# **ABSTRACT**

In cottduettng **this** study, the researcher has used lbur chapters plus the nüoduction. These chapters can he summarized as fellows:

## Iwttrodq]ction

This includes the research plan, which contains the following:

- Research hypotheses
- Impo'tance of research
- Research prahleo,s
- Resc~uvh goals
- Research procedures
- Research limitations
- Suitable statistic maiysis
- Previous sbdies

### Chapter I

The first chapter is the review of the literature which consists of Arabic and English references, peiodicals, and scientific researches dealing with the s~une field. This litemttire is reflected in the marketing concept, which developed the new marketing concept. The literature is concerned wit Ii the concept of 'uiarketing and developing the concept to reach the new concept of marketing. lii addition. i covers the objectives of marketing process and the criticism pointing to marketing us a task in the organization. The literature also clarifies the mix 'iiarkrtittg and its most i 'rpc,iant components such as product platmisug, pricing, distributing and promoting. It also clarifies the marketing rtibrniation systems, the components of this system, lie difference between the marketiiig iutfont'ation system n'd marketing researches. The I iteratttre also discusses the significance of the snarLeting information systems, the concept of consumer behavior, the difference betwee't individual consumer and organi, atioilal consumer and the iraso, t behind the consumer behavior study. The literature also viewed objective marketing, subdividing the markets and their various bases, planning ofmarketing strategy and substitution marketing. Finally lie literature reviews the balance between marketing planning md the conditions taken in to consideration while preparing tltc marketing plan.

#### Chapter 2

The second chapter includes the following: The significance of postal selling vised as a tool for direct marketing md the nature of the market for direct selling rn Saudi Arabia. It also gives a brief explanation of direct postal selling, the concept of direct marketing and direct post, the basic elements ofte direct post and the required elements for elliciency of direct postal selling. It also covers the new trends in direct selling and the postal senices in Saudi Arabia. Ibis chapter a~so discusses the factors that lcd to more concern about the postal services and the different types of services, as well as the bulk of postal coverage in the main cities of Saudi Arabia. It also discusses the role of dte private sector in providing the postal services, the market in the

main cities, which are postal covered, and the special conditions concerning the

weight and the address of postal items. This chapter also discusses tine behavior of the Saudi consumer in the market Iowii,ds lie direct postal selling as well as tIm development phase of the niarketing activities in the kingdom. Ft'rthicr more, it covers tile properties of the consumer goods sold directly by post in Saudi Arabia. inc relation between the consumers and the consumer goods. and the types of cons amer goods and senices. it also disct'sses lie conditions provided for lie conIst'Incr goods sold by direct postal selling in the kingdom.

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lhe third chapter includes statexic'it analysis arid the hypütlieses test using the proper statistic procedure such as [SPSS] and Ti test to measure the 'uieanhntgii'I diB~rences, mathematical averages, standaxd deviation and oilier proper methods. The

study was conducted by testing the Ewpotliescs through analyzing I he statistical tests of the statements of the study stated in the list of the questionnaire to give'l to consui',crs in main cities of the kingdom J Riyadh  $\_$  Jeddah  $\_$  flammarr,J

# Chapter 4

[he fou'ihi chapter is the results of lie analysis of the tables *and* hypotheses tests. Finally, the studeni viewed tine jdvices concerning the study. which could wi Ii in ensuring the ciliciency direct posuil rn~keting.

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- 2. internal and external enviturt'tiental charges led to increased consideration wand cei's trrTi er behavior.
- 3. Market divi, ions led to the development ofmnixed marketing and eo'isideration lowards a balanced market plan.
- 4. There are general conclusions about the advantages and disadvantages of marketing and direct postal sd hThg.
- 5. Them are developmental phases of marketing ad ivities and consumer behavior in Saudi Arabia
- 6. Verification of hypotheses

'lie study reached the following recommendations:

General recommendations

- 2. Special recommendations
- 3. Reconi, tendations for further researel