MILITARY **EXPLORER**TM



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Refuel Agency's Military Explorer is the largest military community study for active duty, military spouses, veterans, and retirees. This examines their media usage, digital media consumption, advertising perception, shopping patterns, and more.

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ALMOST 40 MILLION STRONG IN THE MILITARY COMMUNITY



Active Duty & Guard/Reserves

2.1M



Veterans

18.3M



Retirees

2.2M



Spouses & Dependents

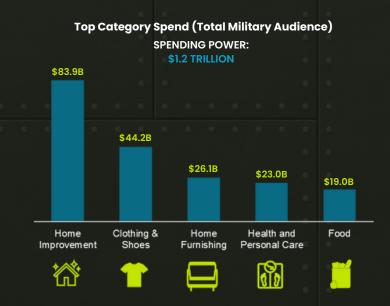
12.8M



DoD Civilians

0.9M

PRIMARY DECISION MAKERS OF PRODUCTS BOUGHT



Top Loyalty Drivers by Military Audience



Made in America

#1 Motivator among Active Duty



Military Discounts

#1 Loyalty Driver among Post 9/11 Vets and Influence Loyalty of 1 in 3 Guard/Reserves



Rewards/Loyalty Influence Loyalty of

2 in 5 Spouses

ACTIVE DUTY HAVE DEEP CONNECTION WITH ADS ON-BASE



When They See Their Ads On-Base

Find Brands More Meaningful

More Likely to TRY or **RECOMMEND A Brand After** Seeing Its Ads On-base

10.5%

9.9%

9.6%

6.8%

6.7%

16.8x Gym/Fitness Centers

15.9x



15.2x Center

Commissary



On-Base Facilities By

Monthly Visit Frequency

14.9x Outdoor Recreation



MIX OF TRADITIONAL AND DIGITAL MEDIA CONSUMPTION ACROSS AUDIENCES



Standard/Satellite Radio **Basic Cable TV** On-base OOH

Short Online Video Content

Social Media

56% **Spouses**

■Traditional Media ■ Digital Media

Standard/Satellite Radio **Basic Cable TV** Social Media Streaming Video Content **Short Online Video Content**

8.1% 7.8% 7.7%

10.3%

10.3%

ost 9/11 **Veterans** Standard/Satellite Radio 9.5%

9.5%

On-base OOH 9.4% **Short Online Video Content** 7.9% Social Media 7.9%

Basic Cable TV

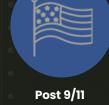
Active duty compared to Men 18-34; Post 9/11 Veterans compared to Men 21-44; Military media consumption compared to general market media consumption **GROWING IMPACT OF SOCIAL INFLUENCERS AMONG MILITARY**

% OF MILITARY AUDIENCE WHO PAY ATTENTION TO SOCIAL INFLUENCERS



38% +4% pts increase vs

last year



Veterans 43%

+19% pts increase vs

last year RESPONDS TO ON-BASE AND DIGITAL ADVERTISING (ACTIVE DUTY)



43%

+14% pts increase vs

last year



Visited The

Mentioned Website



Researched The

Product





Visited A

Retail Store





Researched The





Higher Education Interest: Life After Military and Military Connection

81% Active Duty

Enrolled/ Planning to Enroll in College



86% RNG *29% more likely

*19% more likely

enrolled

enrolled

*7% more likely planning to enroll







will pursue a <u>federal</u> government job *68% more likely RNG, Spouses and Post 9/11 aim to pursue higher education 72% Active Duty

