

FAQ's

How much TV do Canadians watch?

Canadians watch 23.7 hours of TV per week?

I've heard young people don't watch TV – is that true?

No. Adults 18-34 watch 10 hours of TV per week (most of it live)

What is TV's reach?

TV reaches 89% of Canadian adults every week.

How much TV is watched live?

87% of linear TV viewing is live (also 87% for A18-34)

How does time spent watching TV compare to time spent with YouTube?

TV far exceeds time spent on YouTube: A18+ watch 5x more TV than YouTube, and A18-34 watch 50% more TV than YouTube* (*YouTube time spent includes listening to music)

How does time spent watching TV compare to Social Media?

TV dwarfs time spent with social media: A18+ spend 8x more and A18-34 spend twice as much time watching TV than they spend on social media* (*Facebook + Snapchat + Instagram + Twitter + TikTok)

How many impressions does a TV campaign deliver?

The average TV campaign delivers an astounding 337 million impressions.

How many people have TV subscriptions?

Over 10.5 Million HHs have TV subscriptions (down only 1% from PY)

Everyone multitasks these days – are people even paying attention to TV ads?

Yes – more than any other type of advertising

Do TV + Digital work together?

TV and digital make a great combo – in fact TV will improve the performance of your digital media by an average 19%

Does TV have a good ROI?

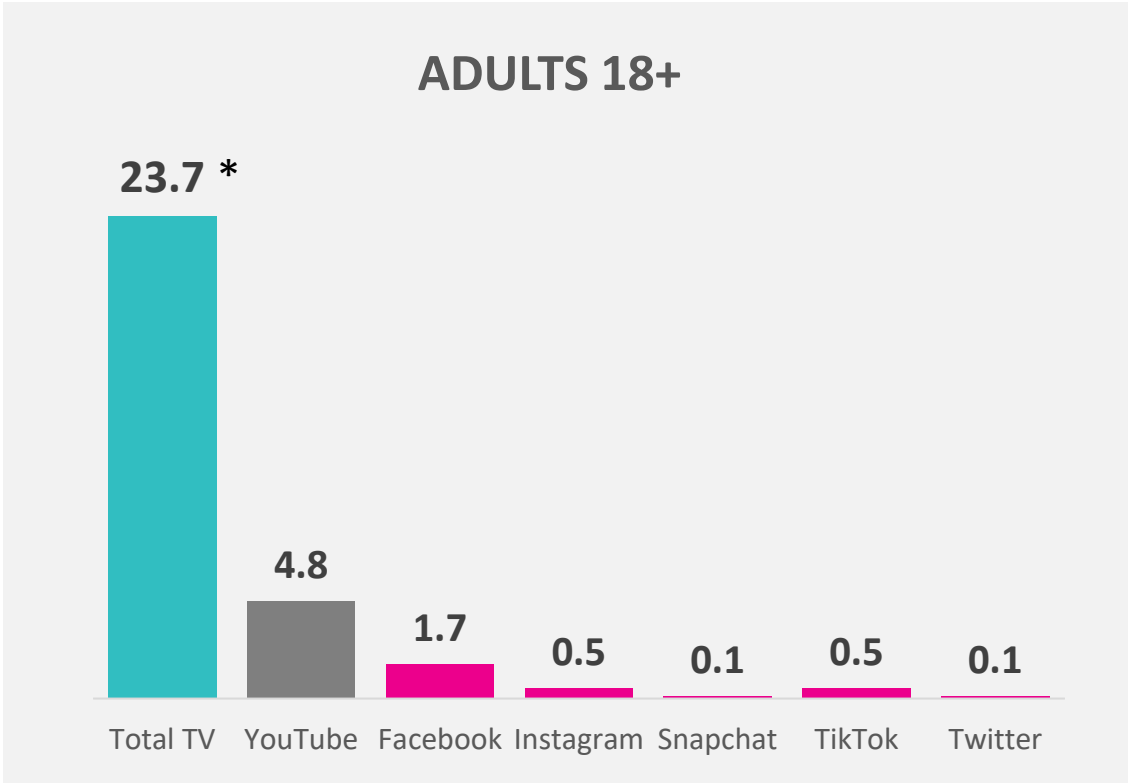
TV has the best sales ROI of any medium, delivering a \$14.34 return on each media dollar spent (and \$23.40 if you extend the period from 1 to 4 years)

These numbers don't ring true to me - what sources do you use?

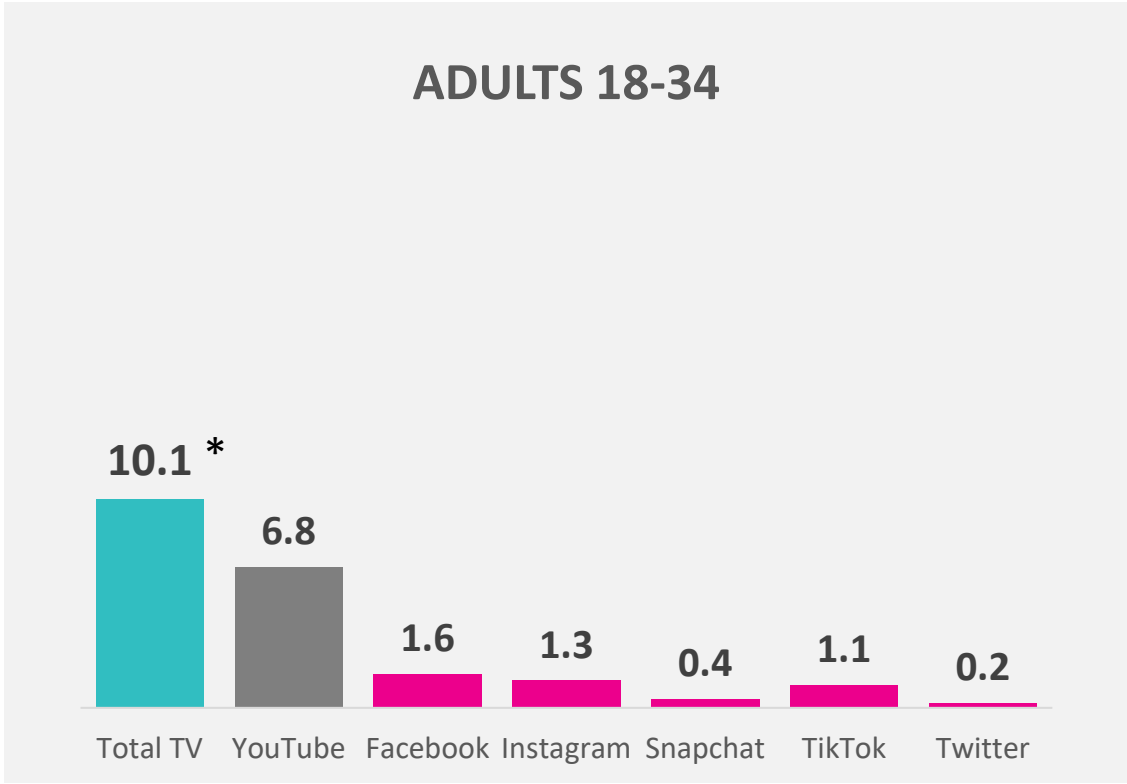
We use accredited, third-party sources, including Numeris, Comscore, and many others. No walled gardens, just the facts.

Canadians watch a lot of

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS



* 87% of A18+ TV viewing is LIVE



* 87% of A18-34 TV viewing is LIVE



tv reaches
27,221,000
Canadians every day

weekly reach

89%

adults (18+)

78%

adults (18-34)

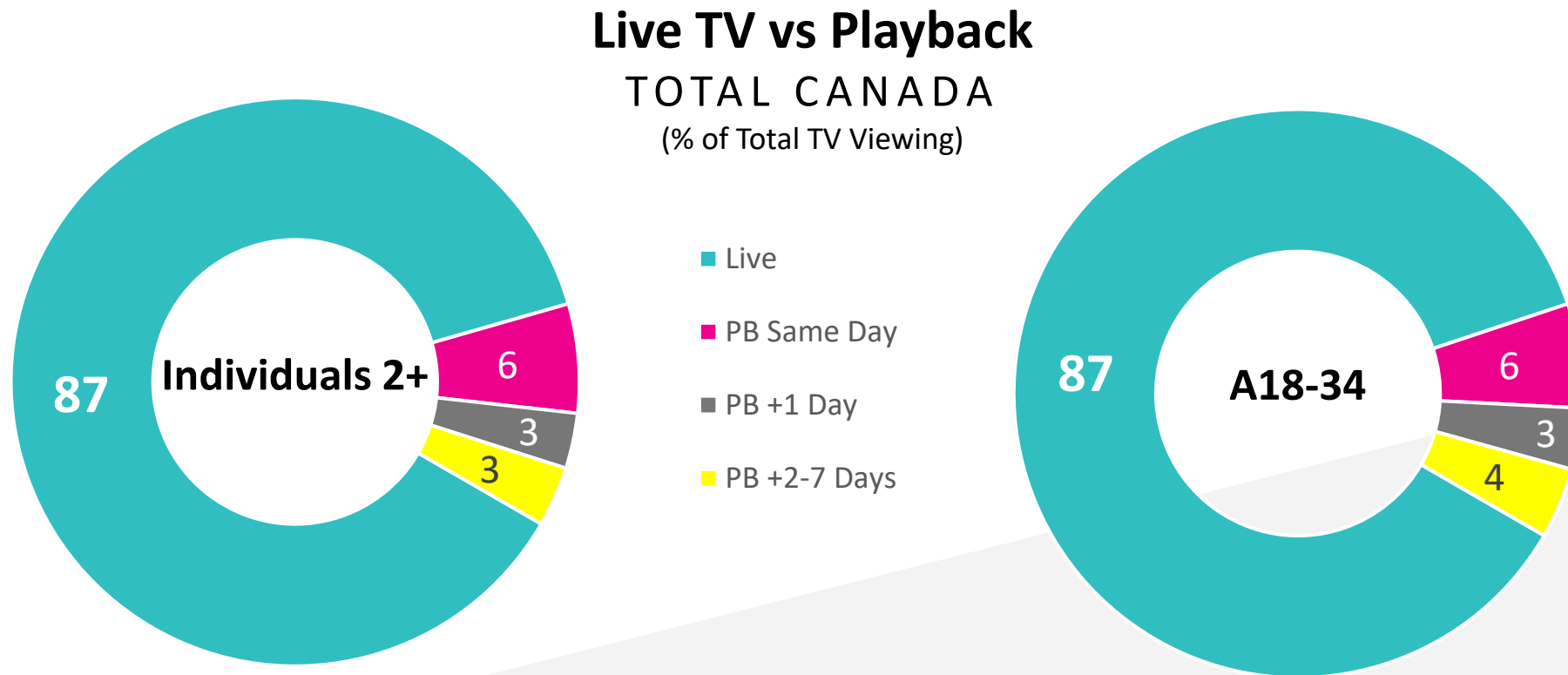
80%

kids (2-11)

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87% of linear **tv** viewing is **live**

even among young adults, 87% of TV viewing is live; 93% is live + same day playback



time spent
with **tv** yesterday

115 million
hours

average **tv**
campaign delivers

337 million
impressions

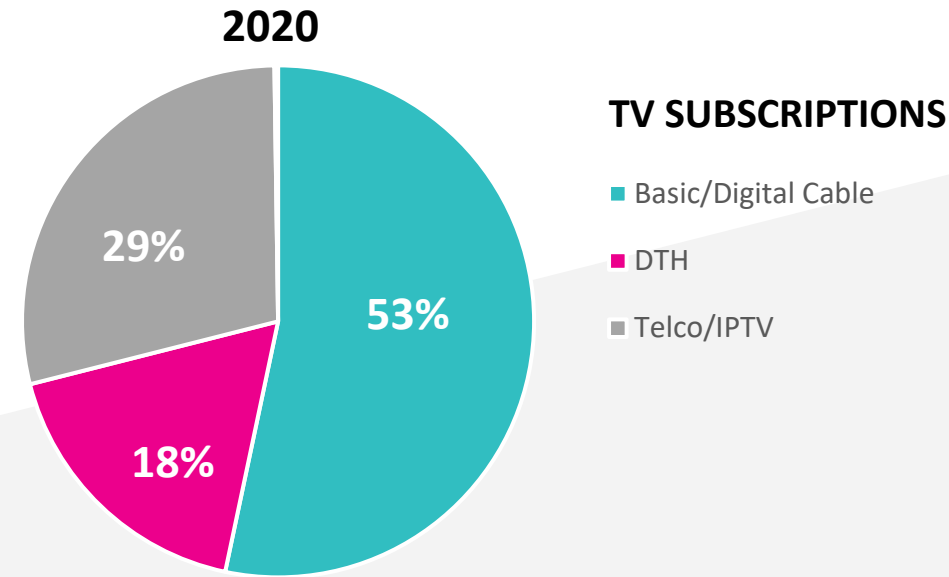
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10.5 million Canadian HH's have a paid TV subscription

Cord cutting has been far overstated: TV subscriptions have evolved, and we've seen subscriptions move from cable to IPTV, but total subs are only down less than 1%.

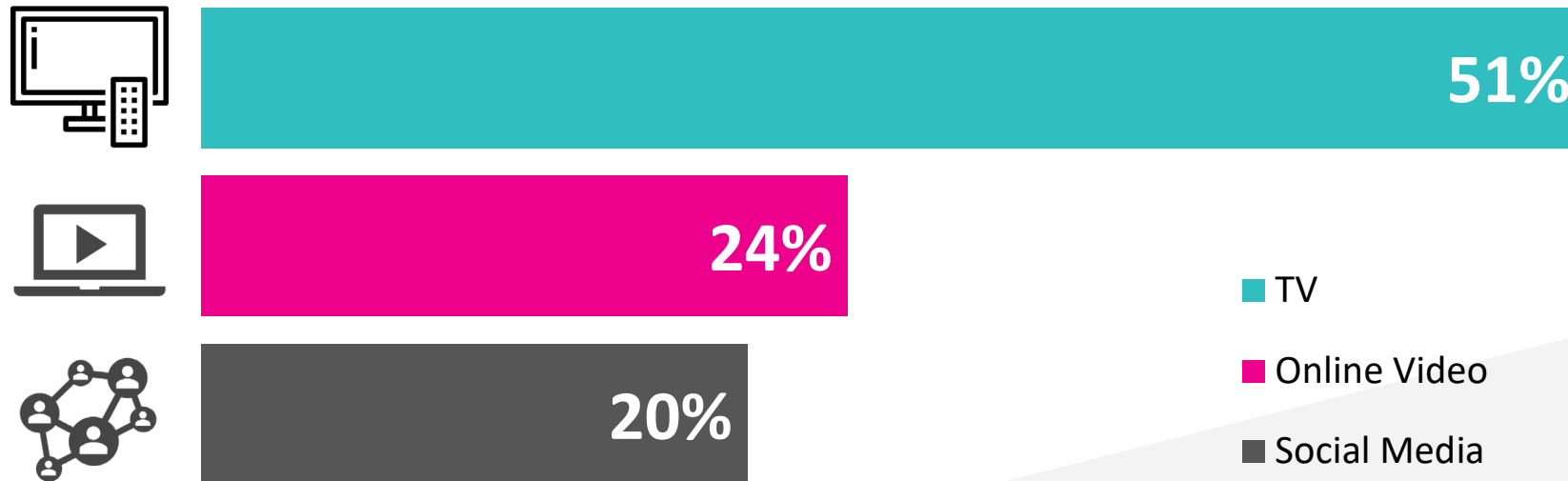
The notion that “no millennials subscribe to TV” is also false: 57% of 18-34 year olds subscribe to TV, and they're also accessing linear TV out-of-home and via streaming (which is how TV is able to reach 78% of A18-34 on a weekly basis).

	Sept '20	Sept'19	% Change
Total Subscribers	10,478,979	10,554,241	- 0.7
Basic/Digital Cable	5,586,917	5,635,848	- 0.9
DTH	1,858,394	1,992,179	- 6.7
TELCO/IPTV	3,009,727	2,902,169	+ 3.7
Other	23,941	24,045	- 0.1



Canadians pay **most attention** to ads on **tv**

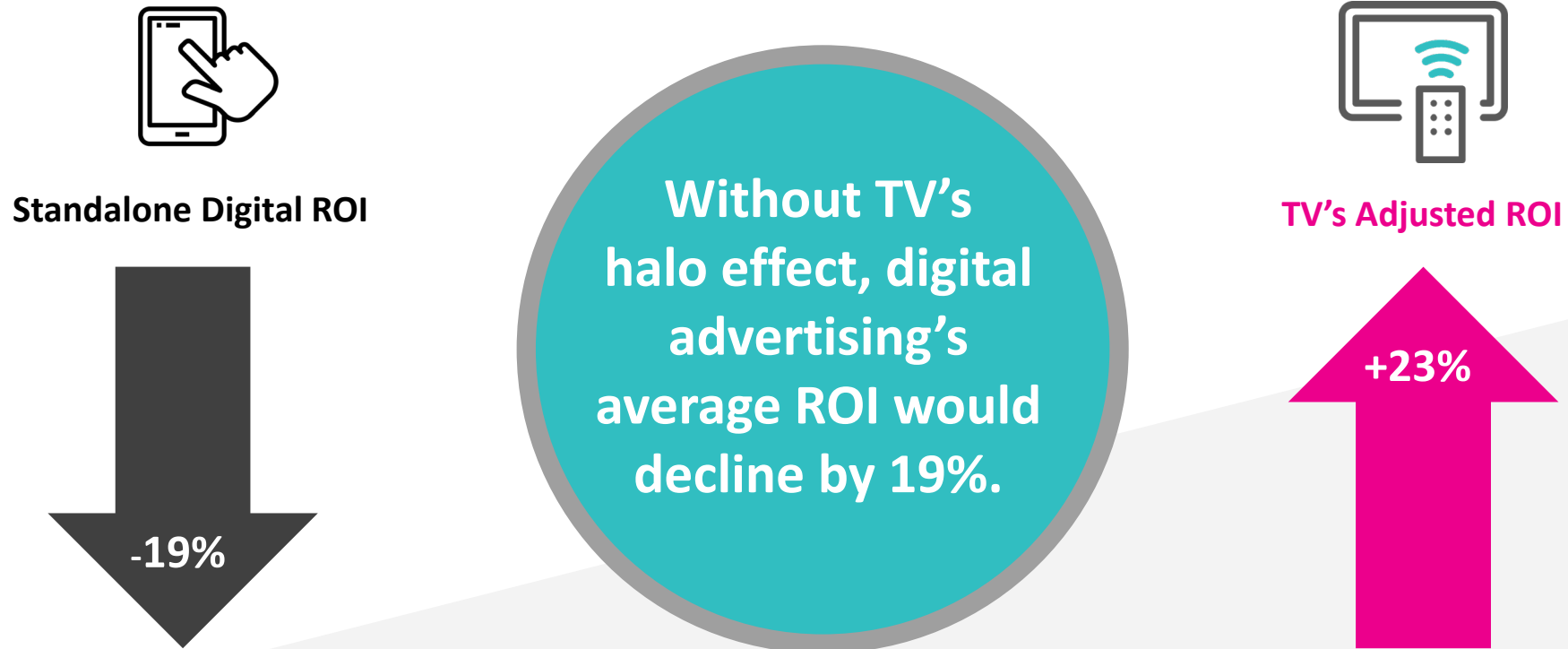
Q. Which one of the following media carries video advertising that best captures your attention?



*Don't know = 4%

tv improves digital's performance

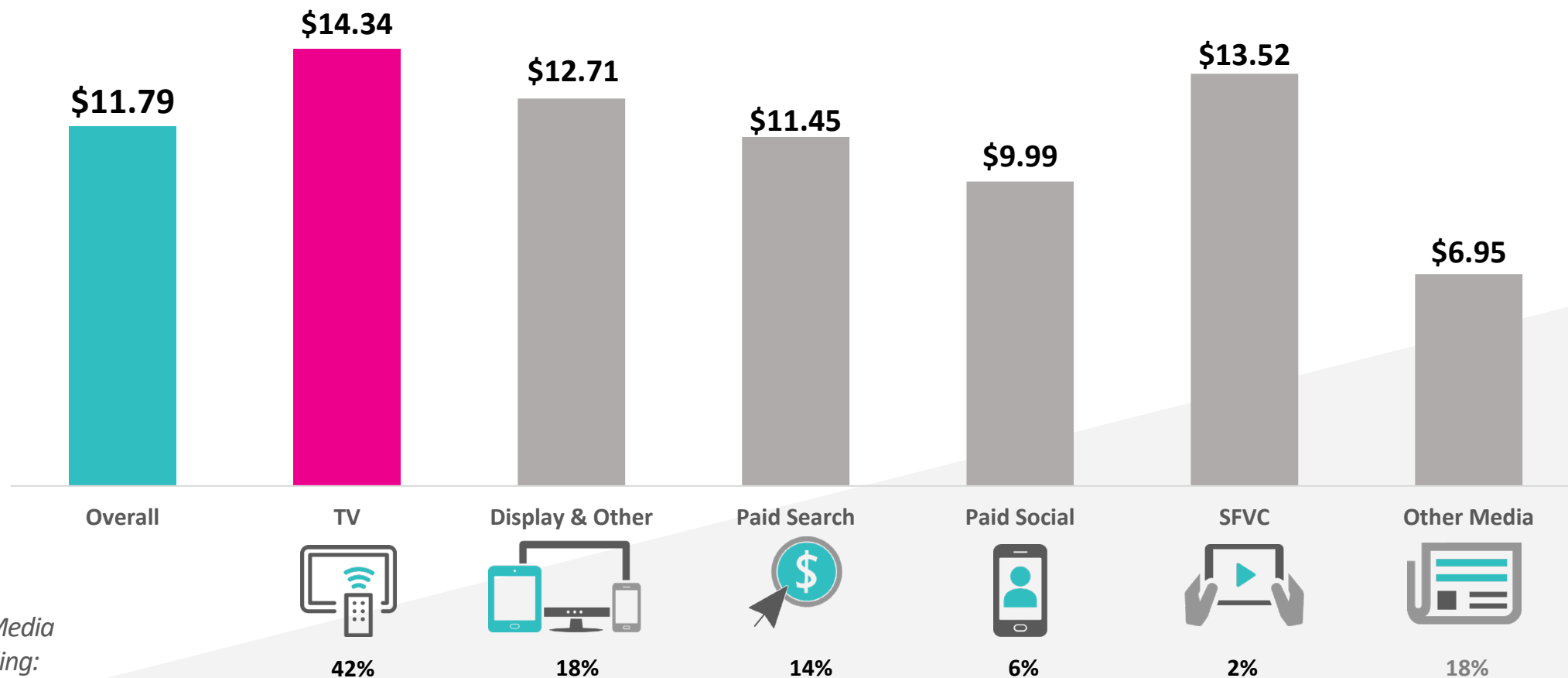
TV has a significant halo effect on digital media, increasing its sales ROI by 19%



tv delivers the **best ROI**

TV's ROI is \$14.34 for every dollar spent

ATTRIBUTED SALES ROI BY MEDIA CHANNEL OVER A ONE YEAR PERIOD

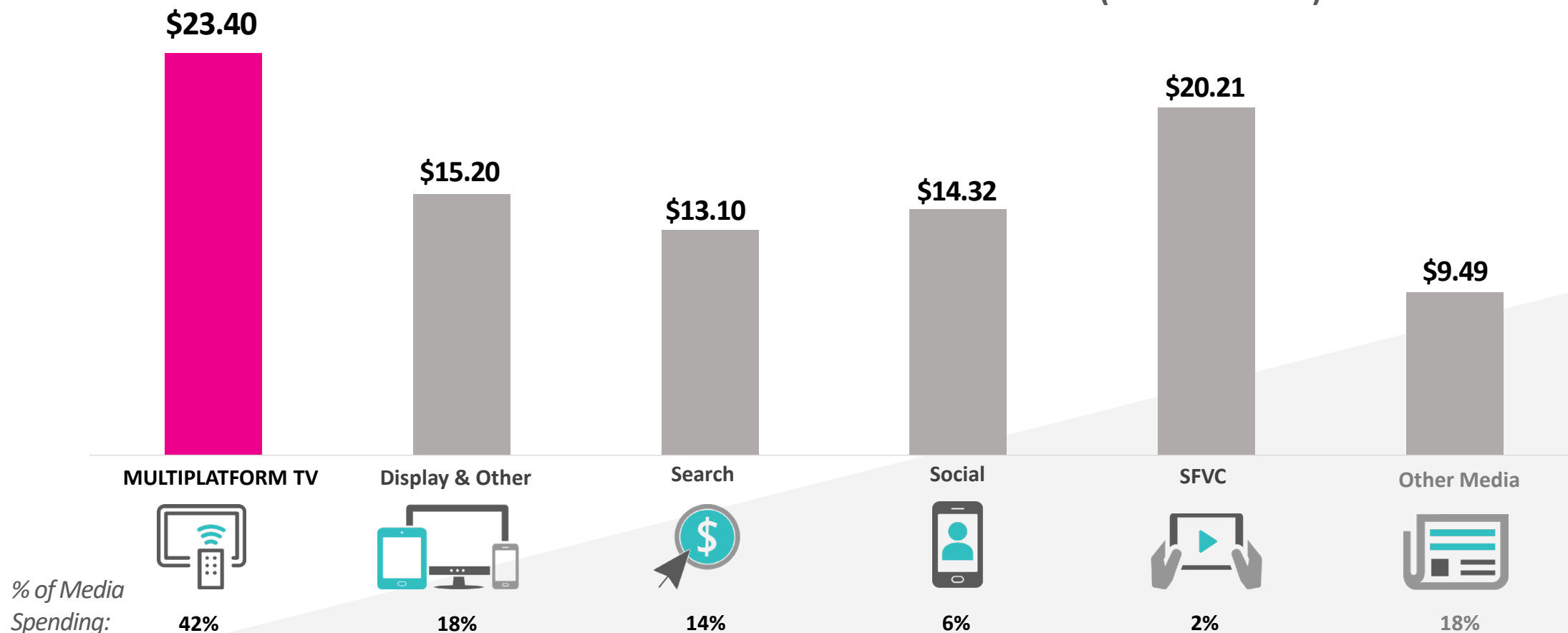


% of Media
Spending:

tv delivers the best ROI

In the long term, TV's ROI grows to \$23.40

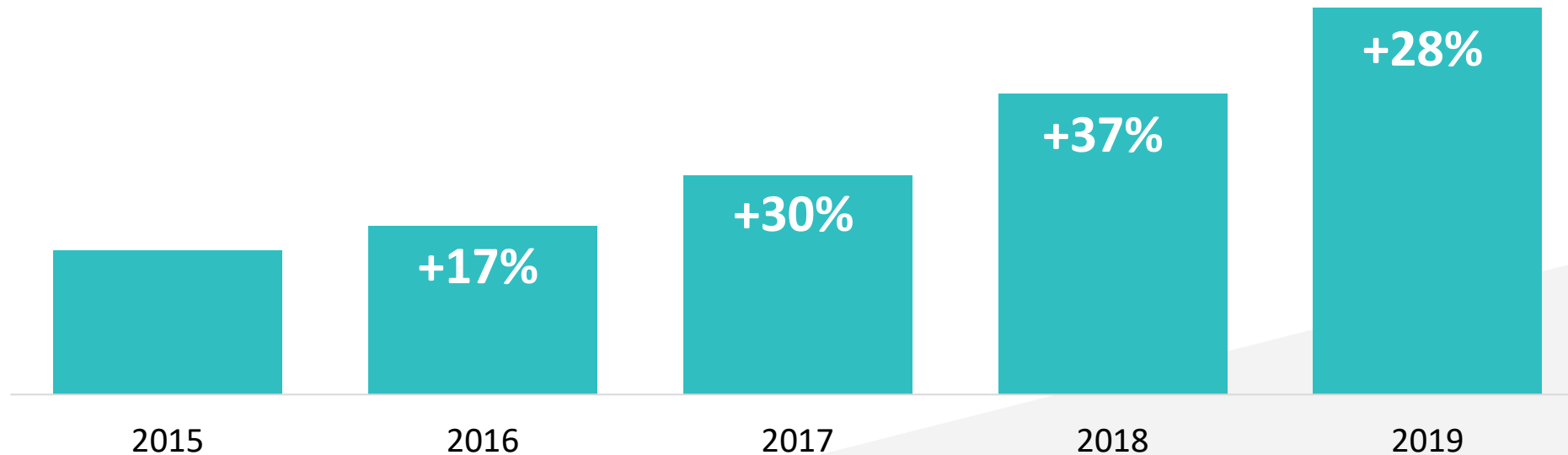
ATTRIBUTED SALES ROI BY MEDIA CHANNEL (OVER 4 YEARS)



digital companies know **tv** works!

TV spend by internet-related products & services* is **up over 2.7x** since 2015

YEAR-OVER-YEAR % INCREASE
TV SPEND BY INTERNET BUSINESSES



Companies
like:

Uber

Rakuten


Go Daddy

indeed

kijiji

SKIP THE DISHES

wayfair

*full list available here: 

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trusted sources



Numeris is an audited, transparent, tripartite, not-for-profit Canadian Broadcast industry measurement organization, whose voting members include Advertisers, Agencies and Broadcasters. How it works: All Canadian television signals (and many US border stations) are encoded with a distinct audio tone. Viewing data is collected through a personal portable passive meter on a minute by minute basis, 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. The PPM device captures Live and Playback viewing (when the sound is on) both In and Out of the home, as well as live streamed content on PC's and mobile devices. Data is downloaded and verified on a daily basis. The data collection is panel-based and includes 11,000 Canadians (4,560 households). The panel is statistically significant and balanced to the population through StatsCan census data. Homes included in the panel include those with paid subscriptions (cable, satellite, IPTV) as well as internet only homes.



Comscore is a global third party Digital measurement organization that measures second by second data interactions across Desktop and Mobile devices (regardless of whether the sound is on or off). Data is captured continuously, collected from a census based panel of 40,000 Canadians, and reported on a monthly basis.

Supplementing the 2 main audience measurement services, we also access information from a number of other research studies and measurement sources, including:

Accenture	Nlogic
ARF (Advertising Research Foundation), member	Media Stats
Brainsights	MRC (Media Ratings Council)
CRTC	Nielsen
Ebiquity	Numerator
IPA (Institute of Practitioners in Advertising)	RTS
Ipsos	Statistics Canada
	WARC

in case you missed it

check out these additional **research reports**

the 10 key factors driving advertising effectiveness

What has Mark Ritson, the outspoken marketing consultant and industry pundit, learned from his review of 50 years of Effie winners? In this highly engaging and informative talk, Mark outlines the 10 key factors that drive advertising effectiveness.

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ad nation Ipsos Canada

This new research, conducted by Ipsos and commissioned by think**tv**, identifies how the media habits of the advertising and media communities differ from the rest of Canada, and how those differences impact our assumptions of general media usage.

[learn more »](#)

Peak Performance: Advertising Effectiveness that Lasts

Accenture assessed \$700M+ of media spend in Canada, covering 105 brands across four verticals. The research clearly outlines the ways different advertising channels impact sales, what that impact is in the short and long-term, and how TV and digital work together.

[learn more »](#)

effectiveness in context

Peter Field's latest report explores the damage being done as companies increasingly cut long-term brand investment in favour of short-term sales activation, and highlights how the "60/40 rule" changes depending on the context.

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target the (whole) market

Byron Sharp famously challenged a number of traditionally held beliefs in his ground-breaking book 'How Brands Grow'. We commissioned MediaCom Business Science to examine Sharp's best practices and how they apply in Canada.

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online businesses on tv

Digital companies continue to invest heavily in TV advertising. TV spend by internet-related companies is up 30% from last year.

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Sources

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- Slide 5:** Numeris, PPM, Total Canada, Consolidated, All Locations, Mo-Su 2a-2a, Sept 14, 2020-Dec 20, 2020 | TV campaign based on a 900 GRP campaign (6 weeks x150 GRPs), Sept 14, 2020-Dec 20, 2020, Total Canada, Ind. 2+, Numeris 2020-21 population estimates.
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- Slide 7:** thinktv, nlogic, omniVu National survey [Attention in Advertising](#), Feb 2020 (Don't Know/Refuse not included).
- Slides 8-10:** Accenture, [Peak Performance: Driving Advertising Effectiveness That Lasts](#), 2020; Accenture Strategy attribution study, [The Moneyball Moment for Marketing in Canada](#); January 2019
- Slide 11:** Numerator, Canada, Internet related sites & services category; for [full list of companies](#) contact thinktv

For more TV and advertising related experience, check out [The Power of TV in an Attention Economy](#)