Service Dimensions Airlines Automotive: Car Service





Restaurants: Fast Food

Restaurants: Fine Dining

Specialty Stores: Electronics

Service categories

1 Staff Behavior index

2 Location index

3 Product or service quality index

4 Value to price index

5 Speed index

6 Reliability index

7 Call center index

8 Digital index

9 Loyalty index

10 Complaints Resolution

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The Arab World's only 100% consumer powered customer satisfaction index

Our Services



STARTUPS:

- ✓ CSI dashboard subscription
- ✓ Mystery shopping
- ✓ In-depth interviews ✓ Culture of Excellence

✓ Executive in-depth interviews

Index

- ✓ Focus groups ✓ Team focus groups
- ✓ Social media tracking
- ✓ Team Engagement Index



ESTABLISHED:

'STARTUPS' SERVICES

PLUS:

- ✓ Customer journey
- ✓ Service level target
- ✓ Trinity of excellence workshop
- ✓ Team engagement program
- ✓ Eliminate, Reduce, Raise, Create grid
- ✓ Strategy map
- ✓ Service slogan
- ✓ Value Chain assessment

✓ Staff rewards



CORPORATE:

'ESTABLISHED' SERVICES

PLUS:

- ✓ Vision, mission & values
- ✓ Training
- ✓ Ideation platform ✓ Service standards
 - communication
 - ✓ Innovation programs
 - ✓ Training

✓ Internal



Recalibrate

ESTABLISHED:

'CORPORATE' SERVICES

PLUS:

- Mystery shopping
- ✓ Customer promise by ✓ Focus groups segment
 - ✓ Annual CEI
- ✓ Standards audits



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Word from the president



Last year was extraordinary. As the world came to a stop, we went through a collective experience which taught us a lot about ourselves as people, as companies, as well as governments.

For people, they may have felt fear, anxiety, being confined and often alone. It forced us learn how to shop online in a way that was unprecedented and delivery of everything became commonplace.

Brands faced an existential crisis: will we be able to survive and how will the future affect our operations? How do we deal with our teams in lockdown, and in-store service with social distancing rules? Can we transform our systems to e-commerce or virtual service offerings?

For us at Service Hero, the crisis made us more agile. We introduced assessments for 50 coops overnight in the supermarket category as they became critical for our daily needs. We added questions for rating satisfaction with delivery services and apps as brands transitioned to e-commerce. Finally, we launched a new category to rate Delivery Apps which is one of our most popular destinations.

We also tracked how people in Kuwait assessed the national response to Covid-19 in a survey we ran between June through September. Nearly 5000 respondents told us in two waves that their top concerns were healthcare and finances and that satisfaction dropped from June to August from 66 to 62 points out of 100. The hope was that the data would be used to improve the situation for us all.

That is our hope with the Customer Satisfaction Index. In this remarkable year, our results are based on 20,800 validated assessments in Kuwait and 8,200 in the UAE. Kuwait saw a significant 6% drop in satisfaction now at 70.6 on a 100-point scale since last year. To put this into KD value, the service sectors listed in our index represent KD 3.2 billion of GDP. Can you imagine the toll it takes on a country or company when spending shrinks? In the UAE, satisfaction increased between by 1% and is now 77.7. This raises the questions on how economic policy and regulation can spur performance.

How people interact with brands shifted. We saw a -19% drop in store visits in both Kuwait and the UAE. Online services grew +93% in the UAE and +40% in Kuwait. Online service now comprises 35% and 27% of interactions in Kuwait and the UAE. For some categories, more than 60% of their transactions are on an app such as banks, ISPs, telecoms, and delivery apps.

Across the 11 key dimensions, Reliability maintained its impact on overall satisfaction at 32%. But for the first time, digital service is significant with a 25% impact in overall satisfaction. Both factors together suggest that brands can no longer afford not having robust digital platforms with reliable delivery as branches increasingly shrink in importance and volume.



Word from the president (continued)

We've noted that the more companies address service holistically, the more they can become heroes to their customers with scores in the high 80's and possibly the 90's. Only 5% of brands have consistently scored in the high 80's over the past 11 years. Our data also suggests the more volatility in scores the lower overall satisfaction is on a 100-point scale. Brands that are consistent tend to score highest.

Looking forward, we are excited about a few things. We simplified our survey to ensure our users have a better experience. We added links to brands' pages on servicehero.com so customers can go straight to interact with a brand based on seeing its star rating and reviews. And we launched our 20 Key CSI Metrics Dashboard subscription to allow companies instant access to data which allows them to connect the dots between customer satisfaction and performance.

Customer satisfaction matters more in times of crisis than in times of plenty when brands face a shrinking pie from lower consumer consumption. During a crisis, people are more likely to stay loyal to brands with good service. The challenge for brands is being service centric during COVID-19 and beyond.

Faten Abu Ghazaleh

President

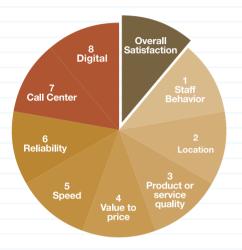






Executive summary

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Note: 14 categories assessed all 8 service dimensions, while 3 categories assessed 6 service dimensions.

Methodology

Service Hero is predominantly an online survey where respondents vote directly on www. servicehero.com from January 1st - December 31st 2020. Consumers are aware of the survey via online ad banners, phone calls and email shots. We adhere to the research protocols of ESOMAR. We report scores and findings on a 100 point scale. Our reporting uses the single question, "your overall satisfaction" as the basis for the index instead of using an equally weighted average.

Rating assessment

Respondents rate each industry on a scale of 1-10 where 10 is the best and 1 is the worst score on 8 service dimensions. Respondents also assess their satisfaction and complaint resolution. All questions asked are on an Actual satisfaction basis.

Security

A number of security measures are deployed to verify the authenticity of the voter and monitor suspicious data to ensure data integrity.

Sample

A total sample size of 12,466 assessments were cleaned to arrive at the final 8,224 sample of valid votes for UAE with a minimum of 350 votes per category. This gives a confidence level of 95% with +/- 2% error margin.

Findings

UAE scored 77.0 on Expectation (before dealing with a brand) and a 77.7 for Actual Satisfaction (after dealing with it). Actual Satisfaction is higher by 0.7, this means consumers received higher satisfaction than they expected. The highest service dimensions are Location (80.4), Product (79.9), and Staff (79.3), while the lowest are for Value (73.8), Call Center (76.5), and Digital (77.3).

Demographics

Non Arabs, Females, consumers aged 50-59, and customers with a low education level have the highest satisfaction while Arabs, Males, Customers with a high education and those aged 60+ have the lowest satisfaction scores.

Loyalty and NPS

UAE scored 78.9 on the likelihood of recommending a brand (Loyalty). Females, Non Arabs, customers aged 50-59, and those with lower education tend to be most loyal. Looking at the Net Promoter Score (ratio of customers promoting the brand versus being detractors) we see that UAE scores 37%, with Non Arabs, Females, those aged 50-59, and customers with a lower eduction the most loyal.

Categories

Of the 15 categories assessed, 8 of them exceeded the UAE Index score. These were mostly with Restaurants, Home Furniture, Electronics, and Clothes. The lowest scoring categories are Mobile Operators and Islamic and Retail Banks.

Interaction and visit frequency

Based on where consumers interacted with the brand (Over the phone, Online, App, and In Store), consumers who interacted through Applications had the highest satisfaction (79.6), while interaction over the phone scored lowest (74.8).

We found that weekly interactions scored highest (79.6) and annually scored the lowest (71.7). This suggests that consumers visit the brands they are satisfied with more than those that do not satisfy them, which they visit less frequently.

Changes since last year

UAE increased slightly by 1.0 points or 1.3% since last year.

Most dimensions increased in satisfaction from the previous year with Digital the only dimension to not increase since 2019.

In the industry category, Car Service and Hospitals increased in satisfaction from last year, while Islamic Banks, Electronics, and Casual Dining declined the most.

Comparison to Kuwait, US, & Singapore

The US Index scored 74.4 for their national index, putting them below the UAE index. UAE scored 77.7, higher than the Kuwait Index by a significant 7.1 points.

The Singapore CSI stands at 74.3, lower than the UAE Index.

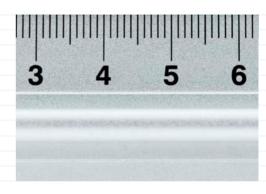




Service Hero's benefits

Service Hero taps into an unexploited market niche





People powered

Determines market standards using the mechanism of a popular online poll by real consumers regarding the companies they deal with.

Empirical

Robust sample sizes across industry categories and sub-categories with built in checks to ensure data validity. Study across 11 dimensions for assessment to compare to the service benchmark.



Actionable

Provides companies with an understanding of their strengths and weaknesses relative to their competitors so that action plans can be made.



Helps UAE

The objective service benchmark for across categories and time helps drive brand performance which fuels the economy.



Factors affecting the UAE Index

Which factors affect service excellence in Emirates across industries?



The Service Hero CSI measures satisfaction by collecting scores on a number of factors: the eight service dimensions in terms of expectations, satisfaction and gaps, customer demographic profiles, loyalty, industry categories, and changes over time. A review of the data allows us to understand which factors improve satisfaction and which impede it.

Strategic implications for UAE

Three foundations for service excellence exist: understanding customer exceptions, delivering on them in a satisfactory manner, and understanding what it takes to build loyalty. No matter the industry category, all brands need to keep their eye on these three.

Expectations

Customers have lower expectations for services as the index for UAE is 77.0 across all industries. The highest expectations of service amongst demographics are lower educated, those aged 18-29, Females, and Non Arabs. The highest expectations by industry are for Casual Dining, Home Furniture, and Clothes. The lowest expectations (and therefore image or reputation) are for Mobile Operators and Islamic and Retail Banks.

 Recommendation: Understand what customers expect from you by collecting as much information on this regularly using qualitative research as well as quantitative data such as a Customer Satisfaction Index.

Satisfaction

Because satisfaction in UAE is 77.7, the gap between customer expectations and satisfaction is 0.7, which is not significant. Despite a pandemic, scores increased since last year.

Recommendation: Understand which service dimensions are most important from the
perspective of the customer. Service Hero runs a correlation model to identify factors driving
satisfaction and has identified that, overall, Product has a 16% impact on satisfaction and
Value has 12% impact on a national level. These drivers differ by brand and by category, so
understand which ones are relevant to your customers.

Loyalty

Since the Net Promoter Score for UAE is at 37% (which means 37% of customers are promoters), most customer profiles have high loyalty. These are namely Arabs, Males, and those with a high education. Categories that have strong loyalty are Airlines, Electronics, and Clothes. The ones with the lowest (negative) NPS are Mobile Operators and Retail and Islamic Banks, which means a significant number of their consumers are detractors rather than promoters.

- Recommendation: Train your staff on empathy and focusing on the customers' needs.
- Recommendation: Measure your staff satisfaction using an Employee Satisfaction Index as only happy staff will provide good service.





Process overview of the key survey steps

Shown here are the key 12 high-level steps followed prior to publically announcing the results.



1. Web banner / Social media promoting Service Hero



Respondent votes for other companies



9. Results in permanent database once confirmed



2. Directs to servicehero.com, Mobile App or facebook.com



6. Respondent submits vote with personal data



10. Data cleansing & verification procedures after close of votes



3. Respondent chooses category & brand



7. Responses stored in temporary database



11. High-level results shared with Advisory Council



4. Respondent votes for first company

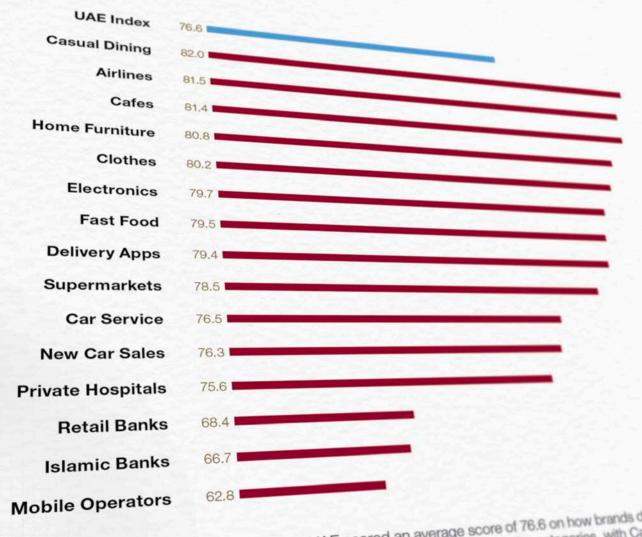


8. Email sent to respondent to confirm identity



12. Service Hero winners announced publicly





Consumers in the UAE scored an average score of 76.6 on how brands deal with complaints. The scores vary from 'Good' to 'Bland' between the categories, with Casual Dining, Airlines, and Cafes having the highest 'Good' scores.

The UAE Index





Sample composition

The national sample is accurate with a \pm 2 error margin at a 95% confidence level. The sample is in line with the country composition for nationality, age and gender but reflects a slight bias towards higher educated consumers since the index is run online.

| Gender | 2019 | Distribution | 2020 | Distribution |
|---------------------|-------|--------------|-------|--------------|
| Female | 3770 | 54% | 4701 | 57% |
| Male | 3027 | 43% | 3357 | 40% |
| Nationality | | | | |
| Arabs | 2281 | 32% | 1829 | 22% |
| Emirati | 189 | 2% | 197 | 2% |
| Non Arabs | 4244 | 60% | 6007 | 73% |
| Age Groups | | | | |
| 16 to 17 Years | 92 | 1% | 34 | 0% |
| 18 to 29 Years | 2212 | 31% | 2072 | 25% |
| 30 to 39 Years | 2957 | 42% | 3593 | 43% |
| 40 to 49 Years | 1071 | 15% | 1739 | 21% |
| 50 to 59 Years | 325 | 4% | 376 | 4% |
| More Than 60 Years | 42 | 0% | 122 | 1% |
| Education | | | | |
| Elementary or below | 17 | 0% | 67 | 0% |
| High school | 939 | 13% | 1365 | 16% |
| Diploma | 870 | 12% | 1359 | 16% |
| University graduate | 4022 | 57% | 4114 | 50% |
| Master or PHD | 706 | 10% | 849 | 10% |
| Total | 6,979 | 100% | 8,224 | 100% |

Note 1: Data on education distribution is not available.

Note 2: Since demographic information about the respondent is not a mandatory field in the survey, a small sample of data regarding gender, nationality, age, and education is "unknown" and as such the vote count does not reflect these scores which amount to less than 9% of votes.



Interpreting the score



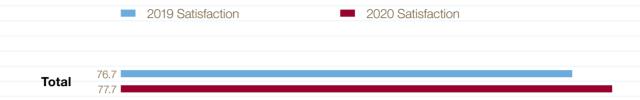
Companies fall into one of the **five groups** regarding the strength of service based on the score that they obtain. On the country level, the same legend is applied. For example, if the score for UAE is a 70, it is then placed at the bottom of the **"Ordinary"** category.





UAE Index: Before and after

Service Hero Index - UAF 2019 & 2020



A change of 1.0 point between the years

Although 2020 saw us adapt to a pandemic, satisfaction scores in UAE increased by 1.0 point from 2019.

This could be because brands adapted to meet the requirements of consumers during this pandemic.



How results will be displayed



Results will be reported on levels as seen in the chart.



Net Promoter Score

Looking at the "likelihood to recommend" question from another perspective

A commonly used model called the Net Promoter Score was also used to evaluate the "likelihood to recommend" question. This method groups customers into three groups: Detractors, Passives and Promoters. It basically ignores individuals whom are Passive and then subtracts the proportion of customers whom are Detractors from the proportion of customers whom are Promoters.

Note

- The score is displayed out of 100%
- The higher the score, the more customers are Promoters of a brand than there are Detractors

Detractors

Negative word of mouth (score 1-6)

Passives

Satisfied but unenthusiastic (score 7-8)

Promoters

Enthusiasts (score 9-10)

Promoters (score 9-10) are loyal enthusiasts who will keep buying and refer others, fueling growth.

Passives (score 7-8) are satisfied but unenthusiastic customers who are vulnerable to competitive offerings.

Detractors (score 1-6) are unhappy customers who can damage your brand and impede growth through negative word-of-mouth.





The net promoter score for UAE Net promoter score - Service Hero Index 2019 & 2020

| | 2019 | 2020 |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| UAE Index | 34% | 37% |
| Female Male | 42% 28% | 38% 36% |
| Arabs Emirati Non Arabs | 24% 27% 42% | 26% 33% 40% |
| 18 to 29 years 30 to 39 years 40 to 49 years 50 to 59 years More than 60 years | 37% 34% 33% 34% 57% | 42% 33% 37% 51% 12% |
| Elementary or below High school Diploma University graduate Master or PHD Highest Lowest | 83% 50% 49% 30% 17% | 46% 49% 44% 33% 25% |

The country average is 37%, increasing by 3% since last year. Demographics groups vary on being either Ambassadors or Detractors. The largest concentration of Ambassadors are Females, Non Arabs, 50 to 59 year olds and those with a lower education. The largest concentration of Detractors are Males, Arabs, those aged over 60, and those with a higher education.

Note: 1. NPS definition: How much more of customers promote a brand versus being detractors. 2. Promoters (score 9-10), Passives (score 7-8), and Detractors (score 1-6).



Index by demographic factors

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| Lowest | High school Diploma University graduate Master or PHD | 82.0 81.0 75.6 | 82.5 79.7 76.7 | 0.5 -1.3 1.1 |
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Females are more satisfied than Males in both years, with minimal change occuring since last year.

Arabs are the least satisfied nationality in both years, while Non Arabs have the highest satisfaction.

Those aged 60+ has the highest satisfaction in 2019. with those aged 50-59 scored highest in 2020. Those aged 30-39 scored lowest in 2019 with those aged 50 to 59 scoring highest in 2020.

Those with a higher education tend to be less satisfied than those with lower education.

Overall satisfaction scores scored higher than the previous year, despite the pandemic. We have seen an increase in satisfaction from various demographic groups, most notably Males, those aged 18 to 29 and 50 to 59 years.





Image and loyalty UAE Index demographics recommend scores 2019 & 2020

| | 2019 | 2020 |
|---------------------|------|------|
| Female | 80.2 | 79.8 |
| Male | 75.7 | 78.1 |
| Arabs | 74.3 | 74.5 |
| Emirati | 74.0 | 77.3 |
| Non Arabs | 80.3 | 80.4 |
| 18 to 29 years | 78.7 | 80.8 |
| 30 to 39 years | 77.5 | 77.9 |
| 40 to 49 years | 77.9 | 78.2 |
| 50 to 59 years | 77.9 | 82.0 |
| More than 60 years | 84.4 | 70.7 |
| Elementary or below | 91.3 | 82.4 |
| High school | 83.1 | 82.4 |
| Diploma | 81.3 | 81.0 |
| University graduate | 76.9 | 78.1 |
| Master or PHD | 72.7 | 74.9 |
| Highest | | |
| Lowest | | |

The age groups that are more likely to recommend a brand are the 50 to 59 year olds. Typically, younger consumers tend to recommend a brand to their peers while the same applies to older groups. The least likely age group to recommend a brand are those aged 60 and over.

Females are more likely to recommend a brand than Males. Arabs are the least likely nationality to recommend a brand. Those with a higher education tend to have lower recommendation scores.



Demographic comparisons 2016 vs. 2020 Actual Satisfaction

| | '16 | '17 | '18 | '19 | 2020 |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Female Male | 77.8 74.5 | 78.1 78.2 | 79.9 78.4 | 78.7 75.3 | 77.9 77.5 |
| Arabs Emirati Non Arabs | 74.2 77.0 77.5 | 76.8 76.6 78.6 | 78.8 76.3 79.8 | 74.0 74.6 78.7 | 73.4 73.9 79.1 |
| 16 to 17 years 18 to 29 years 30 to 39 years 40 to 49 years 50 to 59 years More than 60 years | 81.9 77.0 75.8 75.8 78.0 74.1 | 85.3 77.7 77.8 78.4 82.6 88.1 | 80.8 80.2 78.6 77.8 80.8 83.8 | 83.9 77.5 76.0 76.9 77.3 83.8 | 89.6 79.2 76.7 77.2 80.5 74.2 |
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| | | | | | |

Most demographic groups experienced an increase in satisfaction since last year. This increase, especially during a pandemic, can be attributed to to companies adapting their services in time to meet consumer needs.

The groups with the largest decrease in satisfaction are Females, those aged 60+. Emiratis, and those with a lower education.





Category NPS
Service Hero CSI Category 2019 & 2020 Net Promoter Score

| | 2019 | 2020 |
|-------------------|------|------|
| | | |
| UAE Index | 34% | 37% |
| Delivery Apps | N/A | 50% |
| Cafes | 50% | 49% |
| Fast Food | 51% | 49% |
| Casual Dining | 52% | 48% |
| Supermarkets | 39% | 42% |
| Electronics | 50% | 51% |
| Home Furniture | 44% | 49% |
| Clothes | 49% | 50% |
| Private Hospitals | 24% | 34% |
| Mobile Operators | -13% | -7% |
| Retail Banks | 20% | 18% |
| Islamic Banks | 7% | 16% |
| Airlines | 43% | 53% |
| New Car Sales | 40% | 34% |
| Car Service | 23% | 19% |
| Highest | | -,- |
| Lowest | | |
| | | |

With the country average at 37%, above last years NPS by 3%. a number of categories fell above the average with Airlines, Electronics, and Delivery Apps showing healthy NPS scores, meaning they have more Ambassadors than Detractors. The lowest NPS scores are ISPs, Islamic and Retail Banks, and Car Service.



The UAE expected index across all 15 categories Expected Index

| | 2019 | 2020 |
|-------------------|------|------|
| UAE Index | 81.9 | 77.0 |
| Casual Dining | 86.4 | 82.5 |
| Fast Food | 85.5 | 80.4 |
| Airlines | 84.9 | 81.3 |
| Cafes | 84.9 | 81.7 |
| Clothes | 84.7 | 82.1 |
| Electronics | 84.6 | 81.3 |
| Home Furniture | 84.1 | 82.3 |
| Retail Banks | 81.7 | 69.4 |
| Private Hospitals | 81.3 | 76.4 |
| Supermarkets | 81.3 | 79.7 |
| Islamic Banks | 80.8 | 67.9 |
| New Car Sales | 77.1 | 74.8 |
| Mobile Operators | 76.3 | 61.6 |
| Car Service | 72.9 | 73.2 |
| Delivery Apps | N/A | 80.6 |
| | | |

The top expectations are for Casual Dining, Home Furniture, and Airlines. The lowest expectations are for Mobile Operators, Islamic and Retail Banks, and Hospitals.

Compared to last year, expectations decreased overall, with many categories showing negative growth in expectations from 2019. This could be because consumer expectations during the pandemic was lowered.





The UAE actual index across all 15 categories

| | 2019 | 2020 | Gap |
|-------------------|------|------|------|
| UAE Index | 76.7 | 77.7 | 1.0 |
| Electronics | 83.5 | 82.2 | -1.4 |
| Casual Dining | 83.2 | 81.9 | -1.3 |
| Cafes | 83.1 | 82.3 | -0.8 |
| Clothes | 82.7 | 82.8 | 0.1 |
| Fast Food | 81.9 | 81.5 | -0.4 |
| Airlines | 79.5 | 81.6 | 2.1 |
| Home Furniture | 79.3 | 82.2 | 2.9 |
| Supermarkets | 79.2 | 80.2 | 1.0 |
| New Car Sales | 77.0 | 76.0 | -1.0 |
| Private Hospitals | 72.4 | 76.5 | 4.1 |
| Retail Banks | 72.1 | 72.0 | -0.1 |
| Car Service | 70.3 | 74.7 | 4.4 |
| Islamic Banks | 69.9 | 68.4 | -1.4 |
| Mobile Operators | 59.6 | 63.0 | 3.4 |
| Delivery Apps | N/A | 80.5 | N/A |

The top 3 scoring industries are Clothes, Cafes, Electronics and Home Furniture. The lowest scoring industries on Actual Satisfaction are Mobile Operators, Islamic and Retail Banks, and Car Service.



Interaction category Point of Interaction

| | In store / | | | |
|-------------------|------------|---------|-------|------------|
| | branch | Website | Phone | Mobile App |
| HAE In day | 70.7 | 70.0 | 74.0 | 70.0 |
| UAE Index | 76.7 | 78.9 | 74.8 | 79.6 |
| Delivery Apps | 66.7 | 80.1 | 81.7 | 80.4 |
| Cafes | 82.1 | 88.9 | 72.2 | 86.0 |
| Fast Food | 81.9 | 80.6 | 82.9 | 80.1 |
| Casual Dining | 82.4 | N/A | 74.7 | 79.0 |
| Supermarkets | 80.2 | 81.8 | 84.0 | 78.1 |
| Electronics | 82.9 | 75.3 | 83.6 | 85.9 |
| Home Furniture | 82.8 | 73.3 | 94.4 | 87.0 |
| Clothes | 83.0 | 87.2 | 82.2 | 78.2 |
| Private Hospitals | 76.1 | 88.0 | 66.7 | 94.4 |
| Mobile Operators | 67.9 | 62.8 | 60.7 | 62.4 |
| Retail Banks | 65.0 | 73.8 | 65.8 | 76.6 |
| Islamic Banks | 64.9 | 66.9 | 67.7 | 70.3 |
| Airlines | 82.7 | 80.8 | 74.0 | 88.6 |
| New Car Sales | 77.6 | 88.0 | 55.6 | 66.7 |
| Car Service | 74.2 | 77.8 | 76.4 | N/A |
| Highest | | | | |
| Lowest | | | | |

On a country level, Application interaction scored highest while Over the phone scored lowest with 74.8. Companies shifting their services to digital channels during the pandemic have been meeting the needs of consumers.

Clothes scored highest for In store interaction, with Cafes scoring highest for Website. Home Furniture had the highest Phone interaction score, with Hospitals scoring highest for Application interaction. Mobile Operators scored lowest for Website and Mobile App interaction, the only category to have two low scoring satisfaction. Islamic Banks had the lowest satisfaction for In Store, while New Car Sales had lowest for Phone interaction.





Frequency category Frequency of Visits

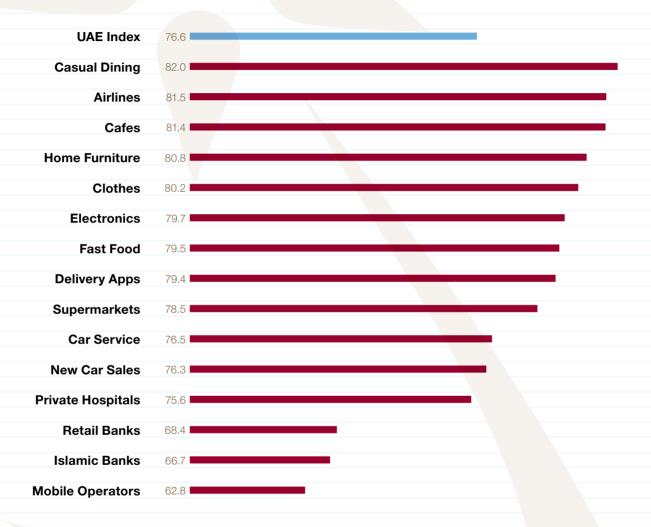
| | Week | Monthly | 3 months | 6 months | Yearly |
|-------------------|------|---------|----------|----------|--------|
| | | | | | |
| UAE Index | 79.6 | 76.5 | 76.1 | 75.5 | 71.7 |
| Delivery Apps | 81.0 | 82.2 | 74.5 | 75.6 | 71.8 |
| Cafes | 84.0 | 84.3 | 78.9 | 75.6 | 73.2 |
| Fast Food | 84.6 | 82.1 | 78.6 | 70.0 | 61.8 |
| Casual Dining | 80.9 | 84.9 | 81.5 | 81.6 | 72.7 |
| Supermarkets | 83.5 | 77.7 | 74.1 | 58.5 | 59.0 |
| Electronics | 87.8 | 81.7 | 84.7 | 82.0 | 78.4 |
| Home Furniture | 86.1 | 81.4 | 81.3 | 81.4 | 78.7 |
| Clothes | 86.9 | 82.1 | 81.4 | 82.9 | 80.4 |
| Private Hospitals | 76.5 | 75.8 | 76.5 | 85.3 | 69.9 |
| Mobile Operators | 69.2 | 66.8 | 62.2 | 61.7 | 57.1 |
| Retail Banks | 75.5 | 72.3 | 66.9 | 71.6 | 72.5 |
| Islamic Banks | 60.5 | 74.0 | 65.7 | 72.5 | 69.3 |
| Airlines | 71.5 | 74.4 | 79.7 | 82.6 | 82.3 |
| New Car Sales | 85.7 | 44.4 | 83.7 | 76.2 | 75.8 |
| Car Service | 79.6 | 82.8 | 72.0 | 74.9 | 72.2 |
| Highest | | | | | |
| Lowest | | | | | |

Weekly interactions scored highest with a score of 79.6. Annual interactions scored lowest with 71.7 score.

On a category level, that trends seems to continue with a majority of categories frequented weekly scoring high. Annual scores are, on average, the lowest scoring.



Complaint resolution category UAE Index complaint average score 2020



Consumers in the UAE scored an average score of 76.6 on how brands deal with complaints. The scores vary from 'Good' to 'Bland' between the categories, with Casual Dining, Airlines, and Cafes having the highest 'Good' scores.

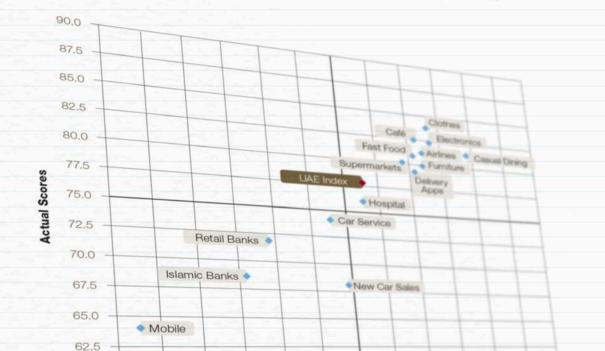


Market position of all 15 categories Mapping categories on expectation and actual scores to understand their market position.

60.0

60.0

62.5



3 Summary & strategic implications

> Industry categories in the top right quadrant such as Casual Dining, Electronics, and Cothes are in the best position as their actual scores match their expected scores. They need to sustain this position over time.

Expected Scores

70.0

67.5

65.0

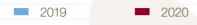
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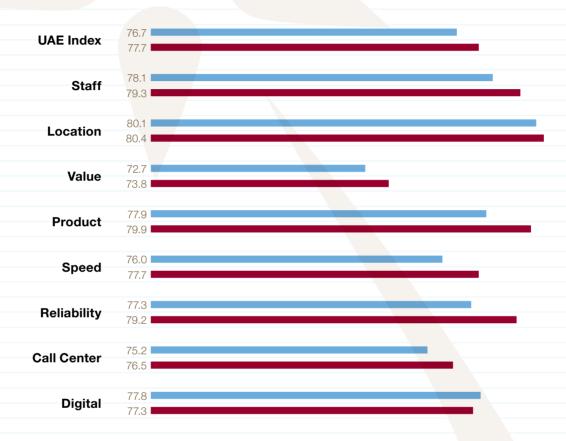
Industry categories in the top left quadrant need to improve their image and overall performance as a small gap exists between expectation and actual scores.

Industries in the bottom left quadrant such as ISPs and Mobile Operators are in a weak position as they are scoring low on expected and actual scores. Their challenge is improving actual service standards and the market perception of these standards.



UAE Index by service dimension UAE Index 2019 & 2020 service dimension





When we look at dimension scores, Location, Product, and Staff scored highest and Value for Money, Call Center, and Digital scored lowest.

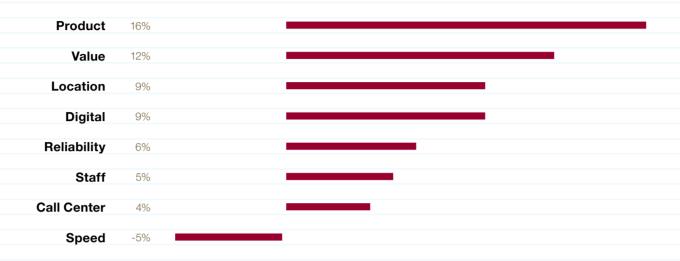
Note: Conventional categories are evaluated on satisfaction with their Call Center and Digital Service with the exclusion of Fine Dining, Cafe, and Clothes.





Correlation of dimensions to overall satisfaction

Service dimensions most influential to overall satisfaction (R Square 85%, 8,224 sample)



In order to help companies understand which service dimensions are most influential to overall satisfaction, correlation analysis on the entire dataset for all categories is conducted using standard statistical practices.

Based on the model, only one dimension has a critical role in influencing satisfaction: Product Quality (16% impact). If companies prioritize their effort on only this dimension it would help the improve satisfaction.

On the flip side, Speed, Staff Attitude, and Call Center has no impact on overall satisfaction while Value, Location, and Digital have a small degree of influence.



Comparing Kuwait & UAE Kuwait & UAE scores 2020

Kuwaitis

■ UAF

Kuwait

UAE

Kuwait has a much lower score than the UAE in actual satisfaction and a (-7.1) difference. which is significant. Comparing categories, there are a few categories that perform well in both countries such as Casual Dining, Cafes, and Clothes. They also share some low scoring categories such as Mobile Operators.

Investigating dimensions between UAE & Kuwait shows similarities as well as differences. The highest scoring dimensions for UAE is Location, whereas in Kuwait Reliability scored highest. The lowest scoring dimensions for UAE & Kuwait is Value, which means that consumers feel that this dimension is the weakest area of service for satisfying consumers.

Comparing demographics, there are similar trends for most and least satisfied consumers. The most satisfied for both countries is Females, Non Arabs, and those with a lower education. The demographic differences in satisfaction between the countries comes with age where we see those aged 50+ more satisfied in the UAE compared to lower satisfaction scores in Kuwait.

Looking at NPS scores, Kuwait posted a 13% score while UAE has a higher one at 37%. On average, consumers in Kuwait are less likely to promote a brand than in the UAE.





Category CSI comparison to other markets

In comparing with other national customer satisfaction indexes, notably the American ACSI (which has been running since 1996), we note that UAE is higher than all other CSI indexes.

| | Kuwait | UAE | | |
|-------------------|--------------|----------|---------|-----------|
| | Service Hero | Service | US ACSI | Singapore |
| Category | CSI | Hero CSI | Index | CSI Index |
| | | | | |
| Airlines | 70.7 | 81.6 | 75.0 | 77.0 |
| Cafes | 79.1 | 82.3 | 79.0 | 73.6 |
| Car Service | 64.5 | 74.7 | 78.0 | N/A |
| Casual Dining | 77.6 | 81.9 | 79.0 | 73.8 |
| Clothes | 74.5 | 82.8 | 79.0 | 72.1 |
| Electronics | 69.3 | 82.2 | 78.0* | 71.2 |
| Fast Food | 76.3 | 81.5 | 78.0 | 73.1 |
| Fine Dining | 72.8 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Health Clubs | 73.4 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Home Furniture | 68.2 | 82.2 | N/A | 71.2 |
| Islamic Banks | 72.2 | 68.4 | 80.0 | 75.3* |
| ISPs | 56.2 | N/A | 65.0 | 70.1 |
| Local Brands | 80.8 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Mobile Operators | 61.2 | 63.0 | 74.0 | 71.7 |
| New Car Sales | 73.0 | 76.0 | 78.0 | N/A |
| Private Hospitals | 64.9 | 76.5 | 69.0 | 75.2* |
| Retail Banks | 70.6 | 72.0 | 80.0 | 75.3* |
| Supermarkets | 67.8 | 80.2 | 78.0* | 69.9 |
| Overall Score | 70.6 | 77.7 | 74.4 | 74.3* |
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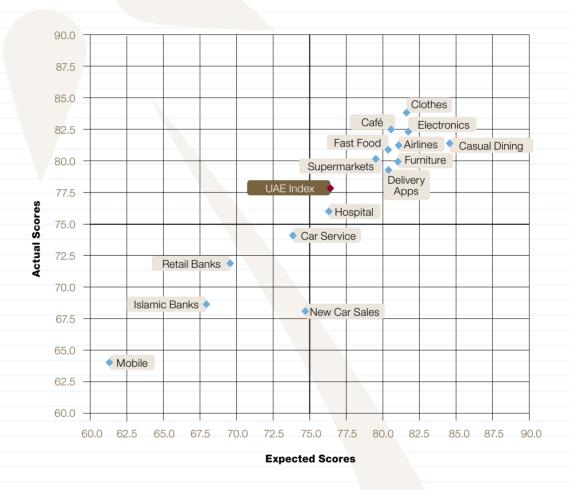
^{*} Q3 2020

Note: Some categories measured by the UAE Service Hero CSI cannot be directly compared to categories in the US and Singapore as they are defined and measured differently on those indexes.



Market position of all 15 categories

Mapping categories on expectation and actual scores to understand their market position



Industry categories in the top right quadrant such as Casual Dining, Electronics, and Clothes are in the best position as their actual scores match their expected scores. They need to sustain this position over time.

Industry categories in the top left quadrant need to improve their image and overall performance as a small gap exists between expectation and actual scores.

Industries in the bottom left quadrant such as ISPs and Mobile Operators are in a weak position as they are scoring low on expected and actual scores. Their challenge is improving actual service standards and the market perception of these standards.





Category comparison 2016 vs 2020 Actual Satisfaction

Despite the pandemic, satisfaction for UAE in 2020 increased from 2020. The top scoring categories throughout the years have traditionally been New Car Sales, Electronics, and Clothes, with Cafes scoring highest in 2016. Notable improvements in consumer satisfaction is shown with Retail Banks, Mobile Operators, Car Service.

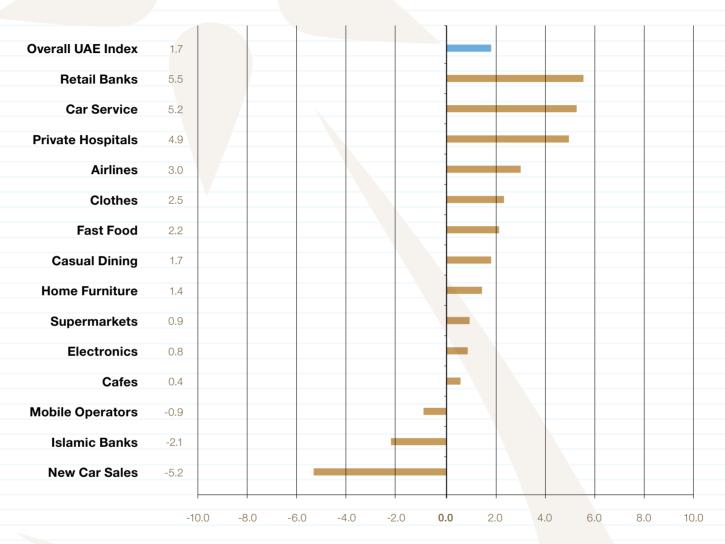
| | '16 | '17 | '18 | '19 | 2020 |
|-------------------|------------|------|------------|------------|------|
| | | | | | |
| UAE Index | 76.1 | 77.9 | 79.1 | 76.7 | 77.7 |
| Delivery Apps | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 80.5 |
| Cafes | 81.9 | 82.5 | 83.4 | 83.1 | 82.3 |
| Fast Food | 79.3 | 81.6 | 78.9 | 81.9 | 81.5 |
| Casual Dining | 80.2 | 81.1 | 83.0 | 83.2 | 81.9 |
| Supermarkets | 79.3 | 80.0 | 80.5 | 79.2 | 80.2 |
| Electronics | 81.4 | 83.5 | 83.6 | 83.5 | 82.2 |
| Home Furniture | 80.8 | 79.6 | 80.8 | 79.3 | 82.2 |
| Clothes | 80.3 | 79.8 | 79.9 | 82.7 | 82.8 |
| Private Hospitals | 71.6 | 73.8 | 75.2 | 72.4 | 76.5 |
| Mobile Operators | 63.9 | 66.1 | 66.6 | 59.6 | 63.0 |
| Retail Banks | 66.5 | 71.8 | 75.0 | 72.1 | 72.0 |
| Islamic Banks | 70.5 | 72.4 | 75.2 | 69.9 | 68.4 |
| Airlines | 78.6 | 79.7 | 80.5 | 79.5 | 81.6 |
| New Car Sales | 81.2 | 83.6 | 85.6 | 77.0 | 76.0 |
| Car Service | 69.5 | 75.4 | 79.9 | 70.3 | 74.7 |
| Highest | | | | | |
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Note: Local brands was added in 2019. Delivery Apps was included in 2020.

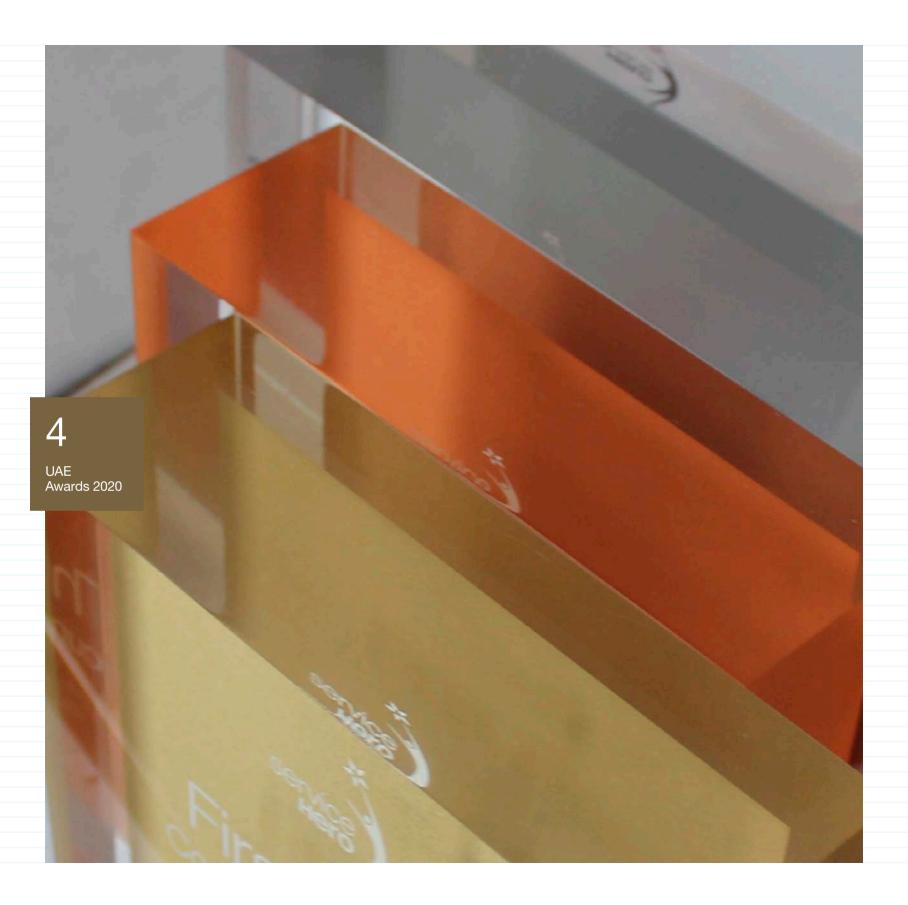


Category Growth 2019 vs. 2020

Notable improvements with consumer satisfaction are seen in Mobile Operators, Hospitals, and Car Service.



The Delivery Apps category was added in 2020, therefore they have been excluded from this comparison chart.



Top three country winners

From their website



FIRST PLACE

Emirates, wholly owned by the government of Dubai, is an airline based at Dubai International Airport in Dubai, UAE. It is the largest airline in the Middle East, operating over 2,500 flights per week, to 122 cities in 74 countries across six continents.

The airline ranks amongst the top 10 carriers worldwide in terms of revenue and passenger kilometres, and has become the largest airline in the Middle East in terms of revenue, fleet size, and passengers. In 2011 the airline was the fourth-largest airline in the world.

Emirates has built up a strong brand name as a leader in the aviation industry, particularly in terms of service excellence, its very rapid growth, coupled with consistent profitability. In 2011, It was awarded the title of "Airline of the Year" for 2011. The award has been given based on recognition of its commitment to safety and operational excellence, along with customer service trendsetters, financial condition including a 22-year consecutive annual profit.



SECOND PLACE

Founders Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak created Apple Computer on April 1, 1976, and incorporated the company on January 3, 1977, in Cupertino, California.

For more than three decades, Apple Computer was predominantly a manufacturer of personal computers, including the Apple II, Macintosh, and Power Mac lines, but it faced rocky sales and low market share during the 1990s. Jobs, who had been ousted from the company in 1985, returned to Apple in 1996 after his company NeXT was bought by Apple. The following year he became the company's interim CEO, which

later became permanent. Jobs subsequently instilled a new corporate philosophy of recognizable products and simple design, starting with the original iMac in 1998. With the introduction of the successful iPod music player in 2001 and iTunes Music Store in 2003, Apple established itself as a leader in the consumer electronics and media sales industries, leading it to drop "Computer" from the company's name in 2007. The company is now also known for its iOS range of smart phone, media player, and tablet computer products that began with the iPhone, followed by the iPod Touch and then iPad.



THIRD PLACE

Nike, Inc., is an American sportswear company headquartered in Beaverton, Oregon. It was founded in 1964 as Blue Ribbon Sports by Bill Bowerman, a track-and-field coach at the University of Oregon, and his former student Phil Knight. They opened their first retail outlet in 1966 and launched the Nike brand shoe in 1972.

The company was renamed Nike, Inc., in 1978 and went public two years later. By the early 21st century, Nike had retail outlets and distributors in more than 170 countries, and its logo—a curved check mark called the "swoosh"—was recognized throughout the world.





Comparing the winners of 2016 to 2020

The Service Hero CSI awarded 15 category winners in 2020, of which 4 were 5 time consecutive winners in the 2020 assessment. This suggests that leading companies do have in place programs to ensure customer satisfaction is achieved. In the categories that witnessed a change, much of that was due to heightened competition as different companies jostled for better positions and focused more attention on meeting customer satisfaction needs.

Table 1 Comparison of SH CSI winners 2016 to 2020

| Service | | | | | |
|------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Hero Category | 2020 Winner | '19 | '18 | '17 | '16 |
| | | | | | |
| Airlines | Emirates | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Clothes | Nike | Yes | No | No | No |
| Mobile Operators | Etisalat | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| Islamic Banks | Emirates Islamic Bank | No | No | No | No |
| Retail Banks | Emirates NBD | Yes | No | No | No |
| Cafes | Krispy Kreme | Yes | No | No | No |
| Fast Food | Jollibee | No | No | No | No |
| Casual Dining | Texas Roadhouse | No | No | No | No |
| Electronics | Apple | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Home Furniture | Ikea | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Supermarkets | Carrefour | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Delivery Apps* | Carrefour Now | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| | | | | | |

^{*} Category added in SH CSI 2020



How would you rate

| How well did the brand meet your expectations | (;) | | | | | | | | | : |
|--|-----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----------------|
| our overall satisfaction with this company | | 2 | | | | | | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| Likelihood of recommending this brand | 1 | 2 | | | | | | | | 10 |
| How well the brand fixed any issues | 1 | | | | | | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| Staff attitude, knowledge & competence | | 2 | | | | | 7 | | Î | |
| Reliability and consistency | | 2 | | | | | | | M | 5 ethodology |
| Quality of product or service | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | , | 10 10/5 |
| Service speed | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 N/A |
| Value for money | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 N/A |

What suggestions do you have?

Submit rating





Overview

High-level overview of the Service Hero index approach.

Methodology

Service Hero is an online survey where respondents voted directly on www.servicehero.com regarding the quality of service they receive in private sector companies in UAE. The survey was live January 1st - December 31st 2020.

Sample

The index aimed to collect a total sample of 10,000 valid votes for UAE distributed over 15 category industries included in the assessment. Each category had a quota of 350 votes. The confidence level is 95% with an \pm 2% error margin.

Rating assessment

Respondents rated each company on a scale of 1-10 where ten is the highest score. Eight uniform assessment questions were asked covering the key service dimensions. Respondents were also asked if they would recommend a brand to a friend or relative, what the overall satisfaction is, how did the brand resolve complaints and if there are any other comments they would like to provide.

Security

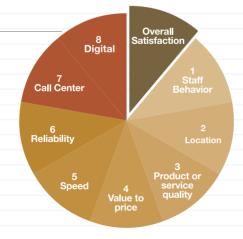
A number of security measures were deployed of either technical nature to verify the authenticity of the voter, or later, at the data cleansing stage, to remove any suspicious data.

Rigor

We follow the research protocols of ESOMAR (European Society for Opinion and Market Research) to ensure adherence to international market research standards.

The overall assessment of a service provider is based on these 8 dimensions

Note: 14 categories assess all 8 service dimensions, while 3 categories only assess 6 service dimensions.





Security measures and rules for valid votes

To ensure that each visitor is a legitimate customer, a number of security measures have been put in place.

Servicehero.com security measures

- Implements 256-bit SSL encryption on all pages of the website
- Uses a high performance firewall
- Utilizes advanced data integrity procedures at the database level for the highest security and reliability

Data review measures

- All voters are asked to submit a correct email upon registration
- No votes were tabulated unless this email address is authenticated by the user via an automated trigger
- No single user can vote for the same company more than once
- IP address monitoring which statistically measures incoming connections against usage anomalies was made
- All eligible voters were requested to enter a Emirati mobile number to provide an additional layer for validating user identification



Rules applied to ensure data integrity

In the planning stages of the survey, a number of rules had been set to ensure the highest vote accuracy. These were implemented resulting in the removal 4,817 votes. Other investigations were also conducted that did not result in the removal of any votes as seen in the table. The final vote count used in the analysis is **8,224** votes.

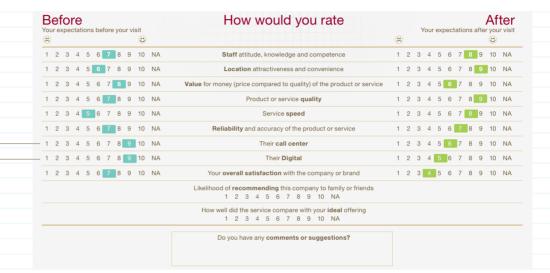
| | Our rules that have been implemented (Automated & Manual) | Votes removed |
|---|---|---------------|
| 1 | Respondent did not confirm his/her email | yes |
| 2 | Respondent less than 16 years | yes |
| 3 | Respondent unable to vote more than once for the same brand | yes |
| 4 | Respondent with the same mobile number but different email and voted twice for the same brand | yes |
| | Total votes removed | 597 |
| | Data Cleansing (Automated & Manual) | Votes removed |
| 1 | Remove votes that are NA across all dimensions in the after evaluation | yes |
| 2 | Remove votes that are only made for before assessment and NA votes | |
| | for after evaluation | yes |
| 3 | Respondent voted for brands that should not be in the assessment | yes |
| 4 | Votes exhibited suspicious behavior patterns which raised alarms regarding | |
| | the authenticity of the assessment. | yes |
| | Total votes removed | (4,817) |
| | Total votes obtained | 12,466 |
| | Total votes assessed | 8,224 |





The questionnaire

What respondents actually voted on.



Note The Call center and Digital dimension questions were exempt from Cafes, Clothes, and Fine Dining service categories.

Respondents voted on 2 levels:

- 1. What they expected **before** receiving the service
- 2. What they actually experienced after being served

Note: Respondents were also given the opportunity to provide any comments that they wanted to share.



Sampling approach

Critical factors for a robust category sample and minimum vote requirements by industry category.



To ensure that Service Hero enjoys statistical integrity, a few statistical elements were examined to determine sample size and accuracy levels.



Category population.

The population of individuals which is eligible to vote in the UAE is 3,367,000.

This figures includes:

- Males and Females
- Emirati and Non-Emirati nationalities

It excludes (around 4,897,000 individuals):

- Anyone under 16 years
- Laborers

Note: These figures are based off of our estimates from official government figures.





Sampling approach (continued)

Category population.



- 1. To ensure statistical relevance, we looked at the **category population** this is the proportion of UAE's total population that is most likely to be a user of the category
- 2. For example to compute the size of the Mobile Operator market, the assumption made is that 90% of the UAE population is a mobile phone user
- 3. For some categories the **% user population** was smaller e.g. for Car Service, the assumption made is that 50% of the market may use/visit them
- 4. A second factor to look at in determining the category population size is looking at **population bias**, because:
 - Service Hero is not a random sample (people were not randomly contacted for feedback)
 - This means of the total population of UAE, only X% will actually be inclined to vote
 - We have assumed 5% for UAE overall is the population bias in other words, this is the percent of UAE's population who will be inclined to vote online

UAE population Category population Biases Minimum votes/winner Error margins Probability

The roles that bias and probability play on the sample.

1. Probability of choice is:

- Based on the total population of consumers per category as well as the number of brands in a category
- An example is the clothes category where around 80 brands were evaluated and the probability of choice is 2%, while in the mobile sector only three competitors exist, which means each one has a 33% chance of obtaining votes from the total category sample

2. Voting bias:

- Refers to the likelihood of obtaining positive votes for a brand because the respondents who chose to participate in the survey are the types of individuals who want to praise a brand
- Because they may be affected by the term "service hero", voting bias may have taken place

Note: A review of both these factors was made. The **probability of choice** factor has been accounted for. Moreover, the **voting bias** review found some statistically significant bias that was identified and removed in the data cleansing stage.

The categories included in the Service Hero assessment.

- The survey covered only commercial or private non-government institutions
- Each category can be further broken down into sub categories



Airlines



Automotive: Sales + Service



Banks: Retail + Islamic



Communications: Mobile



Restaurants: Café + Fast food Casual dining



Health care: Private Hospitals



Specialty Stores: Electronics
Supermarkets + Furniture + Clothes



Delivery app



Sampling approach (continued)

Minimum sample sizes and error margins for all categories.

| Confidence level: 95% | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Sector | Biased Population | Sample @ 5% | Total Votes |
| | | | |
| Airlines | 88,186 | 293 | 437 |
| New Car Sales | 88,186 | 293 | 95 |
| Car Service | 88,186 | 293 | 93 |
| Clothing | 88,186 | 293 | 832 |
| Mobile Operator | 88,186 | 293 | 898 |
| Café | 88,186 | 293 | 797 |
| Fast Food | 88,186 | 293 | 1,452 |
| Casual Dining | 88,186 | 293 | 410 |
| Electronics | 88,186 | 293 | 339 |
| Retail banks | 68,505 | 273 | 504 |
| Islamic banks | 30,833 | 196 | 255 |
| Furniture | 58,791 | 259 | 263 |
| Private Hospital | 37,421 | 216 | 218 |
| Supermarkets | 88,186 | 293 | 1,075 |
| Delivery Apps | 88,186 | 293 | 556 |

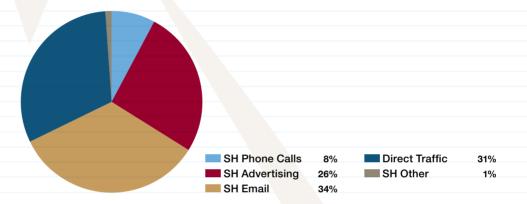
This table shows the 15 categories included in the 2020 index. It shows:

- Minimum sample needed for an error margin at a 95% confidence level
- Total votes obtained



Source of ratings and platforms used to rate from

Service Hero CSI is mostly online (60% of assessments), we deploy a promotion plan that utilizes digital marketing. After assessments go through a validation process, the source of ratings is indicated below. Digital advertising on leading websites and social media platforms, comprised the bulk of our advertising. A selection of private companies also encouraged their customers to rate for them. Thus, consumers could directly search for the name 'Service Hero' to reach our rating engine, or click on an online banner, or click on a company banner.



The phone based assessments were collected using our proprietary database of consumers to ensure all demographic groups and categories were well represented.





Advisory Council members

The Advisory Council is comprised of **academic and independent members** whom are selected on the basis of being **neutral**, **respected** in their industry and the market, and having **no commercial interests in the findings**.

The Advisory Council helps oversee the findings to ensure adherence to procedures, and that the findings are fair and empirical. They also play an advisory role with the ability to suggest improvements in our approach. Advisory Council members were asked to vote on major decisions regarding sampling methods used.

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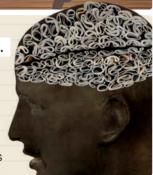


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