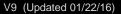


# Insight into NASCAR Fans

Prepared by NASCAR Market and Media Research



### The Most Loyal, Active, and Engaged Fans

- Audience of millions
- Heart and soul of the sport, a cross-section of America
- A lot like all of us: neighbors, co-workers, hardworking, involved in the community
- Emotional connection to the sport, having favorite drivers, favorite auto manufacturers, etc.
- Loyal to sponsors!

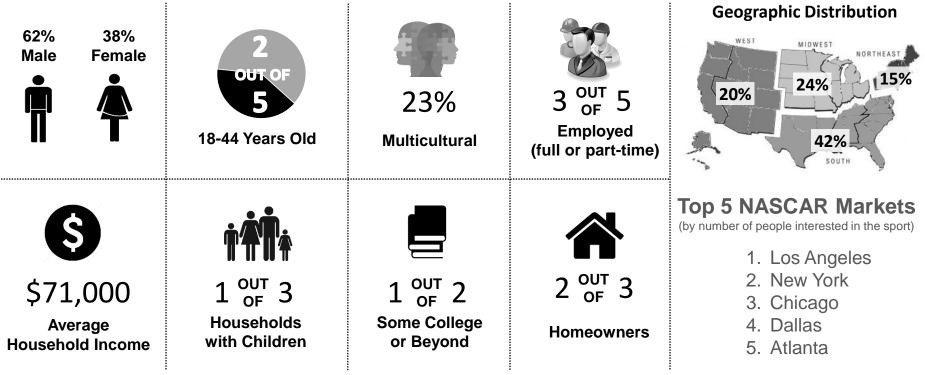


No other major sport in the U.S. delivers a higher quality of fan when it comes to supporting sponsors.

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### **NASCAR Fan Base Demographics**

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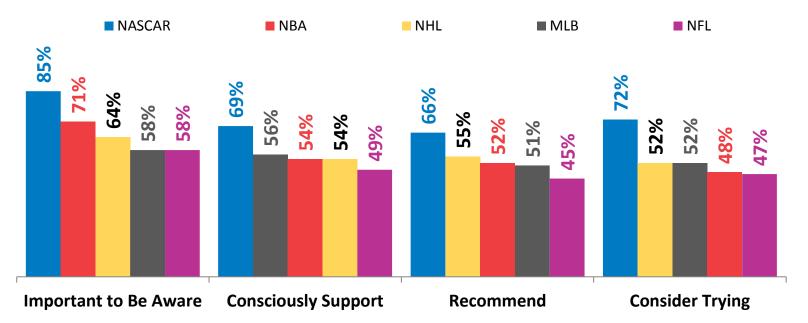


Source: Nielsen Scarborough (USA+ Release 1, 2015). Field dates: February 2014-March 2015. Sample size is approximately 47,000 NASCAR fans. Fandom is determined by using the following question: "How interested are you in [NASCAR]?" ["very", "somewhat", "a little bit", or "not at all"]. NASCAR fans are those respondents who indicate they are at least a little bit interested in NASCAR.

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### Proportion of Each Sport's Avid Fans who Are More Likely to Support the Sport's Official Sponsors in the Following Ways



Q: Is it important to you to be aware of which companies are official sponsors of [INSERT SPORT]? [YES / NO]

Q: Are you more or less likely to [INSERT LOYALTY METRIC] a product / service if that product / service is an official sponsor of [INSERT SPORT]?

Source: Turnkey Sports & Entertainment, results published in SBJ, n=400 for each sport's entire study

Note: Data reflects latest results for each sports property as of December 2015



According to independent research conducted by Repucom:

- NASCAR ranks #1 among major sports in <u>sponsor consideration</u>
  3 out of 4 NASCAR fans would consider a sponsor's brand
- NASCAR ranks #1 among major sports in <u>sponsor loyalty</u>

7 out of 10 NASCAR fans said they are loyal to a sponsor's brand when the brand supports their sport

- Higher than NFL, NHL, MLB, and NBA fans
- Nearly 20% higher than a typical sports fan

Source: Repucom SponsorLink (January 2014 – February 2015). n=~14,000

Questions: When a company sponsors an event or sport that you follow, how likely would you be to consider that company's brand, product(s) or service(s) for the first time? Generally, how loyal do you feel towards a company that sponsors an event or sport you follow? Note: The guestions were asked of everyone in the study and then segmented by major sports league fan bases.

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## Fans Appreciate Sponsors in NASCAR







Casual NASCAR Fan NASCAR Fan Avid NASCAR Fan 87%<sup>90%\*</sup> 89%\* 84% 81% 74% 63%\* 56% 53%\* 52% 50% 45% 43% 42% NASCAR drivers couldn't I appreciate what a sponsor My company's involvement If I'm unfamiliar with a new I feel loyal to NASCAR

**Proportion who Agree with Each Statement** (Top 5 Box % Agree, 6, 7,8, 9, or 10 on 10-pt. scale, sorted by NASCAR fans)

run their car without provides to the NASCAR sponsors experience

sponsors and purchase their products/services because of their involvement in the sport

in NASCAR would make me / makes me more interested in NASCAR

NASCAR sponsor. I seek out information about them

38%

Read: 87% of NASCAR fans agree NASCAR drivers couldn't run their car without sponsors.

Source: NASCAR Fan Engagement Tracker (commissioned by NASCAR and conducted by Toluna, 2015), n=2,500 NASCAR Fans Note: The asterisk (\*) indicates statistical significance between avid & casual NASCAR fans at the 95% confidence level. NASCAR fandom is determined by using a 7-point interest question: Using a scale of 1 to 7 where 1 is "not at all interested", 4 is "moderately interested", and 7 is "extremely interested", please rate how interested you are in NASCAR. NASCAR fans are 4-7, Avid NASCAR Fans are 6-7, Casual NASCAR Fans are 4-5.



## Avid NASCAR Fans Support NASCAR Sponsors

orint 🎾	Attitudes Toward NASCAR Sponsors	% Who Agree Top 5 Box, 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10 on 10 ptscale
-	"Brands I like are sponsors in NASCAR"	82%
finity	"I talk positively about brands that are sponsors in NASCAR"	68%
	"I support NASCAR sponsors more than sponsors of other sports"	61%
AMPING VORLD	"I'm supporting NASCAR sponsors more than ever before"	57%

Source: NASCAR Fan Engagement Tracker (commissioned by NASCAR and conducted by Toluna, 2015), n=1,171 Avid NASCAR Fans NASCAR fandom is determined by using a 7-point interest question: Using a scale of 1 to 7 where 1 is "not at all interested", 4 is "moderately interested", and 7 is "extremely interested", please rate how interested you are in NASCAR Fans are 6-7.



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# **Professional and Financially Responsible**





### +20% more likely to be business leaders (business executives

and / or small business owners)

+60% more likely to work for Fortune 500 companies



18%

# Are business purchase decision makers

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Nearly +40% more likely than non-fans



24% **Consume business-related media** +25% +22%+36%

more likely more likely to research financial information to read the business on the internet section of the newspaper

more likely to watch CNBC



36%

Of business purchase decision makers are involved in decisions of \$100,000 or more a year

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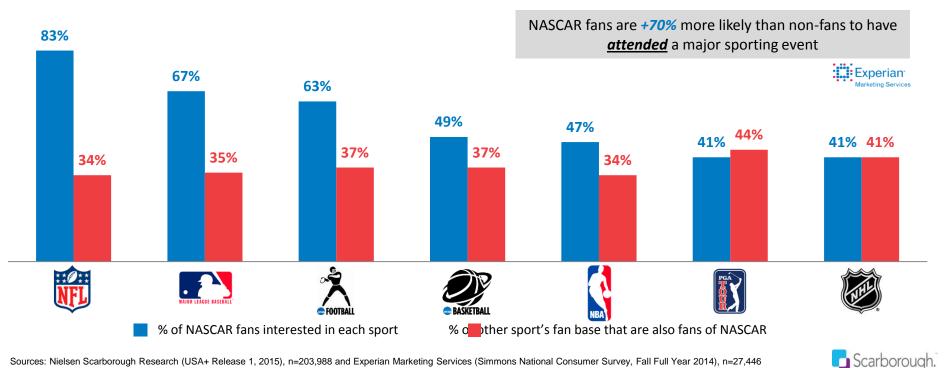
Business-related media is defined as: reading the Wall Street Journal, Bloomburg Businessweek, Forbes, Fortune, Kiplinger's Personal Finance. Money. and / or watching CNBC.



### **Passion for Sports**



### NASCAR fans are passionate about various sports



Sources: Nielsen Scarborough Research (USA+ Release 1, 2015), n=203,988 and Experian Marketing Services (Simmons National Consumer Survey, Fall Full Year 2014), n=27,446 Fandom is determined through the use of the following question: "How interested are you in [sport]?" ["very", "somewhat", "a little bit", or "not at all" interested]. Fans are those respondents who are a little bit, somewhat, or very interested in [sport].

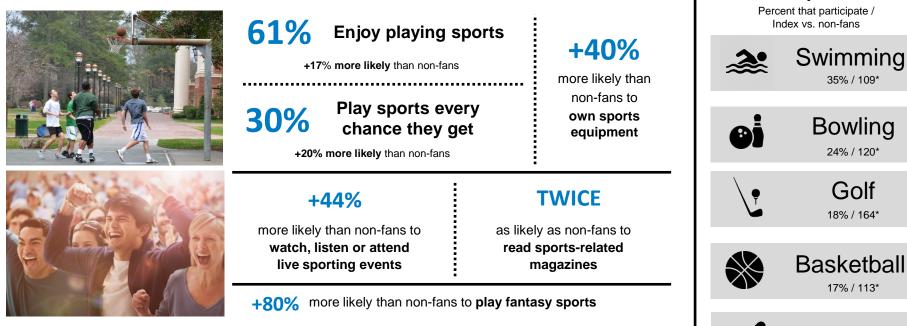
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**Sports** 

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**Favorite Sports to Play** 

### NASCAR fans love all things sports



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Baseball

15% / 150\*

### **Outdoor Enthusiasts**

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Fishing

27% / 180\*

Camping

20% / 154\*

18% / 200\*

Hunting

17% / 243\*

Biking

17% / 131\*

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**Favorite Activities to** Participate In

### NASCAR fans are outdoor enthusiasts



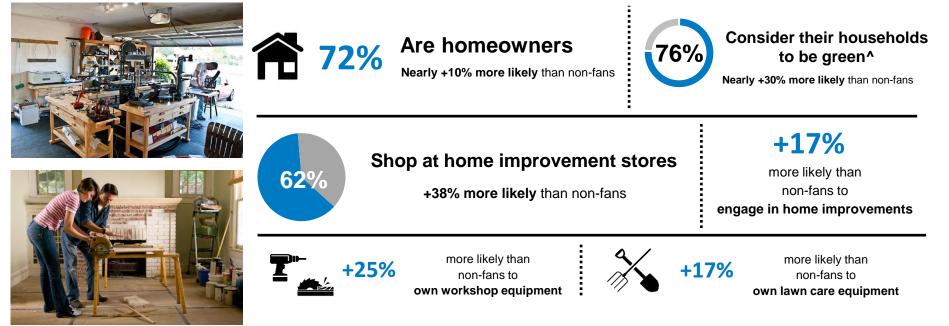
### **Enjoy outdoor activities** 54% Percent that participate / Index vs. non-fans Nearly +40% more likely than non-fans 2.5x +50% as likely as non-fans to more likely than non-fans to read fishing, hunting & own outdoor-related outdoor recreation equipment magazines Target Shooting 6 **TWICE** +55% +90% as likely as non-fans to more likely than more likely than own a motorcycle non-fans to non-fans to own an ATV own a boat

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Outdoor activities participated in the last 12 months, including: archery, backpacking/hiking, boating, biking, camping, canoeing/kayaking, fishing, horseback riding, hunting, motorcycling, mountain/rock climbing, skin diving / snorkeling and target shooting. \*Indicates results are statistically significant at a 95% confidence level.

## **Homeowners and DIY Home Improvement**

### NASCAR fans are do-it-yourselfers



Source: Experian Marketing Services (Simmons National Consumer Survey, Fall Full Year 2014) n=27,446 and Custom Growth Energy Tracker (commissioned by NASCAR and conducted by Toluna, 2015), n=2,000. Based on NASCAR fans compared to non-fans.

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Shop at home improvement stores claimed within the last 4 weeks.

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## Valuable Consumers



### NASCAR fans shop multiple retail outlets and notice various promotions



Where They Shop (Percent / Index vs. non-fans)								
Supermarkets	Drug Stores	Convenience Stores	Mass Retailers					
95% / 103*	72% / 101	70% / 132*	64% / 116*					
Home Improvement Stores			Sporting Goods Stores					
62% / 138*	61% / 124*	43% / 116*	14% / 156*					
Notice Promotions (Percent / Index vs. non-fans)								
Messages / Offers on Shelf	Free Standing Displays	Advertising on Floor	Overhead Aisle Markers					
56% / 127*	68% / 119*	54% / 120*	68% / 119*					

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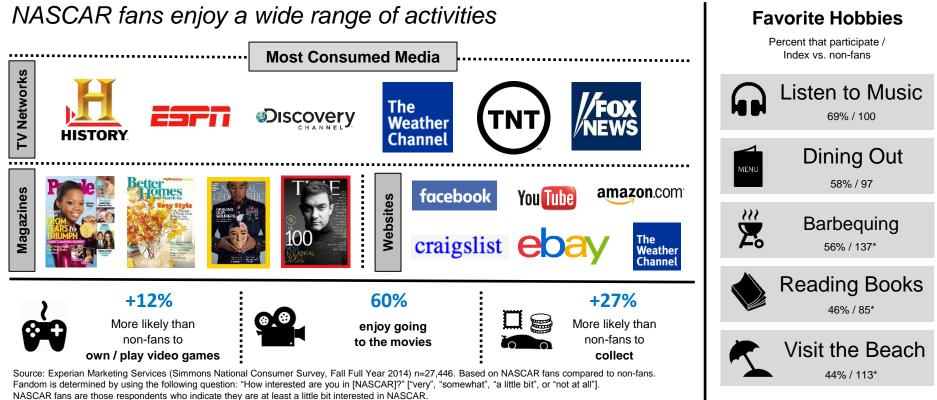
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'Where They Shop' claimed within the last 4 weeks, except automotive retail stores within the last 12 months. \*Indicates results are statistically significant at a 95% confidence level.

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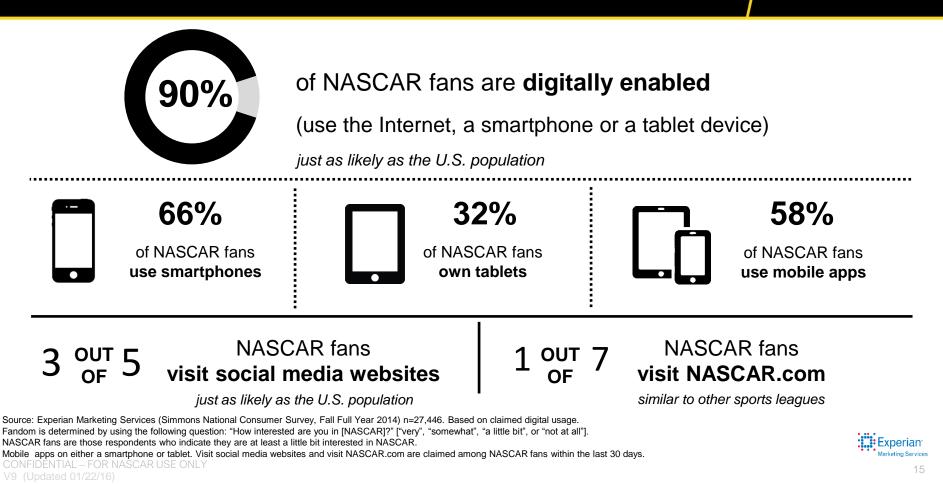
TV, magazines and websites based off of the percentage of visitors who claim to watch, read or visit. Claimed TV network viewership within the last week. Claimed

magazine readership within the last 6 months. Claimed website visitation within last 30 days and excludes search engines. \*Indicates results are statistically significant at a 95% confidence level.

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## **Digitally-Enabled**





# Technology

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NASCAR fans are just as likely to be mobile users





70%	Use a mobile device (i.e. smartphone / tablet) Just as likely as non-fans							
Most-Used App Types:	weather	<b>g</b> ames	directions	photo / video	<b>J</b> music			
Positive	:	% Who Agree Index vs. non-fans						
"I like to be con wherever I am"	59% / 10	59% / 100						
"I try to keep up with developments in technology"				42% / 10	42% / 105*			
"I rely on my cell phone to keep up with news or sports"				27% / 1	27% / 108*			
"I love to buy new gadgets and appliances"				27% / 10	27% / 108*			

**Top-5 Online Activities** 

Percent that use / Index vs. non-fans





Directions 47% / 104\*



Banking 46% / 105\*



News 42% / 117\*



Source: Experian Marketing Services (Simmons National Consumer Survey, Fall Full Year 2014) n=27,446. Based on claimed digital usage. Fandom is determined by using the following question: "How interested are you in [NASCAR]?" ["very", "somewhat", "a little bit", or "not at all"]. NASCAR fans are those respondents who indicate they are at least a little bit interested in NASCAR.

Sports apps ranked 10<sup>th</sup> as the most-used app type (16% / 145\*). Top-5 online activities claimed within last 30 days and excludes e-mail (66% / 100) and search engines (36% / 109\*); News activity includes both current events (31% / 107\*) and sports news (26% / 263\*), which is the only sports-related activity measured. \*Indicates results are statistically significant at a 95% confidence level.

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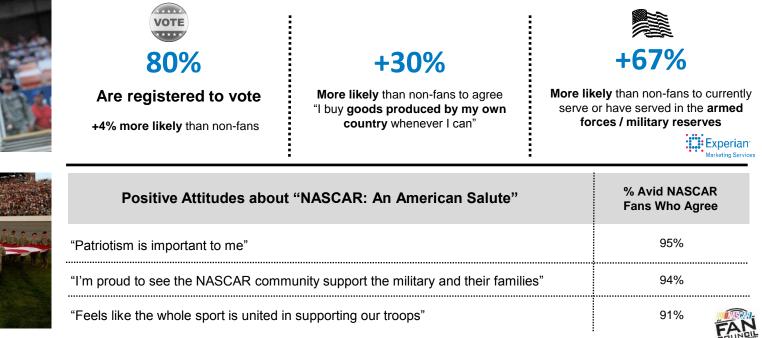


# Fans Support the U.S. and Military



NASCAR fans are patriotic and strongly support U.S. military personnel





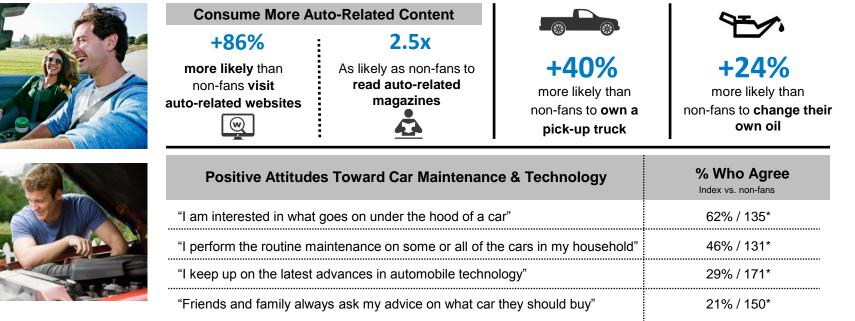
Source: Experian Marketing Services (Simmons National Consumer Survey, Fall Full Year 2014) n=27,446 and Official NASCAR Fan Council Weekly Post Race Survey Fielded July 6-7, 2015 n=2,106 avid NASCAR fans. Fandom is determined by using the following question: "How interested are you in [NASCAR]?" ["very", "somewhat", "a little bit", or "not at all"]. NASCAR fans are those respondents who indicate they are at least a little bit interested in NASCAR.

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### **Car Culture**



### NASCAR fans have a strong connection with cars



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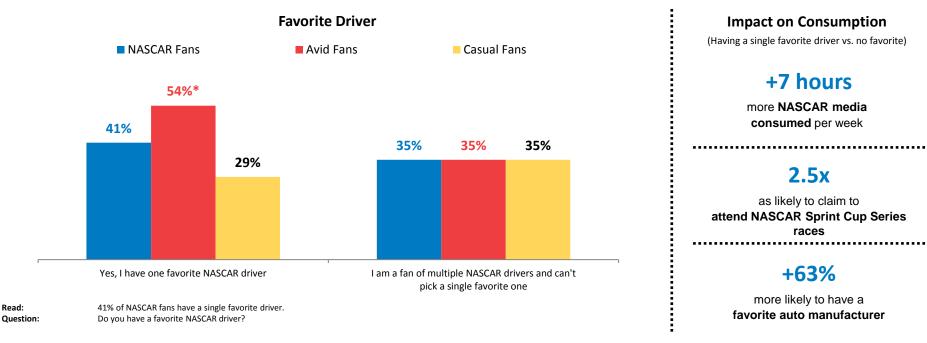
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Claimed auto websites visited in the last 30 days, including: autotrader.com, cars.com, edmunds.com and kbb.com. Auto magazines based off of claimed net readers.\*Indicates results are

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### NASCAR drivers are an important connection to the sport



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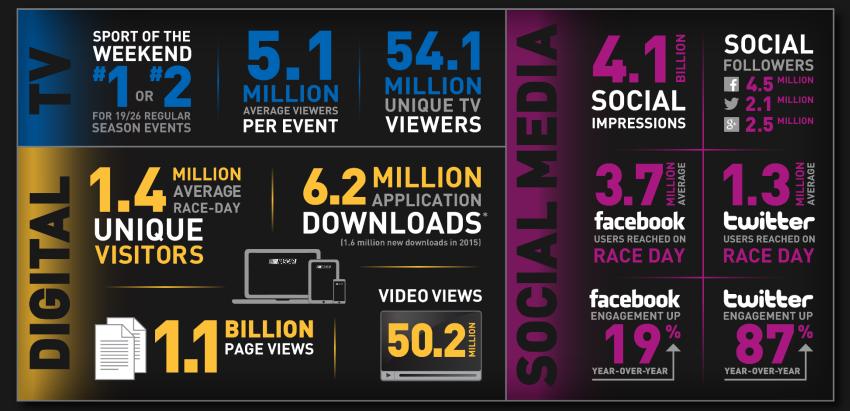
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Race-day YTD averages exclude non-points events. Sources – TV: The Nielsen Company. Data based on Live + SD data stream. TV average viewership excludes Races 8 (Bristol), 11 (Kansas), 30 (Charlotte), and 35 (Phoenix) due to rain. #1 or #2 sport of weekend ranked on viewers. Digital: Adobe Omniture SiteCatalyst; Microsoft/Apple/Google. Digital metrics represent all platforms (NASCAR.com, NASCAR Mobile Web, NASCAR Mobile Apps). "App downloads since launch. Social: Facebook Insights; Twitter Analytics; Nielsen Social. Social impressions based on content served from the NASCAR Facebook page and the @NASCAR Twitter account combined year-to-date. Facebook reach based on content published on NASCAR Facebook page on race day. Twitter reach based on all conversation related to the race on the platform during the hours aired +/- 3 hours. Social engagement is defined by taking action on NASCAR's social content (e.g. sharing, likes, comments, favorite, retweets). All data through November 22, 2015. V9 (Updated 01/22/16)

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