIs** for each motif, such as ...

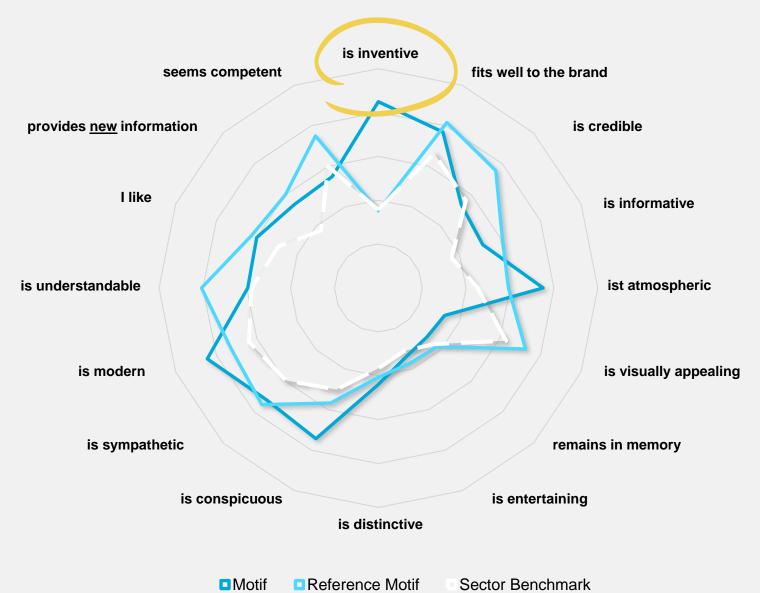
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- Branding
- o Actions Taken / Planned
- Appeal





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Creative tracking collects extensive data for the impression or evaluation of advertising media, e.g. for credibility or brand fit.





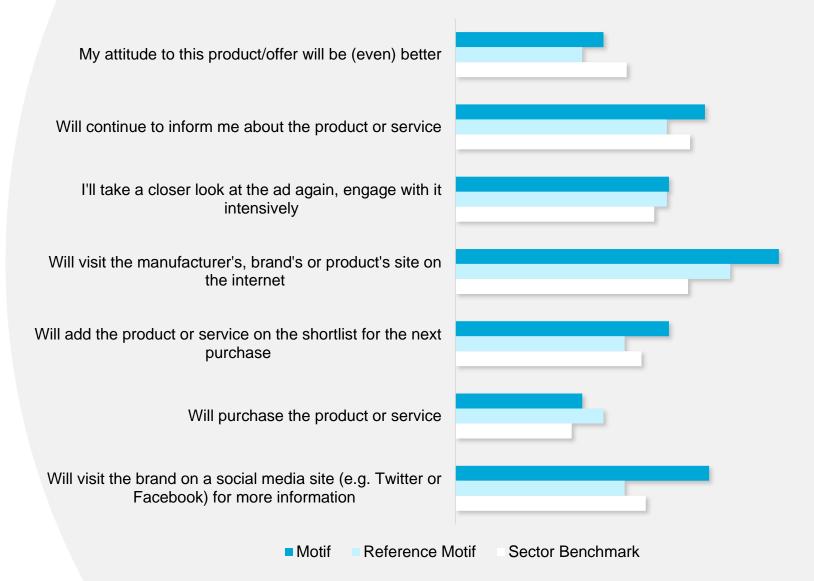
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Analytical Opportunities (3/3)

Creative tracking records the **activation performance** of the advertising media for each motif.

The analyses are possible in comparison to benchmarks, but also in target groups.

The net count Actions Taken / Planned additionally provides you with a summarized value of the proportion of people who have already undertaken or are still planning an action - regardless of whether the ad was already known or seen for the first time.





Creative Tracking

Contents and Admission Criteria

Creative tracking considers the following questions:

- Demography
- Product information interest (general)
- Recognition (advertising recall)
- Branding
- Actions Taken / Planned
- Product interest (ad specific)
- Impression of the advertising material (16 items e.g. credibility, conspicuousness, information content, sympathy)
- Previous Brand Awareness

Admission criteria for motifs and advertisements:

- Registration: Registration by the 15th of the previous month (i.e. reporting of motifs for the July wave by June 15th).
- Format: Print from 1/3 pages (consumer magazine) or from 1/4 pages (daily newspaper) or common online formats including video ads.
- Placement: Appeared in at least one license offer two months before the survey wave.
- Minimum gross spending in the month of placing are 100,000 euros for print motifs and 2,000,000 ad impressions for online motifs.
- an advertising motif with the same format will be considered again at the earliest after 6 months.





Brand tracking continuously measures brand perception, valuation and key performance indicators (KPIs) for over 380 brands, models and product lines.

At the same time, the use of media channels through which these brands were advertised is measured. The resulting probability of use for the advertising media is then offset against concrete media plans from the Nielsen advertising statistics. This results in contacts with the advertising that a respondent had during the survey period.

b4t brand tracking takes all major media genres into account: magazines, regional subscription newspapers, national daily newspapers, paid daily newspapers, mobile, online, TV, radio and billboard.

In addition to the pure online survey (2,500 cases per quarter/sector), a **tracking system** is set up that measures the total online use of 1,000 cases per quarter and the total mobile use of 500 cases per quarter.

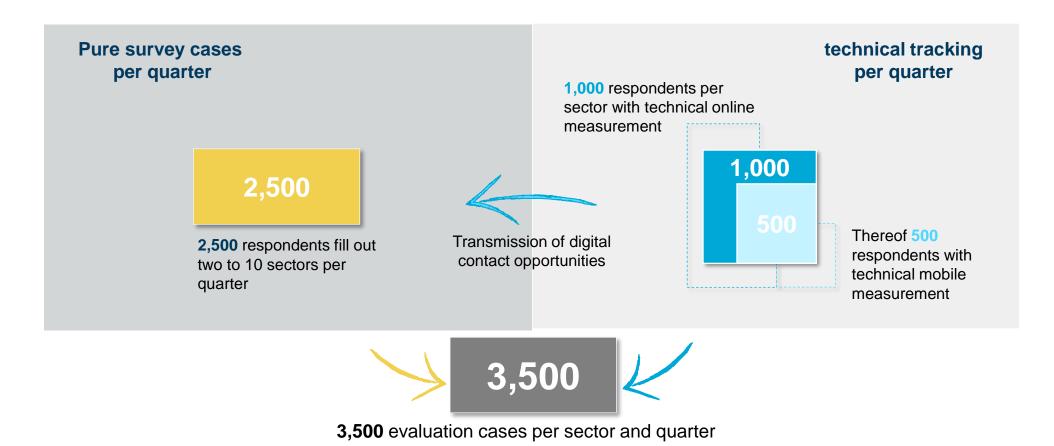


Study Profile

total population	German and EU foreigners aged 16 and over, web usage within the last three months, stationary and mobile online users
method	CAWI (Computer assisted Web Interview) in splits of five, supplemented by technical tracking for recording Internet usage
sample	10,000 cases per sector and year + 4,000 cases per year from technical tracking = 3,500 cases per quarter and sector
institutes	programming DCORE field institutes norstat, IPSOS, Gapfish
survey period	monthly, 10 complete survey months (February - November) and half survey months (December and January)
publication	quarterly, per quarter evaluable on a monthly basis
sectors considered	Automotive (umbrella brands & models), Health, Finance (insurance, banks & home saving contracts), Beauty (umbrella brands & product lines), Electronics & Communications, Retail, Food & Beverage, Fashion, Travel, Mixed



Composition of Case Numbers



This results in: 3,500 evaluation cases per sector and quarter = 14,000 evaluation cases per sector and year. 2,500 cases per sector split = 12,500 survey cases per quarter = 30,000 survey cases per year. In total there are 30,000 + 4,000 = 34,000 evaluation cases per year.



Surveyed Sectors and Markets



Automotive (umbrella brands & models)



Health



Finance (insurance, banks & home saving contracts)



Beauty (umbrella brands & product lines)



Electronics & Communication











Mixed

Fashion

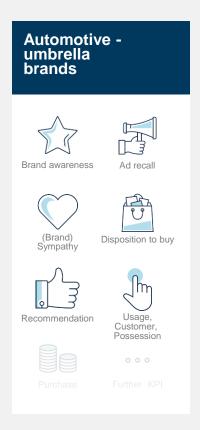


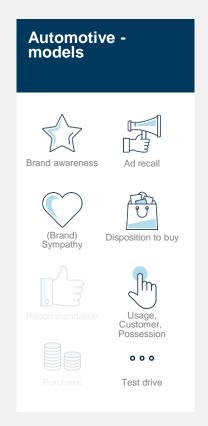


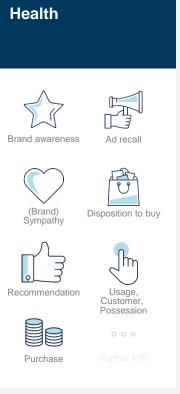


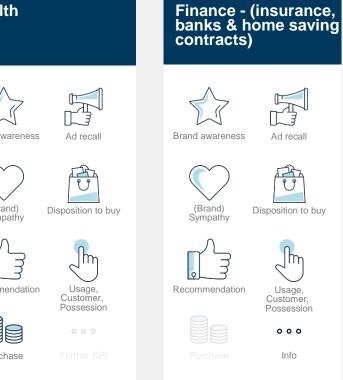
Captured KPIs per Sector (1/2)

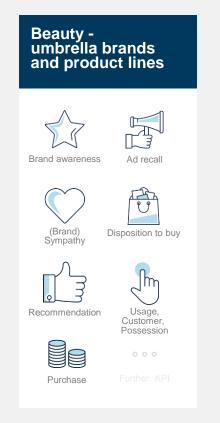
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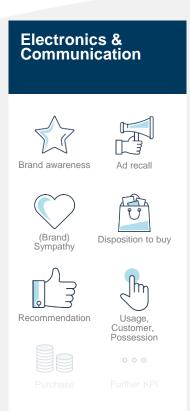


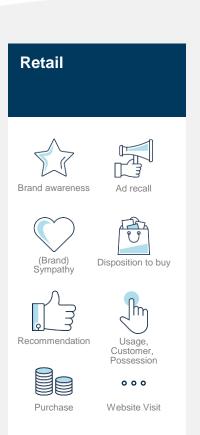


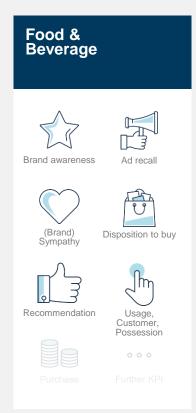


Captured KPIs per Sector (2/2)

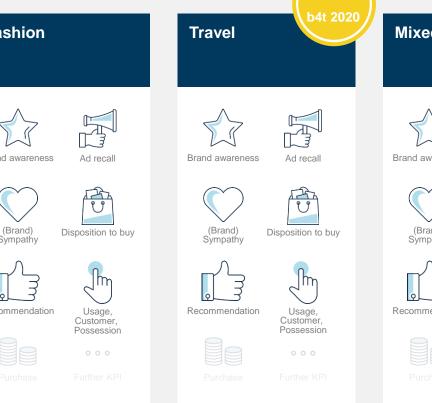
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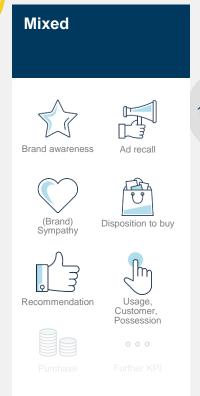








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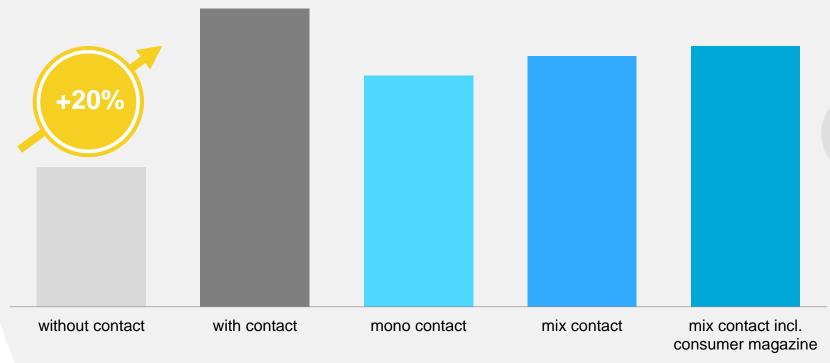


Ad recall

Analytical Opportunities (1/3)

Brand tracking enables analysis at the individual brand level, e.g.:

- o KPIs current or over time, by target group or by Ø contacts
- Influence of contact dose on KPIs
- o Influence of the media genre on KPIs
- Influence of the media mix on KPIs This analysis is possible per brand for all brand KPIs and contacts collected per media type or media mix.





Analytical Opportunities (2/3)

The brand tracking enables analyses over time, e.g. with:

- o Consumption characteristics
- KPIs by overall average or by sectors, target groups, media channels
- o Effectiveness thresholds
- Wear-out effects

This analysis is possible for each brand for all collected brand KPIs.



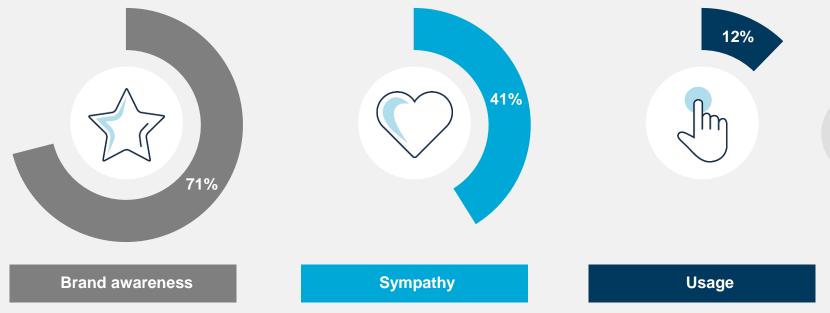




Analytical Opportunities (3/3)

b4t brand tracking enables the analysis of the **brand triad** for a brand or a sector.

The brand triad consists of the three elements brand awareness, sympathy (Top 2) and **usage**.





Contents and Admission Criteria

Brand tracking takes the following questions into account:

- Demography
- KPIs: supported ad recall, brand awareness, sympathy, disposition to buy, recommendation as well as various sector related KPIs such as Usage, Purchase last 3 / 12 months, info last 3 months, etc.
- Media: magazines, regional subscription newspapers, national daily newspapers, paid daily newspapers, mobile, online, TV, radio, posters
- General queries: personality traits, interest in product information, price / brand orientation, advisor function

Admission criteria for brands:

- Brands can generally be registered quarterly, one month before the beginning of the quarter.
- The brand must belong to one of the sectors surveyed.
- The gross donations of the brand must have amounted to at least two million euro in the last 12 months before the survey, of which at least one million euro should be invested in print.
- A total of approx. 380 brands, models and product lines can be incorporated in b4t brand tracking.







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The GIK provides two cross media market and media studies to evaluate the use of advertisements: best for planning (b4p) helps to choose the right communication channel in advance.

best for tracking (b4t) proves afterwards the efficiency thereof.









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