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## WP7 OUTSELLS SYMBIAN FOR FIRST TIME

Market share hits 2.5% across Europe

Nokia and Microsoft's push behind Windows Phone 7 (WP7) has started to pay dividends as sales edge ahead of Symbian in Great Britain in latest data from Kantar Worldpanel ComTech\*.

The much hyped Nokia Lumia 800 took 87% of WP7 sales, giving it a 2% uplift in share compared with a year ago. Germany remains the strongest market for WP7, with share now up to 3.1%.

The latest data also shows that Apple has increased its share of the British smartphone market from 22.7% a year ago to 28.7%. However, Android remains the number one OS in Britain, with its share up to 48.5% from 37.8% a year ago.

Dominic Sunnebo, global consumer insight director, comments: "There are strong signs that WP7 Nokia handsets are starting to make an impact on the European smartphone market though US sales, where the Nokia brand is weaker, remain underwhelming. The fact that WP7 sales have overtaken Symbian based on one handset is encouraging; however, Nokia will need to expand the range quickly in order to keep up with the slew of next generation competitor products being launched in quarter two."

Kantar Worldpanel ComTech data also highlights that consumers are increasingly satisfied with their handsets. When asked how satisfied consumers were with their smartphone (where one is very unsatisfied and 10 very satisfied) the average smartphone score was 7.9; notably higher than those with a non-smartphone at 6.9.

Apple has the most satisfied customers with a score of 8.8, with Samsung in second place at 8.0 and HTC in third with 7.6. Likewise, when consumers were asked how likely they are to stick with the same brand when upgrading, Apple ranked top followed by Samsung and HTC.

Sunnebo explains: "Smartphone users are typically very happy with their handsets and this is because they can do so much more with them. When you look at the way consumers are using their mobiles compared with just a year ago, the change is huge. For example, just

under half of people in the past four weeks used GPS or maps on their smartphones, this compares to only 33.9% a year ago. Similarly, 39.2% of people are now downloading or streaming videos to their mobiles, this has increased from 10.6% a year ago. All this helps to engrain the smartphone experience deep into consumer's daily routines and the quality of devices available mean consumers have found little to complain about."

In Great Britain smartphones made up 73.2% of sales over the 12 weeks, meaning that 51.3% of the British population now owns a smartphone.

\* 12 w/e 19<sup>th</sup> February 2012



## OS (Operating System) Share - Smartphone Sales

	12 w/e 20 Feb 2011	12 w/e 19 Feb 2012	Change
	%	%	%
GB	100.0%	100.0%	0.0
Symbian	12.4	2.4	-10.0
RIM	24.4	17.1	-7.3
iOS	22.7	28.7	6.0
WP7	0.5	2.5	2.0
WinMobile	0.7	0.2	-0.5
Android	37.8	48.5	10.7
Bada	1.0	0.3	-0.7
Other	0.6	0.2	-0.4
Germany	100.0%	100.0%	0.0
Symbian	25.8	9.3	-16.5
RIM	2.6	2.4	-0.2
iOS	30.5	23.1	-7.4
WP7	1.7	3.1	1.4
WinMobile	2.5	2	-0.5
Android	31.2	59	27.8
Bada	4.3	0.8	-3.5
Other	1.3	0.3	-1.0
France	100.0%	100.0%	0.0
Symbian	20.7	3.8	-16.9
RIM	11.8	11.6	-0.2
iOS	21.1	24.1	3.0
WP7	1.5	2.4	0.9
WinMobile	0.6	1.9	1.3
Android	33.1	44.7	11.6
Bada	7.9	10.8	2.9
Other	3.2	0.6	-2.6
Italy	100.0%	100.0%	0.0
Symbian	49.0	18.5	-30.5
RIM	4.3	3.6	-0.7
iOS	17.0	21.6	4.6
WP7	1.5	2.5	1.0
WinMobile	5.8	1.6	-4.2
Android	17.4	51.1	33.7
Bada	3.5	0.9	-2.6
Other	1.4	0.3	-1.1
Spain	100.0%	100.0%	0.0
Symbian	50.8	12.0	-38.8
RIM	11.2	11.7	0.5
iOS	10.8	6.9	-3.9
WP7	0.6	0.6	0.0
WinMobile	0.6	0.0	-0.6
Android	22.5	68.4	45.9
Bada	1.9	0.0	-1.9
Other	1.6	0.5	-1.1

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	12 w/e 20 Feb 2011	12 w/e 19 Feb 2012	Change
	%	%	%
US	100.0%	100.0%	0.0
Symbian	1.3	0.3	-1.0
RIM	12.9	5.7	-7.2
iOS	23.0	47.0	24.0
Win7	3.5	1.6	-1.9
WinMobile	2.5	0.3	-2.2
Android	55.1	43.4	-11.7
Bada	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	1.7	1.7	0.0
Australia	100.0%	100.0%	0.0
Symbian	27.3	3.5	-23.8
RIM	3.0	0.5	-2.5
iOS	36.1	39.4	3.3
WP7	3.2	0.8	-2.4
WinMobile	1.0	0.8	-0.2
Android	26.7	52.2	25.5
Bada	0.8	0.1	-0.7
Other	1.8	2.6	0.8

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## About Kantar Worldpanel ComTech's Smartphone OS market share data

Kantar Worldpanel ComTech's smartphone OS market share data provides the media and businesses with access to the most up to date sales market share figures for the major smartphone OS.

This information is based on the research extracted from the Kantar Worldpanel ComTech global consumer panel. ComTech is the largest continuous research consumer mobile phone tracking panel of its kind in the world, conducting over 1 million interviews per year in Europe alone. ComTech tracks mobile phone behaviour, including purchasing of phones, mobile phone bills/airtime, source of purchase and phone usage and delivers beyond market share

tracking to understand drivers of share changes, market dynamics through consumer insight the data included in this release is excluding enterprise sales

The latest 12 week ending smartphone OS market share data is released every four weeks.

Data period	Release to media
20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	17th April
17 <sup>th</sup> Apr	15th May
15 <sup>th</sup> May	12th June
12 <sup>th</sup> Jun	10th July
10 <sup>th</sup> Jul	6th Aug
07 <sup>th</sup> Aug	3rd Sept
04 <sup>th</sup> Sep	1st Oct
02 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	30th Oct
30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	27th Nov
27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	23rd Dec
25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	22nd Jan

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