NETFLIX

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Netflix's History



"To Entertain the World"

American Media & Entertainment Company Digital Entertainment and Streaming Services



1997

Los Gatos, California

Sell/Rent DVDs

Streaming Services

TV & Film Content

Production



Industry Analysis (PESTEL)

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POLITICAL

- Tight government regulations
- Data collection
- Growing tax liability in EU

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ECONOMIC

- Economic instability and unemployment levels
- Infrastructure quality
- Low economic growth rates
- Exchange, currency, and interest rates; inflation

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SOCIAL

- Global audience
- Varying tastes and preferences
- Job opportunities for locals
- Leisure interests



Industry Analysis (PESTEL)



TECHNOLOGY

Algorithms and machine learning



ENVIRONMENTAL

- ♦ No direct impact
- Efforts
 - Investment
 - Part of content delivery network
 - Renewable source



LEGAL

- Strong framework to regulate tech industry
- Reputational damage large fines
- User data protection
- Copyrights, patents, and intellectual property rights

Industry Analysis (Micro Environment)



INDUSTRY DEFINITION

Streaming Entertainment Services
Tech & Entertainment

CUSTOMER SEGMENTATION

Millennials, Tech-Savvy Populations



PERFORMANCE

Current Market Size: \$50 billion Revenue Forecast (2027): \$184 billion

Growth Rate: 20.4%

DRIVERS OF SUCCESS

- Artificial Intelligence
 - > Personalization
 - > Better, Faster Content
- **♦** 4G & 5G
 - Faster, Reliable Speed, Quality
 - > Infrastructure
- Mobile Phones, Digital Media, Decline in Paid TV,
- Additional Trends
 - Subscription Fatigue, Sports Streaming

Netflix's Recent Performance

Revenue

Revenue **2017 2018 2019**

\$11.7B \$15.8B \$20.3B

Net Income \$558m \$1.2B \$1.9B

Market Share

- ♦ 87% of OTT US
- ♦ 18% of OTT Global

OTT Video Viewers, by Provider US, 2019, millions Amazon video 96.5 **HBO Now** 23.1 Hulu 75.8 Netflix 158.8 Sling TV 7.0 Total 205.9







SEGMENTATION	TARGETING	POSITIONING
Demographic ❖ Digital entertainment users ❖ Age: 18–40 ❖ Upper-Middle Class ❖ Not limited to certain education level ❖ Gender Level: 49M; 51F Geographic / Psychographics ❖ Personalized content ❖ Number of screens	 Mass Media Sector Purchase membership of TV Millennials High tech-savvy Inclined Entertainment Consumers 	Digital Streaming and Content Producer High-Tech Quality Rich Catalog Non-Binding Subscription Save Money & Time Access Anywhere, Anytime Comfort, Convenience, Personalization









PRODUCT	PRICE	PROCESS	PROMOTION
 ❖ Clobally Collected Data ❖ Locally and Globally ❖ Subtitles Services ❖ Intangible Asset: Intellectual Property 	 One Month Trial "Psychological Pricing" Basic Plan: \$8.99 Standard Plan: \$13.99 Premium Plan: \$17.99 	 Easy Payment Strong Customer Service Physical DVD Rental Netflix APP Netflix Website 	 Commercial Billboards Social Media TV Print Ads First Month Trials

Drivers of Success

Business Model

- Online Distributor & Content Producer
- Cost leadership
- Flexible, Responsive HR & Management

Product Development

- Differentiation & Diversification
- User Interface Improvement

Marketing Mix

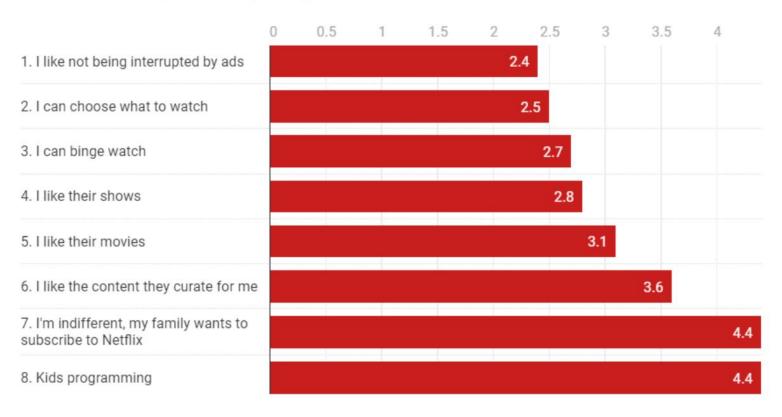
- ❖ High Personalization → Customer Satisfaction
- No commercials, no commitment

Intensive Growth

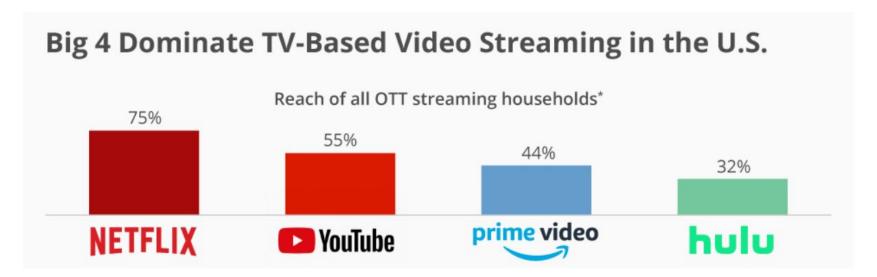
- Market Penetration
- International Expansion

Top reasons people have a Netflix subscription

On a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being the highest score



Competition





Direct

- DVD Rental
- Amazon Prime
- Hulu
- Disney+
- Youtube
- HBO
- Sling TV
- Apple TV
- Twitch
- Sony Crackle
- Direct TV

Indirect

- Cable TV
- Cinemas
- Piracy

SWOT

Netflix Prior Covid-19

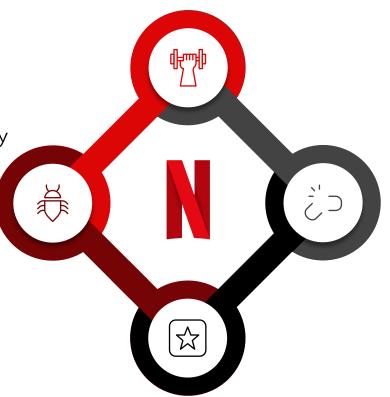
STRENGTHS

Marketing Strategy
High Brand Recognition
Original Content Collection
AI & Algorithm → Customer Experience
Business & Operational Effectiveness

THREATS

Intense competitive rivalry

- Apple TV, Disney+
- Easy substitute
- New entrants
 Piracy / Cybercrime
 Regulations & Trust
 Increasing Costs

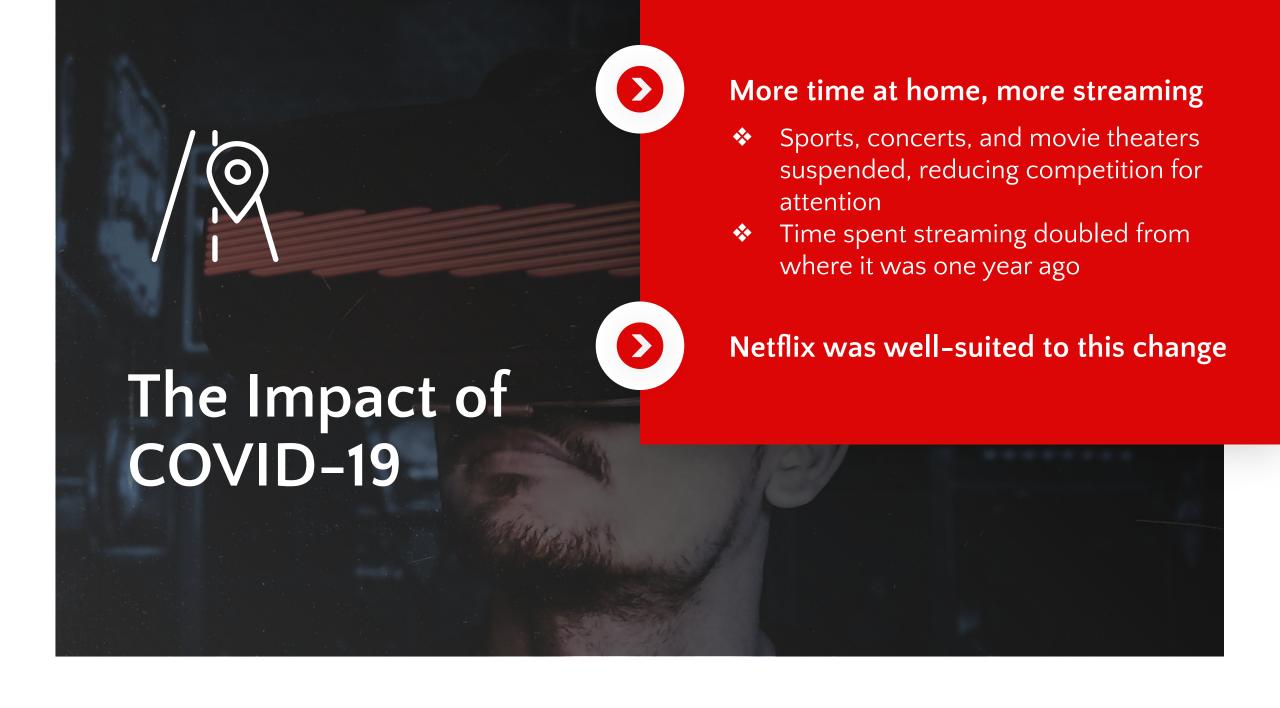


WEAKNESSES

- Dependence on infrastructure
- High bargaining power of buyers
- High dependence on suppliers

OPPORTUNITIES

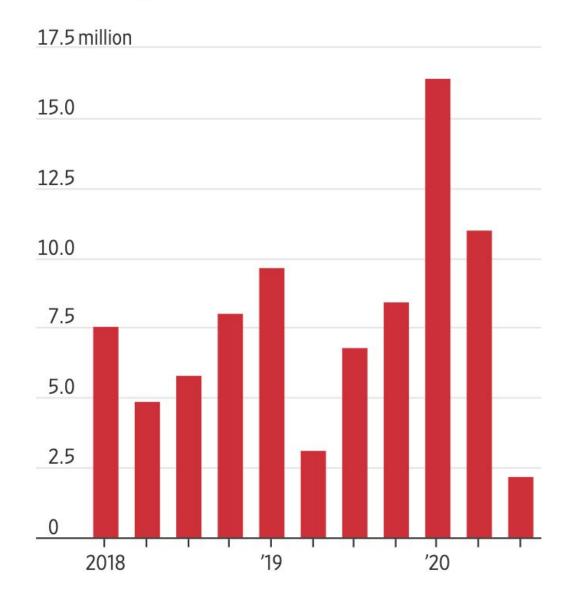
International Growth (Asia)
Expansion of Product Mix
Organizational Capacity to Diversify



Netflix's Success

- Netflix added roughly 26 million new paid subscribers in the first half of 2020
 - > 193 million in total
- Netflix's platform and content catalog well-suited for long bingeing sessions

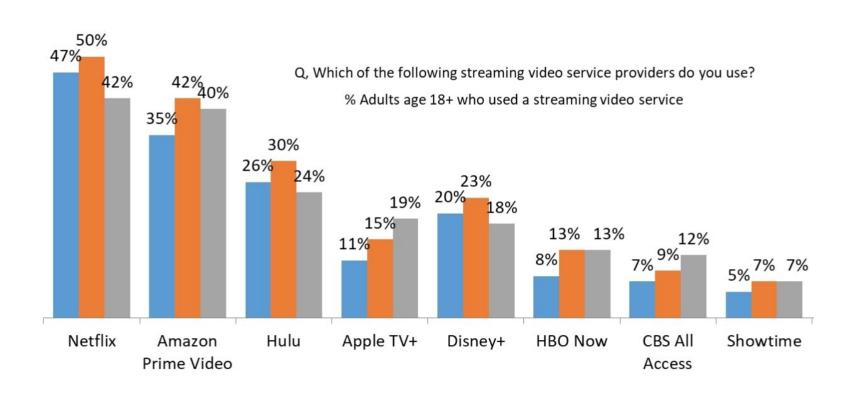
Net change in Netflix subscribers



COVID-19's Challenges

- Turn towards streaming has increased competition
- Streaming's "pandemic peak" may be misleading

Users of Video on Demand Services During Pandemic



April

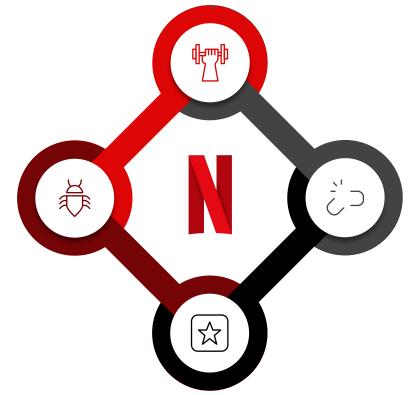
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3 Approaches to Industry Adaptation to COVID-19

STRATEGIC

Plan to accommodate resurgent demand, OTT releases vs. windowing, digital content



FINANCIAL

Cost structure.

key organizational

levers, M&A, risk

management

CUSTOMER

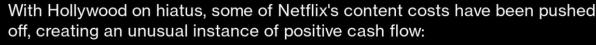
Emerging as positive difference maker with fans, VR, underscoring values & engagement

TAKEAWAYS

Flexibility, cash flow, focus on company values, and planning ahead are keeping the media industry afloat.

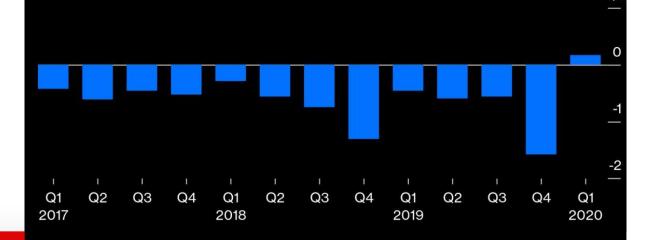
Why Netflix is an Industry Winner





Netflix's free cash flow

Cash Bonfire





Operations during COVID-19 characterized by:

- Slowdown in original production content
- Continuation of **high profile** content
- COVID-19 efficiency offsets cost of PPE they've had to buy to keep employees safe







NETFLIX'S ADVANTAGE: pre-developed

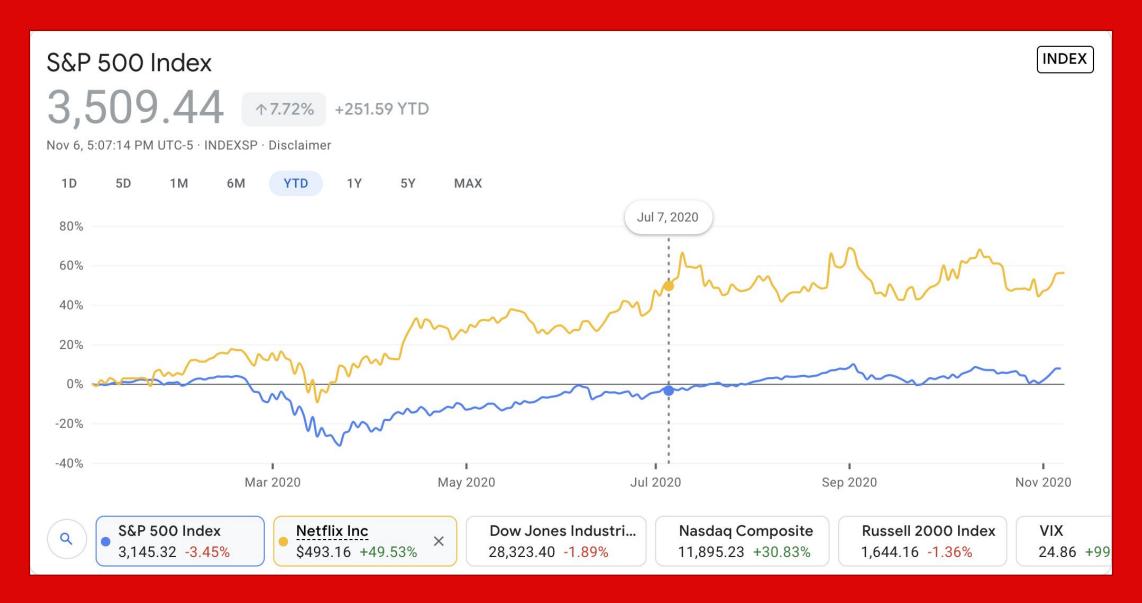
pipeline of content

PRIORITIZING:

production of Stranger Things and The Witcher

IMPACT ON CASH FLOW:

subscription fees, w/o spending on new productions



- NFLX vs. INDEXSP January 1 to March 10
 - > NFLX up 12.5%, INDEXSP down 10.8%
- Forbes Subscriber Projection: more subscribers, more market share



Stability in Relationships





- Slight lag in 2nd half of year: streaming fatigue
 - hope for international market

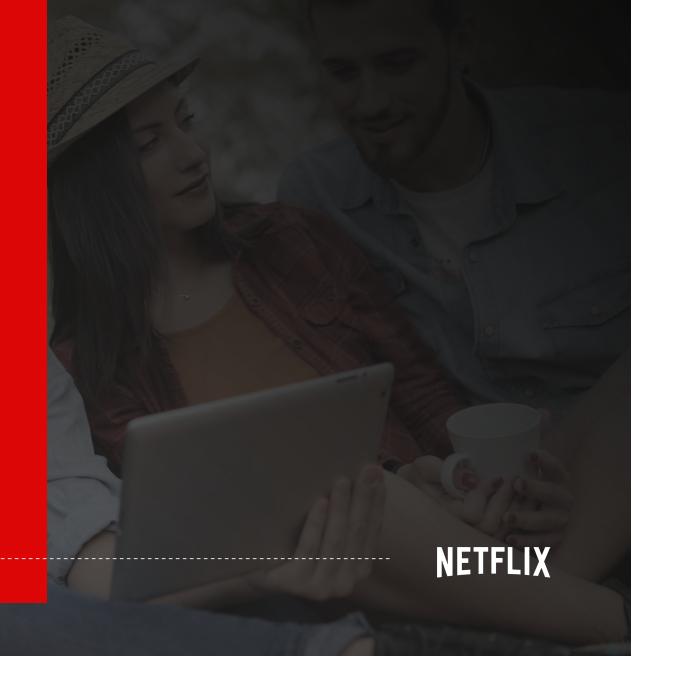


EMPLOYEES

- Still paying cast-members their talent fees
- Others have followed suit:
 - WarnerMedia and NBC Universal avoid layoffs and set up funds for employees and production staff
- ❖ → shows intention to resume production ASAP

Reputation in the COVID Era

- Virtually virus-proof
 - company benefits as virus worsens
- Essential, adaptable, and reliable in times of crisis based on:
 - > Stock price
 - # of subscribers
 - Ability to put out premium content
- Pricing Strategy changes





COVID-19 boosted Netflix's business. Post-pandemic strategy → Must retain customers that joined due to lockdown orders and continue rate of growth in subscriber base

Recovery Post-COVID





What Netflix Needs to Hold onto its New Customers



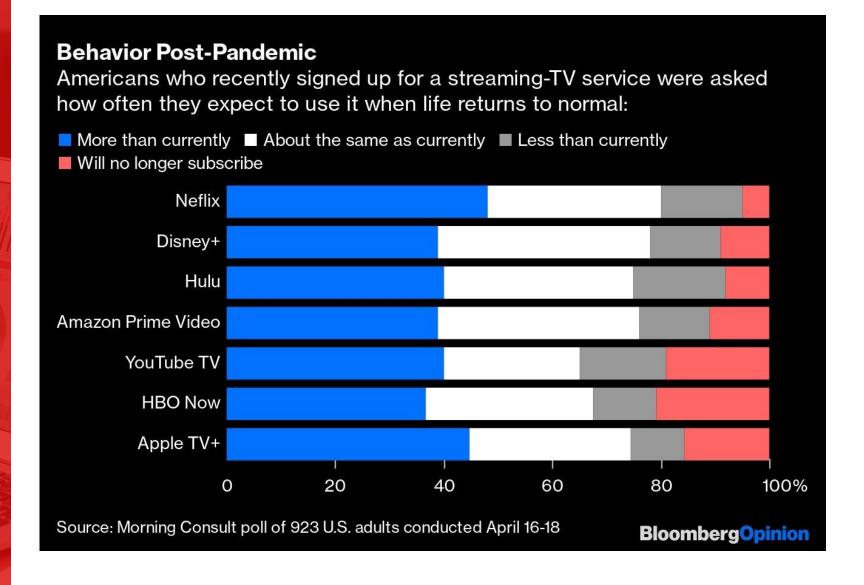
- Competitors to cease restricting their content to their own streaming services (unlikely)
- Community building technologies (social media, Netflix Party) to enable connections with Netflix

From the government

- Content production workers to be deemed essential so filming of new content can resume
- Lenient data laws for Netflix to continue providing its notable recommendation feature

Effect on Target Customers

- 78% of 18-34-year old Americans subscribe to at least 2 streaming services
- Job losses or reduced hours → less money to spend on services
- Consumers are rethinking how much content they need



Netflix Marketing Strategies



Netflix needs to determine how to retain customers they gained





Connectivity

Increase methods for connecting with others using Netflix

International

Continue with international expansion to diversify customer base



New Content

Determine methods to drive excitement for new content

User Data

Utilize extensive user data to target content development and marketing



Bundles

Partner with competitors to reduce cost for customer

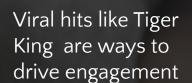




Emotional Connection



Netflix must explore avenues that allow its customers to connect with one another in a way similar to social media in service



Comfort has become key reasons for using streaming services

Sociological Impacts



COVID-19

- Accelerated shift to streaming
- Focus on value of products/services
- Preoccupation with health and care
- Increase of work from home



SOCIAL JUSTICE

- Emphasis on representation
- Recommend diversify viewpoints
- Inclusion of Black Lives Matter genre following protests



BIG DATA

- Categorize users by viewership
- Recommend one-sided content
- Determines what is successful
- Product placement in movies



SURVEILLANCE CAPITALISM

- Know what an individual watched
- Could provide information to others
- Effect on social credit in China if it becomes popular (video games)

