Factors affecting buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone at Jordan market

(Afield study)

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Abstract

This field study paper investigating the factors influence the buyers' behavior decision of mobile

phone at Zarqa city. To achieve the objectives of this field study paper, 395 buyers were taken as a

sample which used simple random sampling method. Primary and secondary data were examined.

Furthermore, five factors i.e. price, country origins, advertising, brand name, and service after sales

were chosen and analyzed by using of simple regressions analysis. Analysis shows, price factor widely

found as about crucial factor which has an effect on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone.

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Introduction

Cellular telephone has become as an essential of everyday for people life. Due to increasing

usage of developed technology for communicating, however it can be used for individual and

organization. In present – day it play a main role since Cellular telephone these days are used

by human being by whole levels in the world. The growths of Cellular telephone sector have

been an extraordinary element for economic prosperity of both developed and under developing

markets. It possesses as an essential part of the developing of information technology. Different

business such as hotels sector travels agency and tourism, airlines agencies, and numerous have

been affected by using of Cellular telephone positively which prosper their business .So a

Cellular telephone service has become a fundamental portion of directly effect on the function

of economic. (Deloitte, 2012)

Literature Review

Buyers are individual and household those purchase the company's product for individual

consuming (Kotler, 2004). It is used to describe two different kinds of consuming entities: the

personal and organization buyer (Krishna, 2013). The activity of these buyers undertakes when

gaining, consuming, and dispose of product is known as buyer behavior.

Price

According to (Kotler and Keller, 2016) The Price element extremely influences buyer's

behavior decision to buy products. The conception of price element reveals knowledge

regarding products and gives profound meaning for the buyers. Thus, price element as

significant factor in buying decision, particularly for product which is repeatedly purchased,

and in turn, affect the choices of which shop, product, and brand to deal with (Faith and Agwu,

2014).

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Country origin

Country origins impact meaning as an n independent factor of this field study should be duly

understand. Buyers certainly treating 'country origins' in addition to the fineness, trademark

and features of a product while buying. (Cai.y. 2002).

Advertising

According to Rafique et al, 2012 mention that advertising is a tool for communicating with the

target market. They are believed that culture extremely affect the buyer behavior decision

because each individual have different want and desire. So we can say that advertising is like a

magical tool actually advertising change the need and want of the people (Yasir Rafique,

2012).

Brand name

According to Malik, Ghafoor, Iqbal, and Ali (2013) indicated that Brand name have strong

advanced rule on buyer behavior decision as it's an implicit way which can change buyer

behavior decision in appositive way.

Service after sale

Service after sales have become an essential tool in marketing for different sectors. A rapid

change of businesses environment, increasing usage of technology, fierce market competition,

and increased prospect profit in services after sale has changed the direction businesses view

services after sale (Muhammad et al, 2011)

Consumer purchasing Decision

Buyer behavior decision is a procedure consist of sequent steps which made by buyers before

and after buying a product, Pride and Ferrell (2012) mentioned that for understanding buyer

behavior decision, marketing people should understand the consuming procedure and the

advantage of the product in buyer perceptions. Hoffman & Bateson (2001) characterized buyer

behavior decision process in five stages when consider a purchase: they are problem

recognition, information search, alternatives evaluation, buying decision, and after buying.

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Questions of the field study

This field study paper try to answer questions such as:

- Do price factor has effect on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone at Jordan market?
- Do country origin have effect on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone at Jordan market?
- Do advertising has effect on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone at Jordan market?
- -Do brand name have effect ton buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone at Jordan market?
- Do service after sales effect on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone at Jordan market?

Objectives of the field study

This **field study aims** to:

- 1- Identifying the effect of price factor on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone.
- 2- Determining effect of country origin factor on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone.
- 3- Knowing effect of advertising factor on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone.
- 4- Knowing effect of brand name factor on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone.
- 5- Identifying effect of service after sale factor on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone.

Framework of field study

The design of this field study to test hypothesis on the based on literature review, the developing

of this field model which made by investigator, the field study model includes factors such as

(price, country origin, advertising, brand name, and service after sale), which has influence on

buyer behavior decision as the independent factor, and buyers behavior decision as dependent

factor. The model can be explained as follows in Figure (1)

This present field study is based on 5 hypotheses:

H1: price factor have significant effect on buyer behavior decision of mobile phone at Jordan

market.

H2: Country origin have significant effect on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone at

Jordan market.

H3: advertising have significant effect on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone at Jordan

market.

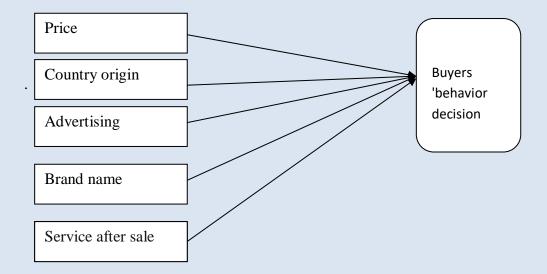
H4: Brand name have significant effect on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone at Jordan

market.

H5: service after sale have significant effect on buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone at

Jordan market.

Field study model



Methodology of field study

This part contain issues like field study design, population of the field study; sample size, sampling method, study hypothesis, questionnaires design, methods of analysis and reliability result. Questionnaires were pre-tested with 35buyers of mobile phone at Zarqa city.

This field study aims explaining to mobile phone buyers for getting feedback related to the questions, some participants suggests that few words in the questions are not easy to understand. Result of pre- testing indicates that questions are real and exact .A simple random sample has been chosen; almost common shape of sampling design in social science studies are random samples Mohr (1990) and give investigator with a reasonable data to use statistical inference techniques. This approach of sampling design is also applicable in marketing studies.

Targeted populations of this field study paper all buyers 'of mobile phone at Zarqa city. 395 questionnaires has been distributed to buyers, however; only (364) of the questionnaires returning with answers and useful for analysis in this field study paper. As stated by Sekaran (2003), 364answers are returning and treat as a reasonable number for investigator to go ahead with analysis of data.

Design of field study Questionnaire

The questionnaires contains 3parts, part (1) is about – personal data of the respondents. Personal information is: education, age, gender, income and status. Part (2) of the questionnaires is about independent factors which are (price, Country origin, advertising, Brand name and Service after sale ,part(3) was regarding the dependent factor – buyers' behavior decision 19 questions was in this part; therefore, investigator used a Likert scale for measuring factors since the shape is openly used in both marketing and humanities Burns & Bush (2002). However, some investigators announce that using a 5-point shape is valid as another (Churchill and Lacobucci, 2004).

Reliability

Factors accuracy were calculated and table (1) display result for all factors, Cronbach alpha coefficient if it is more than (0.7) that means it is accepted according to Cavana et al., (2001), as we can see all factors are overall so the factors are accurate.

Table (1)

Factors	Number of Item	Cronbach Alpha	
price	4	0.854	
Country origin	3	0.722	
advertising	3	0.784	
Brand name	3	0.721	
Services after sale			
	3	0.711	
Buyers' behavior decision	3	0.738	

Finding

Respondents' profile

Table (2) display that most of respondents are male who perform (63.1%) in this field study than female who constitute (36.9%).most of respondents belonging to the age group 38–48 who constitute (28.8 %). regarding respondents qualifications display who had graduated constitute (34,4 %), furthermore, (32.9 %) of respondents with incomes between 492-592 JD. lastly (60.1%) of the respondents were married.

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Table (2)

Characteristics	Title	Frequency	%
Sex	Male	230	63.1%
	Female	134	36.9%
Age	18-27	95	26.1%
	28-37	101	27.7%
	38-48	105	28.8%
	Further than 49	63	17.4%
Qualification	Secondary or less	57	15.6%
	Diploma	83	22.8%
	Bachelor degree	99	27.2%
	Graduated	125	34.4%
Salary	191-289 JD	90	24.7%
	290-391 JD	69	18.9%
	392-491 JD	85	23.5%
	492-592JD and more	120	32.9%
Marital Status	Single	128	35.3%
	Married	219	60.1%
	Others	17	4.6%

Personal data result

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Simple regression

Simple regression analysis shows the contribution of every factor on dependent factor (buyers' behavior decision). Table (3) display R2value that explaining the effect and contribution.

Table (3)

Factors	R2
Price	0.282
Country origin	0.158
Advertising	0.167
Brand name	0.176
Service after sale	0.242

Table 3 Simple regression

R² value of price factor is 0.282, its meaning price factor has an effect of 28.2% on the buyers' behavior decision, country origin R2is 0.158 meaning it has an effect of 15.8 % on buyers' behavior decision, AdvertisingR2 is 0.167 means it has an effect of 16.7 %, Brand name R² is 0.176 means it has an effect of 17.6 %, finally Service after sale R² is 0.242 that means it has an effect of 24.2% on the buyers' behavior decision.

Conclusion

This field study examine the factors affecting buyers' behavior decision of mobile phone at Jordan market(price, country origin, advertising, brand name, and service after sales) at Zarqa city, after collection and analysis of the data SPSS has been used, simple regression indicated that all factors have an effect on buyer behavior decision. Among the independent factors, price score the highest effect on buyer behavior decision. Upon these results the investigator recommend for cellular telephone Companies to concentrate more on price in order to reach satisfaction of buyer more as well as to motivate their buying decision.

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