

# IS GOOD STILL GROWING?

**Highlights from the Seventh Annual Conscious Consumer Spending Index** (#CCSIndex)



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#### The Good **Consumer demand for socially**

responsible goods and services remains high.

**Majority of Americans are supporting** socially responsible organizations 1/3 of Americans are increasing the

amount they spend on good products and services in the next year

#### Momentum for the "Do Good" **Movement Has Stalled.**

in "good" behaviors

The Bad

Overall. #CCSindex experienced thirdstraight year of decline, specifically

**Fewer Americans report participating** 

among Millennials

## We Are Wrestling with a Lack

The Uncertain

of Understanding, Confidence and Optimism. Americans are less confident in their abil-

ity to drive change than in previous years 8 out of 10 Americans feel the state of

2019

the world is not improving

## THE SLIDE CONTINUES For the third straight year, consumers are less likely to engage in socially responsible actions

**BEEN 'GREEN'** (recycled, properly disposed of waste, favored reusable products) % 89 90 90 88 87 80 **DONATED** clothing and/or household items to a non-profit or charity % 79 80 73 82 85 **REDUCED** consumption (gas, energy, overall consumer purchases) % 76 76 72 66 79 **BOUGHT** goods or services from a socially responsible company % 65 64 61 59 65 **VOLUNTEERED** your own time to a non-profit or charity % 44 40 42 43 48 36 **CONTRIBUTED** financially to a non-profit or charity % 68 68 61 63

ATROUBLING TURN

# The #CCSIndex hits new a lettime low with historic dip



**Spending Index** 

EDUCATION FIRST

place on purchasing from socially responsible companies, actions taken to support such products and services,

and future intent to increase the amount they spend with responsible organizations.

## socially responsible spending

Americans are not "in the know" when it comes to

and services.

when asked.

where to find socially responsible products and services is preventing them from doing more good.

**Have not taken steps to research** Not able to name a socially Say a lack of knowledge about responsible organization socially responsible products

# 1/3 of Americans are even aware of them.

When presented a list of the 17 SDGs, Americans ranked the following as their top five priorities:

WHAT'S THE GOAL?

The 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), adopted by all United Nations Member

States in 2015, are the world's best plan to build a better world by 2030. But less than

27%

**Good Health** 

and Sanitation

70

1. Amazon

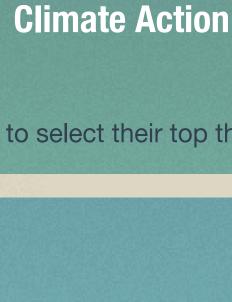
2. Google

3. Walmart

5. Apple

4. American Red Cross

**Clean Water** 



**72** 

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30%





67

2018

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19. St. Jude

20. Disney

**72** 

**26%** 

**Zero Hunger** 



65

2019

24%

Affordable &

**Clean Energy** 

Fewer people believe they can be the change they seek in the world

**72** 

2016

**Percentage of Americans who say** individuals are effective at driving change

### YOUTH MOVEMENT Since 2017, #CCSIndex scores for younger Americans have experienced significant declines AGE 25-34 AGE 18-24 **CCSINDEX SCORE CCSINDEX SCORE**

More than half of millennials say socially responsible products and services cost too much TOP 20 GOOD COMPANY POLL When consumers were asked to name one company or organization

> that is socially responsible, here's who was top of mind: 6. Microsoft T-11. Coca-Cola 16. Greenpeace

T-11. Costco 17. United Way 7. Toms 8. Goodwill 18. General Electric T-13. Facebook

T-13. Starbucks

15. Target

United Way • Disney • Coca-Cola • Costco Ben & Jerry's • Honest Company • Patagonia **General Electric • Johnson & Johnson • Greenpeace** Wegman's • Hobby Lobby • Trader Joe's • Tesla

9. Salvation Army

10. Johnson & Johnson

**About the Study** This study was conducted in partnership with Supportive Research Solutions. Sampling was provided by Dynata. Data was

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collected September 25-October 4, 2019. In total, 1,057 Americans were surveyed (margin of error is +/- 3%). For more information on the Conscious Consumer Spending Index, please visit www.goodmustgrow.com/ccsindex.

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