

The Affluent Outlook, 2016



IPSOS AFFLUENT SURVEY

AFFLUENT USA



Media and Consumer Insights Survey



The Longest-Running, Most Widely-Used Study of Affluents

Unless otherwise noted, all data in this deck are among Affluents: \$100K+ HHI



- 39 consecutive years; 250+ subscribers
- N=15,267 Affluents (adults 18+ with \$100K+ HHI)
- Extensive re-contact capabilities
- Quarterly Ipsos Affluent Barometer
- Complementary studies in 50 additional countries



Extensive survey content includes...

MEDIA



- 8 radio networks
- 11 streaming services
- 12 social networks
- 38 advertising touchpoints

- 102 television networks
- 105 independent websites
- 150 printed publications
- 300+ media brands measured cross-platform**

LIFESTYLE



- 12 public activities participated
- 16 major sports involved in
- 47 planned life events
- 50 types of video content watched

- 81 sports and leisure activities
- 134 psychographic statements
- 1,400+ brands measured

MARKETPLACE



- Age, gender, education
- Ethnicity & culture
- Household composition
- Marital status

- Household & personal incomes
- Net worth and liquid assets
- Occupation, title, industry
- Plus many more

Key
Take-Aways
from 2015

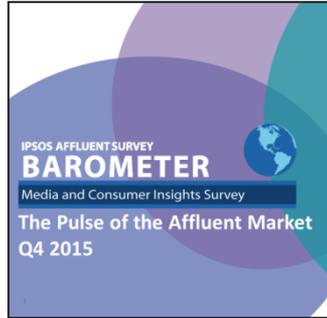
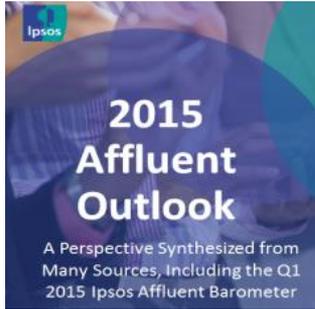


Our
Perspective
on 2016

Janus: Two-headed Roman God of doorways
and beginnings; namesake of January



Insights Throughout 2015



White Papers



POV Forums



Looking Ahead to 2016: Affluent Outlook ~ Q1 Ipsos Affluent Barometer ~ March IAS release



**"PREDICTION IS VERY DIFFICULT,
ESPECIALLY IF IT'S ABOUT
THE FUTURE."**

ATTRIBUTED TO **NIELS BOHR**

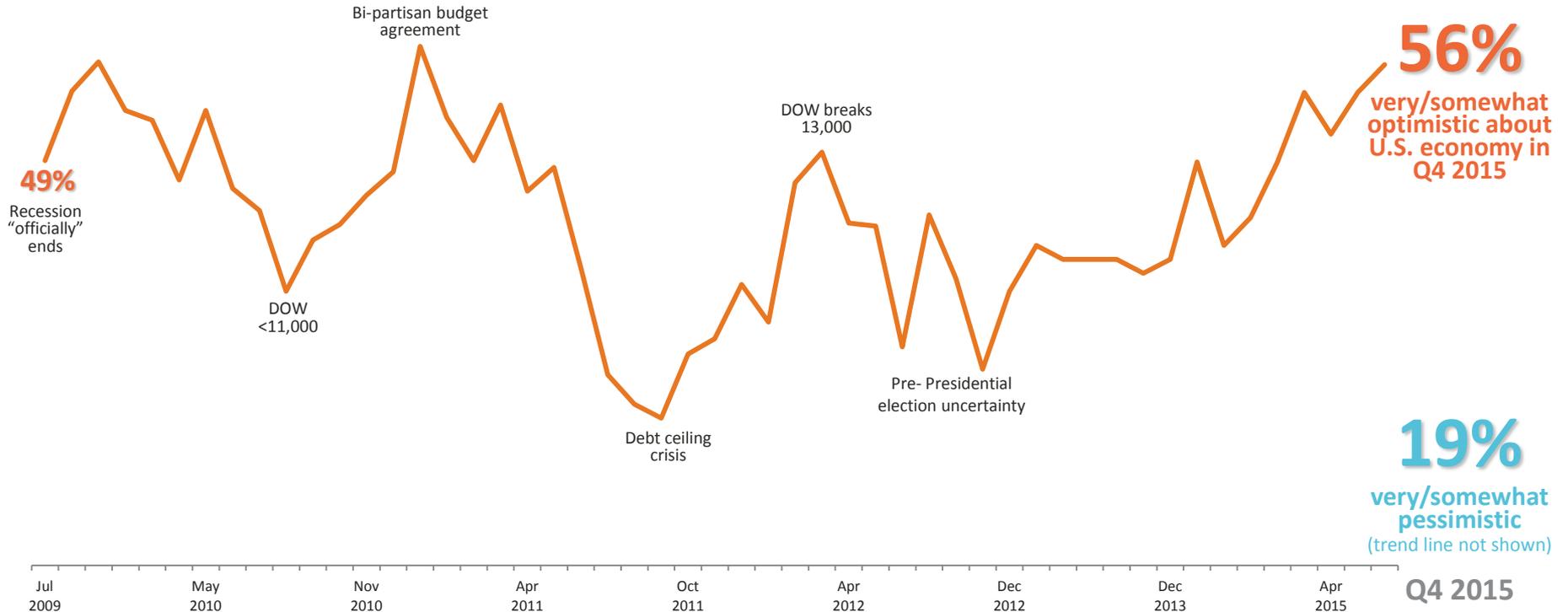
"If I could predict the future like that, I'd be at the race track." Keith Kraus

Retrospective: The Evolution of the Affluent Mindset

<h2>2013</h2> <p>Restarting the engine</p>	<h2>2014</h2> <p>Expansion without dilution</p>	<h2>2015</h2> <p>Maintaining momentum</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ↑ +6% population growth ↑ HHI & net worth ↑ Discretionary spending ↑ Charitable giving ↑ Boldness & influence ↑ Pre-purchase research 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • +8% population growth • Income, spending and influence remained stable or rose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q1: Aggressive investment attitude • Q2: Engagement with leisure up • Q3: Auto purchase intentions up 2-3X vs. 2013



Q4 2015: Affluent Optimism About Economy Hits Five Year High



Source: Ipsos Affluent Barometer

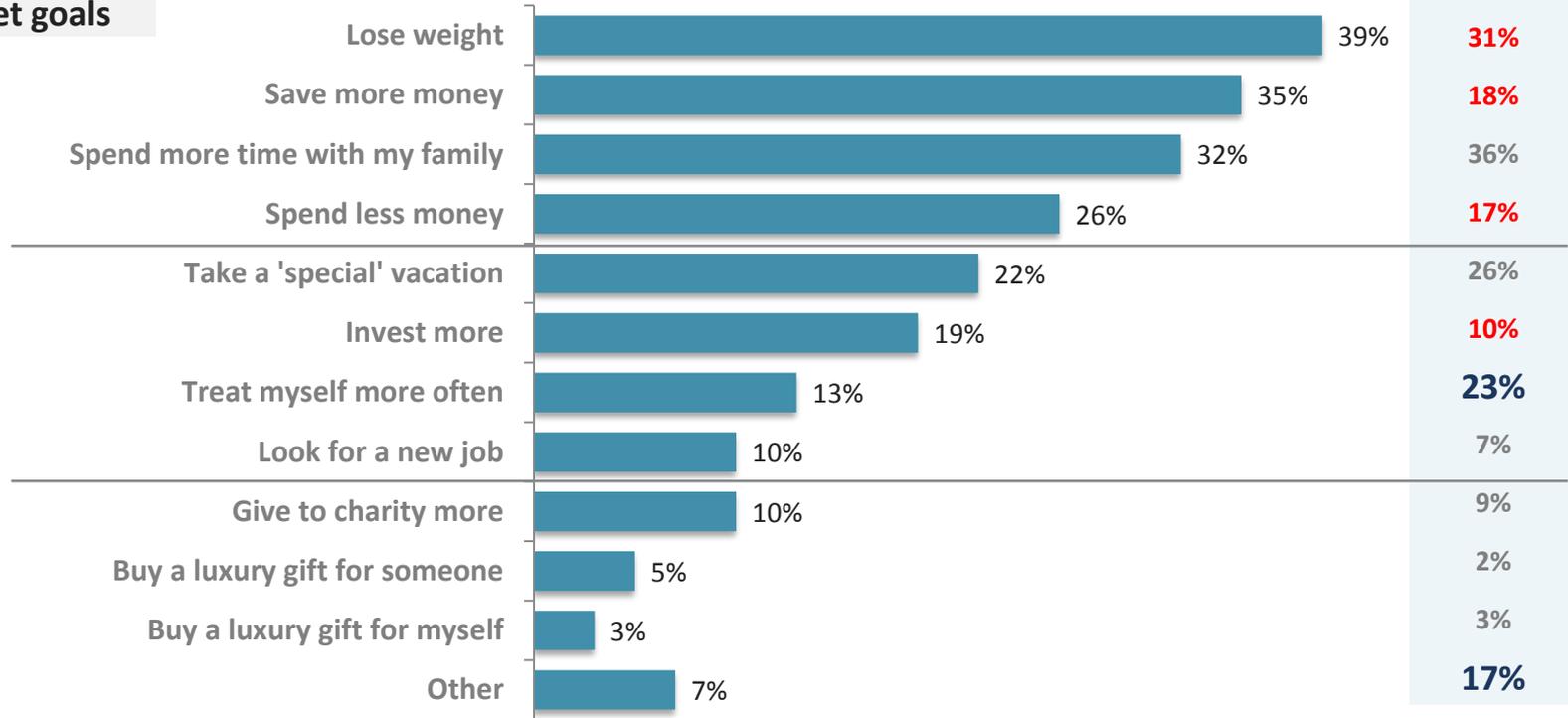
But... investment aggressiveness moderates, holiday spending intentions flat



Losing Weight & Saving Money Top Lists of Resolutions (again)

77% made a resolution or set goals

Which of the following are among your goals or resolutions for 2016?

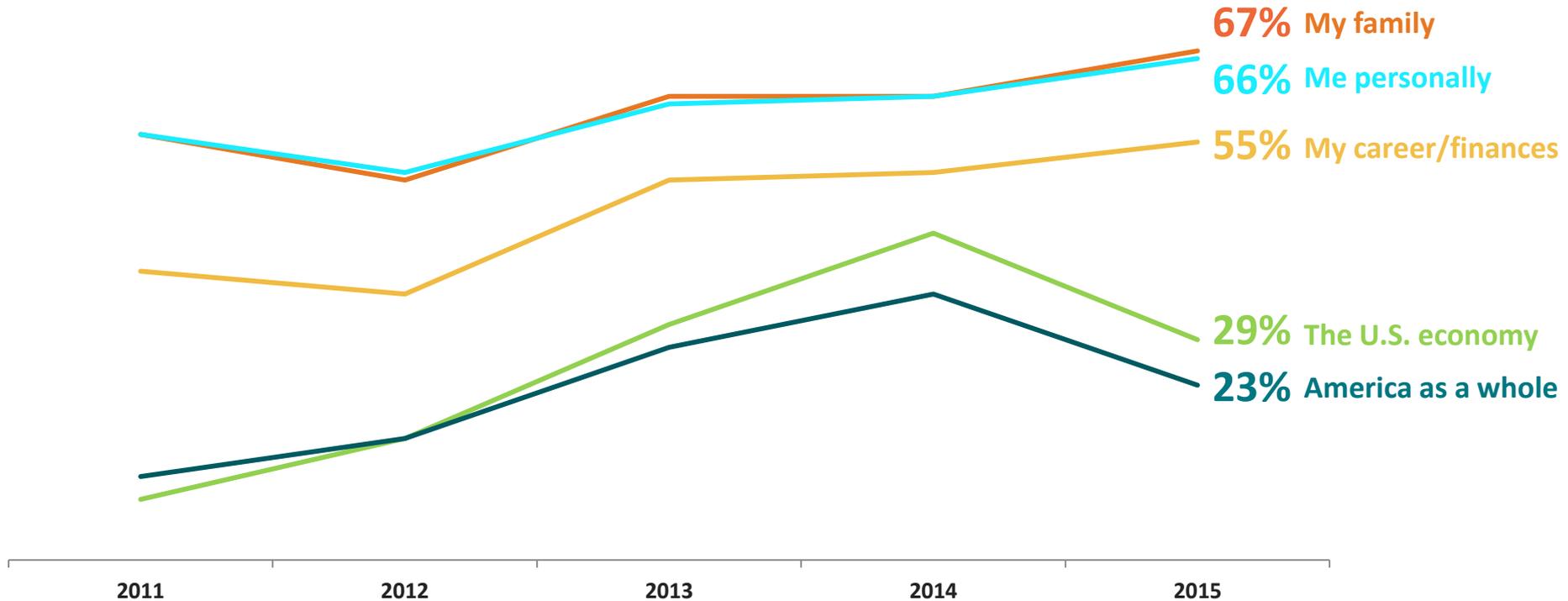


Source: Ipsos Affluent Barometer

8 No significant changes from previous years

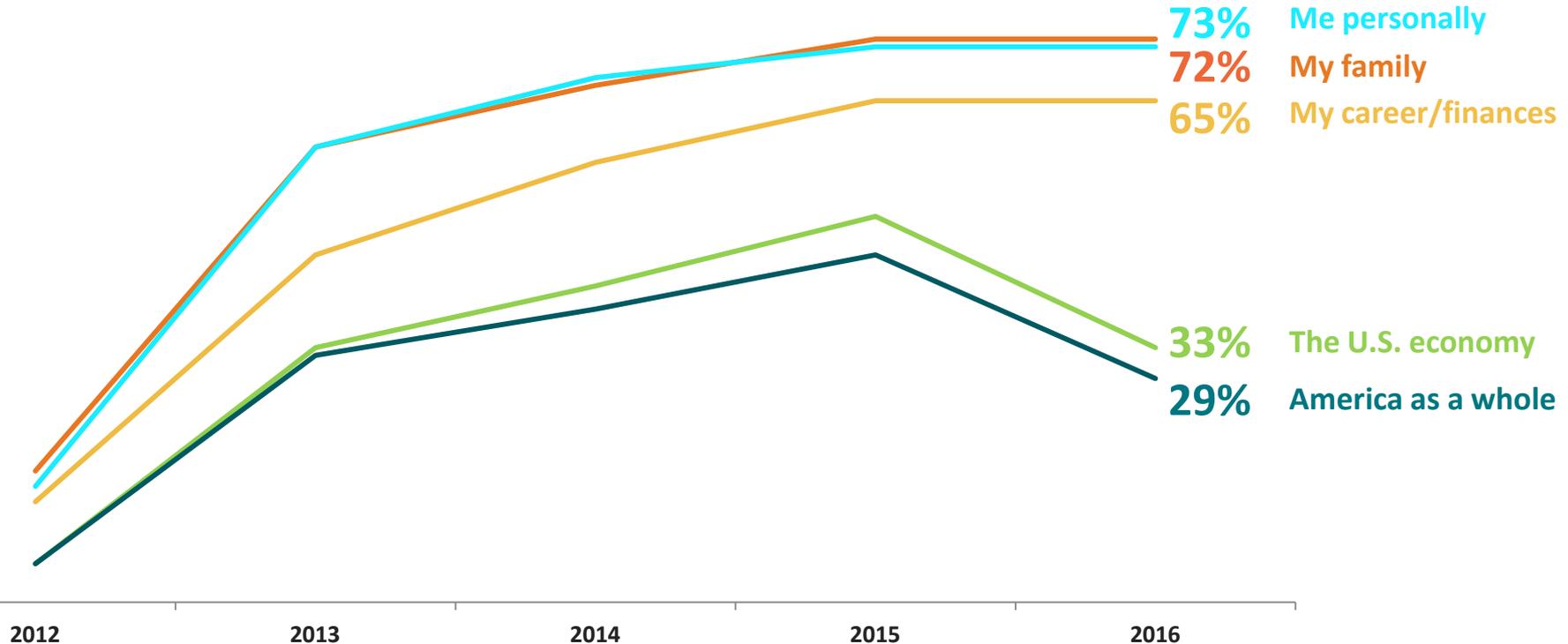
In Retrospect, Affluents Considered 2015 a Mixed Bag

The past year was good for...



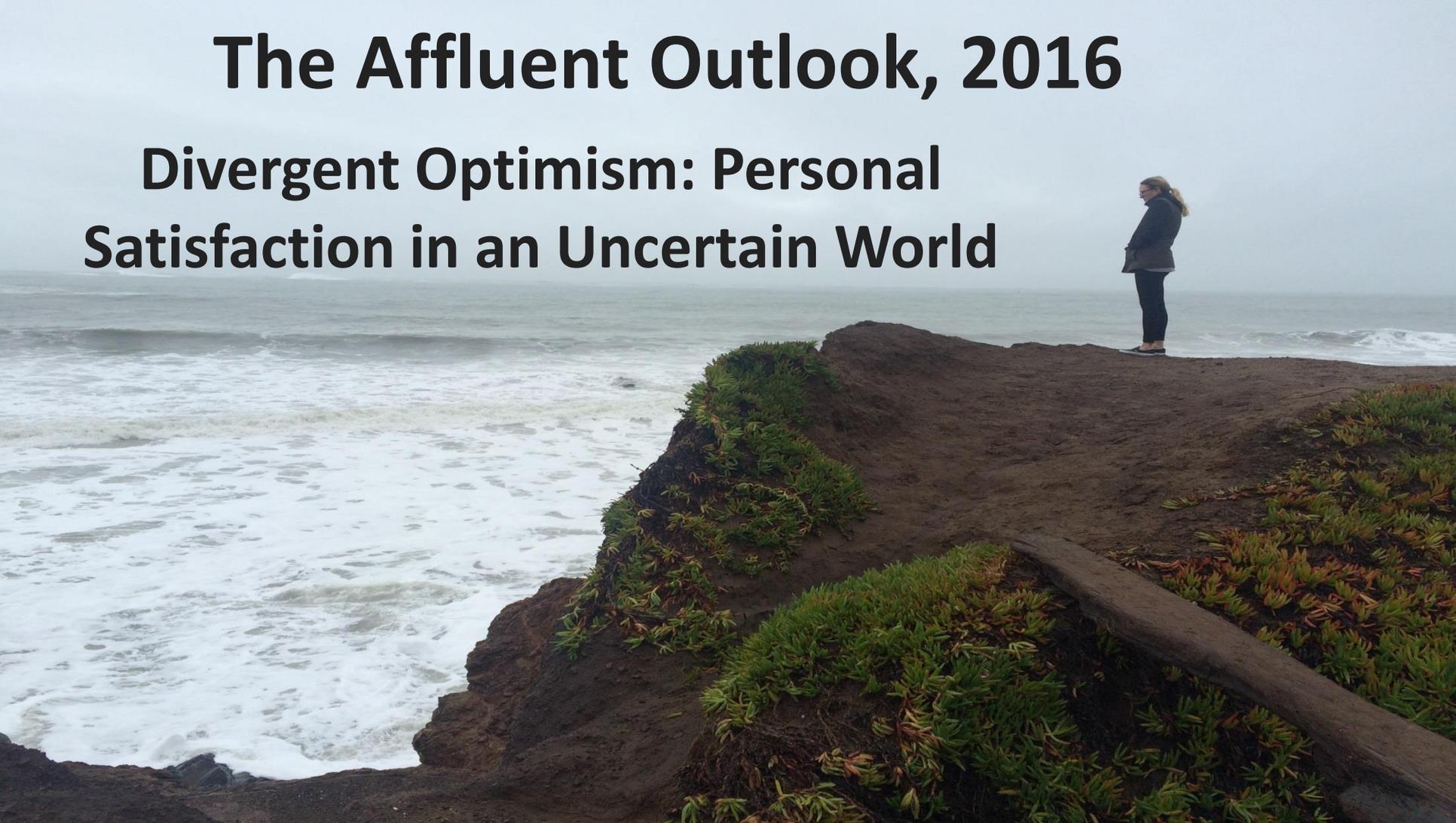
Divergent Optimism: Micro-Hope & Macro-Unease

I believe this upcoming year will be good for...



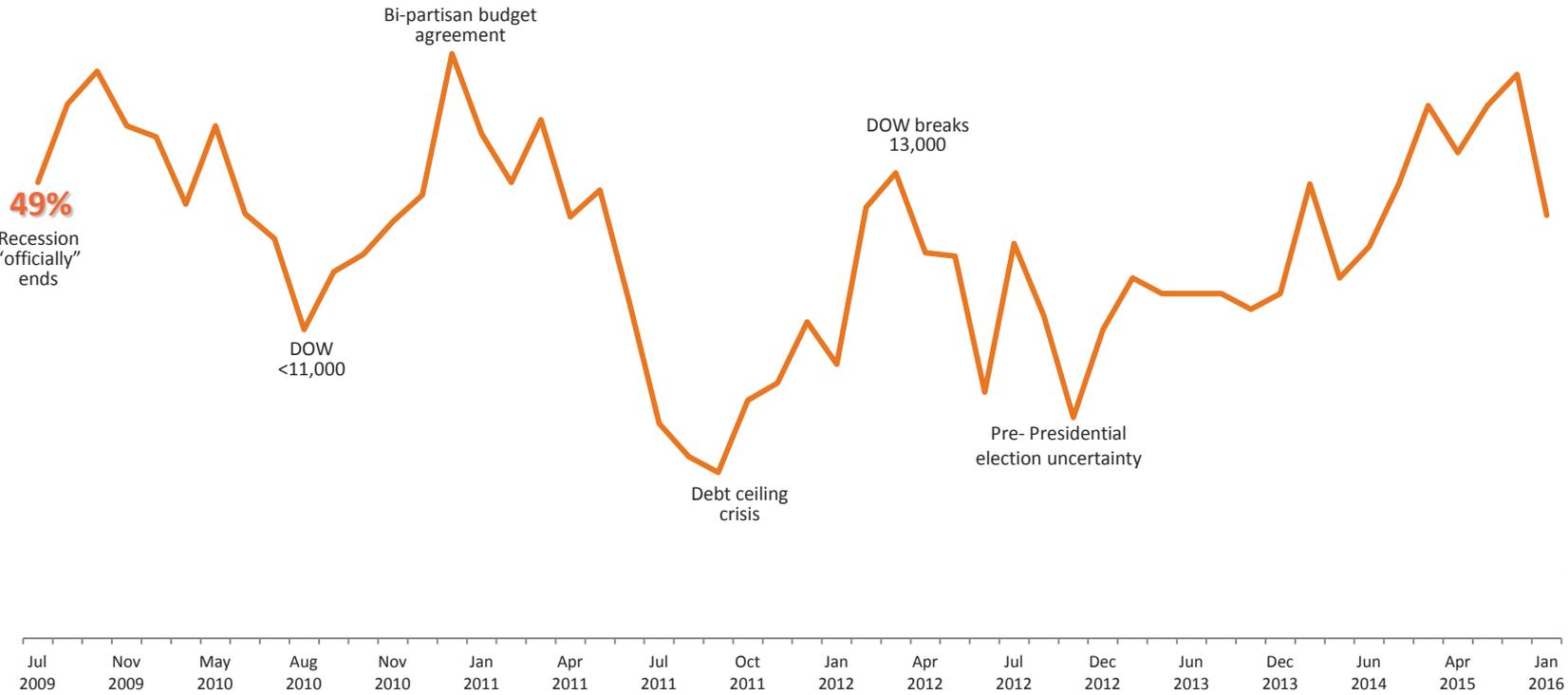
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Divergent Optimism: Personal Satisfaction in an Uncertain World





Q1 2016: Economic Optimism Tumbles Nine Points



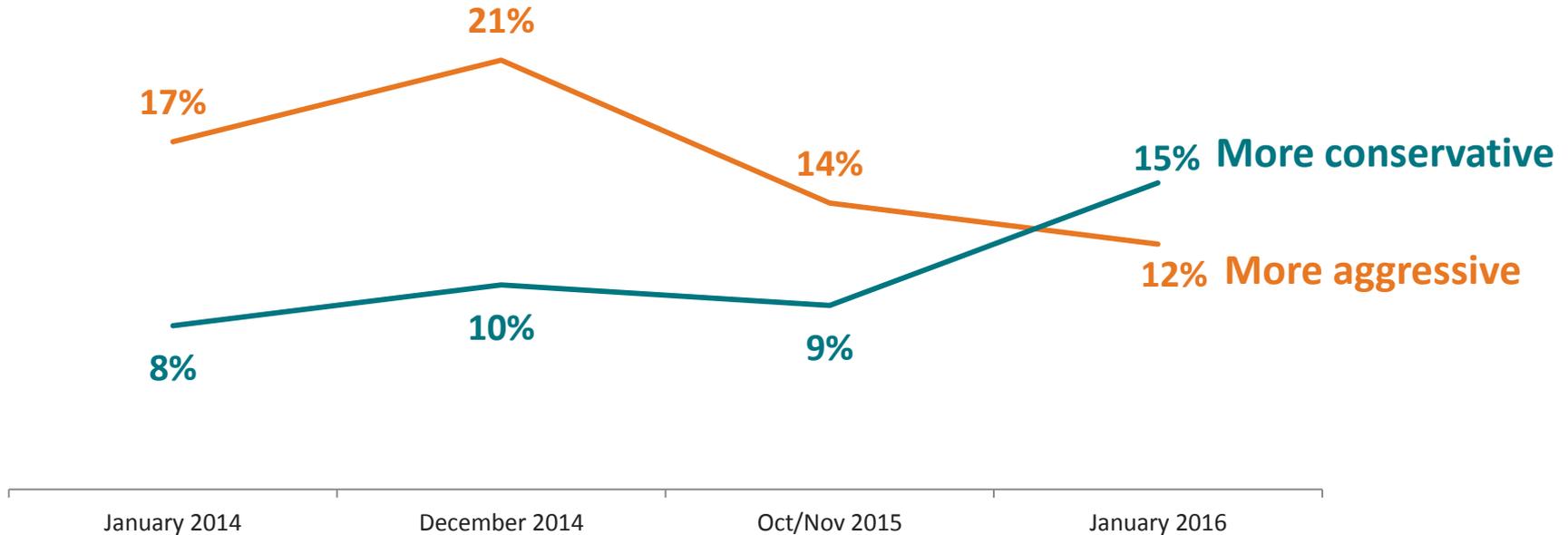
47%
 very/somewhat
 optimistic about
 U.S. economy in
 Q1 2016

24%
 very/somewhat
 pessimistic
 (trend line not shown)
 Q1 2016

Ipsos Market Losses Temper Aggressiveness



Investment approach: Next 12 months vs. last 12 months



Source: Ipsos Affluent Barometer



Unease Fueled by Negative Narratives



"It's about time we had paid family leave for American families and join the rest of the world."

"We need a revolution!"

"Another Clinton presidency would be a death blow to the American Dream."

"The country is a mess right now."

"We have \$19 trillion in debt, we have people out of work, we have ISIS and al Qaeda attacking us, and we're talking about fantasy football?"

"Jeb can fix it"

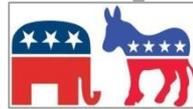
"Our national debt exceeds the size of the entire economy"



Voice of the Affluent: How Will 2016 Be Different from 2015?



Election year politics will stress our sanity.



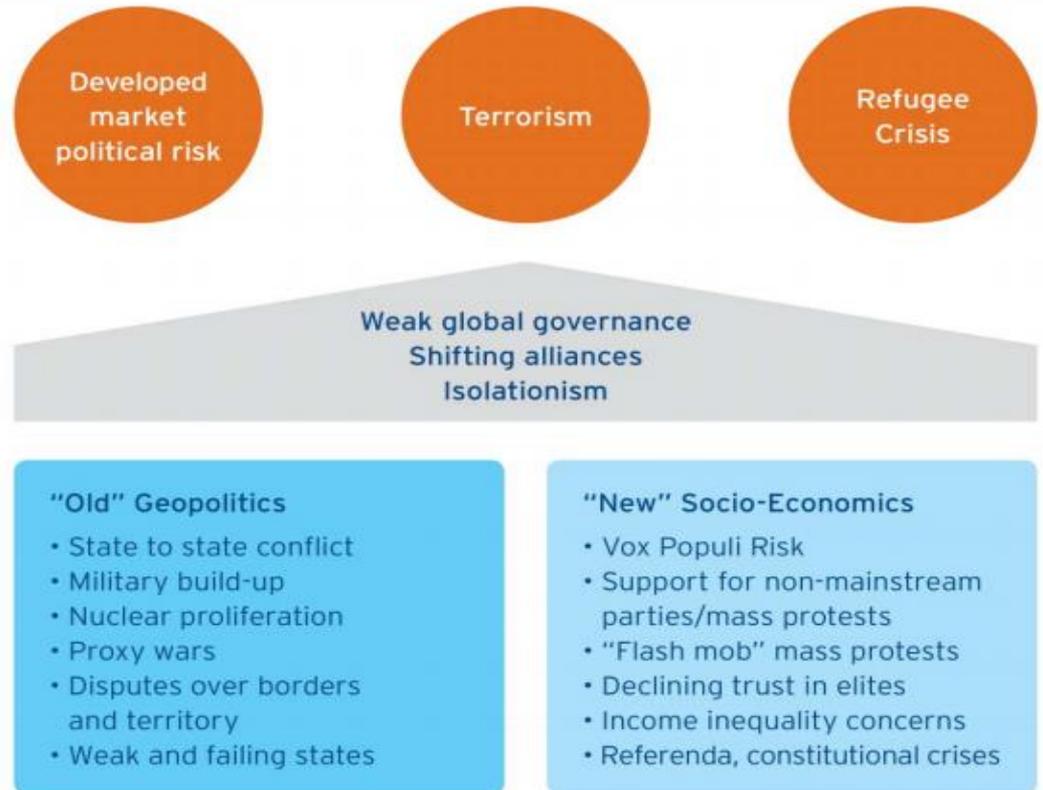
[the country's outlook] entirely depends on who is elected president.



New Report: Citi Sees a Power Void Fueling Uncertainty

“Pax Americana: A post-World War II global order that relied... on American military, economic and diplomatic power to guarantee relative political stability and economic development.”

“Great Power Sclerosis: Pax Americana has not been effectively supplanted by another system of global order... its ability to resolve crisis, foster compromise, discipline rogue players, and defuse regional and local conflict is greatly diminished.”



Citi Quantifies the Volatility of World Events

NATO-Russia
tensions

Saudi Arabia
vs. Iran

South China
Sea

Military
build-up for e.g.
Saudi Arabia,
Russia, China

"Old" Geopolitical Risks on the Rise

40 armed
conflicts in 27
locations
- the highest
number of
conflicts reported
since 1999

The Middle East
is now the most
violent region
based on
"organized
violence"

Number of battle-
related deaths
currently highest
in post-Cold War
period

13/40 conflicts
"internationalized"
- highest
proportion in post-
WWII period

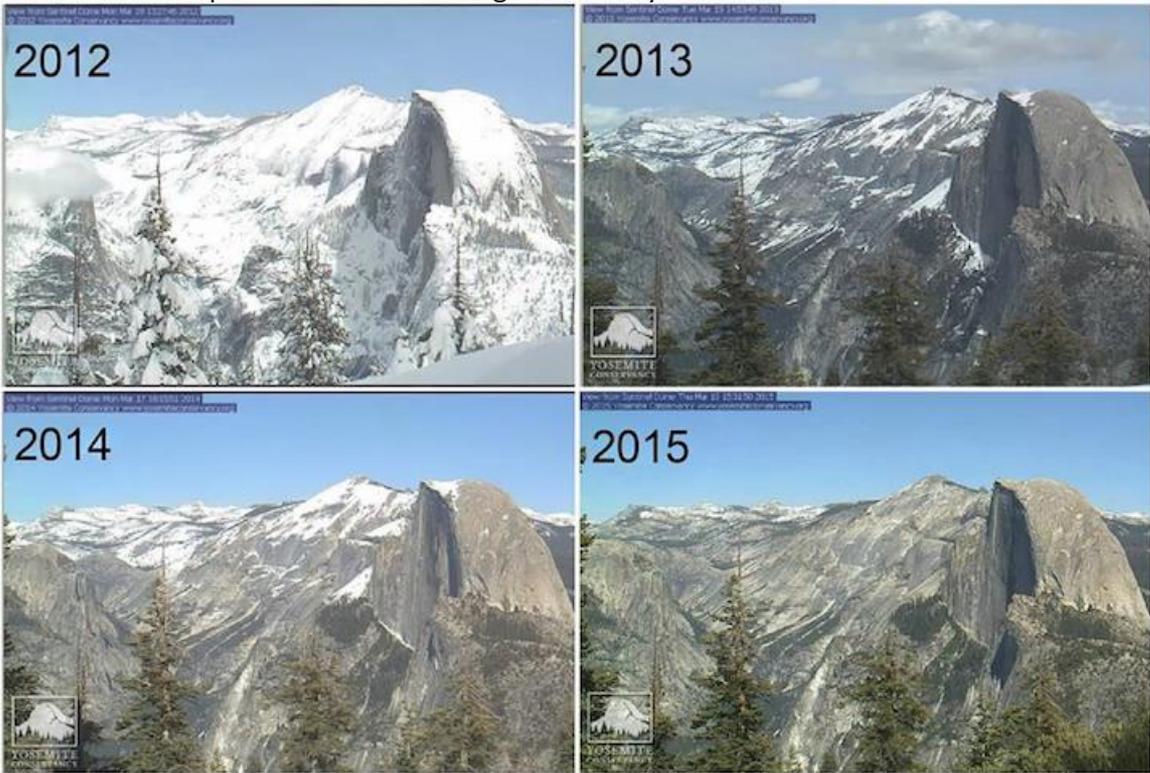
High number of
fragile and failing
states
- 137/178 "less
stable" to "very
high alert" in FP
Fragile States
Index

Full Citi report [here](#)

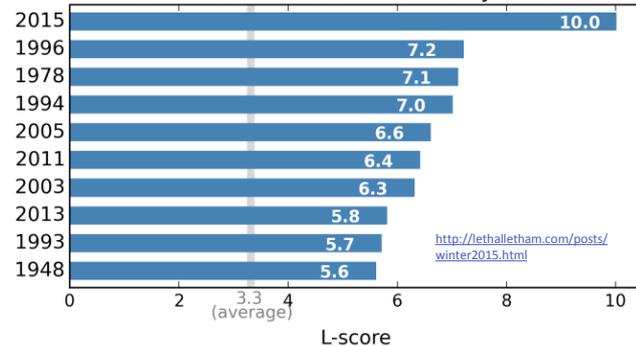


2015: Warmest Year in History, with Unpredictable Extremes

California snowpack amid worst drought in 1200 years



The 10 worst winters in the history of Boston





January 26, 2016

Apple missed expectations with \$75.9 billion in revenue for Q4. Tim Cook explained a major factor was...

“the turbulent world around us... We're seeing extreme conditions unlike anything we have ever experienced before”



Encouraging Study Finds It Now Easier Than Ever For
American Dollars To Rise Into Upper Class

Continued Wealth Concentration

Wealth Growth Concentrated at the Very High-End

Oxfam: Top 1% now own more than the bottom 99% combined

The 62 richest people in the world are worth more than the poorest 50%

Total wealth \$bn



Source: Oxfam/Forbes

BBC

Money isn't the only metric of "progress"

"Global inequality of life expectancy and height are narrowing... showing better nutrition and better healthcare where it matters most." Adam Smith Institute

From Poverty to Subsistence & Self-Reliance (if not wealth)

“Our Big Bet for the Future: The lives of people in poor countries will improve faster in the next 15 years than at any other time in history. And their lives will improve more than anyone else’s.” Bill & Melinda Gates

ONE: HEALTH

**CHILD DEATHS WILL GO DOWN, AND
MORE DISEASES WILL BE WIPED OUT**

[READ NOW](#)

TWO: FARMING

AFRICA WILL BE ABLE TO FEED ITSELF

[READ NOW](#)

THREE: BANKING

**MOBILE BANKING WILL HELP THE
POOR TRANSFORM THEIR LIVES**

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FOUR: EDUCATION

**BETTER SOFTWARE WILL
REVOLUTIONIZE LEARNING**

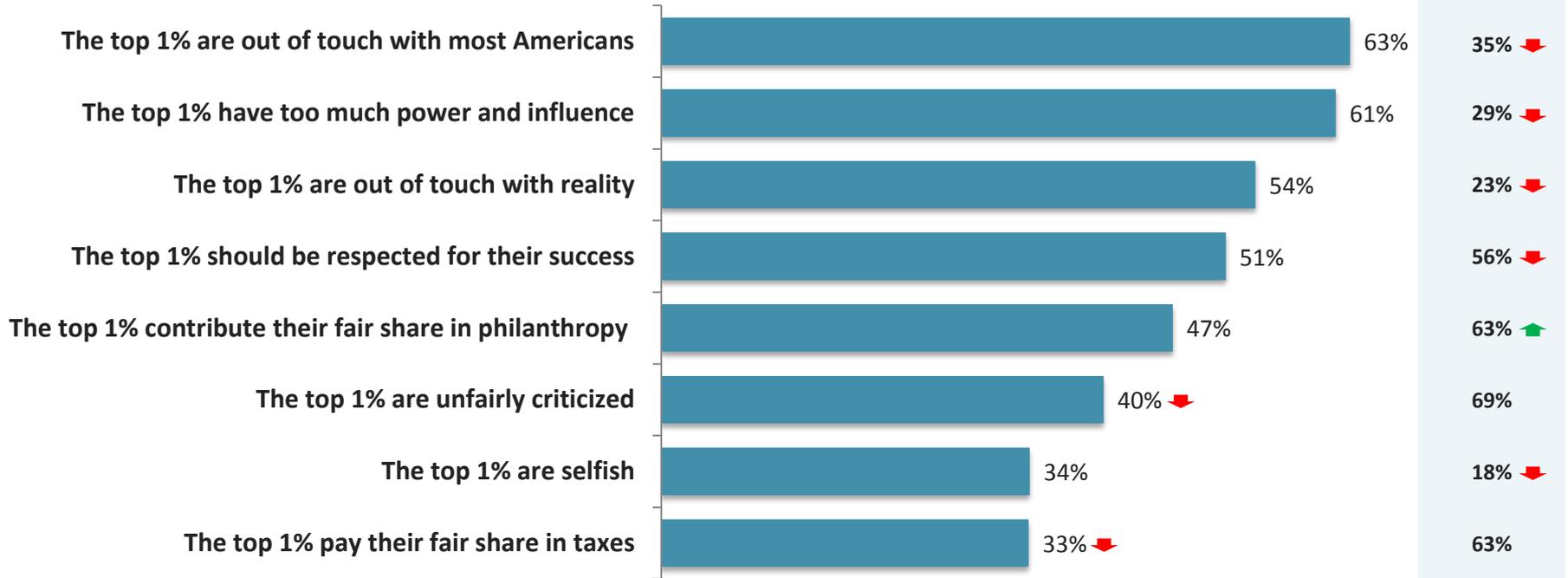
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Affluents & Ultra Affluents Perceive Top 1% As “Further Away”

	Affluents		Ultra Affluents	
	May 2012	Q4 2015	May 2012	Q4 2015
Do you believe you are currently in the top 1%?	6%	7%	25%	15% ↓
If not currently...				
Do you expect to be in 1% someday?	15%	8% ↓	37%	28% ↓
What % do you believe you are in?	38%	38%	21%	27% ↑

Ipsos **Shifting Opinions of the Top 1%**

Definitely/Somewhat Agree



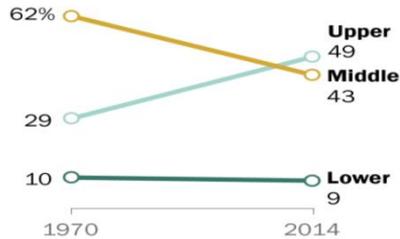
▲ +5% or more change from 2012
▼ -5% or more change from 2012

The Middle Class Squeeze Continues

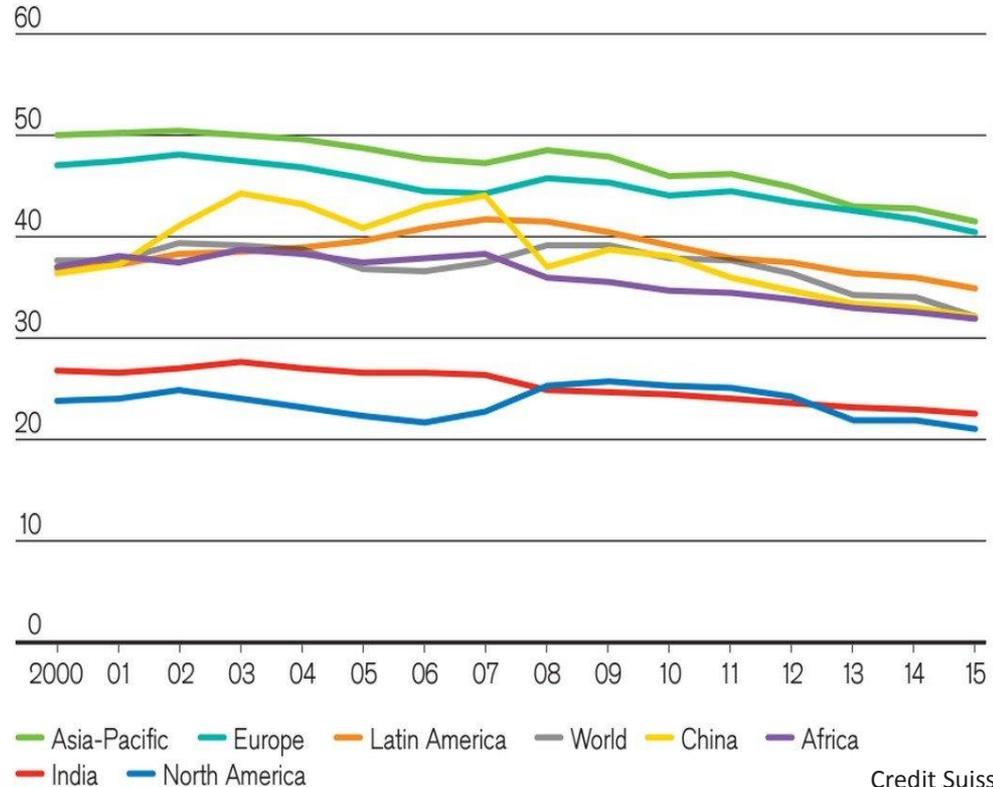
% of Americans by income tier



% of U.S. aggregate household income



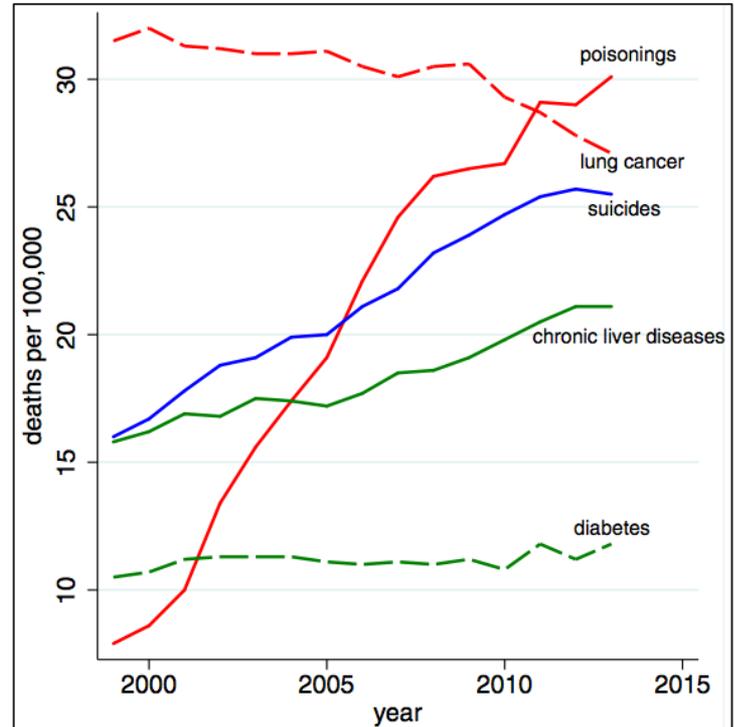
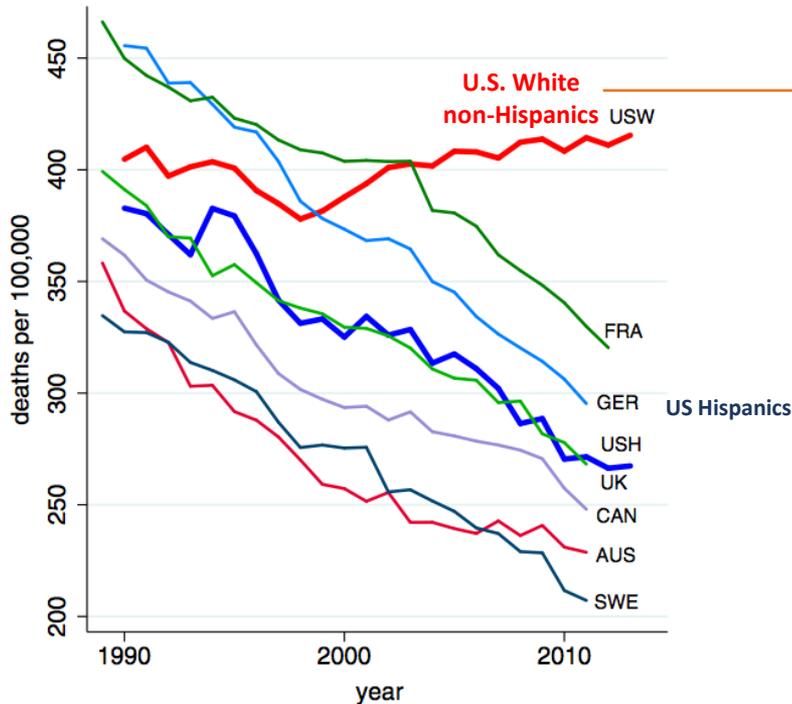
Percentage of wealth owned by middle-class adults, 2000–2015, by region



Less-Educated White Boomers “Dying of Despair”?

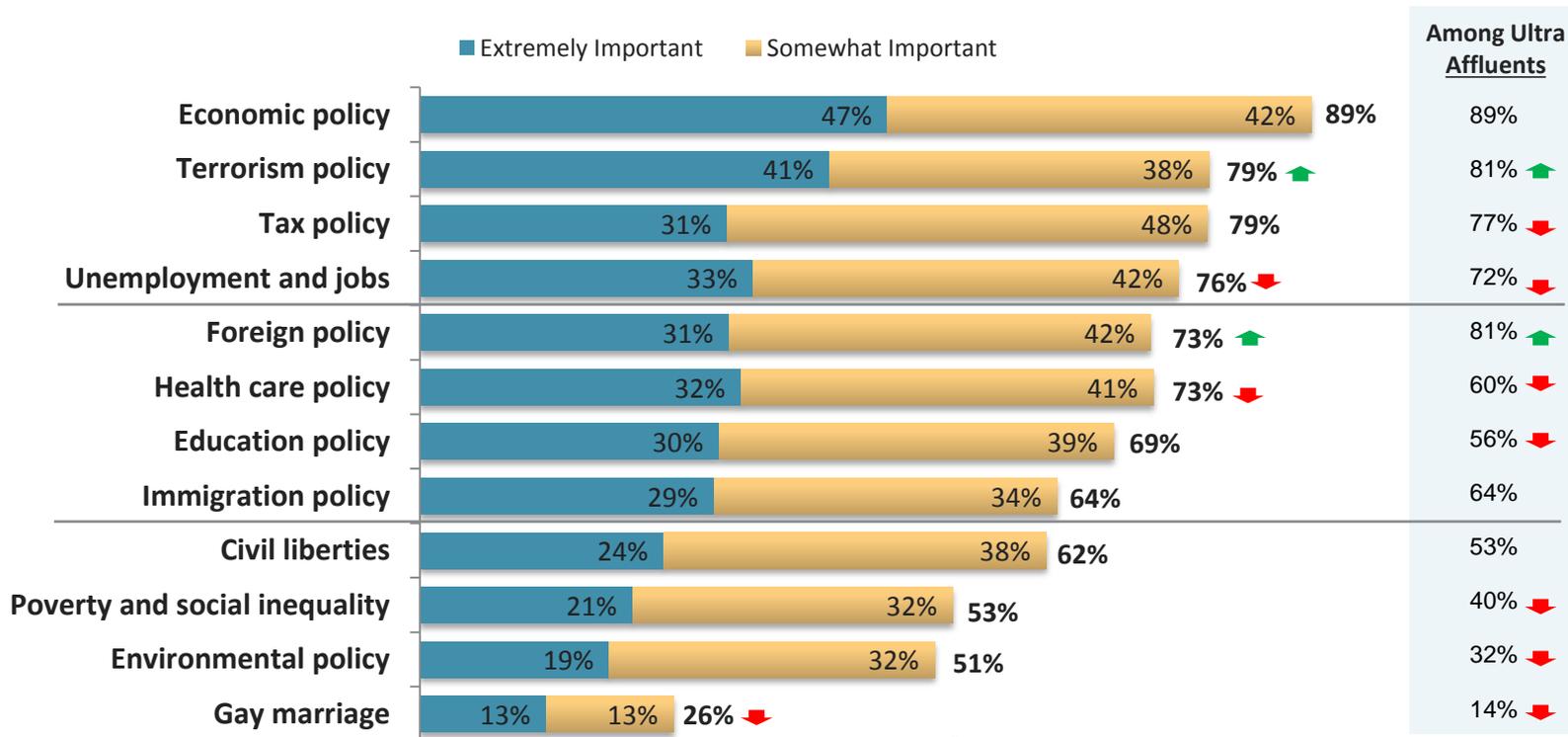
“After the productivity slowdown in the early 1970s, and with widening income inequality, many of the baby-boom generation are the first to find, in midlife, that they will not be better off than were their parents.”

Mortality rate for 45-54 year olds



<http://www.pnas.org/content/112/49/15078.abstract>

Economy & Terrorism (not inequality) Are Top U.S. Voting Priorities



Source: Ipsos Affluent Barometer

“Basic income”: implemented in Dutch city Utrecht; Swiss referendum coming in 2016

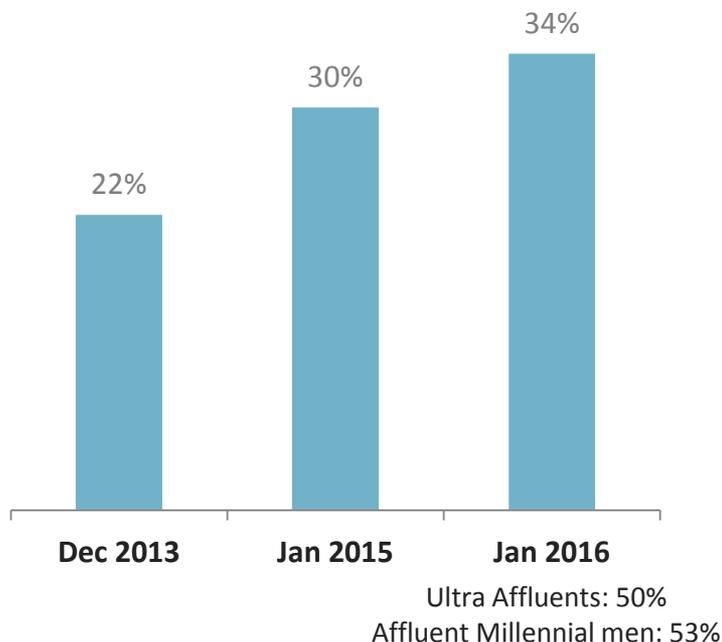
Note: +/- 5% arrows only shown for NET of Any Extremely/Somewhat Important

A New Transaction Ecosystem



Mobile Wallet Growth Moderates

% of Affluents with a mobile wallet app



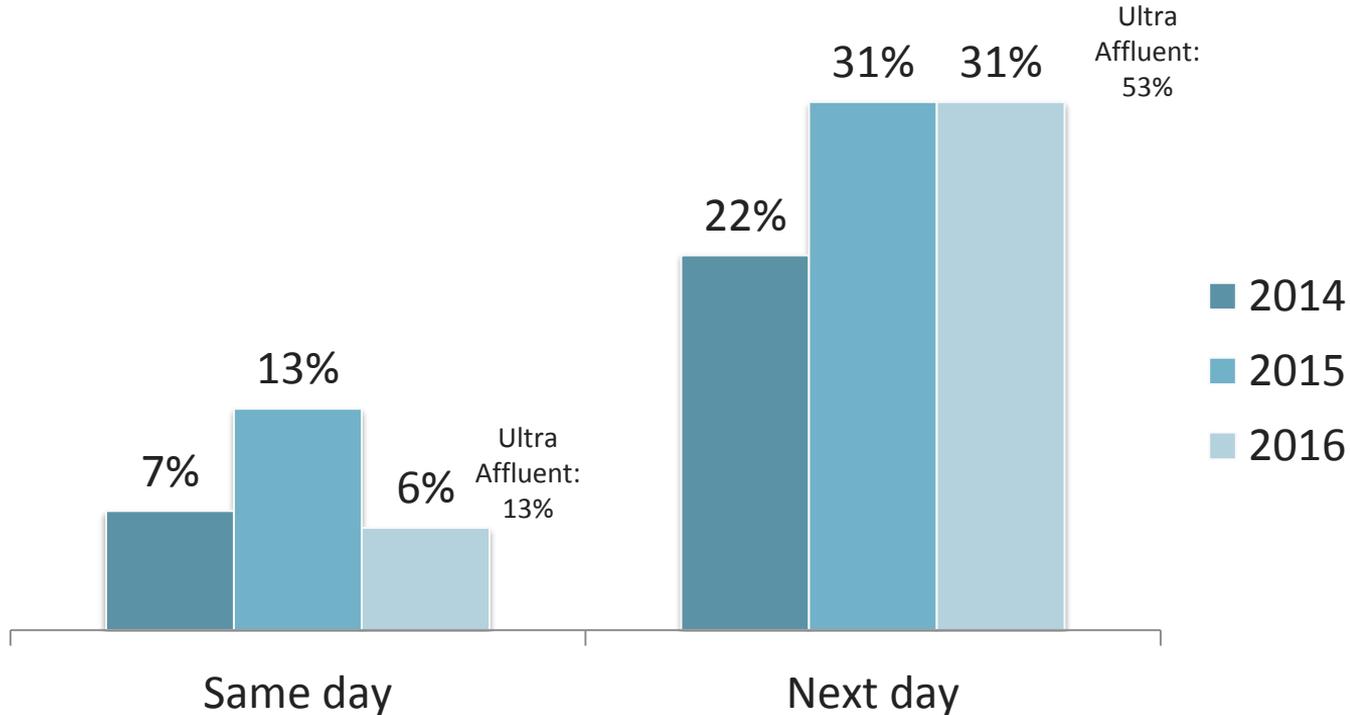
Among those with mobile wallet apps...

	Dec 2013	Jan 2015	Jan 2016
Frequency of use			
Daily	6%	11%	5%
At least weekly	29%	38%	36%
Brand			
PayPal	70%	72%	51%
Apple Pay	--	26%	25%
Google Wallet	24%	26%	15%

Among those without a mobile wallet app,
32% are at least somewhat interested

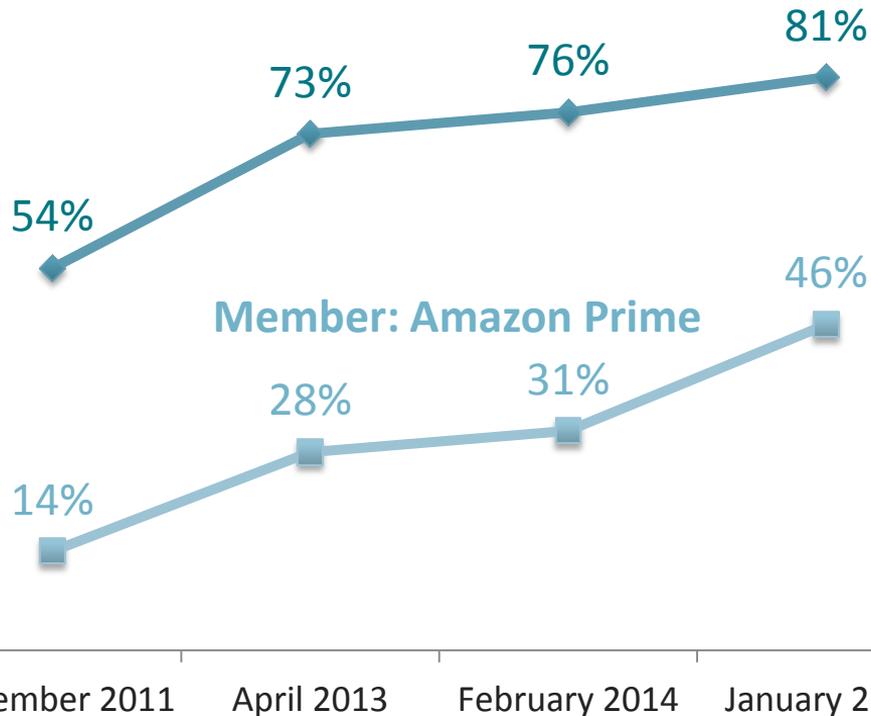
Growth in Usage of Fast Delivery Options Moderates

Internet delivery options used in the past 12 months



Nearly Half Now Have Amazon Prime

Purchase from Amazon in a typical month



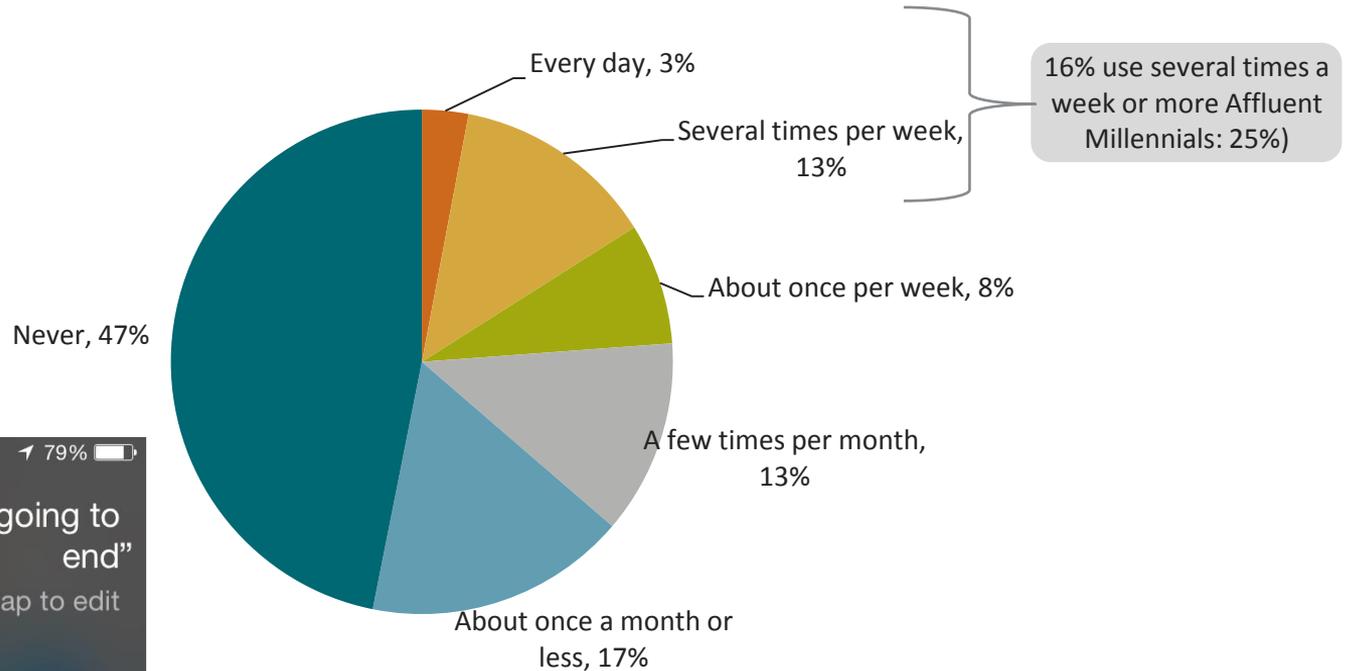
13%

Subscribe to a service that automatically deliver products to you on a regular basis, without you having to specifically re-order (Affluent Xer women: 20%)



One-in-Four Use Virtual Assistants At Least Weekly

How often, if at all, do you use “virtual assistants” on your phone?



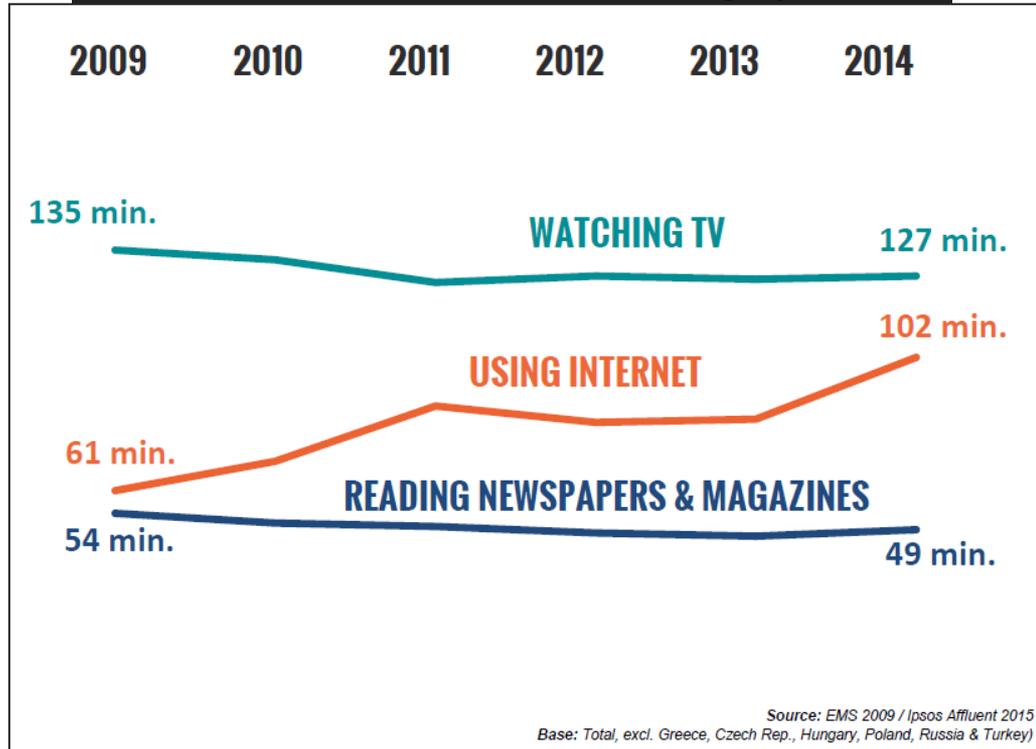
Source: Ipsos Affluent Barometer



Media-Philia: The love of media

Media-Philia: A Love of Media that Transcends Platforms

Ipsos Affluent Survey Europe: Digital media uses rises, while traditional remains largely stable



“571 million print books were sold in 2015, 17 million more than the year before. Meanwhile, e-books, which were once predicted to reach 50% to 60% of total book sales, hovered at just 25%.” Los Angeles Times

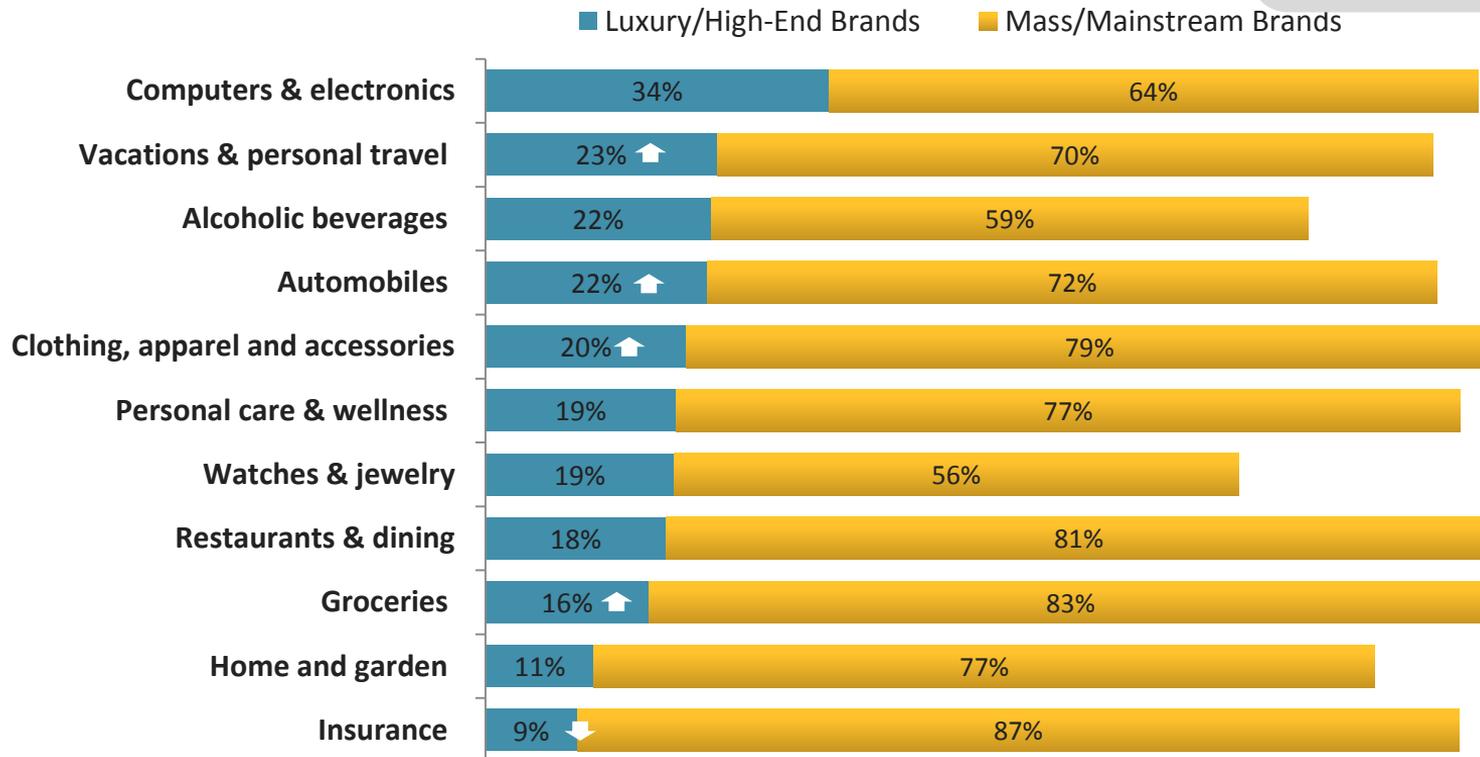
A Look At Luxury



Most Buy at the High-End in At Least One Category

- 60% buy luxury in at least one category
- Average across categories: 19% buy luxury

Tend to buy or use...



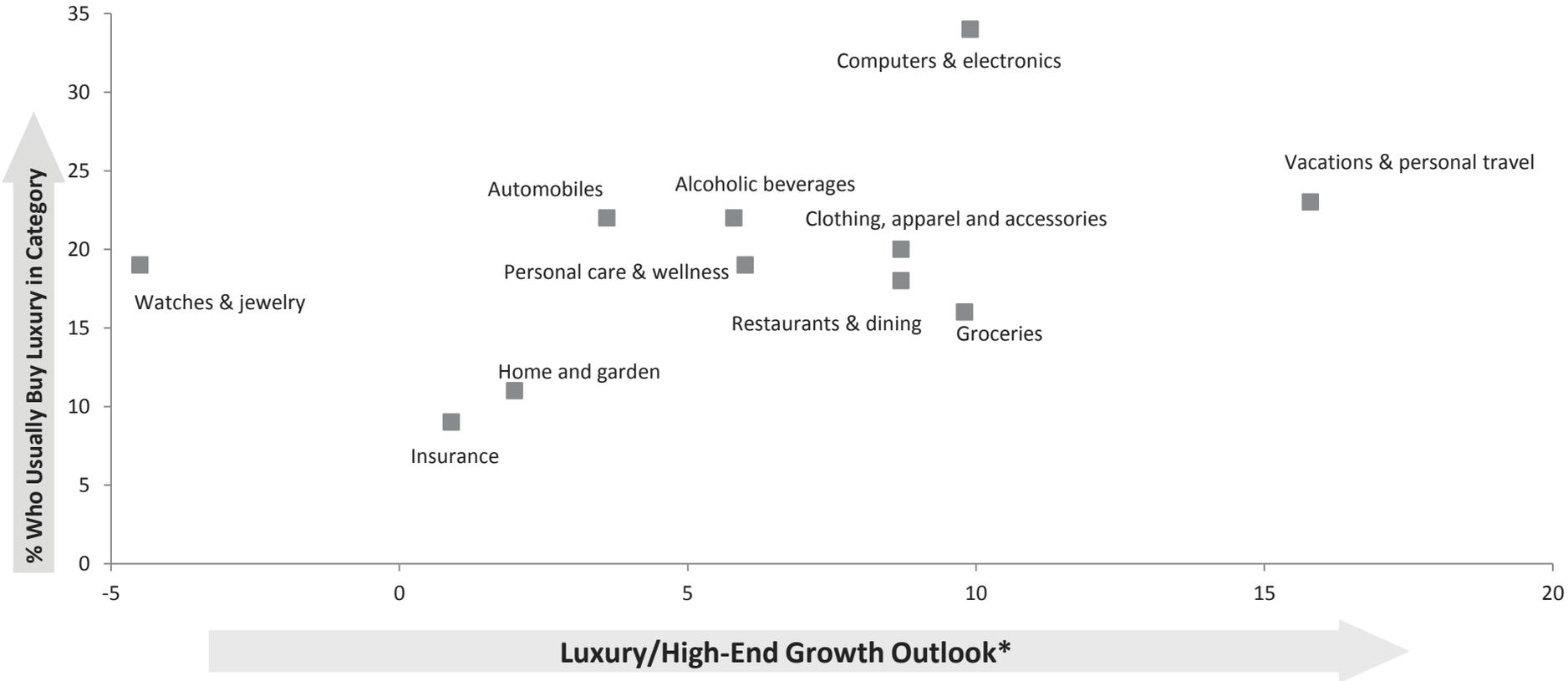
Source: Ipsos Affluent Barometer

37 Trending only shown for luxury/high-end preferences

↑ +5% or more change from 2013

↓ -5% or more change from 2013

Experientials (food, groceries) & Tech Top High-End Growth Indices

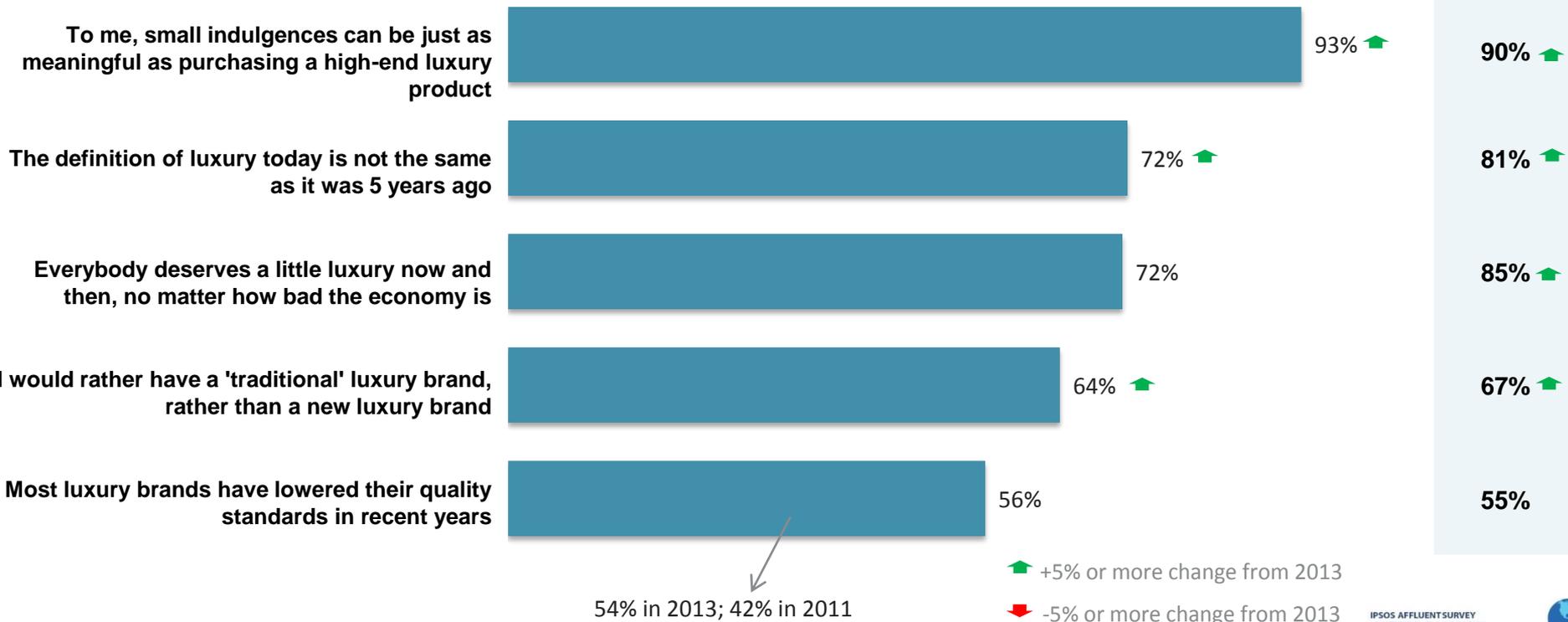


* % whose interest in luxury/high-end/premium brands within category will “increase” minus the % who will “decrease” in next six months



The Qualitative Evolution of Luxury

Strongly Agree/Agree





Summing Up: Key Trends and Evolving Consumer Needs

Key Trends

DIVERGENT OPTIMISM

New transaction ecosystem

Trust in ambient intelligence

Continued income concentration (1% is “further away”)

Media-Philia

Interest in experiences

Instant economy

Access economy

Quantified self

Sentiments & Opportunities

Control

Predictability

Novelty

Information

Being “in the know”

“One less thing I have to worry about”

“I’ll focus on what I can control”

Flip side positioning: World as exciting; full of opportunity & experiences

YOLO/FOMO

Self & health

Friends & family

The new nesting



Thank You!



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