

My Shopping, My Way Survey Findings (United Kingdom)

Accelerating use of technology by consumers is shaping their behavior and expectations. These changes, in turn, are challenging the sales and margins of retailers.

To determine how retailers can embrace “technology-shaped shoppers,” the Cisco Internet Business Solutions Group (IBSG) surveyed 1,000 shoppers from the United States and 1,000 shoppers from the United Kingdom.

The research indicates that significant opportunities exist to increase sales, grow conversion rates, and preserve margins using “mashops.” By combining web-like experiences with the shopping experience in stores, mashops create a new way to shop.

This document includes detailed findings from the research for the United Kingdom. For more contextual information, please see the point of view paper titled, “My Shopping, My Way: Are You Ready for the Tech-Shaped Consumer?”

Spending and Technology

- Sixty-one percent of survey respondents are spending more time today looking for new deals than 2 years ago.
- Fifty percent of survey respondents expect to spend more time looking for new deals in the next 2 years.
- Sixty percent of survey respondents are spending more time on the web than 2 years ago to find the best prices.
- Forty-eight percent of survey respondents expect to spend more time using the web to find the best prices in the next 2 years.
- Eleven percent of survey respondents are using more mobile capabilities than 2 years ago to find the best prices.
- Seventeen percent of survey respondents expect to spend more time using mobile capabilities to find the best prices in the next 2 years.

Technology Usage

- When shoppers were asked to select the top three reasons they use technology for shopping, they chose:
 - Find the best price: 65 percent
 - Save time: 36 percent
 - Find the best quality: 34 percent
 - Allows shopping in preferred environment (e.g. from home): 28 percent
 - Find the best assortment: 27 percent



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Web Shopping Capabilities

- Percent of all respondents who have used:
 - Coupon sharing sites: 45 percent
 - Group buying services (such as Groupon): 14 percent
 - Retailers' Facebook pages: 23 percent
- Percent of calculating shoppers (56 percent of the population) who have used:
 - Coupon sharing sites: 51 percent
 - Group buying services (such as Groupon): 15 percent
 - Retailers' Facebook pages: 24 percent
- Percent of extreme shoppers (11 percent of the population) who have used:
 - Coupon sharing sites: 66 percent
 - Group buying services (such as Groupon): 42 percent
 - Retailers' Facebook pages: 48 percent

Generational Composition by Type of Shopper

- Calculating Shoppers
 - Gen Y (30%), Gen X (41%), Boomers/Silvers (29%)
 - Extreme Shoppers
 - Gen Y (53%), Gen X (38%), Boomers/Silvers (9%)
- Note: Gen Y = 18–29 years old, Gen X = 30–49 years old, Boomers/Silvers = 50+ years old

Research Behaviors

- When shoppers were asked to select the top three information sources they use before making purchasing decisions, they chose:
 - Friends and family: 54 percent
 - On line reviews: 26–30 percent
 - In-store displays: 21 percent
 - In-store staff: 18 percent
 - Print (magazines / newspapers): 15 percent
 - TV: 12 percent
- Preferred access points shoppers use to look for product and/or pricing information before making a purchase (percent that use regularly or have tried):
 - PC at home: 84 percent
 - In-store kiosk / touchscreen: 35 percent
 - Mobile phone at home: 24 percent
 - Mobile phone in store: 20 percent

Mashop Concepts Test Results

- Personalized recommendations with a touch screen at the shelf edge: Fifty-two percent of respondents wanted to try this service, with 62 percent preferring access at the shelf edge via a touch screen.
- Product-price comparisons and peer reviews on touch screens and mobile devices: Forty-nine percent were interested in using this solution, with 57 percent preferring shelf-edge touch screens.
- Virtual video adviser combined with web content on a large screen or tablet device: This solution was liked by 40 percent of respondents

Survey Demographics

- 1,000 consumers from the United States
- 1,000 consumers from the United Kingdom
- Respondent breakdown (United Kingdom)
 - Ages:
 - 18 to 29: 29 percent
 - 30 to 39: 19 percent
 - 40 to 49: 21 percent
 - 50 to 59: 17 percent
 - 60+: 14 percent
 - Gender:
 - Male: 48 percent
 - Female: 52 percent

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More Information

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