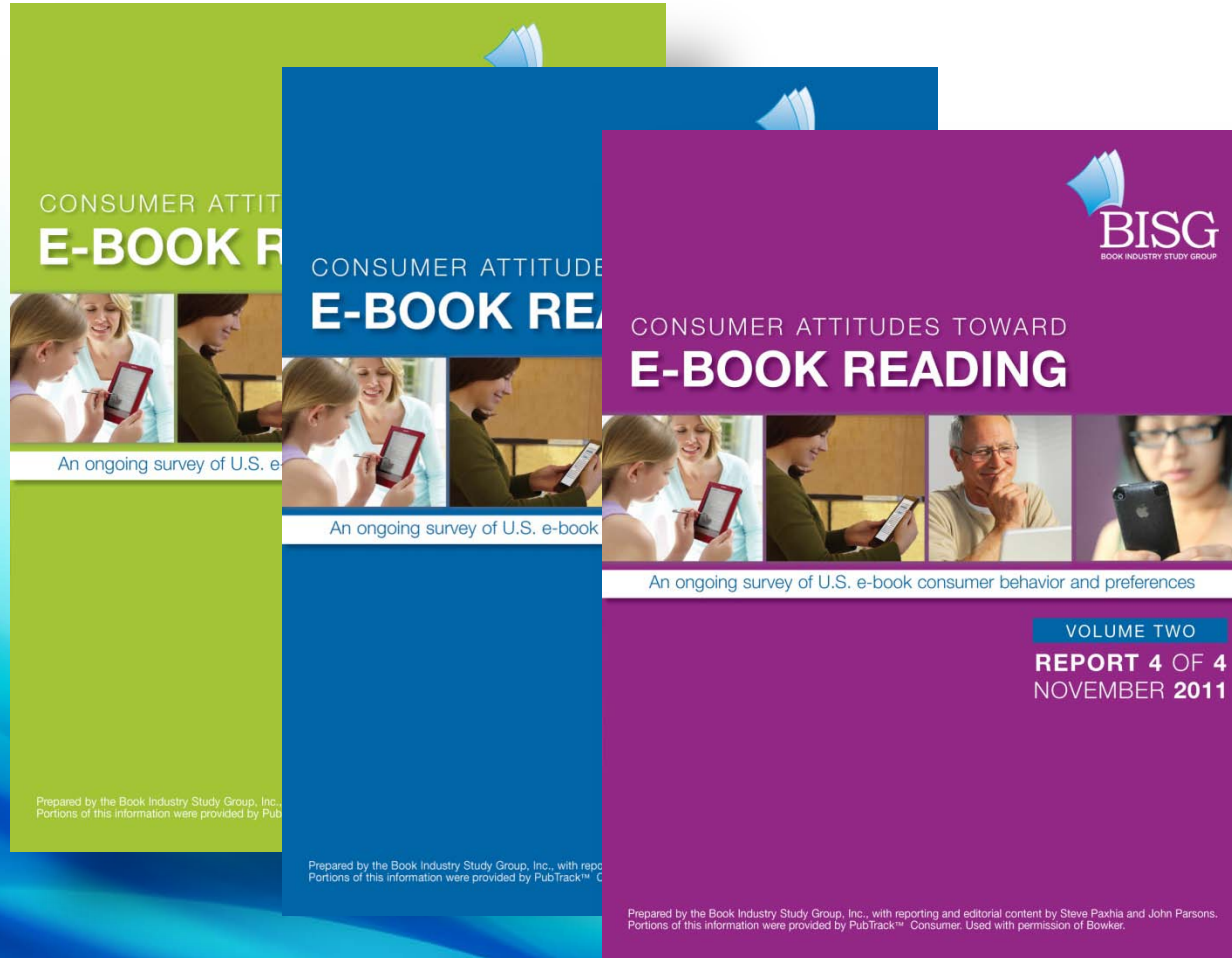


Consumer Attitudes Toward E-Book Reading

Tools of Change, New York, NY - February 15, 2012



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An ongoing survey of U.S. e-book consumers

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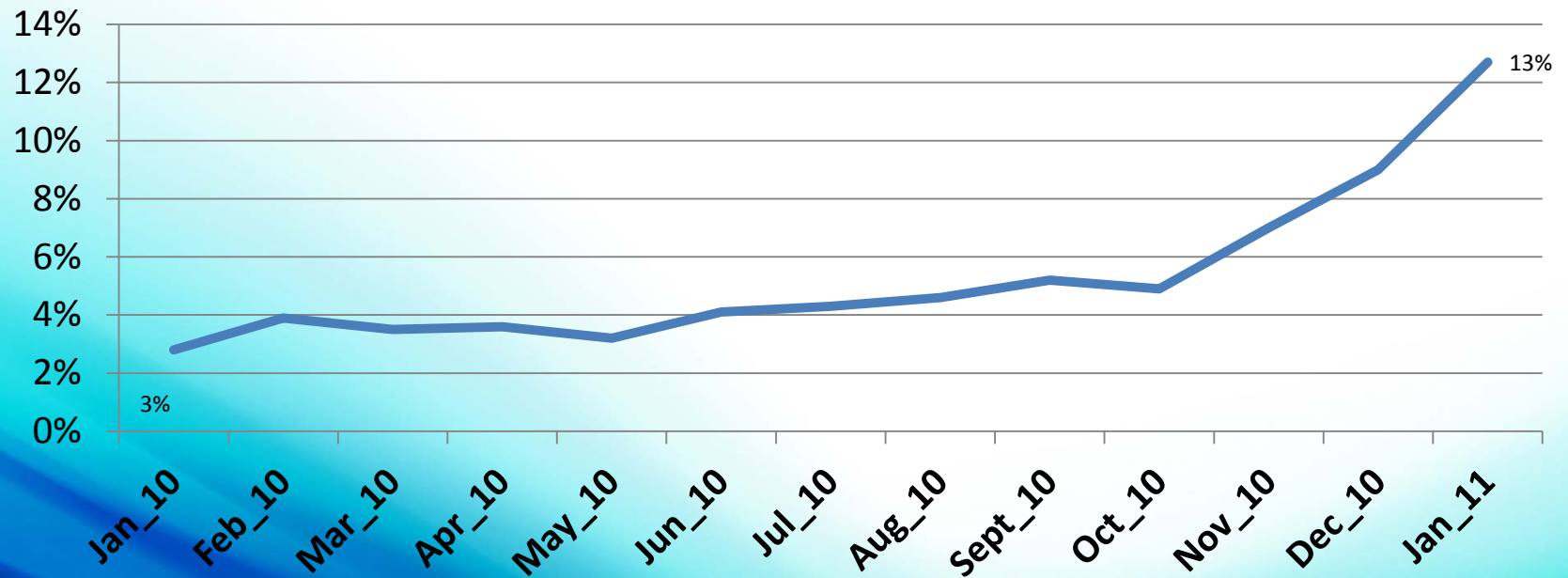
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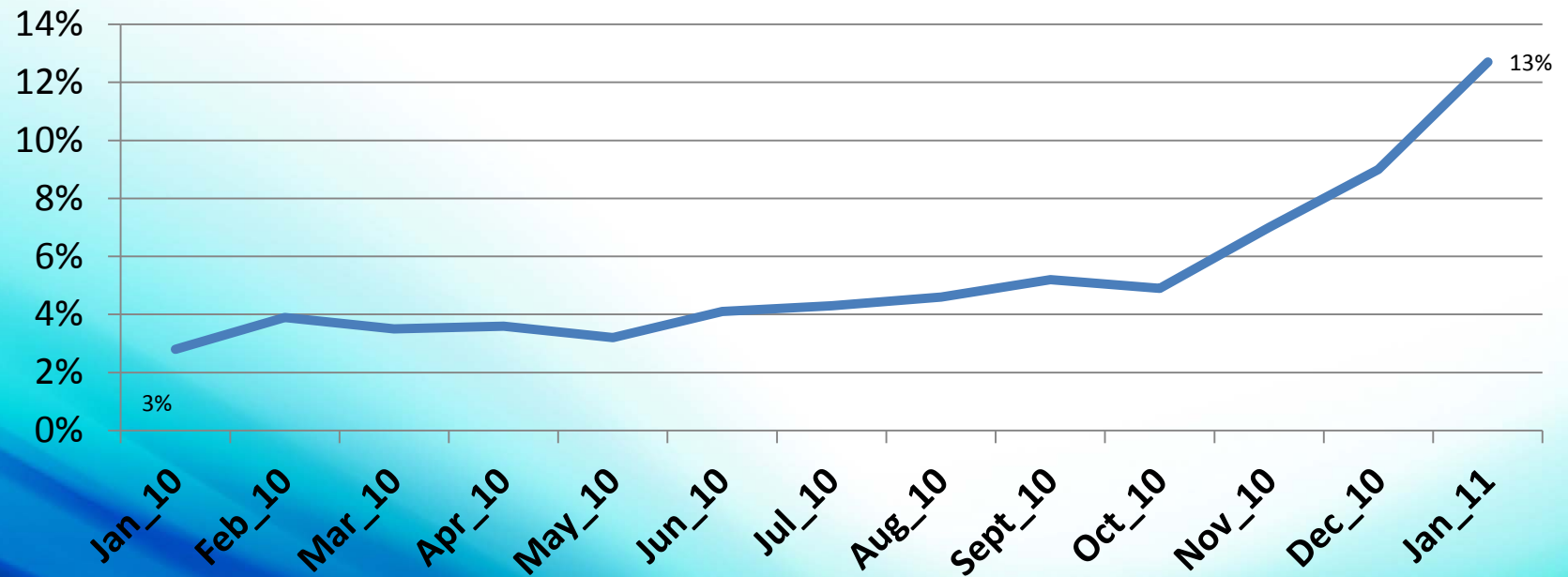
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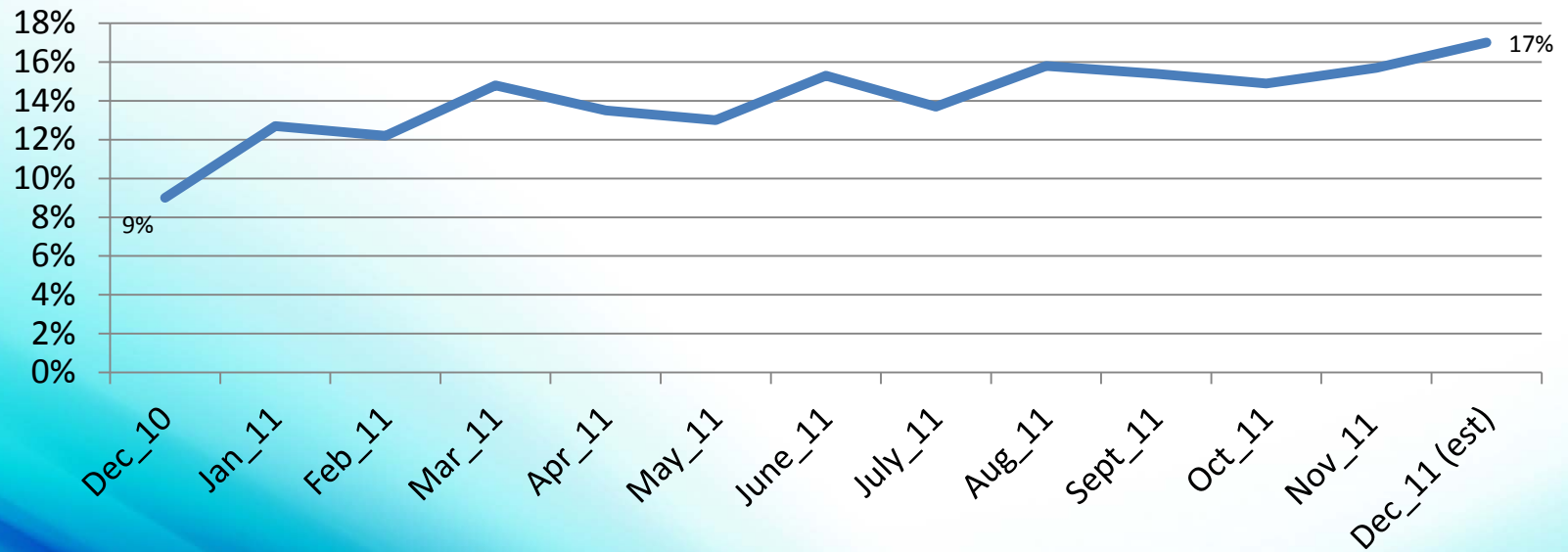
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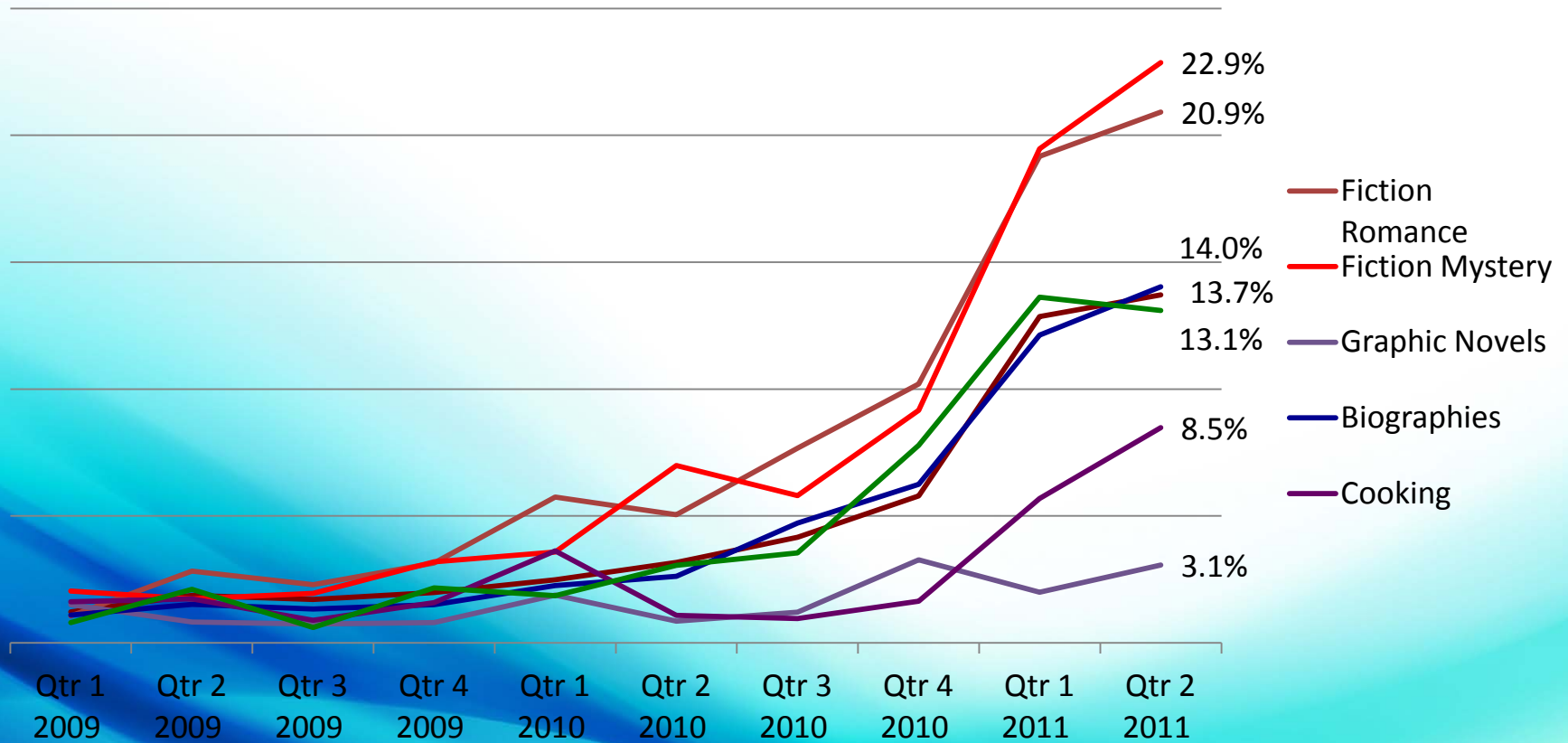


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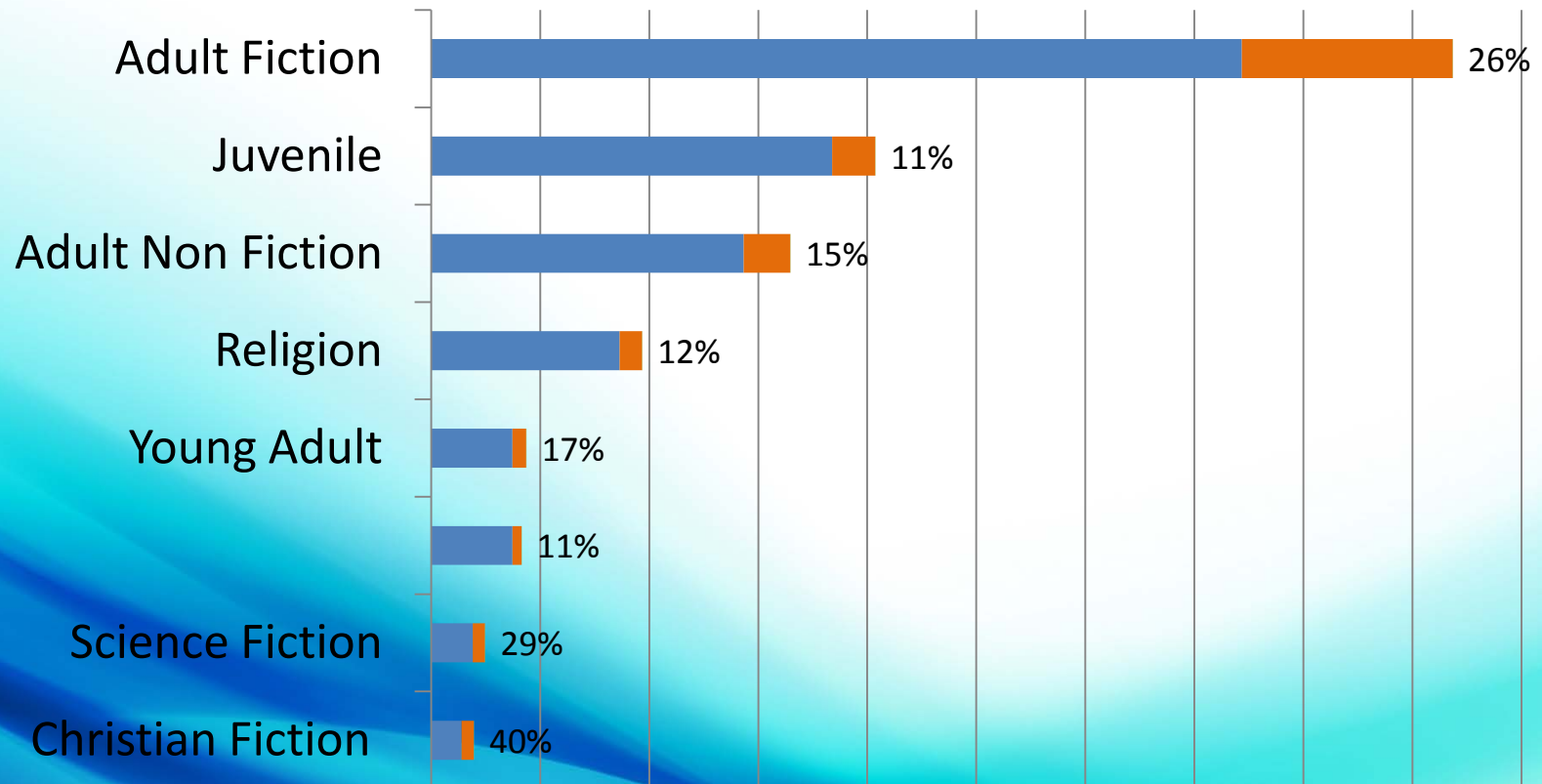
Yes, really. But...



Fiction is Stranger than Truth



Q3 2011 Genre Share and E-Book %



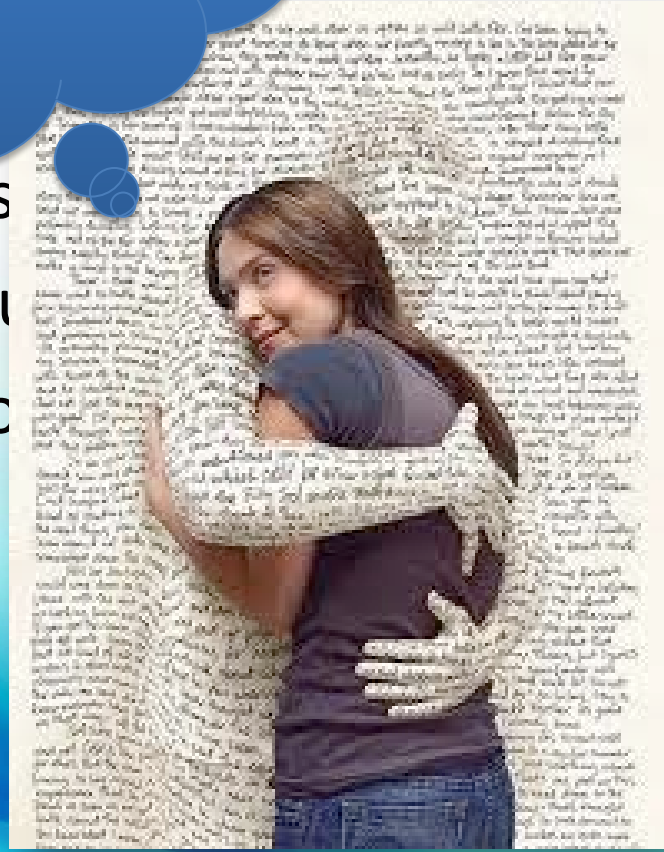
“e” Questions to Answer in 2012

- What is the continued growth capacity of Fiction?
- When will the other genres get moving?
- What roles does technology really play in adoption?



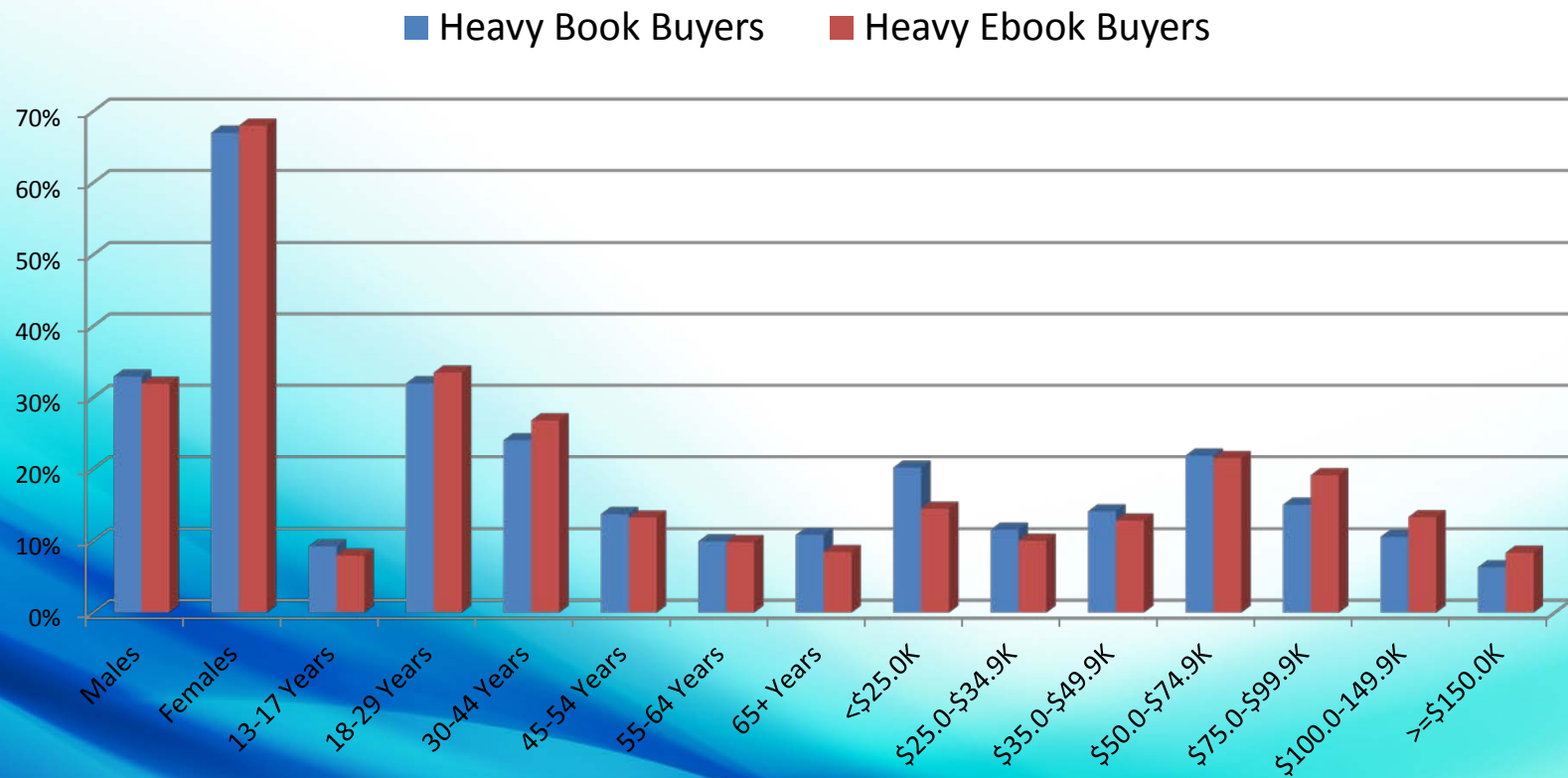
Power Buyer = someone who purchases 4 or more books a month.

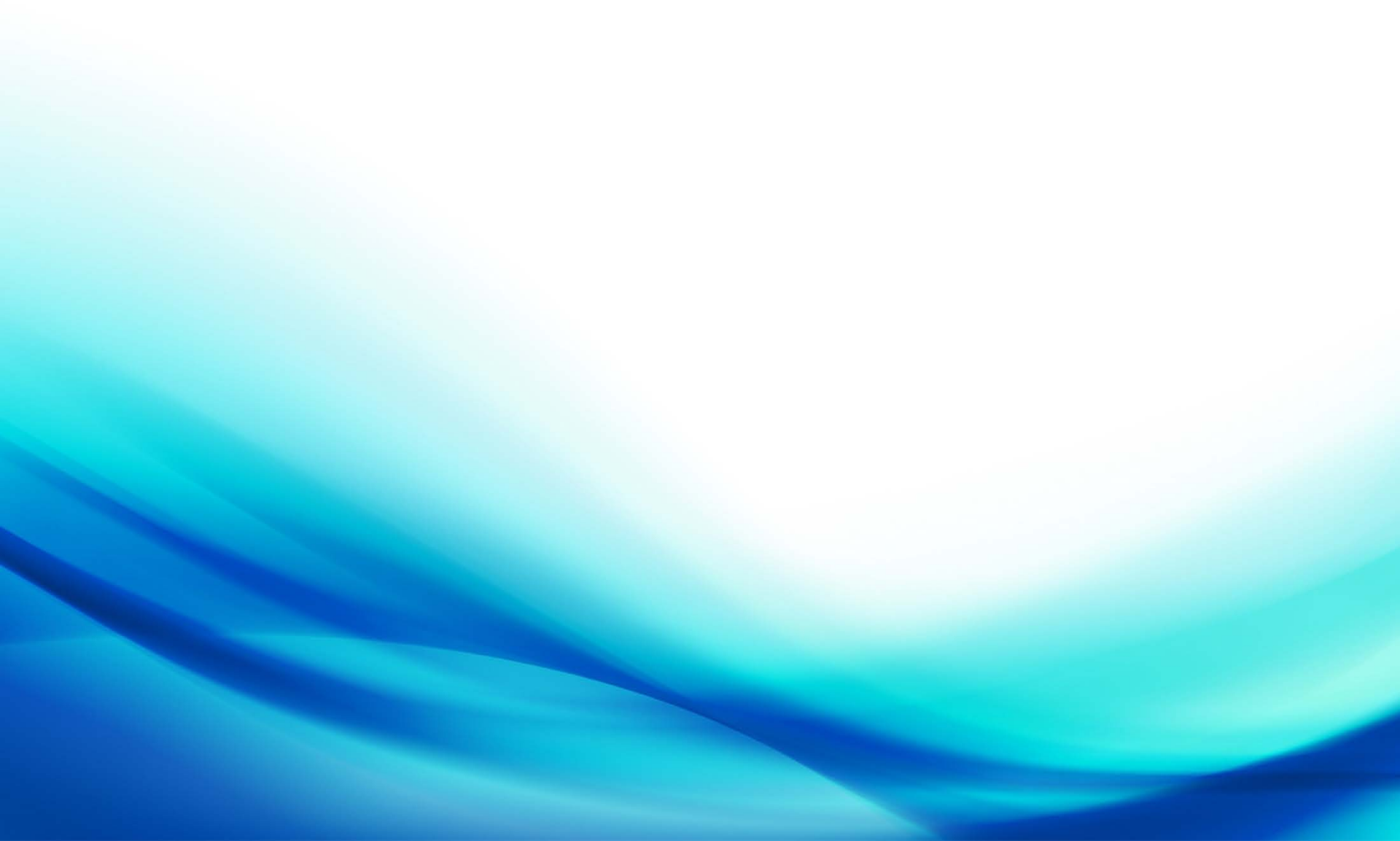
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A Book Buyer by any Name... (or Format)





Why?



- Do not own a device
- Have purchased an ebook
 - Do own a device
 - Have never purchased an ebook



What keeps you from buying e-books?

	2:1	2:2	2:3	2:4	3:1
Prefer print	17.3%	15.6%	9.6%	8.7%	12.1%
Difficult to find/discover e-books	7.1%	6.5%	6.8%	6.0%	5.7%
Difficult to read on a screen	11.5%	9.5%	4.7%	3.7%	6.7%
Difficult to annotate	4.7%	4.0%	2.6%	2.0%	4.3%
Difficult to share with others	14.8%	13.6%	12.0%	10.0%	16.6%
Difficult to find titles available for my e-reading device	9.7%	7.3%	6.6%	4.8%	7.7%
Lack of a good e-reading device	10.3%	7.5%	5.2%	3.2%	4.9%
Difficult downloading process	4.9%	4.4%	1.7%	1.9%	2.2%
Not enough time	24.8%	26.8%	26.7%	32.3%	29.9%
Inability to legally re-sell or give away e-books after I'm done with them		15.1%	13.9%	11.9%	17.9%
Cost of the titles	27.1%	23.7%	28.4%	23.8%	30.3%
Nothing	17.6%	23.3%	27.1%	33.0%	21.9%

Value of Power Buyers

Print



22% of
Buyers



53% of Books
Purchased



50% of \$\$\$
Purchased

'e'



35% of
Buyers

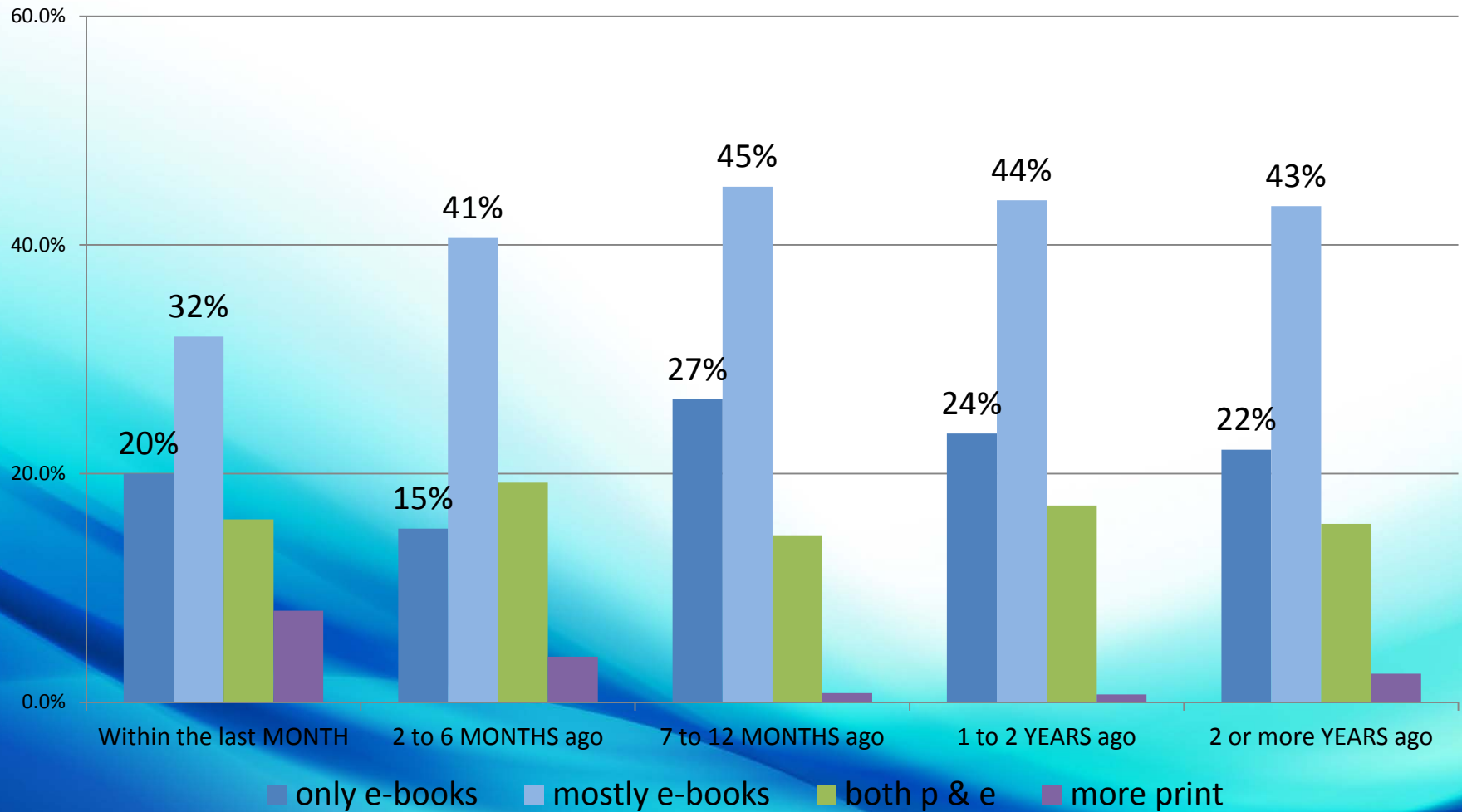


60% of eBooks
Purchased

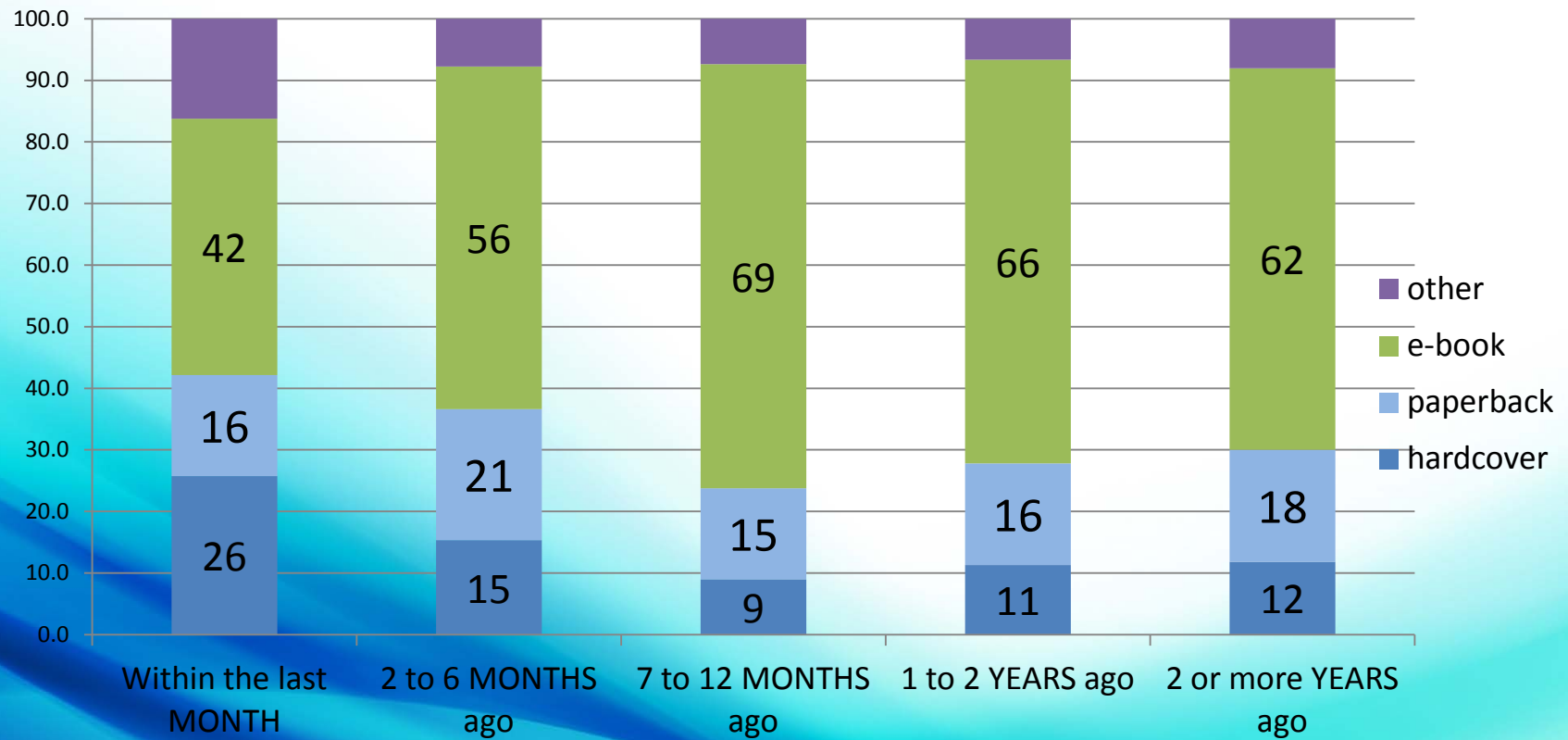


48% of \$\$\$
Purchased

Power Buyers Demonstrate Loyalty



“E” at the Expense of “P”

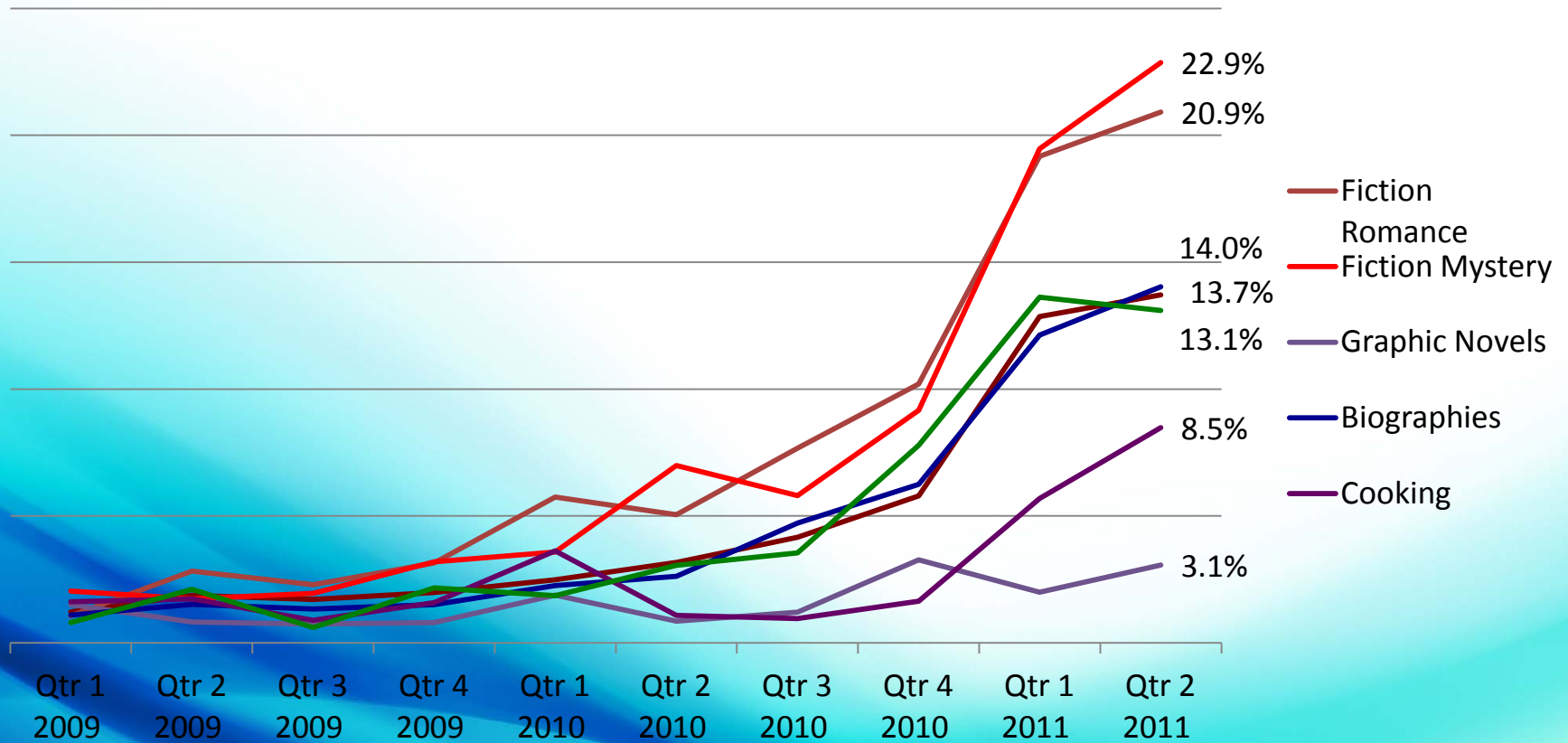


Scenario Planning

Calm Before the Storm



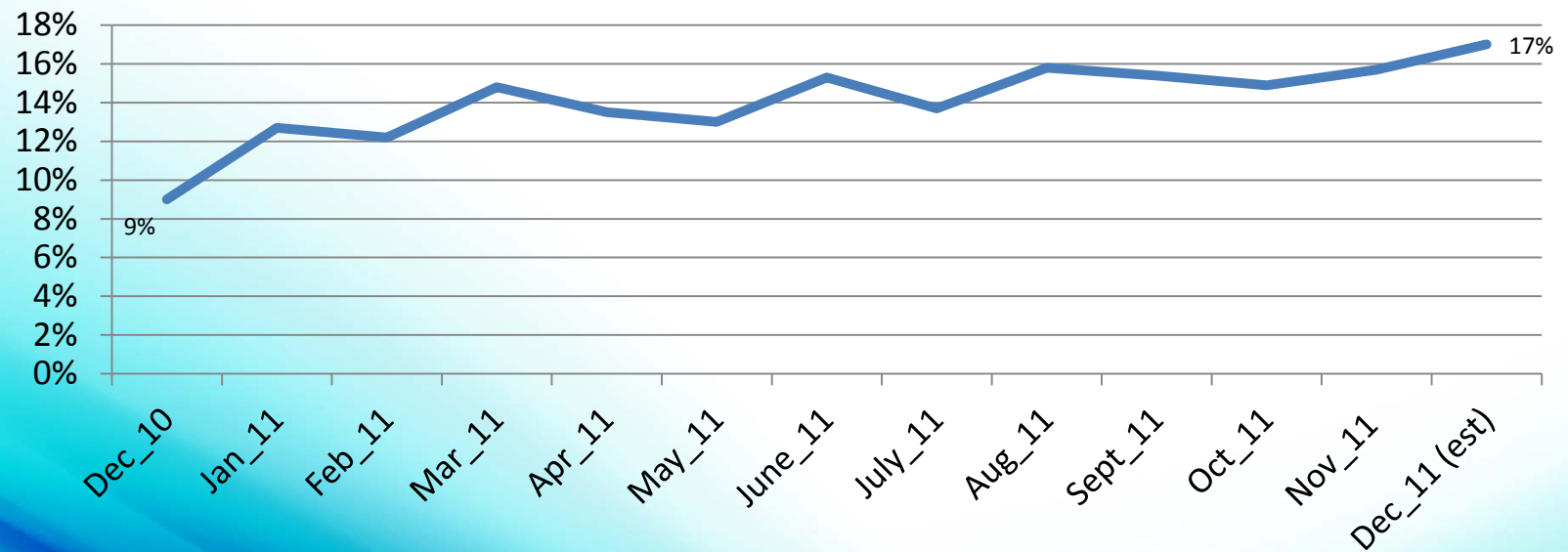
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Seasonality



% book buyers who purchased an e-book (US)

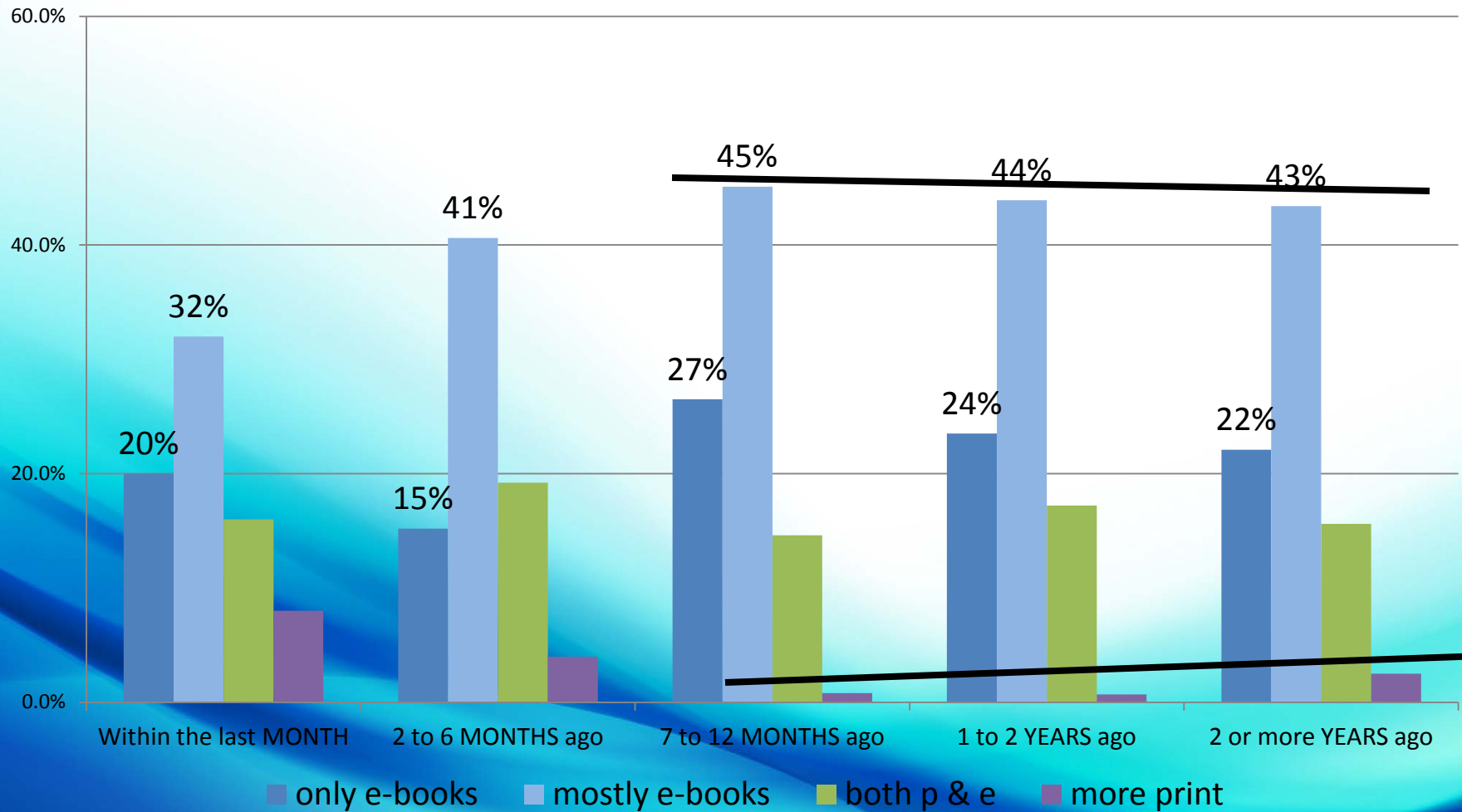


The Plateau

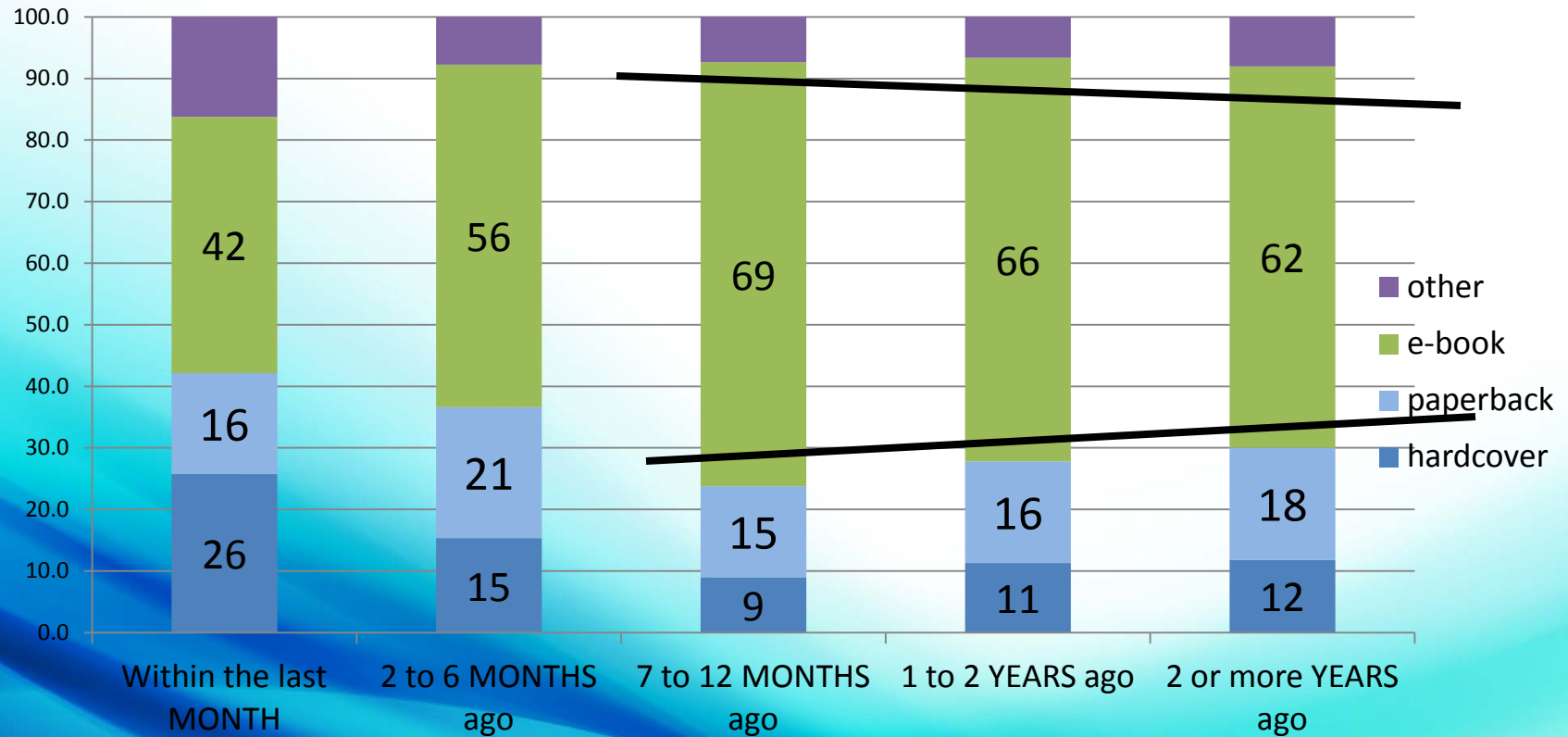


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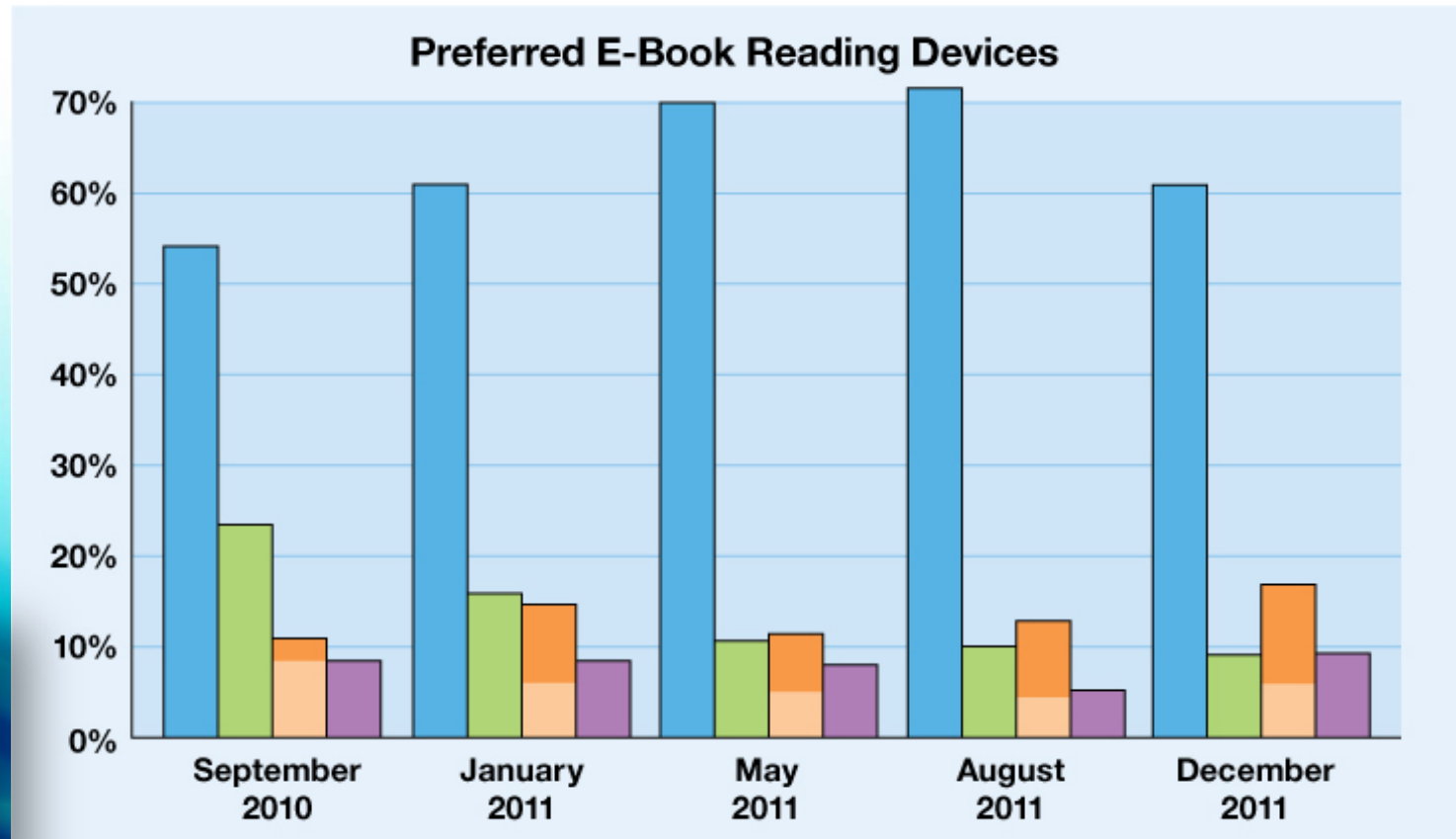


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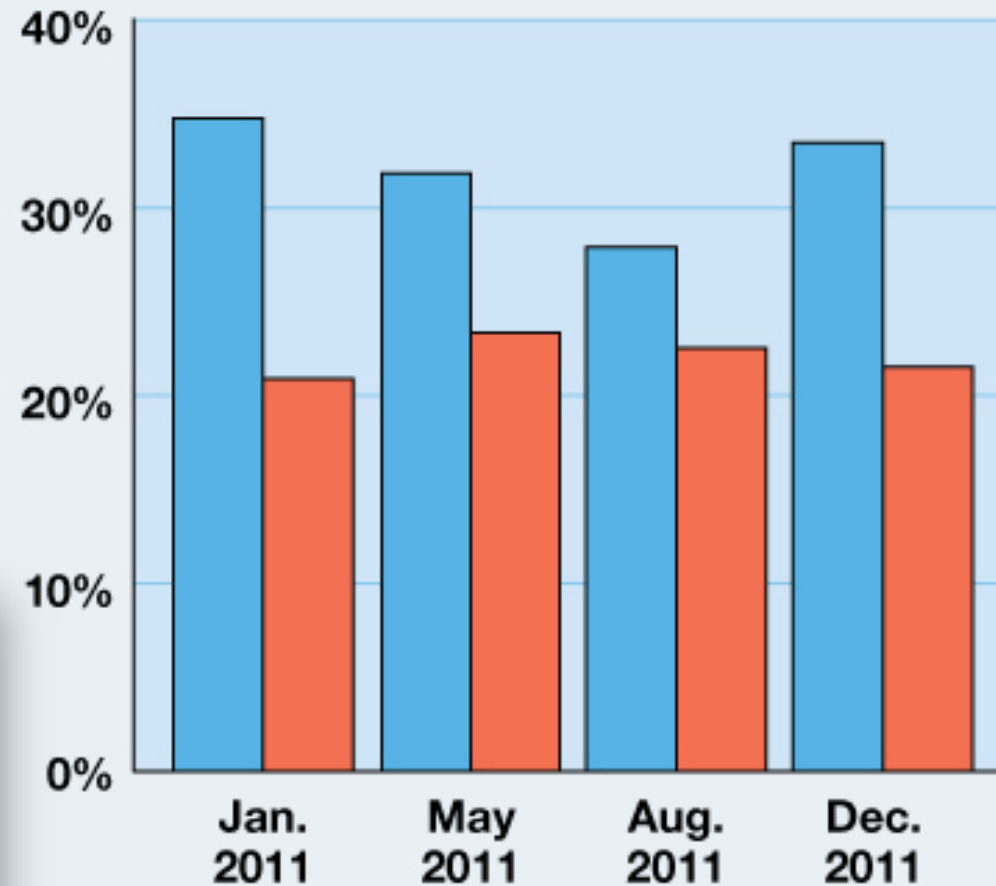
According to a Verso Digital study of consumer book buying habits, the number of consumers ***resistant*** to purchasing an e-reading device has ***increased*** from 40% in December 2009, to 52% in December 2011.

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Multi-function Mayhem?



Dollars Spent on Books, All Formats

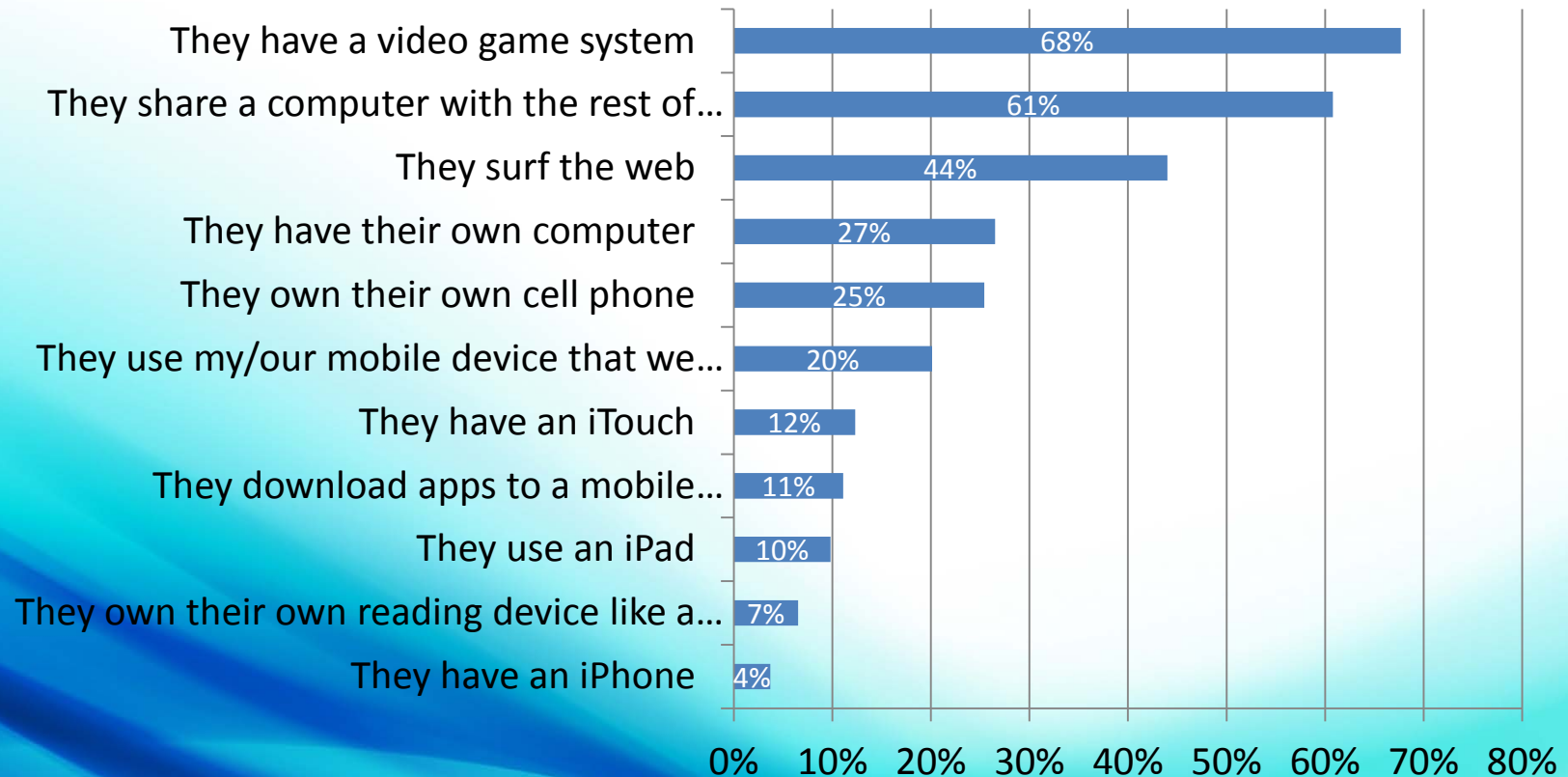


- Dedicated e-readers (Kindle, NOOK, etc.)
- PCs (desktops, laptops and netbooks)
- iPads (**dark orange**) and other multi-function devices (**light orange**)
- Smartphones

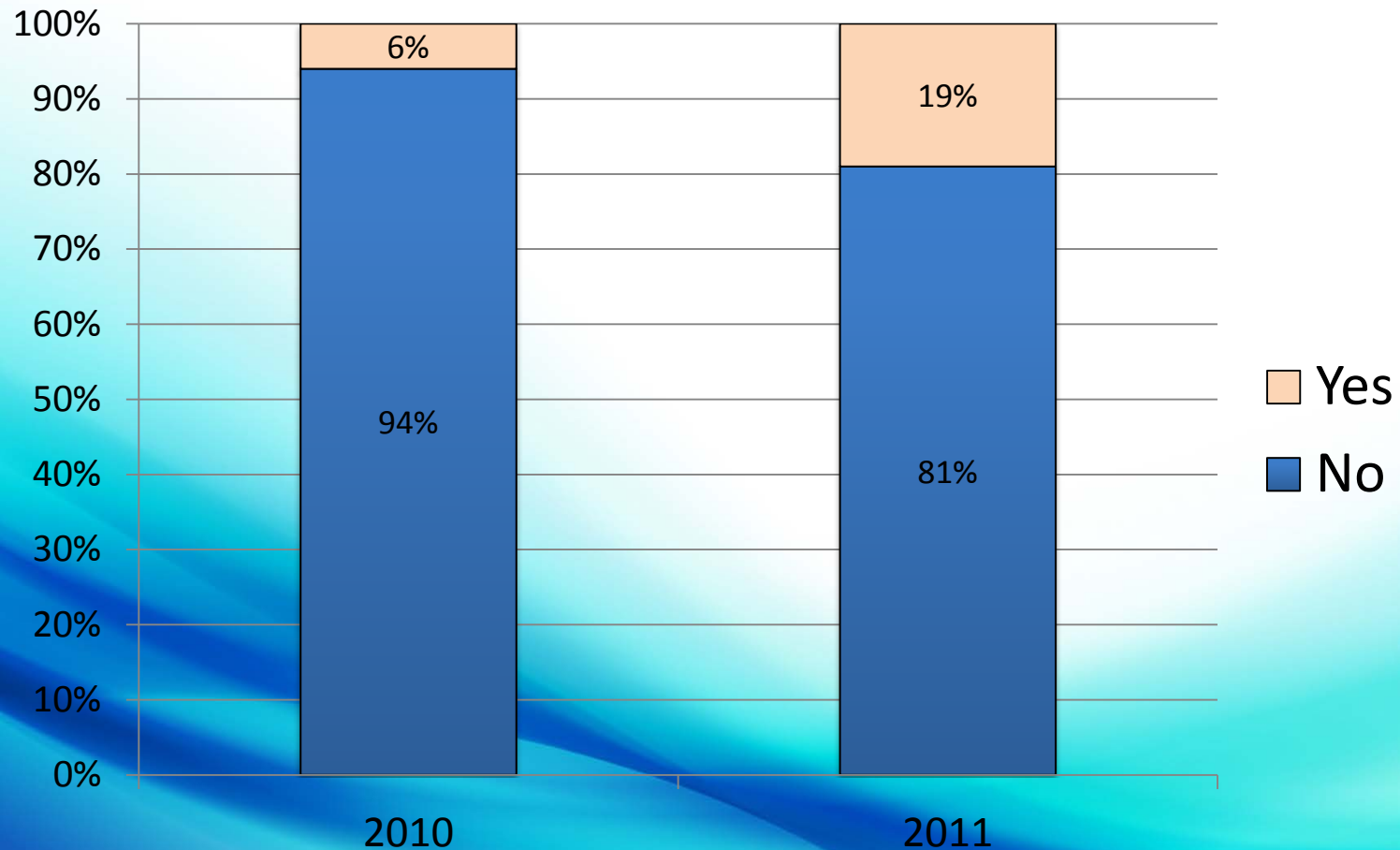


What about children and youth?
Are they pathways to exponential
growth?

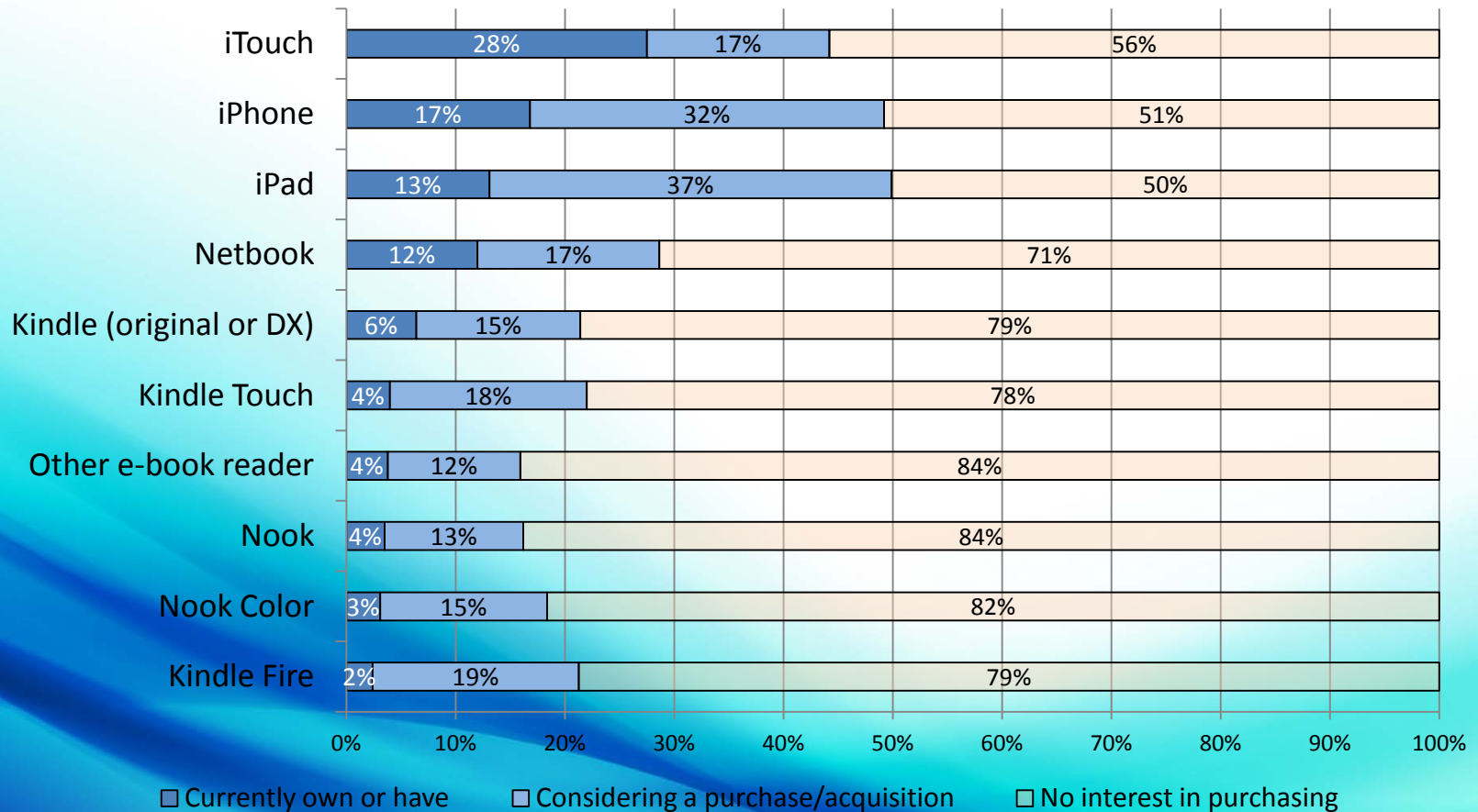
Kids 7 – 12 Important Facts:



Teens Triple Rate of E-book Reading



Apple is the Format of Choice



Bold Predictions for 2012?



25%

30%

40%



What's ultimately best for the industry?

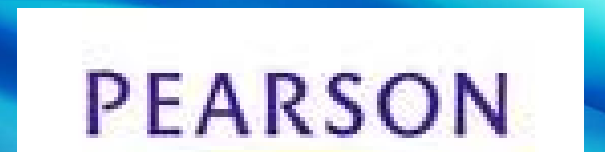


Global e-Book Monitor

Understanding e-book adoption around the world

Bowker Market Research/ToC 2012

Global e-Book Monitor – areas and partners

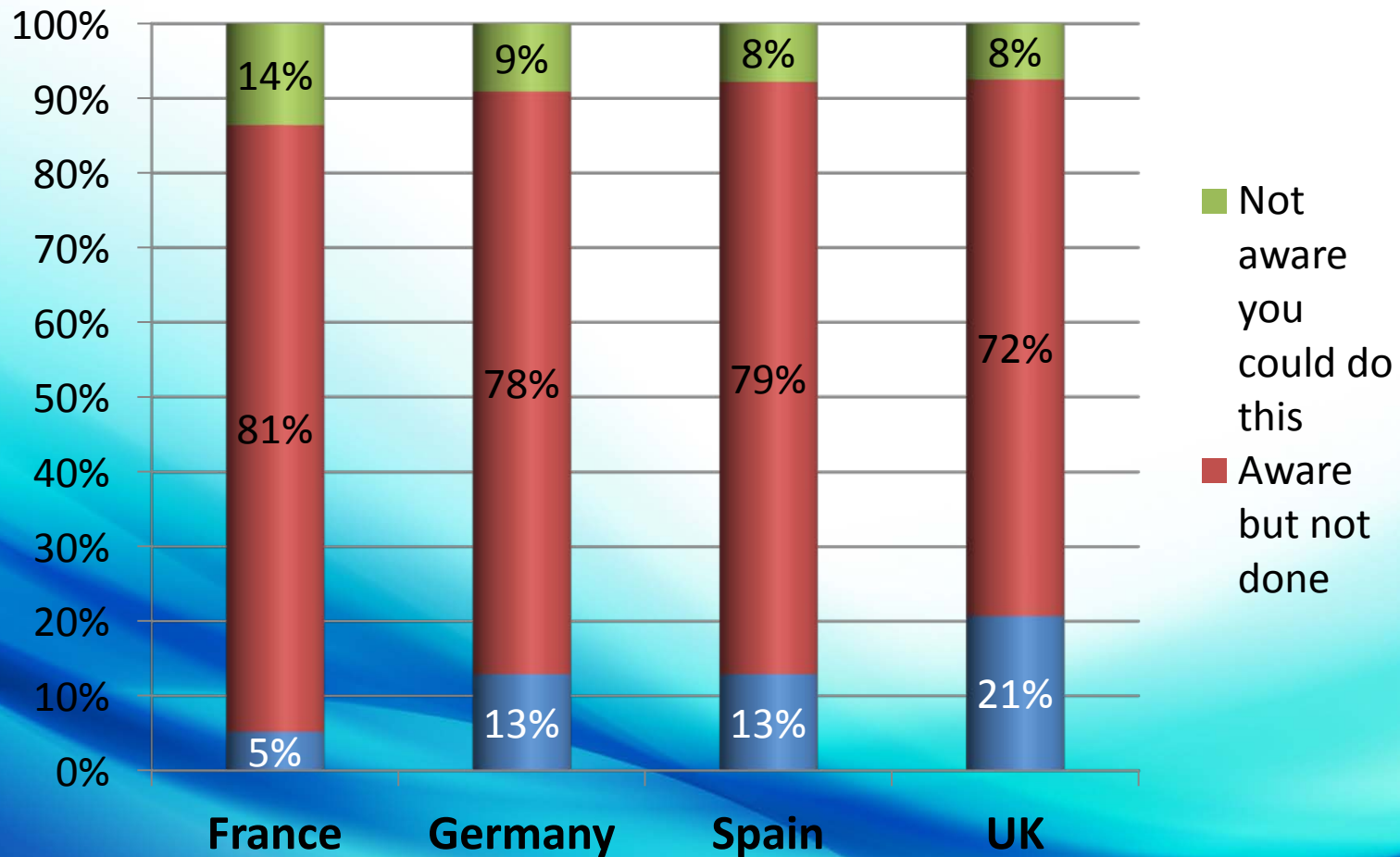


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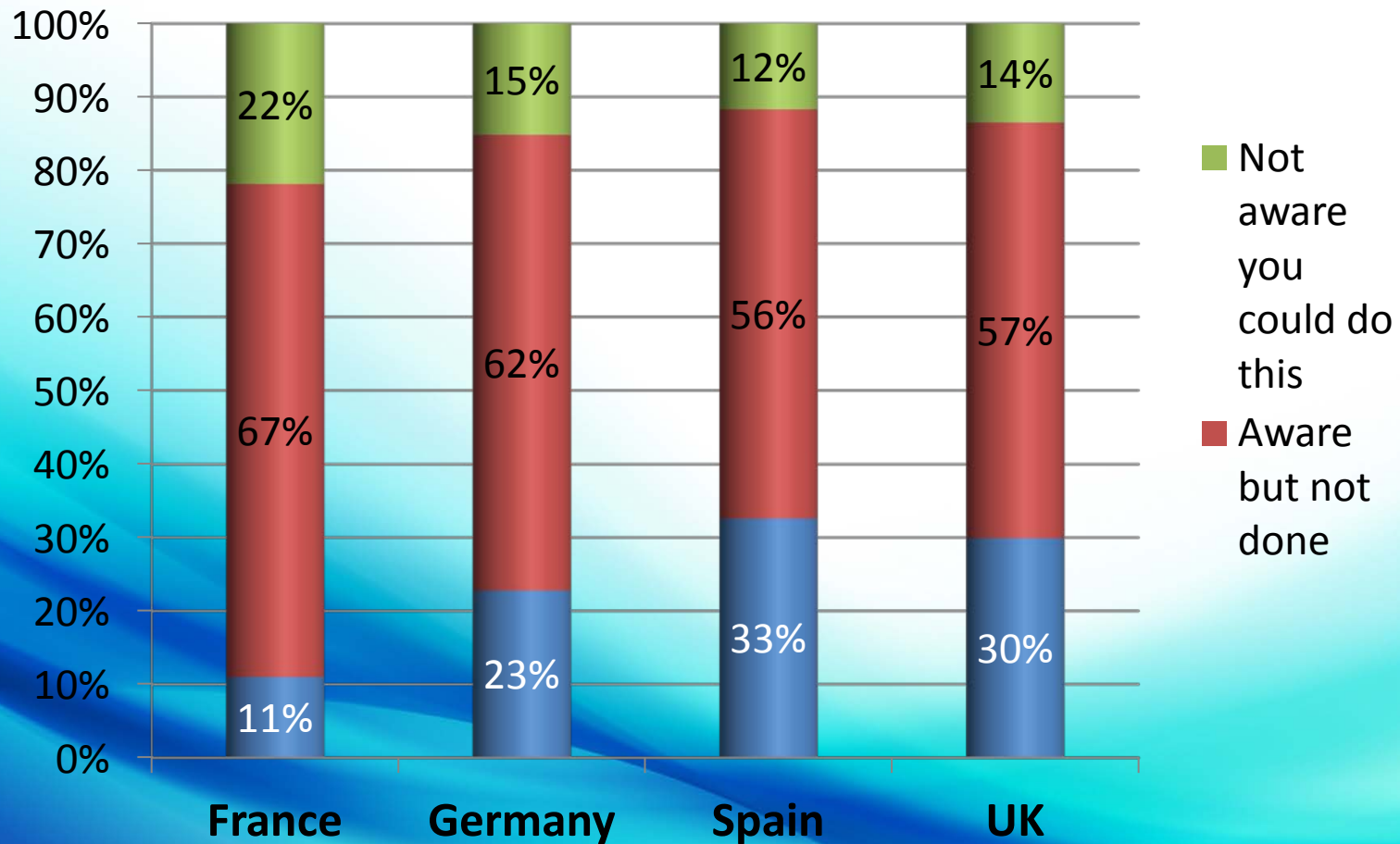
- Initial coverage 10 markets where e-book adoption is at different stages
- USA, UK, France, Spain, Germany, Australia, Japan, South Korea, India, Brazil
- Minimum 1000 respondents in each market
- Minimum 250 current/potential downloaders in each market
- Fielded January 2012
- Standard set of questions about influences and activities:
 - Awareness and acquisition of digital content
 - Categories downloaded
 - Numbers of e-book purchased
 - Likelihood of acquiring digital content in the future
 - Types likely to be bought
 - Factors most likely to encourage e-book purchasing
 - Factors most likely to discourage e-book purchasing
 - Impact of digital material on book purchasing
 - Device access – current and potential

Some early key findings from first wave – Europe only

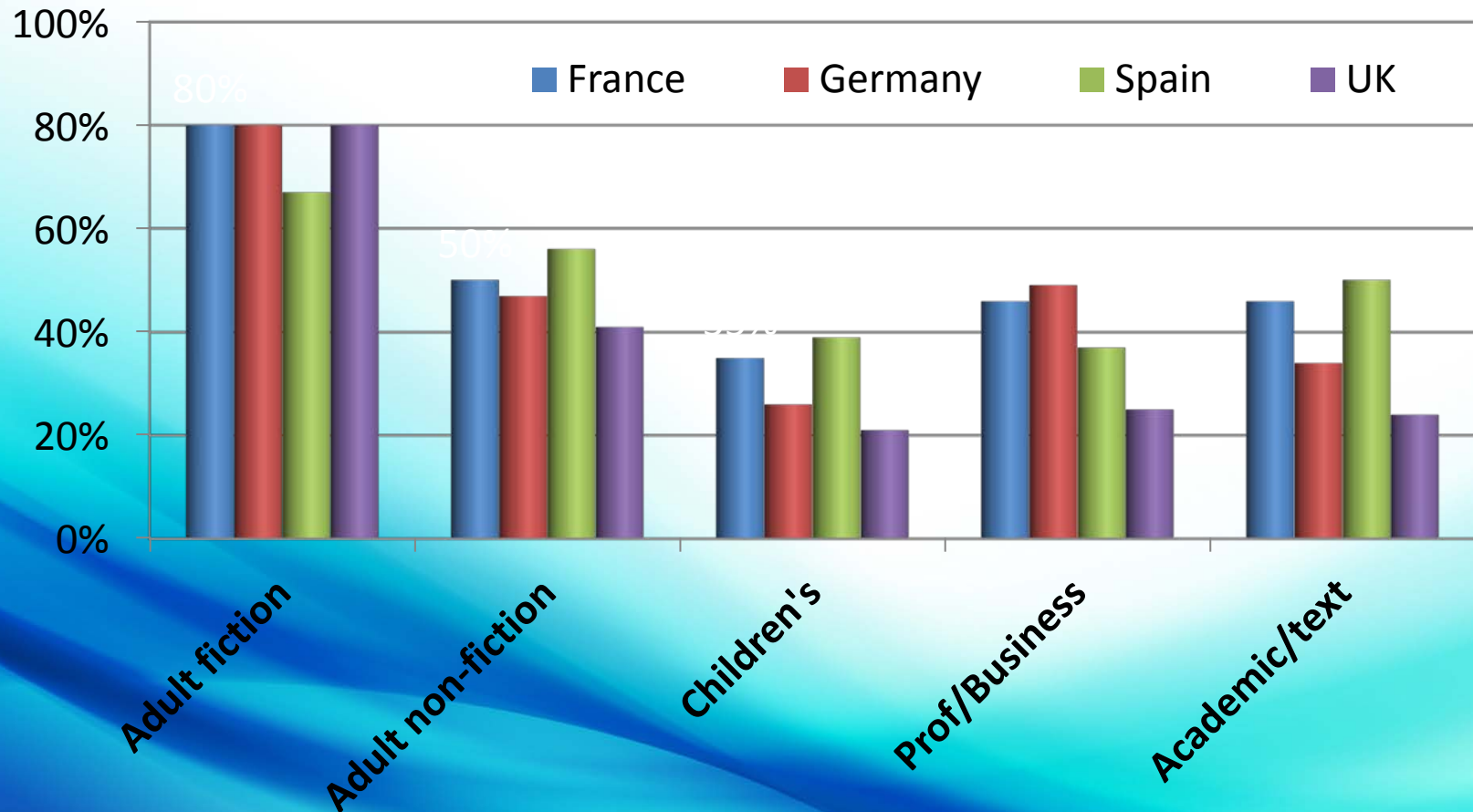
Awareness of and whether paid to download a complete e-book in past six months



Awareness of and whether downloaded a complete e-book for free in past six months



% of downloaders buying e-books in each category in last six months



**Key findings to be released via
partners end March/early April –**

**Check BISG website for
upcoming webinars**

Thanks for Listening!

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