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*Consumer Behavior over the Life Course* Springer  
 Research in Consumer Behaviour presents the latest research, theory and methods in the field of consumer behavior. Consumption is broadly construed to include the processes surrounding the acquisition, use and disposition of consumer goods, services and ideas. Both qualitative and quantitative approaches are represented in empirical papers and conceptual papers include differing philosophical orientations. Occasionally special topical volumes devoted to important emerging ideas of consumer research are published. All papers are peer-reviewed. Contributors, readers, and reviewers come from throughout the English-speaking world and from multiple disciplines. These disciplines include marketing, sociology, anthropology, psychology, communications, and others. Papers are accordingly expected to be free of narrow disciplinary jargon and to draw upon the increasingly broad consumer research literature. While papers are often based on a single culture, a global and cultural orientation is expected. The orientation of the series is to advance understanding of consumption issues from a theoretical and societal perspective rather from a more applied managerial perspective. Studies of both macro and micro consumption issues are encouraged as well as issues of significance in both more and less affluent parts of the world. This volume reflects a number of current trends in consumer research. It is interdisciplinary in focus and in the backgrounds of the contributors. The book is cross-cultural by the same criteria, focusing on basic issues such as the nature of consumer desire, development of consumer culture, consumer behavior over the life course, collecting behavior, and effects of consumption on the environment. Recent trends in consumer research methodology (visual elicitation) and focus (sports, art, popular culture) are all reflected.

*Consumer Behavior and the Behavioral Sciences* South Western Educational Publishing  
 Super-client introduction to consumer behavior which uses the latest behavioral theories to give a practical discussion of the buying behaviors of consumers in all cultures.

*Encouraging Sustainable Behavior* Elsevier

*Understanding Consumer Choice* shows how attempts to relate consumers' attitudes and actions have implicitly incorporated measures of the very variables at the heart of a situational theory of consumer choice. These are the buyer's consumption history and the physical and social setting in which consumer behaviour occurs. The book explores the capacity of the resulting model to explain consumer behaviour in retail and consumption situations, and to elucidate brand choice. The result is a novel interrogation of cognitive and behavioural perspectives, an overarching philosophy for consumer research.

*Consumer Behavior: Theory and Practice* Springer

Now in a completely revamped second edition, this text is aimed at senior undergraduates, or graduate students. Its managerial approach focuses not only on the household consumer but also on the business customer market.

*Perspectives on Consumer Choice* Springer

The key to marketing is understanding and satisfying consumer needs, thus a knowledge of consumer behavior is essential to any organization dealing with customers, users, or clients. This book promises to be a contemporary classic. It brings together an international set of scholars, many of whom are "household names", to examine the diverse approaches to consumer behavior topics. The editors employ a micro to macro structure, dividing each topic into three parts: one reflecting foundational work, one focused on emerging trends, and one covering practical applications. Each part examines the relationship between consumer behaviour and motivation, including well-being,

gender, social class, and more, and concludes with practitioner perspectives on the challenges and opportunities that come with understanding customers. Readers will gain insight into how drives that are constantly in flux relate to other aspects of human cognition and behavior, allowing them to reach customers successfully, and to meet their needs. With contributions from leading scholars, including Sidney Levy and Jagdish Sheth, this volume sets the standard as the most comprehensive, cutting-edge resource on the subject of consumer behavior. Students of consumer behaviour and marketing will find this a useful exploration of a fast-moving field, fundamental to the welfare of companies, government, non-profits, and consumers. It will also benefit new and established academic researchers as well as practitioners who want to stay on top of current knowledge.

*Consumer Psychology* Routledge

Tailored for upper-level undergraduate and MBA students, Assael's Consumer Behavior applies behavioral concepts to market strategy (domestic and international) with special emphasis on web-related issues and applications. Assael presents the content from a managerial perspective, focusing on decision making as the framework for understanding consumer behavior. The text also features a unique, three-chapter Marketing Action section, covering marketing communications, marketing segmentation and micromarketing, as well as consumer rights and social responsibility.

*The Social Psychology Of Consumer Behaviour* Scott Foresman

After years of study in the area of consumer behavior, Mullen and Johnson bring together a broad survey of small answers to a big question: "Why do consumers do what they do?" This book provides an expansive, accessible presentation of current psychological theory and research as it illuminates fundamental issues regarding the psychology of consumer behavior. The authors hypothesize that an improved understanding of consumer behavior could be employed to more successfully influence consumers' use of products, goods, and services. At the same time, an improved understanding of consumer behavior might be used to serve as an advocate for consumers in their interactions in the marketplace.

*Consumer Psychology in Behavioural Perspective* Psychology Press

This book examines consumer behavior using the "life course" paradigm, a multidisciplinary framework for studying people's lives, structural contexts, and social change. It contributes to marketing research by providing new insights into the study of consumer behavior and illustrating how to apply the life course paradigm's concepts and theoretical perspectives to study consumer topics in an innovative way. Although a growing number of marketing researchers, either implicitly or explicitly, subscribe to life course perspectives for studying a variety of consumer behaviors, their efforts have been limited due to a lack of theories and methods that would help them study consumers over the lifecycle. When studying consumers over their lifespan, researchers examine differences in the consumer behaviors of various age groups (e.g., children, baby boomers, elderly, etc.) or family life stages (e.g., bachelors, full nesters, empty nesters, etc.), inferring that consumer behavior changes over time or linking consumption behaviors to previous experiences and future expectations. Such efforts, however, have yet to benefit from an interdisciplinary research approach. This book fills this gap in consumer research by informing readers about the differences between some of the most commonly used models for studying consumers over their lifespan and the life course paradigm, and providing implications for research, public policy, and marketing practice. Presenting applications of the life course approach in such research topics as decision making, maladaptive behaviors (e.g., compulsive buying, binge eating), consumer well-being, and cognitive decline, this book is beneficial for students, scholars, professors, practitioners, and policy makers in consumer behavior, consumer research, consumer psychology, and marketing research.

*The Dark Side of Social Media* Pearson Education

The purpose of the thesis is to assess the contribution of the experimental analysis of behaviour (EAB), which is closely associated with the work of B.F. Skinner, to the development of consumer

psychology, an applied subdiscipline which is currently dominated by cognitive models of choice. Chapter 1 argues that the predominance of the cognitive model impedes the scientific progress of the psychology of consumer behaviour by inhibiting the development of alternative models. A proliferation of competing explanations is advocated for the clash of explanations which Feyerabend argues is a prerequisite of such progress. The EAB is advanced as a vehicle for the erosion of the dominating paradigm: it not only draws attention to the neglected environmental determinants of behaviour but also provides a philosophical standpoint from which to conduct a critique of the prevailing cognitivism. The EAB is described in detail in Chapter 2: its philosophical foundation is examined in terms of the radical epiphenomenalism upon which its mode of explanation rests, and an account of operant conditioning demonstrates the empirical basis of the paradigm. Skinner's ontological redefinition of behavioural science is outlined through a comparison of classical and operant conditioning. The critical significance of the EAB for consumer psychology is explained in Chapter 3. Attention is drawn to the EAB's emphasis on the critical evaluation of theoretical terms (unobservables); alternative sources of explanation, derived from a behaviourist perspective on choice, are presented; and the more direct route to knowledge provided by a theoretically-based experimental method is discussed. The EAB is itself subjected to criticism in Chapter 4 which examines its limited capacity to explain human behaviour in complex social situations. The verbal control of behaviour, the dualistic function of reinforcement (informational and hedonic), and the disparity between the closed setting of the operant chamber and the relatively open settings in which purchase and consumption occur, are noted as undermining radical behaviourism's claim to embody a comprehensive explanation of behaviour. Chapter 5 is concerned with the development and evaluation of a model of consumer behaviour derived from the EAB, as reconstructed after the critical examination pursued in Chapter 4. The Behavioural Perspective Model seeks to explain patterns of purchase and consumption by the relative openness of the settings in which they take place, and the patterns of reinforcement which apparently control them. The model's contribution to consumer psychology is discussed in terms of the relevance of its variables to the outcomes of published behaviour modification experiments concerned with environmental conservation. Chapter 6 summarises the argument and its implications.

#### **Consumer Psychology in Behavioural Perspective** Psychology Press

Context and Cognition in Consumer Psychology is concerned with the psychological explanation of consumer choice. It pays particular attention to the roles of perception and emotion in accounting for consumers' actions and their interaction with the desires and beliefs in terms of which consumer choice is frequently analyzed. In this engaging book, Gordon Foxall extends and elaborates his theory of consumer action, based on the philosophical strategy of Intentional Behaviorism. In doing so, he introduces the concept of contingency-representation to explore the ways in which consumers mentally represent the consequences of past decisions and the likely outcomes of present consumption. The emphasis is on action rather than behavior and the manner in which the intentional consumer-situation, as the immediate precursor of consumer choice, can be reconstructed in order to explain consumer actions in the absence of the environmental stimuli required by behaviorist psychology. The result is a novel reaffirmation of the role of cognition in the determination of consumer choice. Besides the concept of contingency-representation which the author introduces, the analysis draws upon psychoanalytic concepts, theories of cognitive structure and processing, and the philosophy of perception to generate a stimulating synthesis for consumer research. The book will be of interest to students and researchers in consumer behavior and economic psychology and to all who seek a deeper interdisciplinary understanding of the contextual and cognitive interactions that guide choice in the market place.

#### **Research in Consumer Behavior** Edward Elgar Publishing

Intentional behaviorism is a philosophy of psychology that seeks to ascertain the place and nature of cognitive explanation of behavior by empirically determining the scope of an extensional account of behavior based on the limitations of a behavioral approach to explanation. This book draws on an empirical program of research in economic psychology to establish a route to a reliable and justifiable intentional explanation of behavior. Since the cognitive revolution in psychology, intentional explanations of behavior have become the norm, and as the methodology that provides the normal science component of psychology, cognitivism is sometimes accepted relatively uncritically. However, there is a lack of understanding of the role of psychological research in determining the place and shape of intentionality. This book explicates the philosophy of psychology that the author has devised and applied in his work on economic psychology and behavioral economics. Given the provenance of intentional behaviorism, economic and consumer psychology forms the primary application basis for the book. This book provides a theoretical background to understanding how and why consumers make the choices they do. The book integrates behavioral economics, consumer psychology, and decision-making research to explore intentional behaviorism, which is proposed as a philosophical framework for consumer psychology, viewing economic behavior in the contexts of modern human consumers in affluent marketing-oriented societies. - Integrates research in behavioral economics, decision-making, cognitive psychology, and consumer psychology. - Offers readers an interdisciplinary look at intentionality and intentional explanations. - Proposes a theory of intentional behaviorism to explain economic behavior, consumer choice, and other decision-making. - Examines the methodologies of philosophers of mind such as Dennett and Searle.

#### **Context and Cognition in Consumer Psychology** Bloomsbury Publishing

Ouvrage théorique permettant d'appréhender les attitudes et comportement des consommateurs et examinant comment le marketing peut influencer les processus.

#### **The Psychology of Consumer Behavior** McGraw-Hill Education (UK)

This pathbreaking volume expands on the construct of psychological ownership, placing it in the contexts of both individual consumer behavior and the wider decision-making of consumer populations. An individual's feeling of ownership toward a target represents the perception that something is "mine!", and is highly relevant to buying and relating to specific goods, economic and health decision-making and, especially salient given today's privacy concerns, psychological ownership of digital content and personal data. Experts analyze the social conditions and cognitive processes concerning shared consumer experiences and psychological ownership. Contributors also discuss possibilities for socially responsible forms of psychological ownership using examples from environmental causes, and the behavioral mechanisms involved when psychological ownership becomes problematic, as in cases of hoarding. Included among the topics: Evidence from young children suggesting that even legal ownership is fundamentally psychological. Ownership, the extended self, and the extended object. Psychological ownership in financial decisions. The intersection of ownership and design. Can consumers perceive collective psychological ownership of an organization? Whose experience is it, anyway? Psychological ownership and enjoyment of shared experiences. Psychological ownership as a facilitator of sustainable behaviors including stewardship. Future research avenues in psychological ownership. Psychological Ownership and Consumer

Behavior pinpoints research topics and real-world issues that will define the field in the coming years. It will be especially useful in graduate classes in marketing, consumer behavior, policy interventions, and business psychology.

#### **Understanding Green Consumer Behaviour** Routledge

The Routledge Companion to Consumer Behavior Analysis provides a unique and eclectic combination of behavioral, cognitive and environmental perspectives to illuminate the real-world complexities of consumer choice in a marketing-oriented economy. Edited by a leading authority in the field, the contributing authors have created a unique anthology for understanding consumer preference by bringing together the very latest research and thinking in consumer behavior analysis. This comprehensive and innovative volume ranges over a broad multi-disciplinary perspective from economic psychology, behavioral psychology and experimental economics, but its chief focus is on the critical evaluation of consumer choice in the natural settings of affluent, marketing-oriented economies. By focussing on human economic and social choices, which involve social exchange, it explores and reveals the enormous potential of consumer behavior analysis to illuminate the role of modern marketing-oriented business organizations in shaping and responding to consumer choice. This will be of particular interest to academics, researchers and advanced students in marketing, consumer behavior, behavior analysis, social psychology, behavioral economics and behavioral psychology.

#### **Satisfaction: A Behavioral Perspective on the Consumer** Psychology Press

The Social Psychology of Consumer Behavior brings together the most promising and theoretically fruitful research developments by internationally renowned scholars, whose work is at the cutting edge of research. Experts from both fields - social psychology and consumer behavior - provide an informed, up-to-date overview, from an original integrative perspective. The aim of this volume is two-fold. On the one hand, the application of social psychology to consumer behavior is meant to broaden the horizon of social psychologists. On the other hand, students and researchers of consumer behavior will be offered an advanced account of relevant theories tailored to their interests. While the range of topics is rather broad - including the construal of judgments and decisions, affective and cognitive feelings, social and media influences, and goals and self-regulation - each chapter is focused on one specific theoretical or methodological perspective and thereby gives a comprehensive and penetrative account of the relevant issues and the respective research. The volume provides an invaluable resource to students, researchers, and instructors in social psychology, consumer psychology, consumer behavior, and marketing.

#### **Consumer Behavior, an Information Processing Perspective** Routledge

Designed for advanced MBA and doctoral courses in Consumer Behavior and Customer Satisfaction, this is the definitive text on the meaning, causes, and consequences of customer satisfaction. It covers every psychological aspect of satisfaction formation, and the contents are applicable to all consumables - product or service. Author Richard L. Oliver traces the history of consumer satisfaction from its earliest roots, and brings together the very latest thinking on the consequences of satisfying (or not satisfying) a firm's customers. He describes today's best practices in business, and broadens the determinants of satisfaction to include needs, quality, fairness, and regret ('what might have been'). The book culminates in Oliver's detailed model of consumption processing and his satisfaction measurement scale. The text concludes with a section on the long-term effects of satisfaction, and why an understanding of satisfaction psychology is vitally important to top management.

#### **Interpreting Consumer Choice** Academic Press

Despite a century of intensive research into the human mind, our understanding of how people in everyday life actually make choices and solve problems is surprisingly limited. Through the study of green, environmentally friendly consumers, this book examines basic aspects of the working of the human mind, and recommends a fundamental re-orientation regarding the ideas and methods which are applied in contemporary cognitive research. It addresses such questions as: How do consumers develop 'meaning' regarding green products? How are such processes subconsciously structured by certain activities of the mind? How intelligent and successful are consumers in assessing the environmentally friendly attributes of products in daily life? Adopting an interdisciplinary approach, drawing on insights from psychology and anthropology as well as the author's own intensive field research, the book's interdisciplinary framework allows the author to develop an understanding of the entire cognitive process. Taking an international approach, and incorporating original, ground-breaking anthropological and cognitive research, this book is a must read for advanced students of consumer behaviour, the sociology of consumption and behavioural psychology.

#### **Consumer Behavior Analysis** Prentice Hall

This book, first published in 1996, presents a collection of papers by Gordon Foxall charting the development of the Behavioural Perspective Model (BPM) which he devised in the early 1980s and subsequently developed. The model offers a unique and original behaviour-based theory of consumer choice. In seeking to answer the question 'where does consumer choice take place?' by drawing upon behavioural psychology, Foxall presents an exciting challenge to previous theories whose emphasis has been on the internal working of the consumer's mind in reaching rational decisions and choices. Bringing alive the important subject of economic consumption, this seminal volume will be of great interest to students and researchers in consumer research.

#### **Handbook of Consumer Behavior** Routledge

The Dark Side of Social Media takes a consumer psychology perspective to online consumer behavior in the context of social media, focusing on concerns for consumers, organizations, and brands. Using the concepts of digital drama and digital over-engagement, established as well as emerging scholars in marketing, advertising, and communications present research on some unintended consequences of social media including body shaming, online fraud, cyberbullying, online brand protests, social media addiction, privacy, and revenge pornography. It is a must-read for scholars, practitioners, and students interested in consumer psychology, consumer behavior, social media, advertising, marketing, sociology, science and technology management, public relations, and communication.

#### **Interpreting Consumer Choice** McGraw-Hill/Irwin

Evaluating the ways in which we construe consumer choice, this book examines the psychology, methods and realities of the role it plays for today's consumer. Confronted by competing brands and products, services, and e-tailed opportunities that are but a click away, how does the consumer choose among them to achieve the particular array of goods to suit their lifestyle? Consumer researchers often seek to explain consumer choice by attributing it to beliefs, desires, attitudes, and intentions in the absence of any theoretical justification. Perspectives on Consumer Choice is the outcome of a research program that employs cognitive explanations in a responsible and disciplined way to genuinely elucidate consumer choice in social scientific terms. Employing a reasoned approach to understanding consumption, this book builds upon theoretical and empirical research in economic psychology, behavioral economics and philosophy as well as marketing and consumer research.

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