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Check these boxes once your team completes each step

Step	Perform preliminary research before you determine the consumer trend(s) for your project. Your project will suck if you don't and you'll get a bad grade.	Done!
0. Tools	 Access <u>Business Research Portal</u> for free market & industry research from the Library Use <u>Zotero</u> to create bibliographies automatically Library guide for <u>Citing business databases in APA format</u> How to write an <u>annotated bibliography</u> <u>Outfind.ca</u> for MARK 305, Olivier's business research blog 	
1. The basics	 Use <u>Passport from Euromonitor</u>: a professional tool paid by the library a) Megatrends; b) Consumer lifestyles Canada; c) reports and data from Search Search Full Tree Download <u>IBISWorld</u> report(s) for insight on industries & external environment Use <u>Google's Advanced Search</u> for a) trade associations or b) <u>Governments</u> 	
2. Discuss & reflect critically	As a group, discuss the preliminary research done so far. What did the basic sources tell you? Did they contradict or confirm what you expected? What are the salient companies (major players or brands), industrties or consumer trends discovered so far?	
At this point, you have minimal information. You need to go much deeper in your research to succeed.		
3. News and research articles. Read & understand at least half a dozen or more! Cite them in your paper.	Search for articles in ProQuest Business Databases. Search for companies (name of major players, brands, etc.), industry name or consumer trend concept. For example: Consum* behavio* AND (canad* or Quebec*) AND <company brand="" topic=""> Filter Source type for: 1. Trade journals: for industry news 2. Scholarly journals: for credible research Select & export citations in .RIS format to Zotero or create bibliography. You can also use Eureka (local newspapers in French) or Factiva (worldwide trade journals).</company>	
4. Vividata	<u>Vividata (formerly PMB)</u> , Canadian consumer survey , has psychographics & demographics. Create unique tables by combining variables.	
5. Statistics Canada	Census every 5 years, last one available: 2016. Most detailed headcount of Canadians. Use <u>Data Products > Data Tables</u> to get market size by demographic variables Keyword search on <u>Data</u> : create custom tables using authoritative surveys from StatCan: household spending quintiles / "retail trade sales" / "labour force survey"	
You may have to loop through this process a few times if you discover new evidence. Creatively combine data and insight from multiple sources to support your claims. Use only the most credible and authentic sources. Go to the bottom of things: be weary of superficial & fallacious sources.		
Final step: Consumer trend(s)	a) Describe in your own words the consumer trend(s) you will discuss in your project: Canadian consumers are	
	b) What are the sources of your trend(s)? Are the sources credible and authentic ? Where did your sources obtain the evidence you are bringing forward to support your claims?	
	c) What evidence do you bring forward to support your claim(s) ? Did you obtain the same evidence from multiple sources?	

Use what you find, don't waste your time searching for what you think you need! Work as a group!