



Onboarding Card Journey

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Today's Focus



History and
timeline



Onboarding
Cards Overview



Test
Parameters



Learnings



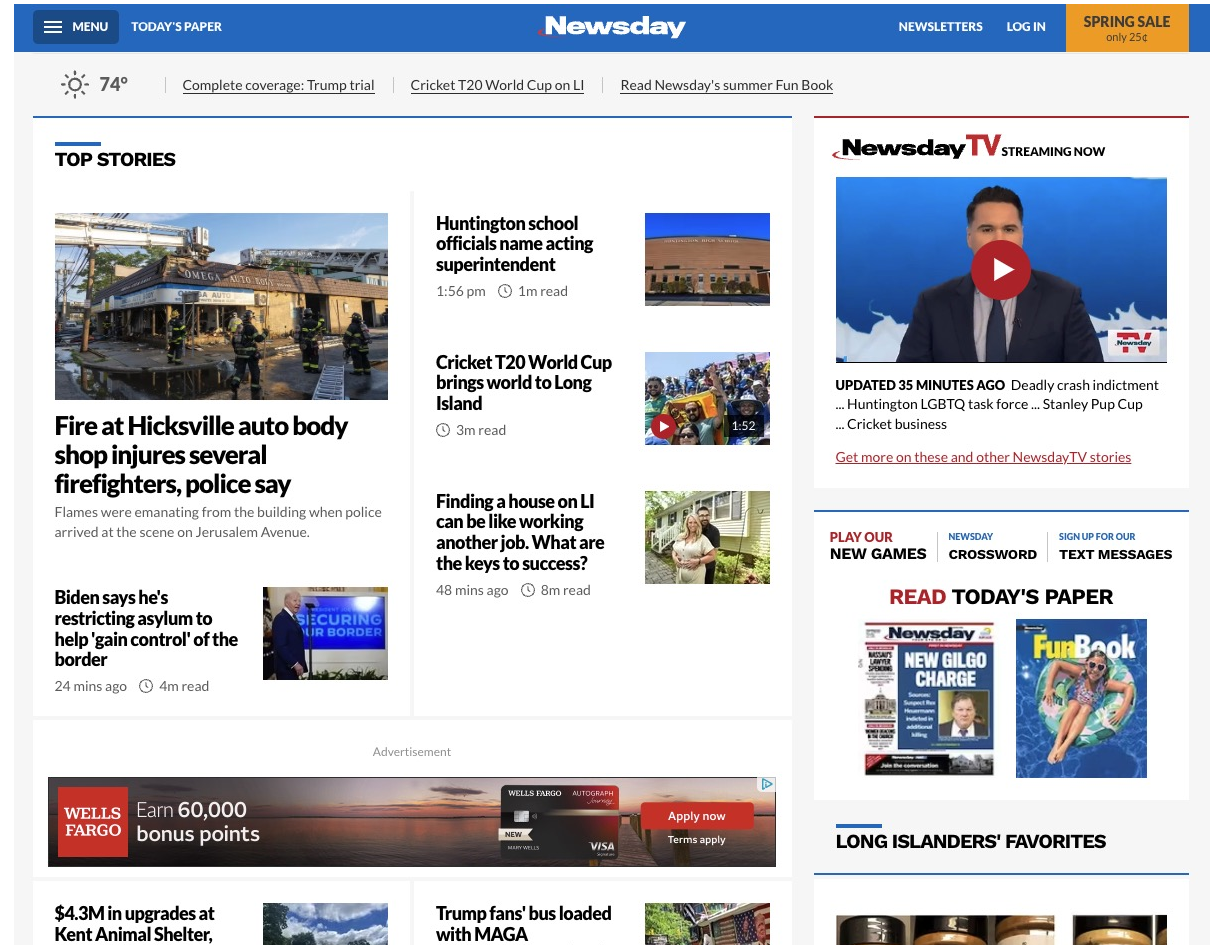
What's being
worked on

Long Island, NY's daily newspaper

1940



2024



Overview

Why:

- Build engagement while still in transactional mode
 - First and perhaps most impactful opportunity to affect engagement
 - Reinforce behaviors that increase engagement
 - Interests, Newsletters, SMS Alerts, NewsdayTV+, App, e-Edition
 - Increased engagement leads to a higher CLV

What:

- Series of web pages, promoting subscription benefits, served to new subscribers upon completion of an online purchase

How:

- Present a call to action to improve engagement
 - Subscriber selects interests
 - Sign up for newsletters
 - Provide mobile number for SMS alerts
 - NewsdayTV+
 - Download app
 - Links to e-Edition and other content

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STEP 3 OF 6

The news you want, delivered to your inbox

Based on your interests we signed you up for some newsletters

Morning Update
The top local stories you need to know to start your day.
Arrives every morning

YOU MAY LIKE
☒

Afternoon Update
Our latest updates on the news that matters most to you.
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Breaking News Alerts
Get breaking news when it happens.
Arrives as warranted

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See more

Submit

Skip and Continue

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STEP 2 OF 6

Let's customize your experience

What interests you?

Sports

High School Sports

Things to do

Family

Entertainment

Opinion

Business

Restaurants

Real Estate

Weather

Nassau

Suffolk

Politics

Education

Travel

Next

Skip and continue

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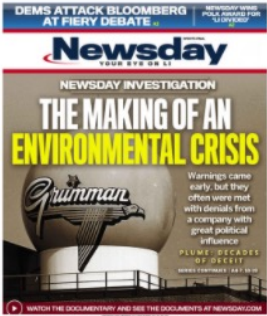
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STEP 4 OF 6

Access Today's Paper on any device

Newsday subscribers get access to the digital version of Today's paper.

READ
TODAY'S PAPER
ON APP, MOBILE AND ANY WEB BROWSER



Next

Skip and continue

Get the Newsday App

All the news you need — in one convenient place.

Scan the QR Code



NEXT

skip and continue

Your newsletters, your way!

Select what interests you.

Restaurants

Things to Do

Sports

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Entertainment

Opinion

Business

Real Estate

Nassau News

Suffolk News

us Politics

Education

Videos

Health

NEXT

skip and continue

Based on your interests, we signed you up for some newsletters.

Select any additional topics you'd like to receive (selections in blue)

The Gilgo Case

Follow the latest developments in the Gilgo Beach killings investigation with a recap from our journalists.

Feed Me

Find the best places to eat and drink in your neighborhood.

Sports Now

Get reporter and columnist analysis on your favorite sports teams.

Entertainment

Check out TV picks, movie buzz, concert tips and more.

NewsdayTV

Watch our top videos from the day.

NewsdayTV Streaming Now

Get the daily newscast in your inbox every morning.

SEE MORE

SELECT INTERESTS

NEXT

skip and continue

Stay informed with text messages

From breaking news to major weather events, we'll text you the top Long Island stories you need to know.

PHONE NUMBER

XXX-XXX-XXXX

SUBMIT

By clicking the "Submit" button above, I provide my express written consent authorizing Newsday LLC to send me Breaking News text alerts, delivered via automated technology, to the mobile phone number I have provided above. I understand that my consent is not required to access this news and information. To view Newsday's coverage without providing consent, please visit Newsday.com. Message frequency varies. Reply "HELP" for help and "STOP" to cancel.

Message and data rates may apply. See [Terms](#) and [Privacy Policy](#).

NEXT

skip and continue



As a subscriber, you get unlimited access to our entire on-demand library of original streaming video content.



NEXT

skip and continue

Read Today's Paper

Newsday's Interactive digital edition



NEWSDAY E-EDITION

CONTINUE READING

Topics/Interests

- **Test** – reformatted icons to better align with the topics. Streamlined the CTAs

Control

The Control version of the form is titled "What interests you?" and is part of a 6-step process (STEP 2 OF 6). It features a progress bar at the top with 6 dots, the second of which is filled. Below the progress bar, the text "Let's customize your experience" is displayed. The form contains a grid of 16 topic buttons arranged in 4 rows and 4 columns. The topics are: Sports, High School Sports, Things to do, Family, Entertainment, Opinion, Business, Restaurants, Real Estate, Weather, Nassau, Suffolk, Politics, Education, Travel, and a final empty button. At the bottom, there are two buttons: "Next" and "Skip and continue". A small footnote at the bottom states: "* These options will only be used to customize your Newsday experience."

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STEP 2 OF 6

Let's customize your experience

What interests you?

Sports High School Sports Things to do Family

Entertainment Opinion Business Restaurants

Real Estate Weather Nassau Suffolk

Politics Education Travel

Next

Skip and continue

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Test

The Test version of the form is titled "Your newsletters, your way!" and asks the user to "Select what interests you." It features a grid of 16 topic buttons arranged in 4 rows and 3 columns. The topics are: Restaurants, Things to Do, Sports, High School Sports, Family, Entertainment, Opinion, Business, Real Estate, Nassau News, Suffolk News, Politics, Education, Videos, and Health. At the bottom, there are two buttons: "PREVIOUS" and "NEXT", separated by a series of 5 dots, with the second dot from the left being filled.

Your newsletters, your way!

Select what interests you.

Restaurants Things to Do Sports

High School Sports Family Entertainment

Opinion Business Real Estate

Nassau News Suffolk News Politics

Education Videos Health

PREVIOUS NEXT

Newsletters

- **Control** – has 3 pre-checked newsletters with option to opt-out or select more
- **Test** – Preselected newsletters based on *Interests* chosen by subscriber (ie user chose *sports* as an Interest, which prepopulated sports newsletter)

Control

The Control interface shows a multi-step process (STEP 3 OF 6) for newsletter selection. It features three pre-selected newsletters: Morning Update, Afternoon Update, and Breaking News Alerts. Each newsletter has a description, frequency, and a toggle switch to opt-out. A 'See more' link is available below the list. At the bottom, there are 'Submit' and 'Skip and Continue' buttons.

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[See more](#)

Submit

[Skip and Continue](#)

Test

The Test interface shows a confirmation message: 'Based on your interests, we signed you up for some newsletters.' It prompts the user to 'Select any additional topics you'd like to receive (selections in blue)'. There are six topic cards: The Gilgo Case, Feed Me, Sports Now, Entertainment, NewsdayTV, and NewsdayTV Streaming Now. Each card has a description. Below the cards are 'SEE MORE' and 'SELECT INTERESTS' buttons. At the bottom, there are 'PREVIOUS' and 'NEXT' buttons with a progress indicator.

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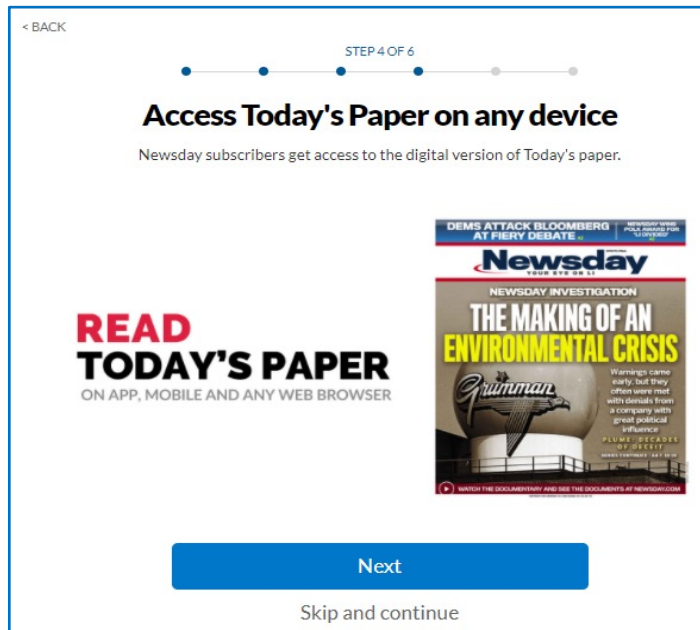
SEE MORE **SELECT INTERESTS**

PREVIOUS **NEXT**

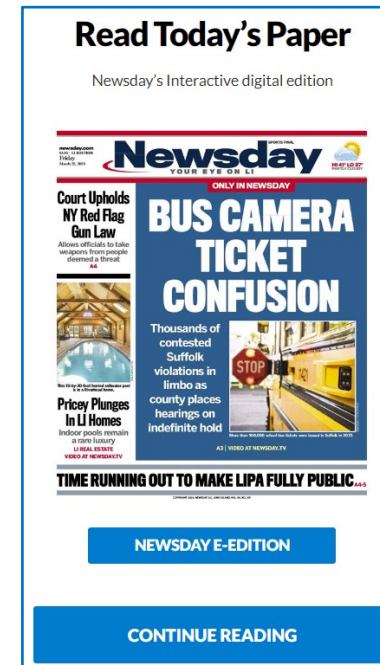
e-Edition

- **Control** – Today's Paper is a static image
- **Test** – made the final card work harder with a redirect back to the e-Edition or article

Control



Test



New - SMS Alerts

- Providing mobile number allows subscriber to sign up for breaking news text alerts
 - SMS allows for 2-way messaging, thereby adding another level of engagement

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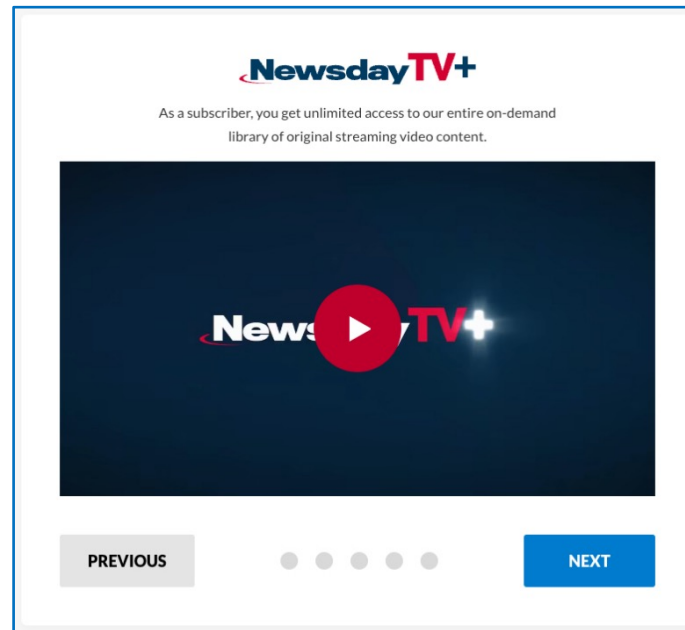
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New - NewsdayTV+

- NewsdayTV+ introduces our newest platform

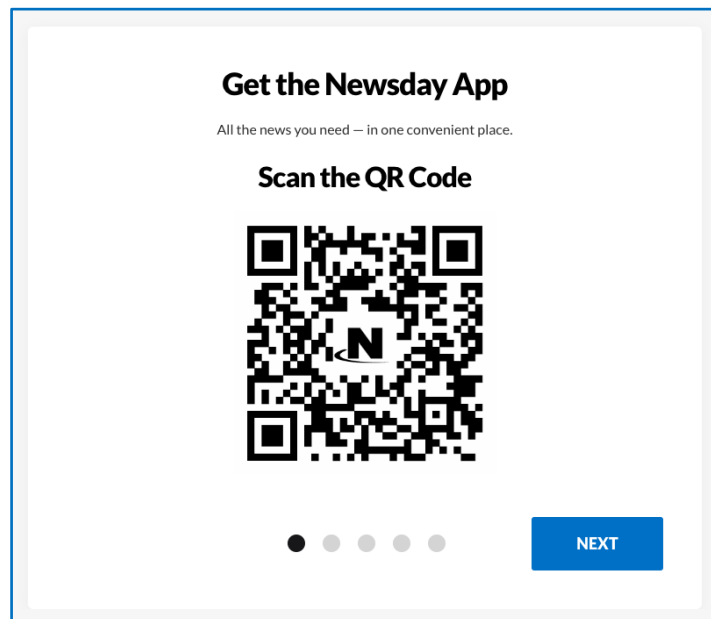
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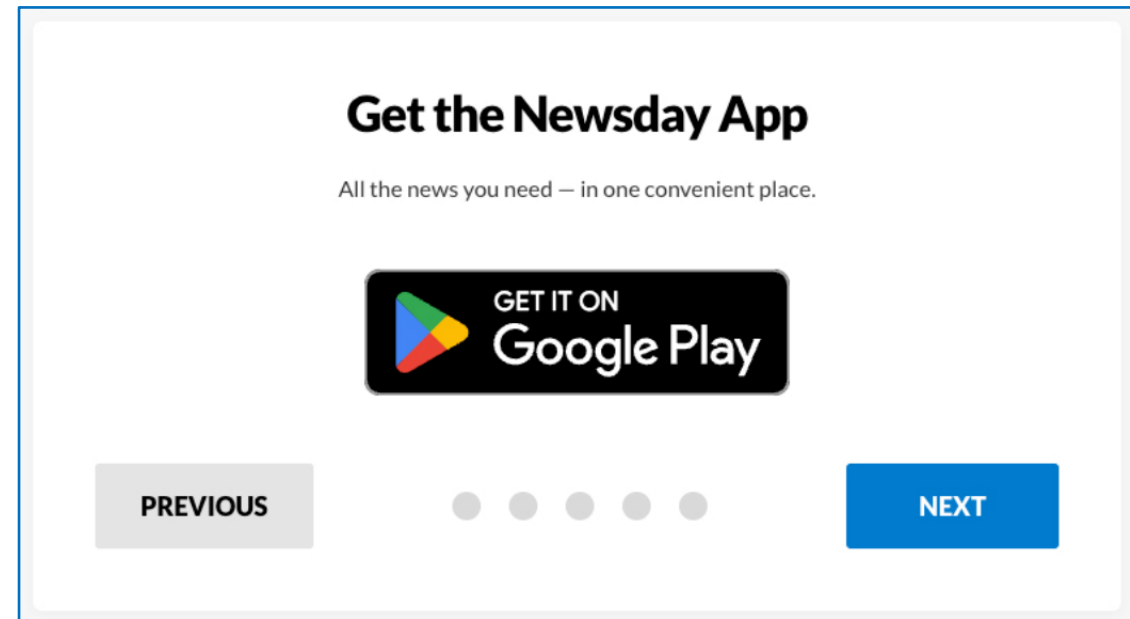
New - App

- Introduced app to increase download
 - Adding a QR code has shown significant increase in response rate, across all channels

Desktop

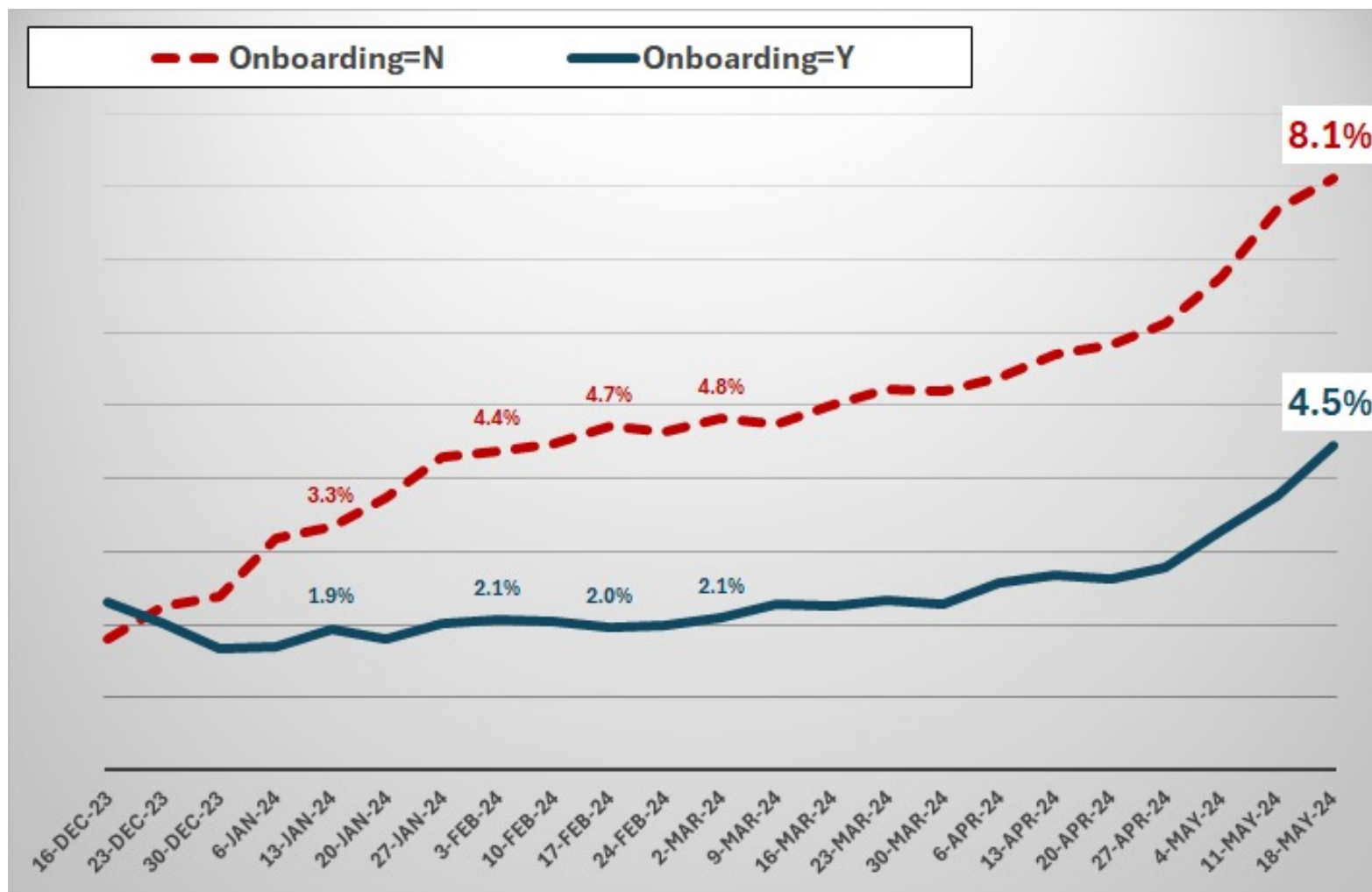


Mobile



Churn comparison of groups

- Churn from 12/10/23 thru 5/18/24 → **Y=4.5%** vs. **N=8.1%**



Roadmap

- Create new onboarding flow that leverages findings
- Test new card topics based on other research and best practices
 - Add a customer service/concierge card. Evidence subscribers stop for technical issues
 - Test combining Interests and Newsletters into one card
 - Promote new features as they become available; such as games/puzzles
- Create an “onboarding lite” version. All benefits on one card
- Test the strongest subscriber engagement, Alerts and App, by creating a 2-card series.

Key takeaways

- To date, Control maintains an average completion rate of 74% while test is at 41%
- We have not reached statistical significance so will run and review data for longer term
- Results are proving that by adding new products and actions to the journey we are exposing more users to subscriber benefits, thereby increasing engagement.
- Use data from each individual card to optimize the subscriber lifetime journey
- Long term analysis of retention and engagement among subs that went through the onboarding process is key
- Determine at what point subs are dropping out of the flow and how to optimize. Has adding 3 additional cards impacted the journey due to longer completion time?
- Determine if the interactive cards positively affect retention and therefore improve CLV
- Measures of success
 - Percent of subscribers that complete onboarding
 - Clicks on calls to action
 - Increase app downloads
 - Increase newsletter signups
 - Sign ups for SMS alerts



Thank you

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