

## **Chapter Eleven**

# Database Direct Response Marketing Personal Selling





# Selling Words

- 1400 Words Copywriting service
- Business development specialist
- Generate prospects
- Collect information
- Qualify prospects
- Makes sales calls
- Closing
- Follow up

### Database Direct Response Marketing Personal Selling

### **Chapter Objectives**

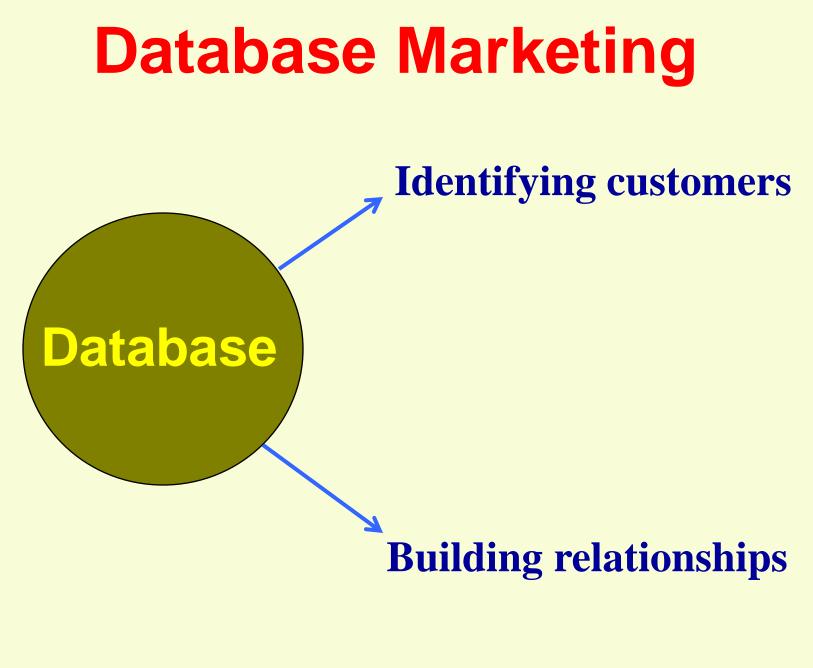
- 1. What role does database marketing, including warehouse, data coding and analysis, and data mining, play in creating and enhancing relationships with customers?
- 2. How can database-driven marketing communication programs help personalize interactions with customers?
- 3. How do database-driven marketing programs create sales and build bonds with customers?
- 4. When should direct response marketing programs be used to supplement other methods of delivering messages and products to consumers?
- 5. What are the tasks involved in developing successful personal selling programs for consumers and businesses?
- 6. How should database marketing and personal selling programs be adapted to international settings?



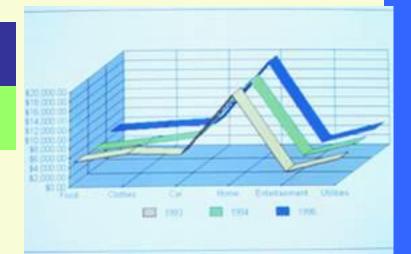
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### **Chapter Overview**

- Database marketing
- Building a data warehouse
- Database coding and analysis
- Data mining
- Database-driven marketing
  - Communications
  - Programs
- Personal selling



#### **Tasks in Database Marketing**



- Building a data warehouse
- Database coding and analysis
- Data mining
- Data-driven marketing communications
- Data-driven marketing programs

## **Building a Data Warehouse**

- Operational database
  - Customer transactions
  - Follows accounting rules
- Marketing database
  - Current customer information
  - Former customer information
  - Prospect information

### **Marketing Data Warehouse**

- Customer names and addresses
- E-mail addresses
- Record of visits to the firm's Web site
- Customer history
- Customer survey results
- Preferences and profiles
- Marketing campaign results
- Appended data
- Coded data

## **E-Mail and Internet Data**

- Cost effective communications
- Build relationships
- Cookies
  - Store information
  - Personalize Web site
  - Customize content

## Purchase and Communication Histories

- Detailed customer histories
- Every interaction with the company
- Determine future communications
- Assist marketing team in evaluating
  - Customer's lifetime value
  - Other customer metrics

### **Customer Information Companies**

- Data research firms
  - Knowledge Base Marketing
  - Donnelly
  - Dialog
  - Claritas
- Demographic data
- Psychographic data
- Online information + offline information
  - Acxiom
  - Datran Media

# Geocoding

- Adding geographic codes
- Plot on a map
- Combine with demographic and lifestyle information
- Identify clusters
- CACI Coder/Plus

### **Trade Area Draw Analysis**

Sample CACI Report for a Proposed Store Site

Percentile	# of Customers	Distance	# of Households	Penetration Rate
25%	492	0.99	1,992	24.7%
50%	985	2.32	14,803	6.7%
75%	1,477	4.28	45,390	3.3%
90%	1,772	8.48	97,382	1.8%

Based on a customer profile presented to CACI, 50% of the firm's target customers live within 2.32 miles of the proposed retail site. Of the 14,803 customers who live within 2.32 miles, only 985 (or 6.7%) are currently customers of this firm.

### **Database Coding** and **Analysis**

- Personalized communications
- Marketing campaigns
- Common forms of coding
  - Lifetime value analysis
  - Customer clusters

## **Lifetime Value Analysis**

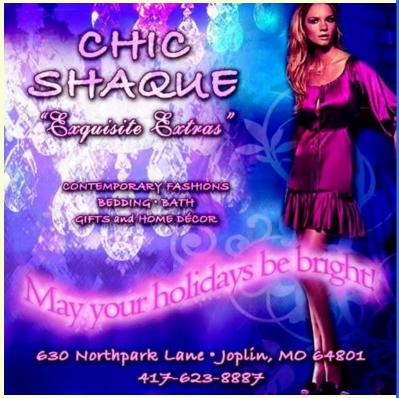
**Represents the profit revenue of a customer throughout the lifetime of the relationship** 

- Individual lifetime value
- Customer segment lifetime value
- Key figures
  - Revenue and costs
  - Retention rate
  - Visits or purchases per time period

## **Customer Clusters**

- Group customers into clusters
- Develop unique marketing programs for each cluster

#### Increase advertising effectiveness



# **Data Mining**

- Building profiles of customer groups
- Preparing models that predict future purchase behavior
- Examples
  - First Horizon profiles best prospects
  - American Eagle price markdowns
  - Staples profiles of best customers

**Purposes of Data Coding and Data Mining** 

- Develop marketing communications
- Develop marketing programs
- For personal sales
  - Qualify prospects
  - Information for sales calls

### Database-Driven Marketing Communications

- Identification codes
- Customer profile information
- In-bound telemarketing
- Trawling

Why the Internet is Important in Customer Communications

- Low cost
- Available 24/7
- Metric analysis
  - If the message was read
  - Time it was read
  - How much time was spent
- Customers access to additional information
- Build a bond with customers

# **Identification Codes**

- Log-in access to special pages
- Cookies
  - Customized Web pages
  - Individual offers
- Specialized communications
- Communication chain with purchase

## **Customer Profile Information**

- Customer preferences
- Customer information
- Individualize messages
- Bluefly.com
  - Sends messages about new fashions
- Personalized responses to inquiries

## **In-Bound Telemarketing**

- Immediate knowledge of customer
- Customer data immediately available
- Personal interaction
- Customer value and status
- Recent purchases or interactions
- Customer preferences and profile

# Trawling



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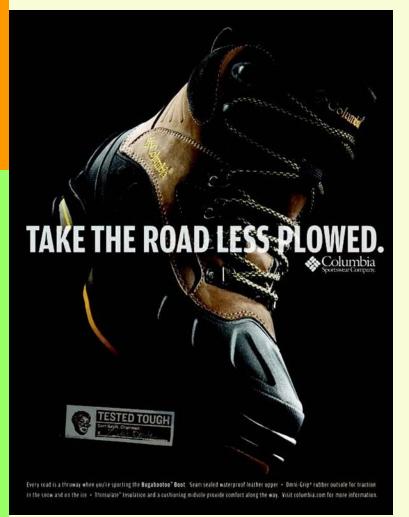
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- Search for specific information
- Some possible uses
  - Home Depot individuals who moved
  - Anniversary of last (special) purchase
  - Individuals who have not made recent purchase
  - Individuals who have made recent purchase
  - Purchase of a specific item then cross-sell

### Database-Driven Marketing Programs



- Permission marketing
- Frequency programs
- Customer relationship management

# **Permission Marketing**

- Backlash to spam, junk mail
- Consumers give permission
- Can be offered through
  - Internet
  - Telephone
  - Mail
- Higher response rates

**Steps in Building a Permission Marketing Program** 

- Obtain permission.
- Offer a curriculum over time.
- Offer incentives to continue the relationship.
- Increase level of permission.
- Leverage the permission to benefit both parties.

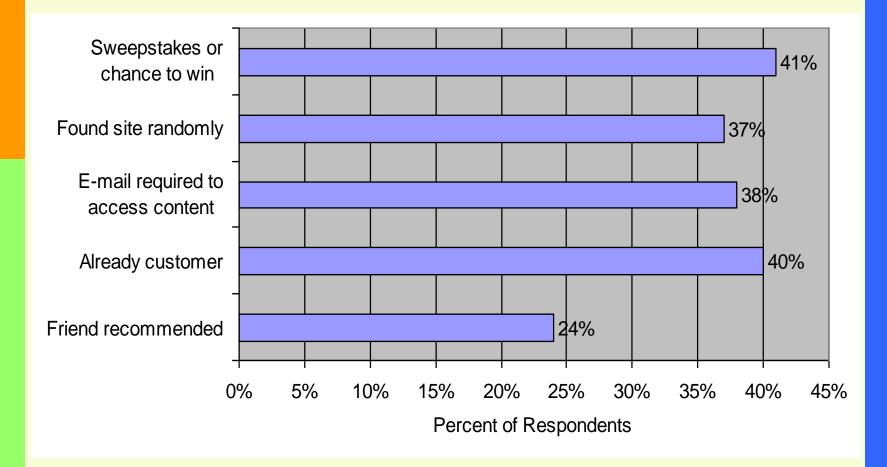
### Keys to Successful Permission Marketing

- Ensure recipients have granted permission
- Make e-mails relevant
- Customize program by tracking member activity



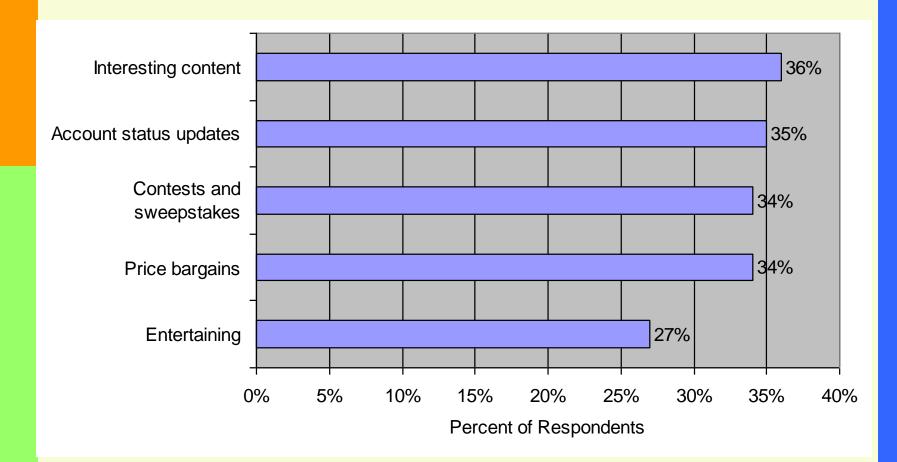
### **Empowerment Reciprocity**

#### **Reasons Consumers Opt into an E-mail Permission Program**



Source: Based on Joseph Gatt, "Most Consumers Have Reached Permission E-mail Threshold," Direct Marketing (December 2003), pp. 1-2.

#### **Reasons Customers Remain Loyal to a Permissions Relationship**

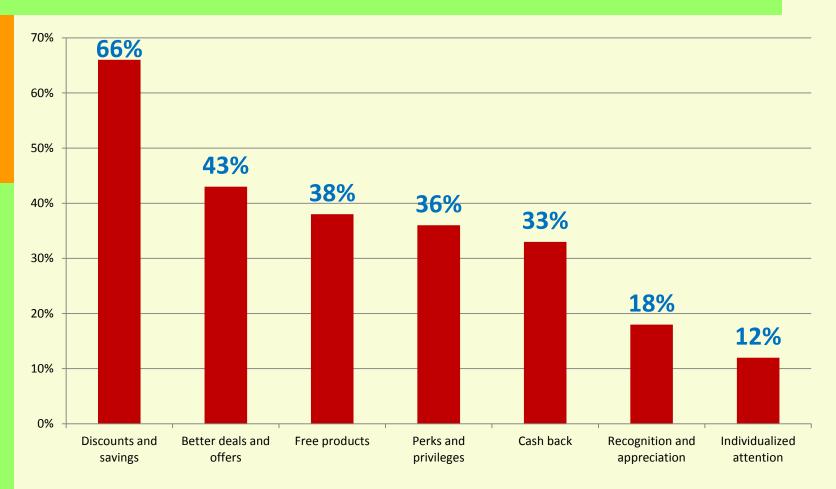


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# **Frequency Programs**

- Reward loyalty
- Encourages repeat purchases
- Airlines and grocery stores
- 2/3 of consumers belong
- Average household in 14 programs
- Actively participate in 6 programs

#### **Benefits of Loyalty Programs Cited By Customers**



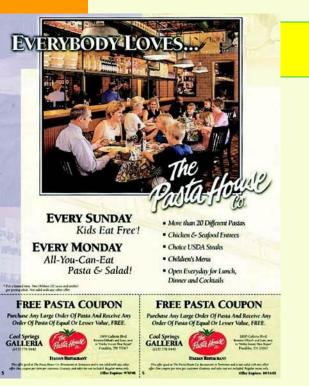
Source: Adapted from Mark Dolliver, "Gauging Customer Loyalty," *Adweek*, www.adweek.com/aw/content\_display/news/agency/e3i4a73f5d7451749a37c7fca20, February 16, 2010.

#### **Frequency Program Goals**

- Maintain or increase sales, margins, or profits
- Increase loyalty of existing customers
- Preempt or match a competitor's offer
- Encourage cross-selling
- Differentiate the brand
- Discourage entry of a new brand

### Principles Frequency Programs

- Design the program to enhance the value of the product.
- Calculate the full cost of the program.
- Design a program that maximizes the customer's motivation to make the next purchase.



#### **Frequent Diner Club**

#### Sent letter to 4,000 offering \$5 discount on dinner.

- Average visits increased
  - From 25 to 42 during promotion
  - From 25 to 29 after promotion
- Card holders visits increased
- Incremental sales increased
  - •\$17,100 during promotion
  - •\$4,700 after promotion

## Customer Relationship Management

- Database technology
  - Customize products
  - Customize communications
- Many CRM programs failed
- Built on two primary metrics
  - Lifetime value
  - Share of customer

#### Customer Relationship Management Steps to Develop

- 1. Identify the company's customers.
- 2. Differentiate customers in terms of needs and value.
  - Lifetime value
  - Share of customer
- 3. Interact with customers.
  - Improve cost efficiency
  - Enhance effectiveness of interaction.
- 4. Customize goods or services.

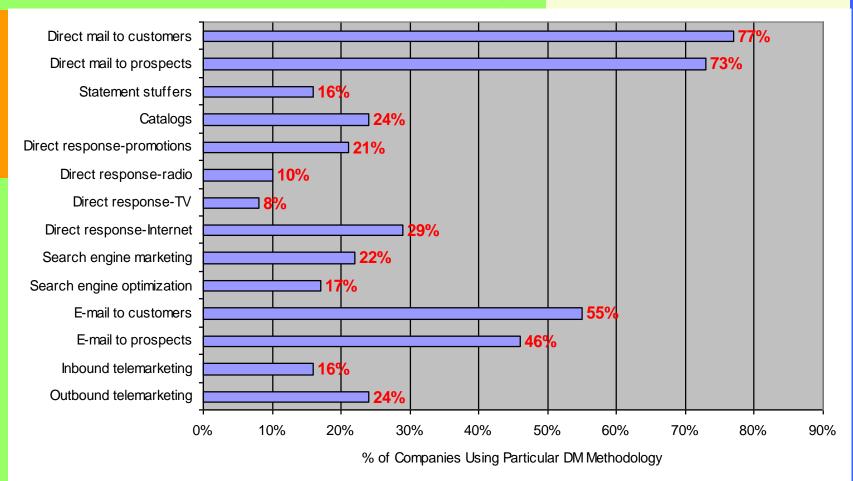
## Customer Relationship Management Reasons for Failure

- Implemented before a solid customer strategy is created.
- Rolling out a CRM program before changing the organization to match the CRM program.
- Becoming technology driven rather than customer driven.
- Customers feel like they are being stalked instead of being wooed.

## **Direct Response Marketing**

- Direct Marketing Association
  - Prospecting  $\rightarrow 60\%$
  - Customer retention  $\rightarrow$  40%
- It works!
- Customers respond
  - Telephone
  - E-mail
  - Retail store
  - PURL

#### **Methods of Direct Marketing**



Source: Based on Richard H. Levy, "Prospects Look Good," Direct, Vol. 16 (December 1, 2004), pp. 1-5.

# **Direct Mail**

#### Most common form of direct marketing

- Types of lists
  - Response list
  - Compiled list
- Advantages
  - Target mailings (consumer, B-to-B)
  - Measurable
  - Driver of online sales
- Disadvantages
  - Clutter
  - Costs
- Digital direct-to-press

# Catalogs

- Long-term impact
- Low-pressure sales tactics
- First stage in buying cycle
- Database
- Specialty catalogs
- Business-to-business

## **Direct Response Media**

- Television
- Radio
- Magazines
- Newspapers

# Internet

- Direct response to ads
- Cost-effective
- Builds relationships
- Personalization of communication
- Customization of offer
- Search engine ads

# **Direct Sales**

- Consumer direct sales
- Host parties
- Amway, Mary Kay, Avon
- Mark



# Telemarketing

- Inbound telemarketing
  - Cross-selling
- Outbound telemarketing
  - Cold calling
  - Database
  - Prospects

# **Personal Selling**

- Face-to-face opportunity
- Build relationships
  - New customers
  - Current customers
- Relationship selling
- Create customer for life

#### **Steps in the Selling Process**

- Generating leads
- Qualifying prospect
- Knowledge acquisition
- Sales presentation
- Handling objections
- Sales closing
- Follow-up

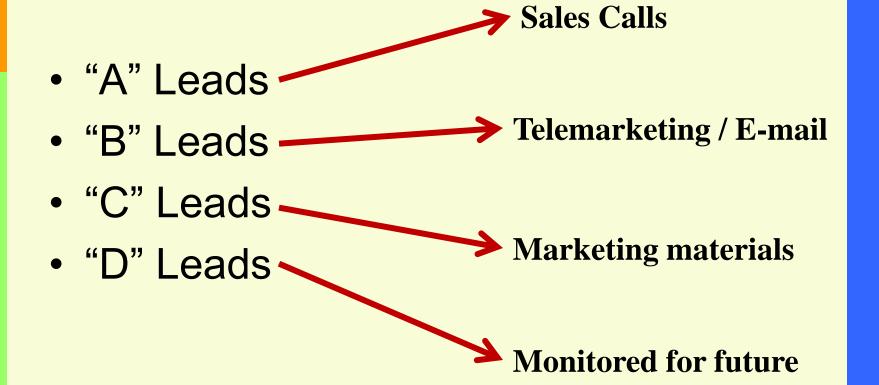
#### **Methods of Generating Sales Leads**

- Referrals
- Database-generated leads
  - Trawling
  - Analytical techniques
  - Data mining
- Networking
- Directories
- Cold calls

# **Qualifying Prospects**

- Not all leads are viable
- Not all leads are equal in value
- Two dimensions
  - Potential income
  - Probability of acquiring
- Categorize prospects

## Marketing Approaches Prospect Categories



**Knowledge Acquisition Information** 

- Understand the prospect's business.
- Know and understand the prospect's customers.
- Identify the prospect's needs.
- Evaluate risk factors and costs in switching vendors.
- Identify the decision makers and influencers.

## **Sales Presentation**

- Stimulus-response
- Need-satisfaction
- Problem-solution
- Mission-sharing



### FIGURE 11.15 Handling Objections

- Head-on method
- Indirect method
- Compensation method
- "Feel, Felt, Found"

### FIGURE 11.16 Methods of Closing Sales

- Direct close
- Trial close
- Summarization close
- Continuous "yes" close
- Assumptive close

## **International Implications**

- Differences in technology
- Laws and regulations
- Local customs
- Infrastructure

## Integrated Campaigns in Action Centric Federal Credit Union



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