

Harris Interactive® and Kelley Blue Book to Release AutoVIBES Generation Reports

Reports Reveal How Gen Y, Gen X, Baby Boomers and Pre-Boomers in the U.S. View Car Buying

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Online vehicle market research leaders Harris Interactive® and Kelley Blue Book announce the availability of the 'Generations' series of reports from their monthly AutoVIBES study. Four new reports provide a comprehensive look at the purchasing dynamics and decision making factors of U.S. vehicle-buyers based on their generation. Each 'Generation' report summarizes the attitudes, opinions, and behaviors of in-market vehicle buyers who are within 12 months of purchasing or leasing a new vehicle. Reports within the 'Generation' series include a Generation Y Report, Generation X Report, Baby Boomers Report and Pre-Boomers Report, and are based on more than 16,000 interviews conducted over nearly a full year.

"The information found within these reports can assist marketers and advertisers in better understanding the concerns and issues facing different generations during the car shopping process," said Scott Upham, Senior Vice President, Automotive & Transportation Research at Harris Interactive. "Crucial data found in these reports can be used to carefully craft communications that show an understanding of a buyer's needs -- from TV ads all the way down to the dealership level."

Key Findings within Each Generation Report:

- * Financial outlook for upcoming year
- * Key factors influencing vehicle purchase decisions
- * Effect of incentives on purchase decisions
- * Effect of gas prices on purchase decisions
- * Safety considerations
- * Make & model: ownership, consideration and loyalty
- * Vehicle country of origin attitudes
- * Reaction to new model launches

The AutoVIBES 'Generations' series of reports is just the first set to be released this year. The AutoVIBES 'Lifestyle' Series will be available in early March and will include an Affluent Buyer Report as well as a Gender Report, which focuses on the different purchase dynamics of men and women. Also included in the 'Lifestyle' series will be a group of reports focusing on shoppers who are married, single and those with and without children. Later this spring the AutoVIBES Ethnicity Series will be released, focusing on how different ethnicities approach and react to the vehicle buying process. Reports currently planned for the Ethnicity Series include an African American Report, Hispanic American Report and an Asian American Report.

For more information about AutoVIBES or any series of reports coming out this year, please contact Kelley Blue Book Marketing Research at 949-268-3074 or Harris Interactive at 877-919-4765.

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About Kelley Blue Book

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