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Abstract

The concept of CSR is increasingly important in society, and firms are expected to be profitable while ethical. Deciding how to best engage in CSR activities can be difficult, but using a supply-and-demand framework can help firms to maximize their CSR activities. However, the demand for CSR has been proven difficult to measure, but can perhaps be established when dividing the demand into different components. The purpose of this study is therefore to investigate how consumer awareness, attitude, and buying behavior, in relation to CSR, affect each other; to establish a measurement for consumer demand for CSR. To find an answer, an explanatory and a deductive research approach was used and consumers were surveyed in a quantitative study to establish a measurement for the consumer demand for CSR. This study provides both managerial and theoretical implications to the field of CSR. The theoretical implication lies in contributing empirical evidence into the discussion of supply-and-demand for CSR. Practically, this study informs managers, in the fast fashion industry, that consumer attitude can be used as a measurement when establishing the consumer demand for CSR. It is suggested for future research that it would be interesting to use other control variables to further elaborate on the findings of this study.

Keywords: CSR, demand, consumers, awareness, attitude, buying behavior
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1. Introduction

This chapter begins with a background explaining the importance of CSR in society and offers different perspectives on CSR. Next, the problematization is presented, focusing on the difficulties of aligning the supply and demand for CSR, followed by the purpose of establishing a measurement for consumer demand for CSR, in the fast fashion industry.

1.1. Background

The European Commission has adopted a new regulation that will be launched in the financial year of 2017, making Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) reporting mandatory for major firms (European Commission, 2014). CSR refers to a firm’s commitment in creating sustainable economic development, and improving the overall quality of life among employees, communities, and society (WBCSD, 2004). With the new EU regulation, firms with more than 500 employees are forced to disclose information concerning their policies, and commitment to contribute in society (European Commission, 2014). In addition, information about risks, corruption issues, respect for human rights, outcomes regarding environmental matters, and other non-financial activities are required by firms (European Commission, 2014).

The concept of CSR is increasingly important in society, and Carroll and Shabana (2010) states that firms are expected to be profitable while ethical. The pressure for CSR activities is increasing from all stakeholders such as consumers, employees, suppliers, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) and governments (McWilliams, Siegel, & Wright, 2006). Consumers demand more communications of CSR and if firms want to exceed in the future they should be more explicit and transparent with their CSR activities (Schmeltz, 2012). The clothing industry has been particularly keen on sustainability, and more specifically fast fashion firms (McNeill & Moore, 2015). Fast fashion is a strategy based on shortening lead times in the production process to deliver new fashion items faster in order to meet consumer demand at its peak (Barnes & Lea-Greenwood, 2006). The fast fashion industry is highly competitive in terms of both cost pressure and ability to respond to the latest trends (Christopher, Lowson, & Peck, 2004). Hence, the increase in consumer demand for CSR (McWilliams et al., 2006) has enforced firms in the fast fashion industry to increase their sustainable activities to meet the demand for CSR (Turker & Altuntas, 2014).
Despite the focus on sustainability, the fast fashion industry is plagued with issues and upsetting discoveries (Reinhard, Schmidt, Rützel, & Zentgraf, 2013). The Swedish fast fashion firm Hennes & Mauritz (H&M) has been continuously criticized for poor working conditions in the factories of their suppliers, and were criticized for terrible working conditions and the lack of safety regulations in sweat-shops in Bangladesh (Larsson Hultin, 2015). Another example of a fast fashion firm that is constantly scrutinized is the Spanish Zara; which after slave-like labor conditions were discovered in Brazil during 2011, promised improvements of their supply chain (Somo, 2015). When firms fail in their CSR obligations, they risk being boycotted by stakeholders (Klein, Smith, & John, 2004). Avoiding to respond to critics when scandals occur is an inefficient strategy, which further increases the risk of boycotts; and tends to jeopardize firm relationships with consumers and other stakeholders (Klein et al., 2004).

Meeting consumer demand for CSR is important (McWilliams et al., 2006), and Carroll and Shabana (2010) argues that CSR activities can be used to enhance the competitive advantage of firms if they manage to build strong relationships with their stakeholders; thus leading to economic value for them and their shareholders. Boonstoppel (2011), on the other hand, argues that there is no significant connection between CSR activities and positive economic value. Subsequent research implies that the connection is vague as the causality is complicated (Wood & Jones, 1995; Weber, 2008). CSR activities seem to generate economic value in terms of creating relationships with consumers (Pivato, Misani, & Tencati, 2008). Also, some results from CSR activities, like consumer relationships, are intangible; therefore it is important for firms to approach CSR with a long term perspective, knowing that all results might not come instantaneously (Du, Bhattacharya, & Sen, 2010). In addition, McWilliams and Siegel (2001) insists on treating CSR as an investment for firms. They maintain that firms investing in CSR activities can differentiate themselves from competitors by adding socially responsible attributes to their products (such as organic goods and fair working conditions in production processes) (McWilliams & Siegel, 2001).

While CRS can be used to create relationships with consumers (Pivato et al., 2008), Morsing, Schultz and Nielsen (2008) argues that consumers are troublesome as they expect firms to be socially responsible, but do not appreciate it when firms are too vocal
about their achievements. On the other hand, if the consumer awareness of firms’ CSR activities is low, the activities have a negative or insignificant impact on the firm (Servaes & Tamayo, 2013). In addition, consumers may express a desire for more products with CSR attributes and demand firms be more responsible; while in reality their desire seldom reflects their buying behavior (Vermeir & Verbeke, 2006).

1.2. Problematization

It is evident that there is a market for CSR, as both stakeholders and shareholders can prosper from its effects. However, consumers seem difficult to manage, as they expect firms to be more transparent and open with their CSR activities (Schmeltz, 2012), but have reservations when firms are too blatant (Morsing et al., 2008). Thus, deciding how to engage in CSR activities ought to be problematic, but McWilliams and Siegel (2001) argue that by using a supply-and-demand framework, firms can maximize profits while still satisfying the demand for CSR. The supply of CSR is created when firms allocate capital, material and labor for CSR activities, while the demand for CSR largely consist of consumers’ awareness, attitude, and buying behavior in relation to CSR (McWilliams & Siegel, 2001). However, the demand for CSR has been proven difficult to measure (McWilliams et al., 2006), making it problematic to find the optimal level of CSR where supply and demand for CSR align.

Chapple, Paul, and Harris (2005) stress the importance of successfully aligning the supply and demand for CSR, as creating revenues are vital to cover the costs of CSR activities. If stakeholders do not value particular CSR activities, capital is misused which reduces the competitiveness of firms (Chapple et al., 2005). Barnett (2007) adds further realism to McWilliams and Siegel’s supply-and-demand framework by explaining why firms may have problems optimizing their CSR activities. Firms vary in their ability to respond to stakeholder demand, and firms with low capacity to notice and act upon demand consistently undersupply CSR (Barnett, 2007). Daudigeos and Valiorgue (2011) emphasizes the demand side of CSR by stating that CSR is market driven and that firms need to adjust their supply of CSR to meet the demand for CSR. While it is important to cover the costs of CSR (Chapple et al., 2005), and adjust the supply of CSR after the demand (Daudigeos & Valiorgue, 2011), it is troublesome if the demand is difficult to measure (McWilliams et al., 2006).
Bråtenius and Melin (2015) further expands upon the framework laid by McWilliams and Siegel (2001), regarding how to find the ideal level of CSR. By investigating top- and bottom-ranked companies in terms of CSR endeavors, they try to assess what impact CSR has on financial performance in the form of stock returns. Bråtenius and Melin (2015), found that firms with poor CSR activities suffered negative impact on the economic value; while firms with top performing CSR activities were neither rewarded nor punished. As a result it is evident that once supply and demand no longer aligns, when the CSR supply is above the equilibrium point; stakeholders do not reward efforts put into CSR, resulting in unsatisfied shareholders (Bråtenius & Melin, 2015).

However, if stakeholders stop rewarding efforts put in to CSR, does it mean that firms should limit their supply of CSR at this point? Porter and Kramer claims that firms “...are not responsible for all the world’s problems, nor do they have the resources to solve them all.” (2006, p. 92). Considering this statement, the answer is yes; if firms want to stay competitive they cannot allocate resources to causes just for the sake of being good. Again, firms taking social responsibilities are rewarded by stakeholders, however only to a certain point (Bråtenius & Melin, 2015). Prior discussions have presented similar conclusions, establishing that it is vital for firms to meet stakeholder demand by helping the society, but perhaps only to a certain extent (Mintzberg, 1983; Johnson, 2003).

If firms want to find the ideal level of CSR, they must align their supply with the demand for CSR (McWilliams & Siegel, 2001); but measuring demand is difficult (McWilliams et al., 2006). Consumers may express interest in CSR, while their desire is still not reflected in their buying behavior (Vermeir & Verbeke, 2006), or they may not be aware of CSR activities at all (Servaes & Tamayo, 2013). It is evident that firms supplying more CSR activities than demanded are not rewarded (Bråtenius & Melin, 2015), and that misuse of CSR resources is costly (Chapple et al., 2005); but the main issue seems to be estimating the demand for CSR. Since Daudigeos and Valiorgue (2011) argue that CSR is market driven, which is especially true for firms operating within the highly scrutinized fast fashion industry (Reinhard et al., 2013), firms need a better tool to estimate what the market demands. By analyzing different components of consumer demand, more specifically awareness, attitude, and buying behavior, a measurement to establish the demand for CSR can be found. By investigating how consumer awareness, attitude, and
buying behavior affect each other, this study therefore aims to establish a measurement for consumer demand for CSR, in the fast fashion industry.

1.3. Purpose
The purpose of this study is to investigate how consumer awareness, attitude, and buying behavior, in relation to CSR, affect each other; to establish a measurement for consumer demand for CSR.

1.4. Research Question
How do consumer awareness, attitude, and buying behavior, in relation to CSR, affect each other?

1.5. Outline
This study is divided into six chapters. The first chapter introduced the concept of CSR followed by problematizing a supply-and-demand framework for CSR. The second chapter presents a historical background on CSR and a theoretical framework where different aspects of the consumer demand for CSR are elaborated on. The methodological considerations are presented in the third chapter, explaining the focus on quantitative research with a survey. The empirical findings are provided and analyzed in chapter four. Chapter five discusses how the consumers’ awareness, attitude, and buying behavior affect each other, and a measurement for demand is established. The final chapter concludes the study, and provides different implications and processual reflections. In addition, limitations and suggestions for future research are presented.
2. Theory

This chapter presents a brief summary of historical perspectives on CSR, followed by an introduction to supply-and-demand with regards to CSR. Key aspects of consumer demand for CSR (awareness, attitude, and buying behavior) are elaborated on. The chapter concludes with a conceptual model.

2.1. The History of CSR

This section provides a review of the historical perspectives on CSR.

2.1.1. Classic Perspective on CSR

The concept of CSR has been theorized to a great extent during the past 50 years. One of the first contributions to the debate came from Levitt (1958), who criticizes firms undertaking social responsibilities by comparing business to warfare; stating that “…it should be fought gallantly, daringly, and above all, not morally.” (p. 50). Another classic perspective on CSR, is that a firm’s only responsibility is to create value for its shareholders as long as the value is created by legal means (Friedman, 1970). This view is perhaps not as blunt as Levitt (1958), but argues for the same thing, mainly that firms do not have moral or social responsibilities. Instead, governments ought to be responsible for social issues, as firms’ resources should be used solely for internal value creation (Friedman, 1970).

2.1.2. Stakeholder Theory

During the following decades it became more evident that shareholders were not the only party interested in the firm business; as there were other stakeholders equally interested in the firm. Freeman (1984) notes that stakeholders were all those affected by or who could affect the outcome of a firm’s objective. Internal stakeholders such as employees, owners and investors, and external shareholders such as customers, suppliers, governments, and NGOs should be acknowledged by firms as vital for their business (Freeman, 1984). Donaldson and Preston (1995) expand upon the importance of managerial respond to stakeholder demands, claiming that not listening to stakeholders is “…morally untenable.” (p. 88). Therefore, stakeholder theory added a great extent to the CSR discussion, since it showed that being responsible and satisfying stakeholder demand could create financial benefits for firms (McWilliams et al., 2006).
2.1.3. The CSR Pyramid

In addition to how stakeholder theory contributed to the CSR discussion, Carroll (1979) further contributed by introducing a framework to define firm responsibilities. Carroll (1979) argues that CSR should be divided into four different categories of responsibilities, namely economic, legal, ethical and discretionary. Carroll (1991), revisited the framework from 1979 by creating the CSR pyramid, where the discretionary responsibility was changed to philanthropic responsibility. This framework was useful for executives and managers, when dealing with both shareholders and stakeholders; since it could display all the responsibilities of the firm (Carroll, 1991). The categorized responsibilities are presented in the pyramid framework shown in Figure 1 below:

![CSR Pyramid](image)

Figure 1. The Pyramid of Corporate Social Responsibility


The foundation of the pyramid is reminiscent of how Friedman (1970) argues that a firm’s sole responsibility was to be profitable. However, Carroll (1991) debates that the economic responsibilities should merely be seen as the first step of a taller ladder. Firms
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need to establish a foundation built on economic responsibilities, as firms cannot fulfill other responsibilities without the core business operating with profits (Carroll, 1979, 1991). While the legal responsibilities are addressed as essential for all firms in Friedman (1970), the similarities between the different perspectives end when discussing the ethical and philanthropic responsibilities; which can be interpreted as being the essence of CSR (Carroll & Shabana, 2010). The costs of being ethical versus the benefits of ethical activities have been the main driver in the CSR discussion over time, with some research implying that there is a connection between CSR activities and financial performance (Pivato et al., 2008), while some research do not agree (Boonstoppel, 2011). Joyner and Payne (2002) criticizes the urge of finding a link between CSR activities and financial performance, stating that searching for such a link is a waste of time. Finding a link would only serve as a way for managers to quantify the connection between CSR activities and financial performance, but the perks of doing good should be compelling enough to justify ethical activities (Joyner & Payne, 2002). This aligns with the third level of the CSR pyramid, implying that firms have an obligation of doing right.

The top level of the pyramid refers to the philanthropic activities provided by firms, and are desired contributions to the society as being a good corporate citizen at this level is merely voluntary (Carroll, 1991). Philanthropy can be seen as a strategic tool for firms to accomplish financial goals, as the potential goodwill generated by philanthropic activities might attract stakeholders (Lantos, 2001). The paradox of using philanthropy as a strategic tool is that the actual activities still improve the quality of life in society (Saia, Carroll, & Buchholtz, 2003).

2.2. The Age of CSR

This section describes the importance of CSR in society.

2.2.1. CSR Communication

During the 21st century the world entered a new era of sustainability, as consumers are more aware of environmental issues (Ellis, 2010). Environics International Ltd (1999) conducted a survey exploring consumers’ expectations on the new millennium. The survey concluded that CSR activities are important for consumers when forming an impression of firms (Environics International Ltd, 1999). Schmeltz (2012) notes that consumer expectations of CSR activities are difficult to define since the level of consumer
awareness of CSR communication is under-explored. To fill this void, Schmeltz (2012) found in a survey that consumers demand a more direct and open communication by firms concerning their CSR activities. For example, 42 per cent of the respondents were positive to a vague firm CSR statement like “...we are constantly working actively on reducing our CO2 emissions” (Schmeltz, 2012, p. 41), while 72.5 per cent of the respondents were in favor of a more direct and committing statement like “...we have reduced our CO2 emissions by 15 percent – ten years from now it will be reduced by 50 percent.” (p. 41).

It is evident that firms need to communicate CSR activities in a more direct and transparent way in this new age.

2.2.2. Sustainability Reporting

Sustainability reporting is a common way for firms to communicate CSR activities and it usually accompanies annual reports distributed by firms (Ellerup Nielsen & Thomsen, 2007). While sustainability reporting is used to create transparency, Ellerup Nielsen and Thomsen (2007) argues that firms may present information differently to emphasize favorable outcomes of their CSR activities. Delmas and Burbano (2011) argue that firms might mislead consumers and other stakeholders by either stating falsified information concerning sustainable activities or not communicating CSR activities at all. This is usually referred to as practicing greenwashing, and is a way for firms to seemingly meet the stakeholder demand for green products and services (Delmas & Burbano, 2011). Firms with legitimacy use different standards when reporting CSR activities since it is vital to inform all stakeholders why and how firms are investing its money, as conducting CSR activities is costly (Ellerup Nielsen & Thomsen, 2007). To insure a higher standard in sustainability reports, the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) (http://www.global-reporting.org) offer firms aid when constructing their sustainability reports by forming a widely used standard.

2.3. The Supply of CSR

McWilliams and Siegel (2001) define the supply of CSR as the capital, labor and material firms spend on CSR activities. However, engaging in CSR activities can be challenging as firms are required to make trade-offs to succeed, and it is equally important to decide what to do and what not to do (Porter, 1996). Du, Bhattacharya, and Sen (2007) implies that firms need to integrate their CSR activities into their core business to make it a viable strategy. If CSR is not part of the core business, firms need to allocate resources for CSR
at the expense of the core business (Porter & Kramer, 2006). While favoring a non-CSR-influenced strategy can be profitable in a short-term perspective, it is not a viable strategy when creating long-term value. Instead, firms need to merge CSR with the core business strategy in order to create long-term value (Porter & Kramer, 2006).

When allocating resources for CSR activities firms need to identify areas in society where they are best equipped to make a difference and contribute to achieve shared value between firms and society (Porter & Kramer, 2006). Firms must listen to both internal and external stakeholders to assert which CSR activities that are most desired, in order to efficiently supply CSR (Ellerup Nielsen & Thomsen, 2007). Some of the most common and crucial areas firms are expected to be engaged in (and address in their sustainability reports) are: the health and safety of employees, environmental issues and helping local communities. Failing to meet these expectations might decrease a firm’s legitimacy (Ellerup Nielsen & Thomsen, 2007). Conversely, in 2001, McWilliams and Siegel argued that CSR activities could create competitive advantages since it was a differentiation strategy. When major changes occur in industries, firms might need to change their strategies to sustain their competitive advantage (Porter, 1996). Increasingly more firms are engaged in CSR activities; being ethical can thus no longer be seen as a competitive advantage (Bhattacharya, Korschun, & Sen, 2008). However, Carroll and Shabana (2010) notes that CSR activities are important when building relations with stakeholders; so while it is not a differentiation strategy anymore (McWilliams & Siegel, 2001) it can still increase firms’ competitiveness.

2.4. The Demand for CSR

This section discusses different components of the consumer demand for CSR, more specifically, consumer awareness, attitude, and buying behavior.

2.4.1. Consumer Awareness

Sen, Bhattacharya, and Korschun (2006) argues that a common mistake made in CSR studies is assuming that consumer awareness of CSR exists, while in reality consumers seem to have low knowledge concerning the very notion of CSR. The basic concept of CSR is that firms have a number of responsibilities in the society (Carroll, 1991). However, it has been proven difficult for firms to communicate what they actually do to
meet these responsibilities (McWilliams et al., 2006), resulting in confused consumers with low awareness of what CSR entails (Mohr, Webb, & Harris, 2001).

Mohr et al. (2001) believes that firms should provide education programs for consumers to teach them why CSR activities are important, and why consumers should encourage products with CSR attributes. Sen et al. (2006) complies that firms need to put more effort into raising the level of CSR awareness of consumers. They conclude that more aware consumers are good for the firm, as aware consumers are more likely to identify themselves with the firm and its brand, have greater purchase intentions, invest in the firm, and seek employment in sustainable firms (Sen et al., 2006). Using advertising to promote CSR activities could be a way to raise the level of CSR awareness among consumers according to McWilliams and Siegel (2001), since unaware consumers might buy a substitute product without CSR attributes. In addition, mass media can affect consumers’ tastes and preferences associated with firms depending on how firms’ CSR activities are treated in public press (McWilliams & Siegel, 2001).

When promoting CSR activities to raise the consumer awareness, firms typically use two different types of CSR programs: promotional and institutional (Pirsch, Gupta, & Grau, 2007). With promotional CSR programs firms can raise consumer awareness of their CSR activities through promotional marketing campaigns, consequently promotional CSR programs are short-term profit oriented with focus on generating as much consumer response as possible (Pirsch et al., 2007). Institutional CSR programs are long-term cause oriented, driven by continuous goals, focused on reaching not just consumers, but all stakeholders (Pirsch et al., 2007). According to Pirsch et al. (2007), consumers aware of firms developing promotional CSR programs are skeptical and see it as a profit-oriented marketing tool; hence institutional CSR programs are more trustworthy as they are more comprehensive and cause oriented. Dowse (2009) claims that a cause oriented institutional CSR program could be just as profit oriented as promotional CSR programs, since trustworthy CSR activities will increase both purchase intents and word of mouth among consumers.

2.4.2. Consumer Attitude

Attitude is a combination of how people evaluate objects, issues, other people, and then how they rate these from positive to negative (Petty, Wegener, & Fabrigar, 1997). Attitude is intangible as it is a reflection of people’s inner feelings and is therefore
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difficult to measure, but can be assessed by linking attitude to actual behavior or asking questions (Asiegbu, Powei, & Iruka, 2012). To conceptualize attitude, Petty, Fabrigar and Wegener (2003) concludes that attitude can be divided into three different components: cognitive, affective, and behavioral. The cognitive aspect of attitude includes how people perceive and understand the functionality of an attitude object, and is evaluated by reasoning. The affective aspect discards reasonable thinking, and is the positive and negative emotions towards an attitude object. The final aspect of attitude is actual behavior, based on how people make decisions based on a combination of understandings and feelings about an attitude object (Petty et al., 2003).

Firms engaged in CSR activities experience increased positive consumer attitude (Sen et al., 2006). Consumers might have more affective associations with firms in terms of increased liking and belief, cognitive associations by acquiring a better understanding of what firms stand for, and a greater intent of actually supporting firms with behavior like purchases and loyalty (Sen et al., 2006). However, Beckmann and Langer (2003) notes that negative CSR activities and unethical firm behavior have a greater negative effect on consumer attitude than positive CSR activities. Demographical variables can also affect consumer attitude towards firms and their products, according to a study concerning organic food consumption (Wang & Sun, 2003). Young people and households with higher disposable income preferred organic food, while marital status, gender, and education showed no significant effect on consumer attitude towards organic food (Wang & Sun, 2003).

2.4.3. Consumer Buying Behavior

While consumers may be in favor of CSR activities, several studies show that consumer buying behavior does not align with the attitude; consequently consumers do not always act as they say (Vermeir & Verbeke, 2006). Consumers indicate willingness to base their purchase decisions on ethical variables as long as it is convenient, but will not make extra efforts to pursue sustainable purchases (Carrigan & Attalla, 2001). According to Auger and Devinney (2007) there exists a gap between consumer attitude and consumer behavior, this gap partly exists due to how surveys sometimes are too narrowly designed. Auger and Devinney (2007) argue that “…surveys on ethical consumerism have used simple ratings scales that may overstate the importance of the ethical issues, since there are clearly more socially-acceptable answers.” (p. 362). Thus, consumers may feel
pressure to answer surveys in an ethical manner to avoid judgement, while in reality other variables are more important when making a purchase decision.

In buying decisions consumers need to consider numerous variables, Boulstridge and Carrigan (2000) argue that the most important variables are product price, convenience, brand familiarity, and quality. Price is a major factor influencing consumers, even if consumers are willing to buy products with CSR attributes for a certain price, they might switch to a substitute product if the price is considerably lower (McWilliams & Siegel, 2001). Vermeir and Verbeke (2006) adds that sustainability is also a key factor in consumer buying decisions, while not the strongest influence.

Mohr and Webb (2005) note that CSR attributes can override other variables if accurate and trustworthy information concerning firms’ CSR activities are known by consumers. Unethical firms cannot compensate the lack of CSR activities by offering consumers low prices (Mohr & Webb, 2005), which tallies with the fact that unethical firm behavior is punished more than ethical firm behavior is praised (Beckmann & Langer, 2003). If consumers are satisfied with how firms engage in CSR activities, if they support the cause, if the product quality is not reduced, and if they do not have to pay premium prices, there is a positive correlation between CSR activities and consumer buying behavior (Bhattacharya & Sen, 2004).

To form an overview of consumer buying behavior, Mohr et al. (2001) divides consumers into four subgroups based on their buying behavior concerning products with CSR attributes. The first subgroup consists of precontemplators, consumers who do not have CSR attributes as a base when purchasing products. These consumers instead base their purchase on price, quality and convenience. The second group, contemplators, do think about CSR and would consider basing purchases on CSR attributes, but it seldom affect the actual buying behavior. The third consumer category is the action group, who has knowledge about CSR, believes that CSR is important, make some effort to disregard unethical firms and engage in sustainable activities such as recycling; however, their buying behavior still remains unchanged. The final consumer subgroup, maintainers, are socially responsible in their buying behavior if they are satisfied with firms’ CSR activities (Mohr et al., 2001).
2.5. Conceptual Model

The purpose of this study is to investigate how consumer awareness, attitude, and buying behavior, in relation to CSR, affect each other; to establish a measurement for consumer demand for CSR. McWilliams and Siegel (2001), use consumer awareness, attitude, and buying behavior as key determinants when assessing the consumer demand for CSR. Their study is however strictly hypothetical, with no empirical material enabling any hypotheses to be accepted. As a result, this study gathers empirical material on consumers’ awareness, attitude and buying behavior to establish a measurement for the consumer demand for CSR. To assess what could be a good measurement for the consumer demand for CSR, the relation between consumer awareness, attitude and buying behavior toward CSR is tested (see hypotheses 1-3). The hypotheses are conceptualized in Figure 2 below, which also serves as the conceptual model for this study.

Hypothesis 1: Consumer awareness affects consumer attitude toward CSR.

Hypothesis 2: Consumer awareness affects consumer buying behavior in relation to CSR.

Hypothesis 3: Consumer attitude affects consumer buying behavior in relation to CSR.

![The Consumer Demand for CSR](image)

Figure 2. How the consumer awareness, attitude, and buying behavior, in relation to CSR, affect each other.
3. Methodological Considerations

This chapter discusses the theoretical method used in this study, including the decision to use positivism, deduction and quantitative data. The empirical method is then introduced, including the operationalization of the survey.

3.1. Research Philosophy

Saunders, Lewis and Thornhill (2009), state that there are different philosophies when conducting research. The philosophy chosen guides the researchers in their research process and the philosophy can be either realism, interpretivism or positivism (Saunders et al., 2009). A realistic philosophy is based on the belief that objects are independent and exist apart from the human mind. Research influenced by a realistic philosophy investigates the forces affecting people instead of investigating people as objects (Saunders et al., 2009). Researchers with an interpretivist philosophy do not believe in generalization, and seek to understand organizations and business situations empathically rather than explanatory (Saunders et al., 2009). According to Bryman and Bell (2015), a positivist research philosophy assumes that only objects recognized by the senses can be seen as real knowledge. Theories and developed hypotheses are used to explain observations, making the result possible to generalize (Saunders et al., 2009). Since this study surveyed people and not their surroundings, a realistic philosophy was not an option. The purpose of the theory was to generate hypotheses that could be compared with the empirical findings to generalize and explain the results; a positivist philosophy was thus used rather than an interpretivist philosophy.

3.2. Research Approach

When conducting research, a qualitative or a quantitative method can be used to gather data. A qualitative method is used when generating non-numerical data and can refer to words, pictures, and video clips (Saunders et al., 2009). Qualitative data is usually collected through interviews or focus groups when the study aims to find exploratory results (Saunders et al., 2009). A quantitative method is used to create explanatory results and to gather numerical data, and is usually collected through surveys (Saunders et al., 2009). To establish a measurement for the consumer demand for CSR, a quantitative research approach was required. When analyzing how one variable (consumer awareness) affects another variable (consumer attitude/buying behavior), quantitative data was
required, as it is difficult to transform qualitative data into statistics (Eliasson, 2010). In addition, given the purpose to see how consumer awareness, attitude, and buying behavior affect each other, without going in depth into consumers’ perceptions regarding CSR, a quantitative research method was used as it is more appropriate when searching for a general answer, and not going in depth (Eliasson, 2010). The quantitative data gathered when surveying consumers was the primary data for this study. Primary data is the empirical data gathered and analyzed in order to complete a specific research, whereas secondary data is the collection and analysis of empirical data that has already been gathered (Bryman & Bell, 2015).

3.3. Research Design
Different approaches are used to connect theory and research; these are either inductive or deductive (Bryman & Bell, 2015). A study with an inductive approach starts with analyzing empirical findings to connect the data with theory, while a deductive approach starts with a theoretical framework and hypotheses, culminating in collecting empirical data (Bryman & Bell, 2015). Thanks to the positivist research philosophy, this study used a deductive approach as the concept of demand for CSR was theorized and hypotheses were stated before any data was collected. When conducting a study it is important to understand what the result can be used for, and remembering the purpose is essential when constructing the method (Andersen, 1998). An exploratory study is used when seeking new insight into a particular phenomenon, and usually requires qualitative data (Saunders et al., 2009). Descriptive studies aim to portray an accurate description of different situations and requires a clear picture of the studied phenomena (Saunders et al., 2009). When explaining relationships between variables, explanatory studies are suitable. The results from an explanatory study can be converted into statistics and test the correlation and significance (Saunders et al., 2009). In this study an explanatory research approach was used given the purpose of investigating how the consumer awareness, attitude, and buying behavior affect each other.

3.4. Empirical Method
This section discusses the empirical method used in this study, and how the sample for the survey was chosen.
3.4.1. Sample

A nonprobability convenience sample was used when gathering primary data through surveys. When using a nonprobability sampling method all qualified respondents do not have the same chance of being chosen for the sample (Fink, 2003). Students in business administration and teachers at pre- and secondary-school level were chosen to capture a mixture of both younger and older consumers; reminiscent of a nonprobability sample. Students, in particular, were chosen to increase the validity of the study, as surveying students generally results in high response rates (Befring, 1994). 106 students were surveyed during the first minutes of a class, which is called a convenience sample. A convenience sample is collected when the respondents are conveniently available (Fink, 2003). The response rate among the students was 100 %, since 106 surveys were distributed and 106 complete surveys were collected. The teachers were surveyed online as a selected teacher distributed the survey to her colleagues. This was reminiscent of a snowball sample, where a study rely on one individual of a group to recognize other individuals of the population (Fink, 2003). To avoid bias, the chosen individual should not be part of the sample (Fink, 2003), hence the selected teacher in this study did not participate in the survey herself. The survey was distributed online to 60 teachers, with 31 responses, corresponding to a response rate of 52 %.

3.5. Operationalization

In order to conduct a quantitative study, concepts of interest were translated into measurable items and this process is usually referred to as operationalization (Bryman & Bell, 2015). To investigate consumers’ awareness, attitude and buying behavior in relation to CSR activities, a survey was conducted. The survey consisted of 10 questions with 1 background question regarding the demographical variable age, which served as a control variable, and 9 questions with different statements the respondents had to consider.

3.5.1. Dependent Variables

A dependent variable is affected by other variables (Saunders et al., 2009), and the dependent variables in this study was the attitude towards CSR activities and the buying behavior among the respondents. The respondents had to consider 20 different attitudinal statements to decide whether it was very important or not important to them. When measuring attitudinal variables, a Likert scale ranging from 1 to 7 is often used (Bryman...
If the respondents found the statement very important they gave it a score of 7, if they found it neither important nor not important a score of 4 was given, and if it was not important a score of 1 was given. To ask relevant questions that would measure consumer attitude towards CSR activates in the fast fashion industry, the questions had to be based on something. The questions primarily originated from the GRI sustainability reporting guidelines, as they are commonly used by firms when constructing sustainability reports to inform stakeholders about CSR activities (Global Reporting Initiative, 2015). However, some aspects in annual reports are naturally more valuable than other aspects to the specific groups (Adams, Hill, & Roberts, 1998). As a result, this study chose to focus on aspects (in the GRI guidelines) that are more relevant to the consumer stakeholders. By dividing statements into 3 categories (environmental, product responsibility, and labor practices), with 20 aspects, the respondents’ attitude towards CSR activities could be assessed. To measure buying behavior the respondents had to answer 3 questions inspired by a previous study (Carrigan & Attalla, 2001). By using a Likert scale, ranging from 1 to 7, the respondents had to state how important different aspects are when making a purchase. In addition, the respondents were asked to state how often their purchase is affected by environmental features; and how often their purchase is affected when unethical firm behavior is detected.

### 3.5.2. Independent Variables

An independent variable affects a dependent variable (Saunders et al., 2009), thus consumer awareness of CSR activities was one of the independent variables in this study. To test the third hypothesis, consumer attitude also served as an independent variable in combination of the dependent variable consumer buying behavior. To assess the awareness, the respondents answered 3 questions in the first section of the survey, partly using the same scales as a previous study (Schmeltz, 2012). The first question used a Likert scale ranging from 1 to 7, asking how environmentally aware the respondents were in their daily lives; 7 denoted very aware, 4 denoted neither aware nor not aware, and 1 denoted not aware. The third question used the same labels and the respondents were asked how aware they were of firms’ sustainable efforts. The second question read if the respondents strive to become more aware, with the labels ranging from a great extent to a very small extent.
3.6. Reliability

If a study can generate similar results when different researchers replicate the method used, the study has high reliability (Bryman & Bell, 2015). In order to test reliability, the conditions have to be as similar to the original study as possible; and to increase the level of reliability, researchers should measure the same variable using different questions (Eliasson, 2010). To increase the reliability of this study, the different variables were measured with more than one question. Consumer awareness was measured with 3 questions, attitude was measured with 3 questions, and buying behavior was measured with 3 questions. To test the reliability further, a Cronbach’s alpha test was used to assess the internal reliability of the survey. Internal reliability measures if the scales on different questions are consistent or not (Bryman & Bell, 2015). In order to reach an acceptable Cronbach’s Alpha value for the 3 buying behavior questions, 3 of the 5 statements (concerning how purchase is affected) were removed.

3.7. Validity

When conducting a study, it is important to measure the phenomena accurately to ensure that the study is valid (Eliasson, 2010). Previous research was used as an inspiration to insure valid measurements for this study, as Schmeltz (2012) was used to create the questions for measuring consumer awareness and attitude; while Mohr and Webb (2005) and Carrigan and Attalla (2001) was used to assert buying behavior. To gain validity, it is important to measure what was intended to be measured (Saunders et al., 2009). As a result, the concepts discussed in the theory chapter were used in the survey to ensure that the correct phenomena were measured. When collecting secondary data it is more difficult to assess the validity as researchers do not have complete knowledge of how the data was gathered and presented (Saunders et al., 2009). To increase the validity of secondary data, researchers should gather data as close to the original source as possible (Saunders et al., 2009). However, this study did not rely on any secondary data, as it solely focused on the data collected in the survey.

3.8. Statistical Method

The data from the surveys were analyzed in IBM SPSS Statistics version 23, as it is one of the most commonly used computer software for analyzing quantitative data (Bryman
The statistical analysis began with dividing the respondents into age groups by creating frequency tables. The year of birth of the respondents served as a control variable, and 3 groups were created using the definitions as defined by Strauss and Howe (1991), with Baby Boomers born between 1943-1960, Generation X (1961-1981), and Generation Y (1982-2000). In addition, the respondents were also grouped into 2 different age groups. The first group ranged from 1943 to 1981 and the second group ranged from 1982 to 2000, to see if conditions would change with different age groups. A Kolmogorov-Smirnov test is used to assess if data is normally distributed (Saunders et al., 2009), and was used to test the normality of the data in this study. To assert if the consumer awareness, attitude, and buying behavior differed between ages, the non-parametric tests, Kruskal-Wallis H Test and Mann-Whitney U Test, were used. When conducting tests with 3 age groups, a Kruskal-Wallis test was preferred instead of a Mann-Whitney U Test, as it allows comparison between 3 or more groups (Pallant, 2013). With 2 age groups, a Mann-Whitney U Test was used to test differences in consumer awareness, attitude and buying behavior among the respondents. To test the hypotheses, mean values for the responses in the 3 different survey sections (awareness, attitude, and buying behavior) were calculated in Microsoft Excel, which generated 3 different mean variables. The hypotheses were examined with a Spearman rank correlation test in combination with a scatterplot. The first hypothesis examined the mean variable for attitude in combination of the mean variable of awareness level. The second and third hypotheses examined the mean variables for awareness and attitude in combination of mean variable for buying behavior.
4. Empirical Findings

This chapter presents the SPSS results from the survey. Modified tables are used to frame the results, making it more comprehensible but all the original tables appear as appendix.

4.1. Quantitative Results

When reviewing the frequency tables created for the age groups it is noticeable that the majority (78.8%) of the respondents are born between 1982 and 2000. Table 1 demonstrates that respondents born before 1982 are almost equally divided between the first 2 age groups, however they are considerably fewer than those born after 1982. When combining age groups (Table 2), the older generations acquire a higher percentage of the total respondents (21.2%).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year of Birth</th>
<th>Frequency</th>
<th>Percent</th>
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<tr>
<td>1943-1960</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>9.5</td>
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<tr>
<td>1961-1981</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>11.7</td>
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<td>1982-2000</td>
<td>108</td>
<td>78.8</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>137</strong></td>
<td><strong>100.0</strong></td>
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Some of the following results lack full valid answers, as some values are missing in the questions concerning attitude (Appendix 2). Table 3 presents the mean score of the respondents’ answers in the survey. The Likert scales ranged from 1 to 7, where attitude receives the highest mean (4.85), while awareness has the lowest mean (2.94). A complete table of all the descriptive statistics is provided in Appendix 14.

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<tr>
<td>Mean Attitude</td>
<td>134</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>4.85</td>
<td>1.17</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mean Awareness</td>
<td>137</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>2.94</td>
<td>1.24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mean Buying Behavior</td>
<td>137</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>3.00</td>
<td>1.38</td>
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<td>Valid N (listwise)</td>
<td>134</td>
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A Cronbach’s Alpha value above 0.7 is acceptable, but a value above 0.8 is desirable (Pallant, 2013). The Cronbach’s Alpha for the 3 questions concerning awareness is 0.929 and the 3 attitude questions consisting of 20 statements have a value of 0.948. The
Cronbach’s Alpha for the questions regarding buying behavior is 0,919 (Appendix 3), when statements concerning price, convenience, brand, and quality is excluded. Why these statements were excluded is elaborated on further in the discussion section. However, Table 4 demonstrates an overview of what the respondents deemed most important as purchase influencers.

Table 4. Purchase Influencers

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Influencer</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
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<tr>
<td>Price</td>
<td>22.3%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Convenience</td>
<td>22.3%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Brand</td>
<td>24.4%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Quality</td>
<td>16.8%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Environmental Aspects</td>
<td>14.1%</td>
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</table>

The result from the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test (Table 5) prove that the data is not normally distributed, as all values are significant at values below 0.05. As a result, the remaining tests are non-parametric.

Table 5. Tests of Normality

<table>
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<th>Statistic</th>
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<tr>
<td>Mean Awareness</td>
<td>0.141</td>
<td>137</td>
<td>0.000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mean Attitude</td>
<td>0.081</td>
<td>134</td>
<td>0.029</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mean Buying Behavior</td>
<td>0.127</td>
<td>137</td>
<td>0.000</td>
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</table>

When conducting a Mann-Whitney U Test, significant values are equal to or less than 0.05 (Asymp. Sig.). The result from the Mann-Whitney U Test (Table 6) shows that there are significant differences in attitude (0.043) and buying behavior (0.018) between ages when using 2 age groups. There is no significant difference in awareness (0.368) when comparing respondents born between 1943-1981 and 1982-2000. If 3 age groups are compared, using a Kruskal-Wallis H Test, none of the variables are significant (see Appendix 5).
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Table 6. Test Statistics

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
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<th>Mean Attitude</th>
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<th>Mean Awareness</th>
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<tr>
<td>Asymp. Sig. (2-tailed)</td>
<td>0.043</td>
<td>0.018</td>
<td>0.368</td>
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a. Grouping Variable: 2 Age Groups

In addition, Table 7 presents the mean differences between age groups 1943-1981 and 1982-2000. It is noticeable that the first age group has a greater mean rank in attitude, buying behavior and awareness; however, given Table 6, the differences in awareness are not significant.

Table 7. Mean Ranks 2 Age Groups

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<th>2 Age Groups</th>
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<tr>
<td>Mean Attitude</td>
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<tr>
<td>1943-1981</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>81.31</td>
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<td>1982-2000</td>
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<td>64.18</td>
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<td>Mean Buying Behavior</td>
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<td>1943-1981</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>84.48</td>
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<td>64.84</td>
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<tr>
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<tr>
<td>1943-1981</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>74.86</td>
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<td>1982-2000</td>
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<td>67.43</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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Table 8 presents all the respondents combined attitude toward different CSR activities. The respondents care the most about aspects concerning labor practices and decent work, while environmental aspects are somewhat less important. Child labor, anti-corruption, and chemical management scores high, while clean water and fair wages are not as prioritized. Table 9 demonstrates a compiled categorical result of the consumer attitude.
By reviewing the results from the Spearman rank correlation test, it is evident that all of this studies’ hypotheses are accepted. Results are significant at the 0,05 level, and hypotheses are accepted if tests score values equal or below this level (Pallant, 2013). Hypothesis 1 (Table 10), regarding how consumer awareness affects consumer attitude toward CSR, is accepted since the p-value (0,042) < significant level (0,05). In addition,
the relationship is positive given a positive correlation coefficient (0.176). To assess how strongly the 2 variables correlate, the coefficient of determination is calculated by squaring the correlation coefficient (Pallant, 2013). Awareness and attitude have a shared variance of 3.1% ($0.176^2=3.097$), meaning that 3.1% of the variance in attitude can be explained by the respondents' awareness level.

Table 10. Correlations Hypothesis 1

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<tr>
<td>Spearman's rho</td>
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<td>Mean Awareness</td>
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<tr>
<td>Correlation Coefficient</td>
<td>$0.176^*$</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sig. (2-tailed)</td>
<td>$0.042$</td>
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<td>N</td>
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* Correlation is significant at the 0.05 level (2-tailed).

Hypothesis 2 (Table 11) is also accepted, indicating that consumer awareness affects consumer buying behavior in relation to CSR; since the p-value ($0.003 < 0.01$), with a positive relationship ($0.253$). Awareness and buying behavior have a shared variance of 6.4%, which demonstrates that 6.4% of buying behavior depends on the respondents' awareness level.

Table 11. Correlations Hypothesis 2

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<td>Mean Awareness</td>
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<tr>
<td>Correlation Coefficient</td>
<td>$0.253^*$</td>
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<td>Sig. (2-tailed)</td>
<td>$0.003$</td>
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<td>N</td>
<td>137</td>
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** Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

The result from the final Spearman rank correlation test (Table 12) shows that hypothesis 3, how consumer attitude affects consumer buying behavior in relation to CSR, is accepted as the p-value ($0.000 < 0.01$). The relationship is positive ($0.470$) and 22% of buying behavior can be explained by the respondents’ attitude.
By adding 2 age groups when testing hypothesis 2 (Table 13), the result show that the older age group have a greater coefficient of determination (24%) compared to the younger age group (3.8%). As a result, 24% of variance in buying behavior can be explained by the awareness level of respondents born between 1943-1981. For other differences among age groups, see Appendix 9.

### Table 12. Correlations Hypothesis 3

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<td>Correlation Coefficient</td>
<td>.470**</td>
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<td>Sig. (2-tailed)</td>
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**. Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

### Table 13. Correlations 2 Age Groups

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<td>Correlation Coefficient</td>
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<td>1943-1981</td>
<td>.491**</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mean Awareness</td>
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<tr>
<td>1982-2000</td>
<td>.195*</td>
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<td>Mean Awareness</td>
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**. Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

*. Correlation is significant at the 0.05 level (2-tailed).
5. Discussion

This chapter discusses the empirical findings in relation to theoretical implications presented in the second chapter.

5.1. Analysis

The empirical findings demonstrate similar patterns as discussed in previous studies. The results demonstrate that consumers are somewhat less aware of CSR activities, and not as aware as Schmeltz (2012) suggests; but perhaps more similar to Sen et al. (2006) who states that consumers are not as aware as sometimes believed. Consumers think that CSR activities are somewhat important, indicating a positive attitude toward CSR activities; which aligns with Sen et al. (2006) who notes that firms engaged in CSR activities experience positive consumer attitude. Consumers’ attitude can however shift if firms are too vocal about their environmental achievements (Morsing et al., 2008), further stressing the importance of understanding the consumer demand, as indicated by Daudigeos and Valiorgue (2011). Vermeir and Verbeke (2006) argue that consumers do not always act as they say, which is apparent in this study as well. While consumer attitude was relatively high, it did not always reflect in their presumed buying behavior. In comparison to Auger and Devinney (2007), who claim that consumers usually beautify their answers in ethical-themed surveys to avoid judgement; the consumers in this study seem more honest as a majority of the mean values are somewhat low.

The results correspond with Boulstridge and Carrigan (2000), who say that price, convenience, brand familiarity and quality are important purchase influencers. The results demonstrate that quality and price are the strongest influencers in buying behavior and that environmental aspects are less important. This result resembles Vermeir and Verbeke (2006), since environmental aspects did influence buying behavior to an extent, but was not the strongest influencer. Consumers’ willingness to make purchases based on ethical aspects, but failing act upon it, corresponds with Carrigan and Attalla (2001); who state that convenience is crucial if consumers are to adopt ethical buying behavior. When measuring the mean buying behavior, the most important questions are those measuring environmental based buying behavior. Questions concerning how often purchases are affected by CSR attributes, and affected by unethical firm behavior corresponds with the statement regarding what impact CSR attributes have in relation to other aspects.
Questions about price, convenience, brand familiarity and quality are not comparable with the other questions measuring buying behavior; but are interesting as the result of these questions contradict Mohr and Webb (2005) who notes that CSR attributes can override other variables. Mohr and Webb (2005) argue that this is however only possible if firms’ CSR activities are known to consumers, and given the low awareness level of the consumers in this study; the result showing that CSR attributes do not override other variables is plausible.

When assessing how age differences affect awareness, attitude and buying behavior, it is evident that there are significant differences in attitude and buying behavior, but not in awareness. The older consumers seem more willing to base purchases on environmental aspects than the younger consumers, and seem more positive toward CSR activities. This result is contradictory to previous studies claiming that younger consumers are more environmentally conscious than older generations (Wang & Sun, 2003; Schmeltz, 2012). This study never focused on discussing differences in CSR affiliations among ages, but the results proved more interesting than assumed. Hence, this study cannot explain these differences, but the price aspect might be the reason why the younger consumers are less influenced by environmental aspects. Students (the majority of the younger respondents) might have a lower disposable income compared to the older respondents, and might not be able to dedicate funds to ethical consumption.

The different subgroups discussed in Mohr et al. (2001), are difficult to detect in this study. The younger consumers show tendencies of being precontemplators, as their purchases are more likely influenced by price, quality and convenience, in combination of a low mean value in buying behavior. Considering Schmeltz (2012), the younger respondents in this study should have been labeled as contemplators or the action group; as younger consumers are environmentally aware and desire CSR activities (Schmeltz, 2012). The older consumers’ buying behavior align with Bhattacharya and Sen (2004), as they are more influenced by environmental aspects in their buying behavior but still value price, quality and convenience above environmental aspects. Therefore, the older consumers cannot be labeled as maintainers, as they are instead a combination of contemplators and the action group. These subgroups consider CSR and their buying behavior is sometimes, sometimes not, affected by environmental aspects (Mohr et al., 2001).
When moving on to the hypotheses, the results demonstrate that consumers’ awareness level have a positive effect on their attitude toward CSR activities and that awareness also affects consumers’ buying behavior in relation to CSR. However, the effect is quite unsubstantial in both cases; which could be troublesome for fast fashion firms, as Sen et al. (2006) argue that more aware consumers are good for the firm. Aware consumers are important for firms when establishing relationships (Sen et al., 2006), which in turn can generate economic value (Pivato et al., 2008). In addition, unaware consumers might overlook products with CSR attributes and buy a substitute, less ethical, product from another firm (McWilliams & Siegel, 2001). Firms in the fast fashion industry should therefore strive to raise the awareness level among consumers, as higher awareness evidently leads to more positive attitude and buying intentions. To raise the awareness, firms could perhaps revisit their promotional programs and focus on long term institutional CSR programs. Consumers find institutional CSR programs trustworthy since these programs are comprehensive and cause oriented (Pirsch et al., 2007), and can lead to increased buying behavior (Dowse, 2009). When testing how consumer awareness affects consumer buying behavior in relation to CSR, using 2 age groups, the older consumers are more likely than the younger consumers to increase their buying behavior if their awareness rises. Once again, this study cannot explain the differences between ages, but a possible explanation could be that a majority of the older consumers might have a higher disposable income; making it possible to dedicate more funds to ethical consumption.

The results indicate that attitude have a positive effect on consumer buying behavior in relation to CSR. Given the relatively high coefficient of determination value (22%), it is evident that consumers’ attitude is influencing buying behavior to a greater extent than awareness. This result demonstrates that consumer attitude is perhaps the most important factor when measuring the consumer demand for CSR; which contradicts McWilliams and Siegel (2001) who state that consumer awareness, attitude and buying behavior together are key determinants when assessing the demand for CSR. However, creating revenues are vital for all firms, especially for firms engaged in CSR activities as they are costly (Chapple et al., 2005); making the consumers’ buying behavior an important component of the demand for CSR. This study shows that more aware consumers do result in increased buying behavior, but positive consumer attitude have far more effect
on buying behavior; implying that consumer attitude can be used to measure the consumer demand for CSR.

It could be argued that measuring consumers’ buying behavior to establish the consumer demand for CSR would then suffice, as it would result in undeniable facts and tangible sales figures. On the other hand, CSR is not tangible. To a great extent, CSR is about building relationships and creating goodwill (Sen et al., 2006), that in the long run can create profitable effects for firms (Du et al., 2010). Raising the CSR awareness level among consumers is important to avoid substitute purchases of unethical products (McWilliams & Siegel, 2001); and measuring sales figures will always be important to ensure profitability (Chapple et al., 2005). But, when trying to establish what the demand is, measuring consumers’ attitude should be enough as it, in many ways, is a combination of both tangible and intangible aspects (Petty et al., 2003). When dividing attitude into cognitive, affective, and behavioral components (Petty et al., 2003), it covers both the tangible and intangible manners of demand; making it even more plausible to use attitude as a measurement for demand. The respondents with the best understanding and most affection for CSR activities were also the ones who would base purchases on CSR attributes.

Instead of investigating different aspects such as awareness, attitude, and buying behavioral when establishing the demand for CSR (McWilliams & Siegel 2001); settling on surveying consumers’ attitude should be enough. Establishing the consumer demand is vital since firms need to manage their resources with care, as implied by Mintzberg (1983) and Johnson (2003). By listening and adjusting to the consumer demand, firms can better manage their resources and more efficiently supply CSR (Ellerup Nielsen & Thomsen, 2007). Again, this is only possible if the demand is known. Firms in the fast fashion industry need to make sure the consumers understand the cause for the CSR engagement, perhaps by providing educational programs informing consumers about CSR, as suggested by Mohr et al. (2001). Most importantly, consumers need to like what the brand and the company stands for to affect their attitude toward CSR (Sen et al., 2006).
6. Conclusion

This chapter concludes the study with a callback to the hypotheses and the conceptual model. The research question is answered and this study’s contributions to the field of CSR, as well as managerial implications, and processual reflections are elaborated on, followed by limitations and future research suggestions.

6.1. Concluding remarks

In order to successfully align the supply with the demand, firms need to establish the demand for CSR. When the demand is better known, the fast fashion industry can possibly adjust their supply more efficiently, as supplying inferior CSR activities than demanded can have negative impact on economic value; while exceeding the demand for CSR activities is not rewarded (Bråtenius & Melin, 2015). By measuring consumers’ attitude towards CSR, firms in the fast fashion industry indirectly measure the consumer demand for CSR, as indicated by this study. Using consumers’ attitude as a measurement for the consumer demand for CSR, originated from elaborating on three hypotheses on how consumers’ awareness, attitude, and buying behavior affected each other. The empirical findings demonstrate that attitude had the most effect on consumers’ buying behavior in relation to CSR. As buying behavior is an important component of demand, given its tangible nature, it illustrates the value of the effect of consumer attitude, and why it is a good measurement for demand. However, the consumer demand consists of both tangible and intangible aspects which also apply to consumer attitude. This further indicates that measuring consumer attitude can suffice when measuring the consumer demand for CSR. When now reviewing the conceptual model presented in the second chapter, it is evident that investigating attitude is superior to investigating how consumers’ awareness, attitude, and buying behavior, in relation to CSR, affect each other. As a result, focusing merely on consumer attitude when measuring the demand for CSR could be preferable.

If firms want to find a CSR sweet spot, they need to successfully align their supply with the demand for CSR, as indicated by McWilliams and Siegel (2001). As the supply of CSR is internal and self-regulated the challenge lies in establishing the consumer demand. Previous research demonstrates the difficulties of establishing a measurement for consumer demand for CSR (McWilliams et al., 2006), but this study provides a useful measurement to establish the demand by focusing on consumers’ attitude. When the
demand is known, firms can focus on solely providing the CSR activities consumers seem to value and care about. This could create more revenues and individual firms could become more competitive (Chapple et al., 2005). As stated by Porter and Kramer (2006), one firm cannot solve all the world’s problems, but would perhaps be more willing to solve a few if it found an ideal level of CSR engagement. By establishing the consumer demand for CSR and aligning the firm supply with that demand, finding the CSR sweet spot is possible.

### 6.2. Implications and Processual Reflection

This study provides important findings, namely that consumer attitude is the best indicator of the consumer demand for CSR. If managers have some knowledge about market research, they can save both time and resources knowing that attitude deserves their full attention when searching for the consumer demand. Only measuring sales figures to establish the demand for CSR can be misleading, as the results from CSR activities can be long time oriented (Du et al., 2010). Consequently, managers should focus on the consumers’ attitude. The theoretical implication lies in contributing empirical evidence into the discussion of supply-and-demand for CSR. The discussion by McWilliams and Siegel (2001) is explicitly hypothetical, and other scientists (as Chapple et al., 2005; Daudigeos & Valiorgue, 2011; Bråtenius & Melin, 2015) have in different ways brought the discussion forward. This study demonstrate that positive consumer awareness and attitude have a positive effect on consumers’ buying behavior, in relation to CSR; but attitude have far more effect on buying behavior. This revelation, in combination with the intangible aspects of attitude, makes consumer attitude a good measurement when establishing the consumer demand for CSR.

When reflecting on the lessons learned from this study they are plenty, and will be useful when writing a master thesis. The first lesson, and perhaps the most important is to work with the problematizing thoroughly, and to understand that it has to be rewritten and scrutinized numerous times during the process. A lesson learned from writing the theory chapter is that there are no short-cuts; you have to read a vast amount of articles to be able to understand the material and use the arguments correctly. Another experience gained from this study is that once you understand the underlying statistics used when conducting surveys, asking the right questions is much easier. Also, the expression “kill
“your darlings” was a reoccurring message, as many pages that were written never ended up in the final version of the thesis.

6.3. Limitations
A notable limitation could be the differences in age group sizes. While the entire sample was large, the younger consumers constituted almost 80% of the total sample, perhaps making comparison between the two groups skewed. In addition, since the teachers were surveyed online, our influence on the gathering process was limited. Had we gone to the school and distributed the survey, as we did with the students, the number of responses could possibly have been higher. This could have resulted in a more equally divided sample, more representative of a population.

6.4. Future Research
It would be interesting to use other control variables to further elaborate on the findings of this study. The differences in attitude and buying behavior between ages could perhaps be supplemented by collecting information concerning the respondents’ disposable income and other demographical variables. With a purpose focusing on how consumers’ awareness, attitude, and buying behavior toward CSR differed using many control variables, interesting findings and revelations could be sought. Finally, it would be interesting to complement this study with qualitative study, going more in depth on consumer perception of CSR.
7. List of References


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8. Appendices

This chapter provides all the appendices for this study.

Appendix 1

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a. Listwise deletion based on all variables in the procedure.

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Appendix 4
Kolmogorov-Smirnov, test of normality.

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<td>Percent</td>
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Histogram

Mean = 4.85
Std. Dev. = 1.185
N = 134

Normal Q-Q Plot of Mean Attitude
Detrended Normal Q-Q Plot of Mean Attitude

Observed Value

Dev from Normal

Mean Attitude
### Descriptives Buying Behavior

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a. Only a partial list of cases with the value 1,00 are shown in the table of lower extremes.

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a. Lilliefors Significance Correction
### Case Processing Summary Awareness

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Appendix 5
A Kruskal-Wallis H Test for 3 age groups, followed by a Mann-Whitney U Test for 2 age groups.

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  \item b. Grouping Variable: 3 Age Groups
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- **a.** Kruskal Wallis Test
- **b.** Grouping Variable: 3 Age Groups

### Ranks Attitude

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- **a.** Grouping Variable: 2 Age Groups

### Ranks Buying Behavior

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- **a.** Grouping Variable: 2 Age Groups

### Ranks Awareness

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### Appendix 6

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Appendix 8

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**. Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

Scatterplot.
## Appendix 9

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Appendix 10

Hypothesis 3 tested with Spearman rho.

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Scatterplot.
**Appendix 11**

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Appendix 12
Survey in English.

**Survey Annell & Terman 2016**

**Part 1**

We are two Business Administration students at Kristianstad University with focus on International Business and Marketing. We conduct this survey as a part of our Bachelor Thesis in our final semester. This survey is voluntary and will be kept confidentially.

* 1. Year of birth? (e.g. 1992)

* 2. How environmentally aware are you in your daily life?

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* 3. Do you strive towards becoming more environmentally aware?

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* 4. How aware are you of fast fashion firms’ CSR activities?

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* 5. How much is your purchase affected by the following aspects?

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* 6. How often are your purchases affected by CSR attributes of products?

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7. How often are your purchases affected if unethical firm behavior is revealed?

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When you answer the following questions, imagine a fast fashion firm similar to H&M and MQ.

**8. How important are the following activities for you?**

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### Appendix 13
Survey in Swedish.

#### Enkät Annell & Terman 2016

**Del 1**

Vi är två studenter som läser tredje året på ekonomiprogrammet med inriktning Internationellt Företagande och Marknadsföring vid Högskolan Kristianstad. Vi gör en undersökning i samband med vår kandidatuppsats och dina svar är värdefulla för oss. Enkäten är frivillig och kommer behandlas konfidentiellt.

* 1. Vilket år är du född? (Tx. 1992)

* 2. Hur miljömedveten är du i vardagen?

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