



Voice of Thai consumers from INTAGE (Thailand) Co., Ltd.

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When Consumer said "I'm not OK!!!!"

Comment

In this digital area, hot issues are easily shared unlimitedly via many means which quickly leads to both positive and negative consequences. In order to manage the 'social discussion content', brands must understand consumers' expectation.



Based on 190 samples in Greater Bangkok, **INTAGE Thailand** found that most consumers are willing to share their own opinions or suggestion after service experience. Their aims are to help other consumers aware of the service quality as well as to reflect satisfaction to the business for improvement.

Besides expecting good and high quality of products & service, consumers also expect the brand to run business with ethic as well.



Reason for stop using service in each industry

Category Reason	Retail/ Wholesale	
Poor quality/ under-standard product	57% (M 30-45 y/o)	
Take advantage from employee/ stakeholder	35% (30-45 y/o)	
Not impressive service/ aftersales-service	34% (F 18-29 y/o) 31% F 30-45 y/o)	
Not respect disabled, elderly people	53% (46-60 y/o)	

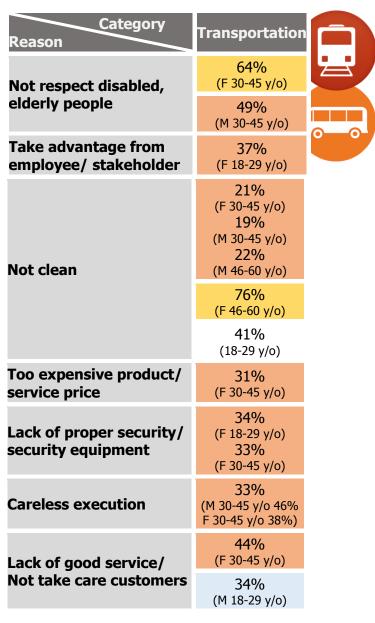
Category Foods and Reason beverages 56% (M 46-60 y/o) **Exaggerated** advertisement 26% (All 18-29 y/o) 41% Not clean (F 46-60 y/o) 27% Too expensive (M 30-45 y/o. product/ service price F 46-60 y/o) Not respect disabled, 72% elderly people (F 46-60 y/o)

Permanently stop using

Stop using until improving

Acceptable

So-so



Category Reason	Travel/Hotel
Not clean	65% (F)
Too expensive product/ service price	47% (All)
Lack of good service/	47% (M/F)
Not take care customers	44% (F)
Places/ Facilities do not have good quality	54% (All)

Category Reason	Fashion
Not impressive service/ aftersales-service	34% (AB)
	47% (All)
Exaggerated advertisement	53% (46-60ปี) 55% (F 46-60ปี)
Too expensive product/ service price	43% (All)



HOTEL

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The study highlights that consumers aged 18-29 years old are easier to accept the poor quality service than the older groups. On the other hand, 30-60 years old consumers take the issue more seriously and intend to stop using that service until it shows the significant improvement. Moreover, they can stop using the service permanently if those particular service do not improve to satisfy them. Below are key expectations from brands to take measures after particular problems.



Establish improving measure to solve unsatisfied issues



Set proper punishment to related group



Give compensated things/ discount vouchers/ refund on particular product or service



Interestingly, there are difference in reactions to the problems between males and females. The latter group tends to share the situations with their social friends on Facebook and Line while males prefer to verbally talk with their friends.



The study also notes the importance of standard service quality in every touchpoint of consumers' journey. Although the younger consumers are less sensitive to the quality and standard of product & service than the adult consumers, their feedback can tremendously cause negative effect on brands' reputation. They tend to shout louder in the social media and more often. Therefore, it is essential that brands can provide a proper channel to listen to their voice.

Apart from the real-time crisis management readiness, brands must rethink about its ethic and social responsibility policy as consumers expect brands to be more caring to people especially among the 'voiceless and minority' groups. While brands must meet consumers' expectation on functional factors, they have to also think more on spiritual or 'human' factors which have becoming more important these days.

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