



The New Rules of meCommerce:
Consumer-Centric, Distributed Discovery
(and the opportunities it creates for brands)

SMARTCOMMERCE: Commitment and Agenda

SmartCommerce's #1 commitment is to help clients and partners **drive commerce - today and tomorrow.**

Key to that commitment is **early identification of consumer and industry trends**, so that we can build solutions that give our client partners a head start on driving market share in changing conditions.

Today, we're sharing an update of these key drivers, **plus some thought-starters for your brands!**

- Consumer Sentiment (General)
- Meta-Analysis of SmartCommerce Data:
 - Consumer Behaviors (Last 12 Months of actual data on off-retailer consumer commerce actions)
 - Special Report: Consumer Perceptions, Expectations, and Behaviors of the economy



THE CONSUMER: Fear as a cultural norm.

Consumer Sentiments

Fear

Desynchronised Society

Equitable Resilience

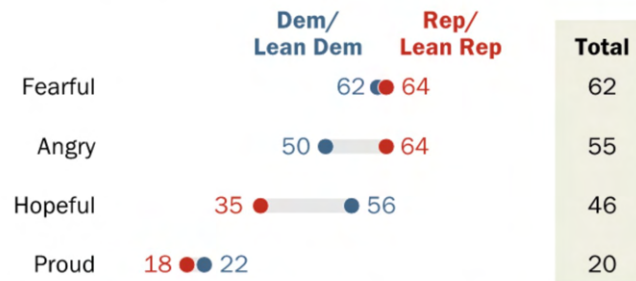
Radical Optimism

A research study on emotional contagion and online virality found that the most-emailed New York Times articles in a three-month period were ones that evoked what are called 'high-arousal' emotions such as awe, anger and fear.

WGSN by Ascential – at <https://www.waze.com/ads/article/2022-shoppers-expectations/>

Majority of U.S. adults say they are 'fearful' about the state of the country

% who say, when thinking about the state of the country these days, they feel ...



Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted Jan. 10-17, 2022.

PEW RESEARCH CENTER



THE CONSUMER: Normalized Anxiety/Depression

Psychological Toll of the Pandemic: A Third of Americans Now Show Signs of Clinical Anxiety or Depression



A third of Americans are showing signs of clinical anxiety or depression, Census Bureau data shows, the most definitive and alarming sign yet of the [psychological toll](#) exacted by the coronavirus pandemic.

When asked questions normally used to screen patients for mental health problems, 24 percent showed clinically significant symptoms of major depressive disorder and 30 percent showed symptoms of generalized anxiety disorder.

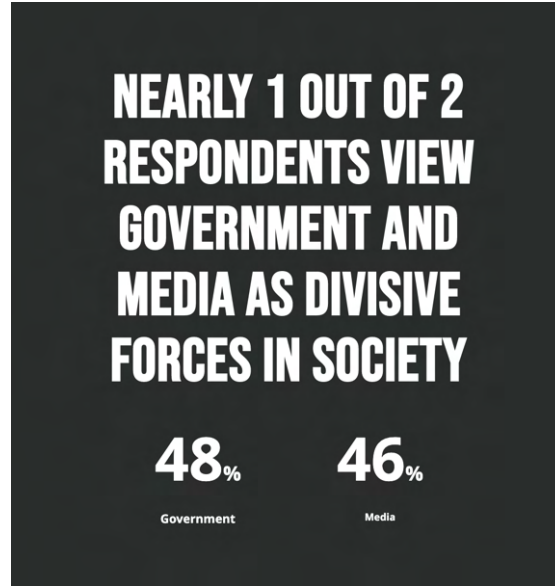
[The findings](#) suggest a huge jump from before the pandemic. For example, on one question about depressed mood, the percentage reporting such symptoms was double that found in a 2014 national survey.



The Spring 2022 Harvard Youth Poll finds that 59% of young Black Americans, 43% of young Asian Americans, and 37% of young Hispanic Americans feel “under attack” “a lot” in America. Nearly half of LGBTQ youth feel under attack “a lot.”



THE CONSUMER: Distrust of Authority/Information

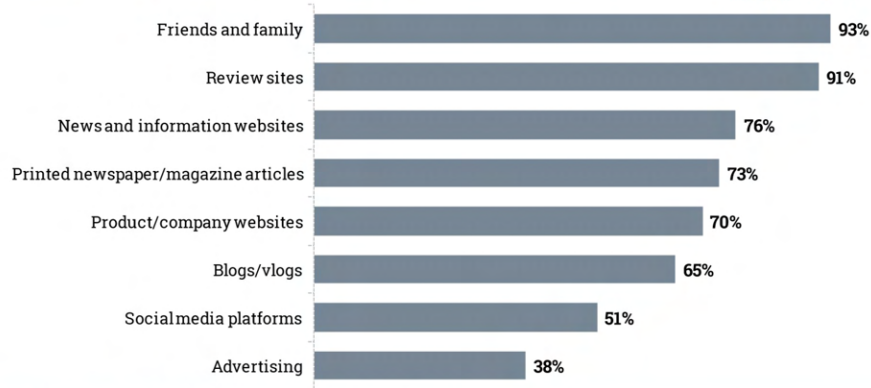


<https://www.edelman.com/trust/2022-trust-barometer>



THE SOCIAL CONSUMER: Finding trust ... in each other

Trust in Brand and Service Information Sources



Published on MarketingCharts.com in June 2020 | Data Source: Kantar

Based on a survey of 7,753 connected consumers in Argentina, Brazil, China, France, Germany, Spain, the UK, and the USA

Q: "Which of the following do you particularly trust to get information about brands and services?"

41% of respondents specified that they found consumer reviews and ratings the most important factor while making a purchase online, while, in comparison, low prices were deemed the most important only by 20% of the same group of respondents. - IntelligenceNode

In 2021, 52% of socially-engaged shoppers made a purchase through a social platform. Further, 35% of non-socially-engaged consumers purchased via social commerce. - Inmar/RetailTouchpoints



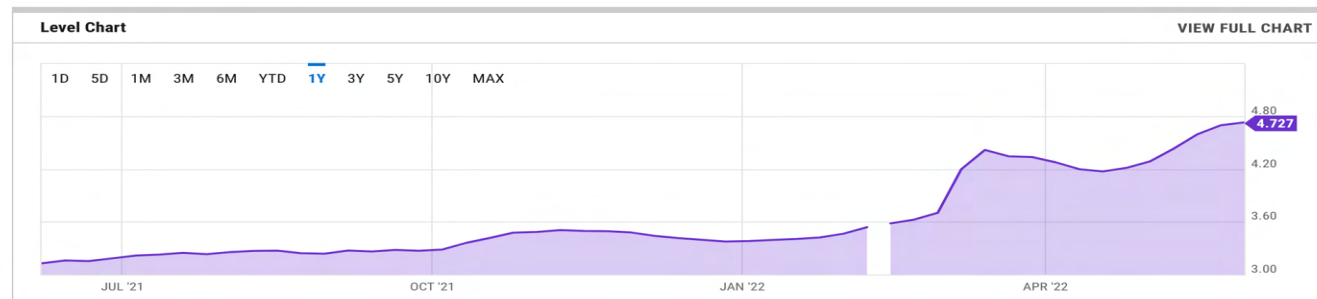
THE ECONOMY

US Retail Gas Price

4.727 USD/gal for Wk of May 30 2022

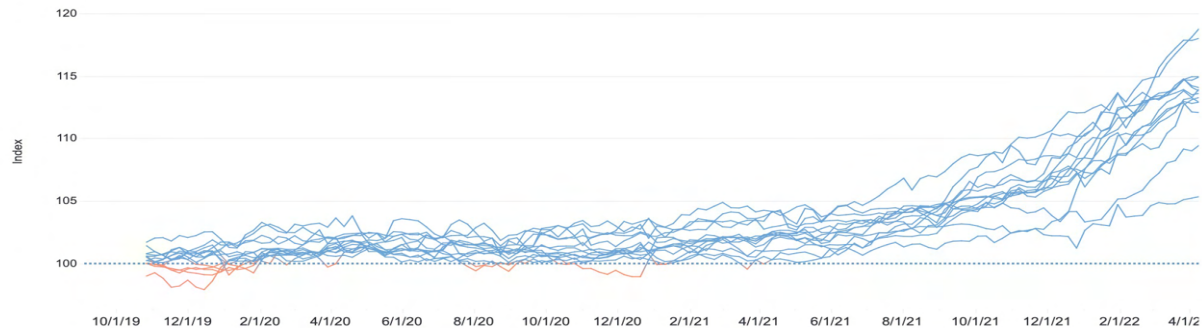
Overview

Interactive Chart



Grocery Price Index

Category



Gas: https://ycharts.com/indicators/us_gas_price. Grocery: <https://datasembly.com/grocery-price-index/>



meCommerce: The Gen3 of shopping, with the consumer at the center

Brand-Centric



Driven by brand consolidation
(retailers still mostly mom & pop).

Consumers and retailers
come to me!

Power plays:

- Differentiation
- “New and Improved”

Brands win with:
Differentiation, reach

Retailer-Centric



Driven by retailer
consolidation
Fueled by data

Brands and consumers
come to me!

Power plays:

- Loyalty programs (data!)
- Lookalike white label
- Retailer media

Brands win with:
Distribution, Visibility

Consumer-Centric

Driven by technology
(enablement) and control

Brands and retailers come to
me (*Whatever I want, however
I want it, whenever I want it*).

Power plays:

- Relevance
- Ease
- Ubiquity

Brands win with:
Convenience, Transparency,
Relevance, Ease, and Ubiquity



meCommerce: The Gen3 of discovery, with the consumer at the center



Consumer action (purchase and repurchase) is driven by relevance and ease:
the right message at the right action moment ... THROUGH HIS/HER FILTER.



And fulfilled the way the consumer wants it.



Old definitions of "in the store" and "out of store" are blurred – in meCommerce, *the store is wherever I am.*



Welcome to an Omnishopping Revolution



FROM:
“Active Shopping” in Stores
17 minutes per day
Retailer-Centric



TO:
“Reactive Shopping”
Everywhere
Any time, any place,
Consumer-Centric


Actively
Shopping



 Passively Shopping



Meta-Analysis of Behavioral Data and Attitudinal Research

WHAT CONSUMERS ARE SHOWING US:

BEHAVIORAL DATA FROM OVER 50 MILLION “REACTIVE SHOPPING” CONSUMERS IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS, dropping >\$3B of products in carts

WHAT CONSUMERS ARE TELLING US:

ATTITUDINAL DATA GATHERED FROM CONSUMERS IN THE LAST 2 MONTHS (focus on current economic conditions)



Reference: Launch Points Used in Analysis

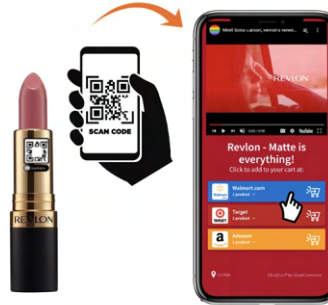
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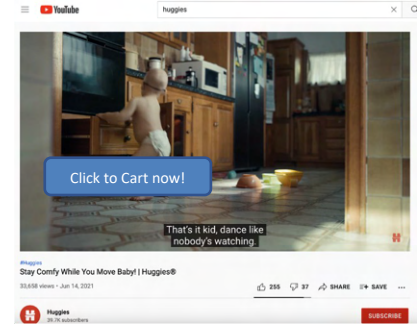
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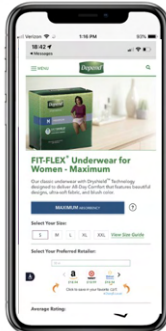
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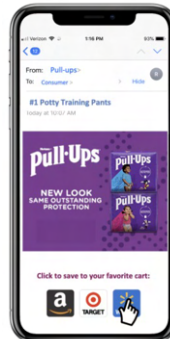
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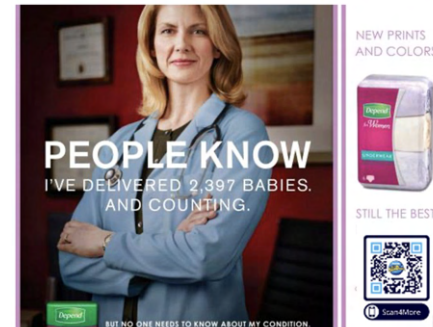
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Email

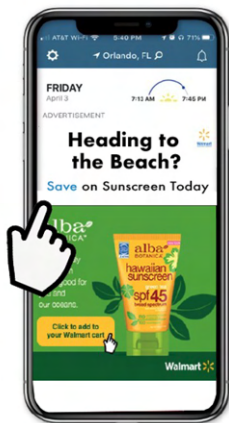


Print



Reference: Paths to Purchase Used in Analysis

Click2Cart
Direct



Direct path from intent to a product in the cart – highest cart rates.
Dynamic OOS substitution

Uses: Display, Video, Social, Email, Influencers, Packaging

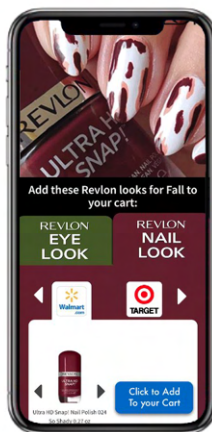
Shopper's
Choice



"Fair and equitable" retailer choice, optimized for user location and retailer stock status. Dynamic OOS substitution.

Uses: Display, Video, Social, Influencers, Packaging

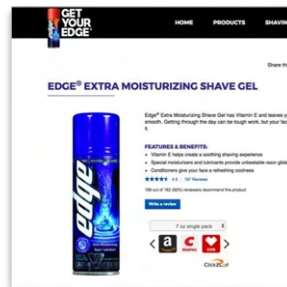
SmartShelf



Brand-owned, curated virtual "shelf" - lets a shopper choose among brands or make complex choices. Dynamic OOS substitution.

Uses: Influencers, Packaging, E-shop

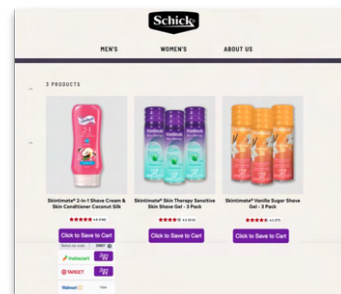
Carousel



Simple code added to product pages that allows a consumer to make a single-click choice among products and send to retailer's carts. Dynamic OOS substitution.

Uses: Websites

SmartButton



Simple code added to category pages that enable a consumer to make a 2-click choice to send to retailers' carts. Dynamic OOS substitution.

Uses: Websites



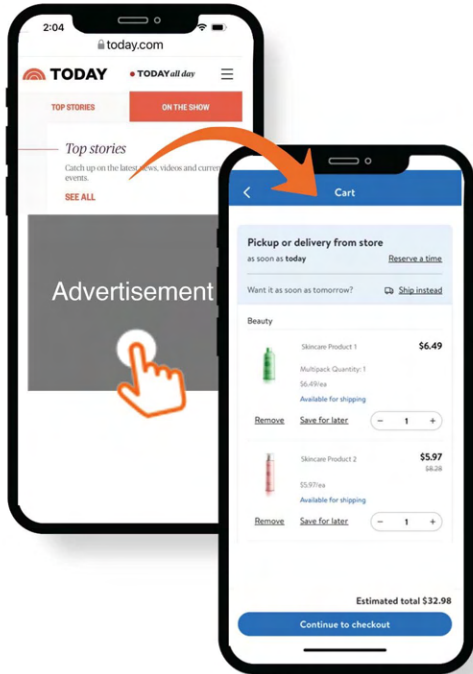
**For mock up purposes only*

Examples Across Brands/Categories

| Category | Type | Description | Results \$ Carted | People Carting | Length | Retailer |
|------------------------|-----------------|---|-------------------|----------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Food | Display Ad | Bundle of 3 Confectionery products with C2C | \$1,000,000 | 25K | 2 weeks | Walmart/Sams |
| Food | OnLine Video Ad | 1 Confectionery product with C2C | \$1,100,000 | 157k | 2 weeks | Walmart/Amazon |
| Food | Display Ad | Single Breakfast Packaged food product with C2C | \$68,000 | 2.3k | 2 weeks | Target |
| Food | Email | Included C2C links, Diet Food brand | \$28,000 | 1.5k | 2 weeks | Walmart |
| Personal Care/Wellness | Text Ad | Google text ad with C2C, Baby Care brand | \$252,000 | 8k | 3 weeks | Amazon |
| Personal Care/Wellness | Email (+coupon) | Included C2C Links, Eye Care brand | \$1,200,000 | 116k | 2 weeks | Target |
| Personal Care/Wellness | Email (+coupon) | Included C2C Links, 2 product bundle, OTC | \$1,150,000 | 45k | 2 weeks | Target |
| Personal Care/Wellness | Email + Website | Email + On-Site Links + Social Posts, OTC brand | \$83,000 | 1.8k | 3 months | Walmart/Target/Amazon |
| Personal Care/Wellness | Integrated Link | Integrated link in a specialty media platform | \$25,000 | 3.1k | 2 weeks | Target |
| Personal Care/Wellness | Integrated Link | Integrated link in a specialty media platform | \$85,000 | 3k | 2 weeks | Walmart/Amazon |
| Personal Care/Wellness | Email | Included Bundled C2C link, beauty brand | \$1,700,000 | 23k | 1 week | Walgreens |
| Household | Email | Included C2C Links, Household Personal Care product | \$179,000 | 3.8k | 2 weeks | Amazon |
| Household | Website | Product Pages on Brand Website, Paper Goods brand | \$112,000 | 3.1k | 8 weeks | ALL |



Skincare Campaign 2 Product Bundle



Campaign Type:
Display Ad

Campaign Length:
4 Weeks

Products Carted:
252,316

Retailers: Walmart,
Amazon and Target

DROVE ACTION

Used 3 Click2Cart
SmartLinks to replace
traditional “learn more”
link, driving action vs.
just interest

SIDESTEPED OOS

Eliminated out of stock
friction by using
SmartSubstitution

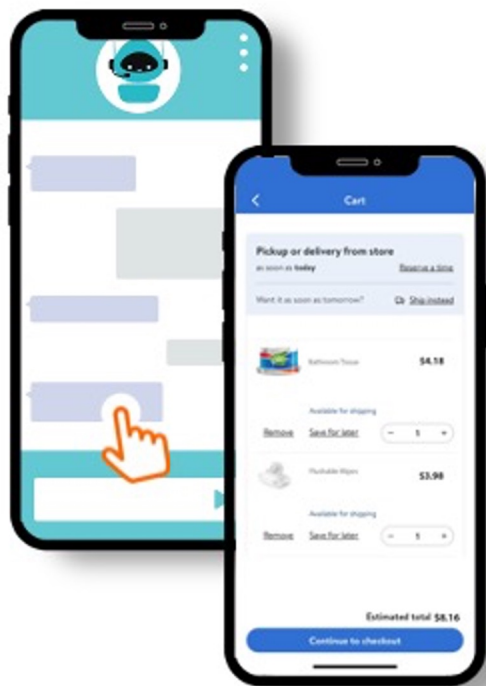
BUNDLED PRODUCTS

Encouraged purchase
of multiple products by
carting all 2 together



Campaign Overview
Skincare

Toilet Paper & Wipes Campaign 2 Product Bundle



Campaign Type:
Chat-bot

Campaign Length:
16 Weeks

Products Carted:
191,961

Retailer: Walmart

DROVE ACTION

Used Click2Cart SmartLink to replace traditional "learn more" link, driving action vs. just interest

SIDESTEPED OOS

Eliminated out of stock friction by using SmartSubstitution

CHAT-BOT CAMPAIGN

Chat-bot Campaign used 1 Click2Cart® SmartLink to add items to Walmart carts



Campaign Overview
Household Items

Reference: Over 2000 Click2Cart Retailers Worldwide Used in Analysis

Walmart 

amazon 

COSTCO
WHOLESALE

 instacart

gopuff



Walgreens

CVS
pharmacy



BJ's

**BEST
BUY** 



**RITE
AID**

meijer

chewy

Publix

THRIVE
- MARKET -

amazonfresh 

...and many more... 



WHAT CONSUMERS ARE **SHOWING US**

1. Reactive Shoppers are Friction-Averse



Data Says: Each intermediary step between intent and purchase loses ~ 80% of interested CPG shoppers.

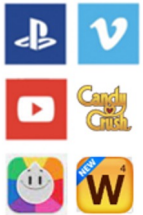
DATA
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Data Says: But not every starting point works the same.

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Games,
Video



Social, banner, email



Influencer



Brand Websites



Samples/
Packaging/
Print (QR)



**HIGHEST
FRICTION
LOSS**

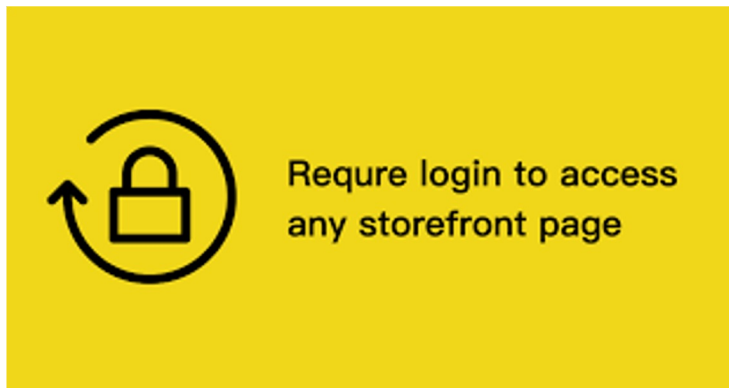
Typically 95%+

**LOWER
FRICTION
LOSS**

Typically <50%



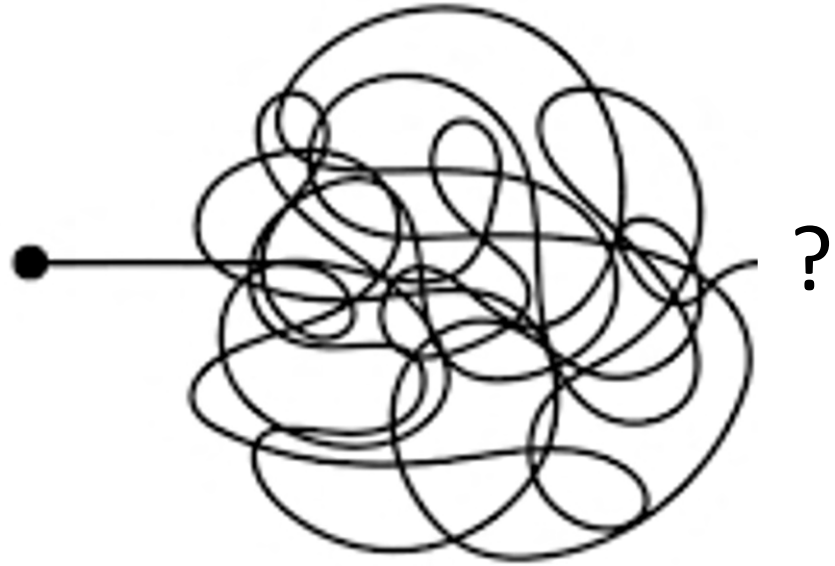
Data Says: Opt-ins, required logins, or an attempt to require an immediate purchase can drive even higher friction loss – up to 99.5%!



(This is a serious challenge with D2C reactive shopping for most CPG.)

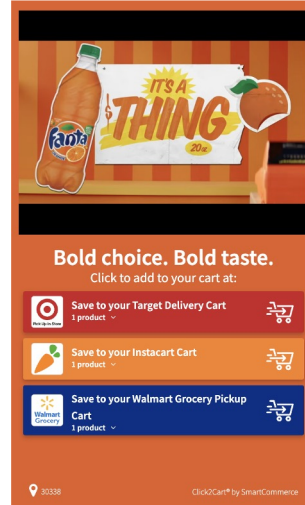
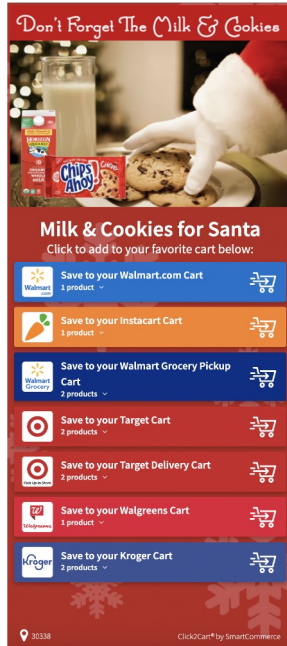


2. Reactive Shoppers are Complexity-Averse



Data Says: Choice Complexity Kills Action

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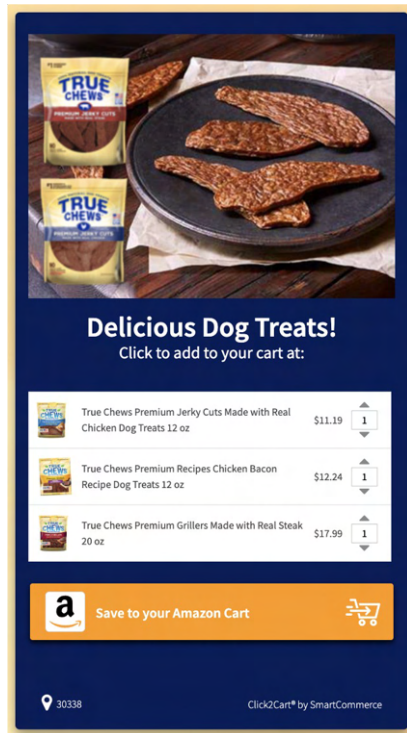
Offering reactive shoppers three or fewer retailer choices drives double the carting of 4 or more!

“The single biggest driver of stickiness, by far, is ‘decision simplicity’.” – Harvard Business Review



Data Says: Variant Complexity Kills Action

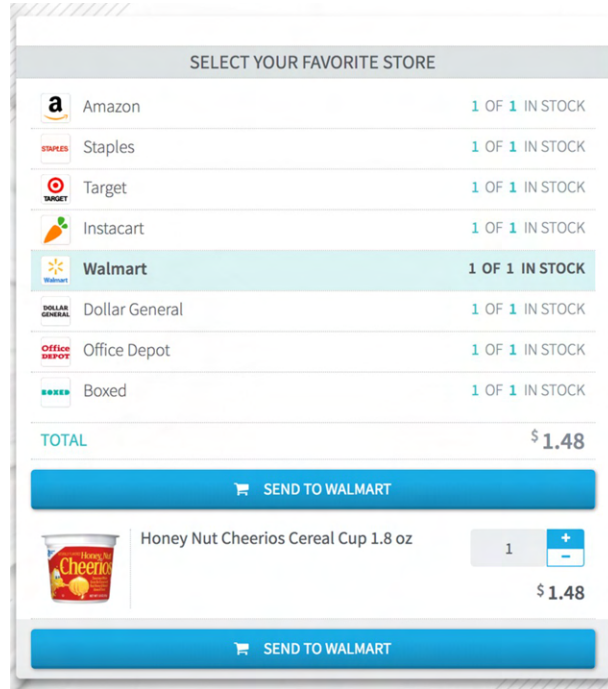
DATA
POINT



Offering reactive shoppers a **single size or variant option** drives 13x or more volume over multiple size options.

Data Says: With rare exceptions, price slows - rather than drives - action.

DATA
POINT



Mockup – for illustration purposes only

Given the easy opportunity, <2% of reactive shoppers click to compare prices among retailers before making a retailer choice.

In fact, Having price present at all has a mild negative impact on the number of these shoppers taking action.



Data Says: But price doesn't change retailer choice!

DATA
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Click to add to your cart at:

48 ct



8.99



6.99



2.99

Even with significant price differences – we've seen up to 10x! – the retailer choice percentages in that category stay the same!

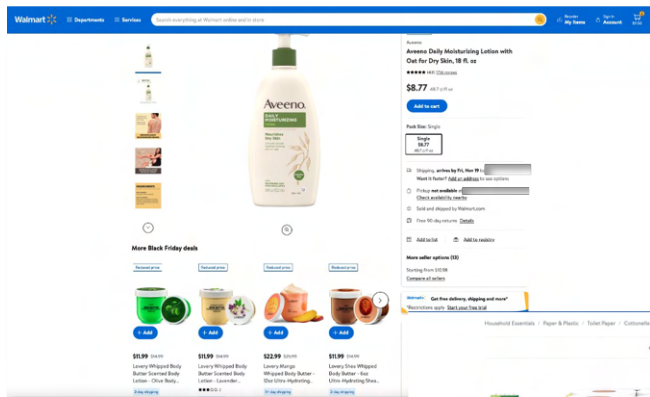


3. Reactive Shoppers are Easily Distracted

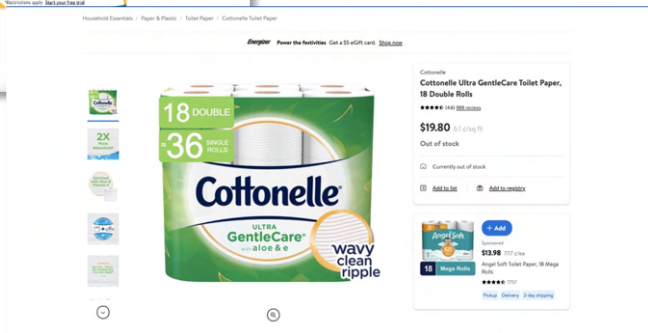


Data Says: The PDP is a Dangerous Place for Reactive Shoppers

DATA
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*>80% of retail
Product Detail Pages
carry placements for
competitive products*

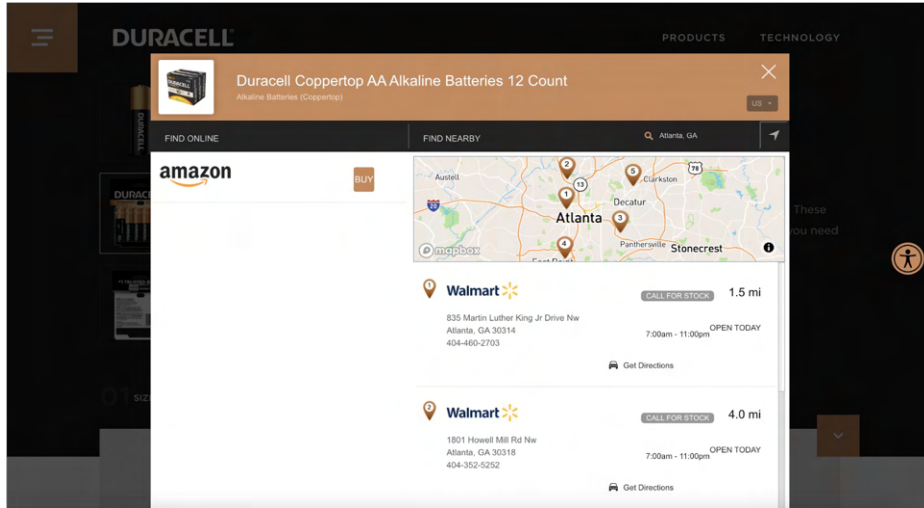


When reactive shoppers are offered competitive options on PDPs, ~10-30% (varies by category) switch to a competitive product!



Data Says: Don't Encourage a Consumer to Wait!

DATA
POINT



Data Says: You can derail an online consumer with offline alternatives. When a store locator is presented alongside the “buy online”, online carting is reduced 32% or more.



4. Reactive Shoppers are Driven by Inspiration



Data Says: Context Wins



Mockup – for illustration purposes only

Multi-Product ads typically enjoy 1.2 – 2x the CTR of single-product ads.

Based on a retrospective analysis of actual ads, we believe this is mostly due to the ads with multiple products being better marketing than single-product ads.





WHAT CONSUMERS ARE TELLING US

Shoppers Trying New Things for Novelty





Research Insight: Trade-Offs Data, Novelty

DATA
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In the past two months, have you bought new products or new brands in the following categories because ...

| | "My preferred brand was out of stock" | "It seemed fun or entertaining to try something new" | "I wanted to save money" | "My current brand wasn't working well" |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|
| Any Yes | 90.7% | 72.3% | 71.8% | 48.5% |
| Beauty/grooming (hair care, cosmetics, skin care, shaving) | 33.0% | 26.3% | 24.8% | 19.7% |
| Food & beverages (including snacks) | 71.8% | 48.2% | 49.7% | 22.8% |
| Home care (kitchen, bath, or floor cleansers, etc.) | 41.5% | 19.7% | 27.3% | 17.7% |
| Paper goods (paper towels, toilet paper, etc.) | 69.0% | 19.2% | 40.0% | 17.5% |
| Laundry care (detergents, fabric softeners, etc.) | 38.8% | 19.5% | 28.5% | 15.0% |
| Personal care (tampons, condoms, incontinence, etc.) | 22.8% | 12.8% | 14.8% | 9.3% |
| Pet Food/snacks | 21.5% | 13.7% | 13.5% | 8.2% |
| Alcohol (wine, beer, spirits) | 18.8% | 22.0% | 12.8% | 6.0% |
| None of the above | 9.3% | 27.7% | 28.2% | 51.5% |

How likely are you to continue purchasing the new product or brand in the future?

| | "My preferred brand was out of stock" | "It seemed fun or entertaining to try something new" | "I wanted to save money" | My current brand wasn't working well" |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Top 2 | 61.5% | 66.5% | 61.3% | 45.5% |
| Definitely will | 16.5% | 19.7% | 20.8% | 18.0% |
| Probably will | 45.0% | 46.8% | 40.5% | 27.5% |
| Probably won't | 21.0% | 9.7% | 12.8% | 12.8% |
| Definitely won't | 5.2% | 4.7% | 4.3% | 5.7% |
| Haven't used it yet/unsure | 12.3% | 19.2% | 21.5% | 36.0% |

MUSICAL CHAIRS!

While you're doing what you can to keep your products in stock and priced right, also be sure to leverage the power of novelty to get and keep your brand's chair under as many consumers as possible.



**Shoppers are
adapting to
economic
realities ... and
perceptions**



A photograph of a family of four shopping in a grocery store. A man is holding a young girl, and a woman is pushing a shopping cart. They are all smiling and looking at the shelves. The shelves are stocked with various products, including jars and boxes. The image has a blue overlay on the left side where the text is located.

CURRENT ECONOMIC PERCEPTIONS & EXPECTATIONS

SECTION 1

The consumer price index has risen 8.3% over the past 12 months, setting a 40 year high for the CPI.¹ With high inflation continuing to impact consumers, we explored current consumer sentiment.

The survey found that **over half of respondents felt positive about their current economic situation. However, sentiment about the economy varied widely by income level and gender.**

PERSONAL ECONOMIC SITUATION

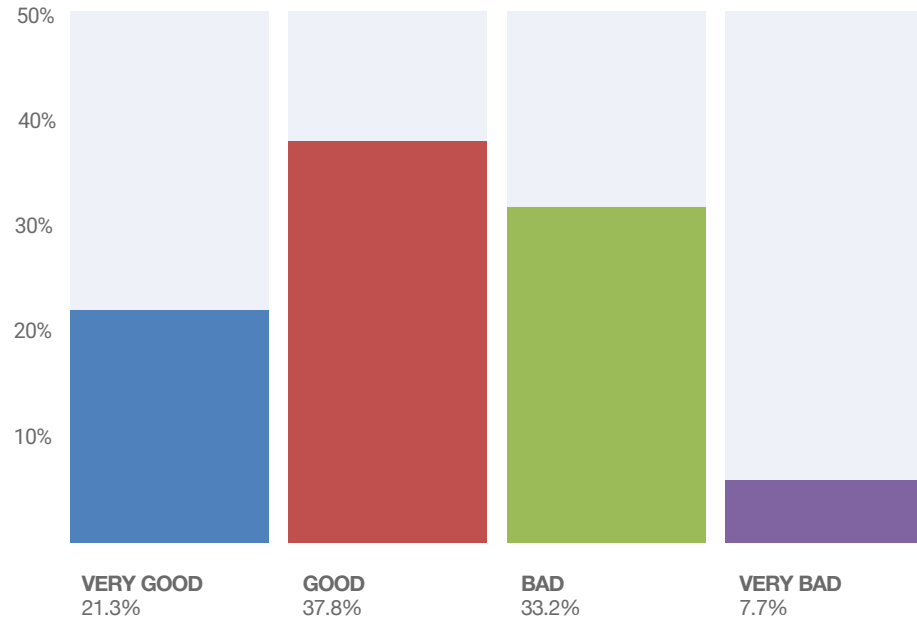
 59.1%

More than half of respondents reported feeling *Very Good* or *Good* about their personal economic situation.

40.9%

While not the majority, a significant number of respondents felt negative about their economic situation.

Q: How do you feel about your personal current economic situation?



PERSONAL ECONOMIC SITUATION BY INCOME

Key Finding: Not surprisingly, higher-income respondents are more likely to report feeling positive about their current economic situation.

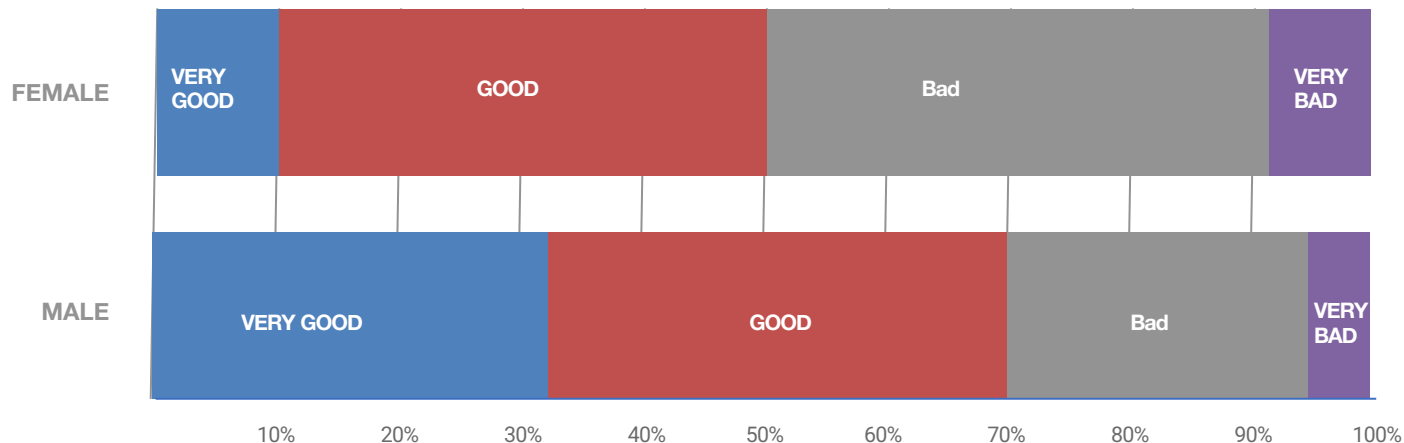


PERSONAL ECONOMIC SITUATION BY GENDER



Key Finding:

Male respondents felt more optimistic about their own personal economic situation vs. women. Over 30% of men reported feeling *very good* vs. just 10% of women reporting the same high-level of economic certainty. Conversely, 40% of women felt *bad* about their own situation, while just 24% of men reported feeling similarly.



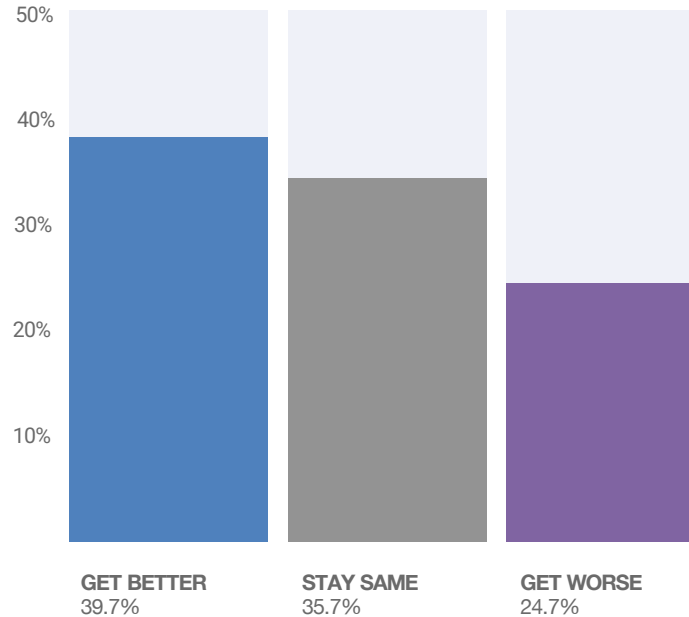
6 MONTH ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

 39.7%

When asked “over the next 6 months, what do you expect to happen with the general economy,” over 39% of respondents felt that things would get better.

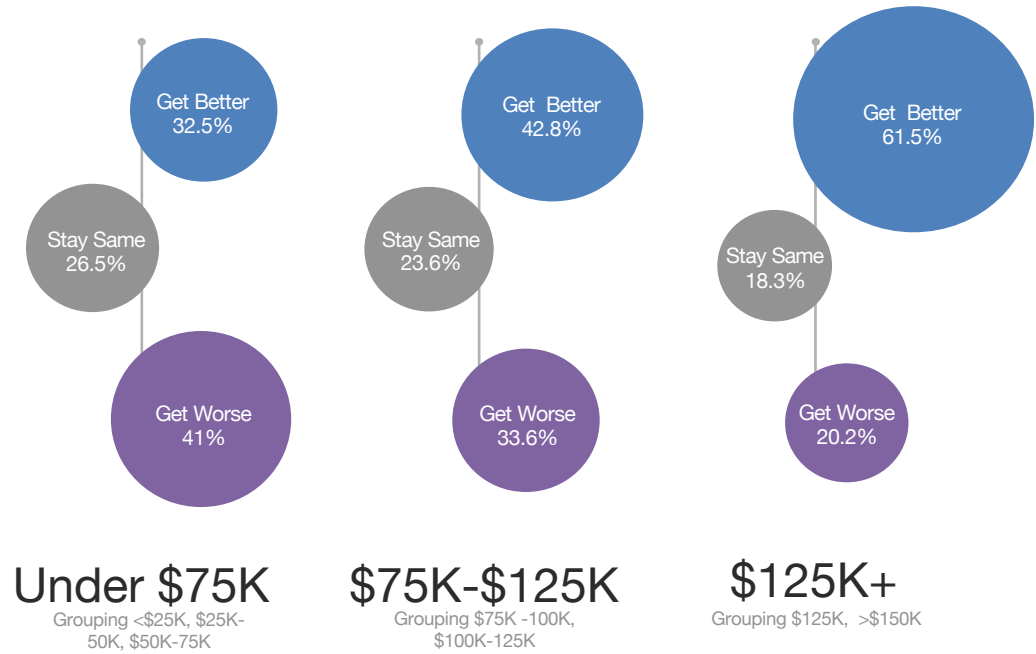
While overall the outlook is positive, about as many consumers expect the economy to stay the same. Almost 1/4 of respondents believe things will get worse.

Q. Over the next 6 months, what do you expect to happen with the general economy?



6 MONTH ECONOMIC OUTLOOK BY INCOME

Key Finding: As HH income rises – so does positive sentiment about the general economy!



CHANGES IN SHOPPING HABITS IN 2022 & WHAT'S DRIVING THEM

SECTION 2

Because of current inflation and higher prices, we sought to understand how this was impacting shopping habits. We asked respondents about their willingness to trade down to other brands/products, as well as their openness to shopping at new retailers.

While sales/discounts spurred some of the trial, the desire to try something new for fun was also very strong. The main reason respondents tried a new store? **Convenience (even more so than saving money)!**

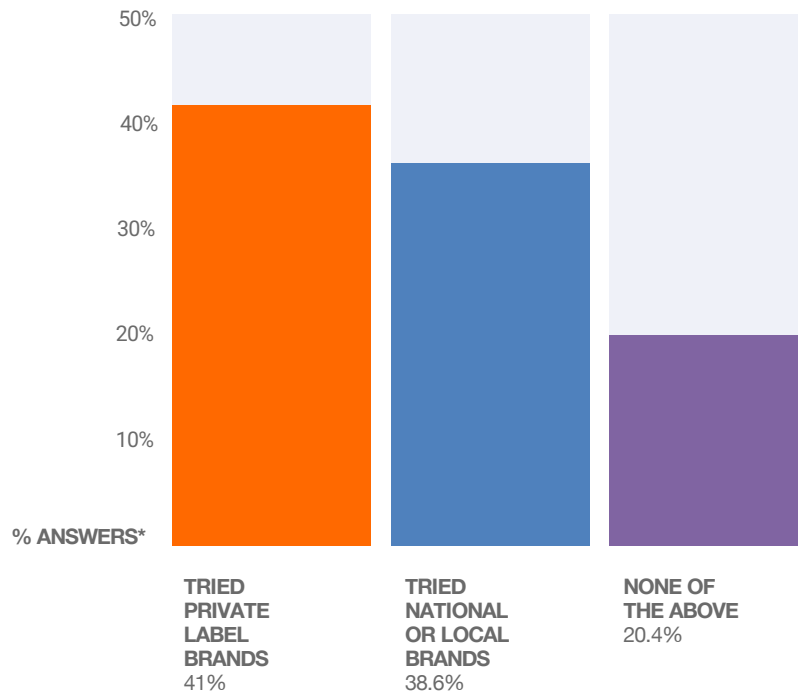


CONSUMERS ARE TRYING NEW PRODUCTS

Q: Over the past 3 months, have you made any of the following changes in your PRODUCT CHOICES for grocery or personal care items *(please choose all that apply)*?

Only 20% of respondents reported not making a change to their personal care/grocery product choices in the past 3 months.

Similar numbers of consumers switched to private label and national or local brands.



* Percent (Answers) is calculated by dividing each answer count by the total counts collected.



WHY ARE CONSUMERS TRYING NEW BRANDS?

Respondents reported that the main reasons they tried new brands was because of the availability of sales/coupons, as well as to try something new and for fun.

Q: If you tried new brands, what was the driving reason?

33.2%



Because there was a sale/rebate/coupon

25.4%



To try something new for fun

17.7%



The product just seemed really interesting

12%



The product seemed more in line with my values

11.3%



My current products were out of stock

.4%

Other

* Percent (Respondents) is calculated by dividing each answer count by the total unique respondents.

NEW PRODUCT TRIAL BY GENDER & INCOME



Key Finding: Women and lowest-income respondents were more likely to try new brand products to save *money*.

Higher-income respondents and men were most likely to have tried something new *for fun and because it seemed interesting*.



37.6%



34.9%



SALE/COUPON



38.3%



27.3%



TRY SOMETHING
NEW/
FOR FUN



NEW PRODUCT TRIAL IS LESS LIKELY TO BE DRIVEN BY OOS



Key Findings: Even with record-high OOSs in many areas/categories, <12% of new product trial was reported as driven by OOS, across all ages, genders and income levels.

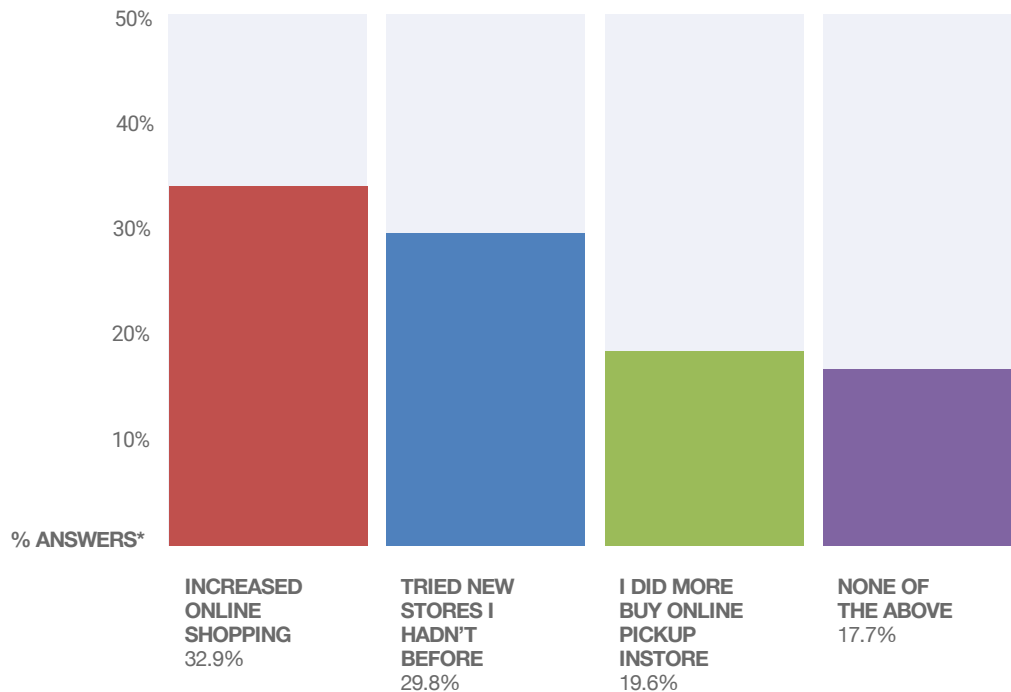


CONSUMERS ARE TRYING NEW WAYS TO SHOP

50%+ Still Increasing Online Shopping

Over 30% of respondents increased their online shopping in the past 3 month, and almost an additional 20% used more buy online and pickup in store. **Consumers are continuing to move online for their grocery and personal care shopping!**

Q: In the past 3 months have you shopped in different STORES for groceries or personal care items *(select all that apply)*



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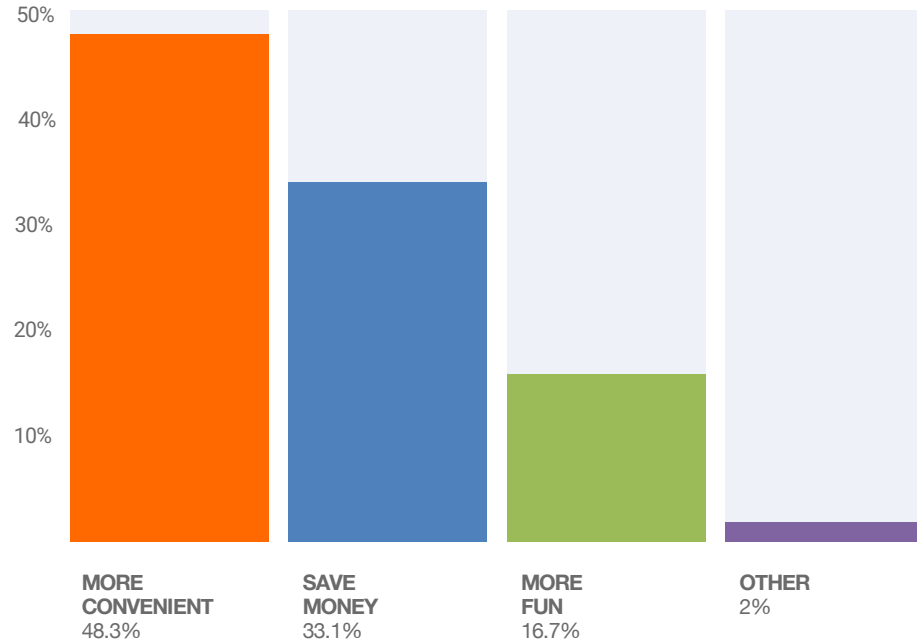


WHY THE SHIFT IN STORES?



**Convenience
Wins!**

Q: What was the main reason for this shift?



EXPECTED FUTURE SHOPPING HABITS AND DRIVERS

SECTION 3

Respondents reported expecting to use a mixture of in-store, buy online/pickup in-store and online only shopping. **Over 40% of respondents said they will continue to use a combination of in-store and online over the next 6 months. Additionally, online-only shoppers continue to grow and is much more prevalent among higher income individuals.**



SHOPPING IN-STORE VS. ONLINE

42.3%

Of respondents expect to mix their shopping: in-store, as well as a mix of pick up and delivery. With convenience being a main driver of choosing, this is no surprise that consumers are shopping where it is easiest that day/time for them.

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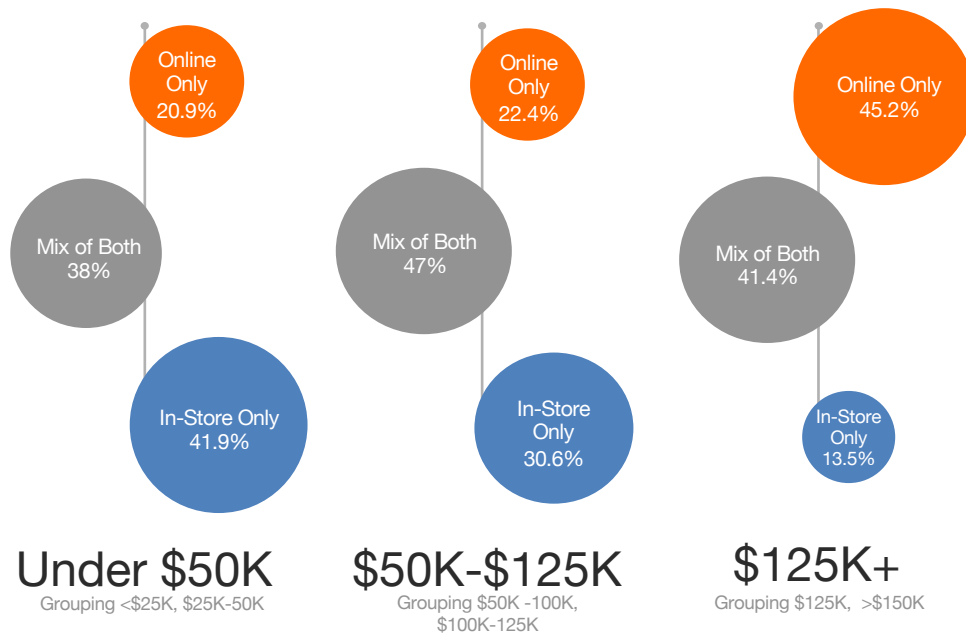
A quarter of respondents reported that they will be shopping **mostly online** over the next 6 months.

Q: How will you be shopping for groceries or personal care items over the next 6 months?



SHOPPING IN-STORE VS. ONLINE BY INCOME

Expected grocery and personal care shopping habits are significantly different by income level, ***with lower-income respondents expecting to shop in-store, and higher-income expecting to shop online.***



EXPLORATION OF “SAVINGS” BEHAVIORS: TRADE-OFFS, PROMOTIONS & TRIGGERS

SECTION 4

With inflation driving higher prices, we wanted to understand how important savings and discounts were to respondents' current shopping habits. We also sought to understand the preferred method of receiving the savings.

Savings, including coupons and discounts, are important to shoppers, with over **75% using some sort of promotion while shopping every week**. The preferred method to receiving the savings varies by income level and age.



CONSUMERS USE A VARIETY OF SAVINGS OPTIONS

Consumers are using a variety of ways to save, including a mix of coupons, discount codes, in-store promotions and savings apps.

Q: Which of the following do you ever use (select all that apply)?

59.7%



Coupons

53.8%



Discount
Codes

54.8%



In-Store
Advertised
Coupons

47.3%



Savings
Apps

29%



Rebates

8.5%

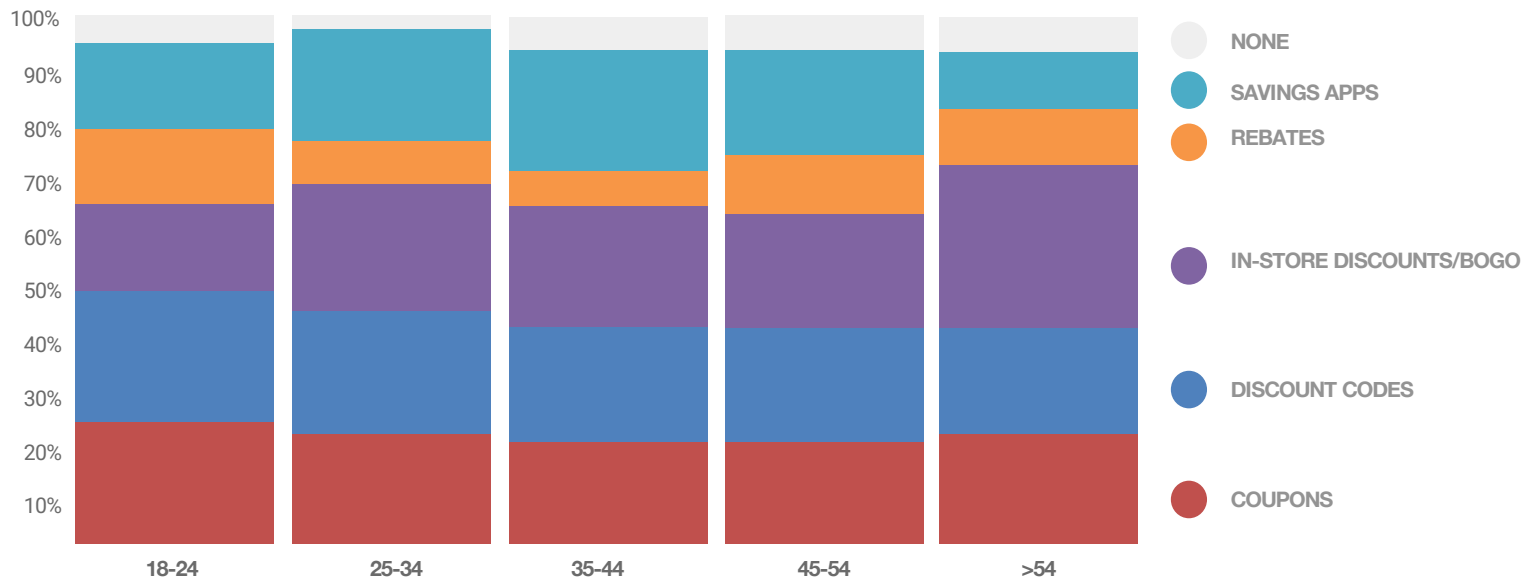
None of the
Above

* Percent (Respondents) is calculated by dividing each answer count by the total unique respondents.

SAVINGS & OFFERS BY AGE



Key Findings: Notably, only 8.5% of consumers report using no promotional tools at all. 18-24 year olds are the highest users of coupons and discount codes. Also, Savings App usage is highest among 25-44 year olds. The data also showed that higher-income respondents used Savings Apps more than other income groups.



IMPORTANCE OF COUPONS/DISCOUNTS

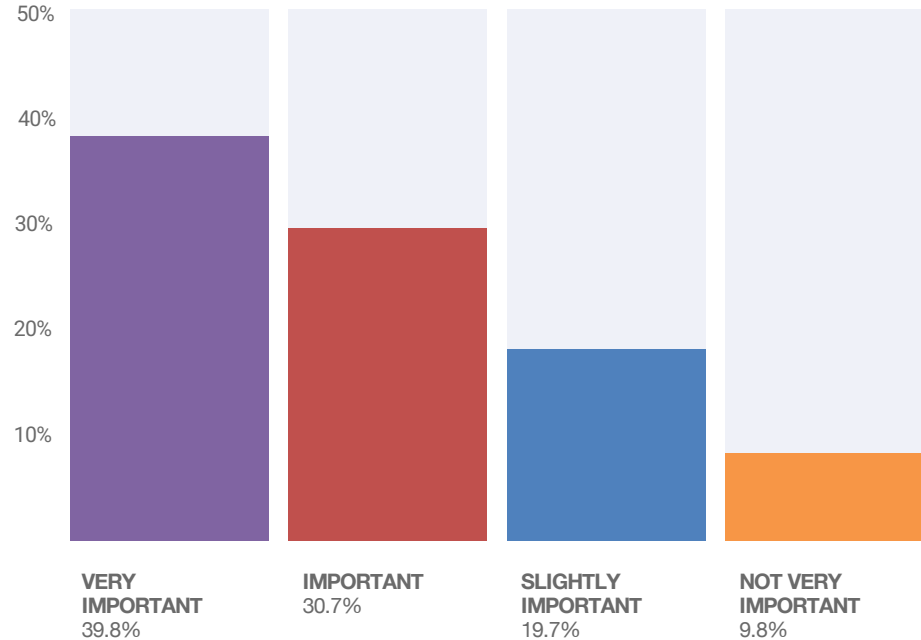
70%+

Over 70% of respondents reported that availability of coupons and/or discounts is very important or important to their shopping experience.

<10%

Less than 10% of surveyed individuals said that promotion availability wasn't very important to their shopping experience.

Q: How important to your shopping experience is the availability of coupons and/or discounts?



FREQUENCY OF COUPON/PROMOTION USE

35.9%

Over 35% of respondents said that they use coupons/promotions EVERY TIME they shop.

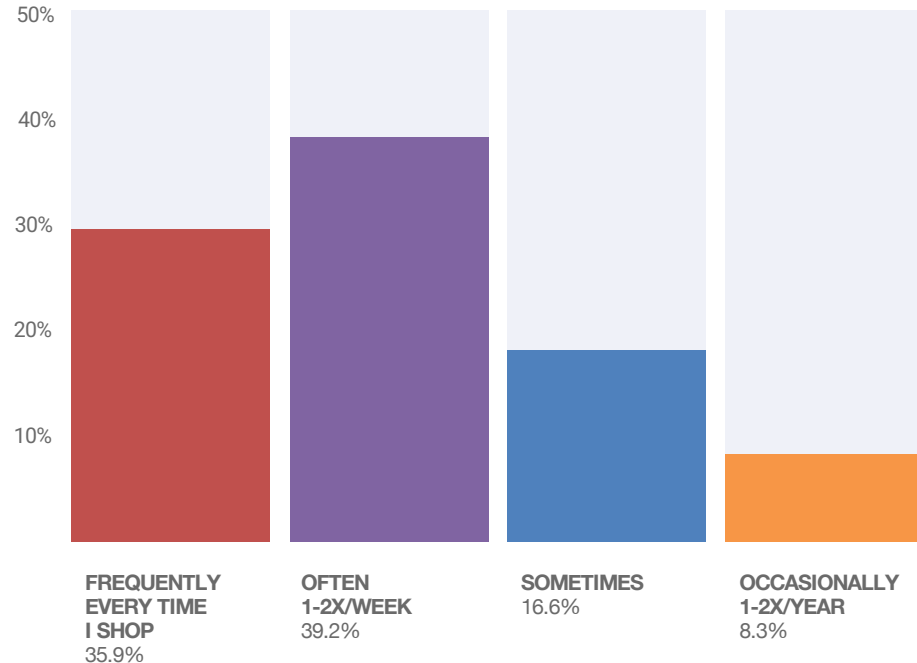
39.2%

An additional 39% said that they use coupons and promotions 1 to 2 times per week.

= 75%+

Use Coupons/Promotions WEEKLY!

Q: How often do you use coupons/promotions when you are shopping?



MANY SHOPPERS ARE WILLING TO TRADE DOWN TO SAVE

Respondents said they were willing to switch to a different brand within a majority of surveyed categories. They were least likely to be willing to trade down on beer, wine and alcohol.

Q: When shopping for groceries or personal care items, in which categories are you willing to switch to a different brand in order to **SAVE MONEY** (*select all that apply*)?

54.3%



Frozen
Meals/
Packaged
Items

53.7%



Personal
Care

53.5%



Beverages

50%



Fresh Fruits
&
Vegetables

45.5%



Home
Care

41.7%



Beauty

25%



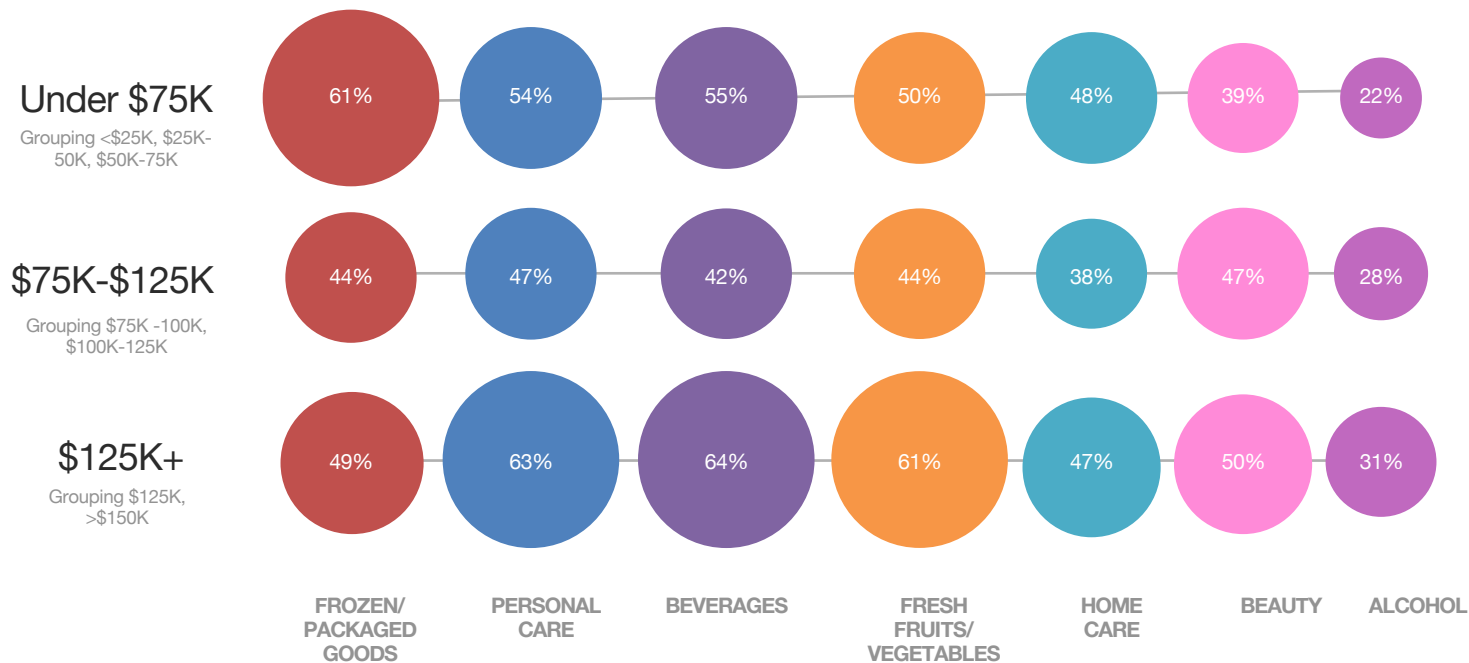
Beer/Wine
/Alcohol

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TRADING BRANDS TO SAVE MONEY BY INCOME



Key Finding: It's interesting to note that the highest income consumers (HH income \$125K and higher) reported being *more* willing to switch to save money than the lowest income consumers (HH <\$75k), across a majority of categories.



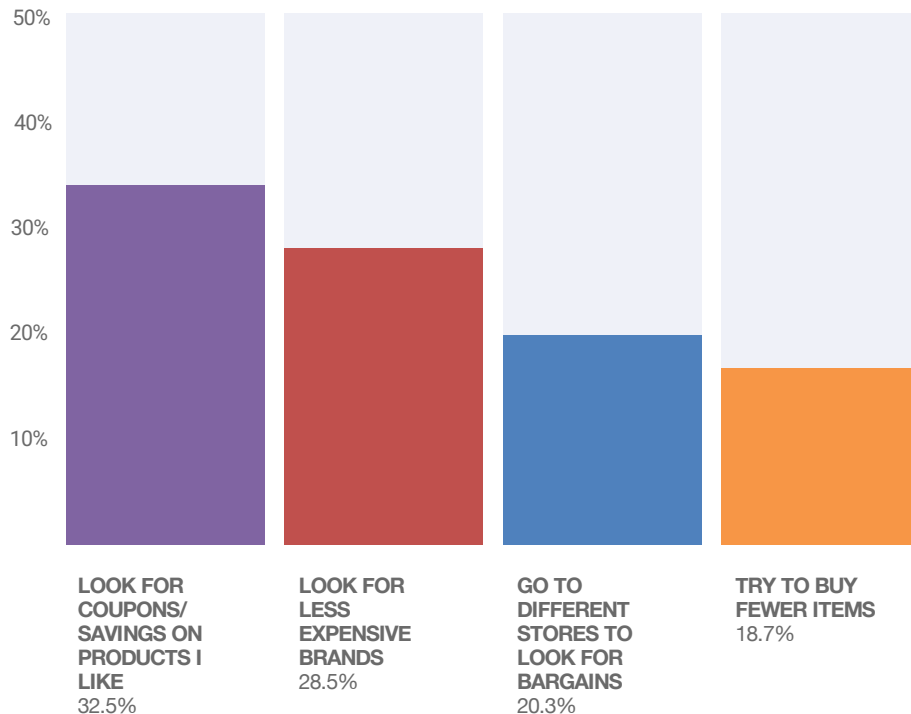
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ECONOMIC IMPACT ON CONSUMER CHOICES

Across all income levels and genders, respondents would prefer to seek out coupons, rather than switching brands or buying less.

Q: If economic conditions caused prices to rise for groceries or personal care items, how would your choices be affected?



SUMMARY

Given inflation and rising prices at the store, economic outlook varies based on income level, with lower income respondents feeling more hard-hit, and less encouraged by the current economy.

Consumers are willing to try new stores (with convenience being the biggest motivator to trial) and new products (motivated by savings and new experiences). There is a growing habit of a blended shopping experience that includes in-store, online, pick-up and delivery.

Additionally, saving tools - are universally important to today's shoppers, with 75% of respondents using savings tools on a WEEKLY basis!

Methodology:
Sample size: 600, United States

Age: 18+
Female: 52.00%,
Male: 48.00%
Survey period: March 19/20 2022

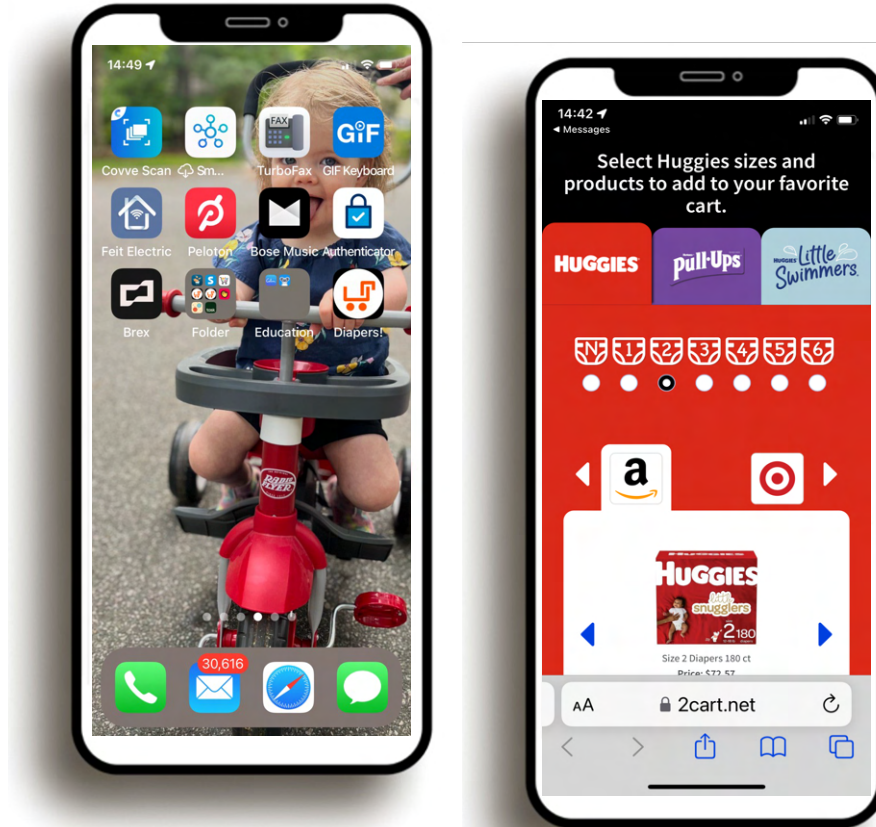
Note: Responses were collected through a polling software that works within a network of apps to offer appropriate non-cash incentives in exchange for response to the survey. The panel may be more likely to engage with online tactics since the survey was completed through an app network.





3 Things to Consider Now

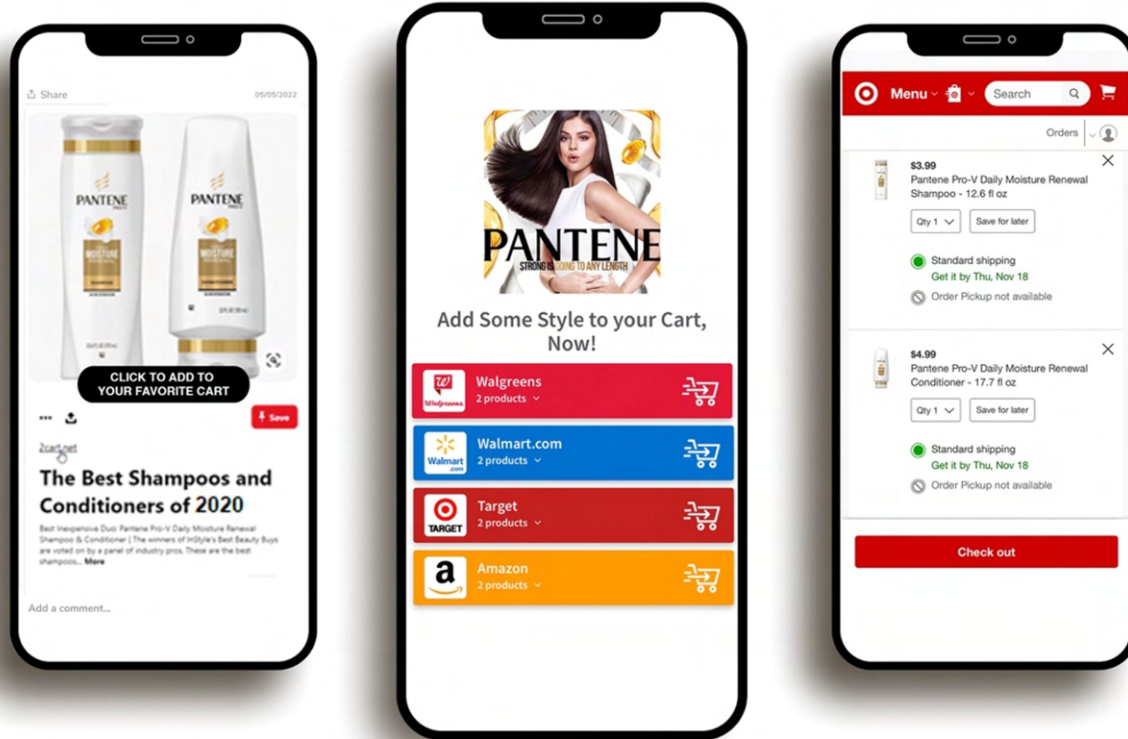
Use Saveable Mini-Sites for Persisted Connection: SmartShelves



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Create Context with Bundles: Ads can sell usage occasions or lifestyles



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ENJOY RESPONSIBLY

**Michelob
ULTRA**

Lay's
Classic

Doritos
NACHO
CHEESE
FLAVORED

**THE PERFECT PAIRING
FOR ANY OCCASION**

SUPERIOR LIGHT BEER

2.6 CARBS 95 CALS

**SCAN TO ADD THIS BUNDLE
TO YOUR FAVORITE CART**

ULTRA

Scan2Cart

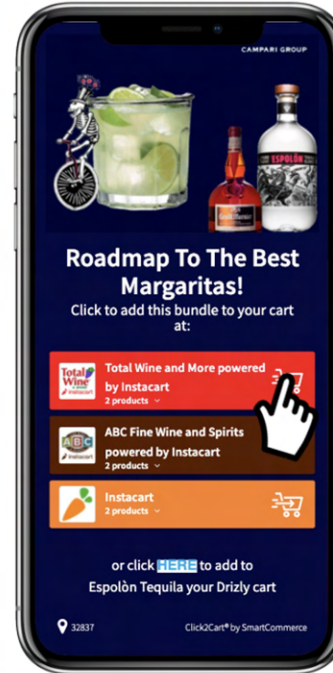
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Meet Consumers at Relevance Points: QR on Packaging, Samples, and IRL

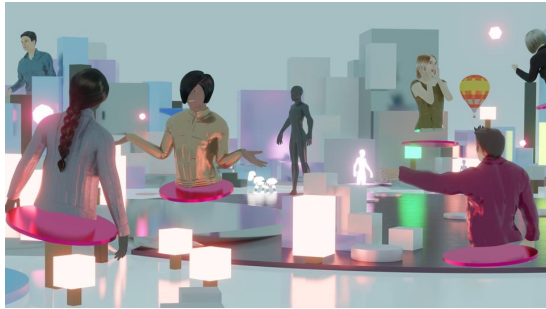
Biggest win: DRIVING REPURCHASE!



NEXT ON THE (IMMINENT) HORIZON



July/Aug 2022: Retailer-Agnostic digital coupons (SmartCommerce and The Coupon Bureau)



Gathering Steam: Metaverse, which can blur the lines between D2C/Retailer, and what is “a store.”



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APPENDIX

"Path to Purchase" providers may LOOK the same

... but SmartCommerce is the *only* solution OPTIMIZED to Drive Volume and collect insights among **Passive Shoppers**: Ads, Social, Influencer, etc.

Portfolio of Applications for every Touchpoint and Objective



>3Billion in \$carted in the last 12 months – using this data to constantly optimize UIs and CTA Best Practices

that Bypass Click Friction and PDP Cross-Selling

Largest network of direct to cart retailers available:

Over 440 Retailer Banners in Network, representing over 10,000 local and national storefronts.

In-network carting represent over 98% of eCommerce volume (we have the retailers that matter!).

The network is growing, every day.

and Sidestep Dead Ends

All solutions are **real-time stock-aware**: Automated, real-time inventory updates at all retailers, at the local level.

Automatic Direct substitution (variant of same product) and **optional Indirect substitution** (similar product from brand) solve >99% of OOS situations.

Variant-agnostic Shopper's Choice allows for the most retailer choices in a simple UI for consumers.

3P Offers at marketplaces can be **filtered in favor of 1P sales**.

while providing Reporting & Insights to Optimize for your next campaign

All consumer actions are tracked at the Campaign, Link, and UTM level, so you can **easily see what is working, by platform, device, influencer/referrer, etc.**

Easily **add pixels to build your audience** and enhance tracking. (Integrated Implicit and explicit opt-in for CCPA compliance).

Use Resonate pixels to **add demographic and psychographic reports on your activated audience.**

Sales reporting available from retailers capable of enabling (affiliate/pixel data) adequate lookback periods (min 30 days for ads (ideally, indefinite).

Key Retailers Include:
Amazon: 90-day lookback
Target: Full lookback
Walmart: 30-day lookback
Drizly: 30-day lookback



Example Snapshot: Monday, July 12 at 2pm for Consumer in Zip Code 30319

**Crest ProHealth
4.6 oz**

Direct Substitutes

Crest ProHealth 4.6 oz 2 Pk

Crest ProHealth 6.3 oz

Indirect Substitutes

Crest ProHealth Advanced
5.1 oz

Crest ProHealth Advanced
5.1 oz 2pk

