Burger King Marketing Analysis

CW1 Assignment 1

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OBJECTIVE

Conducting market research based on marketing mix (4Cs & SWOT) & techniques for audience & consumer (Demo- & Psychographics) of Burger King to align their current positioning.



RESEARCH RESOURCES

Based on online researches & case studies of the brand in global & local markets

- Burger King Website
- CNBC
- UK Essay
- Statista
- Wikipedia
- Marketing Week
- Marketing 91













COMPANY BACKGROUND

Burger King (often known as BK) is a US multinational chain of fast food restaurants. BK sells hamburgers, French fries, and soft drinks and is known as the second largest hamburger fast food chain in the world.

Established in 1954 in Miami, Florida, by David Edgerton and James McLamore named as "Insta Burger King" then and changed the name to Burger King later. Burger King has now more than 15,000 restaurants around the world in more than 100 countries.

Sources:

https://bit.ly/3pz9bbb https://bit.ly/3tfggrl



David R. Edgerton, right, with his Burger King partner, James W. McLamore, in the 1960s Source: NY Times

COMPANY BACKGROUND



First Burger King restaurant in Miami, 1954 Source: <u>abcnews</u>



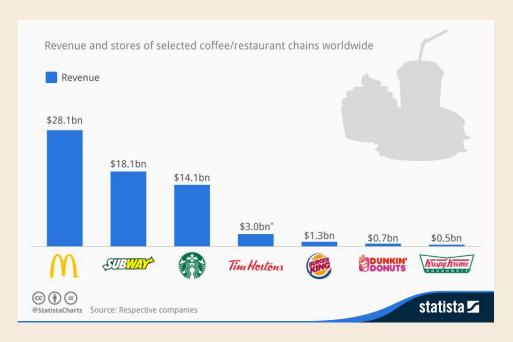
A Burger King outlet in Wallingford (UK), 2017 Source: <u>eco business</u>

COMPANY PERFORMANCE

The company's shares are owned mostly by 3G Capital, a Brazilian investment company. But it is also owned by shareholders and used to publicly trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker BKW.

Annual Revenue 2020 USD 1.3bn

Source: statista



Source: statista



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Whopper, a successful product of BK.
Source: CNN Business

EARLIER AD CAMPAIGNS



1960's - 70's Burger King TVCs https://youtu.be/eejA2HF5-EQ

RECENT AD CAMPAIGNS

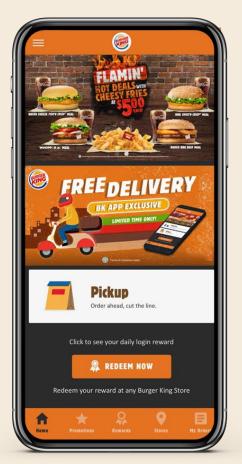


2020 Burger King Ad Campaign - Moldy Whopper https://youtu.be/0ef7xw2J500

SERVICE FEATURES

- Free / cheap delivery (on BK App)
- Schedule your pickup
- Rewards and points
- Free daily points to redeem





Burger King Mobile App (SG)

BURGER KING APP (SG)

DIRECT COMPETITORS



Revenue (2020) \$20.8bn

No. of Locations 38,600

Source: https://bit.ly/2MDri19



Revenue (2020) \$452ml

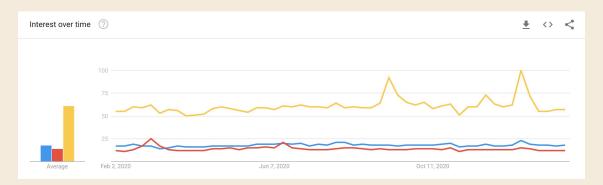
No. of Locations 6,490

Source: https://bit.ly/3csmjuX

BURGER KING VS WENDY'S & MCDONALD'S

Internet search over time of Feb 2020 to Jan 2021

Source: Google Trends



BLUE: BK - RED: Wendy's - YELLOW: McDonald's

4C's Digital Marketing Model

Consumer
Cost
Communication
Convenience

Consumer

Quick & Fast to Order and Eat
 Prepared hamburgers, fries and drinks for customers to quickly order, pick up and/or eat at their restaurants.

Source: https://bit.ly/3cqYuE7



Consumer

Customizable

BK provides customized hamburger orders where their customer can customize the ingredients of their hamburger sandwiches.

Source:

https://bit.ly/3j4xL1l https://bit.ly/36vkVEm



Build it YOUR WAY.™

At BK®, you don't just order a meal. You create it.

Choose from the menu on the left and customize your sandwich.

Share your meal online or bring a print out into your local

BURGER KING® and order your new creation.

Consumer

Good Taste & Healthier Choices
 Making tasty burgers is one of the marketing strategies of BK. Their ad campaigns such as "Taste is King" and "Moldy Whooper" were promoting these marketing concepts.

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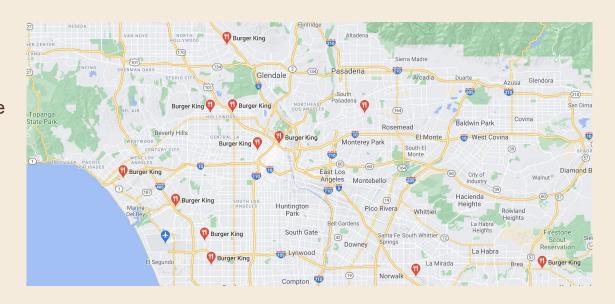
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Cost

Easier Accessibility
 BK restaurants are available
 in different locations
 (especially in the US) to make
 the access to fast food
 ordering easier and at lower
 costs.

Source: https://bit.ly/3anDvza



Cost

• Free-Delivery

Burger King offers free-delivery with orders placed using the BK app in order to help customers save money.

Sources:

https://apple.co/3r72jlL https://bit.ly/36uyTGp https://youtu.be/7o7iWRBYLOk https://youtu.be/tCDNc7i861E



Cost

Reusable Packaging

Starting from the US market, BK is offering reusable packaging for their fast foods. This will help customers to have a re-use of and save on what they have paid for instead of throwing it away.

Sources:

https://bit.ly/3ahPnD0 https://cnn.it/36oKOpa



Communication

Available on Social Channels (Two-way)

BK public relation is quite active on social media. They are available on all major social channels such as FB, Twitter, Instagram and Linkedin. They are quite responsive and take feedback and comments into consideration.

Sources:

https://bit.ly/3j1bHVg https://bit.ly/3akluR7







How would you like to receive this order? Change

Communication

Active Online Support

The contact section on BK website and app is very in-detail. They have sections regarding customers issues from delivery, technical issues, payment and suggestions - redirecting the customer to the appropriate support department.

Source: https://bit.ly/2MDs9yT

Support Topics

What do you need help with?

Delivery	
Mobile Order	>
Log-in Issues	>
Payment	>
Offers	>
Account	>
Technical Errors	>
Other Inquiry	>
Sony PS5 Sweepstakes	>

Convenience

Alternative Ways to Order
 BK offers alternative ways to order
 such as drive-thru, through BK app
 and through the 3rd party services
 such as Uber Eats, Grab Food and
 they are planning to make the
 order available even on Google
 searches.

Sources:

https://bit.ly/2L3bHal https://youtu.be/7o7iWRBYLOk



Convenience

24/7 Availability to Order
 BK also has branches with 24/7 service. Plus, you can order BK meals everyday and anytime using the BK App.

Sources:

https://bit.ly/3pMJjZP https://bit.ly/3ozHbTx



SWOTAdvertising Tool

Strengths
Weaknesses
Opportunities
Threats

Strengths

Global Presence Burger King has over 15,000 outlets in 100 countries. This growth relies on the success

Sources:

https://bit.ly/36nAJJd https://bit.ly/3aif32d

of their brand.



Strengths

Innovative Marketing
 BK consistently delivers
 unconventional and innovative
 marketing campaigns with
 stellar results to stay
 competitive and increase
 visibility - Campaigns such as
 Impossible Whopper, FIFA
 Team Up & Burn that Ad.

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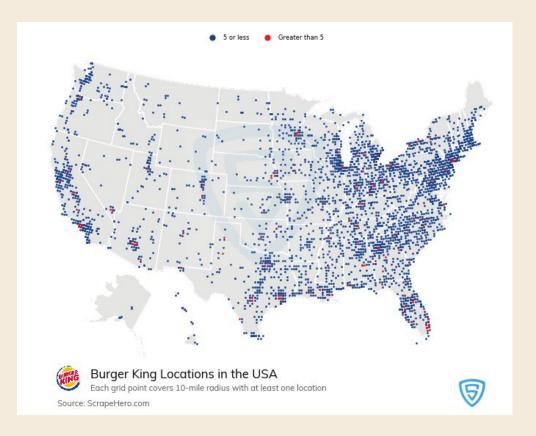
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Weaknesses

Mostly Focused on the US Market
 About 44% of Burger King's
 restaurants are based in the US
 which shows that BK focuses mainly
 on the US market rather than the
 global market which let the other
 competitors to be more active in the
 global market.

WORLDWIDE 16,500 US 7,257



Source: https://bit.ly/39wx7X8

Weaknesses

Lack of Stability in Ownership

Ownership and management changes frequently (6 times so far). Any time the ownership and leadership of a business changes hands, continuity of its operations are disrupted.

Sources:

https://cbsn.ws/3tbyna6 https://bit.ly/3t7mEJL

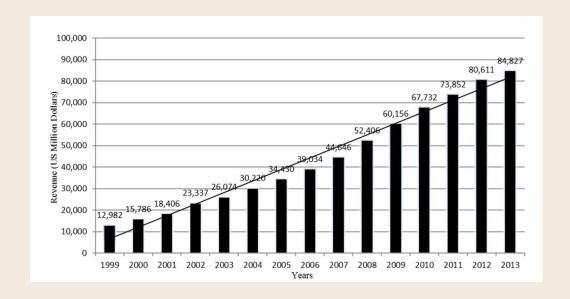
Opportunities

Market Extension

 (in Asian Markets)

 China and India are significant markets for Western businesses.
 These two markets offer significant opportunities of growth.

Source: https://bwnews.pr/2YBH7bf



Source: https://bit.ly/3pnC7TE

Opportunities

Targeting New Generation
 BK creative campaigns created
 new opportunities to expand their
 market amongst different groups
 especially in digital generation.

 For example, the FIFA 20
 campaign achieved revenues of
 \$1.6 billion for BK.

Source: https://bit.ly/3ayEKvN

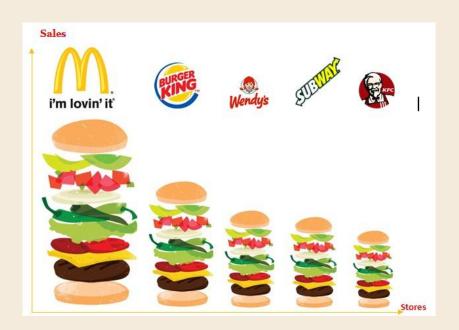


Threats

Heavy Competition

The level of competition in the fast food industry is high, eg. McDonalds, Wendy's & KFC.

Source: https://bit.ly/3oHR8i5



Threats

Adapting to Latest Technology
 New technologies developed by the competitor or market disruptor could be a threat to the industry in the medium to long term future (self-service Kiosk System).

Source: https://bit.ly/36uyP9B



Target Audience

Demographics + Psychographics



Demographics

- Gender: Male & female (Young male/female, adults and families)
- Professionals, households, students
- Age range: 18 35
- Middle to upper class (Household income range: RM 3,000 to RM 10,000)
- Location: Global Large Cities (Business Districts & Residential Areas)

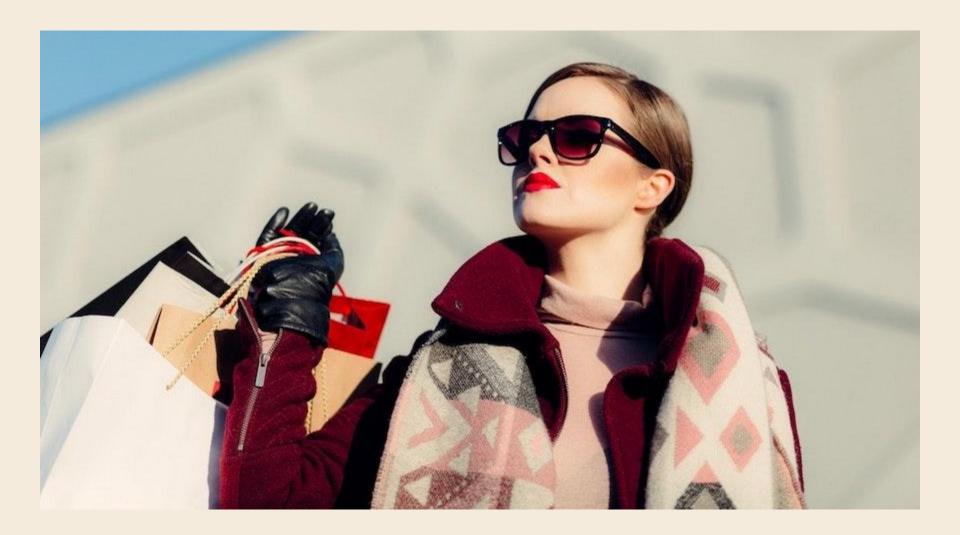
Sources:

https://bit.ly/39zUQG1

https://bit.ly/3j53xeM

https://bit.ly/3r74Ufv

https://bit.ly/36pJzWY



Psychographics

Value	Personality	Lifestyle
Premium (sub-premium) quality class	Customize their products - Make it special / Health conscious	 Having fast foods 9 to 16 times per month
 Looking for good taste dining 		

Sources:

https://bit.ly/3tal3Sf https://bit.ly/3r6zTbB https://bit.ly/2Yxkghk https://bit.ly/39yNCCd

BK current proposition Be Have it Your Way

"You can and should live how you want anytime"

Customize and mix n' match your fast food at Burger King

Source: https://cnb.cx/3cCtuRA

Thanks!

Looking for your feedback & comments

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