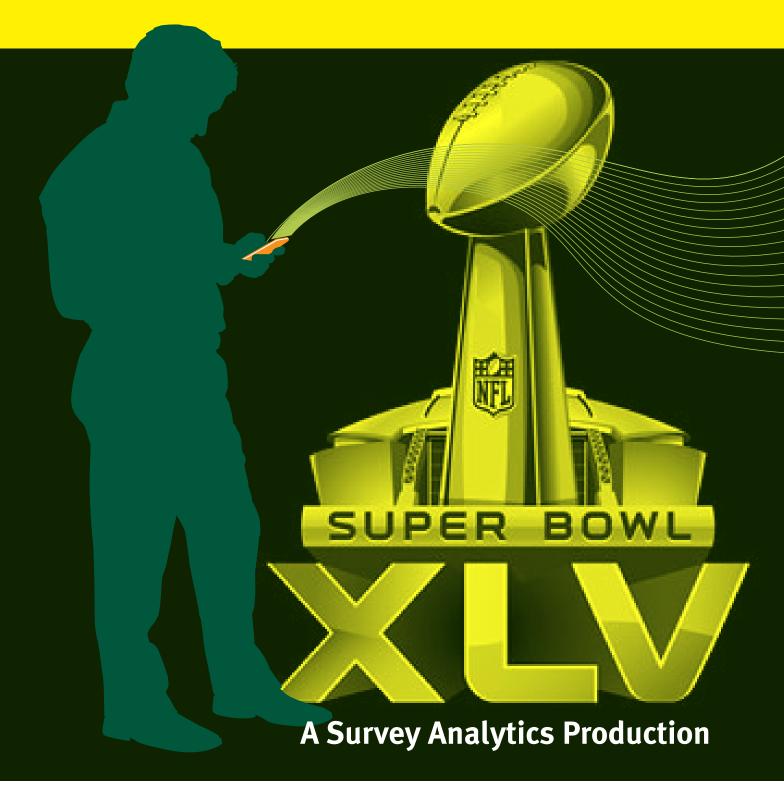
# MOBILE ETHNOGRAPHY

SUPERBOWL 2011 CASE STUDY



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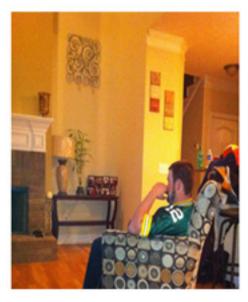
### Our methodology:

Three days before this year's Super Bowl game, 4 leading market research firms (Survey Analytics, BrandScan 360, Beacon Research, and Hemispheres Research) quickly joined forces to create a large scale mobile ethnography of this major social event. Immediately following the half-time break, the 1,200 iPhone owners in the Survey Analytics SurveySwipe consumer mobile panel received a notification with a link to participate in our Super Bowl study and 20% accepted. The short survey included both closed- and open-ended questions, as well as two questions that asked participants to take and submit pictures.

### **Key Findings:**

Mobile is a fast and efficient way to experience consumers' lives as they happen. Without leaving our laptops, we were able to participate in hundreds of Super Bowl moments: from friends gathering in a restaurant to fans concentrating on the game.





Two thirds of our participants wanted Green Bay to win.













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The favorite ads were for Doritos, with Budweiser and Volkswagen close behind.





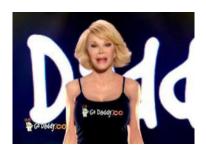








The GoDaddy.com ad, with a 77-year-old Joan Rivers as the new GoDaddy girl, was the least favorite.



More people enjoyed realaxing at home by themselves or with family, rather than going to a restaurant or pub. Families and friends used the time to be together and enjoy each other's company. Even with friends over, people kept the atmosphere easy and hassle-free.



















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While flat-screen TVs are common, they aren't always room size. Advertisers may connect better with their audiences if they portray more realistic homes rather than those with 50"+ sets. The living room is the most common location for watching the game, but there can be other more comfortable places!









When it came to foods and beverages, convenience was key. Ready-to-eat foods and salty snacks were more common than those made from scratch. Packaged goods were sometimes eaten directly out of the container.















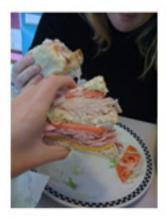






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People proudly indulged in traditional comfort food. Most preferred to keep homemade food simple and familiar rather than to experiment with new food items and recipes. It's a day of no guilt and worries about what's healthy or in trend.













Concerns about what's healthy were also thrown out the door when it came to drinks. Bottled sodas and soft drinks were favorites and as prevalent as beer.















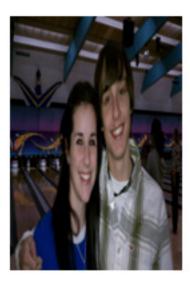


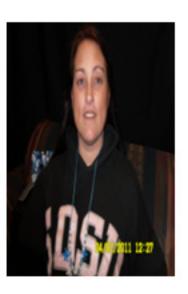


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Mobile research is a promising trend to gain an immediate feel for people's experiences and behaviors. It's a compelling way to see into people's lives on a large scale and in a cost-effective manner. Until then, start imagining how mobile ethnography could help your brand and/or client. What consumer moments would you love to experience by using mobile ethnography research?















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