



# Brand Development Index

**Description:** A comparative market-by-market measure of a brand's sales performance.

**Purpose:** Used to decide the relative sales value of one market over another.

**Figures Needed:**

- a. The brand's sales per market (as percentage of total).
- b. Population per market {as percentage of U.S.}

**Formula:** 
$$\frac{\text{Market brand sales} \times 100}{\text{Market 's population in \%}} = \text{Brand Development}$$

**Steps:**

- 1. Multiply markets sales percentage by 100.
- 2. Divide the sales figure by market's percentage of population.
- 3. Repeat for all markets
- 4. Rank order markets from highest BDI to lowest.

**Illustration:** Market A has a 2.4% of brand sales and 3.8% of U.S. population. Market B has 2.9% sales and 3.0% U.S. population. Which market has the higher BDI?

$$\frac{2.4 \times 100}{3.8} = 63 \text{ Market A's BDI}$$

$$\frac{2.9 \times 100}{3.0} = 96.6 \text{ or } 97 \text{ Market B's BDI}$$

\* BDI figures are not standardized. Firms use brand distribution, CDI, retail sales, and media coverage populations to compute BDI. Shown is the most basic style used.

