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Brand Investment & Valuation (BIV) Project Review & Status

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Should we care?

2011 Rank **Movement** Change Value (\$B) % Mkt Cap How to L \$42.8 #5 Interbrand -10% 21% manage if not sure \$50.3 +12%BRANDZ #10 \mathbf{T} 25% where it stands or L 15% \$30.5 #7 -4% BRAND-FINANCE ® if it's going up or down? N/A #25 +2% \mathbf{T} CoreBrand

> On the one hand... The variability of the alternative brand values makes their validity and utility highly suspect

While on the other... Their prominence and visibility necessitates proactively managing and interpreting the results.

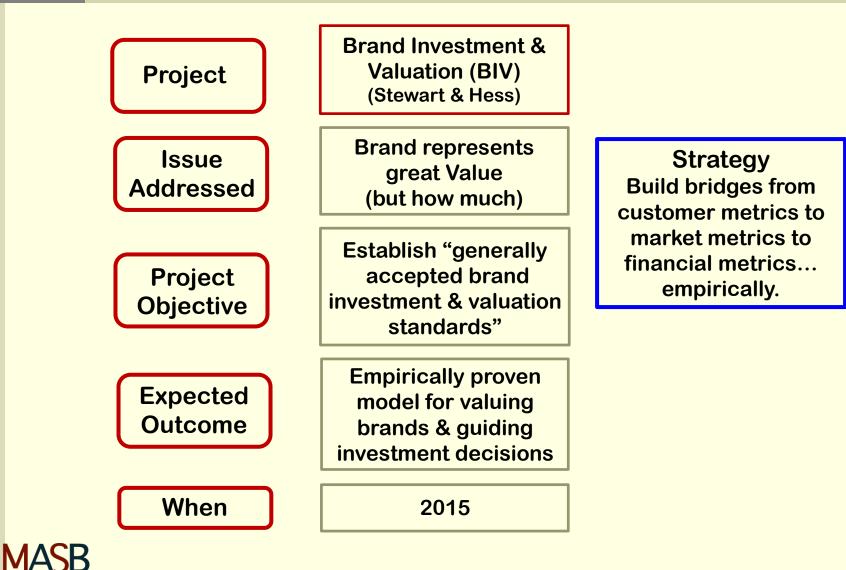
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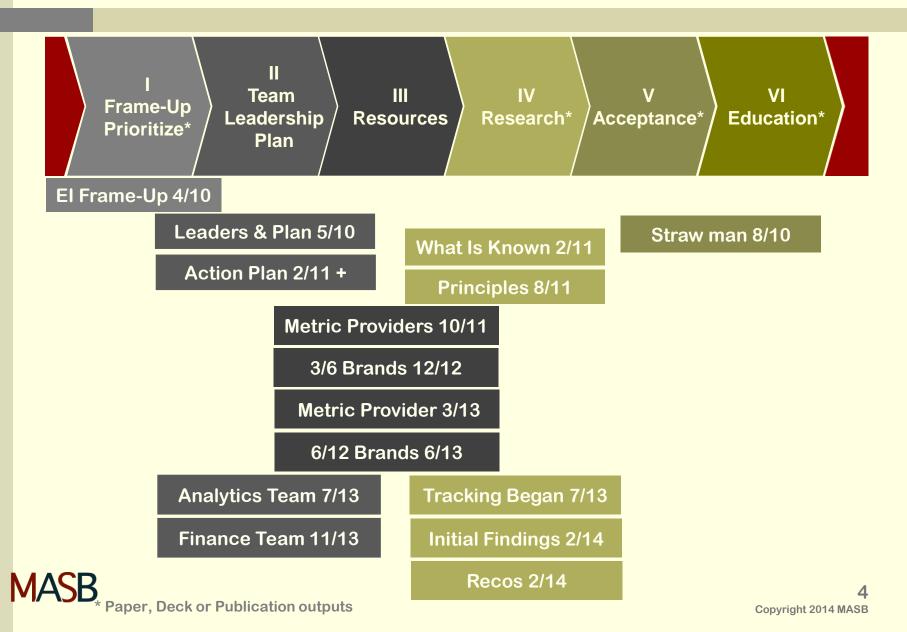
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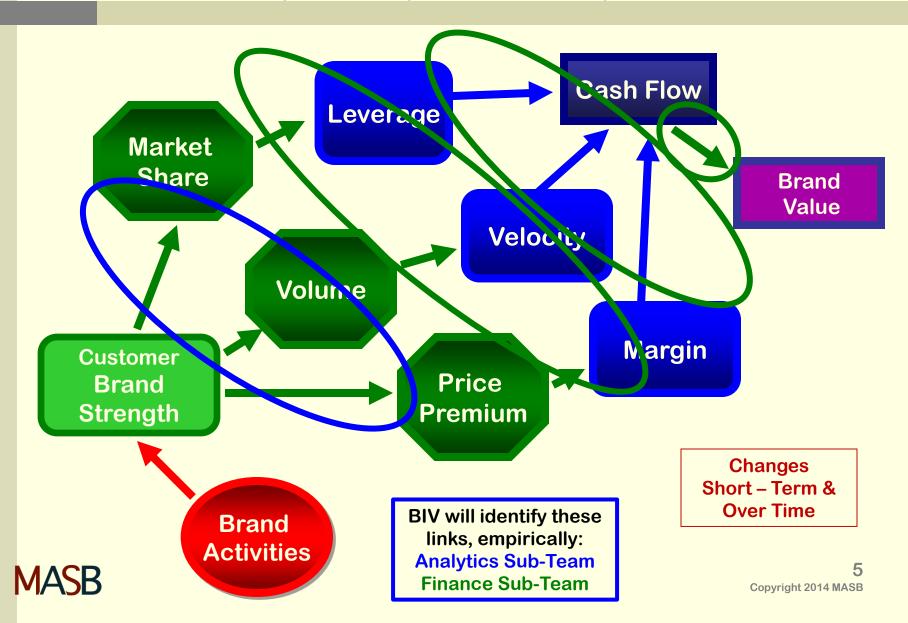
BIV: The Game Changer



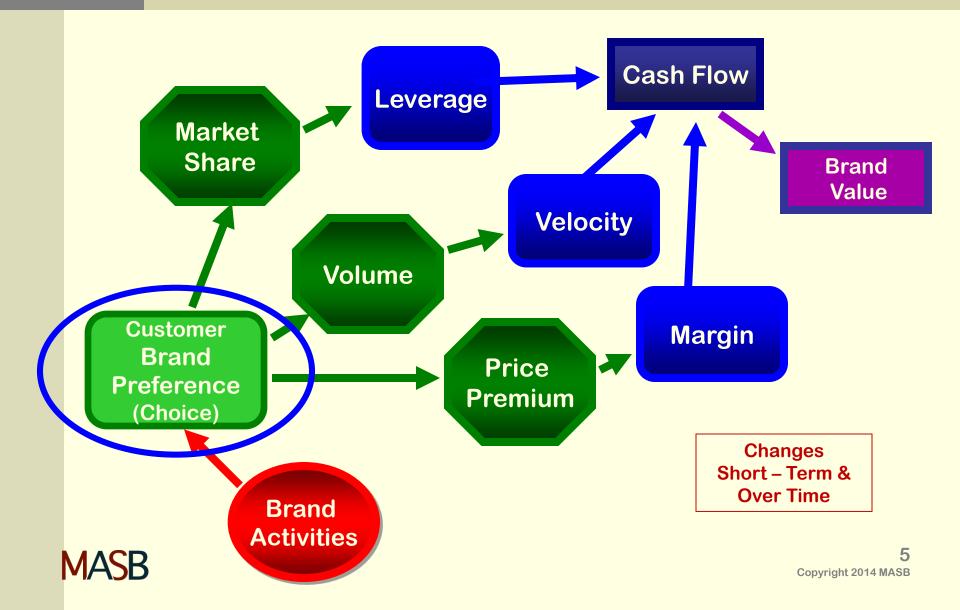
BIV Milestones



MMAP: Brand Investment/Valuation Model (Conceptual Links)



MMAP: Brand Investment/Valuation Model ("Brand Strength" Dependent Variable)



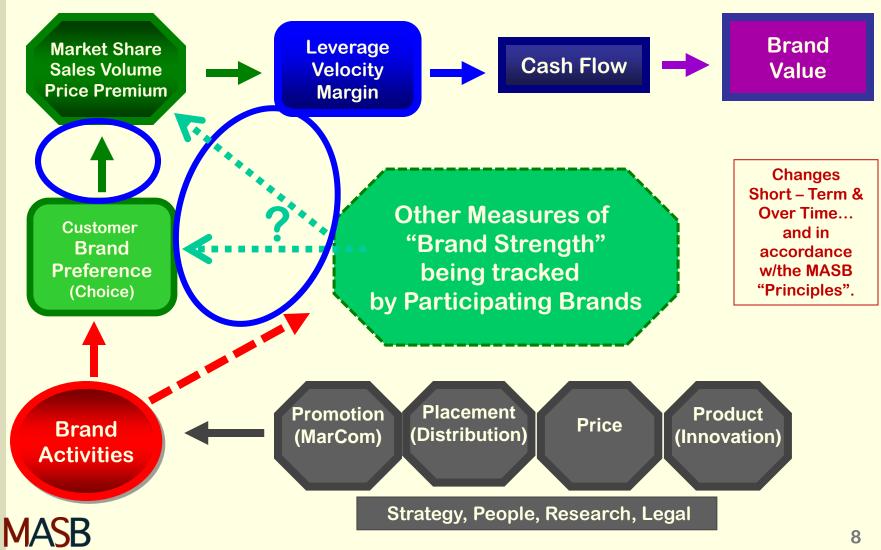
Why Brand Preference (Choice)?

- Fits with the CMO/CFO Alignment objective of marketing
- Fits the Lehmann, Farris, Ambler & Stewart theories/constructs
- Has met the 10 Characteristics of an "Ideal Metric" including
 - Simple
 - Transparent
 - Relevant
 - Calibrated across categories, cultures and conditions
 - Reliably predictive of both short and longer term financial return
 - Independently audited by MASB: MMAP (see *Metrics Catalogue*)*
- Has been applied all along the marketing process
 - To improve market & financial outcomes/return (a la Deming) (See *Measuring & Improving the Return...TV Example*)*

* MASB Website Source: MASB, Brand Investment Project ; Batra & Stewart (2011)



Build Bridges: Other Measures of "Brand Strength"



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Why this is Important – Swimming in Data



Price Elasticity

Unaided Awareness

TV Advertising ROI



Source: Richardson (Kimberly Clark) 2/16/12

Why this is Important – To Finance

Market Share Trade Promotion Lift Index Preference Finance is yearning to Bonding identify metrics that will **Brand Loyalty** predict market results...so we can manage marketing **Persuasion FSI ROI** spend...determine where to invest for desired financial results... **Penetration**

Social Buzz

Price Elasticity

Unaided Awareness

TV Advertising ROI



Source: Scaramuzzi (ConAgra Foods) 11/1/12

Expected Benefits

Building these bridges (or links) and highlighting the measures will be phenomenally powerful for the marketers' decision making process:

- Making more informed "investment" decisions
- Meeting organic growth targets more often
- Learning how to improve performance as measured by customer, market and financial outcomes
- Building strong brands more profitably and consistently



Who needs it?

All performance oriented managers including

- CMOs, because their job is to create, build & protect the brand (asset) which represents both short and long term growth potential (revenues at a premium price/margin)...and they need to demonstrate this on an on-going basis.
- CFOs, because their job is to forecast return from various "investments"... and they currently view marketing as discretionary expense because they have not seen proof otherwise.
- CEOs, because their job is to determine where to invest for both short and long term corporate performance.
- Investors, because their job is to understand what the firm's future growth potential looks like.



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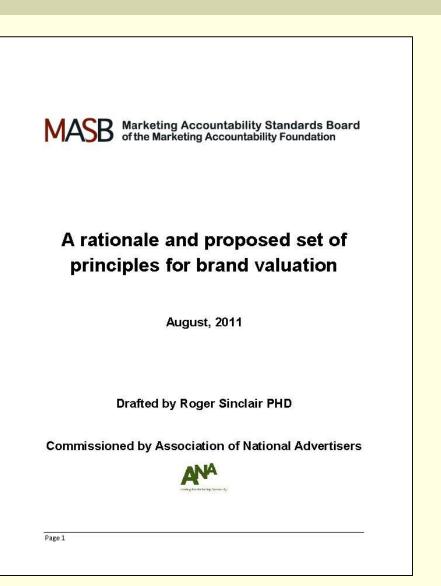






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BIV will apply the "Principles"





Starting w/Principle #5 (Brand Strength)

- The valuation method must have a component in the model that uses brand strength as a driver of value.
- Future economic benefits are generated because the company has acquired customers who will exchange cash for ownership, or use, of the brand.
 - Brand strength, measured by reliable and valid market research (see MASB MMAP standards), is a crucial input to any valid valuation.
- The brand strength measurement, relative to other players in the category, is an indication of the likelihood that future cash flows will be earned.
- It is also a powerful indicator of the brand's expected economic life: the stronger the brand relationship or bond with its consumers the further into the future brand earnings can be projected.

Source: Sinclair's rationale & principles for brand valuation (pdf)



MMAP: 10 Characteristics of an "Ideal Metric"

The MSW•ARS Brand Preference Metric has met the MASB Marketing Metric Audit Protocol (MMAP)...10 Characteristics of an "ideal Metric"

1. Relevant

- 2. Predictive
- 3. Objective
- 4. Calibrated
- 5. Reliable
- 6. Sensitive
- 7. Simple
- 8. Causal
- 9. Transparent
- **10. Quality Assured**

Source: "Measuring and Improving the Return from TV Advertising (An Example)," MASB, April 2008, May 2012



What we'll likely see/learn during the BIV Project

Not so much for other measures collected in tracking "surveys"

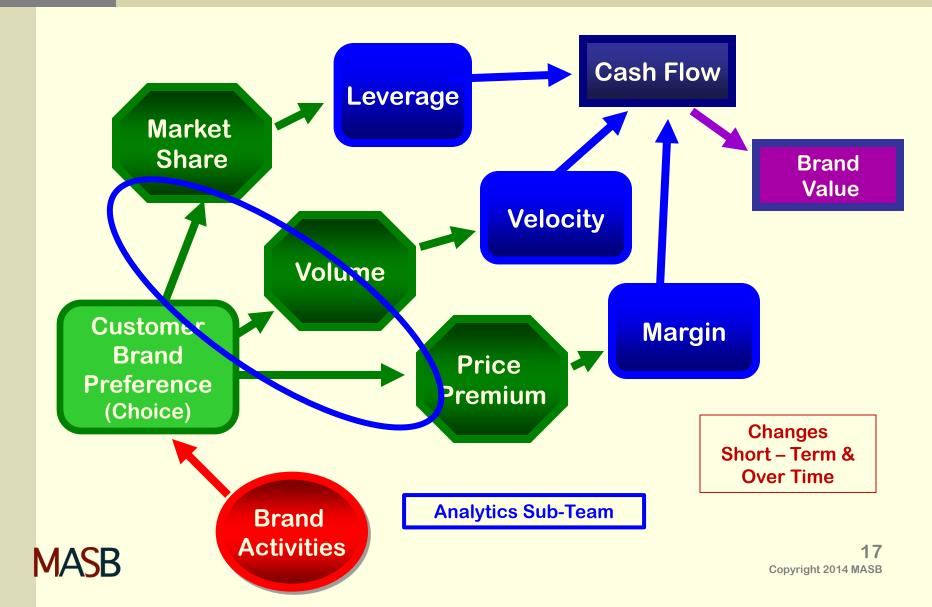
Preference is Behavioral/Choice among Brands



The MSW•ARS methodology isolates brand strength by holding everything else in the actual buying experience – price, promotion, shelf position, etc. – constant.



MMAP: Brand Investment/Valuation Model ("Brand Strength" Dependent Variable)



Anticipated Predictive Equations/Forecasting Models Brand Preference/Choice to Market Results

- Market Share* (t) =
 - f (Brand Preference t x Relative Price t x Distribution t)
- Volume_(t) =
 - f (Market Share (t) X Category Volume (t))
- Price Premium/Point (t) =
 - f (Brand Preference/Market Share (t))
 - * And/or Baseline?



Marketers Participating

Each participating company selected 2 categories for tracking

Considerations for brand/category selection included:

- Market situation one category that is generally static and one that is more dynamic
- Availability of sales and/or MMM data
- Availability of additional data, e.g. brand health/equity tracking over time
- Sufficient HH category penetration to ensure robust samples

Specs include:

- Brands in Category (as defined when measuring market share)
- Analytical Sample (those who could use/buy category)
- Critical Cell (those who do use/buy category) and Targets

Participant	Category I	Category II
K-C	Bathroom Tissue	Facial Tissue
CAG	Microwave Popcorn	Frozen Entrees
HER	Chocolate Bars	Gum
FTL	Caramel & Toffee Corn Snacks	Salty Snacks
M-C	Premium Light Beer	Value Priced Beer
GM	Full Size Pick-Ups	Compact Cars

The Project includes 12 member brands plus competitors in each of the 12 categories (~100 Brands)...and over 6 fiscal quarters...very nealthy sample size or number of observations!

The Data

MSWARS Brand Preference/Choice all brands/categories participating

- Forward tracking started July 2013
- Coordinate time periods of tracking vs. other data involved
 - BP tracking, market level results, idiosyncratic tracking
- Market Share, Baseline, Unit & \$\$ Volume, Price, Distribution, Promotion
 - Team will determine what "baseline" metrics will be used
- Brand Equity/Strength/other tracking data
- Future Phase
 - Marketing mix inputs
 - Advertising pretesting
 - Advertising GRPs by vehicle type
 - Other marketing impressions
 - Competitive mix drivers (e.g. advertising, price, etc.)



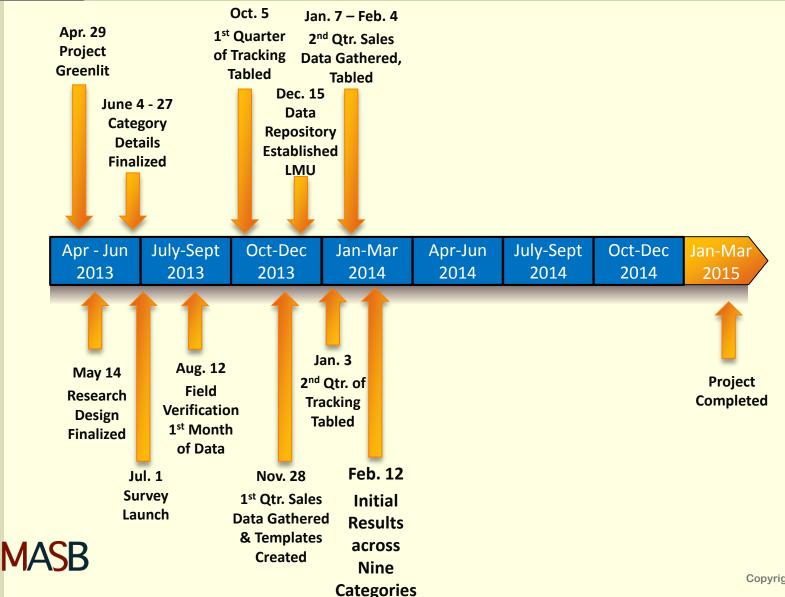
Other

Data Structure

- Flat file in Excel
- Calendar monthly and quarterly, time periods in columns
- 24 months beginning July 1 2013
- Data Housing
 - Loyola Marymount University
 - Point Person
- Outputs
 - Descriptive results of metrics & analytics
 - Description of process & protocol
 - Desk-Top Simulator



Where we are on the tracking journey



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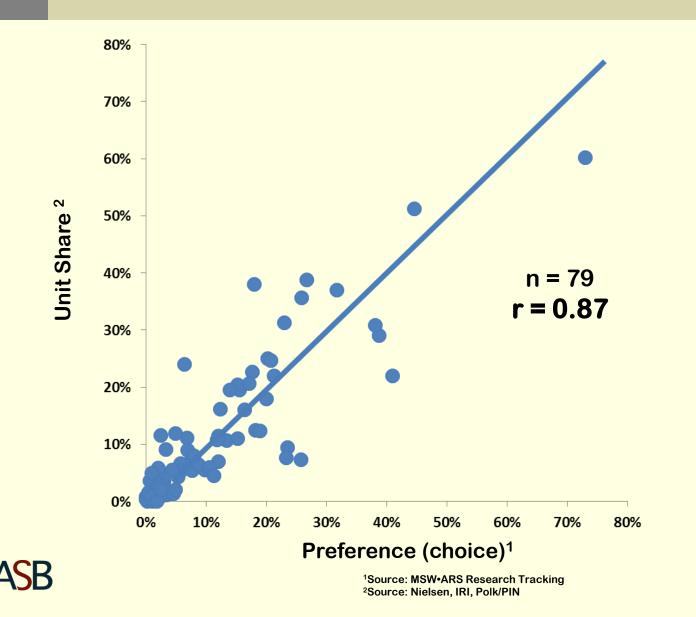
Initial Results

"Are we on the right track?"

- How strong is link between preference and market share (at a point in time)?
- How strong is link between preference and price premium (at a point in time)?
- Are smaller changes able to be detected quarter-to-quarter?

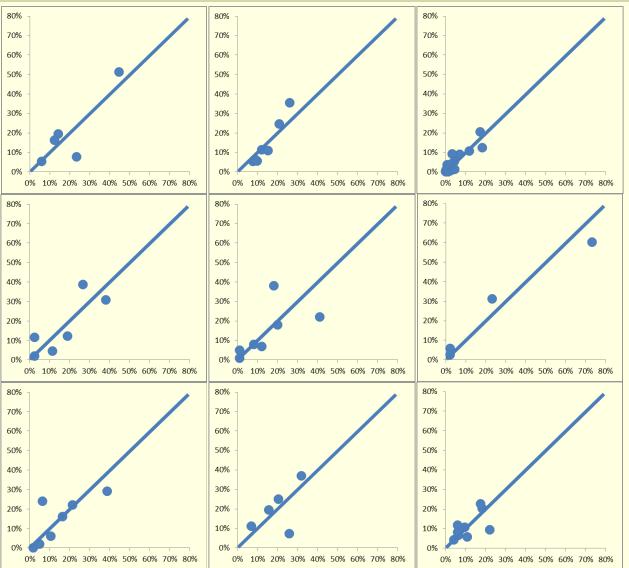


Link Between Preference and Market Share Point-In-Time: 9 Categories, 6 Month Averages



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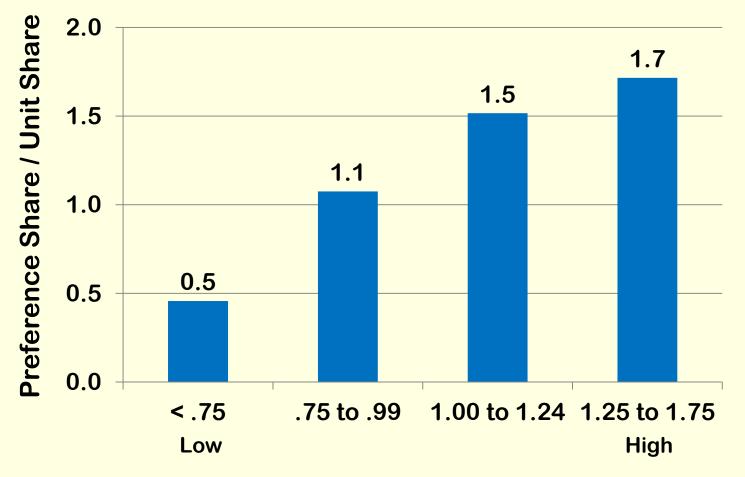
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 - Explains 76% of the variance in unit share across 79 brands in nine categories examined so far



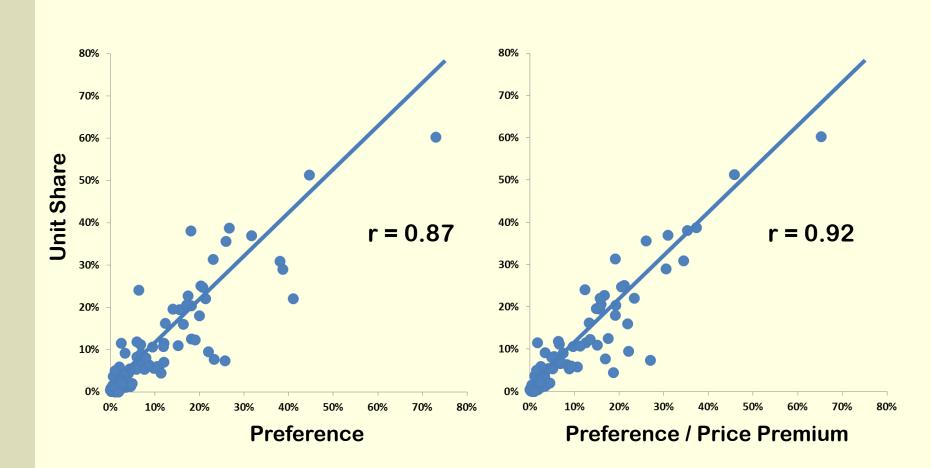
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Price Premium (Brand Price / Category Average)



Link Between Preference & Market Share/Price Premium Point-In-Time: 9 Categories, 6 Month Averages





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 - Explained variance rises to 85% when taken into account



Detecting Small Changes

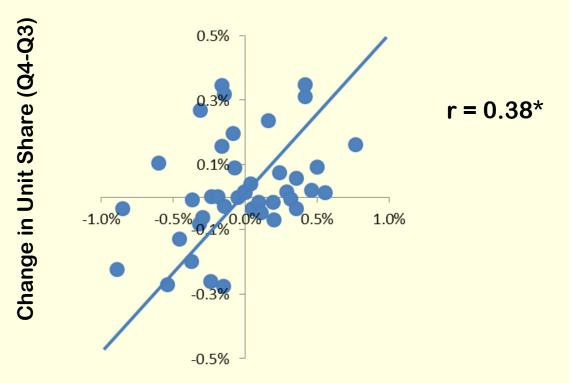
- Brands in "disruptive" categories (like the example below) experience large changes in market share quarter-to-quarter
- But the BIV trial categories have relatively stable brands...will their smaller changes be detectible?

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BRAND	<u>0W1</u> <u>MA84</u> (933)	<u>JA84</u> (1173)	<u>MA84</u> (686)	<u>JA84</u> (721)	
APPLE	33%	35%	33%	38%	
IBM	28	30	30	35	
COMMODORE	20	21	22	16	
RADIO SHACK	8	5	6	5	
ATARI	8	6	6	3	
COLECO	3	3	4	3	

PREFERENCES FOR APPLE AND IBM ARE INCREASING, WHILE THEY ARE DECREASING FOR COMMODORE AND ATARI.



Detecting "Small" Changes: Quarter-to-Quarter (Restricted to Share < 0.5% and Preference/Price < 1.0%)



Change in Preference / Price Premium (Q4-Q3)

* Note that there are margins of error in both the Market Share metrics as well as the Preference (choice) measurement



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- Are smaller changes able to be detected quarter-to-quarter?
 - Yes, relationships are being seen even for smaller changes



BIV Analytics Sub-Team Next steps

- Add three remaining categories to this initial meta-analysis (February)
- Conduct first complete quarter-to-quarter analyses for each category (March)
 - Include distribution
 - Include private label/store brands



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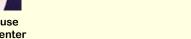
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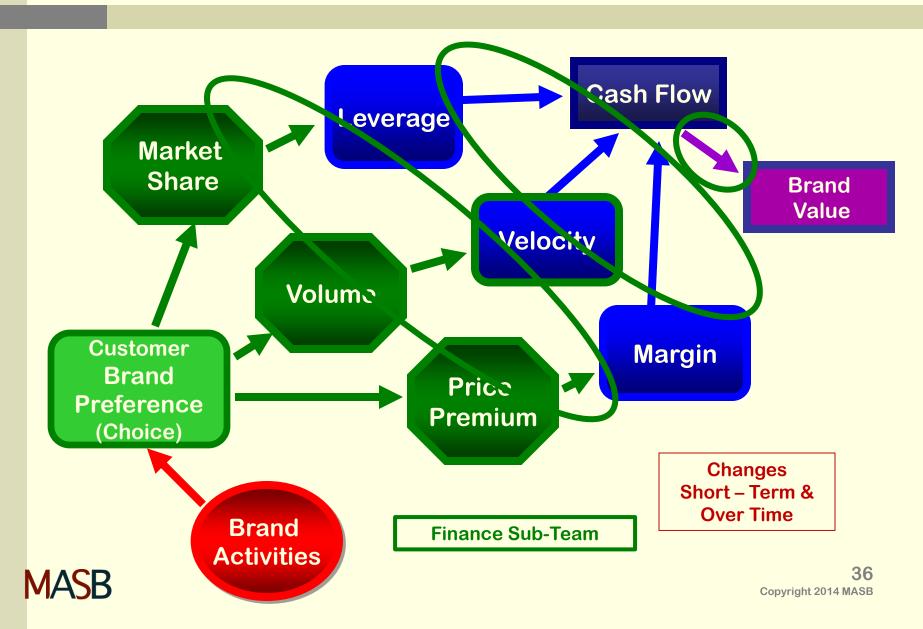




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MMAP: Brand Investment/Valuation Model (Build Bridges to Financial metrics & Brand Value)



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A rationale and proposed set of principles for brand valuation

August, 2011

Drafted by Roger Sinclair PHD

Commissioned by Association of National Advertisers



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Some of which may be revised over the course of the BIV Project

Basic Principles #1 & #2

How did they calculate this value?

The disclosure principle (BP # 1)

For a valuation to be valid and credible the method by which the valuation was calculated must be fully disclosed including all assumptions and calculations

How are the brand advantages identified?

The Economic base principle (BP # 2)

The basis of a brand valuation should be the calculation of economic profit which separates the brand from the nonbranded version



Basic Principles #3 & #4

How is the brand portion of economic profit extracted?

The brand contribution principle (BP # 3)

The valuation method shall have a component that works out the proportion of economic profit attributable to the brand

If brands are long-lived, how is this accommodated?

The expected economic life principle (BP # 4)

The valuation method shall attempt to model the complete expected economic life of the brand



Basic Principles #5 & #6

What part does the consumer play in brand valuation?

The brand strength principle (BP # 5)

The valuation method must have a component in the model that uses brand strength as a driver of value*

Aren't assets affected by uncontrollable forces?

The environmental influences principle (BP # 6)

There must be a component that incorporates an evaluation of the relevant environmental factors that are outside the control of the marketer



Basic Principles #7 & #8

How should the discount rate be calculated?

The discount rate principle (BP # 7)

The discount rate used for both the economic profit and DCF should be the Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC)

Risk is fundamental to DCF; where is it applied?

The risk principle (BP # 8)

Risk specific to the brand that might impose a negative impact on the future economic benefits should be taken account of in the cash flows and not the discount rate. It should be probability weighted



Basic Principles #9 & #10

What happens with ambitious growth rates?

The growth rate principle (BP # 9)

The short term growth rate should only exceed the average for the three previous years if there is credible justification to do so. Longer growth rates should use the sum of consensus GDP and inflation

We don't always have impartial, fact based data.

The source of data principle (BP # 10)

When possible data used should be from observable sources. Disclosure deals with data from unobservable sources



Basic Principles #11 & #12

Can I track trends with a brand valuation?

The consistency of time principle (BP # 11)

Valuation techniques and source data should be applied consistently so that valuations may be reliably replicated over time

I can't afford to value every brand in every sector?

The multiple markets and segments principle (BP # 12)

Use an 80:20 Pareto Principle to arrive at a valuation for multiple markets and market sectors



BIV Finance Initial Approach

Initial approach was to calculate cash flow at a Brand level with the ultimate goal of defining financial metrics that drive Brand value

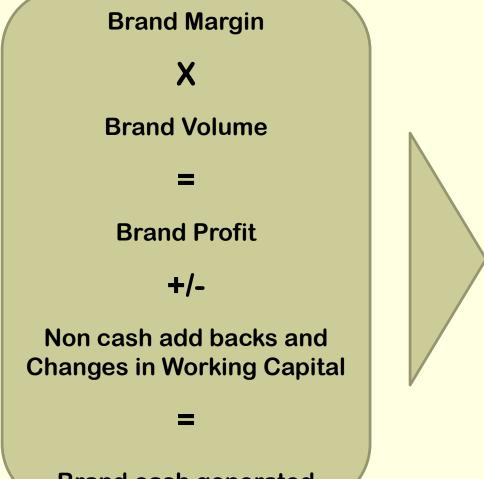
Held exploratory discussions with Financial leadership at Frito-Lay and ConAgra

Key considerations included:

- Separation of Brand vs. Non Brand economic profit
- Identification of unique business capabilities that impact the ability of a Brand to generate cash (Brand extensions, Distribution channels, etc.) and best metrics to measure
- Identification of considerations across various Brands that impacted the cash conversion cycle (Produced vs. purchased inventory, different distribution channels/receivable terms)
- Identification of potential methodologies to allocate working capital across Brands



BIV Finance Initial Approach - Illustration



Initial goal was to calculate cash flow by Brand in order to identify the complexities to be considered and the key metrics that drive Brand Value

Brand cash generated



Initial findings with ConAgra/Frito-Lay are that this level of detail is not currently maintained and would be costly to implement

- Components of working capital not tracked by Brand (with exception of Brand inventory at Frito-Lay)
- Value of items driving leverage will vary greatly across companies and may be difficult to standardize



BIV Finance Sub-Team Next steps

- Define alternative approach of measuring cash generated by brands
- Test with ConAgra and Frito-Lay for applicability
- Expand to additional companies

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BIV Next Steps

- Continue Brand Preference/Choice Tracking
- Evaluate other/idiosyncratic measures of Brand Strength
- Continue working with Analytics Sub -Team
 - Provide additional resources if needed
- Continue working with Finance Sub -Team
 - Provide additional resources if needed
- Revise the "Principles" along the way as appropriate



Thank-you!

