Digital Well-Being Index

2023 Global

At Snap, nothing is more important than the safety and well-being of our Snapchat community. To offer insight into how teens and young adults are faring online in 2022, we conducted research into Generation Z's digital well-being. The study was adapted for the online environment to produce a Digital Well-Being Index (DWBI), a measure of Gen Z's online psychological wellbeing. We surveyed teens (aged 13-17), young adults (aged 18-24) and parents of teens, aged 13 to 19 in six countries: Australia, France, Germany, India, UK and the U.S. We asked respondents about their exposure to various online risks and, from those results and other attitudinal responses, devised a DWBI for each country and a combined reading across all six.

The index leverages the PERNA model, a variation on an existing research vehicle, comprising 20 sentiment statements across five categories: Positive Emotion, Engagement, Relationships, Negative Emotion and Achievement. The first Digital Well-Being Index for the six geographies stands at 62, a somewhat average reading on a scale of 0 to 100 - neither particularly favorable, nor especially worrisome. The Global 2022 DWBI is 62. The research was conducted between April 22, 2022, and May 10, 2022. More results for the Global DWBI Index can be found in the graphic at the right.



