



The Digital Battlefield within the Omni-Channel

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The digital battle: the analogy



The Prize



& the Battlefield



**Customer satisfaction,
revenues growth and
inventory optimization**



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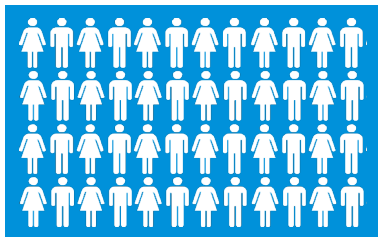
**The market-place and
customer experience**



***KPMG Omni-Channel
Retail Survey 2016***

Omni-Channel Customer Experience

We utilised an online survey tool to collect data from KPMG UK employees over an 8 week period from November 27th 2015 (Black Friday) to January 2016 and developed a dynamic dashboard to analyse and interrogate the data



Over
1,600
responses from KPMG UK employees



30 categories
including men's clothing, women's clothing, shoes, accessories, furniture, beauty, homeware, electronics, toys, food and beverage, books, etc.



Over
250
unique retailers and brand organisations

Brands quoted during the survey

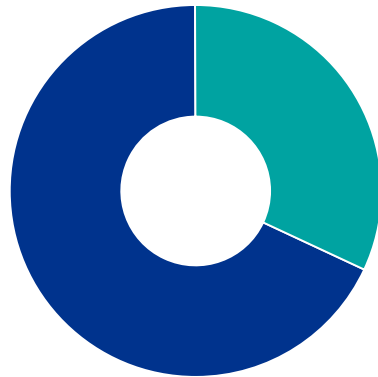
Leading brands in Fashion & Luxury, Retail and Furniture quoted by respondents during the survey



Survey highlights

Purchasing channels (*)

32% on the high street



68% of purchases were made online

Black Friday discount week is part of a wider culture of discounting (on-line spending £1.1bn; +36% YoY), in which **customers are increasingly savvy**

(*) over 8 weeks

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Only **7%** paid full price

Customers make more **impulse purchases** when they are in store as opposed to online

2 **35%**
bought impulse products when shopping in store, compared to **21%** when shopping online

Consumers are **shopping in the evening** and bringing the **fitting room home**.

Customers are valuing convenience over inspecting the product

3 **74%**
of customers did not "physically" look at the product or try it on before they purchased online

Free returns are driving **extra online purchases** and **additional store traffic**.

Customers are buying duplicate items to try multiple sizes and/or colours at home, with intent to return

4 **23%**
of fashion returns were intentional i.e. purchased duplicates

The Customer Omni-Channel Journey

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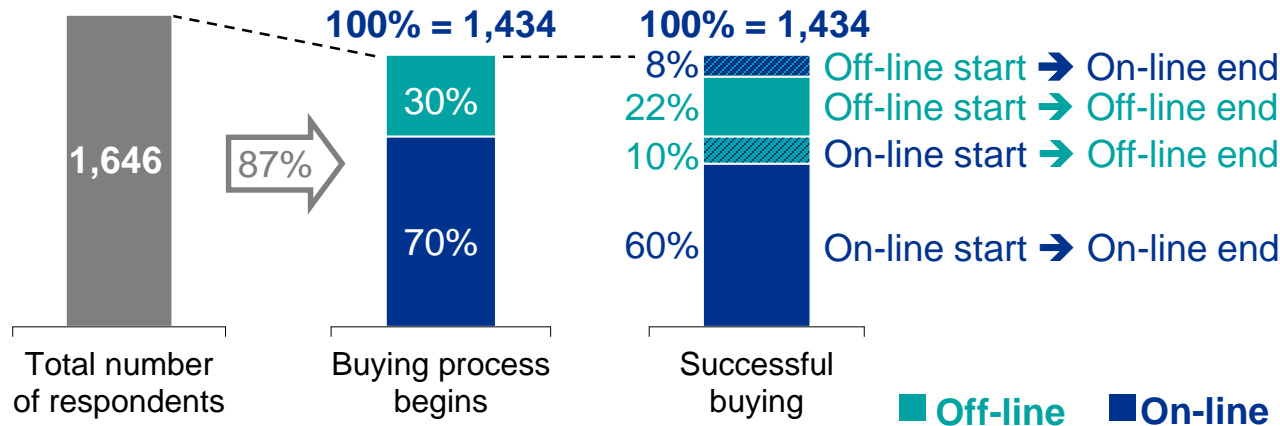
Where did your path to purchase start?

■ Online	54%	→
■ High Street Store	24%	→
■ Other brand websites	12%	→
■ Mobile app	4%	→
■ High Street – Competitor	3%	→
■ Recommendation by friend	3%	→

Where did your path to purchase end?

8%	46%
20%	4%
2%	10%
	4%
1%	2%
1%	2%

N. of respondents



70% of the respondents started their purchase online, with a successful **online conversion rate equal to 86%**

How the customers approach the purchase

Average discounts by category of Black Friday purchase



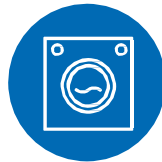
Children's clothing
43%



Furniture
40%



Homewares
34%



Electronics
30%



Men's clothing
24%



Women's clothing
19%



Would you have bought the product anyway at full price?

58%
No

35%
Yes

7%
Paid full price

35% of customers would have bought at full price anyway

The average value of items purchased (*) was
43% more on the high street than online

Customers are still buying more expensive items on the high street

(*) over 8 weeks

Omni-Channel Customer Behaviour

Did you check the product physically before purchase?

No 74%

Yes 14%
in store

Yes 7%
in competitor store

Yes 3%
already own

Yes 2%
family and friends

Customers **do not need to "touch and feel"** anymore the product before buying

It has become much **easier to order online, test the product at home and return it**

This is now possible thanks to:

- **More product information available online**
- **Trust in user reviews**

Were you able to check inventory information before purchase?

84% Yes

Availability of inventory information has doubled vs our 2014 survey

Despite improvements of **stock management**, some participants had some few **issues**:

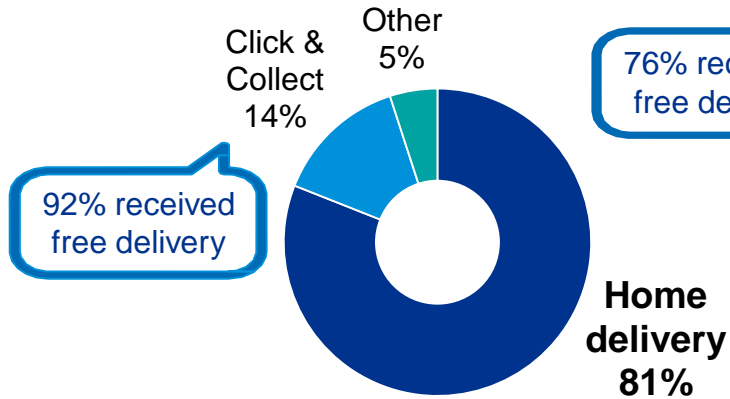
- Incorrect website stock information
- Impossibility to order items currently listed in stock
- Ordered items not received due to out of stock

A **single view of inventory** (stock visibility and integrity) is a core enabling factor to:

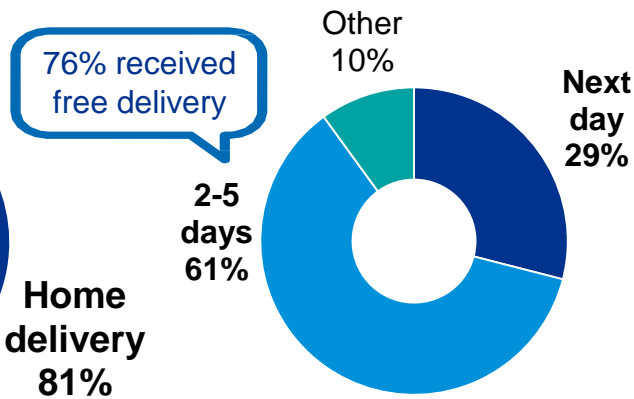
- Finalize the sales
- Meet delivery promises
- Reduce out of stock

Omni-Channel Deliveries

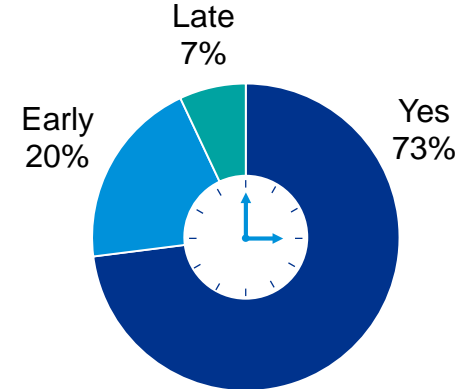
Requested delivery method



Delivery timing



Was the item on time?



Delivery tracking – by retailer

This year: **70%** of retailers offered delivery tracking



Delivery tracking – by customer

49% of customers tracked their orders through the store website
 28% did it through a third party
 23% were not able to track their order



Does the delivery of product have any impact on your choice of store?

53% Yes

The customer experience is influenced not only by the store but also by the delivery provider

The Weapons

E-commerce & Omni-Channel



Advanced Web Presence - The leaders



	BURBERRY	RALPH LAUREN	LOUIS VUITTON	Ermenegildo Zegna	COACH	GUCCI	PRADA	VALENTINO	BOTTEGA VENETA	ZARA	OVS
E-commerce presence					Only USA & UK						
On-line chat		Only UK		Only AU					Only EU	Only USA	
Online in store product availability	Only UK & USA	Only USA		Only AU	Only USA						
On-line product personalization					Only USA						
Buy On-line & collect in store		Only USA			Only USA		Only Canada				
Buy on-line, exchange/ return in store					Only UK		Only USA & Canada		Only USA		

- All brands has their own e-commerce platforms, either built in-house or powered by an external supplier (e.g.: YNaP)
- Not all the brands are able – or willing – to provide the full range of Omni-Channel services across all geographies
 - Some of them prefer to provide on-line "concierge services" to drive brick & mortar sales

Note: Analysis performed on April 2016, based on UK, USA and Italian websites

The Military Infrastructure



**Operational models, IT platforms,
store network and distribution**



Connect the dots for winning the Digital Battle

CUSTOMER FACING



Seamless Experience across Channels

Single View of Customer

Returns

Single View of Inventory

Integrate digital strategy with the overall business strategy

BACK OFFICE



KPIs monitoring

Operating Processes

IT Systems

B2C delivery

Culture and People & Training

Global retail procedures

Organisation Design

Admin. & Tax procedures

Commissions scheme for sales assistants

A successful digital strategy aims to provide the same on-line experience as in stores:

- Obtain the widest possible knowledge of individual customers' behaviour
- Build a customer centric organization
- Assign Head of Retail Omni-channel P&L responsibilities
- Avoid functional silos
- Improve coordination among functions
- Review sales assistance compensation schemes
- ...

The Big Challenges - KPMG Advice



Seamless structure

- Delivering a seamless customer experience requires a **seamless organization**
- Old models struggle with the Omni-Channel experience customer expectations and demand
- **People, processes and systems** must all be **customer centric** and aligned around delivering the best possible experience



Stock optimization & Smart distribution

- Getting the products **in the right place at right time** requires businesses to explore new strategies to meet customers' expectations
- While 'Hub and Spoke' distribution model remains the dominant, other **point-to-point B2C strategies** offer more flexibility (e.g.: same day deliveries from DOS):
 - Create **systems** that allow retailers to have a **single view of inventory**
 - **Distribution models must be Country specific** (local retail standard practice and tax compliance)

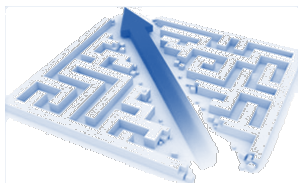


The IT/Business Partnership

- **Brand new partnership between IT and the business** will link the increased importance of on-line channel and the crucial role of technology
- Both the IT function and the business need to be harmonized with a **singular focus on the customer**

Managing complexity

- Delivering an **'anytime, anywhere, anyhow'** customer experience is **complex and costs money** – **despite consumers expect convenience for free:**
 - Let customer make his/her choice without adding excessive costs
 - Use preconfigured service modules to allow customers to move seamlessly across different channels



"The hard part is twofold.

First, Digital is no longer a gadget, but it's a new industrial standard that requires profound changes of processes, systems and culture.

Same as for high speed trains that need new rails to run.

Second, you have to combine the digital approach with people. In our offices we are digitizing payments and transactions to devote time to our people to more robust relationships with customers..."



***CEO, Poste Italiane S.p.A.
Francesco Caio
(Corriere della Sera 8 maggio 2016)***

Value, convenience and experience

are the key drivers of consumer
purchasing decisions and

**businesses that do not excel in
one or more of these disruptive
trends**

will lose the war





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