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What is disruption?

dis-rup-tion

dis'rəpSH(ə)n/

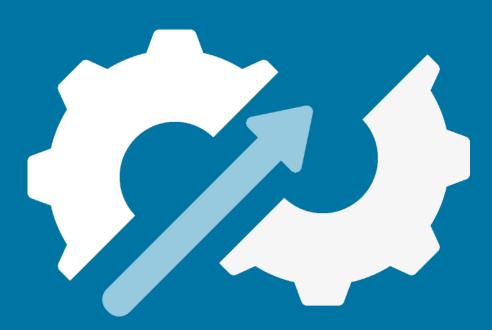
noun

noun: disruption;

plural noun: disruptions

disturbance or problems that interrupt an event, activity, or process.

"The schedule was planned to minimize disruption."





What are some examples of companies that have caused disruption?



Google



Amazon



Netflix



Can you think of any others?



Disruption is all around us!

Think about the music industry

- Music went from live to in your home
- With the 8-track, music became portable
- The Walkman changed everything!
- The iPod meant hundreds of songs with you at all times
- Now we don't even have a separate device!



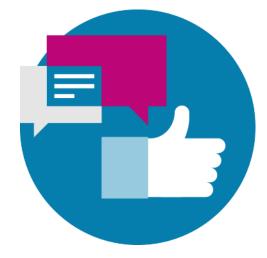




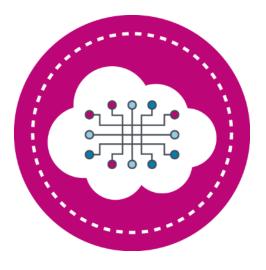
Forces disrupting our industry



Demographics



Customer experience



Technology



Regulation



Let's set the stage

- Life insurance ownership continues to be low in Canada
- In a recent research study:
 - Only about half (56%) of respondents hold at least one life insurance policy*
 - About half (48%) believe they lack adequate life insurance coverage*
- The total life insurance need gap now encompasses over 8 million adults in Canada
 - According to LIMRA, the insurance needs gap is the total level of insurance need**
- These numbers are compared to life insurance ownership of 78% in 1989***





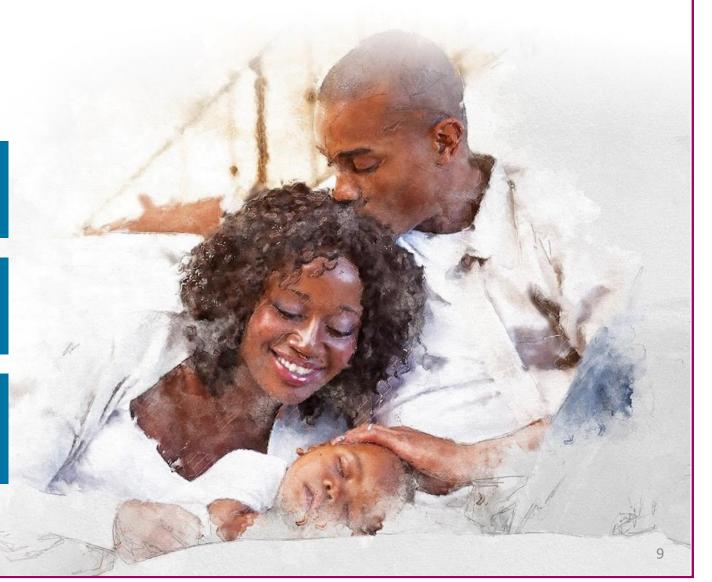
But why?

This change didn't happen overnight

People changed, and we didn't

Life insurance has always been based on human interaction

• Sold, not bought





How has our industry responded?

- When less people were buying life insurance, companies and advisors focused on high-net-worth individuals
- Many chose to do the same things and get more revenue for each transaction

EACH SALE WAS HIGH TOUCH FOR THE ADVISOR AND REQUIRED MULTIPLE MEETINGS:

Awareness

Education

Motivation

Action

HOW DID THAT WORK OUT?

Overall ownership declined and the mass market was largely ignored. We're leaving customers behind!



Now, we're leaving customers behind!

Especially the following demographics

Households earning under \$50,000 per year

Millennials and Gen Z (ages 18 to 42)

Women

The life insurance need-gap demographics – 2024

Demographic group	Percent with need		
	Owners	Non-owners	Total
GENDER			
Male	12%	26%	38%
Female	11%	34%	45%
GENERATION			
Gen Z*	6%	43%	49%
Millennials	9%	37%	46%
Gen X	16%	29%	45%
Baby boomers	11%	16%	27%
LANGUAGE			
English	10%	23%	33%
French	10%	8%	18%
HOUSEHOLD INCOME			
Under \$50K	9%	47%	56%
\$50-\$149K	12%	28%	40%
\$150K or more	14%	14%	28%

^{*}Small sample size. Note: Owners + non-owners do not equal total due to rounding. Source: LIMRA 2024 Insurance Barometer Study.



The industry is ripe for disruption





But consumers lack knowledge

More than half (55%) state they don't know how much life insurance they need

More than half (52%) don't know or understand what type of life insurance they should get

More than 1/3 (38%) don't know where to get the info



Source: 2023 ivari and Leger research study.



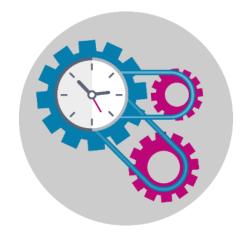
Shift in generations?

Top reasons for not having insurance



Boomers, Gen X & Millennials

Too expensive (50%)



Gen Z

Haven't got around to it (38%)



Gen Z, Millennials

1/4 of the younger generations are not aware that life insurance can personally benefit them



What else is going on right now?

 Millennials and Gen Z have grown up in a world of constant disruption

 We need to know more about them, their needs and habits to meet them where they are!

 The traditional ways of selling insurance will no longer work for the younger generations





The traditional customer journey



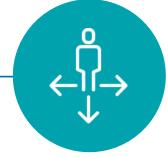
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Problem, need or desire



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Seek information



3

Evaluation of alternatives



4

Purchase decision



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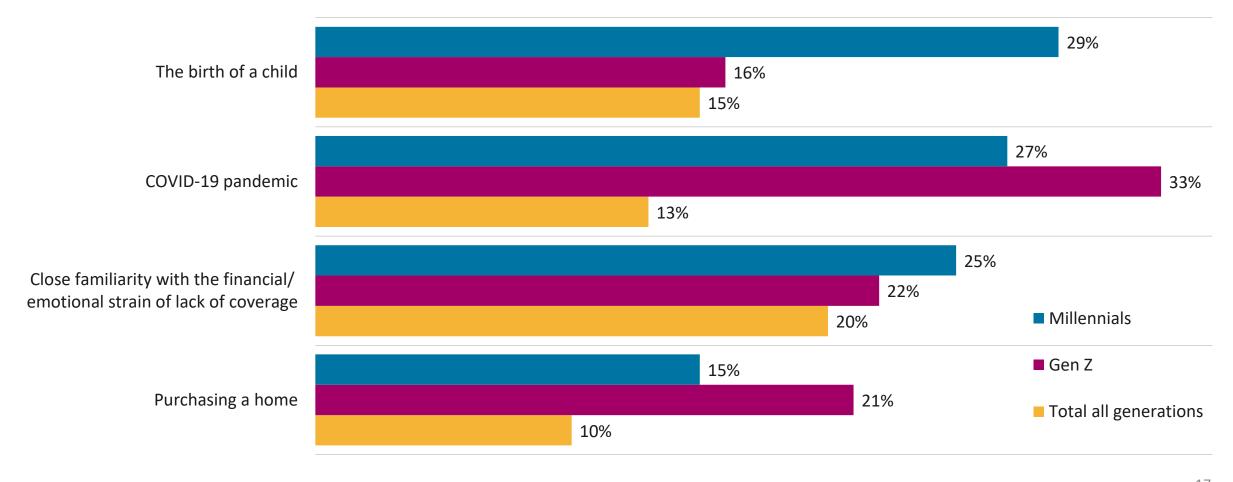
Post-purchase evaluation



Triggers (mostly) haven't changed

Reasons to buy individual life insurance

Source: LIMRA 2023 Barometer Study.



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But motivators can be different



I don't want that to happen to my family



I got this



Traditional customer journey for insurance



1

Advisor-initiated contact



2

Confusing and complex policy options



3

Lengthy paper application



4

Complex underwriting process



Tomorrow's (or today's) customer journey for insurance



1

Consumer-initiated contact based on online research



2

Easy to understand options (ivari 360 illustrations)



3

Simplified online application and underwriting (ivari 360 application)



4

Consumer testimonials/ referrals (Shared online or on social)





Understand the opportunities

 Millennials aren't kids anymore (many have families of their own) and have insurance needs

 Gen Z is also growing up – they know what they want (and need!) but might be unsure how to get it





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You need to be where they are looking!

82%

of Canadian adults would use the internet at some point during their life insurance purchase process

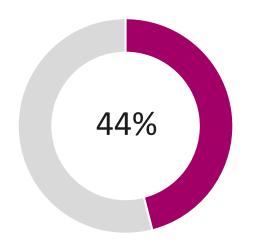


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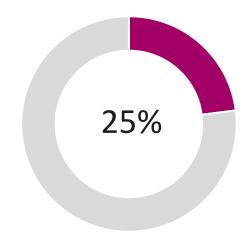


Life insurance purchase preferences

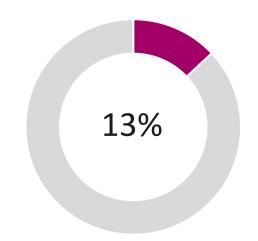
How do people want to purchase life insurance?



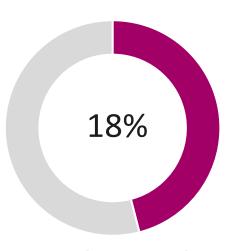
Research life insurance online, but ultimately buy from an insurance agent or other financial professional in person



Research online, but purchase directly from a company over the phone or through the mail, or via an online live video service



Research and complete the purchase entirely online without interacting with a professional agent

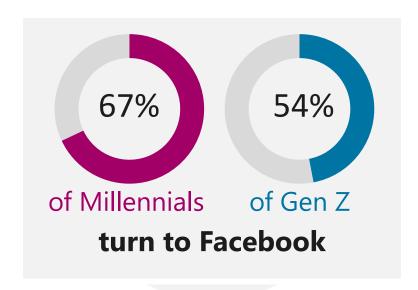


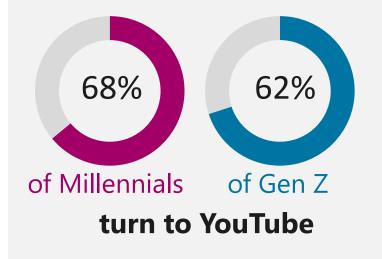
Wouldn't use the internet at all

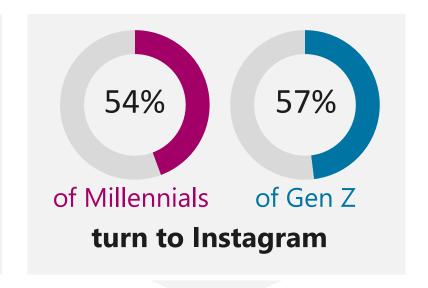


Don't forget about social media!

Social media is the go-to place for younger generations to get not only information, but specifically financial information













Source: LIMRA 2024 Barometer Study.





OBJECTIVE > AWARENESS

THE OLD WAY

Newspaper ads, referrals (awkward!), trade shows, in-person networking, other non-targeted advertising THE NEW, VIRTUAL WAY

Social media, blog posts, targeted social media ads, organic referrals through your current client base (not awkward), online networking, connect by offering value for free...

Social media and web-based marketing allow you to be present even when you aren't physically there





OBJECTIVE **EDUCATION/ENGAGEMENT**

THE OLD WAY

3 or more meetings (sometimes in the home) – one to introduce, one to gather information, one to present the solution, print copies of materials in the office or car

THE NEW, VIRTUAL WAY

Get to know you on social media, Zoom introduction call, email or message relevant materials directly, run illustrations in ivari 360 based on initial information gathered





OBJECTIVE MOTIVATION EMPOWERMENT!

THE OLD WAY

Cold sale, but possibly motivated by events or life changes

THE NEW, VIRTUAL WAY

Productive in-person meeting – Prospects may **already know** how much insurance they need before they meet with you





OBJECTIVE > ACTION

THE OLD WAY

A meeting to complete the application and make the purchase decision

THE NEW, VIRTUAL WAY

Use ivari 360 to act on a purchase decision, stay in touch through social media platforms and digital content



YOU are still the key

- Insurance advisors are key for both information and purchasing, compared to insurance companies
- Online research is the most popular method for initial information gathering about life insurance
- Digital platforms and websites are significantly less popular for actual purchases
 - Around half (46%) will do their initial research online
 - About 1/3 (32%) will turn to family and friends
- 40% of Gen Z will purchase through an advisor, while 17% would purchase online



Don't forget about referrals! Especially with the younger generations.



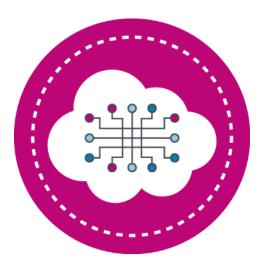
Remember the industry disruptors?



Demographics



Customer experience



Technology



Regulation

Can you think of any others?



The big one – Technology

We are more connected than ever before!

Smartphones, watches and tablets

Cars

Smart TVs and appliances

Doorbell cameras

What are some other examples?



Experts estimate there will be up to 40 billion connected devices by 2030

Source: IOT Analytics; 2024



What about artificial intelligence (AI)

What is it exactly?

Simply put, AI is computer software that mimics the ways that humans think to perform complex tasks, such as analyzing, reasoning and learning



What could you use AI for right now?

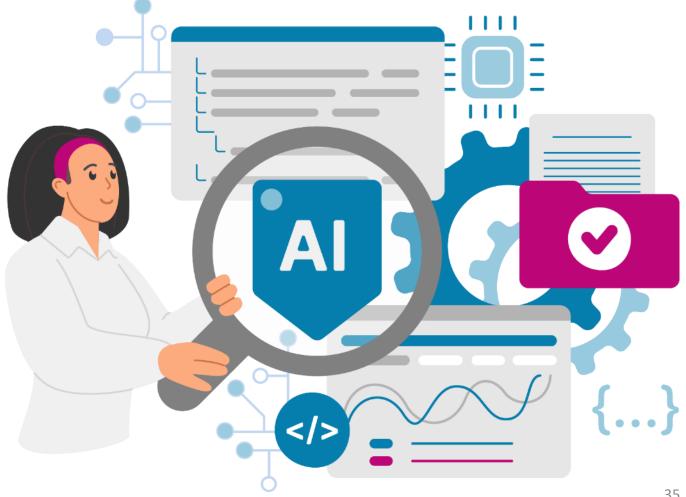
- Helping you to summarize complicated descriptions in very clear language so that you can explain it to your clients
- Facilitating communication by translating complicated terms of jargon to a policy holder's native language much better than apps like Google translate or other search-based translations





What should you **not** use Al for?

- Ensuring that your client understands the details of their insurance policy
- Answering questions that are specific to your client's situation or providing advice
- Helping your client navigate the claims process





The human touch

 Think of AI as your personal assistant, rather than some sort of autopilot application

 The information that it presents back to you must always be verified for accuracy and completeness

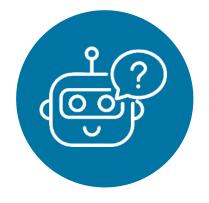
Don't just take it at face value.
 Review it before relying on it.



Always remember Fair Treatment of Customers!



What could the industry use Al for?



Al-powered chatbots

Answering quick and simple customer or advisor questions



Streamlined processes for insurers

Contracting, underwriting, claims



Wider distribution

Faster purchase time*



Fraud detection and prevention

Large amounts of data could be analyzed to identify patterns that may indicate fraudulent activity



Where could we go in the future?

- We may not know where AI is going to take us in the future, but we do know it is here to stay
- It is going to become more and more a part of our daily lives at home and at work





Any other ideas?





ivari continues to invest in and develop digital tools to help you succeed!







Online change forms



Secure send documents tool



ivari 360

Our seamless, web-based platform for illustrations and applications

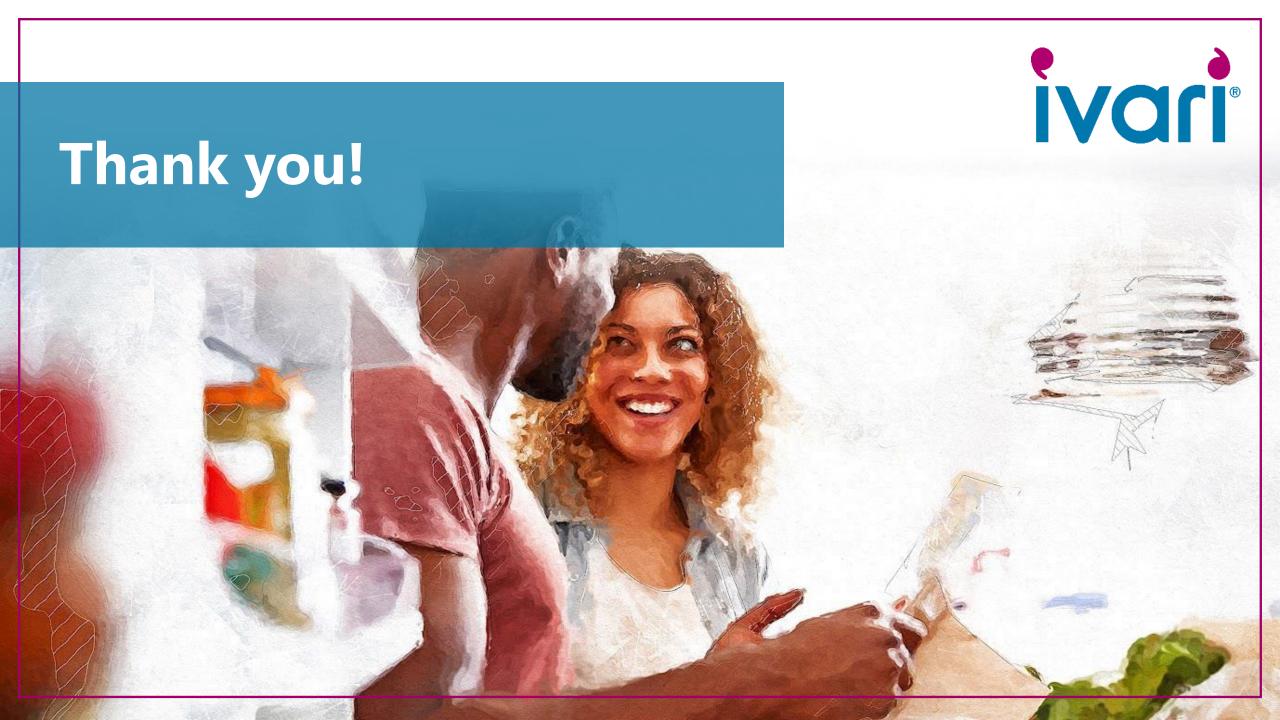


Additional tools

- Practice management for a Compliant Advisor web page
 - Tools and resources to help you stay on top of compliance best practices
- Good Reads articles
- Advisor articles & insights
- Continuing education courses (Learning centre)
- Online and in-person training with your ivari Sales Team
- Spark live webinars and on demand content
- Spark...On the go podcast









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