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VEGANUARY 2023 AUDIENCE REPORT

How to win Veganuary & supercharge your growth

# The Objectives of this Report

Break down the mechanics of the Veganuary conversation.

Pull together macro findings around demographic profiles.

Understand key audience interests, brand affinities & media preferences.

Uncover key audiences that power brand growth.

Understand how these audiences have evolved over time.

Understand what's different in the US.





## Using Social Listening to understand the conversation

This chart shows social media\* audience engagement and mentions for January 2023.

Clearly Veganuary has an enormous digital footprint, but equally important to note is how front-loaded this is.

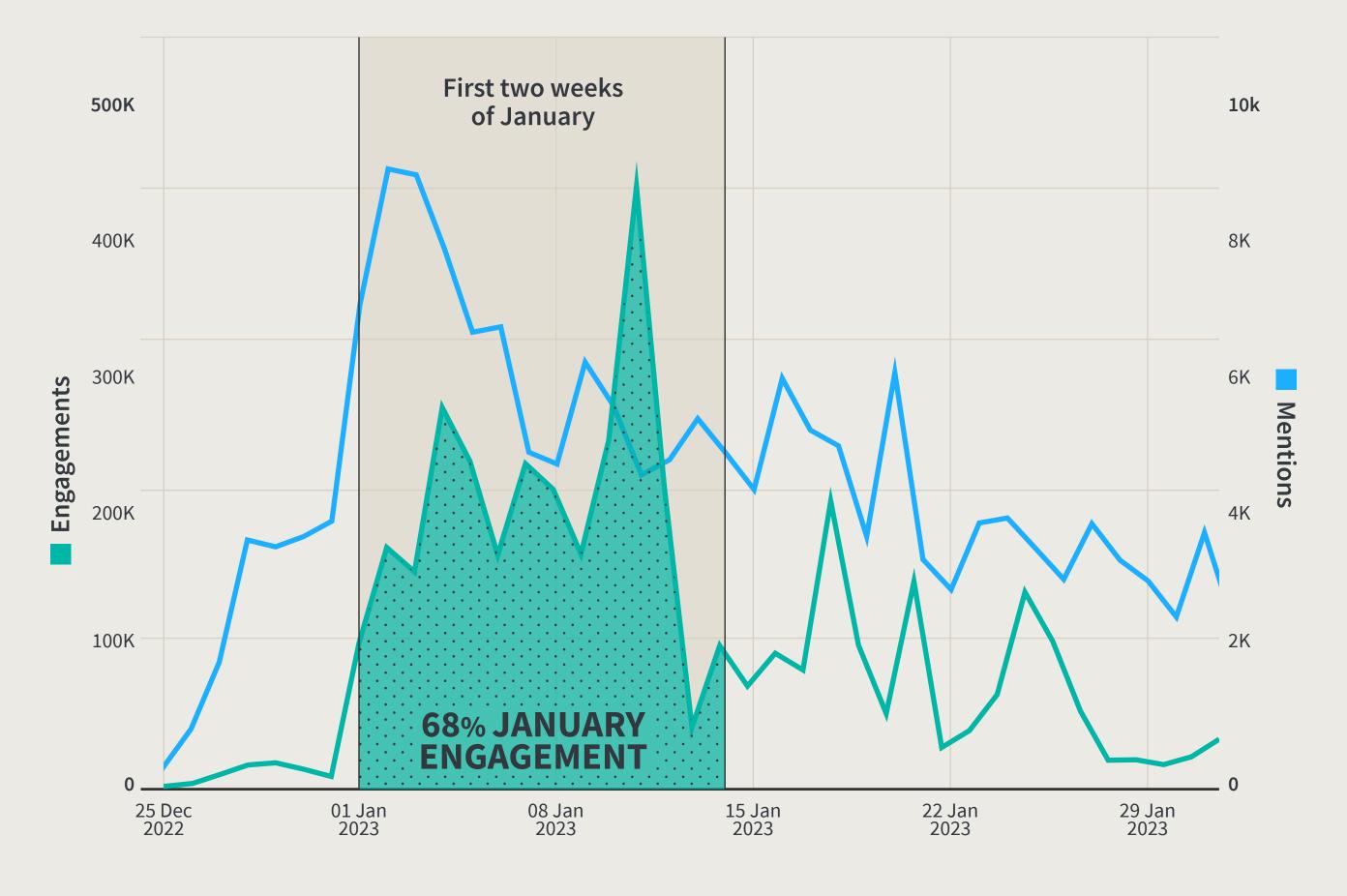
With 68% of engagement coming in the first 2 weeks of the month, it's crucial that brands move fast.

4.53M

**Engagements** across social media platforms in January 2023

183K

**Mentions** across social media platforms in January 2023



\*Social media channels sourced: Twitter, TikTok and Reddit

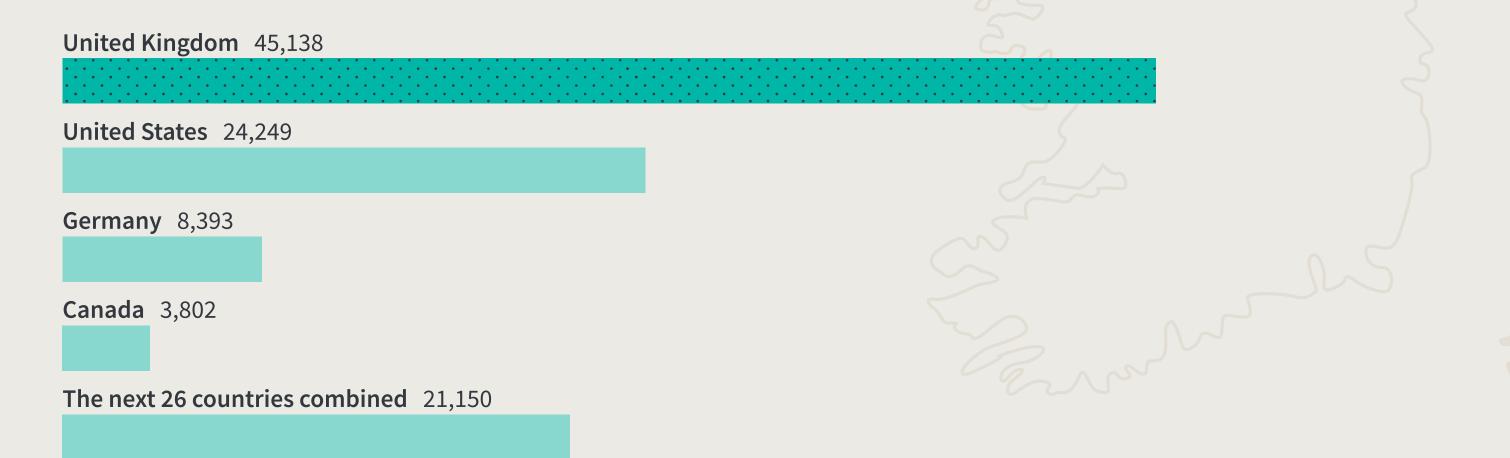


## Breaking down the geography of the Veganuary conversation

This chart shows the global audience talking about Veganuary and the breakdown of the top places for engagement in the UK.

The UK dominates Veganuary, with London by far and away the number one city for engagement.

While there is a global footprint, Veganuary-oriented strategies should largely be targeted at UK audiences.





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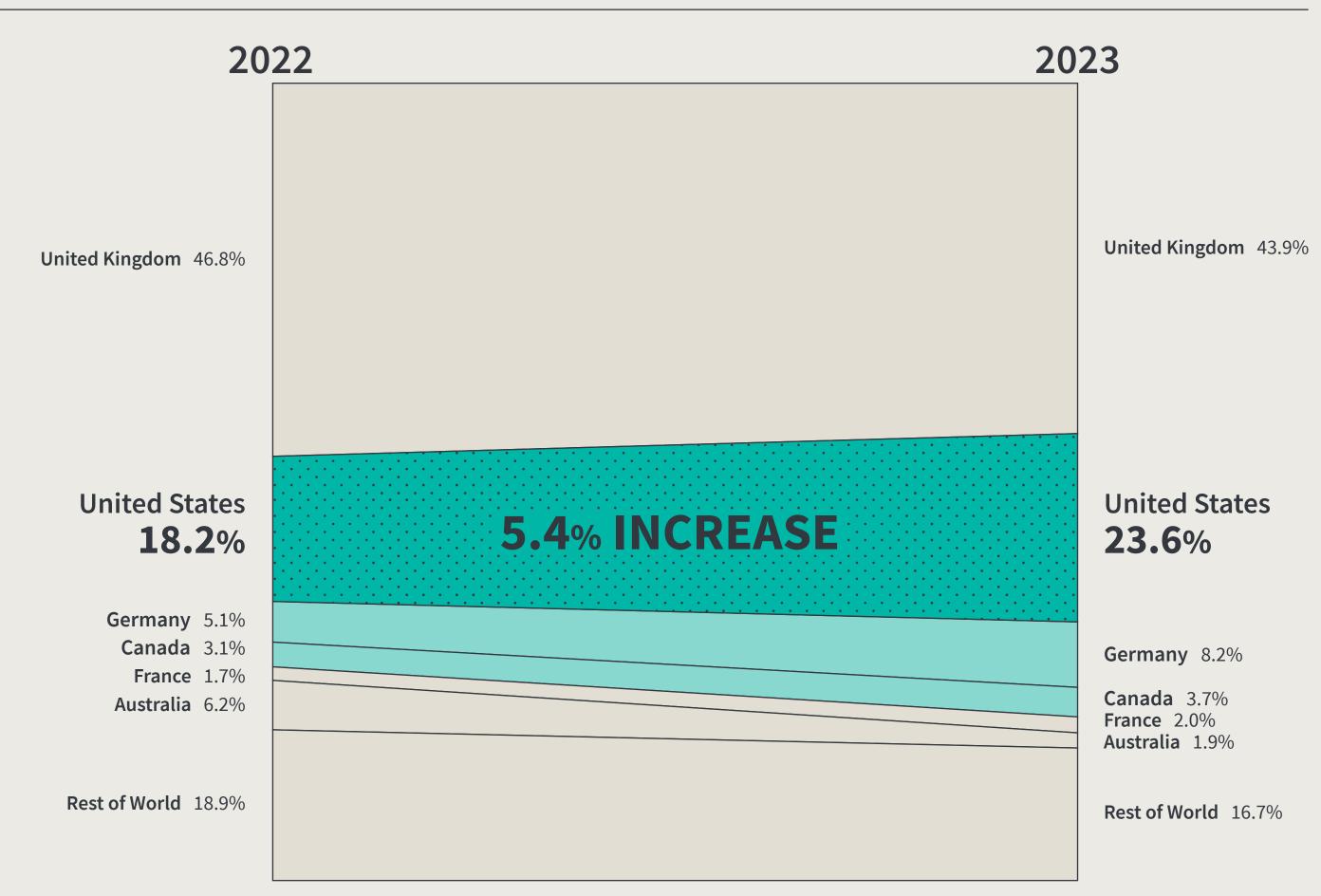
## How has the geographical breakdown evolved since 2022?

The chart below shows the number of Veganuary mentions on social media per country. These were recorded through the month of January in each year.

2023 saw a sharp rise in US engagement, as a proportion of the total conversation.

Germany and Canada also saw obvious growth. Clearly the movement hasn't reached full maturity in these markets, and is still a growing force.

There was an average of 183k mentions each year, so a 1% difference equates to a difference of ~1830.





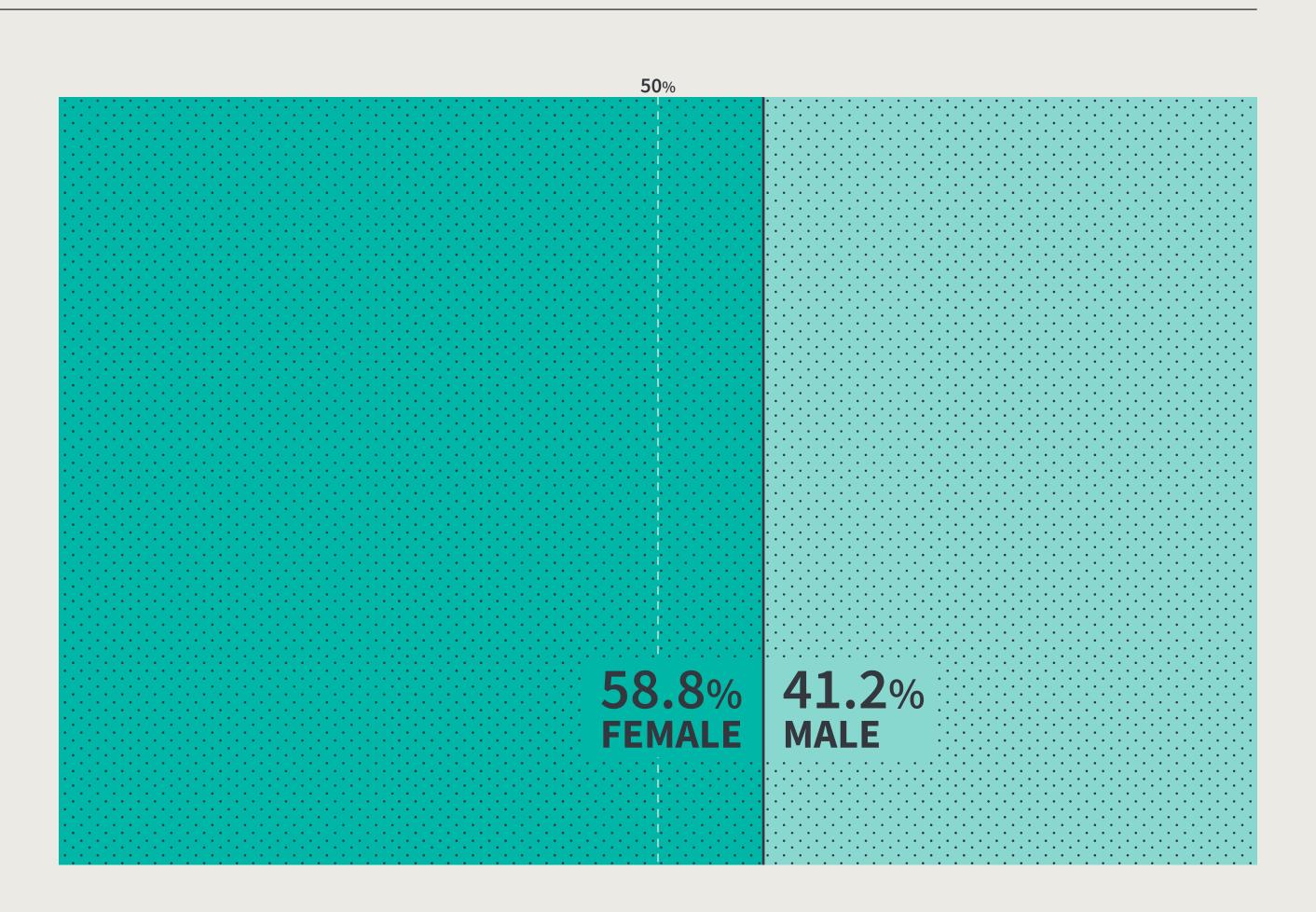
## Understanding Veganuary's gender split

This chart shows the gender split of the users engaging with Veganuary across the world in 2023.

Veganuary has a strong female skew, however it is by no means defined by gender.

Whilst a lot of literature around the movement suggests it is female dominated, with 41.2% of the audience identifying as male, it is crucial you cater to both.

This equates to around 1.42 females per male. At Fifty, we generally consider a 2:1 ratio 'significant', at which point we would begin to recommend tailoring strategies to that specific gender.





## Unpacking the key interests & job titles across the audience

These charts display the top ten lists from the 2023 January UK Veganuary audience.

The top interests across the UK audience reveal a sophisticated, culturally connected audience.

There is a clear passion for creative endeavours, and this is supported by the top job titles.

These job titles collectively represent 55% of the total audience, so there is clearly a long tail and real career diversity.

## People & Society 15,182 Business 14,997 **Books & Literature** 14,616 Music 14,050 **Travel** 9,854 **Movies** 9,055 Food & Drink 8,772 Visual Art & Design 8,555 Social Issues 8,490 **Fitness** 7,037

**Interest Categories** 

## **Job Titles Student** 58,356 **Actor** 31,861 **Singer** 31,670 Journalist 29,449 **Creator** 25,714 Speaker 24,224 Musician 22,572 **Chef** 19,559 **Activist** 14,279 Volunteer 11,638

## Top Ten Study-Wide Influencers

Influencers from the 2023 January UK Veganuary audience.



1.Sainsbury's



2. National Trust



3.**M&S** 



4. Deliciously Ella



1.The Guardian



2.BBC News



3. The Economist



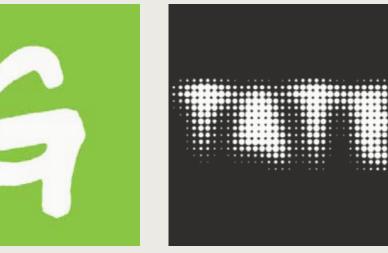
4.Londonist



5.**V&A** 



6. Greenpeace



**7.TATE** 



8.**ASOS** 



5.**TED Talks** 



6.BBC Good Food



7.Nat Geo



8. The Telegraph



9.**RSPB** 



10.Asda

#### **BRANDS**

There is a real blend of brands, ranging from eco-oriented charities, London galleries and museums, to supermarkets and fashion. Deliciously Ella is the only plant-based brand in the top ten.



9. Stylist Magazine



10.New Scientist

#### **MEDIA**

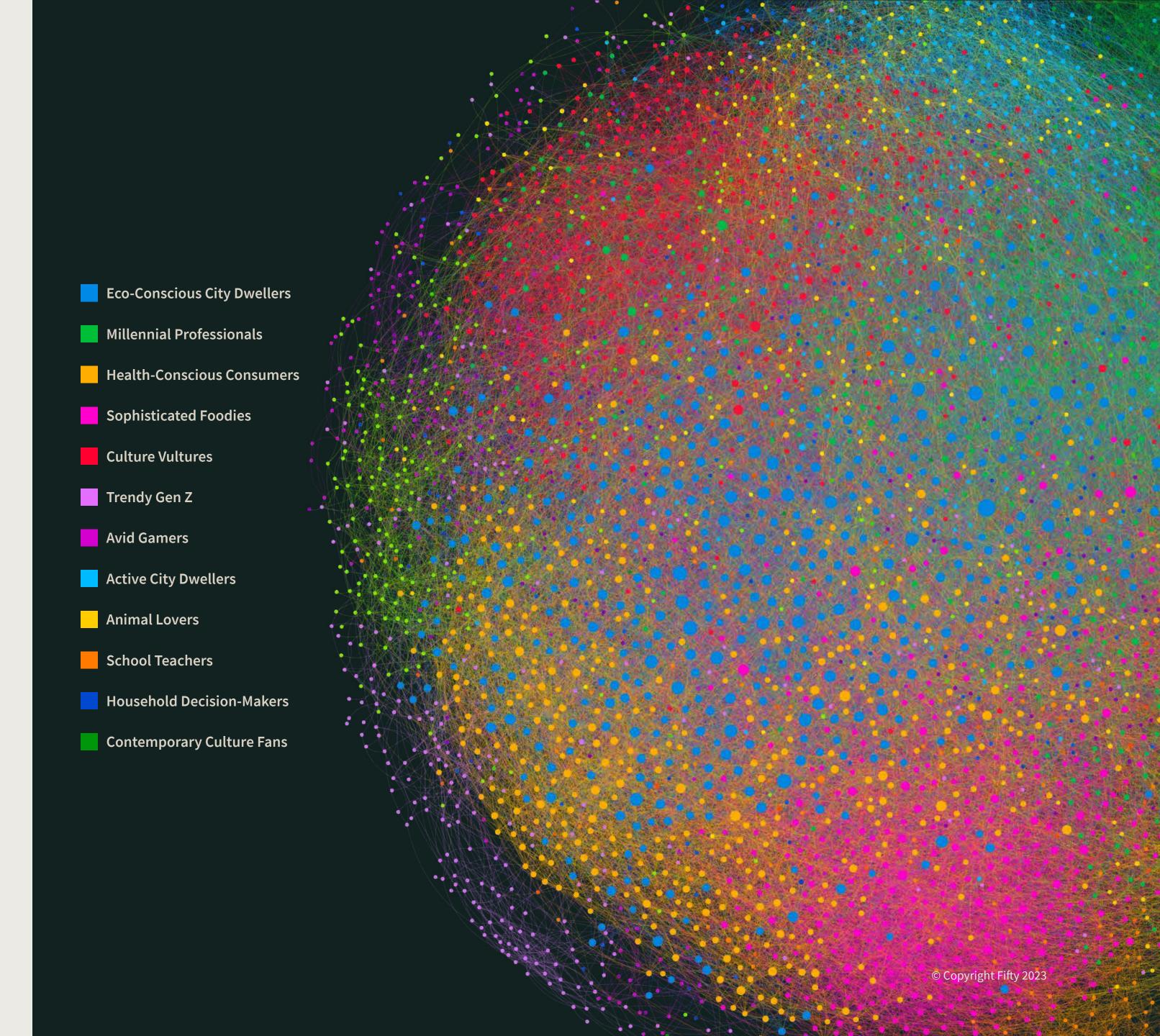
It is interesting to see media preferences are not dominated by just 'mainstream' media, with culture, food, nature, stylish and science/tech publications indexing strongly.

## The Tribes that are engaging with Veganuary

Study our network visuals to derive tribes and see their interconnectivity.

We see a wide variety of tribes, with the shared features that bind each one together ranging across cultures, lifestyles, professions and passions.

This is a diverse audience that cannot be engaged with a one size fits all approach.





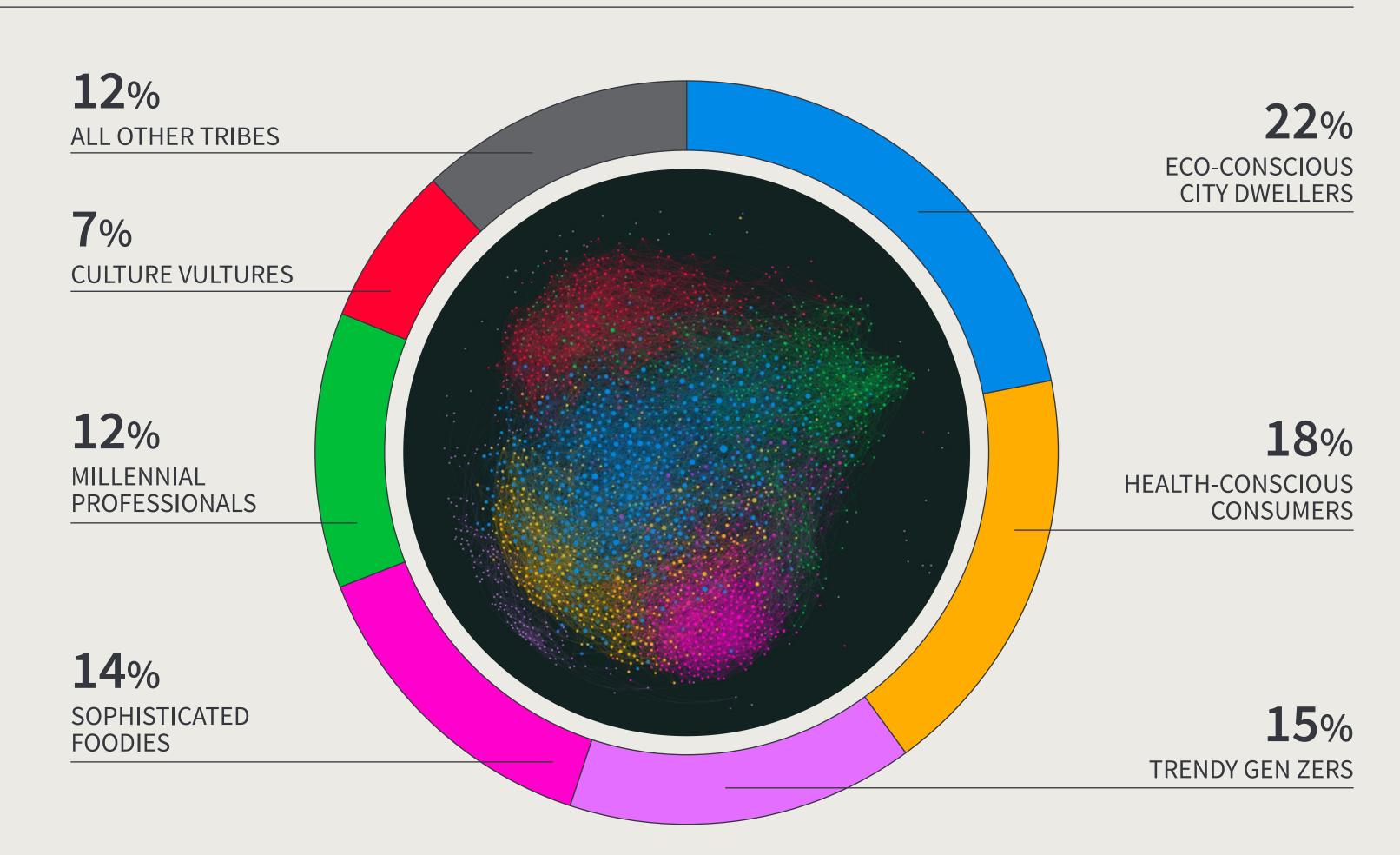
## Sizing the tribes to understand the largest contributors

Chart showing the relative size of the top six 2023 January UK Veganuary audiences.

There were six tribes that were far larger than the others.

# These six tribes collectively make up 88% of the total audience.

The number one tribe is focused around eco progressivism; showing sustainability is still a key driver for Veganuary engagement. Health ranks second, which again highlights the importance of this lever for plant-based brands.



## Tribe Spotlight Trendy Gen Zers

It has almost become a cliché that Gen Z are a driving force behind plant-based growth. However, 'Gen Z' is a reductive term that just describes an age range. Our data shows who these Gen Zers are and what they care about. It reveals an on-trend cohort, passionate about social media trends, new age music and staying stylish.

#### **Key Interests** Music & Audio **Pop Music Rock Music TV Shows** Hip-Hop Fashion **Entertainment** Movies Football Beauty

#### Meta GRM Daily 2.19M F Radio 1 999.69K f Love Island 6.37M F Tidal (service) 19.14M 🚹 Hip Hop & Rap Music 2.57M MTV Ex On The Beach 2.74M **Gaming** 60.72M Majestic Casual 155.88K Youth culture Know Your Meme 124.96K 7.7M Makeup Geek 3.45M F Cool FM 1.96M TikTok Trending styles d Lookfantastic 1.8M J Young people New trends 4.08M **d** Feels Next generation 3.15M Reddit r/LetsTalkMusic 406.74K or/womensstreetwear 1.33M r/LofiHipHop 1.28M 6 r/televisionsuggestions 114K r/GreatBritishMemes 165K 6 r/hiphopheads 2.18M

#### **Top Influencers**











Cole Sprouse

Amelia Dimz

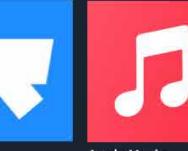
Joe Sugg

Zendaya











Gymshark

Boiler Room

Rinse FM











MTV

VEVO

#### Hashtags

#### #loveisland

1.1K posts

#Lovelsland 443 posts

#dremstuff 95 posts

#### #SaveWarriorNun

228 posts

#DeadlineDay 81 posts

#dremtg

95 posts

#### #Nowplaying

175 posts

#### #WWE2K23

80 posts

77 posts

#### #LoveOnTourPalmSprings #RT

130 posts

#### #TheLastOfUs

112 posts

#job 77 posts

#### #iHeartAwards

103 posts

99 posts

#Eurovision 76 posts

#CFC

76 posts

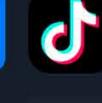
#### #BlackHistoryMonth



**Top Platforms** 



Gender Split







## **Tribe Spotlight**

### **Eco-Conscious** City Dwellers

Sustainability comes in two flavours nowadays: the 'activists' and the 'conscious'. The activists are easily found and targeted, but in reality are a far smaller segment. The 'conscious' are a far larger segment, for whom sustainability sits as one of many progressive societal causes to care about. For plant based brands, you don't just need to hone in on sustainability to win, but could differentiate based on other social issues.

#### **Key Interests** Books **Social Issues Politics** Movies **Performing Arts** Humor News Sustainability People & Society Wildlife

#### Meta F Earthjustice Philanthropy 28M Eden Project London Lovers 408.23K Sustainable tourism Sustainable tourism 1.53M F Earth Day Love GREAT Britain 889.57K Action for Happiness 541.11K F Environmental tech 3.19M Green Building Council 73.24K 👩 change.org 17.9M TikTok d Volunteers Save the planet 185.5K ♂ Charity & Public Welfare 2.4M 1.15M d Volunteering Ambassador program 79.5K Reddit r/ClimateOffensive 65.25K 65.25K 65.25K 348.45K r/KindVoice 70.73K 6 r/ZeroWaste 996.63K r/findapath 417.64K or/MyPeopleNeedMe 2.46M

#### **Top Influencers**









Owen Jones



Russell Brand

Sadiq Khan

Louis Theroux





Leonardo DiCaprio

Patagonia

patagonia

Change.org

Amnesty UK

The Economist



**Guardian Eco** 

VICE UK

The Economist

#### Hashtags

#### #UK 1.3K posts

#### #Brexit

1.2K posts

#### #Ukraine 929 posts

#TheLastOfUs

#### 810 posts

#NYCACC

685 posts

#### #earthquake 592 posts

#RightToStrike 528 posts

#PMQs 517 posts

#### #r4today

#### 514 posts

#### #Chelsea 514 posts

#### #MUFC 508 posts



#### #NowPlaying 482 posts









#### Top Platforms



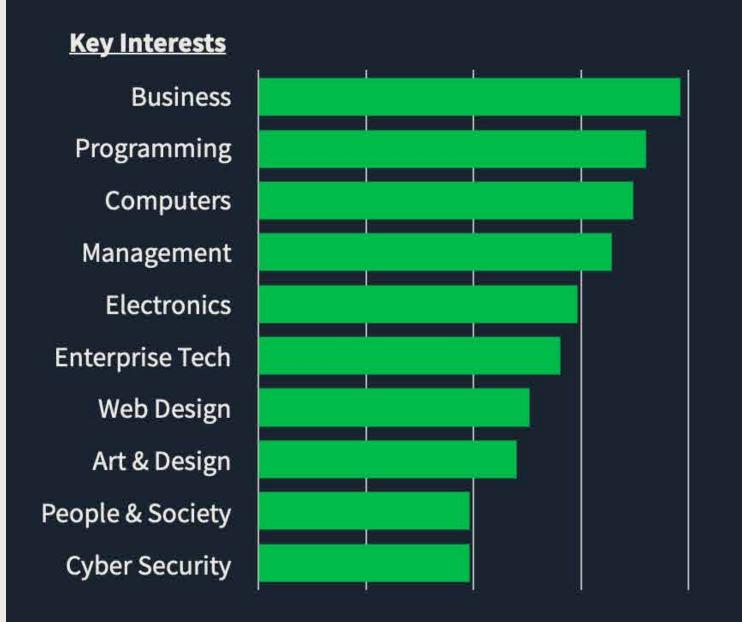






## Tribe Spotlight Millennial Professionals

This is another tribe that clusters around a life stage and lifestyle, rather than a particular interest. This affluent, influential cohort represents a huge opportunity for brands and are best engaged through innovative, pioneering strategies and messaging.



#### Meta 6 500 Startups 413.21K G Cyberpunk 4.61M Artificial intelligence **f** TechLife 40.66K Wired UK Girls Who Code 150.09K 127.82K Tagons' Den Computer Geeks 51.12K Entrepreneur Kara Swisher 346.44K 17.95K Young Entrepreneurs 2.85M Technology 244.68K TikTok Tech & Electronics d Virtual world 322.5K Wearable Tech Devices 1.67M 168.5K d Innovation d Streamers 1.16M 624.5K Reddit c/tech 527.49K or/teslamotors 2.11M r/Cyberpunk 762.11K T/InsaneTechnology 58.92K r/smarthome 156.52K T/technews 619.36K

#### **Top Influencers**











Mashable

TechCrunch

Campaign

Marques Brownlee







FRIEZE



Fast Company

**Q**EEK

WIRED

Design Week

**Business Insider** 

INSIDER

**Business** 

Frieze

WIRED

#### Hashtags

#AI 1.6K posts

#ChatGPT 500 posts

#TimeToTalk 475 posts

#Budget2023 448 posts

#cybersecurity 441 posts

#tech

362 posts

#MachineLearning 358 posts

#fintech 348 posts

#IoT 345 posts

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#Brexit 320 posts

#seo 314 posts

#ai





#marketing 301 posts



#### **Top Platforms**













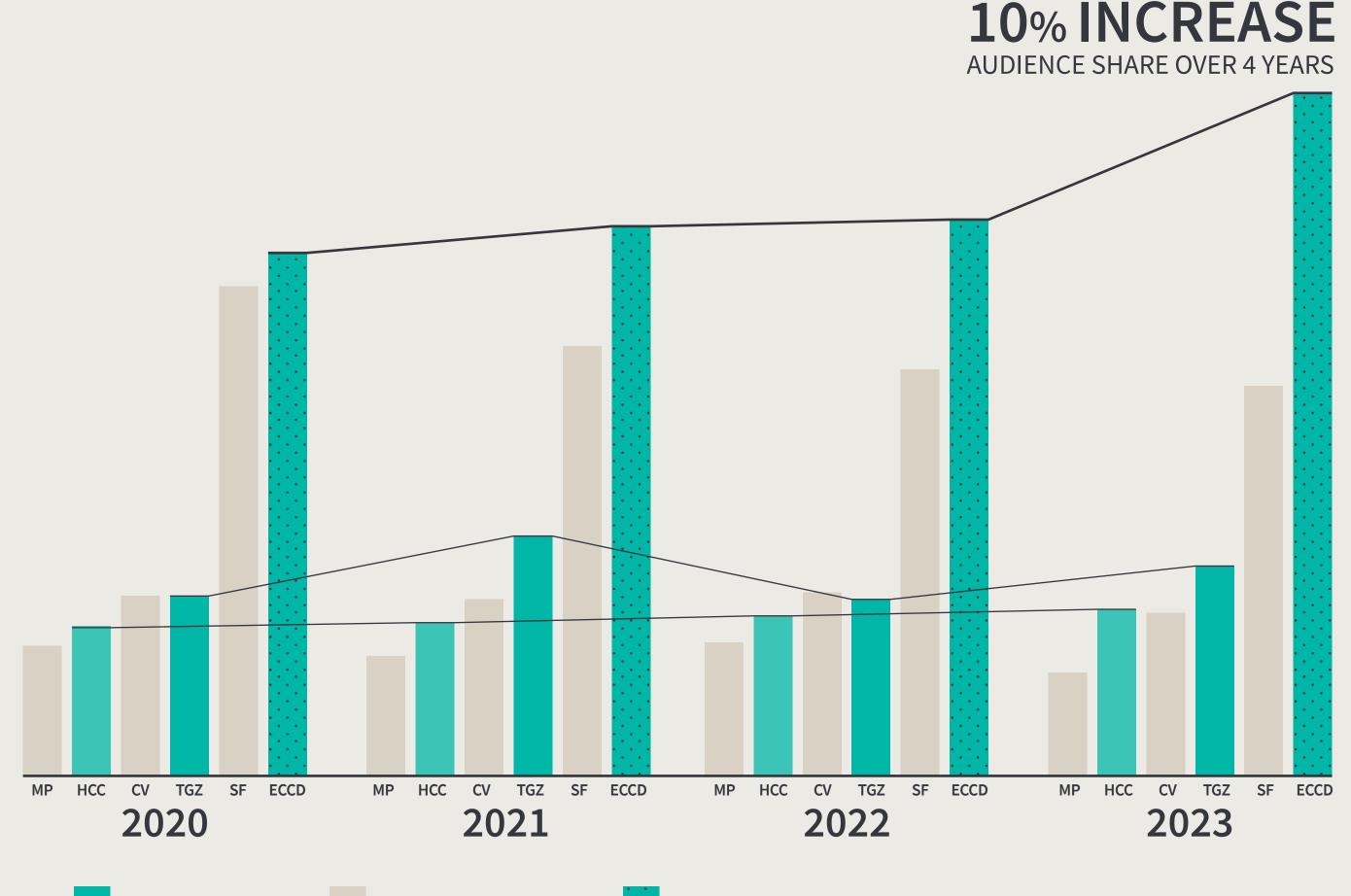
### **Tribe Trend Over Time**

This chart shows the trend of the largest audiences over the last four years based on their audience share.

When we assess how the tribes have changed over time, we can see:

- Eco-Conscious City Dwellers have grown significantly over the past 4 years.
- Trendy Gen Zers have fluctuated, growing a sporadic, but still noteworthy amount.
- Health-Conscious City Dwellers have experienced small, but dependable, growth.

This data suggests Veganuary is growing as a Sustainability movement and outgrowing its Foodie core audience.



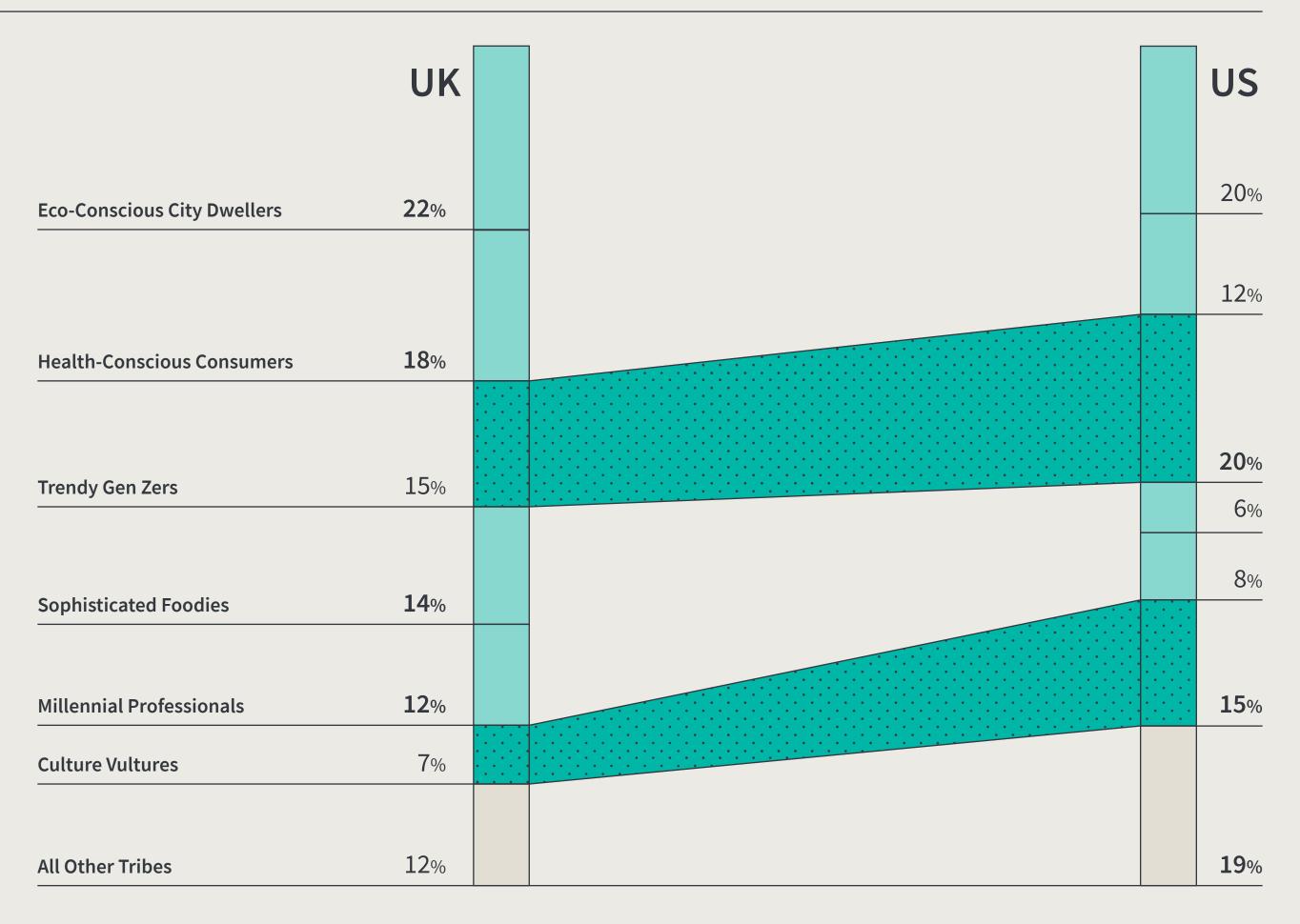


## Comparing the audience composition with the US

Showing the audience split for both UK and US Veganuary audiences in January 2023.

There are marked differences in the US audience, with Health and Foodie tribes far smaller, with Gen Z and Culture Vulture tribes significantly larger.

This suggests Veganuary is still placed in the trends space in the US, with the more culturally aware tribes engaging with the movement.







## Tactical Takeaways and Audience Strategies

Insights to help brands win.

#### **Move Fast**

Over 2/3 of Veganuary engagements came in the first 2 weeks. You need to be prepared and move fast to make the most of the event.

#### Don't generalise Gen Z

Veganuary is a fantastic time to reach younger audiences, but you must ensure you understand exactly what makes them tick. In a nutshell, they are a trend-driven, image-conscious, socially influential audience.

#### Make sure you nail the UK

The UK makes up almost 50% of Veganuary's social engagement. Other nations are starting to join in; the US, Germany and Canada are 2023's big risers.

## Target the 'conscious', not the activists

Eco warriors will naturally spread your message far and wide, but the real growth opportunity lies in progressive audiences who are socially and societally aware.

#### Cater to all genders

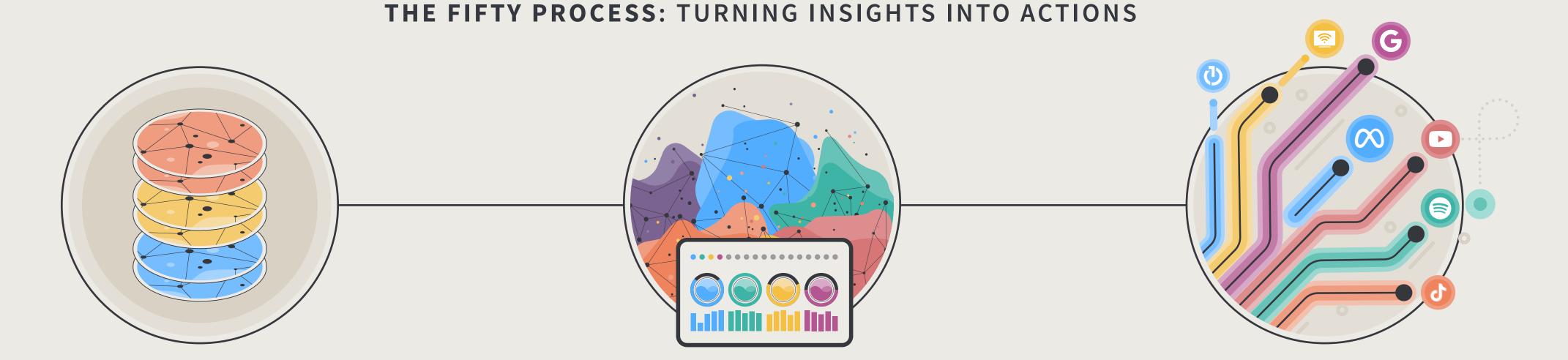
Veganuary has often been labelled a predominantly female event; our analysis confirms this skew, but also shows over 1/3 of the audience are male.

## **Grow beyond the obvious**with Millennial Professionals

Millennial Professionals, an audience engaged with technology, business and digital culture, offer a huge, largely untapped growth opportunity for plant-based brands.



## A new breed of data-driven media company, for a new era of marketing.



#### **Define our Panel**

The first step is to define the audience we want to learn about. In this instance we identified the Veganuary audience as users sharing #veganuary or other keywords.

#### **Deep Audience Analysis**

We feed these users into the Fifty Platform, uncovering the key Tribes that exist across the audience. In essence, these represent the core passion centres in an audience.

#### **Activation Strategies & Tactics**

The Fifty team works intuitively with our tech to create strategies and tactics that best reach these audiences. Our in-house AdOps team then expertly activate against our data to engage audiences across all channels.





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