

# Navigating a DTC World

CBD Consumer and Brand Trends







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### A little bit about us.

### Who we are:

We provide multi-source consumer insights and market intelligence for the CBD and Cannabis industries. We have been answering difficult business questions with datadriven answers for these industries since 2015.



### Our methodology:

We take a modern approach to a modern industry.

By integrating innovative technologies like machine learning, social listening, and natural language processing with robust human analysis across regulations, market sizing, and more, we are able to get a 360-degree view of the CBD and Cannabis industries.



### Consumer Behavior Shifts



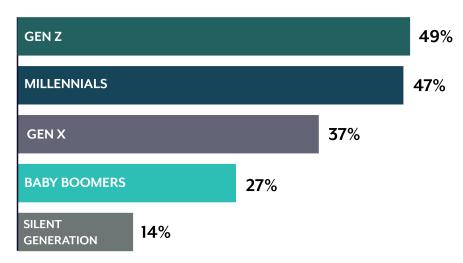


### CBD consumers went from this...

### Changes in CBD Use By Generation

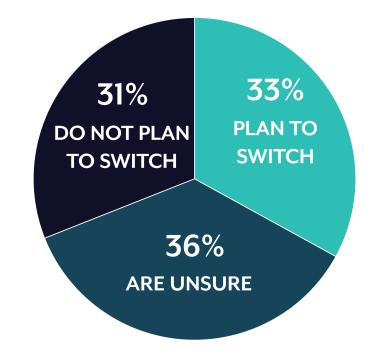
### % PLANNING TO USE CBD MORE FREQUENTLY

#### **BY GENERATION**



### Changes in CBD Purchasing Habits

#### Will consumers switch to ecommerce?



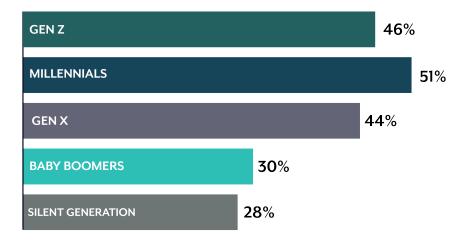


...to this.

#### **Changes in CBD Use By Generation**

#### % USING CBD MORE FREQUENTLY

#### **BY GENERATION**



Total: Increased to 44%, up from 39% in Q2

### 75%

agree "CBD helps me deal with the stress of the pandemic" Up from 69% in Q2

44%

switched to buying CBD online

41%

recently started purchasing CBD at physical stores again



### Persona Deep Dive



### use CBD at least 5 days/week

### 50% use gummies

53% buy CBD online



### More likely to be:

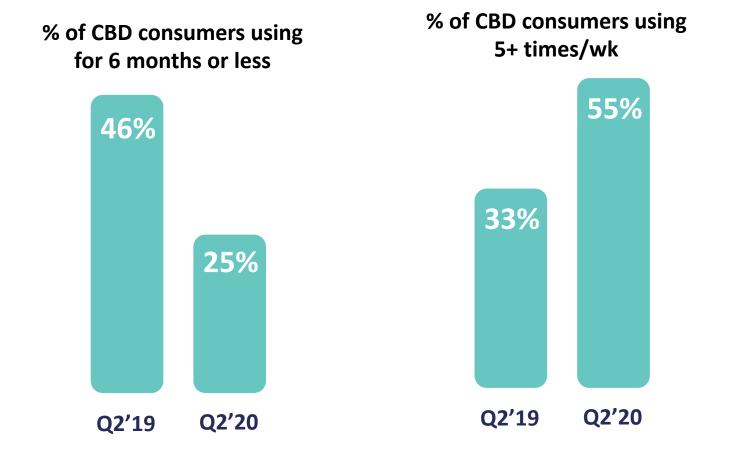
- Multicultural
- Women
- Age 40+

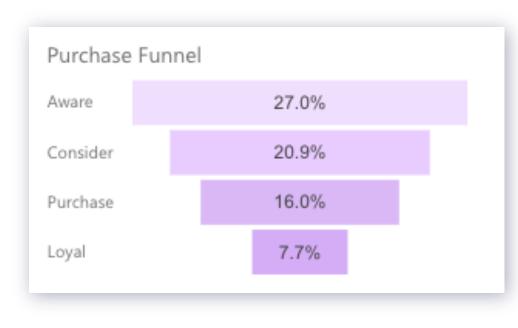
### synchronicity

Wellness Through Oneness™



### With fewer consumers entering, brands need to optimize their purchase funnel.





Source: Brightfield Group Q2'20 US CBD Consumer Insights + Brand Health, N=5,000





### Marketing

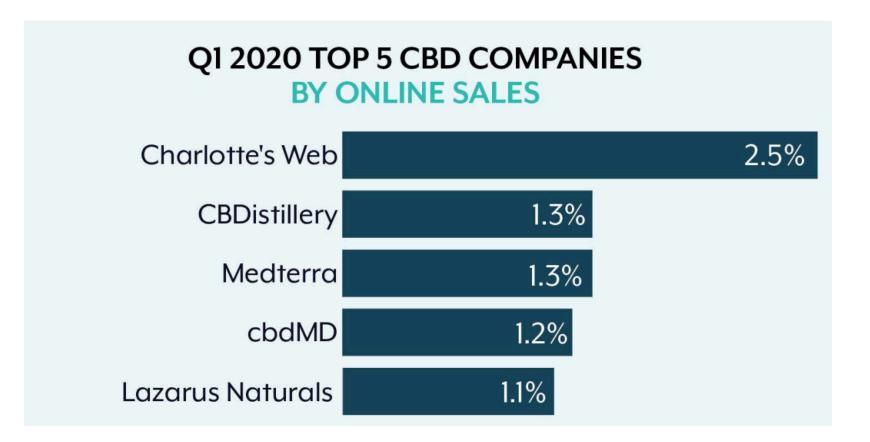
**Tactics** 





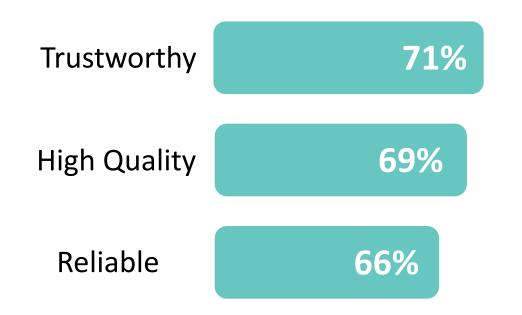


### Brands well-positioned for e-comm rise in the ranks.



### Brand campaigns triple down on a singular message.

### **Charlotte's Web Top Brand Descriptors**







#### YOU TRUST THE RAIN, THE SUN, THE SOIL.

You trust what you can see, feel, and touch. You trust what comes from the ground, what has been created naturally over time. You trust the earth to give you peace. To calm your days. And make dreams of your nights. You trust what comes from nature, what folks have been using for over a thousand years to feel better. You trust nature knows best. You trust the Earth... we do too. We believe that natural shouldn't be the alternative.

READ THE FULL MANIFESTO



### Directly driving consumers to purchase helps relieve awareness gaps.

No brand is above **27%** awareness among CBD consumers.

Once consumers enter the funnel, conversion rates skyrocket.



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### CSR initiatives create deeper relationships with customers.

### 67%

of consumers who have purchased Lazarus Naturals products say they are buying from a socially responsible company – *the highest among any brand*. FREE SHIPPING ON ALL ORDERS

Lazarus Naturals

TOPICALS CAPSULES

FREE 90-DAY RETURNS

PET

#### Hello Jen

As part of our commitment to donate \$100,000 annually to organizations fighting for social justice, we are sending a check for \$25,000 to the NAACP in support of their mission to ensure the political, educational, social and economic equality of rights of all persons and to eliminate racial hatred and racial discrimination.

TINCTURES

We encourage those in the DC area to join the NAACP at the Lincoln Memorial for a Commitment March on Friday, August 28, 11am-3pm ET. Convened by Rev. Al Sharpton and Martin Luther King III, it will restore and recommit to the dream Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. defended in 1963. A virtual march will be streamed across multiple social media platforms for those who can't be there in person. Learn more at <u>2020</u> <u>Virtual March on Washington</u>.

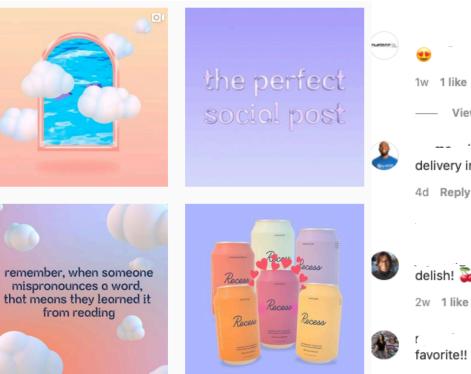
Take Care,

Lazarus Naturals



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### Developing an organic social strategy is more than just increasing follower count.



Love those cans! 1w 1 like Reply View replies (1) Same day delivery in NYC would be HUGE !!

plies (2)



Black Cherry is

2w 1 like Reply

Black Cherry is my favorite!!





gotoamir Men's multivitamin gummies! 🙌 🤎

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### Deliver an easy + helpful shopping experience.

Medterra among the top CBD brands with Caring (56%) and Authentic (62%) as brand descriptors from purchasers.



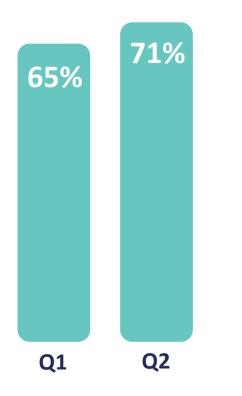
Made by people who care. CBD can help.

SHOP NOW

CBD

### Brands double down on e-comm positioning.

cbdMD Consider to Purchase conversion rate









### Key Takeaways



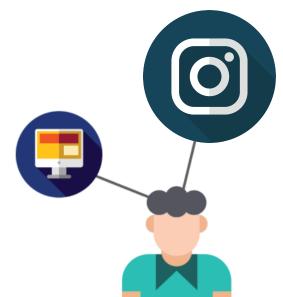


# Awareness grabs are more important than ever.





# Consistently hit on a single message, especially on social.



## Understanding your customers' values drives better marketing.

For example...

**97%** of CBD brands fit within small business guidelines and **66%** of US shoppers plan to shop local this year.

Ask yourself: Should my brand use SMB positioning as a competitive advantage? More importantly, do my customers care about locally-sourced CBD brands?





# Your customers need a helpful + enjoyable shopping experience.





### Thank you!

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