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Impact Of Effective Advertising In Promoting Sales

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Abstract

This article analyses marketing's contribution to a firm's bottom line. There is a strong correlation between marketing costs and the firm's bottom line, and there is also a strong correlation between marketing costs and sales volume. The report recommends that a business invest in a highly trained and skilled workforce in order to maintain an efficient advertising campaign. A method that promotes the company's and its products' positive reputation should regulate the advertising system.

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Introduction

Any business exists, first and foremost, to make a profit from the sale of its wares or services. To be solvent, a corporation must generate annual profits greater than its annual operating expenses through the sale of its products. Sales forecasts are a common basis for corporate budgets and profitability. In most cases, defining production units is a prerequisite to arriving at production units, which in turn affects material procurement. However, many executives in large companies regard sales choice to be the most difficult aspect of their jobs. This is because it is difficult to accurately predict, estimate, or quantify how external factors may impact a business' ability to meet the demands of potential customers.

Given the importance of sales to a business's bottom line and the correlation between happy customers and continued patronage, it makes sense for companies to engage in programmes designed to increase sales. Here is where brand management and advertising come into play. Marketing includes the 4ps (product, price, location, and promotion), with advertising being under the umbrella of the promotion mix. Advertising is a crucial component of every successful marketing campaign since it informs consumers about a product and primes them to make a purchasing decision.

"Advertising is a type of communication via mass media about goods, services, or ideas paid for by a recognised sponsor," as defined by the Advertising Practitioner Council of Nigeria (APCON). Since the definition of communication is the transmission of meaning from one person to another through a medium, it may be said that advertising is a type of communication. This is because advertisements employ channels to spread persuading messages about the goods, services, or concepts they promote. This is conceptually analogous to the transmission of a message from one end of a communication channel to the other in order to obtain a response.

"all acts including delivering to a collective, nonpersonal, oral or visual sponsored messages promoting a product, service, or concept," as defined by William J. Stanton (1994) is advertising.Since commercials are often aimed at wide demographics, they lack a personal quality. Advertisements are often backed by businesses in an effort to persuade consumers that their goods are worthwhile.

Promotional Marketing: Manufacturers in Nigeria's economy have been actively working to increase demand for their wares. Not content to churn out goods and hope that customers stumble into them by coincidence, they actively seek for ways to connect with their target audience. The theory goes like this: if a superior product is made, people won't have to go to any extra trouble to find out about its existence, its value, its pleasant attributes, and where they can buy it. Customers can save time, effort, and money by being aware of the existence of a product, the price at which it is being sold, and the placement (where it is available), all of which are advertised through various forms of media.

Advertising serves several purposes, including the introduction of new items, the demonstration of novel applications for established products, the prompting of inquiries, the development of brand identity, and the announcement of new products. Sales and profits are anticipated to rise as a direct consequence of its implementation. Profit may be defined as the amount by which total revenue exceeds total expenses. Making a profit in any business is dependent on a wide range of variables. Pursuing organisational goals with vigour and diligence is a prudent course of action. In a culture where social responsibility is publicly celebrated, maximisation of owners' wealth is one such objective.

The primary purpose of this research is to assess the contribution of advertising to the growth of the firm's revenue and bottom line. The following goals have been established for this study: i. Analyse the correlation between marketing costs and revenue generation. The second objective is to analyse the company's marketing budget in relation to sales. iii. To analyse how stock levels affect a company's bottom line. In today's highly competitive market, where consumers may choose from a dizzying array of brands, the significance of advertising in attracting new customers and retaining existing ones cannot be stressed enough. The study's results will be useful for entrepreneurs and marketers whose products are selling poorly due to a lack of publicity.

Literature Review

Awareness of a company's goods or brands may be raised in the local community in which the company works if an effective advertising campaign is implemented, everything else being equal. As a result, the marketed brands or items capture a larger portion of the market. With a larger market share comes more business, everything else being equal. Well-managed advertising should lead to increased profit after taxes and a proportional increase in profit due to shareholders assuming a stable tax structure. Potential customers may learn about (1) when a product or service is available, (2) when it is in season, (3) your location, and (4) what makes your product unique via advertising.

Advertising, PR, and SP are all communication techniques that may be used by marketers, and argues Fill (1999), that's why it exists. One distinguishing element of communication is that the information being sent must be understandable by the intended audience. Advertisement, as defined by Dunn et al. (1978), is "a paid, non-personal interaction through various media by companies, non-profit organisations, and people who are in some way recognised by the marketing pitch and who hope to educate or persuade members of a specific audience." According to Morden (1991), the purpose of advertising is to introduce the product or service to consumers and increase their familiarity with it. According to Kotler (1988), "advertising comprises of non-personal forms of communication delivered via paid media under obvious sponsorship," making it one of the four main techniques corporations employ to direct persuasive messages to target consumers and the public.

Advertising, in his view, is meant to influence consumers' opinions of a company and its product or service by "giving knowledge, by channelling desire, and by delivering reasons for choosing a certain organization's offer," he says. In their discussion of the characteristics and range of advertising, Etzel et al. (1997) boil it all down to four main points: (i) a message, (ii) a known backer, (iii) dissemination through at least one media outlet, and (iv) financial compensation for the outlet(s) from the backer.

They conclude that "advertising therefore comprises of all the actions involved in conveying to an audience a non-personal, paid-for communication about a product or organisation," which is a summary of the preceding. These ideas are consistent with Davies' (1998) and Arens' (1996) basic but comprehensive definitions. "Advertising" is defined by Davies as "any type of paid non-personal media presentation pushing ideas/concepts, goods/services by a recognised sponsor." The practically same definition given by Arens, "the human delivery of information about items (goods) or ideas by designated sponsors via diverse media," captures the essence of advertising.

Given that advertising's stated goals are to raise consumer awareness of the product being promoted and to educate consumers so that they can make more informed purchasing decisions, it follows that advertising's success as a promotional tool hinges on its ability to encourage repeat purchases and, ultimately, brand loyalty. As a result, many businesses invest much in marketing and public relations to build and maintain their brands.

Empirical Literature Studies on Impact of Advertising on Sales: Karounwi (1998) conducted an empirical study on advertising and concluded that the producer's ultimate purpose is to sell goods and create profit, and that advertising is one of the methods in which he might do this. The study's author observed that market rivalry is fierce, particularly among firms whose advertising messages are seen first by consumers. Wright (1991) speculated that if exposed to diverse forms of advertising on a regular basis, consumers would become motivated and so no longer be passive victims of advertising. According to Olawuyi's (2004) research, "men of the globe who desire the finest wherever they find it know that promoted items are always the greatest of their type" (as only the best products can withstand so much exposure). Any producer making a public claim about their product must be able to back it up with quality marketing and sales.

Advertising, according to Galbraith (1963), contributes to the increased sales of branded product categories, which in turn boosts the product's profit. Based on their research on the influence of social standing on consumer choice, Kassarijian et al. (1995) concluded that people are more likely to adopt novel ideas when they are exposed to them in social settings and that there is a correlation between people's social personalities and the effectiveness of advertisements. It's worth noting that all marketing efforts are interconnected; no one task may determine whether or not a business advances to the next phase. As a consequence, marketing is now widely seen as an interconnected whole.

Relationship between advertising, sales and profit: Companies spend millions of dollars or naira on advertising and other forms of marketing communication, so it makes sense to look at how these expenditures affect the bottom line. As markets have become more robust, practitioners and academics have begun to focus on how things like advertising might affect the value of a company. In addition, there has been a recent uptick in focus on developing a framework for the connections between marketing, finance, and strategy, which measures the financial and value effects of marketing initiatives. This research aims to shed light on these connections by quantifying the effect that advertising expenditures have on a company's revenue and earnings. One gets inundated with commercials in today's fast-paced market. Studies using real-world data confirm that ads may affect customers' propensity to make a purchase. The "value" consumers perceive they will get from a purchase is another factor that influences their final choice. Customers want to feel like they got their money's worth (price vs value).

Customers want to get their money's worth, or kobo. On the other hand, advertisers have high standards for returns on their ad spend. Given the high price tag associated with promotional efforts, this is to be expected. The payoff might come in the shape of more profits or a larger volume of sales for the company.

Businesses spend yearly in the millions of naira or dollars on advertising and promotion. Naturally, this is mostly used for advertising. Marketers anticipate a profit from this, of course. Their anticipation is grounded on the link between marketing expenditures and the firm's bottom line. According to Raymond (1970), advertisements may be successful because they transmit several meanings to various target audiences.

What this means to a management is how the advertising approach affects the bottom line. Many studies have focused on the influence of text and media on raising product awareness and establishing a lasting connection via marketing communication. In order to evaluate and quantify brand recognition and customer devotion, metrics have been established. The AIDA or a variant of it has been used in several investigations since the early 20th century (Strong 1925). Only a small number of studies have attempted to quantify the impacts on sales and profits (Gattigon 1993; Montrala 2002; Naik et al. A quick look shows that this impact has been investigated in the context of the American customer and market. Therefore, it is crucial to investigate how advertising budgets affect the company's bottom line.

Conclusion

In this research, we wanted to know how commercials affect businesses' bottom lines. Research shows a link between marketing costs and bottom-line earnings, leading to the following inferences about the nature of the connection. The company's marketing budget has a direct impact on its top line. There is also a strong connection between stockpiles and a company's bottom line.

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