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The most cherished aspects about the holy month of Ramadan are the spirituality and gatherings with loved ones



32%Spirituality



15% Family and social gatherings



14% Fasting



11%
Tarawih prayers



11%

Iftar meal



9%Ramadan's atmosphere



5%
Reciting the Quran



2%
Charity and good deeds





During Ramadan, people center their attention on spiritual matters and charitable acts



87%

Take Ramadan as a time of deep spiritual reflection and increased religious devotion



83%

Focus more on spirituality during Ramadan

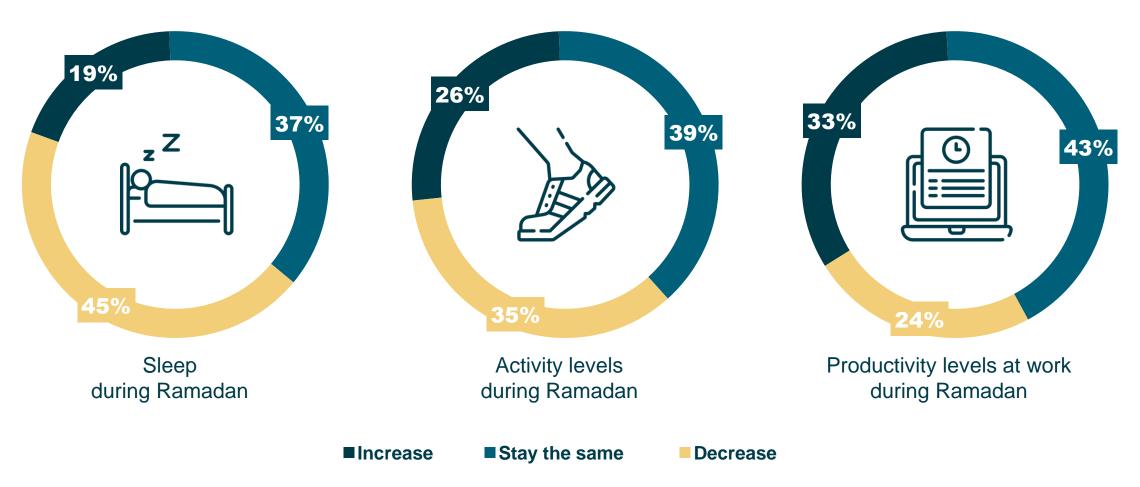


80%

Believe Ramadan is about engaging in acts of charity



Experiences with sleep, activity and productivity vary between individuals





Sleep, activity and productivity

% Increase

19%

21%

16%

30%

15%

13%

17%

16%

20%

19%

Sleep during Ramadan

49%

44%

44%

18%

19%

31%

By demographics

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madan	Activity levels d	luring Ramadan	Productivity levels at	work during Ramadan
% Decrease	% Increase	% Decrease	% Increase	% Decrease
45%	26%	35%	33%	24%
46%	27%	36%	27%	26%
44%	25%	34%	39%	21%
27%	35%	25%	47%	27%
43%	28%	41%	33%	25%
52%	27%	38%	31%	27%
52%	20%	35%	27%	19%

42%

35%

33%

25%

31%

36%



27%

26%

22%



Male

Female

18 - 24

25 - 34

35 - 44

45+

Upper Income Middle Income

Lower Income

With most individuals reminiscing about past Ramadans, people prioritize spending time with family during the holy month



94%

Spend more time with family than with friends during Ramadan



78%

Feel that Ramadan evokes a sense of nostalgia, taking them back to cherished family times



Yet, many feel that family gatherings are not what they used to be in the past and sense a change in the Ramadan Spirit



60%
Believe the spirit of Ramadan doesn't feel as strong as it did in the past

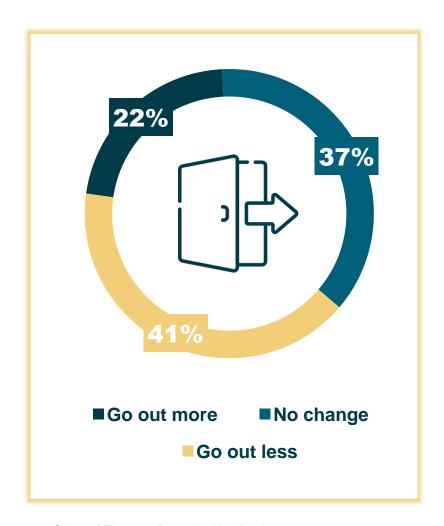


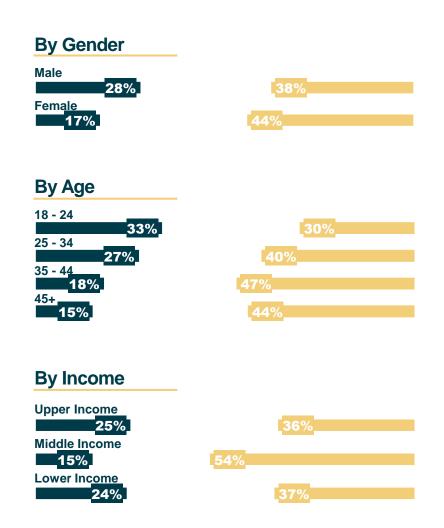
51%

Feel that nowadays, fewer people gather around the iftar table as compared to the past



Therefore, 2 in 5 people go out less In Ramadan







As people spend time indoors, they decorate their personal spaces



72%
Decorate their house

during Ramadan



51%

Believe that decorating and creating a festive atmosphere at home is an essential part of Ramadan customs





People perceive Ramadan as a period of health awareness and a time to reset their bodies



74% Consider Ramadan an opportunity to reset their body

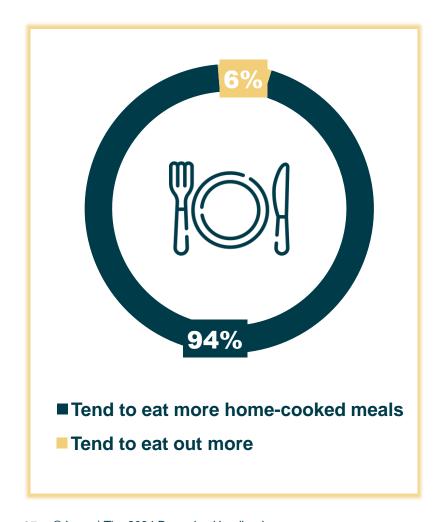


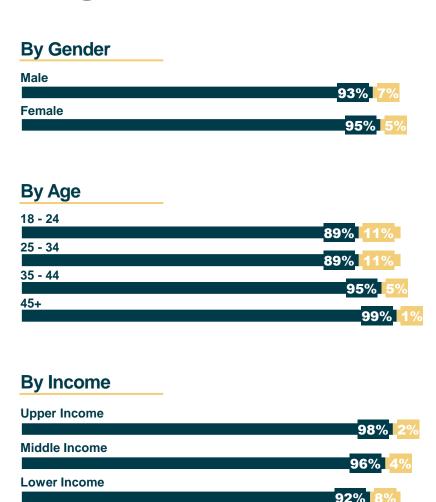
74%

Consider Ramadan as a period of physical discipline and health consciousness



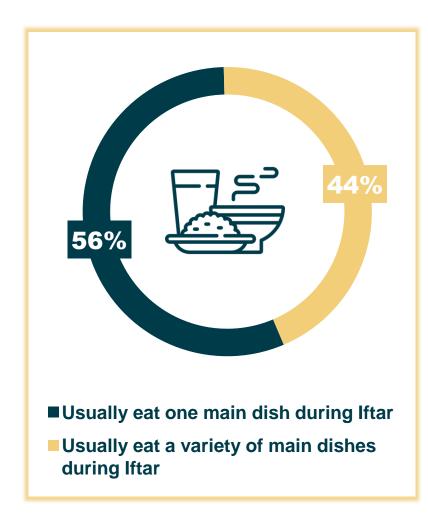
The vast majority tend to favor home-cooked meals over eating out during Ramadan







Around 3 in 5 individuals eat one main dish for lftar, where the meal usually starts with dates, followed by appetizers





78%

Always break their fast with dates



81%

Have appetizers everyday at Iftar



The majority observe Suhoor and people commonly snack after Iftar



76%
Have Suhoor on most nights



76%
Usually have snacks after Iftar



While 3 in 5 people eat healthy snacks after lftar, 2 in 5 have unhealthy snacks



62%
Have healthy snacks after Iftar



40%
Have unhealthy snacks after Iftar



Snacking behaviour during Ramadan

By demographics



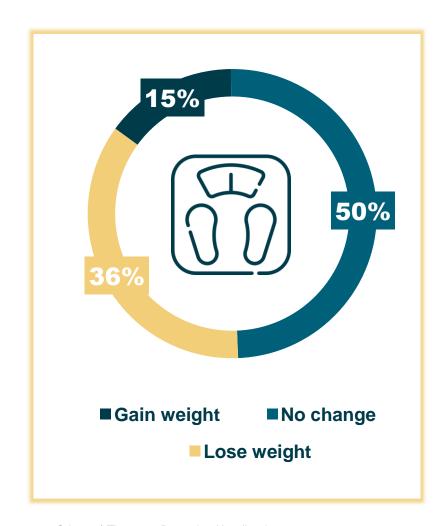


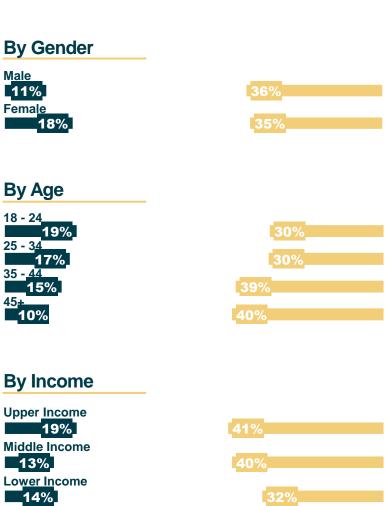


	Usually have snacks after Iftar	Have healthy snacks after Iftar	Have unhealthy snacks after Iftar
	76%	62 %	40%
Male	81%	70%	34%
Female	71%	52%	45%
18 – 24	89%	66%	58%
25 - 34	82%	60%	54%
35 - 44	76%	66%	32%
45+	65%	58%	25%
Upper Income	79%	58%	42%
Middle Income	72%	58%	39%
Lower Income	77%	64%	39%



1 in 2 maintain their weight during Ramadan and almost 2 in 5 lose weight

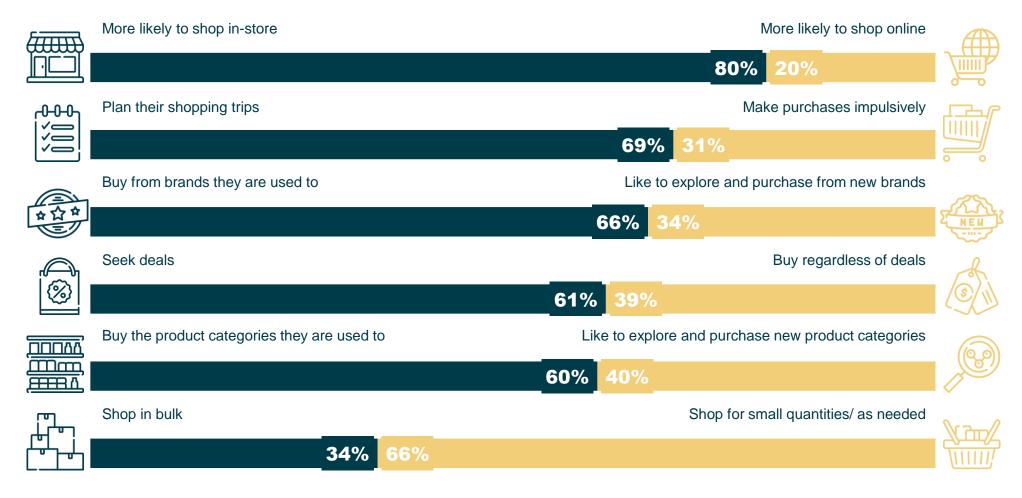








Shoppers in Ramadan tend to be more calculated; mainly planning purchases, deal hunting and sticking to familiar brands and product categories





Types of shoppers during Ramadan

By demographics



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	More likely to shop in-store	More likely to shop online	Plan their shopping trips	Make purchases impulsively	Buy from brands they are used to	Explore new brands	Seek deals	Buy regardless of deals	Buy product categories they are used to	Explore new product categories	Shop in bulk	Shop for small quantities
	80%	20%	69%	31%	66%	34%	61%	39%	60%	40%	34%	66%
Male	85%	15%	66%	34%	66%	34%	58%	42%	63%	37%	35%	65%
Female	75%	25%	73%	27%	66%	34%	65%	35%	57%	43%	33%	67%
18 – 24	75%	25%	70%	30%	63%	37%	74%	26%	52%	48%	45%	55%
25 - 34	71%	29%	68%	32%	65%	35%	55%	45%	54%	46%	40%	60%
35 - 44	85%	15%	67%	33%	69%	31%	61%	39%	54%	46%	36%	64%
45+	85%	15%	71%	29%	66%	34%	59%	41%	71%	29%	23%	77%
Upper Income	82%	18%	71%	29%	71%	29%	55%	45%	59%	41%	33%	67%
Middle Income	72%	28%	70%	30%	53%	47%	58%	42%	56%	44%	39%	61%
Lower Income	82%	18%	69%	31%	70%	30%	64%	36%	62%	38%	32%	68%



Some shoppers look forward to Ramadan's special offers and others even postpone big purchases to benefit from the discounts



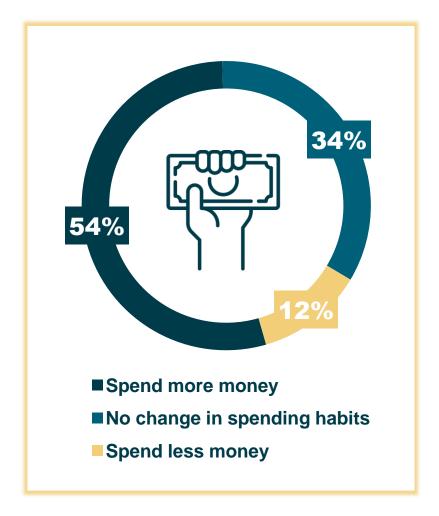
30%
Look forward to Ramadan's special offers and promotions each year

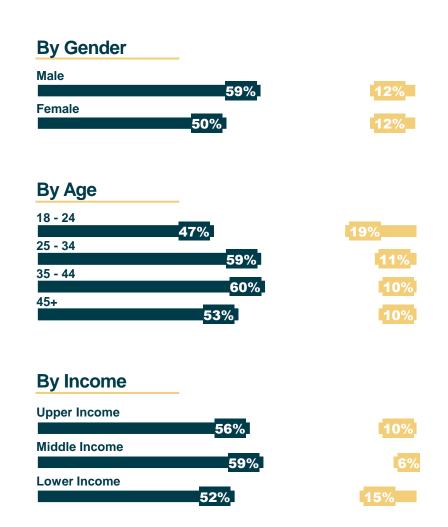


30%
Delay big-ticket purchases until Ramadan to benefit from its special offers



Around half end up spending more money during Ramadan

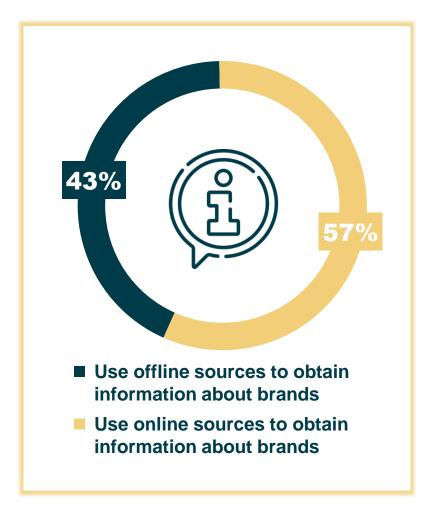


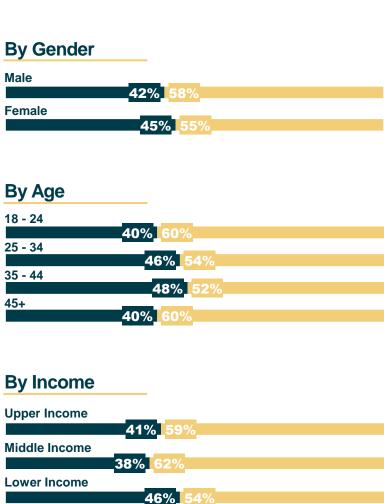






6 in 10 use online sources for brand information during Ramadan







The most used source for brand information is social media platforms



32%Social media platforms



15%
Directly at the physical store/ outlet



13% Word of mouth



10% Online advertisements



8%



5%
Company/brand
websites



5%
Billboards and outdoor advertisements



3%
Online reviews and ratings



2% E-commerce platforms



2%Blogs/Forums/
Online communities



1% Influencers



1% Newspapers



1% Email newsletters subscriptions

Main sources used to obtain information about brands

Top sources – By demographics



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	Social media platforms	Directly at the physical store/ outlet	Word of mouth	Online advertisements	TV	Company/brand websites	Billboards and outdoor advertisements
	32%	15%	13%	10%	8%	5%	5%
Male	33%	18%	11%	12%	8%	4%	3%
Female	32%	13%	16%	9%	8%	5%	7%
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People feel there's an ad overload in Ramadan leading to the perception that it has become more commercialized over the years



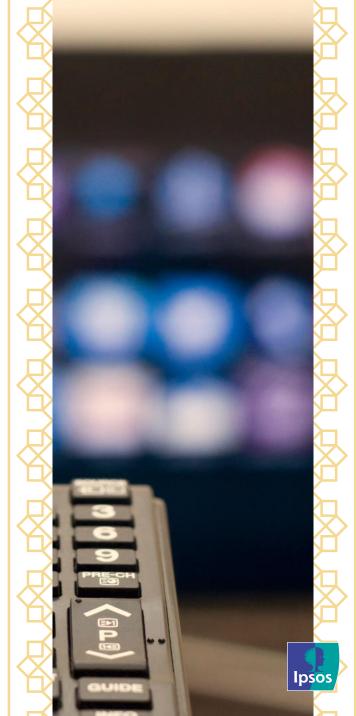
74%

Believe there are too many ads during Ramadan



62%

Feel that Ramadan has become more commercialized over the years



2 in 5 admit to being influenced by Ramadan ads to make purchases, while 3 in 10 mention the memorability of advertising brands



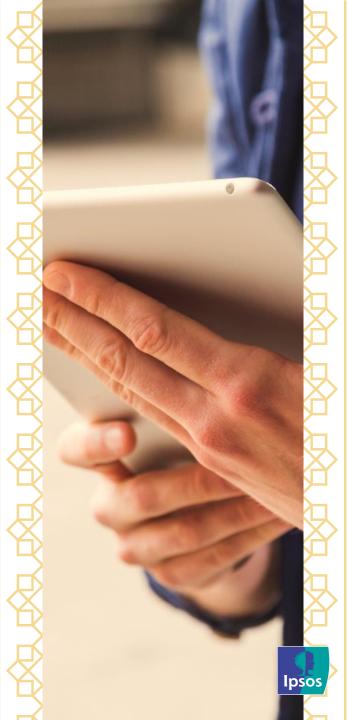
37%

Have previously purchased a product based on an ad they saw during Ramadan



28%

Are more likely to remember brands that advertise during Ramadan



Attitudes towards ads and commercialization during Ramadan

By demographics









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Lower Income	70%	58%	36%	29%





The diverse Ramadan personas - each with unique attitudes and behaviours during the holy month



28%
The Passionate Shopper



20%
The Social
Connector



19%
The Content
Explorer



18%
The Festive
Spirit



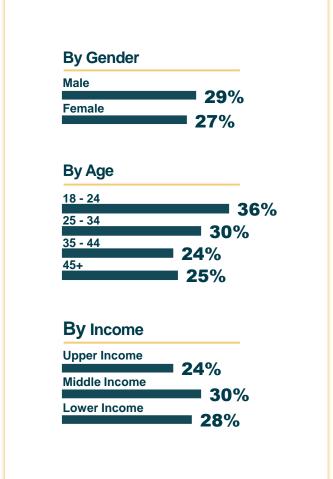
15%
The Self
Nurturer



Who is the Passionate Shopper? (28%)

A shopping lover who indulges in the busy markets and attractive deals during Ramadan





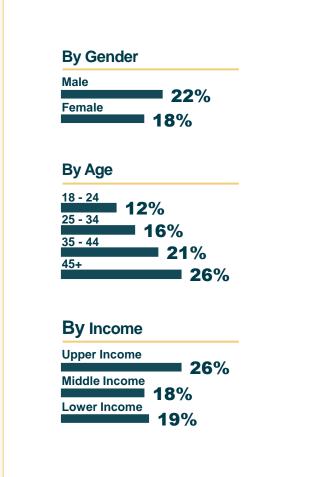


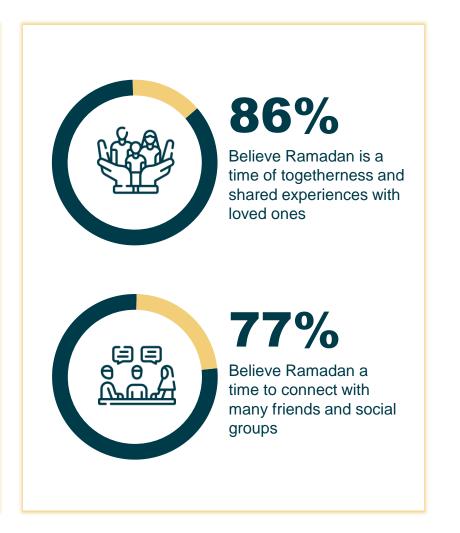
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Who is the Social Connector? (20%)

A social butterfly cherishing shared experiences and connections during Ramadan with family, friends and the community





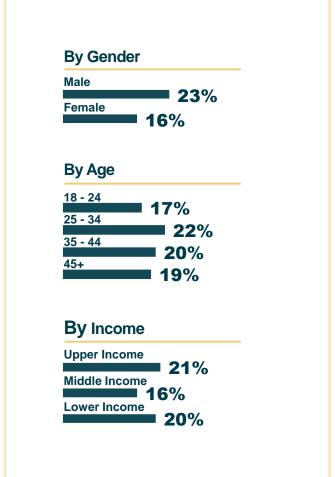


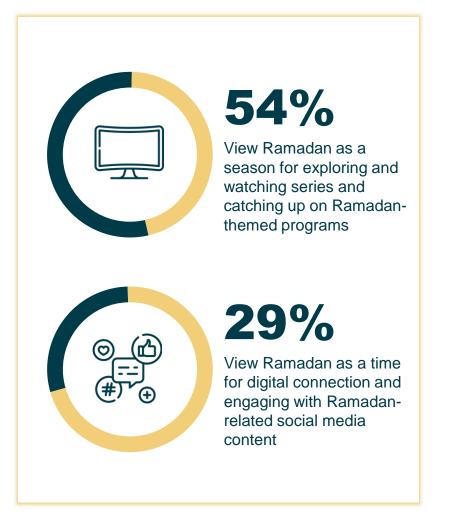
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Who is the Content Explorer? (19%)

A digital enthusiast who engages deeply with Ramadan-related programs and content on social media





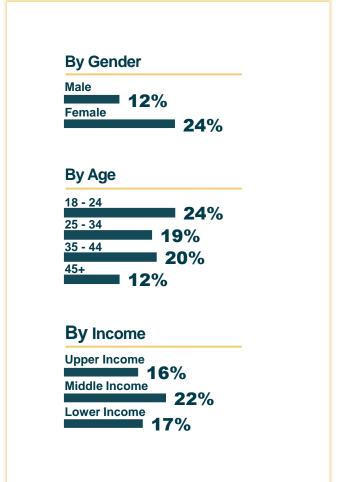


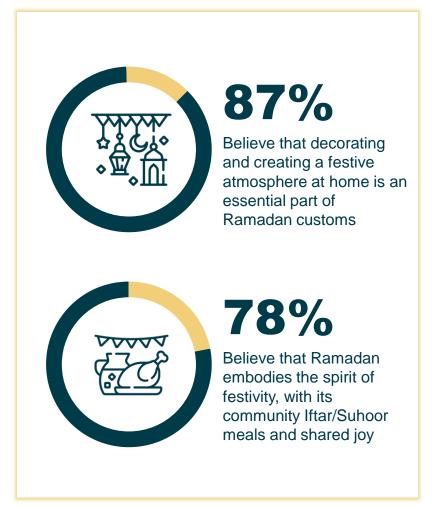
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Who is the Festive Spirit? (18%)

A person who creates a festive atmosphere around them and enjoys the traditions of Ramadan







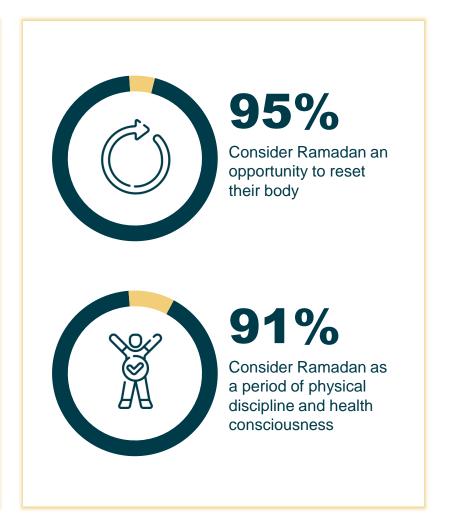
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Who is the Self Nurturer? (15%)

A person who sees Ramadan as a time not only for spiritual growth but also physical well-being and health consciousness









Only 15% of individuals have plans to travel during Eid, mainly domestically



15%

Plan on traveling during the Eid holiday



11%

Plan on having a staycation



4%

Plan on traveling internationally



Travel plans during the Eid holiday

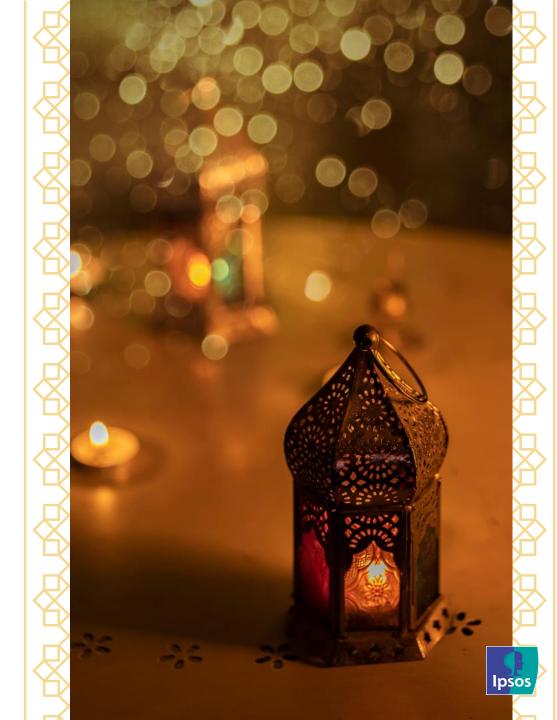
By demographics

	Plan on traveling during the Eid holiday	Plan on having a staycation	Plan on traveling internationally
	15%	11%	4%
Male	18%	13%	5%
Female	12%	8%	3%
18 – 24	22%	15%	8%
25 - 34	21%	18%	4%
35 - 44	14%	9%	4%
45+	8%	5%	2%
Upper Income	19%	11%	7%
Middle Income	12%	11%	1%
Lower Income	15%	11%	5%



Methodological notes

- 500 Online Interviews
- Nationally Representative
- Males & Females
- 18 Years & Above
- Nationwide Coverage



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