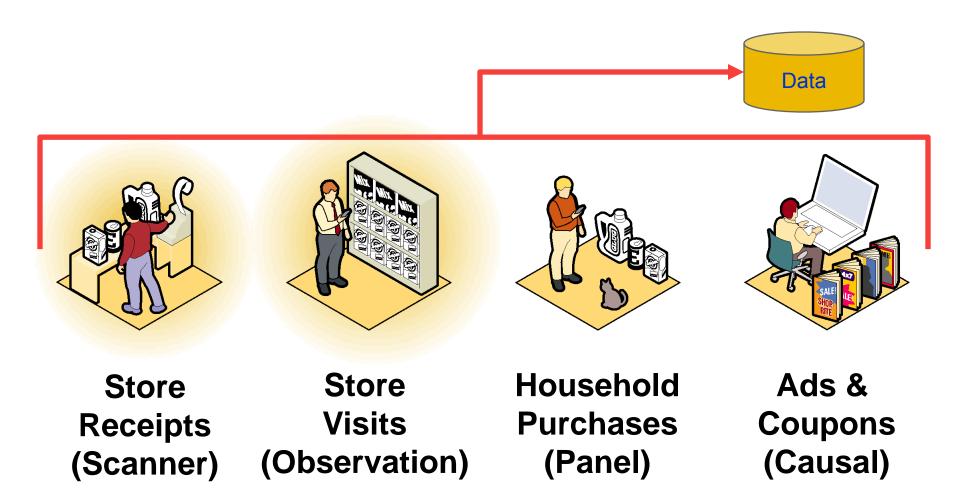


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Nielsen Consumer Data Collection





ScanTrack:

Measuring Consumers Through Retail Scanning Data

Food Stores

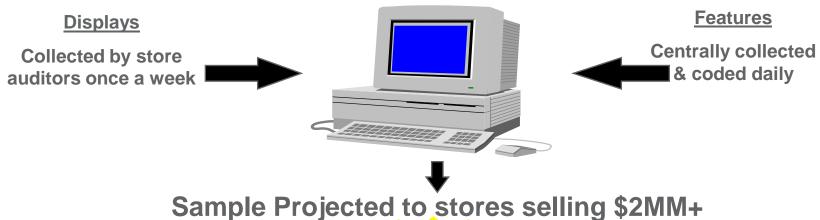
Drug Stores

Mass Merchandisers

C-Stores

- Items scanned at Checkout
- Price, Quantity, UPC Item Description Recorded
- Scanner Tape Sent to ACNielsen or via Modem





Nielsen Applications

DATA

Client Applications



Homescan Panel: Measuring Consumer Purchases in Home

Objective:

- A panel of households that continually provide information about their purchases
- Homescan Panelists use in-home scanners to record all of their purchases (from any outlet) intended for personal in-home use





How many Households are in the Homescan Panel?

- 100,000 Households in US
- Largest static sample
- Geographically dispersed
 & demographically
 balanced
- Projectable at the national, regional, & market level
- Continuous reporting at UPC level across all outlets





Scanner and Panel Data: Optimal Uses of Each

Scanner

What is happening in the store:

- Sales Tracking (Volume)
- Distribution
- Price
- Promotions (Merchandising)
- Base vs Incremental



Panel

What is driving Store Sales:

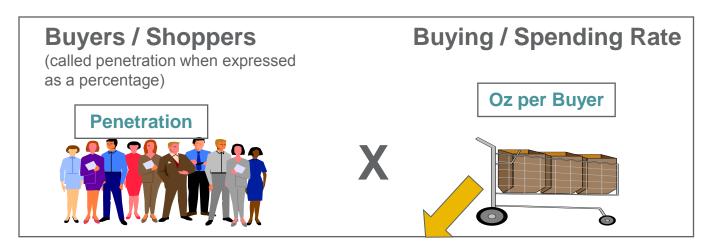
- How many HH's buy
- Purchase Frequency
- Purchase Size
- HH Spending
- Buyer Demographics
- Loyalty
- Coupons
- Repeat Purchasing



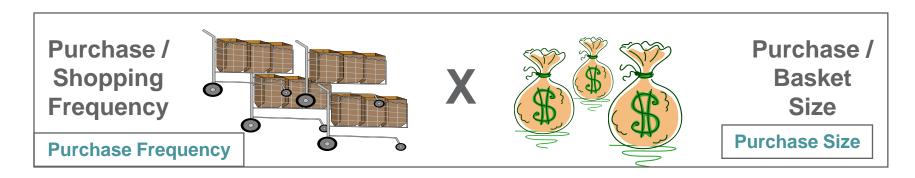


Components of Consumer Volume

How many consumers? How much is each spending?



- How much each household is spending is generated by:
- How often they spend; How much they spend each time





Thank You





















