# CUSTOMER PERCEPTION TOWARDS SOCIAL MEDIA







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### **Company Profile**



Company's Core Value



Nur Agency is a Life Insurance Agency **BSN** registered under Gibraltar Company. It has been around in Sabah since 2009, which was established by Puan Nuramni Abdullah. This company provides life insurance services throughout Sabah especially in Kota Kinabalu area. They also promotes Medical Card, Retirement Package, Investment, Life Savings and Protection, Health Protection, Investment Link Fund.

## Mission and Vision



#### **MISSION**

#### WE PROTECT DREAMS

To Protect the Dreams of all our customers Malaysians from all walks of life. To continuously innovate and deliver high quality services, customers can be confident that we will fulfil our promises so that you can be secure and focus on achieving your hopes and dreams.

#### **VISION**

#### COMMUNITY PROTECTION CHAMPION

To be Malaysia's Community Protection Champion by being part of the growth and development of our customers, by accompanying and sharing in your prosperity, by protecting ]hopes, dreams and aspirations, making affordable protection solutions easily accessible to all Malaysians.



## Services and Products



#### **Protection**

Safeguard lives and secure loan on your asset.

#### Health

Protect against illness, surgery, and hospitalisation.





#### Education

Preparing and planning for your child's education.

#### Saving/Investment

Enjoy bonuses and monthly income benefit on your policy.





#### Retirement

Securing your retirement through the golden years.

#### Financial Security

Helping to secure your financial future.



## Organizational Structure



## ISSUES IDENTIFICATION

#### **Interview Session**

Through the interview session with my supervisor, the main concern of the company is how to reach more prospects through social media, especially during MCO.





#### **Observations**

After having the permission from the company to handle the company's social media, I have noticed that:



The number of reach are hard to maintain.



The engagement with viewers are low.

## RESEARCH OBJECTIVES AND RESEARCH QUESTIONS

#### Research Questions

- i. Is there any significant relationship between trustiness and customer perception of Facebook page/social media?
- ii. Is there any significant relationship between service and customer perception of Facebook page/social media?
- iii. Is there any significant relationship between engagement and customer perception of Facebook page/social media?
- **iv**.Is there any significant relationship between quality and customer perception of Facebook page/social media?

#### Research Objectives

- To determine significant relationship between trustiness and customer perception of Facebook page/social media.
- ii. To determine significant relationship between service and customer perception of Facebook page/social media.
- iii. To determine significant relationship between engagement and customer perception of Facebook page/social media.
- **iv.** To determine significant relationship between quality and customer perception of Facebook page/social media.

#### **SCOPE OF THE STUDY**



Quantitative study will be conducted towards consumer with various background will be chosen.

This study will conduct a questionnaire survey as one of the method used to collect data required.



Nur Agency Gibraltar BSN is targeting their target audience in Sabah. The specific area that is currently have more engagement are Kota Kinabalu, Tuaran and Tamparuli.



The scope of study is mainly focusing on the marketing, where it needs to focus on the targeted people that have higher possibility to respond on social media.

#### Customer Perception



Perception is the process by which people select, organize, and interpret sensations when the immediate response of sensory receptors.





The relationship between consumer behaviour and marketing strategy will increase the probability and frequency of buyer behaviour

Therefore, there are three stages of exposure, attention, and interpretation make up the process of perception (Madichie, 2012).





Requirements for succeeding in doing this are to know the customer and understand the consumer's needs and wants.



Rather than sensory attributes that can be found on physical stores, the online shoppers seek detailed information about the products and service

Consumers simply do not trust most of web providers enough to engage in relationship exchanges with them (Grabner-Krauter, 2004).





Moving the internet sellers to click the "purchase" button is difficult.



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LITERATURE REVIEWS

## Engagement

There has been extensive attention paid to behavioral customer metrics with a strong focus on purchase behavior (Bolton, 1998).



The engagement will likely be high if the customer has already has interest on the brand.



The uniqueness of the media posted will also attract the possible audiences.



## LITERATURE REVIEWS





In digital marketing, authenticity, honesty, and transparency are three qualities that help develop trust in online brand communities.

Users need to trust the brand and other members of the community.





Operators of a fan page must be human, rather than robotic, in order to create a personal atmosphere.

#### Service



Fierce competition forced vendors to include more service into their software, for example, marketing, sales and service applications.

The service includes Search Engine Optimization (SEO) where it makes customers easily find the products and services needed.





It is important for a brand to be unique from other competitive brand in terms of image and branding so it will be easier for customers to distinguish one brand with another.

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## Research Hypothesis

H<sub>0</sub>: There is no significant relationship between trustiness and consumer perception towards social media.

H<sub>1</sub>: There is a significant relationship between trustiness and consumer perception towards social media.

Ho: There is no significant relationship between service and consumer perception towards social media.

 $H_2$ : There is a significant relationship between service and consumer perception towards social media.

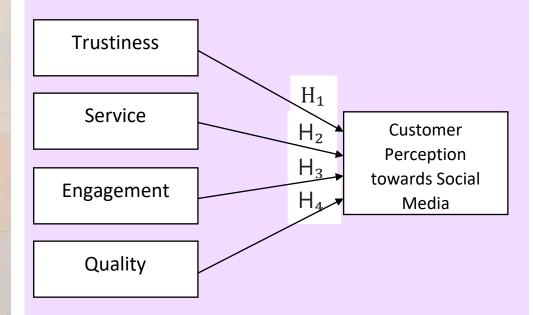
Ho: There is no significant relationship between engagement and consumer perception towards social media.

H<sub>3</sub>: There is a significant relationship between engagement and consumer perception towards social media.

H<sub>0</sub>: There is no significant relationship between quality and consumer perception towards social media.

 $H_4$ : There is a significant relationship between quality and consumer perception towards social media.

#### Research Framework



#### RESEARCH METHODOLOGY



Primary Data



Quantitative based.



Survey Questionnaire distributed to 126 respondents.



Convenience sampling.

Source of Data



Secondary data is also used which is data is collected from articles and journals.

Secondary Data

#### RESEARCH METHODOLOGY



#### **Sections**

**Section A: Demographic** 

**Section B (i): Quality** 

Section B (ii): Service

Section B (iii): Engagement

**Section B (iv): Trustiness** 

**SectionB** (v): Customer Perception

Research Instrument

#### Questionnaire

The respondent answered the questions by using Likert Scale, varies from:

1 (Strongly Disagree), 2 (Disagree), 3 (Neutral), 4(Agree) and 5(Strongly Agree).





Questionnaire distributed: 126 set



Divided into six sections:



Section A: Respondents' detail on demographic information.

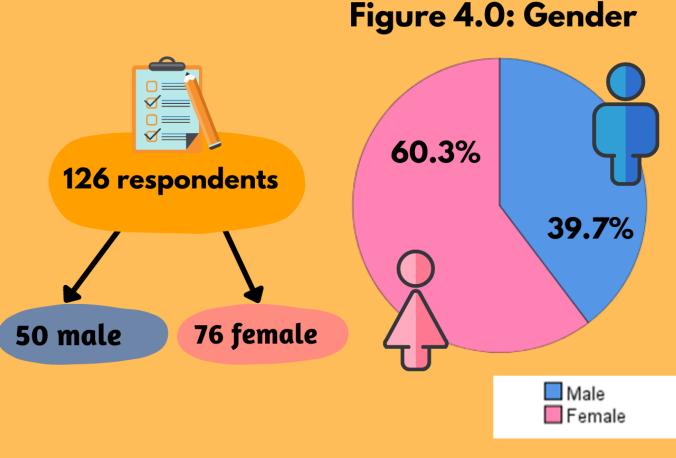
#### Other five sections:

#### **Independent Variables:**

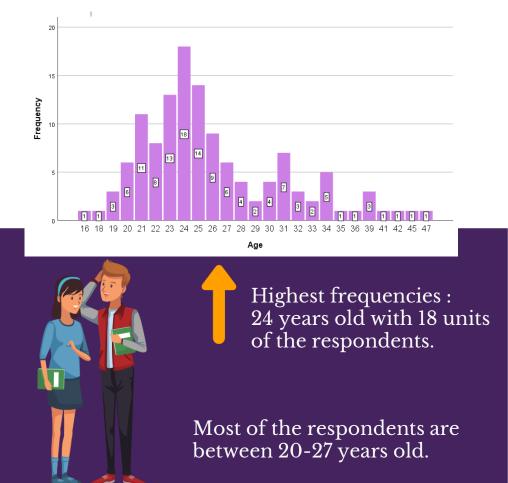
- Quality
- Trustiness
- Engagement
- Service

**Dependent Variable:** 

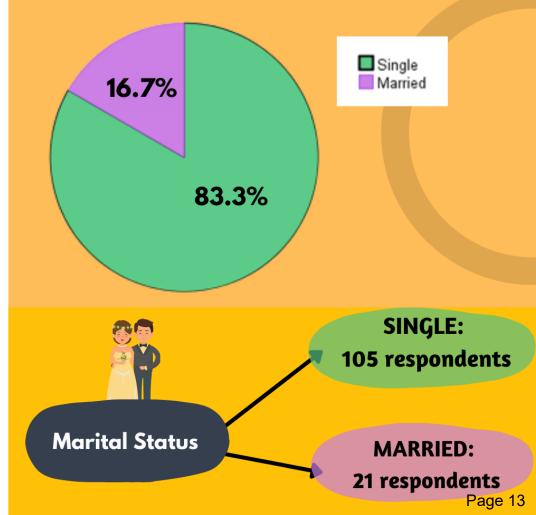
**Customer Perception.** 



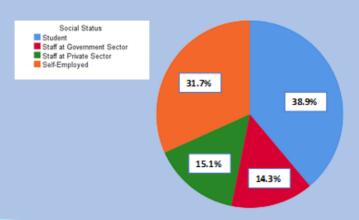
#### Figure 4.1: Age



#### Figure 4.2: Marital Status



#### Figure 4.3: Social Status





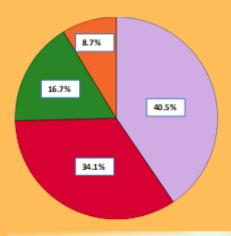
38.9% student or 49 respondents are students.

Followed by self-employed with 31.7%, with 40 respondents picked self-employed option.



#### Figure 4.4: Monthly Income

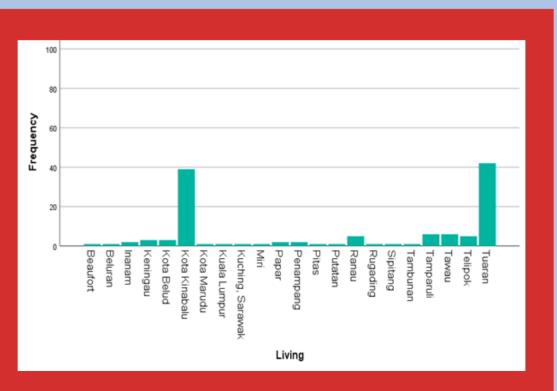






Highest frequency in monthly income is less than RM999, with 40.5% or respondents.

#### Figure 4.5: Place of Living





Highest frequency in place of living is 18%, where 42 respondents selected their place of staying in TUARAN

#### Table 4.6: Construct Reliability and **Convergent Validity for Pilot Test**

Variable	Reliability			
Trustiness	0.853			
Quality	0.781			
Service	0.753			
Engagement	0.838			
Customer Perception	0.885			

Cronbach's Alpha was range between 0.753 and 0.885

Which are considered good indications of construct reliability in the research instrument.

Engagement scores the highest value (0.740)
and Trustiness among those IV.

		Corre	lations			
		Trustiness_	Service_me	Engagemen	Quality_me	DV_mea
		mean	an	t_mean	an	n
Trustiness_mean	Pearson	1	.567**	.740"	.535**	.596"
	Correlation					
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.000	.000	.000	.000
	N	126	126	126	126	126
Service_mean	Pearson Correlation	.567**	1	.711"	.567**	.529*
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000		.000	.000	.000
	N	126	126	126	126	126
Engagement_me	Pearson Correlation	.740**	.711"	1	.651**	.613
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	.000		.000	.000
	N	126	126	126	126	126
Quality_mean	Pearson Correlation	.535**	.567**	.651**	1	.599*
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	.000	.000		.000
	N	126	126	126	126	126
DV_mean	Pearson Correlation	.596**	.529**	.613**	.599**	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	.000	.000	.000	
	N	126	126	126	126	126

**Table 4.7: Pearson Correlation Analysis** 

## Table 4.8: Descriptive Statistic: Univariate Data Analysis

			Minimu			Std.
		Range	m		Mean	Deviation
	N Statistic	Statistic	Statistic	Maximum Statistic	Statistic	Statistic
Trustiness	126	2.50	2.50	5.00	3.9067	.70052
Service	126	2.88	2.13	5.00	3.7113	.55912
Engagement	126	2.71	2.29	5.00	3.8787	.65554
Quality	126	2.71	2.29	5.00	3.7891	.58042
Customer Perception	126	2.50	2.50	5.00	3.5913	.50951
Valid N (listwise)	126					



5-point Likert scale.



Mean rating on Trustiness is '3.91' which is close to 'agree' scale. Average rating 2.5 is considered as Neutral.



The lowest standard deviation is obtained from customer perception.

## Table 4.9: Result of Multiple Regression Analysis

				Standardi		
				zed		
		Unstandardized		Coefficien		
		Coeffic	cients	ts		
Model		В	Std. Error	Beta	t	Sig.
1	(Constant)	1.039	0.253		4.107	.000
	Trustiness	0.196	0.071	0.270	2.756	.007
	Service	0.091	0.086	0.100	1.057	.292
	Engagement	0.113	0.094	0.145	1.207	.230
	Quality	0.266	0.077	0.303	3.446	.001
	R <sup>2</sup> (Model summary table)	0.484				
	Sig. F (ANOVA Table)	0.000				
	F-Value (ANOVA	28.429				

This indicates that 48.4% variations in dependent variable (Customer Perception).

The coefficient of determination (R²) was 0.484 based on Cohen's rules for effects sizes.



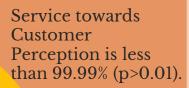
#### HYPOTHESIS 1

Trustiness towards **Customer Perception** is more than 99.99% (p>0.01).

Significant value for Trustiness is  $0.007 (\beta = 0.196)$ .

H<sub>1</sub> is supported and we reject null hypothesis.





Significant value for Service is  $0.292 (\beta=0.091)$ .

H<sub>2</sub> is not supported and we do not reject null hypothesis.



#### **HYPOTHESIS 3**

Significant value for Engagement is  $0.230 (\beta=0.113)$ .

H<sub>3</sub> is not supported and we do not reject null hypothesis.

## **HYPOTHESIS 4**



Quality towards Customer erception is more than 99.99% (p>0.01).

**HYPOTHESIS** 

**TESTING** 

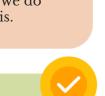
Significant value for Quality is  $0.001 (\beta=0.226)$ .

H<sub>1</sub> is supported and we reject null hypothesis.



**Customer Perception** is less than 99.99% (p>0.01).

Engagement towards



## **DISCUSSION**



#### **Trustiness**

H<sub>1</sub> is supported and we reject null hypothesis.

From the hypothesis testing, there is a significance between trustiness and customer perception.

This means most of the respondents agree that they need to have trust between customer and seller.

#### **Engagement**

Business social media are not posting at the right time, when the audience is actually on the social network. (Essa, 2020)

Engagement has no significance with customer perception.

This may be due to lack of attractive posting on a business page or social media.



#### Service

This may due to other reason that is the customer prioritize trust first before service. No significance relationship between service and customer perception.

Consumers has to evaluate between various brand or service before making a purchasing decision.



#### Quality

Quality is critical to satisfy your customer.

There is a significance relationship between quality and customer perception.

Quality retain their loyalty so they continue to buy from you in the future (Quain, 2019).



## Consistent Posting on Social Media

## Consistent Post Aesthetics

Hire Social Media Content Manager



Can increase more reach and eventually create engagement between business owner and potential customers.

Consistent aesthetic social media is what attracts audience these days.



Can ensure the posting on social media will be delivered on time or on the right time.



Schedule each day's post or by week and stick with one ideas or theme.





Can create engagement such as questions through Messenger or WhatsApp



The social media posting will be more organized and consistent.



Will make the posting more organized and easier for the audience to understand the product or service that is being promote.

Medium length but comprehensive caption can attract viewers.



Can be more alert when there are potential customers tries to get in touch through the social media.





## **RECOMMENDATION**

In conclusion, social media is frequently used by many people and currently are used as a business platform by many business especially during this pandemic. Therefore it is a good move for every business to create social media so that it is easier for customers to reach out, whether to ask about the products and services or general inquiries.



### CONCLUSION

Not only that, through social media, we can have bigger range of audience, which can attract potential customers not only local but international. Having social media as business platform can also improve the relationship between buyer and seller, where it can build trust from the media posting, the service provided and the quality of both products and services delivered.

#### **SIGNIFICANCE**

This study's finding will redound to Nur Agency Gilbraltar BSN where plan and solution are recommended in order to improve their social media. Not only that, the findings can help the company to see which one is the factors that may help customer's engagement and interest in social media posting. This also to gain favourable attitude from the customers towards social media posting especially on Facebook page. Hence, they can improve their social media posting and marketing.

#### **SELF-REFLECTION**



Through my period of internship, I have realised how social media posting can actually attract more audiences and get to know which aesthetic that audience prefer more when looking at a product or service.



From internship, I have many knowledge gained especially in insurance company, where I realised that not many know how much life insurance can help them in their life, especially hospitalization in and education.



opportunity to be exposed in the working environment, both in the office and workfrom-home. From here, I have gained knowledge especially in insurance company and how to handle a company's social media.

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