

# Competitive Intelligence

Netflix  
vs.  
Amazon Prime Video

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**NETFLIX**

**prime video**  




# Netflix Overview



**\$ 18.9 Billion**

Revenue (TTM)



**158.33 Million**

Total Worldwide Subscribers

(As of Q3 2019)

2018: 139.26 Million



Free Trial

30 Days

Basic

\$8.99/Month

Standard

\$12.99/Month

Premium

\$15.99/Month

Market Location



190+ Countries

Movie/TV Show Content Spending

**\$15 Billion**

Total Est. 2019

**\$12 Billion**

Total 2018

Video Quality

Basic

HD (480p max)

Standard

Full HD (1080p max)

Premium

Ultra HD (4K max)

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# Amazon Prime Video Overview



**\$ 2.8 Billion**

2018 Annual Revenue



**96.5 Million**

Total Worldwide Subscribers  
(As of Q3 2019)

2018: 50.23 Million

Upcoming Deposits



Free Trial

30 Days

Rent/Buy

Price Varies

Prime Student<sup>1</sup>

\$6.49 (\$59/Year)

Prime<sup>1</sup>

\$12.99 (\$119/Year)

Market Location



200+ Countries

Movie/TV Show Content Spending

**\$7 Billion**

Total Est. 2019

**\$1.7 Billion**

Q1 2019

**Video Quality**

Highest Quality Possible (4K Max)

<sup>1</sup> Amazon Prime Video is included with Prime Membership  
Non-Prime members can still watch Amazon Prime Video  
Either by Renting or Paying from a selection of titles

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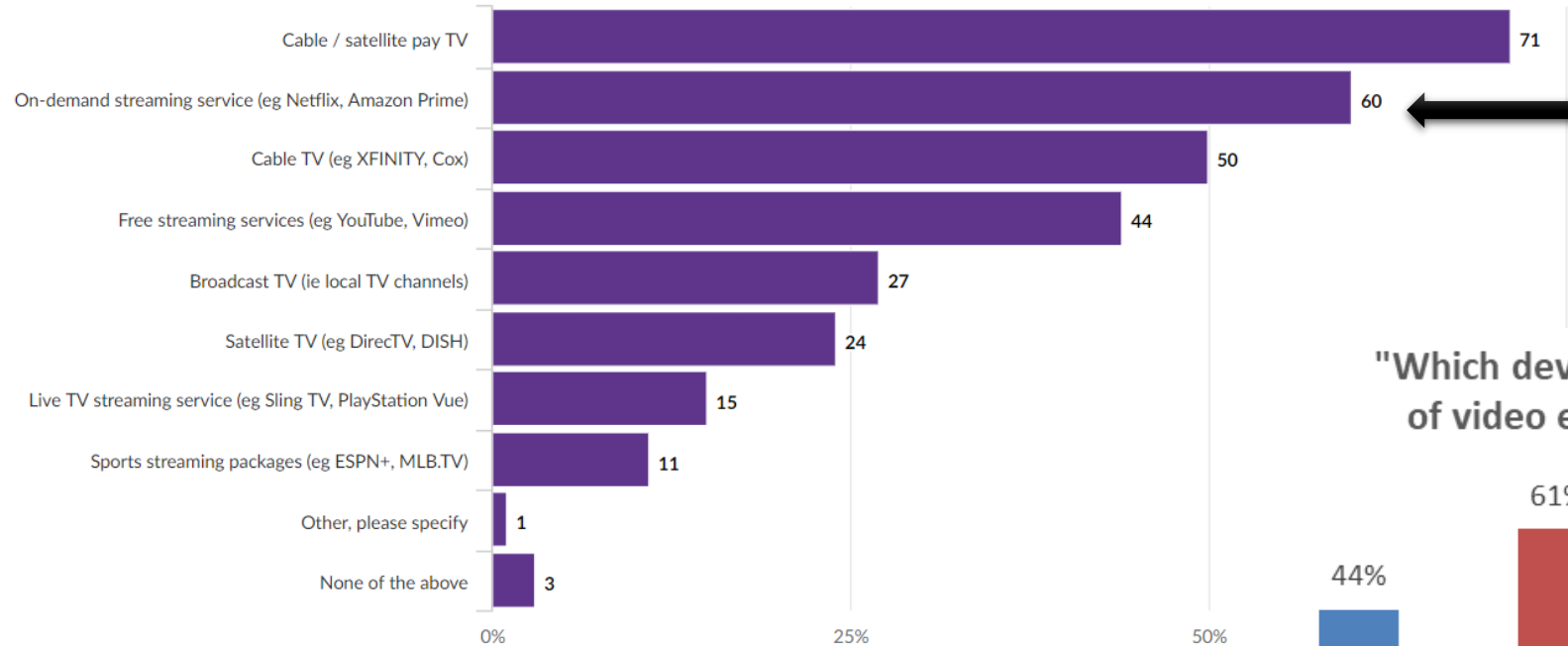
# Comparison Metrics

| Metrics                           | Netflix   | Amazon Prime Video  |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| Price                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Free Trial (30 days)</li><li>• \$8.99 (\$107.88/Year)</li><li>• \$12.99 (\$155.88/Year)</li><li>• \$15.99 (\$191.88/Year)</li><li>• No annual price offered</li><li>• Full access to movies/shows</li></ul>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Free Trial (30 days)</li><li>• Rent/Buy (Price Varies)</li><li>• \$6.49 (\$59/Year)</li><li>• \$12.99 (\$119/Year)</li><li>• Prime Video included with Prime Membership (as well as other Prime Benefits e.g. Prime Music)</li><li>• Without Prime Membership, movies/shows can be rented/purchased at varying prices</li></ul> |
| # of Streaming Devices            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Basic — 1 stream only</li><li>• Standard — 2 simultaneous streams</li><li>• Premium — 4 simultaneous streams<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Once can stream the same program on 4 devices at once</li></ul></li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Each Prime member can stream up to 3 devices at once</li><li>• But, one can only stream the same program on 2 devices at once</li></ul>   |
| # Originals and Exclusives        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 970</li></ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 412</li></ul>   |
| # Overall Content (Estimate- USA) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 4091 Movies</li><li>• 1761 TV Shows</li><li>• <u>Total 5852</u></li></ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 6400 Movies (Prime Eligible)</li><li>• 6400 TV Shows (Prime Eligible)</li><li>• <u>Total 12,800</u></li></ul>   |
| Extras                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No ads</li></ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No ads</li><li>• Free streaming of Thursday Night Football</li></ul>  |

# Digital Video Trends in US - June 2019

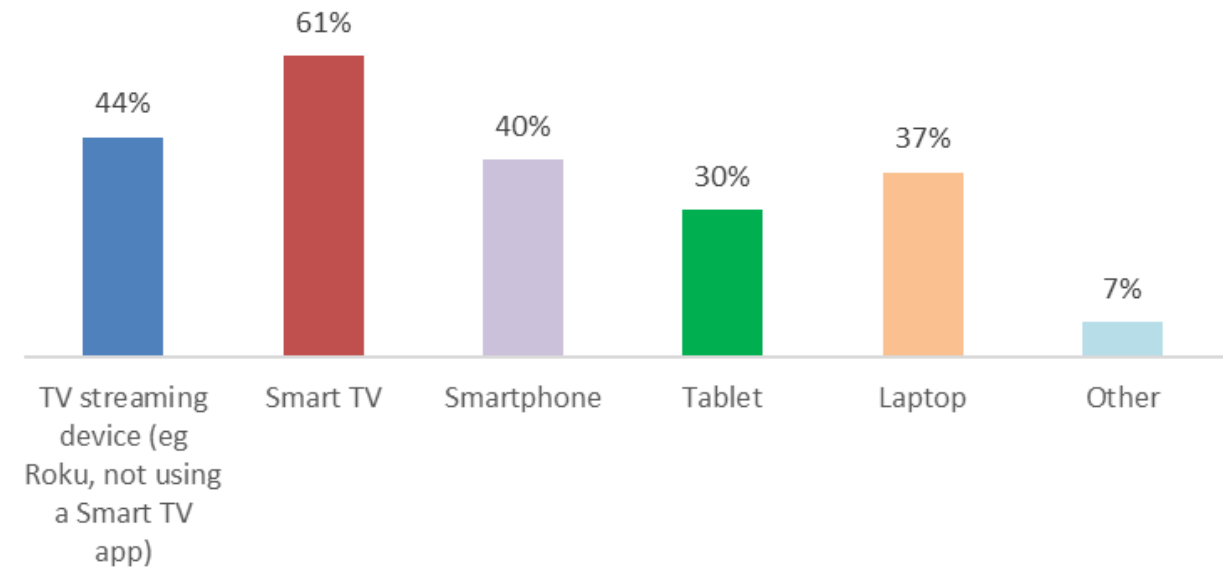
Which of the following video entertainment sources do you use? Please select all that apply. (NET)

Base: 2,000 internet users aged 18+



- 71% of consumers still use cable/satellite pay TV for video entertainment
- However, 60% of consumers also choose to use “On-demand streaming services” such as Netflix and Amazon Prime Video

"Which devices do you use to watch the following types of video entertainment?" Please select all that apply

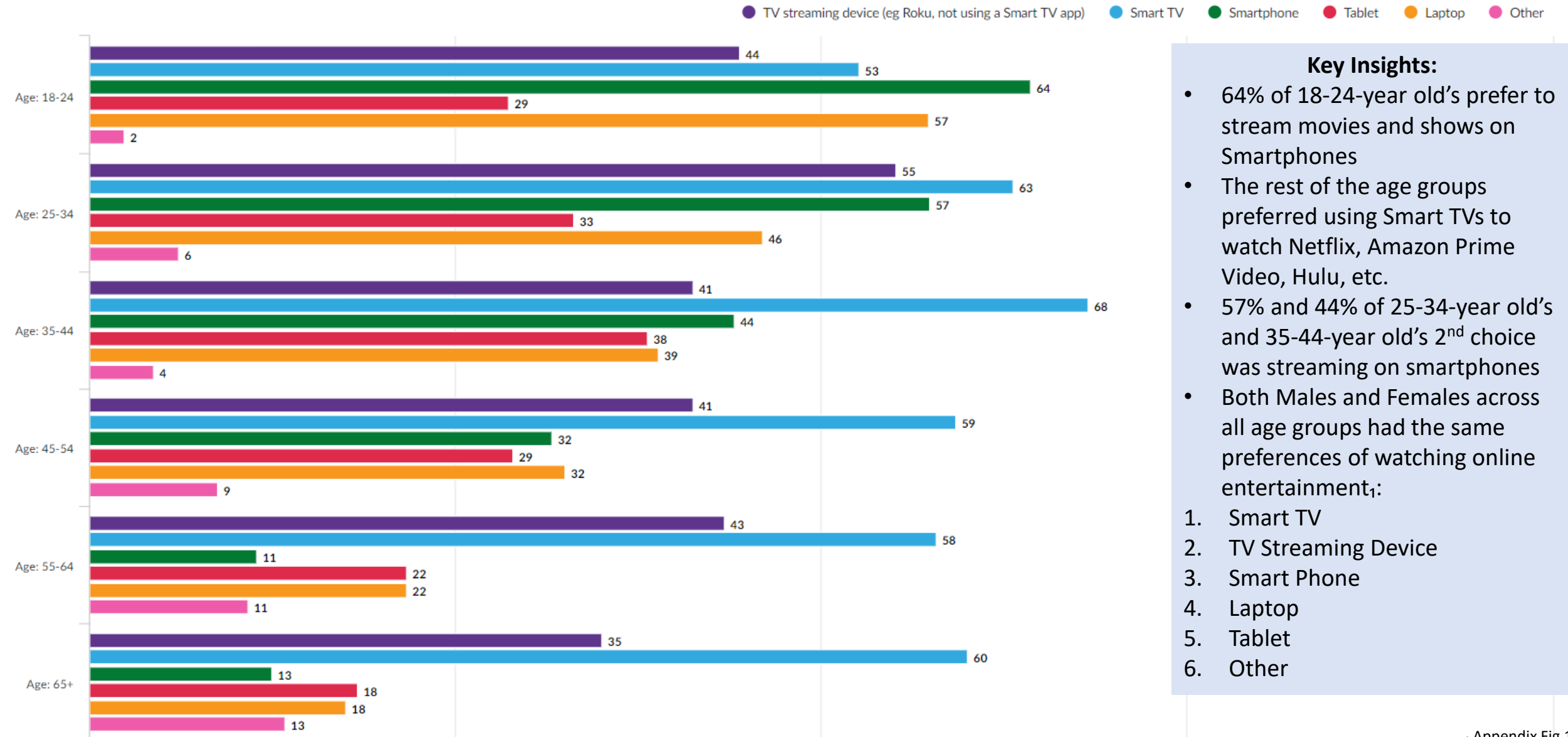


From the 60% of users who watch ‘On-demand streaming services,’ the top 3 preferred sources were:

- Smart TV (61%)
- TV streaming device (44%)
- Smartphones (40%)

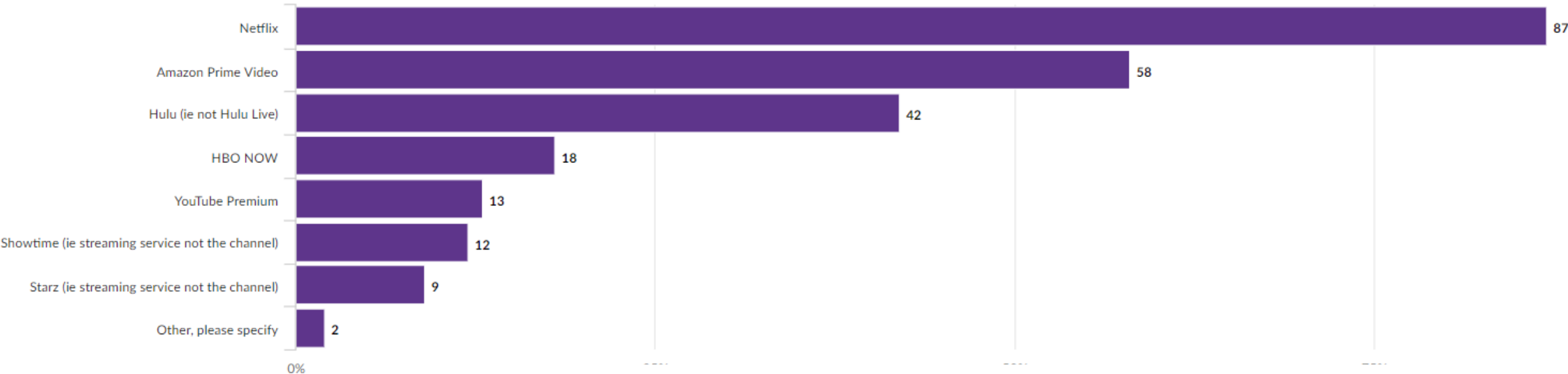
# Demographic Trends in US - April 2019

Which devices do you use to watch the following types of video entertainment? Please select all that apply.    On-demand streaming service (e.g. Netflix, Amazon Prime)  
*Base: 1,200 internet users aged 18+ who use on-demand streaming services*



# Digital Entertainment Preferences in US – April 2019

Base: 1,200 internet users aged 18+ who use an on-demand streaming service

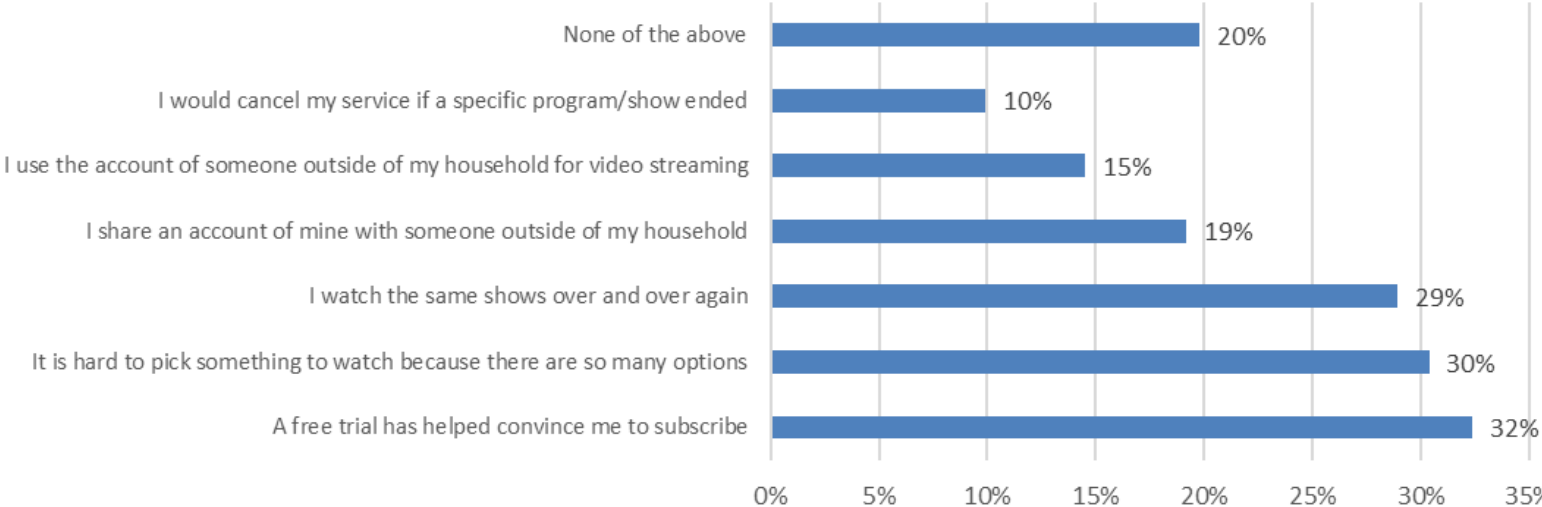


Fieldwork: April 2019 Source: Lightspeed/Mintel

## Key Insights:

- 87% of respondents preferred Netflix over Amazon Prime Video and other digital entertainment sources
- Many people use free trials and are later convinced to subscribe after
- 30% find it overwhelming to choose a movie/show due to abundant options
- 29% of digital entertainment users like re-watching shows

"Which of the following statements about video streaming services do you agree with?"  
Please select all that apply.



# Netflix Sentiment Analysis

IBM Watson (Natural Language Understanding)

Netflix Top Rated Customer Complaints

| Stars | Comment                                     | Overall Sentiment | Sentiment Amount | Joy  | Anger | Disgust | Sadness | Fear | Most Important Keyword             | Relevance |
|-------|---|-------------------|------------------|------|-------|---------|---------|------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| 5     | Unless you have cable to access movies      | Positive          | 0.55             | 0.61 | 0.16  | 0.11    | 0.57    | 0.1  | list of outstanding movies         | 0.63      |
| 4     | The experience I've had with Netflix is r   | Positive          | 0.67             | 0.67 | 0.43  | 0.04    | 0.11    | 0.08 | exclusive movies                   | 0.88      |
| 5     | Hi, I am writing this review because I w    | Positive          | 0.54             | 0.7  | 0.5   | 0.06    | 0.2     | 0.04 | netflix's customer service         | 0.72      |
| 5     | NetFlix has a wide variety of movies an     | Positive          | 0.3              | 0.21 | 0.11  | 0.03    | 0.65    | 0.1  | picture quality                    | 0.75      |
| 5     | Netflix is the first streaming service I've | Positive          | 0.73             | 0.69 | 0.11  | 0.06    | 0.25    | 0.09 | extensive library of entertainment | 0.75      |
| 2     | A monthly service that is soooo depend      | Negative          | -0.48            | 0.16 | 0.29  | 0.01    | 0.64    | 0.07 | customer service                   | 0.77      |
| 1     | The advertisement of free trial is mislea   | Negative          | -0.75            | 0.5  | 0.11  | 0.13    | 0.54    | 0.1  | advertisement of free trial        | 0.9       |
| 1     | I got billed for premium instead of stan    | Negative          | -0.82            | 0.04 | 0.13  | 0.08    | 0.41    | 0.06 | support                            | 0.56      |
| 2     | I have been a Netflix subscriber for ove    | Negative          | -0.67            | 0.46 | 0.55  | 0.04    | 0.62    | 0.04 | netflix queue                      | 0.85      |
| 2     | Sometimes when I enter Netflix from C       | Negative          | -0.73            | 0.16 | 0.08  | 0.01    | 0.77    | 0.05 | new movies                         | 0.73      |
| 1     | I canceled my account 11/2018               | Negative          | -0.73            | 0.07 | 0.17  | 0.05    | 0.6     | 0.07 | chat method                        | 0.66      |
| 1     | I originally used to love Netflix, but nov  | Negative          | -0.45            | 0.02 | 0.24  | 0.04    | 0.8     | 0.11 | system crashes                     | 0.88      |
| 5     | Netflix is a great service                  | Positive          | 0.68             | 0.67 | 0.06  | 0.03    | 0.51    | 0.49 | great service                      | 0.76      |
| 4     | I like to watch various series and then a   | Negative          | -0.37            | 0.09 | 0.1   | 0.01    | 0.76    | 0.17 | wide variety                       | 0.83      |
| 5     | Only sometimes, I'll watch a movie and      | Negative          | -0.78            | 0.08 | 0.17  | 0.02    | 0.8     | 0.06 | movie                              | 0.66      |
| 1     | I called in Sept 2019 to ask about a cha    | Negative          | -0.46            | 0.05 | 0.25  | 0.07    | 0.67    | 0.04 | first level tech support           | 0.8       |
| 1     | When I called they said, "You started a     | Negative          | -0.84            | 0.15 | 0.24  | 0.04    | 0.58    | 0.12 | thieves                            | 0.53      |
| 5     | I like Netflix because of the movies they   | Negative          | -0.43            | 0.6  | 0.11  | 0.05    | 0.55    | 0.07 | dvds                               | 0.57      |
| 5     | You can't always find the movies, etc. t    | Negative          | -0.54            | 0.65 | 0.03  | 0.01    | 0.09    | 0.02 | variety                            | 0.71      |
| 5     | I have enjoyed Netflix for more than a      | Positive          | 0.84             | 0.58 | 0.02  | 0.01    | 0.24    | 0.02 | lot of their original offerings    | 0.79      |



# Prime Video Sentiment Analysis

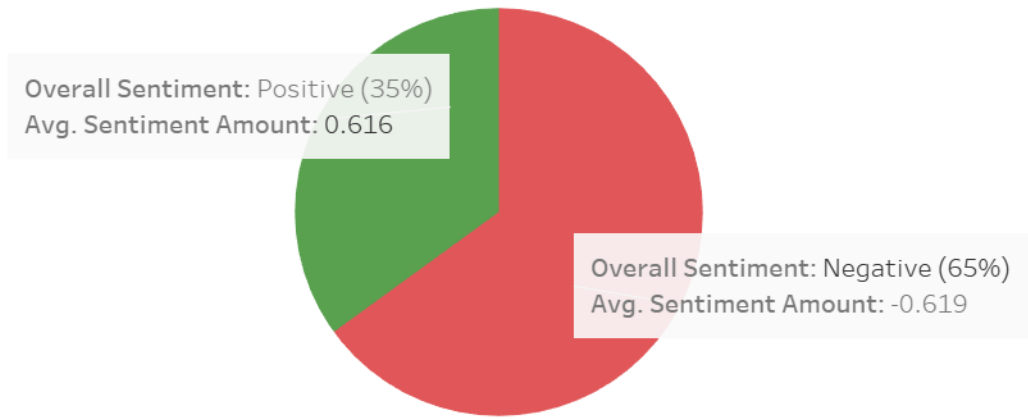
IBM Watson (Natural Language Understanding)

Prime Video Top Rated Customer Complaints (Verified Purchases Only)

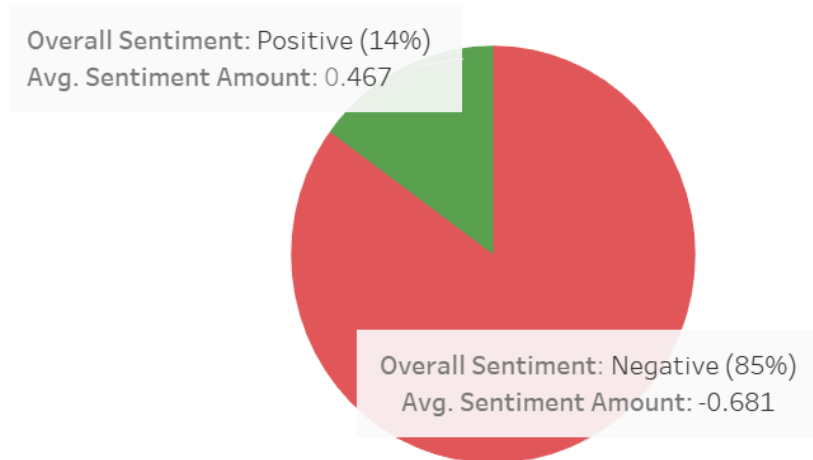
| Stars | Comment                                    | Overall Sentiment | Sentiment Amount | Joy | Anger | Disgust | Sadness | Fear | Most Important Keyword            | Relevance |
|-------|--|-------------------|------------------|-----|-------|---------|---------|------|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| 1     | Pay for the pleasure of being upsold       | Negative          | -0.58            | 0.5 | 0.15  | 0.15    | 0.6     | 0.1  | massive number of terrible movies | 0.81      |
| 2     | It needs to be fixed                       | Negative          | -0.8             | 0.1 | 0.23  | 0.09    | 0.68    | 0.1  | prime video                       | 0.82      |
| 2     | Not enough free movies and rental price    | Negative          | -0.59            | 0.6 | 0.12  | 0.09    | 0.51    | 0.1  | absolute last resource            | 0.87      |
| 2     | Decent content but can't cast it, so what  | Negative          | -0.86            | 0.5 | 0.57  | 0.43    | 0.67    | 0.1  | unimportant xray content          | 0.72      |
| 1     | Tie into imdb! Should be much better. V    | Negative          | -0.78            | 0.1 | 0.59  | 0.11    | 0.66    | 0.1  | poor filtering                    | 0.74      |
| 3     | Could be better                            | Negative          | -0.77            | 0.5 | 0.11  | 0.09    | 0.61    | 0.1  | prime video                       | 0.9       |
| 3     | Not as good as other video services.       | Negative          | -0.69            | 0.6 | 0.07  | 0.05    | 0.24    | 0.1  | good new shows                    | 0.89      |
| 3     | Amazon, grow up and let me use my own      | Negative          | -0.74            | 0.6 | 0.57  | 0.11    | 0.6     | 0.1  | fire stick                        | 0.9       |
| 1     | Worse than literally all of their competi  | Negative          | -0.72            | 0.6 | 0.16  | 0.09    | 0.54    | 0.1  | streaming services                | 0.62      |
| 1     | I Used to Love You :/ But you now stres    | Negative          | -0.77            | 0.5 | 0.15  | 0.07    | 0.62    | 0.1  | unhappy experience                | 0.63      |
| 5     | Good but Netflix & Hulu are better         | Negative          | -0.6             | 0.1 | 0.46  | 0.12    | 0.26    | 0.1  | cheaper period                    | 0.84      |
| 4     | Prime Video has Room for Improvemen        | Negative          | -0.33            | 0.5 | 0.14  | 0.12    | 0.21    | 0.1  | x-ray feature                     | 0.73      |
| 3     | Finish the story line before cancelling th | Negative          | -0.8             | 0.2 | 0.49  | 0.04    | 0.7     | 0.1  | Amazon original series            | 0.88      |
| 4     | NOT ALL THINGS INCLUDED..                  | Positive          | 0.34             | 0.6 | 0.1   | 0.09    | 0.48    | 0.1  | prime video                       | 0.64      |
| 3     | Needs more variety and better app desi     | Negative          | -0.33            | 0.6 | 0.1   | 0.05    | 0.62    | 0.1  | good movies                       | 0.72      |
| 5     | Despite the continued existence of Wish    | Positive          | 0.52             | 0.5 | 0.03  | 0.02    | 0.44    | 0    | orginal content                   | 0.58      |
| 4     | Current TV shows' current and previous     | Positive          | 0.54             | 0.7 | 0.08  | 0.68    | 0.19    | 0.1  | prime video                       | 0.92      |
| 3     | Amazon Prime Video - Constant Band W       | Negative          | -0.81            | 0.1 | 0.16  | 0.04    | 0.63    | 0.1  | amazon channel                    | 0.78      |
| 2     | Do not buy smart TVs with the amazon       | Negative          | -0.71            | 0.6 | 0.14  | 0.07    | 0.61    | 0.1  | smart app of amazon               | 0.7       |
| 3     | Amazon Prime Video Best Up Its Game,       | Negative          | -0.7             | 0.6 | 0.08  | 0.06    | 0.55    | 0    | amazon prime members              | 0.8       |

# Sentiment Analysis of Netflix and Prime Video

Overall Sentiment of Netflix Reviews



Overall Sentiment of Prime Video Reviews



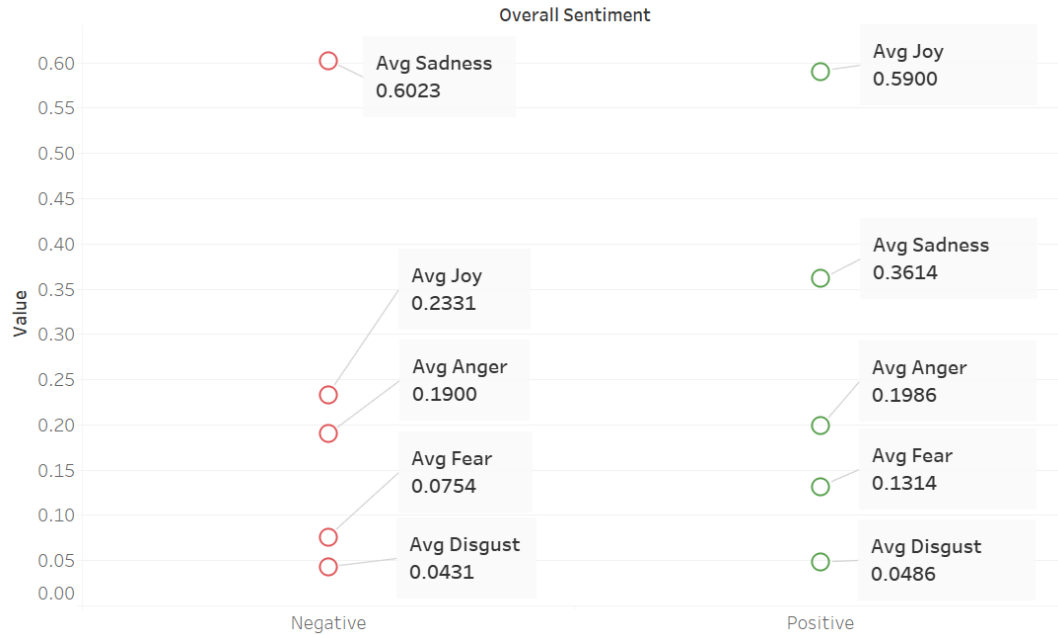
## Key Insights:

- Prime had slightly fewer positive reviews compared to Netflix
  - Average sentiment amount was almost balanced for Netflix.
  - Prime had a higher average negative sentiment (-0.68) and lower average positive sentiment (0.47)
- Most Prominent Keywords linked to a Negative Sentiment
  - Prime Video:
    1. X-ray Feature
    2. Bad Content (movies, shows)
    3. Poor Filtering
  - Netflix:
    1. Tech Support
    2. Customer Service
- Most Prominent Keywords linked to a Positive Sentiment
  - Prime Video:
    1. Original Content
  - Netflix:
    1. Extensive Library
    2. Exclusive Movies (Originals)

# Overall Emotion Analysis of Netflix and Prime Video

## Netflix

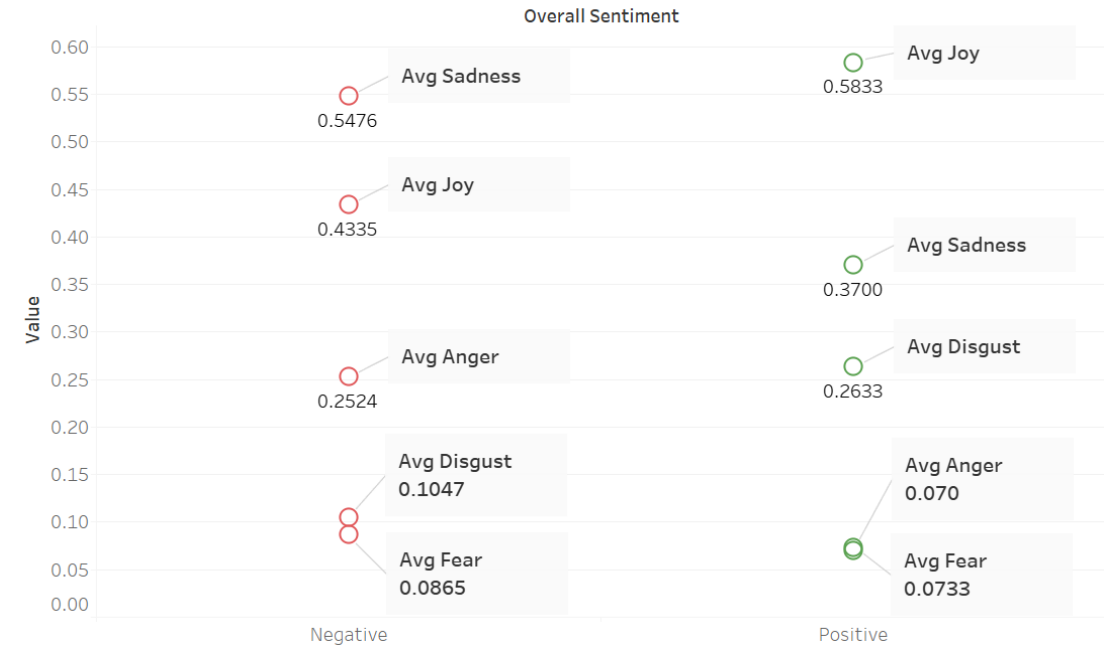
Avg Level of Emotion for Positive and Negative Sentiment



- Avg anger was similar for Positive and Negative Sentiment
- Users seemed to be **more upset than angry** when writing comments (seen with Prime Video as well)
- Both positive and negative sentiments showed low levels of avg disgust
- Netflix and Prime Video's top negative sentiment emotion was sadness and top positive sentiment was joy
- Avg Joy was the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest emotion seen in negative sentiment comments
  - Users complained about support, but still valued its library content

## Prime Video

Avg Level of Emotion for Positive and Negative Sentiment



- Higher avg disgust (0.26) for Positive Sentiment compared to Negative (0.1047)
  - Due to 1 Positive Review which had disgust value of 0.68 which skewed the results
    - After examining the comment it showed no levels of disgust except for joy
- Avg Joy (0.43) for Negative Sentiment was higher than Avg Anger (0.25), Avg Disgust (0.10)
  - Customers despite being upset about certain things, included some positive comments which caused level of 'joy' to be high

# Key Takeaways

- Both Prime Video and Netflix are spending vast amounts of money for tv show and movie content.
  - Netflix is spending almost twice as much as Prime Video
  - This extreme content investment is due to the rising streaming competition that is no longer Prime Video, but includes Hulu, Disney, Warner Media, NBC Universal, HBO now
- Be wary when using IBM Watson – Natural Language Understanding (NLU) for emotion analysis
  - Results sometimes did not reflect correct emotion from content (e.g. customer reviews)
- Quantity vs Quality Consideration
  - Prime Video offers significantly more TV Shows and Movies than Netflix, however many are considered 'old', 'B-rated' and unheard of
  - Netflix has had a drastic decline in # of movies offered, but has made up by offering vast 'Netflix Originals' that appeal to various audiences across different countries
  - Prime Video is competing by offering more original shows and movies (e.g. Jack Ryan, The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel, Fleabag, Red Oaks)
  - Recommendation system for Netflix helps with movie/show selection better than Prime, however, people still find it difficult to choose something due to extensive content
- From demographics data (age and gender) both platforms must ensure UI/UX is meeting user's standards across all age groups
- Netflix is not doing as well as Prime Video to satisfy customer complains (they removed Customer Complaint page in 2018 since many were not using it)
  - No place for users to voice concerns/feedback
  - Inadequate customer service support

## **Moving Forward for Final Project- Hulu vs Netflix to consider additionally:**

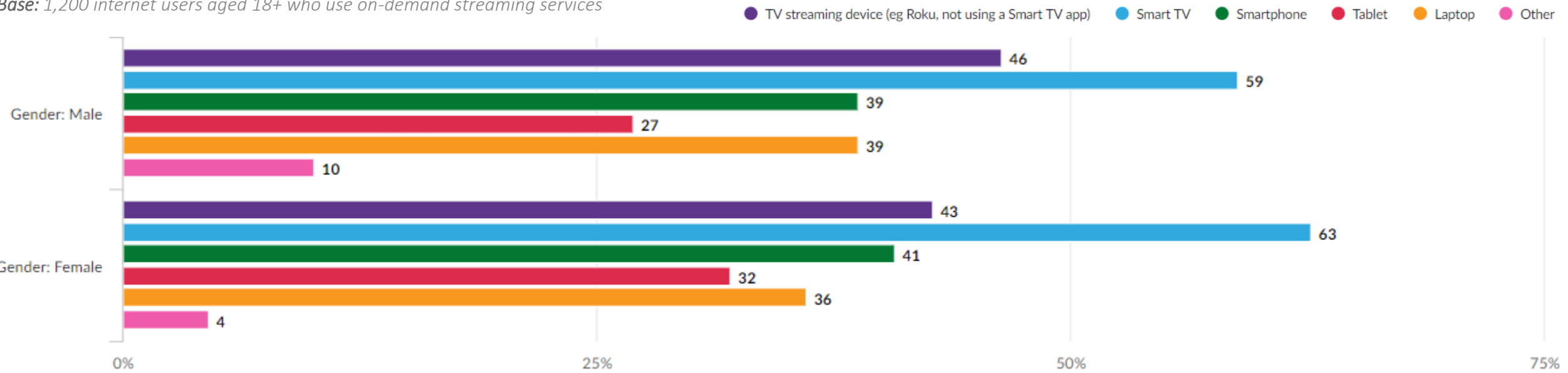
- Conduct extensive social media analysis + Sentiment Analysis
  - Crawl Twitter [Tweet Deck], Acquire >1000 Customer Reviews to get a more representative sample
- Comparison of Ad Spend for both platforms
- Amazon Prime Video didn't have any data, but Netflix does (so does Hulu) therefore, comparative analysis couldn't be conducted
  - Calculate ROI, Costs (Ad Spender), Reach
- Financial Analysis (might be difficult for Hulu since it is not public)

# Appendix

Figure 1

Which devices do you use to watch the following types of video entertainment? Please select all that apply. On-demand streaming service (e.g. Netflix, Amazon Prime)

Base: 1,200 internet users aged 18+ who use on-demand streaming services



# Appendix

## Data Sources Used

1. Alpha Sense
2. Netflix Website
3. Amazon Prime Video Website
4. Articles
5. Tech Websites (Variety, Tech Crunch)
6. IBM Watson – Natural Language Understanding
7. UCI Libraries
  - Ad Spender
  - Mintel
  - IBIS World

- <https://www.statista.com/statistics/250934/quarterly-number-of-netflix-streaming-subscribers-worldwide/>
- <https://research.alpha-sense.com/>
- <https://techcrunch.com/2019/08/22/hulu-and-amazon-prime-video-chip-away-at-netflixs-dominance/>
- <https://www.adweek.com/tv-video/hulu-and-amazon-prime-video-are-gaining-on-netflix-in-the-streaming-wars/>
- <https://www.finder.com/global-netflix-library-totals>
- <https://www.amazon.com/Movies-Prime-Eligible-Video/s>
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- [https://www.consumeraffairs.com/entertainment/netflix.html?page=3#sort=top\\_reviews&filter=none](https://www.consumeraffairs.com/entertainment/netflix.html?page=3#sort=top_reviews&filter=none)
- <https://natural-language-understanding-demo.ng.bluemix.net/>
- <https://www.emarketer.com/content/us-media-and-entertainment-digital-ad-spending-2019>
- <https://www.androidauthority.com/amazon-prime-vs-netflix-1005748/>
- <https://www.businessinsider.com/netflix-movie-catalog-size-has-gone-down-since-2010-2018-2>

An abstract graphic featuring a dark gray background. In the center, there are several overlapping circles. Two large, light blue circles overlap each other, with the text "THANK YOU" centered in their intersection. These are surrounded by a larger, semi-transparent light gray circle. On the left and right sides, there are two overlapping teal-colored circles. The overall composition is symmetrical and modern.

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