comScore Web Behavior Database

The comScore Web Behavior Database is based on a sample of about 50,000 US Internet users who have given comScore explicit permission to confidentially capture their detailed browsing and buying behavior at the domain level.

The unique panel identifier is Machine ID and there are cases where multiple configured machines exist within a household, but all demographic information is based upon the associated household. All sessions are aggregated by machine in the household, so that individual breakdowns are not available and a particular individual could use more than one machine. The items below are associated with each machine-household.

Demographics

Variables	Type	Label/Description
machine_id	num	machine identifier
hoh_most_education	num	most education – head of household
census region	num	census region
household size	num	household size
hoh_oldest_age	num	oldest age – head of household
household_income	num	household income
children	num	presence of children
racial_background	num	racial background
connection_speed	num	connection speed
country_of_origin	num	country of origin
zip_code	num	zip code

A product-transaction table shows online purchases if and only if there was a transaction in the session. The following items are records for each transaction.

Transaction Information

Variable	Type	Label/Description
prod_category_id	num	product category ID
prod_num	char	product name
prod_qty	num	product quantity
prod_totprice	num	product total price
basket_tot	num	basket total

User sessions are recorded with date and time stamps and the most detailed clickstream item is a Session ID, which represents a domain visit that may have more than one 'page view.' The items below are associated with each Session ID.

Session Information

Variable	Type	Label/Information
user_session_id	num	identifies a session of activity
domain_id	num	domain ID
ref_domain_name	char	referring domain name
pages_viewed	num	pages viewed
duration	num	duration at site
event_date	char	date of activity
event_time	char	time of activity

The items in the tables above are linked in a WRDS web query using a four step process:

- The demographics table is linked to session table using 'machine_id'
 The domain name lookup table is joined to the traffic and transaction tables on 'domain_id'
- 3. The session table is linked to the transaction table using 'site_session_id' ('machine id' is also provided in the transaction table for convenience, but not needed to link the tables)
- 4. The product category lookup table is linked with the transaction table using 'prod category id'

NOTE: All .txt files are tab delimited

Most Educated Head of Household Household Income Less than a high school diploma Less than 15k 1 High school diploma or equivalent 2 15k-24.999k 2 Some college but no degree 3 25k-34.999k 3 Associate degree 4 35k-49.999k 4 Bachelor's degree 5 50k-74.999k 5 6 Graduate degree 75k-99.999k 99 Missing 7 100k+ Age of Eldest Head of Household **Household Size** and Age of User 1 18-20 1 2 21-24 2 2 3 25-29 3 3 4 30-34 4 4 5 35-39 5 5 6 40-44 6+ 7 45-49 8 Racial Background 50-54 White 9 55-59 2 10 60-64 Black 65 and over 3 Asian 5 Other **Connection Speed** Not broadband Census Region of Residence 1 Broadband Northeast 2 North Central **Country of Origin** 3 South Hispanic West 1 0 Non-Hispanic **Child Present**

No

Yes

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Product Category

- 1. Apparel
- 2. Shoes
- 3. Accessories
- 4. Jewelry & Watches
- 5. Other Apparel Items
- 6. Home Furniture
- 7. Home Appliances
- 8. Tools & Equipment
- 9. Kitchen & Dining
- 10. Bed & Bath
- 11. Garden & Patio
- 12. Pet Supplies
- 13. Food & Beverage
- 14. Automotive Accessories
- 15. Sport & Fitness
- 16. Health & Beauty
- 17. Art & Collectibles
- 18. Tobacco Products
- 19. Baby Supplies
- 20. Other Home & Living Items
- 21. Books & Magazines
- 22. Music
- 23. Movies & Videos
- 24. Other BMV
- 25. Desktop Computers
- 26. Laptop Computers
- 27. Handhelds, PDAs & Portable Devices
- 28. Printers, Monitors & Peripherals
- 29. Computer Software (excl. PC Games)
- 30. Other Computer Supplies

- 31. Audio & Video Equipment
- 32. Cameras & Equipment
- 33. Mobile Phones & Plans
- 34. Other Electronics & Supplies
- 35. PC Video Games
- 36. Console Video Games
- 37. Video Game Consoles & Accessories
- 38. Business Machines
- 39. Office Furniture
- 40. Office Supplies
- 41. Movie Tickets
- 42. Event Tickets
- 43. Air Travel
- 44. Hotel Reservations
- 45. Car Rental
- 46. Travel Packages
- 47. Other Travel
- 48. Online Content Sales
- 49. Online Service Subscriptions
- 50. Personals & Dating
- 51. Photo Printing Services
- 52. Shipping Services
- 53. Other Services
- 54. Toys & Games (excl. Video Games)
- 55. Arts, Crafts & Party Supplies
- 56. Other Toy & Game Items
- 57. Flowers
- 58. Greetings
- 59. Gift Certificates & Coupons
- 60. Other Flower & Gift Items
- 99. Unclassified

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