The Truth About Hyper-Casual



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The big questions:



How big is it?



There are around 100m game installs a day





The top 30 games generate 13% of total installs = 13m





Hyper-casual is 62% of the top 30 games by number of downloads = 8m/day





Overall, hyper-casual generates ~22m installs/day Taking LTV into account, our formula estimates this = \$2-\$2.5b in annual revenue

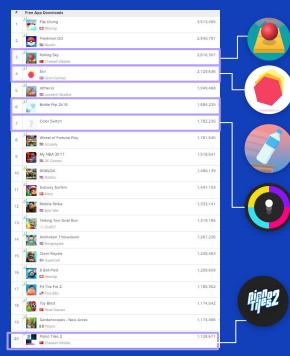




How fast has it grown?



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HC are 25% of top 20 free games

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September 2018 US



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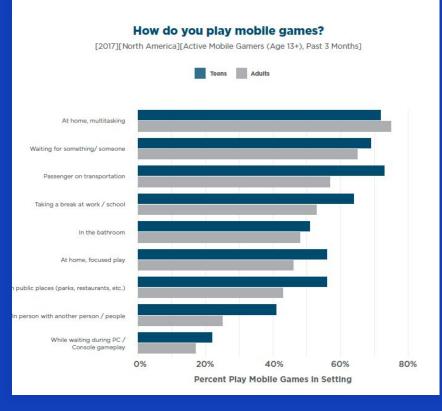
What changed?



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EEDAR Report: Deconstructing Mobile & Tablet Gaming 2017

Users increasingly look for low-commitment entertainment to be enjoyed in short bursts of time in between or while carrying out other activities







Hyper-casual games cracked ROI positive UA at scale





Creative capabilities and IPM were key in making this possible

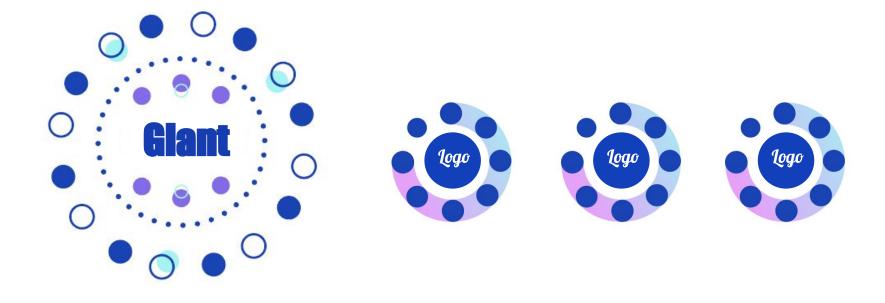






Has hyper-casual grown the in-app/in-game ad market?

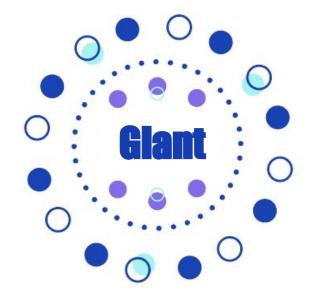
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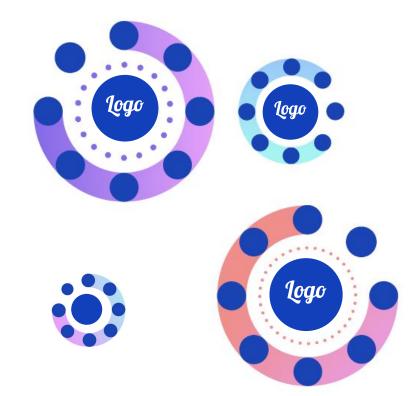






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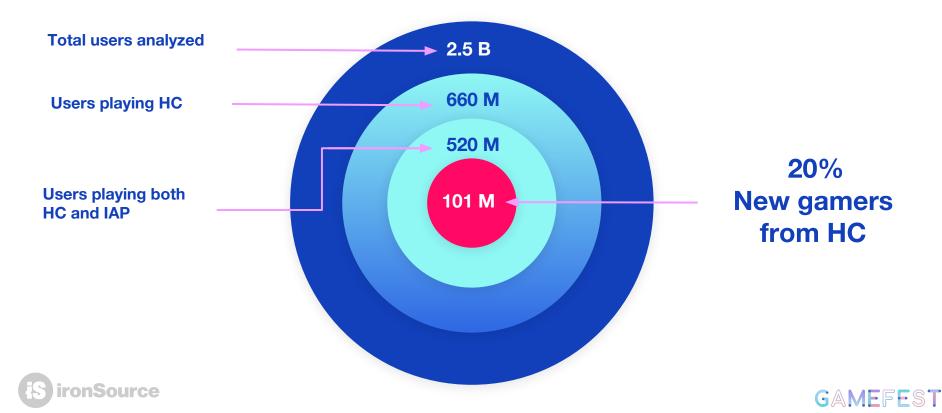




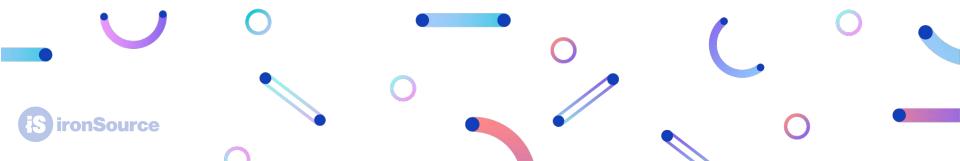




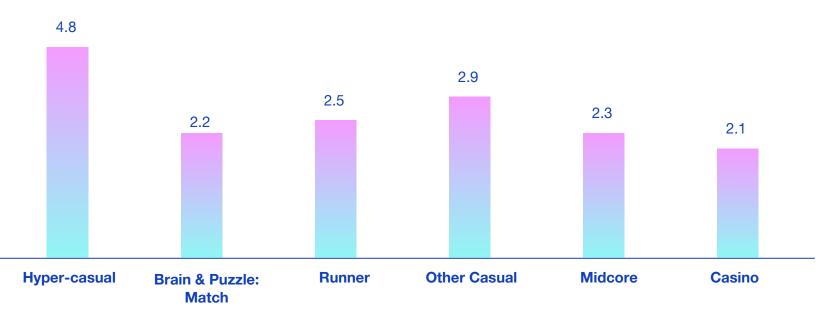
Growing the gaming market - new gamers are born



What's the quality of the new inventory ?



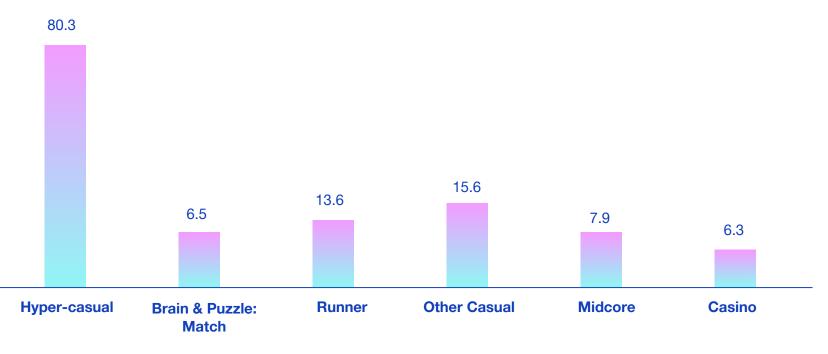
Hyper-casual users see 2x more video ads (per DAU)



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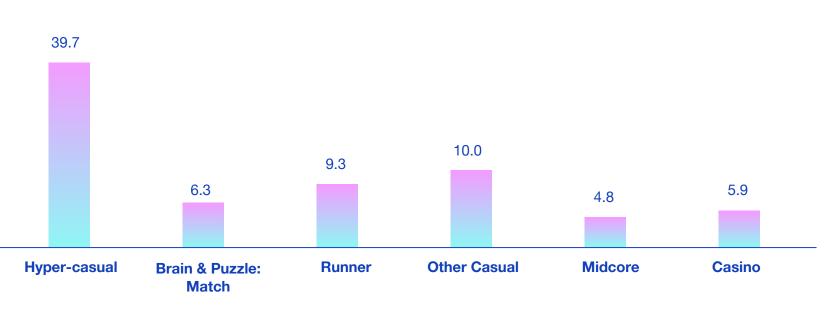
Hyper-casual users install 10x more apps in all categories (per 1000 DAU)







Hyper-casual users install 5x more apps for IAP titles



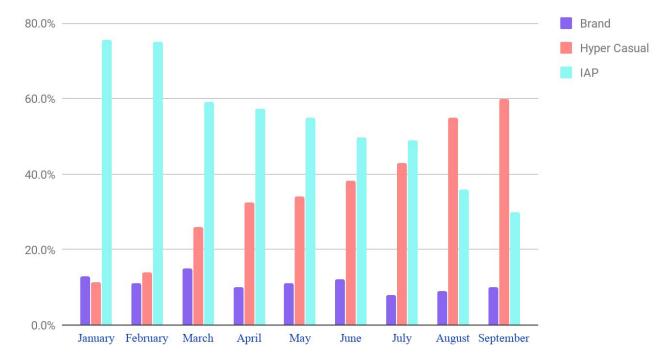
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Advertiser breakdown on hyper-casual supply

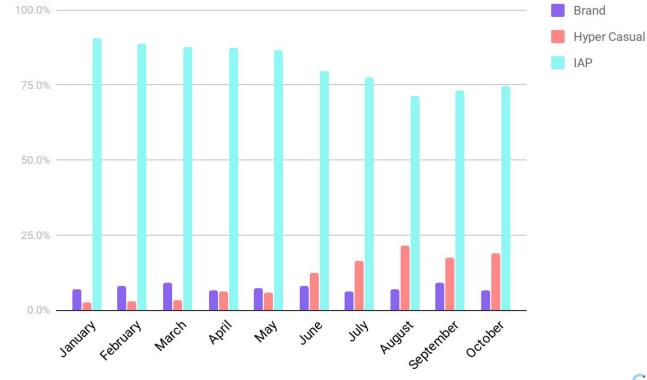






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Advertiser breakdown on non hyper-casual supply







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Hyper-casual games can't exist in a vacuum. They only exist if there are enough IAP-based games or brand advertisers funding the process.

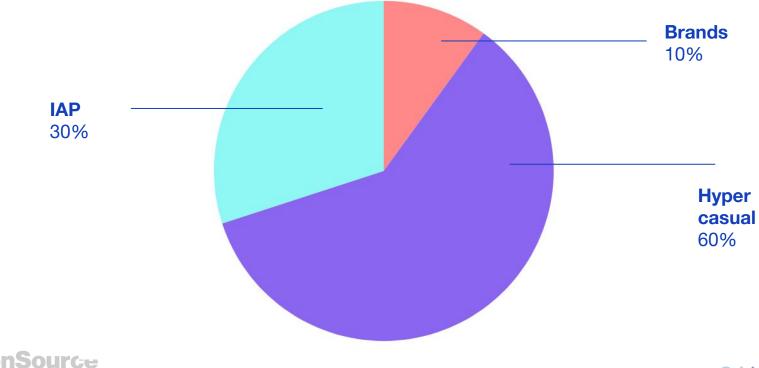




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September 18 breakdown

Keeping the balance of advertisers' share of voice on hyper-casual supply





Gamefest 2019

Keys for market sustainability

- 1. IAP and brands buying more HC available inventory by using the right methods
- 2. HC improving their LTV by better ad monetization
- 3. HC generating revenue also from IAP and subscription models





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