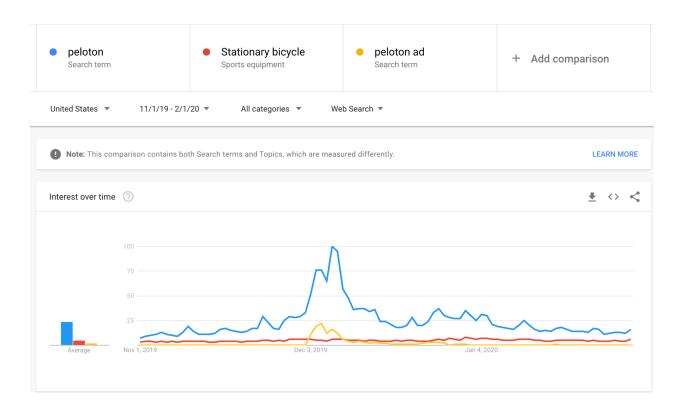
Investigate consumer reactions surrounding Peloton's 2019 holiday commercial with the help of Google Trends, Twitonomy, LIWC, and Facebook Audience Insights. Considering the marketing value created with its subsequent fallout, was the commercial positive or negative for the brand?

## **Google Trends**

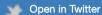


After the commercial in 2019, the search for Peloton has increased and it reaches a peak on December 7th,2019, and then the search sharply drops. On the contrary, the topic of stationary bicycles has not changed. So people search for peloton not because people get more interested in exercise bikes but because they are interested in this controversial advertisement.



From the regions of search, we can see that people searching for peloton are mostly in northern states, which is sort of like where the couple in the 2019 commercial live. So the peloton has identified its customer on the ad.

## **Twitonomy**







Alexis Moore, MS, RD @AMooreRD Tue Nov 01 19:54:02 +0000 (GMT) via Twitter Web App or just use this: RAXX7M #peloton #pelotonmed



**RibdoPeloton** @RibdoPeloton Tue Nov 01 19:53:24 +0000 (GMT) via Instagram 10 Decided to post my journey. Come join me. #peloton #pelotoncycle #pelotonweightloss #pelotontread #pelotonbike #pelotoncommunity #pelotonfamily @ The Cotswolds instagram.com/p/CkbkaY8tO72/...



**Lucie Heseltine** @LucieJHeseltine Tue Nov 01 18:24:28 +0000 (GMT) via Twitter for iPhone 101/10 - Ride number 1: 60 Min My Mixtape Ride led by Jenn Sherman. This is the first one of hers that I have done and I LOVED IT! Defo going to be queuing up some more! 15.82 miles done. New 60 min PB #Peloton https://t.co/V17LROOvBO



**Lucie Heseltine** @LucieJHeseltine Tue Nov 01 18:21:42 +0000 (GMT) via Twitter for iPhone ↑ 0 So, this November I am setting myself the challenge of riding 200 miles on the Peloton AND I'm going to TRY and go on it every day, even just for a short ride. If I put it on here I can't back out #Peloton



**zeusJuice.** Eth @ElectrikTwo Tue Nov 01 18:18:28 +0000 (GMT) via Twitter Web App 13 0

Used my cycling shoes on the #Peloton for the first time yesterday, and they're game-changers. You can pedal as fast as you can and never worry about slipping off. Ride standing up easily.. Def the way to go



Pelo Buddy - Unofficial Peloton Resources & News @PeloBuddy Tue Nov 01 18:14:00 +0000 (GMT) via Twitter Web App 10

Peloton is potentially considering adding an annual membership option for the Peloton App-only subscription, according to data found by @BobTreemore \$PTON #Peloton #OnePeloton #PelotonBike #PelotonTread pelobuddy.com/rumor-digital-...



Michael Smerconish @smerconish Tue Nov 01 18:02:09 +0000 (GMT) via Loomly © 0 Guaranteed to place top 10 on the #Peloton leaderboard. Tag #SmerchMerch and show us your purple swag! Grab yours here: loom.ly/KxTAd\_Y #TCstrong @tcscornavacchi https://t.co/w9FSUcqllc





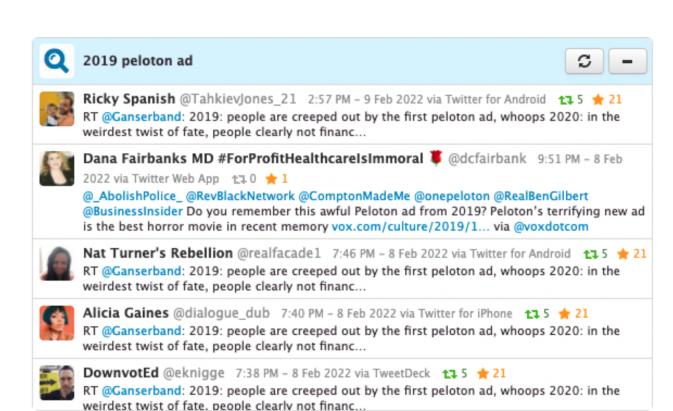
Crusty Ruffles @crustyruffles Tue Nov 01 17:47:06 +0000 (GMT) via Twitter for Android 1 0 I'm by no means a Wilpers stan, but this pop punk run was surprisingly good. He's no Bradley, but..... #RosesRebels #Peloton



Adam Toren @thebizguy Tue Nov 01 17:02:15 +0000 (GMT) via Hypefury

I have four things that I do regularly that always bring me joy: 1 - Spend time outside & move my body (#pickleball & #peloton) 2 - Spend quality time with family & friends 3 - Do meaningful & purposeful work 4 - Eat healthy food 5- Listen to great music What are yours?







Rich DiFeo @richdifeo · 2019年12月2日 Is this Peloton advert the worst commercial of 2019?

voutu.be/pShKu2icEYw



Remember the most traumatic thing that happened in December **2019** was a **peloton commercial? #peloton** 



Mr. Z @MrZMovies · 2020年9月19日

Remember in **2019**, when the Internet lost its mind, because they made a **commercial** where a man gave his wife a **Peloton** for Christmas? Those were the days.



Caroline Schaeffer @Caro\_dactyl\_ · 2020年12月8日 Did all this madness start with the **2019 peloton** Christmas **commercial**? Was she the harbinger of destruction?

From twitonomy, we can figure out that there is generally negative sentiments about this 2019 ad. People think the ads are a disaster since they discriminate against women and only target wealthy clients. So the ads actually may hurt the peloton's brand image.

## **LIWC**

To identify the influence of this ad, we need to analyze several articles.

Peloton's Cringe-y Ad Got Everyone Talking. Its C.E.O. Is Silent. <a href="https://www.nytimes.com/2019/12/09/business/media/peloton-ad-ry">https://www.nytimes.com/2019/12/09/business/media/peloton-ad-ry</a> <a href="mailto:an-reynolds.html">an-reynolds.html</a>

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Traditional LIWC Dimension	Your Text	Average for Formal Language
I-words (I, me, my)	0.12	0.67
Positive Tone	2.82	2.33
Negative Tone	2.35	1.38
Social Words	7.87	6.54
Cognitive Processes	7.87	7.95
Allure	4.11	3.58
Moralization	0.12	0.30
Summary Variables		
Analytic	94.55	87.63
Authentic	9.59	28.90

From this article about Peloton's ads, we can find that it has a negative tone score of 2.35 which is much higher than the average for formal language.

# Peloton Releases Second Annual Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Report

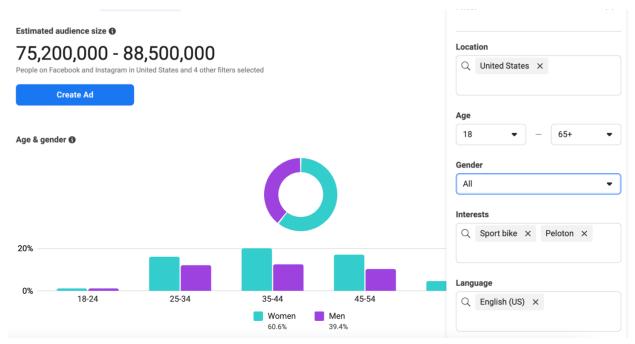
https://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20221101005191/en/Peloton-Releases-Second-Annual-Environmental-Social-and-Governance-ESG-Report

#### RESULTS

Traditional LIWC Dimension	Your Text	Average for Formal Language
I-words (I, me, my)	0.00	0.67
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Social Words	4.83	6.54
Cognitive Processes	10.08	7.95
Allure	2.35	3.58
Moralization	0.28	0.30
Summary Variables		
Analytic	91.80	87.63
Authentic	46.81	28.90

From an article about the ESG influence of Peloton, we find that the positive tone is higher than the average and negative tone is much lower than the average. It means that from a marketing perspective, Peloton has performed well since the launch of that ad.

## **Facebook Audience**



We can find that in different age groups, there are more female users than males. So The sexist ad of 2019 actually hurts the feeling of the peloton's user base.

## Peloton's stock performance



From its stock price, we can see that there is no significant difference before and after the launch of the 2019 commercial.

### Conclusion

Peloton's 2019 commercial has a negative influence on its brand image but it does not influence its market value from sentiment analysis from twitonomy and liwc. However, at a later time, with the breakout of covid19, lockdown makes home exercise equipment more attractive, which pushes up the peloton's stock price.