

What are Exhibitors and Sponsors Thinking?

And what you can do now to help drive ROX, ROE & ROI

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AGENDA

- What's new?
- 2 Industry data
- The Situation
- 4 Resources



What Does EVOLIO Marketing Do?

Attendee & Exhibitor Surveys & Business Intelligence

Focus Groups & In-depth Interviews Portfolio
Optimization & Data
Analytics

Behavioral and Sentiment Analytics Mystery Shopping Training & Consulting

Exhibitor Strategy Meetings & Workshops

KPI Playbook Development



Measuring Events & Exhibits



































































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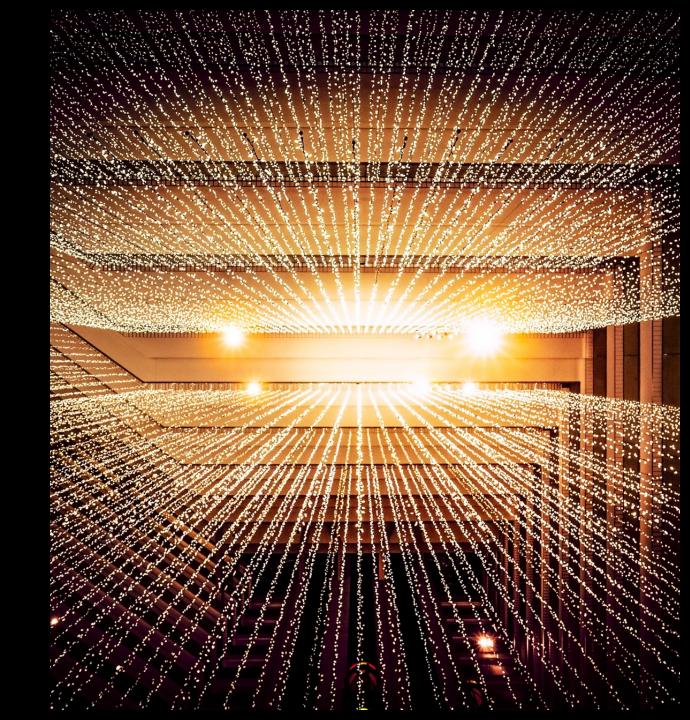








Industry Benchmarks



EVOLIO Tradeshow Attendee Benchmarks

SOURCE: EVOLIO MARKETING

13.664 ATTENDEE SURVEY RESPONDENTS. B2B TRADESHIOWS

MAY 2021- AUGUST 2023

1st-time Attendees **49**%

Average Age 43

Gen Z 10% Millennials 40% Gen X 32% Boomers 18% Likely to Attend Again 79%

Overall Satisfaction with Exhibit/Visit
82%
Extremely/very Likely

Anticipate Buying Within 12 Months 67%

Top Reasons for Visiting Exhibits

Check Out What's New 67% Learn More About Brand 55% Just Looking Around 33% Get Detailed Info 26%

Have a Buying Role 80%

Decision-makers 29%

Brand's Net
Promoter Score
+37





compared with 2019

2023 Exhibit & Sponsorship Outlook

Source: EVOLIO Marketing & Lippman Connect April 2023 Survey | N=43 Large show organizers, >125K NSF







Exhibitors Need More Actionable Data

Honest, clean attendance numbers

Attendee profile details

Attendees' interests & challenges

Demand gen opportunities and outcomes

Connections a.k.a. Networking

Cost transparency



Proving Value



Tradeshow Sales Models are Shifting



Customized options

Exhibitors want more flexible sponsorship options and pricing tailored to their needs.



Transparency

Sponsors want clarity on what is included like media, promotion and support.



Connections

Brands want to connect with customers and prospects in many ways, beyond the booth

Exhibitors and sponsors are demanding more flexible and customized tradeshow packages that are backed by data.

The Value of Tradeshows in Not in Jeopardy

but proving the value is



Tradeshows build brand awareness

Exhibiting at tradeshows increases visibility and reach



Tradeshows drive leads

Tradeshows provide opportunities to interact directly with prospects and customers



Tradeshows support sales

Sales teams can engage with prospects and educate them on products/services

Approximately 35% of brands' marketing budgets are allocated to tradeshows. Tradeshows are a crucial part of their marketing strategy and sales process.

Exhibitors Top Challenges

Sources: EVOLIO Marketing Event Outlook Survey and Explori Exhibit Leader Insights Study n=254

Cost Pressures

- Costs continue to rise
- Budgets are constrained and scrutinized

2 Event Experience

- Quality & quantity of attendees
- DEI, Sustainability & ESG (environmental, social and governance)

3 ROI, MQLs and SQLs

- 71% of exhibitors are happy with events as a marketing channel*
- 67% satisfied with events as a sales channel*

4 Brand Impact

- Connections through event activities
- Beyond the booth

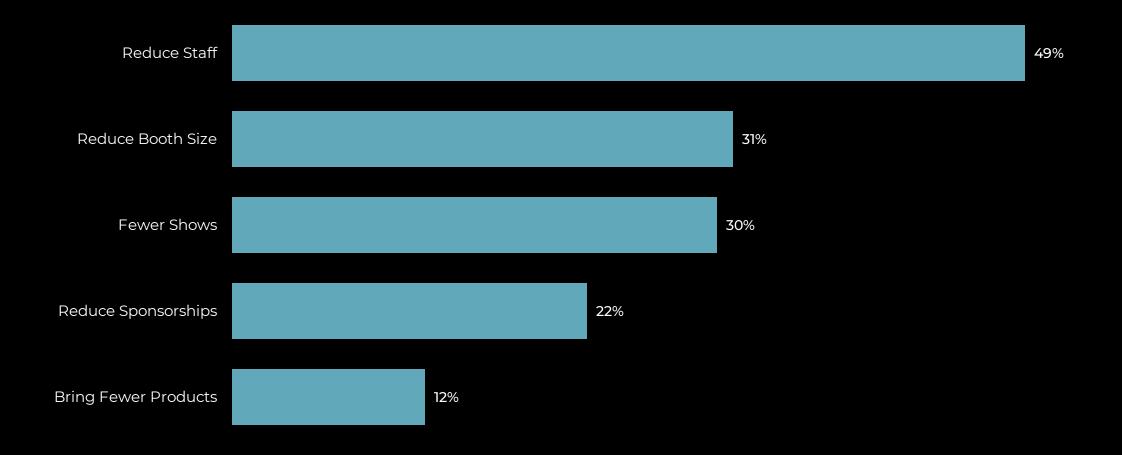
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- Rightsizing budgets and events
- Shifting investments
- Own events vs tradeshows



How Exhibitors are Cutting Costs

Source: Explori Exhibit Leader Insights Study | January 2023 | n=254





SAMPLE SCENARIOS

Cost **Avoidance**

Help exhibitors calculate how investing in your show actually saves them money Average cost of salesperson's meeting

\$1,000 x 50 meetings = \$50,000

Loss of revenue from upset customer

Meet with unhappy customer(s), fix problem x average annual revenue from that customer(s)

 Average cost of executive's meeting

\$3,500 x 10 meetings = \$35,000

Value of new contacts (SQLs/MQLs)

Obtain 500 targeted, qualified contacts instead of buying a bad list



2022 Material & Labor Rate Report



Compares average labor and material handling rates across 16 major U.S. convention cities.

29% increase in display, labor, and material handling rates since 2017

Electrical labor has the greatest increase at 32% compared with installation & dismantle labor (26%) and material handling (28%).

Rates far outpace increases in prices compared with most other business services.





"To adapt, tradeshow organizers must offer more actionable data and metrics and consider evolving promotional opportunities to help brands achieve greater outcomes."

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KPI Playbook

Metrics that Matter



<u>Operational</u>

visitor activity demos

interactions

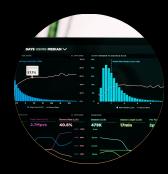


<u>Aspirational</u>

brand sentiment & perception

values

social good



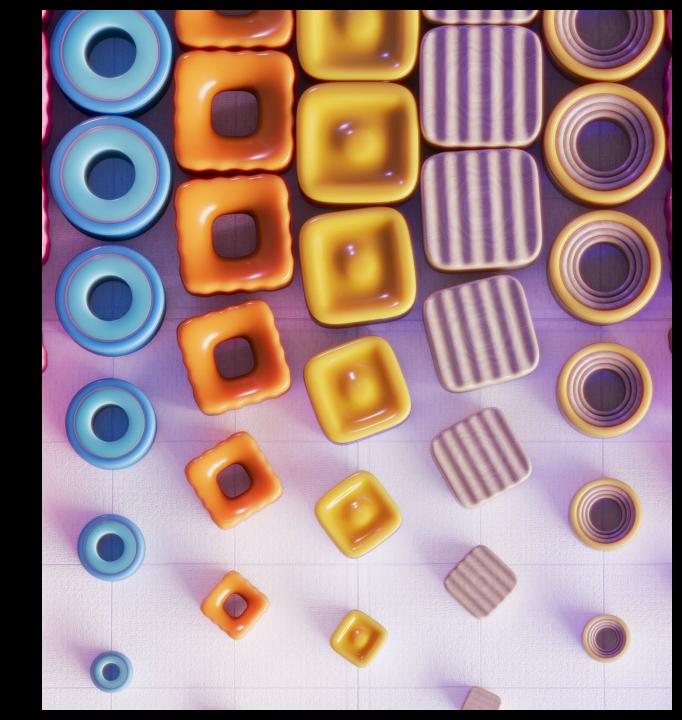
<u>Actionable</u>

outcomes

leads and demand gen relationships



Exhibitor Portfolio Optimization



Exhibitor Portfolio Optimization Process

Organizers need to know what exhibitors want to know.

Step 1: Stakeholder Insights

Step 2: Assess Current Event Portfolio Step 3: Collect Event Information

Step 4: Calculations Step 5: Decisions

Interviews with key stakeholders and influencers

Uncover issues, challenges and successes

Identify new opportunities

Event calendar

Planning docs

Budgets/Actuals

Outcomes

Alignment with objectives

Attendance history

Detailed attendee demographics

Sponsorship packages and costs

Speaking/ Though Leadership Target audience size

Booth size and activities

Estimated engagement, MQLs and SQLs

Number and types of booth staff

Go/No go

Budget

Booth size

Beyond the booth activities



EXAMPLE ond Congress

Target Audience Presence

Business Aud. rating: 4 Technical Aud. rating: 3 Location rating: 5

Industry & Thought Leadership

This event will impact Intel as a strong industry leader through speaking opportunities

Brand Impac

Many sponsorship opportunities including exhibiting, print signage, networking and speaking opportunities

Drive Revenue

With exhibiting opportunities and an audience who influences purchases, this is a revenue generating event

Major Competitors	Major Partners		Intel
Arm	Cisco	VMware	
Nvidia	Dell	*Intel	
Qualcomm	Google		
	Longue		

Tech Ancho

Technical anchors focused on include, AI, 5G & Edge, Cloud, Client + Endpoints

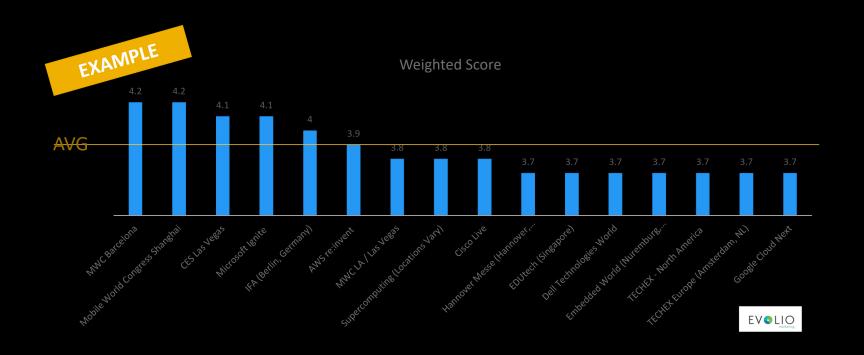
Mobile World 2021 2019 Location Barcelona, Spain Barcelona, Spain Dates June 28 - July 1 February 25-28 Booth size/Type Sponsorship level Budget 2020 - Cancelled, 2021 - Hybrid Notes Recommendations Fill this in based on booth size/type and sponsorship level participation



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Scoring events based on weighted objectives to determine what may be cut





Events below the average may be chopped





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EVOLIO Marketing and Lippman Connects Research and Resource Center

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