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# Mobile Internet & Smartphone Adoption

New Insights into Consumer Usage of Mobile Devices, the Shift to Smartphones & the Emergence of Tablets

United States (US), United Kingdom (UK), Germany (DE), France (FR) & Japan (JP)

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Research conducted in January+February 2011 (phase 1) and September+October 2011 (phase 2).



## **Key Insights**

To gain greater insight into consumer usage of mobile devices, the shift to smartphones and the emergence of tablets as a fourth screen we conducted original research amongst the total population in the US, UK, Germany, France and Japan. Phase 1 of the research was conducted in January and February 2011 and Phase 2 in September and October 2011.

#### Key insights include:

- More consumers use a mobile phone (feature phone or smartphone) than a computer (desktop or laptop) across all five countries.
- Consumers are clearly shifting from feature phones to smartphones and are increasingly using their smartphones for Internet access. However, smartphone owners are continuing to get online on their computers.
- Consumers are embracing tablets as the fourth screen. Tablet usage increased across all five countries with the highest penetration in the US. The rate of tablet usage is even higher amongst smartphone owners - hitting 17% in the US, 11% in Japan and 10% in the UK.
- The demographics of smartphone users are also shifting, with an increasing percentage of women and those aged 45+ adopting smartphones. Smartphone users continue to be comparatively highly educated and have higher than average income.

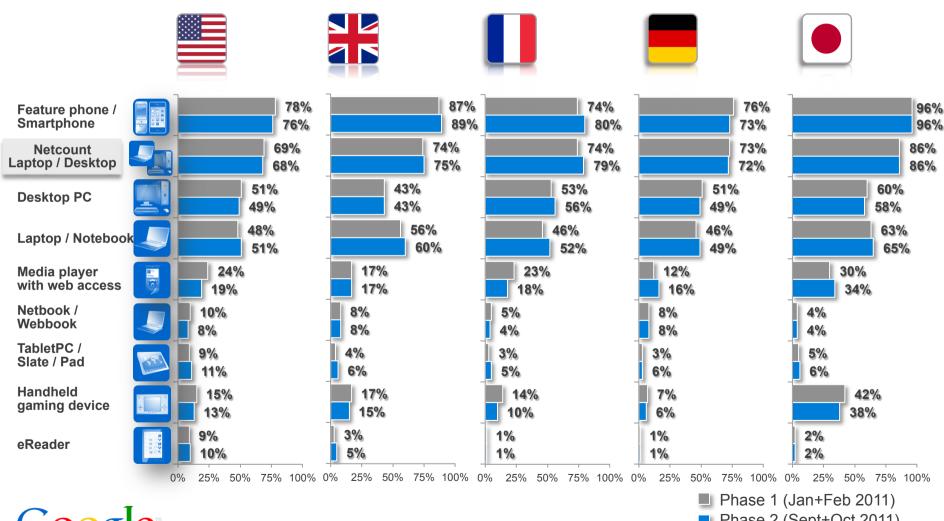


Percentage of Smartphone Users by Country



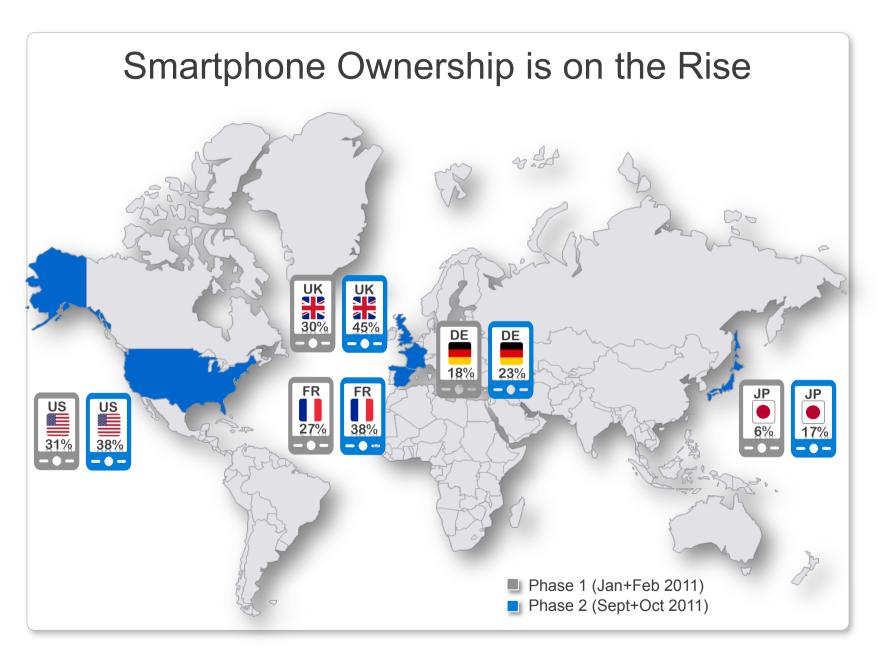
## **Consumer Usage by Device**

### More Consumers Use a Mobile Phone than Use a Computer





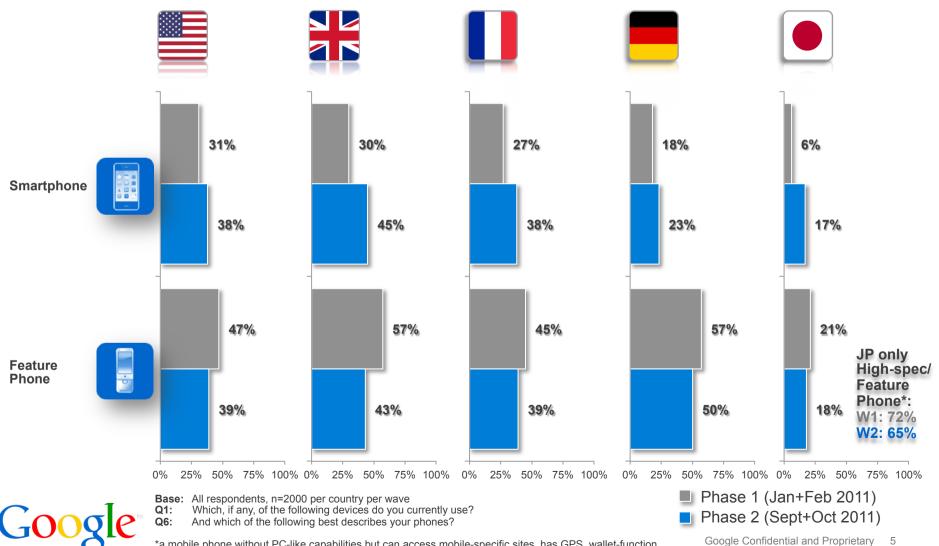
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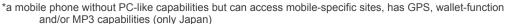


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Q6: And which of the following best describes your phones?

## **Share of Feature Phones vs. Smartphones**

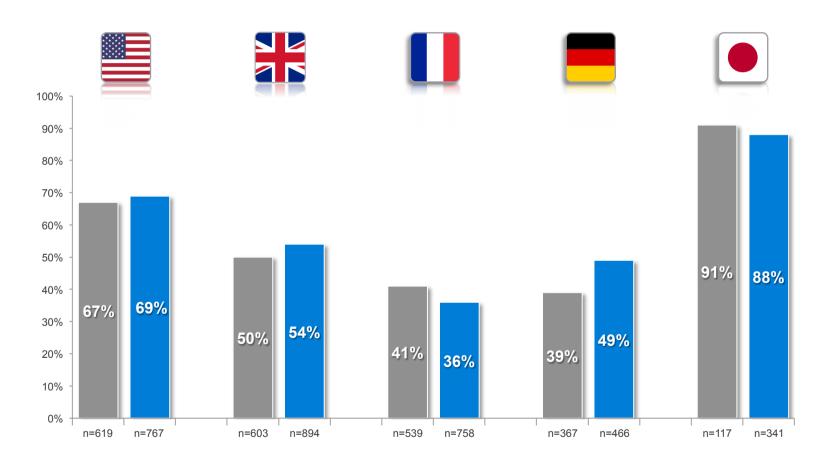
## **Clear Consumer Shift from Feature Phones to Smartphones**





## **Daily Internet Usage on Smartphones**

## **Consumers Increasingly Using Smartphones for Internet Access**



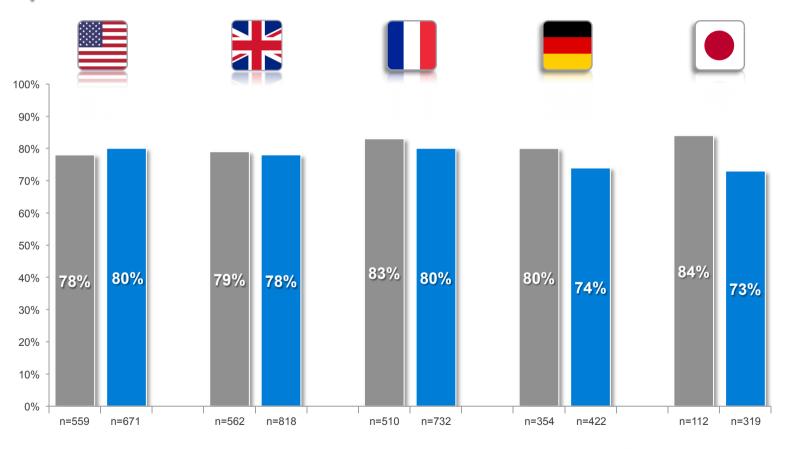


Phase 1 (Jan+Feb 2011) Phase 2 (Sept+Oct 2011)

Base: All main privately used smartphones And how frequently do you use the Internet in general and specific services and types of websites on your smartphone?

# **Smartphone Users: Daily Internet Usage** on Desktop or Laptop Computer

**Smartphone Owners Continue to Access the Internet on their** Computer

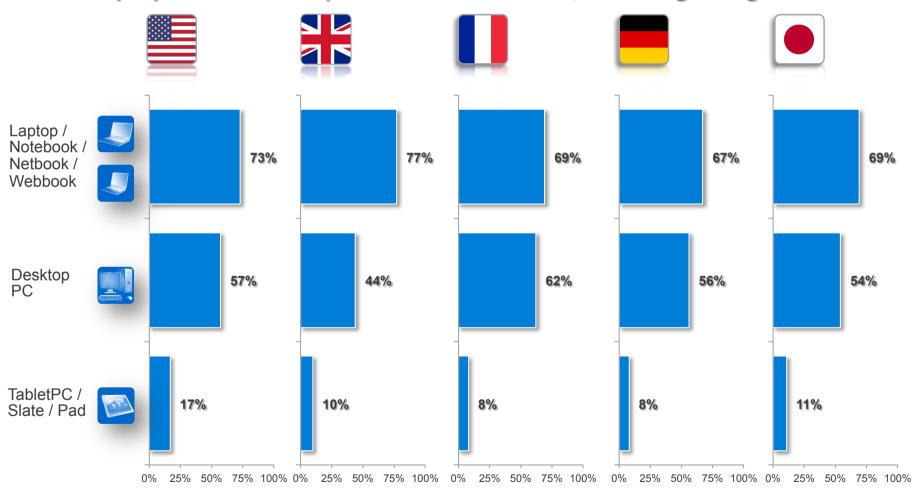




Base: All private smartphone users with PC or laptop And how frequently do you use the Internet in general and specific services and types of websites on your computer?

# **Smartphone Users: Usage of Laptops, Desktops and Tablets**

More Laptops than Desktop across all countries, Tablets gaining share



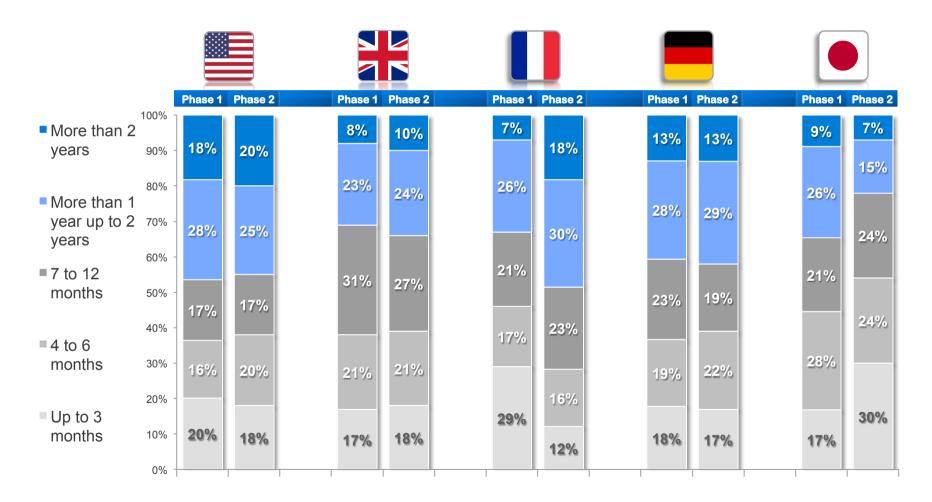


Base: All private smartphone users For which purposes do you use [device]? Displayed is private usage.

Phase 2 (Sept+Oct 2011)

## **Duration of Smartphone Usage**

### More Consumers are Long-Time Smartphone Owners





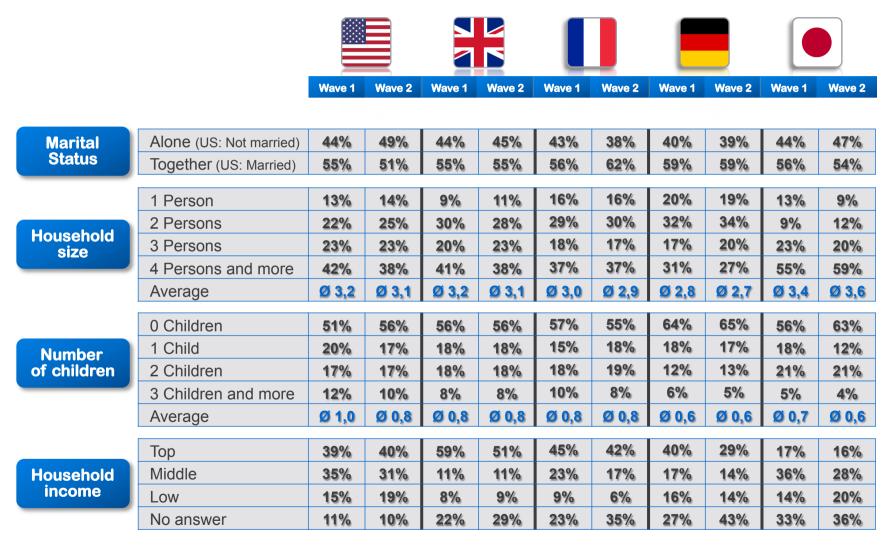
# **Demographics of Smartphone Users - 1/2**

		Wave 1	Wave 2									
	18 - 24 Years	21%	23%	21%	20%	27%	20%	21%	22%	21%	28%	
Age	25 - 34 Years	27%	23%	26%	26%	31%	29%	29%	24%	33%	32%	
	35 - 44 Years	18%	17%	26%	25%	21%	22%	19%	22%	19%	20%	
	45 - 54 Years	21%	24%	15%	17%	11%	15%	19%	16%	14%	13%	
	55 + Years	13%	13%	13%	13%	10%	14%	13%	16%	13%	7%	
	Average	Ø 38,2	Ø 38,6	Ø 37,5	Ø 37,8	Ø 34,9	Ø 37,5	Ø 37,3	Ø 38,4	Ø 35,9	Ø 33,7	
Gender	Female	47%	49%	47%	47%	45%	47%	37%	42%	27%	37%	
	Male	53%	51%	53%	53%	55%	53%	63%	58%	73%	63%	
Education	Low	32%	35%	22%	24%	7%	5%	14%	16%	2%	1%	
	Middle	28%	27%	38%	40%	25%	24%	31%	32%	43%	59%	
	High	39%	38%	40%	35%	67%	69%	54%	51%	56%	39%	
Employment Status	Active (full + part time)	74%	71%	75%	73%	65%	68%	70%	73%	82%	71%	
	Inactive	25%	29%	25%	26%	35%	32%	30%	26%	18%	29%	



Base: All private smartphone users

## **Demographics of Smartphone Users - 2/2**





Base: All private smartphone users

#### **Background:**

- The mobile internet is today's main driver of growth in time spent online.
- Rapid consumer adaptation creates opportunities for businesses to engage with consumers.
- Gaining deep insight into usage patterns •
  provides the base and starting point of
  offering products, services as well as
  information satisfying true customer
  demands.

#### **Research Objectives:**

- This survey is to measure the significance of mobile Internet usage on smartphones across the world.
- It accomplishes the mission of covering not only the digitally educated population

   knowing what device they are using –
   but also users unaware of technical differences. The developed procedure is key to valid figures on a highly representative base.

#### **Research Design:**

- Method: CATI interviews (random digital dial, fixed / mobile sample depending on country)
- Target group: General population aged 18+ years
- Sample Size: n=2000 per country, representative of the population
- Questionnaire:
  - Usage of devices / mobile phones / smartphones
  - Use of brands and operating systems
  - Internet usage behaviour, demographics