

ShopperTrak

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Beachwear, hosiery and lingerie Calzedonia Group opened its first store in 1986 near Verona and created a new way of selling hosiery and beachwear for women, men and children and lingerie and knitwear for women and men through a franchise sales network. The group's popular brands include Calzedonia, Intimissimi, Intimissimi Uomo, Tezenis, Falconeri and Atelier Emé stores. Calzedonia's emphasis on stocking a wide product range, ensuring fashion forward style and high quality at affordable prices are major factors in the retailer's success. Today, the Calzedonia network boasts more than 4,600 stores worldwide and employs over 36,000 people.

Business challenge

Calzedonia Group recognises the importance of closely monitoring performance to maintain the profitability of its business. It relies on shopper analytics to measure key performance indicators, identify where changes need to be made and take any necessary action. Conscious that accurate conversion rate figures are essential to business growth, it embarked on a rigorous selection process to find a partner it could rely on to provide insights into consumer behaviour.

Benefits

- Staff rostering reflects visitor peaks and troughs
- Objective measurement of store performance by conversion rate, average customer purchase and units per transaction
- Ability to benchmark stores by size, type and location
- Pinpoints stores not performing to their full potential
- Highlights the effect of market changes (such as competitor store openings) on performance
- Identifies the impact of internal changes (such as trial store layouts and positioning of promotional signage)
- Performance management tool for staff development

Solution

- ShopperTrak counting system and maintenance
- Draw rate
- Customised data analysis software
- Integrated reporting
- Consultancy

Calzedonia Case Study

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Calzedonia is one of a growing number of forwardthinking retailers who recognise the value of tracking conversion rate performance – the percentage of shoppers who actually make a purchase. They understand that a lost sale can not only send a prospective customer to a competitor but also result in the permanent loss of that customer, which repeated over time, will ultimately erode their customer base. Numerous factors can result in a lost sale including:

- Insufficient number of sales staff on the shop floor for the number of customers in store
- Poorly displayed merchandise – for instance, clothes on wrongly labelled hangers – making it difficult for customers to find the right size or an advertised product
- The queue to pay being too long causing the customer to walk out without buying
- Inadequately trained sales staff missing sales opportunities – for example, by refunding an unwanted purchase without even offering an exchange

Customer counting gives Calzedonia a clear picture of the number of shoppers in store at any given time of day so it can act to prevent a lost sale. Following a rigorous trial of three competing systems, ShopperTrak's system was found to be the most accurate. It has been installed in 1600 stores in Italy and an additional 2500 branches throughout Europe.

Matteo Muraro, Manager for Calzedonia explains, "Customer counting is an integral part of our KPI strategy. We invested considerable time and energy in identifying a partner with the right combination of technology, consultancy and international reach whose product could be fully customised and integrated with our existing systems."

ShopperTrak software transmits data to store checkouts in real time, enabling store managers to monitor conversion rates and other important performance indicators without any time delay. In addition, every evening the day's trading information is relayed back to the Calzedonia Group's head office for analysis.

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When performance dips below predefined benchmarks, store managers can take immediate action – such as moving staff from non-sales activities like restocking to serve customers.

Consequently, Muraro reports that, "Since the introduction of the ShopperTrak system, conversion rates have improved by as much as 4%."

'Draw rate' statistics – the proportion of passing shoppers attracted to enter the store – have also improved, indicating the increasing effectiveness of Calzedonia's visual merchandisers in creating attention grabbing window displays.

The success of the ShopperTrak solution is such that Calzedonia views it as integral to its growth plans and intends to install the system in all new stores as standard.

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