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# Omnichannel market study

Clothing & groceries insights in The Netherlands



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## **Omnichannel introduction**

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# This research was conducted for different categories with a deep dive into groceries and clothing & footwear

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Cars



Health & beauty goods



Home & Garden supplies



Clothing & Footwear



Groceries



Baby products



Sporting goods



Electronics, appliances and furniture



Books & Toys

## Methodology:

- Online survey
- 20 questions on which products are being bought online or in-store and why

## Sample size:

- 344 total valid responses of the survey
- Sample based on the Netherlands 'Golden Standard' for population sampling<sup>1</sup>

## Results:

- Insights into online shopping behavior and preferences of consumers, focussed on groceries and clothing & footwear

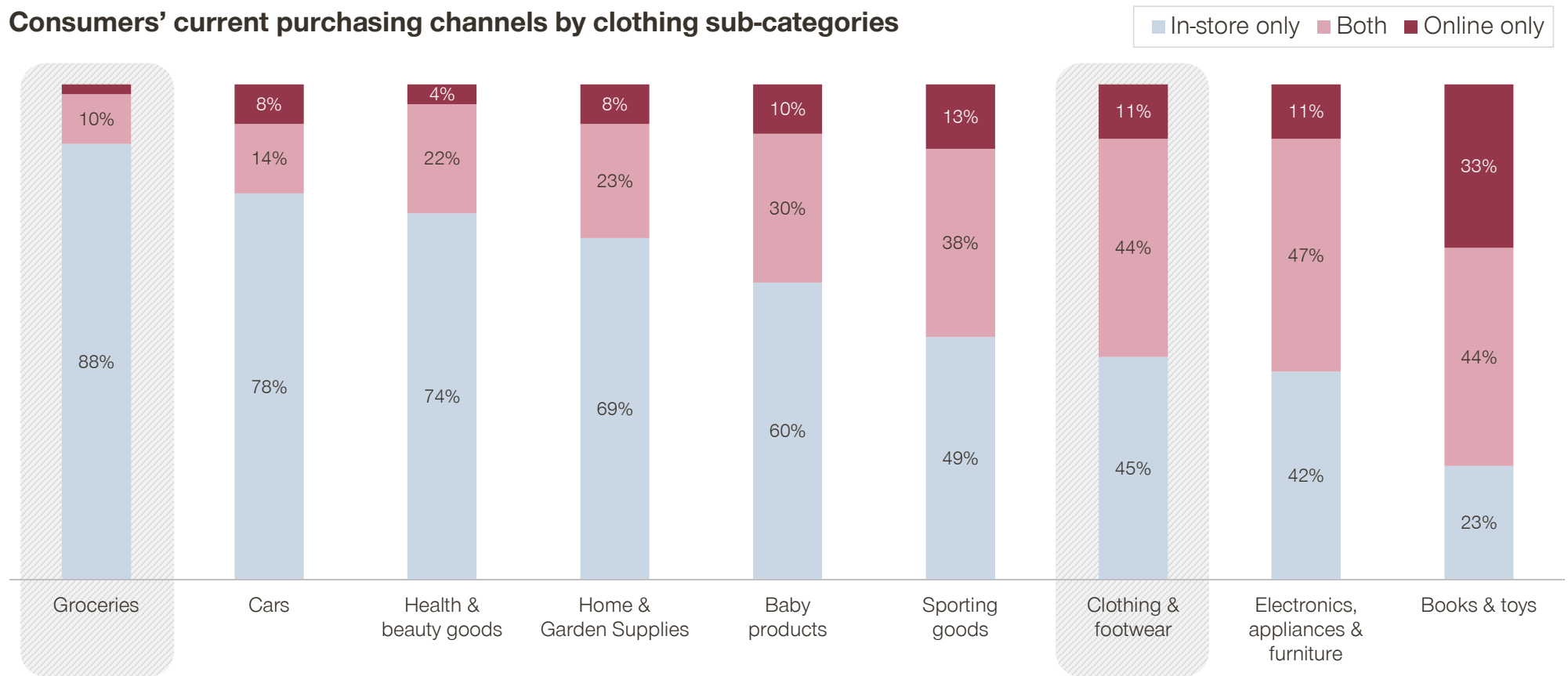
<sup>1</sup> Distribution of respondents according to *de Gouden Standaard* - MOA & Centraal Bureau voor de Statistiek (CBS)

# Purchasing channels in retail differ highly per category, while in general in-store purchases are still dominant

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Groceries are mainly still bought in-store, while books & toys are often purchased online

Consumers' current purchasing channels by clothing sub-categories



This document will give a deep dive on the categories **groceries** and **clothing & footwear**

Source: Omnichannel Consumer Survey NL, Q4 Where do you currently purchase each of the following categories of products? (N = 344); Note: N is the total of respondents who answered the question, the actual N per category can differ while respondents who don't purchase items in a category are not considered in the chart

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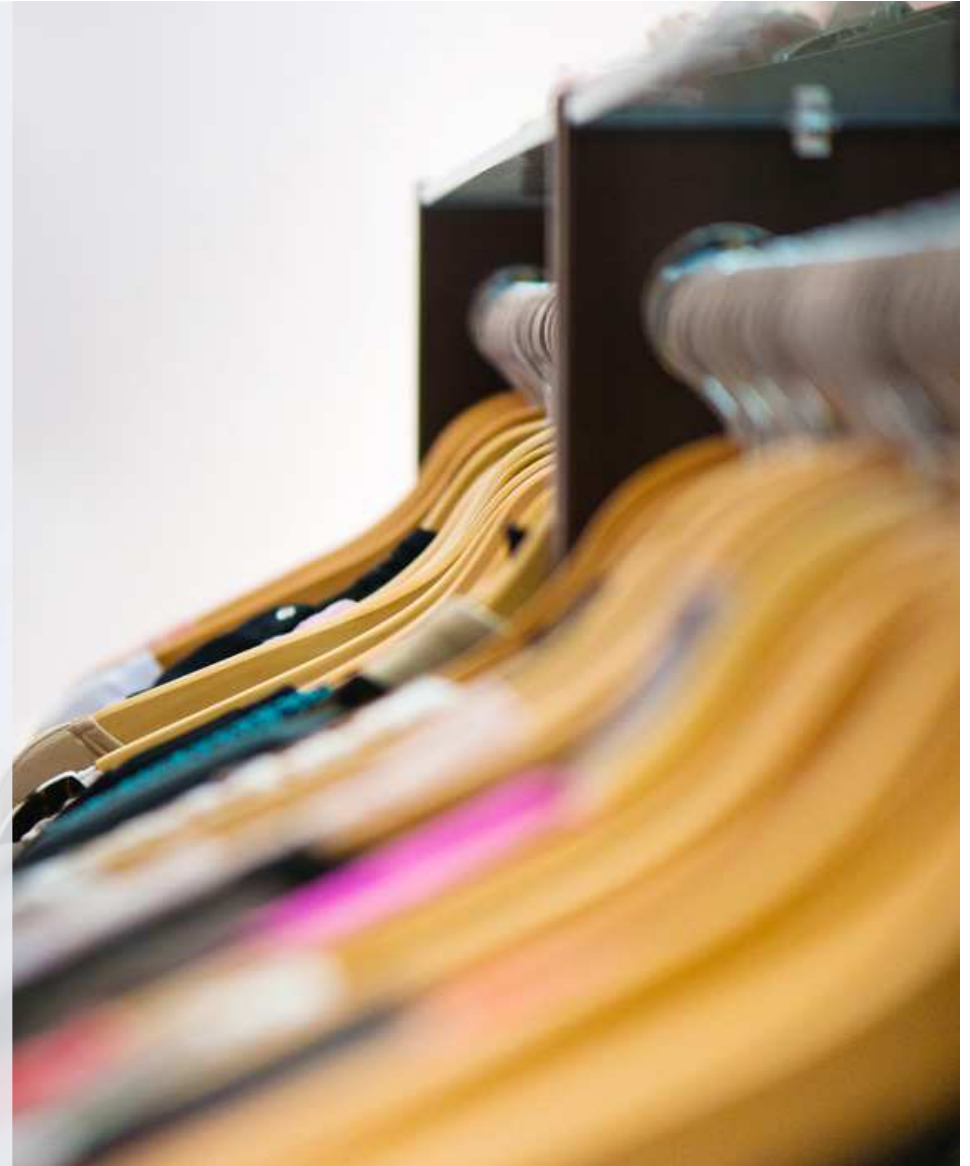
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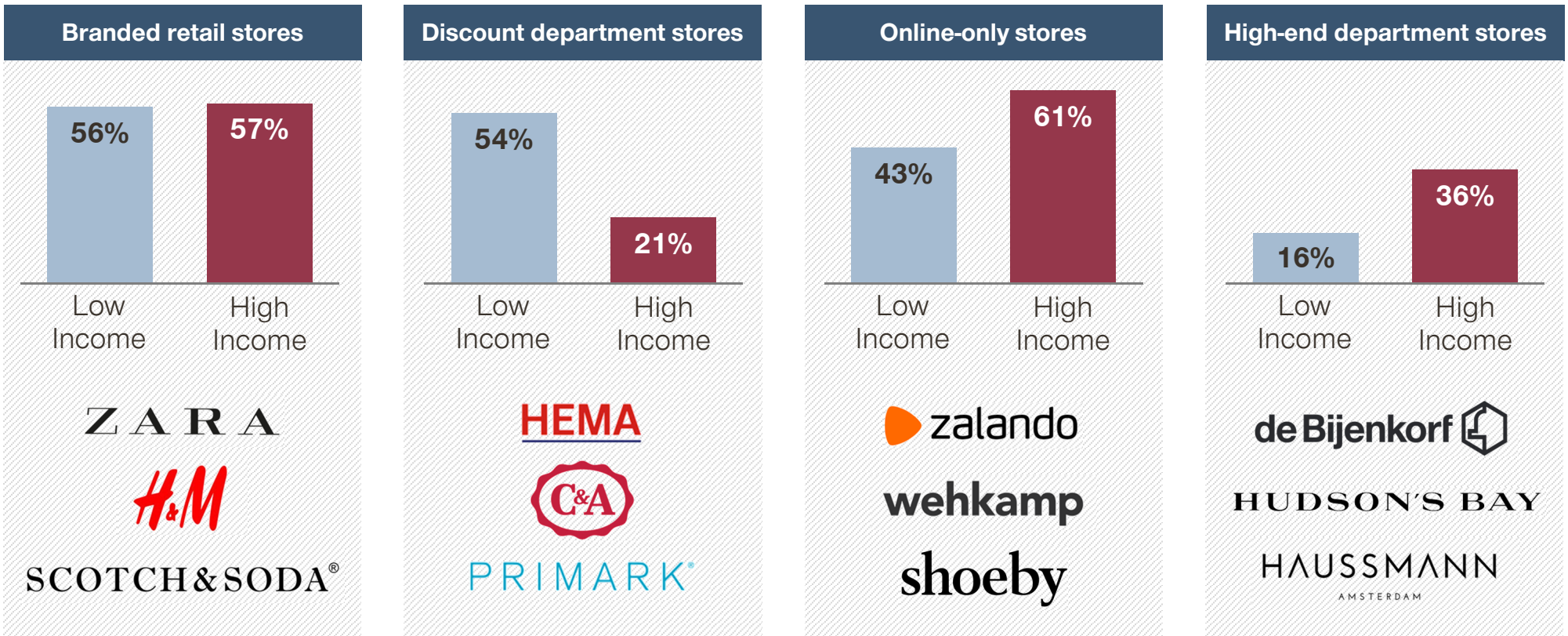
## Key takeaways for Clothing

- Where consumers purchase their clothes varies by income level
- Consumers expect to shop more online in the near future in every clothing category
- Convenience in terms of time and a wider assortment are main value drivers for shopping online
- The ability to evaluate product quality/fit is keeping shoppers in-store and should be emphasized by retailers
- Free delivery and returns are clearly the main triggers for customers to consider purchasing online
- Consumers are most comfortable buying online items or brands they are familiar with



# Where consumers purchase their clothes varies by income level

## ? Where do you currently purchase your clothing items?

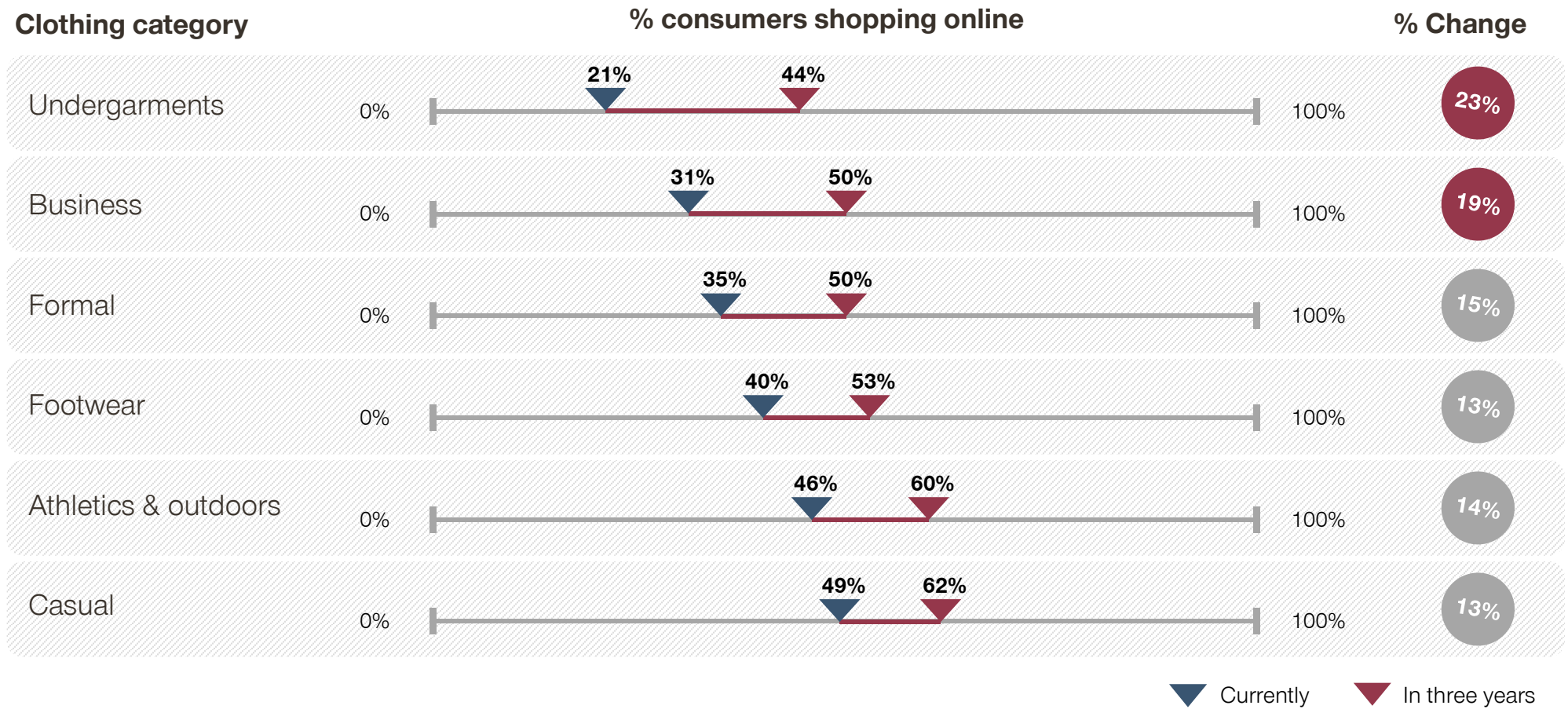


**Consumers with a high income are more likely to purchase at an online-only store**

Source: Omnichannel Consumer Survey NL; Q13 Which types of stores do you primarily purchase clothing from? (N = 344)

# Consumers expect to shop more online in the near future for every clothing category

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## Highest shift in channel purchases is expected in undergarments and business clothing

Source: Omnichannel Consumer Survey NL; Q14 Where do you currently purchase the following items? Athletic, Outdoors, Casual, Business, Formal clothing and Undergarments, (N = 344); Note: N is the total of respondents who answered the question, the actual N per category can differ while respondents who don't purchase items in a category are not considered in the chart. Q15 Which of the following items would you consider purchasing online in the next 3 years? (N = 300)



# Convenience aspects, such as time and a wider assortment, are main value drivers for shopping online

The importance of individual value drivers for shopping online are influenced by income level



**Not being dependent on time- and location constraints are more important for higher incomes than lower incomes**

Source: Omnichannel Consumer Survey NL; Q16 What is the reason for buying these clothing items online? (n = 216); Q17 Why would you consider purchasing these clothing items online? (n = 170)  
Low incomes: <50k gross annual household income; High incomes: >100k gross annual household income

# The ability to evaluate product quality/fit is keeping shoppers in-store and should be emphasized by retailers

On the other hand, online sellers should speed up shipping and find ways to ensure quality to customers

## Value drivers for in-store shopping



## High-end retailers should invest in skilled staff to attract in-store customers

Source: Omnichannel Consumer Survey NL; Q18 Why do you sometimes choose to purchase these clothing items in-store? (N = 179); Q19 Why do you only purchase these clothing items in-store and not online? (n = 300)  
Low incomes: <50k gross annual household income; High incomes: >100k gross annual household income

# Free delivery and returns are clearly the main triggers for customers to consider purchasing online

## ? What would trigger you to shop clothing items online?



**Almost half of customers who do not shop online yet would never purchase online in the future. Good news for brick & mortar stores!**

Source: Omnichannel Consumer Survey NL; Q20 You stated that you only purchase [clothing items] in-store. Which of the following benefits would trigger you to switch to buying these clothing items online, instead of in-store? (N = 300)

# Consumers are most comfortable buying online items or brands they are familiar with

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**?** How comfortable would you be purchasing the following items online?



**Customers are ~60% more likely to buy again when they have purchased a brand before;  
Online retailers should invest in first purchase sales**

Source: Omnichannel Consumer Survey NL; Q21 How comfortable would you be purchasing the following items online? ? (N = 344)

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## Key takeaways for Groceries

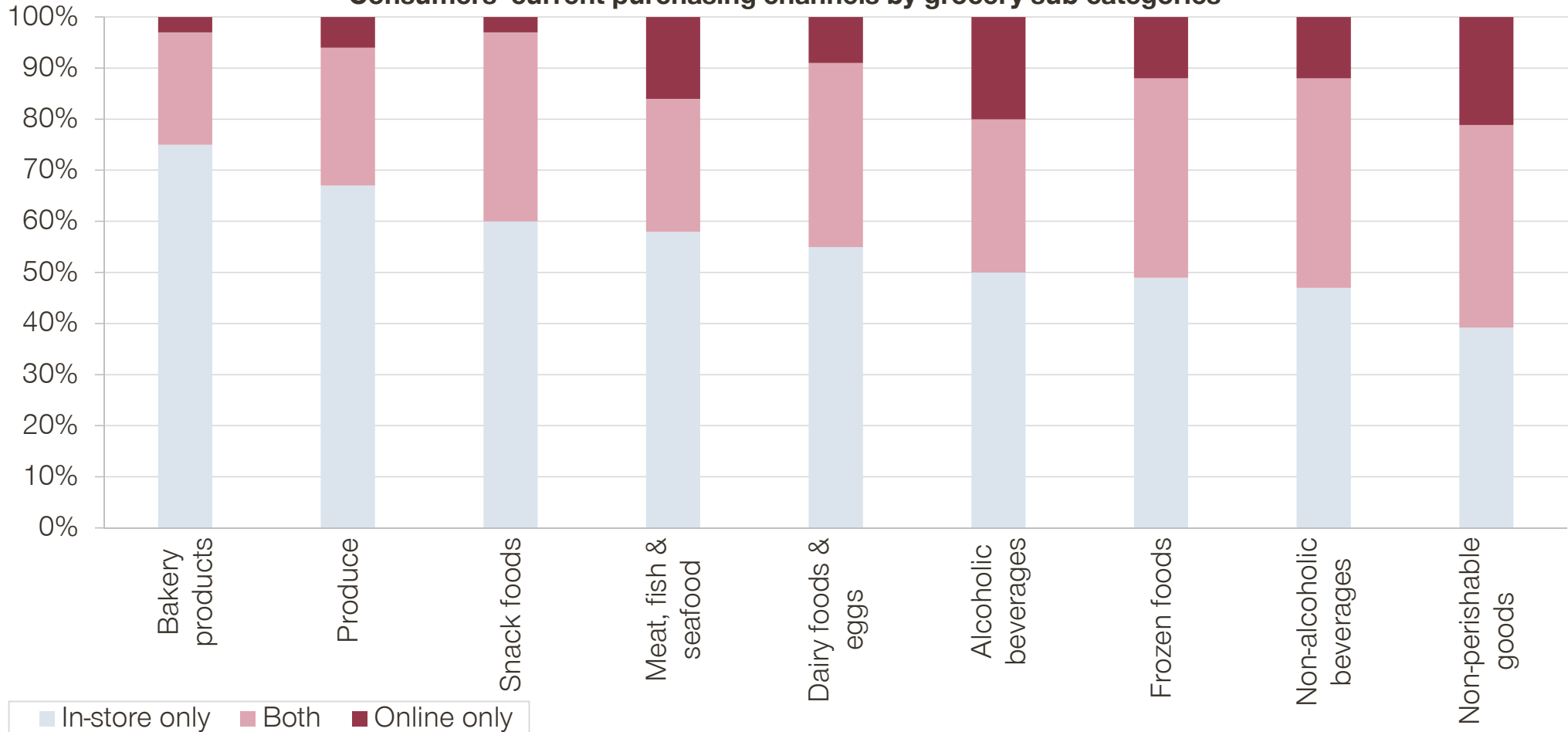


- Overall, only 10% of consumers purchase groceries online
- For many common grocery products, most consumers would never consider purchasing online
- Relative to other types of grocery stores, traditional grocery stores are the least threatened by online shopping trends
- Consumers continue to shop in-store because they can evaluate their food's quality and receive it immediately
- Free delivery is the most important reason for consumers to switch to online purchasing
- Overall, price-related incentives such as free delivery, no minimum purchase amount and discounted first purchase are key in triggering consumers to switch to online purchasing

# Overall only 10% of respondents ever purchase groceries online; most categories are largely bought in-store only

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Consumers' current purchasing channels by grocery sub-categories

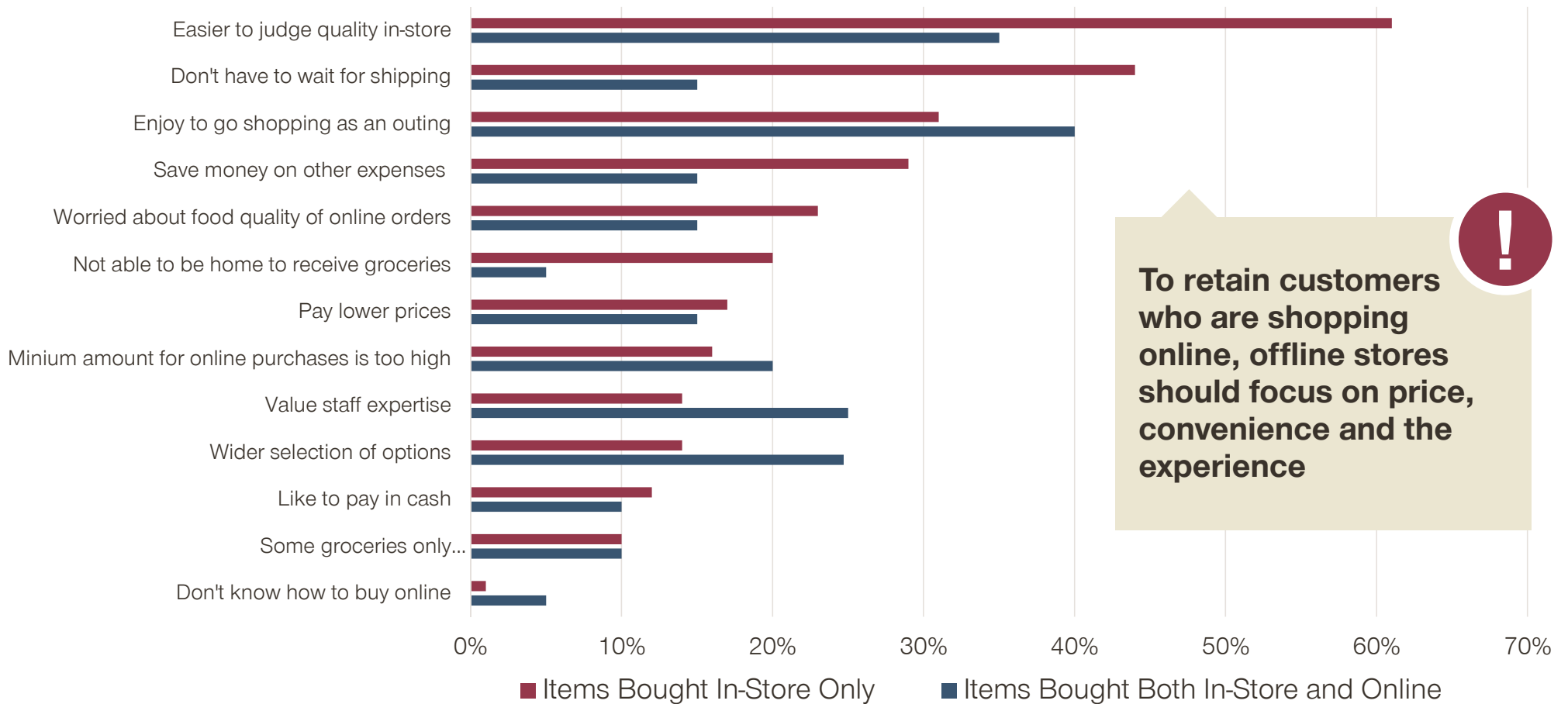


**On average non-perishable foods are bought more often online, with exceptions for snack foods and meat, fish & seafood**

Source: Omnichannel Consumer Survey NL, Q14 Where do you currently purchase the following items? Meat, Fish & Seafood; Produce; Frozen Foods; Snack Foods; Non-Alcoholic Beverages; Non-Perishable Goods; Dairy Foods & Eggs ; Bakery products; Alcoholic Beverages . (N = 34)

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## Reasons for purchasing grocery items in-store



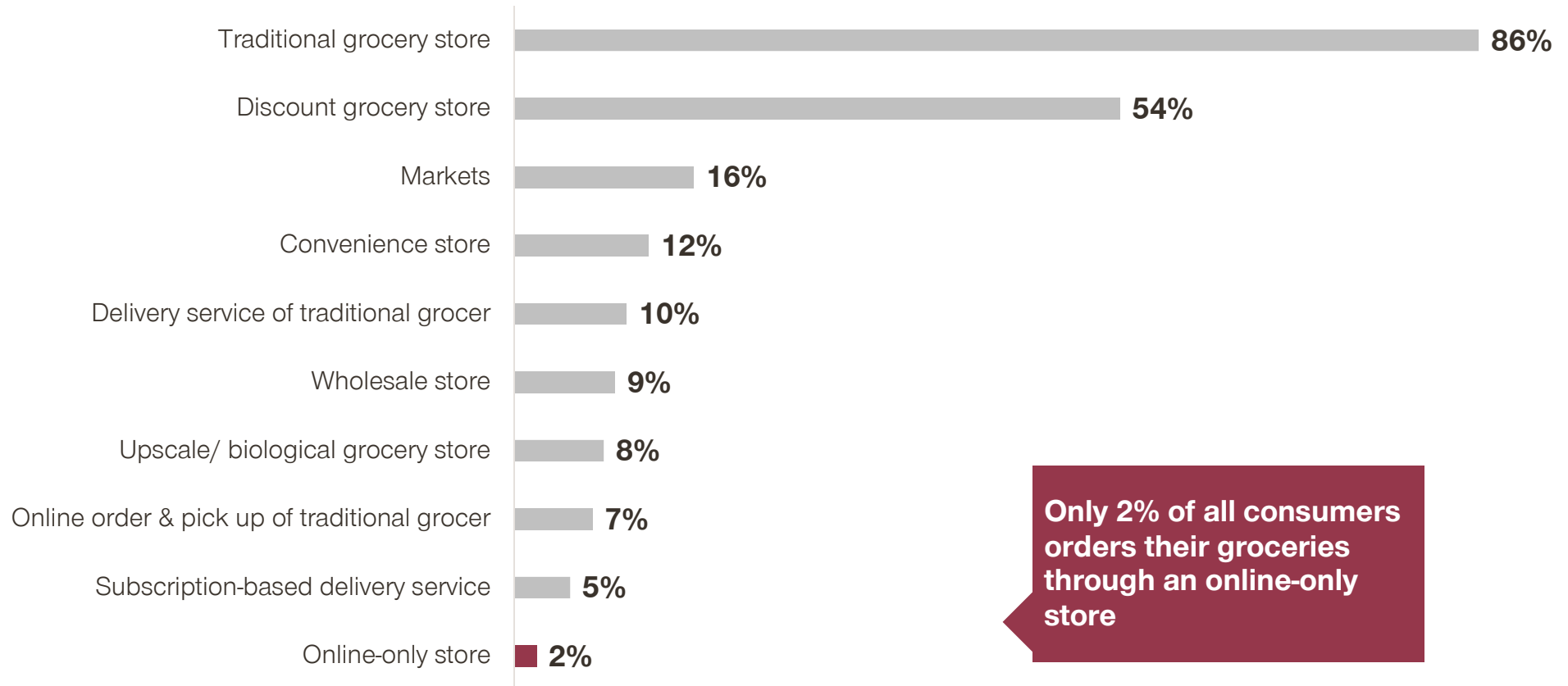
**To retain customers who are shopping online, offline stores should focus on price, convenience and the experience**

Source: Omnichannel Consumer Survey NL; Q10 You stated that you purchase [grocery items] both in-store and online. Why do you sometimes choose to purchase these grocery items in-store? Select up to 5. (N=20); Q11 You stated that you only purchase [grocery items] in-store. Why do you only purchase these grocery items in-store and not online? Select up to 5. (N = 333)



# Traditional and discount grocery stores are by far the most used stores by consumers for buying groceries

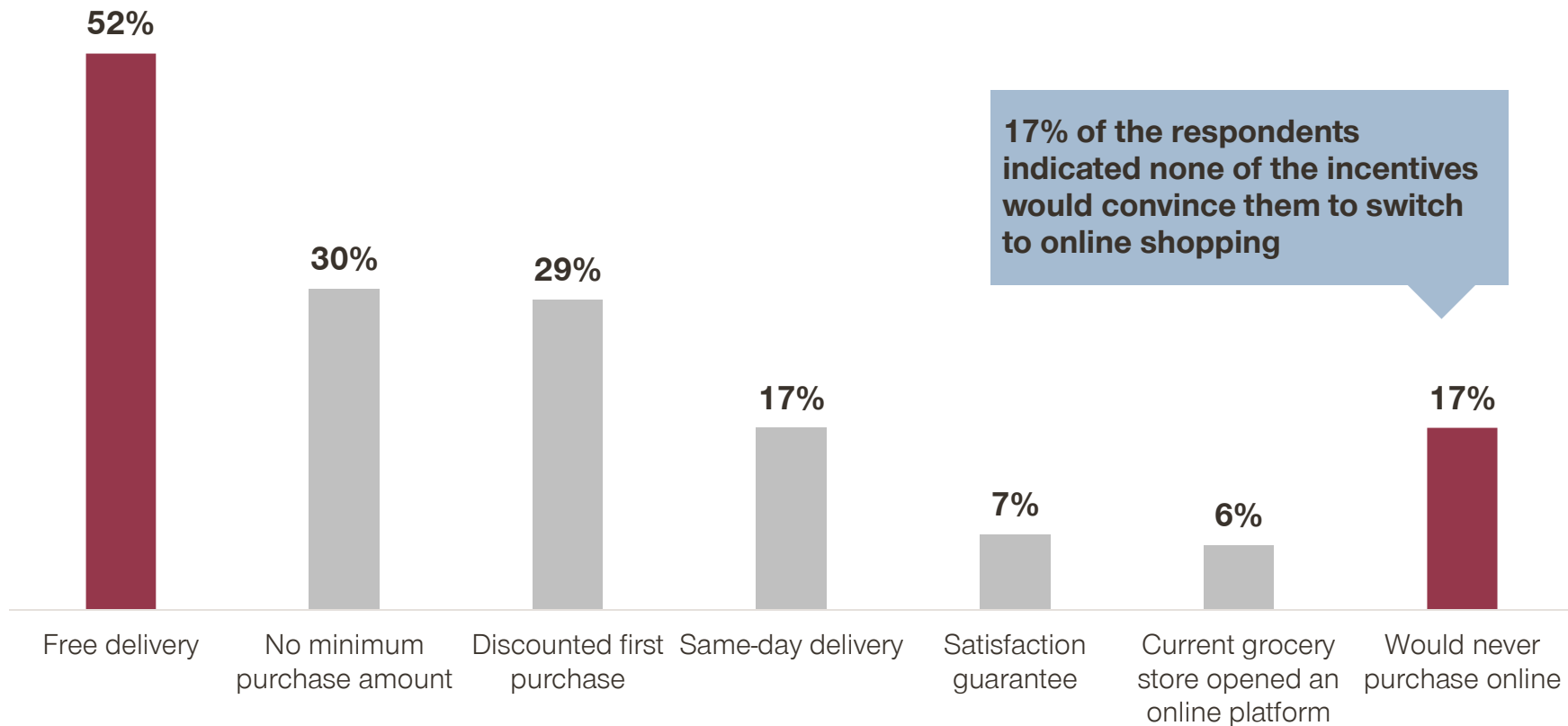
## Stores where consumers buy their groceries



**When ordering online, most consumers still use the online services of traditional grocers, instead of an online-only store**

# Consumers see price-related triggers to be the most important when switching from buying in-store to online

## Triggers to switch to buying grocery items online

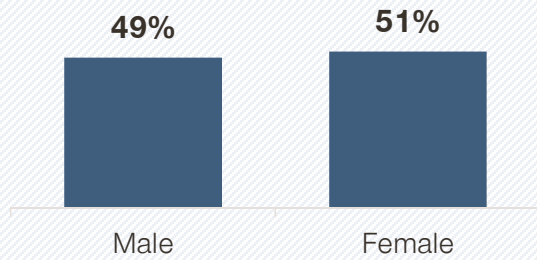


**The main trigger to get consumers to do their groceries online is to offer free delivery**

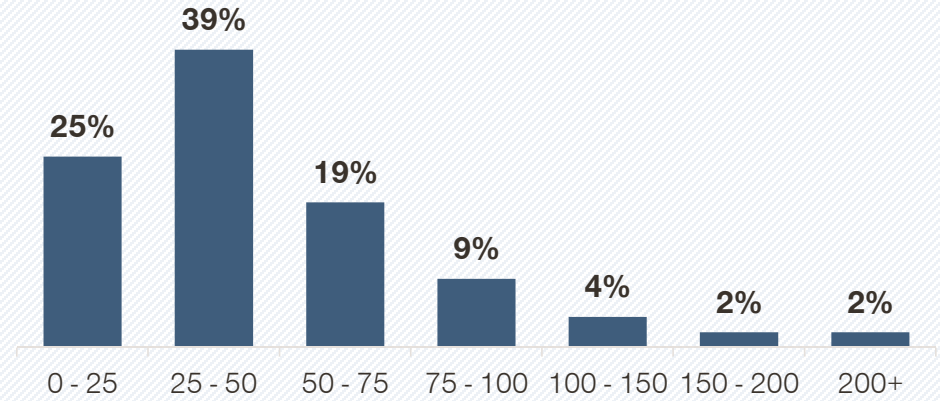
Source: Omnichannel Consumer Survey NL; Q12 You stated that you only purchase [grocery items] in-store. Which of the following benefits would trigger you to switch to buying these items online, instead of in-store? (N = 304)

# Demographics of 344 respondents

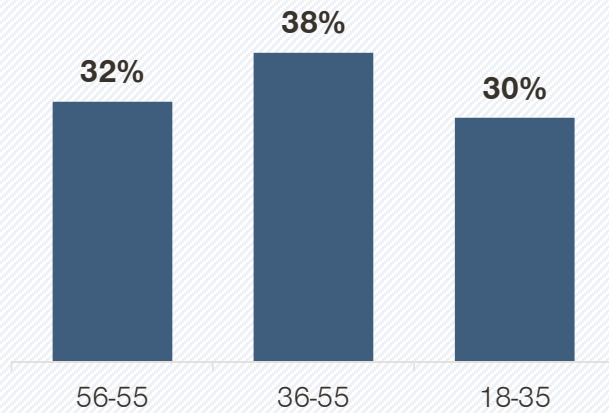
**% of respondents by gender**



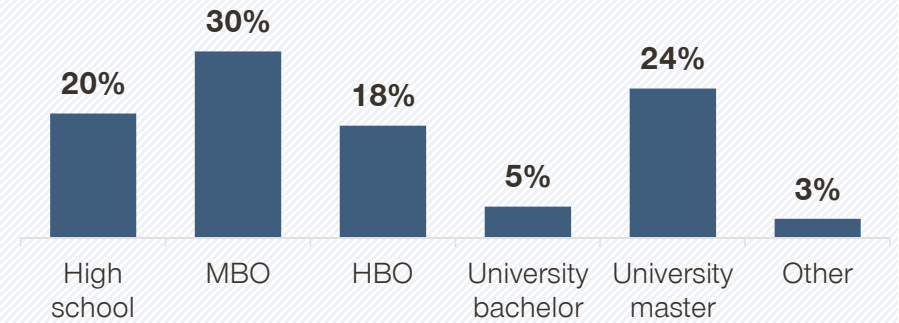
**% of respondents by income (x1.000)**



**% of respondents by age**



**% of respondents by level of education**



Source: Omnichannel Consumer Survey NL (N = 344)

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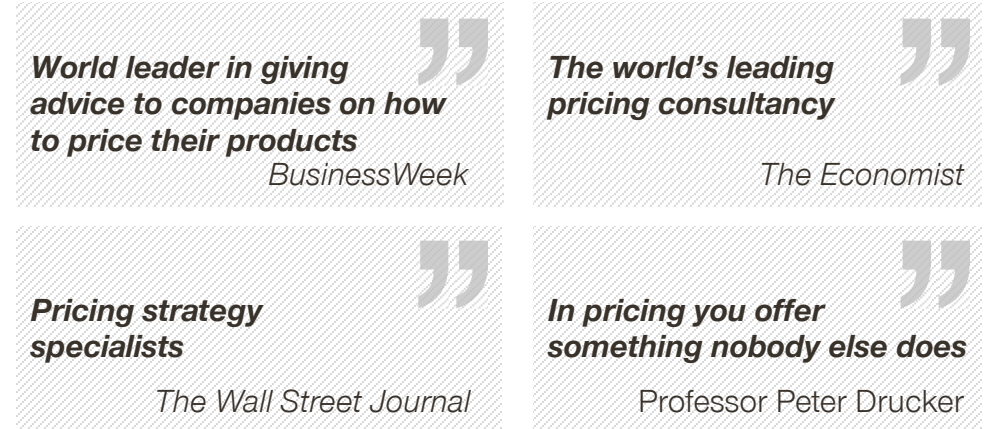


Source: *brand eins Thema* special edition: Consulting – industry report from *brand eins Wissen* and Statista, online survey, May 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017

Source: *Capital*, survey of the best consultancies in France, October 2016

Source: *Forbes*, Survey of best management consulting firms in the US, October 2016

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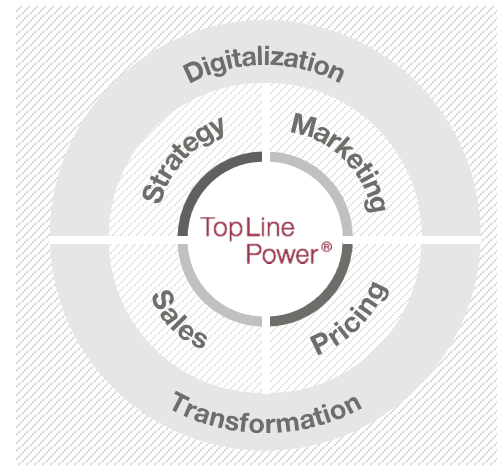


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34 offices worldwide, > 1,000 employees, €240m revenue in 2016



## > 3,000 projects in the last 3 years



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- Product portfolio (re-)design
- Pricing excellence
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