

# **CONSUMER RESEARCH REPORT AUSTRALIA 2023**

HOW TO PRIORITISE AND DELIVER WHAT YOUR SHOPPERS WANT



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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

A brand manufacturer's reputation — and the quality of their products — matter more now than ever before. Why? Because as shoppers face steadily rising prices, they're increasingly researching products before making purchasing decisions. Today's consumers are loyal to the brands that offer quality products and a great online experience.

We surveyed five countries – the U.S., Great Britain, Germany, France, and Australia – to get a pulse on how and why shoppers choose to purchase certain products.

We found that shoppers across these countries rely on a wide range of digital experiences to decide what to buy. From retailer mobile apps to brand websites, shoppers want excellent brand experiences with a diverse array of product detail and product page features.

In this report, you'll explore what matters to shoppers in each country and what impacts them most when buying groceries, clothing, furniture, or home improvement tools.

## WHY AUSTRALIAN CONSUMERS BUY

Nearly half of all shoppers prioritise product quality, and a majority are hunting for discounts, buying fewer products, or putting off large purchases. They're increasingly researching products to figure out what to buy in an era of rising costs.

#### How Rising Costs Have Impacted How Australian Consumers Shop



Despite increasing costs, consumers are willing to pay more for products that have good reviews and come from a trusted brand name. About a third of consumers in Australia also value fast and affordable delivery.

# What Makes Australian Shoppers Buy a Higher-Priced Option Online

#### Which Elements Help Sustain Brand Loyalty

Product quality

The data shows shoppers are loyal to brands offering the best product quality and online experience. However, less than a quarter of consumers said mobile apps or interactive tools like digital shopping assistants help win their loyalty.

The fact that consumers are looking for discounts and affordable shipping can be a problem for brands and retailers. After all, businesses rely on margins to stay profitable. To win sales and loyalty from today's consumers, brands and retailers must effectively convey the quality of their products online. Shoppers want to be confident that they're purchasing the very best. Online shopping experience

Discounts or loyalty coupons

In-store shopping experience

Ethical standards and values

Product innovation and selection

Mobile app or interactive tools



## **HOW AUSTRALIAN CONSUMERS SHOP**

#### Where Australian Consumers Are Most Likely To Buy a Product



As they navigate their shopping journey, consumers use a wide range of touch points to decide what to buy. To meet this new mode of shopping, retailers and brands must create robust and engaging product experiences across all their channels.

#### **Product Page Features That Help Australian Consumers Decide What To Buy**

	Product description
	Consumer reviews
	Product images
	Delivery and Returns Policy
to consumer reviews, there are es that influence consumers'	Videos
	Size and Material Informatior
	Real life examples
ter of shoppers said they would like ges.	Third-party Ratings
	Product page title
	Technical features
	Product origin
	360-degree interactior
	Comparison charts
	Assembly instructions
	Company information
	Environmental impact

From product descriptions to several product page feature purchasing decisions.

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#### How Australian Consumers Plan to Shop in 2023

In store

Most consumers plan to continue using a mix of shopping channels in 2023. For example, more than a third say that they'll more actively look for click and collect options.

Expect shoppers to continue looking for great product details on every channel they use. They're turning to stores, retailer sites, brand sites, search engines, mobile apps, and more to find the details they need.

If brands and retailers want to win their business, they must deliver the best product experience at every stage — and on every channel — of the buying journey.

Click and collect

On a retail site

On a retail app

Comparison shopping site On a brand's

own site

Via a search engine

Social media

Via voice

Via VR or Al



## WHAT AUSTRALIAN CONSUMERS WANT

We asked shoppers what they value when making online clothing, groceries, tools and hardware, and furniture purchases. It turns out that the products they shop for impacts the kind of product information they find most valuable.

When creating the best possible product experience for consumers, brands and retailers should consider the consumer's possible product questions and craft product details that answer them.

### Features That Australian Consumers Find Important for Online Clothing Shopping

### Features That Australian Consumers Find Important for Online Grocery Shopping



### Features That Australian Consumers Find Important for Online Furniture Shopping





To have a look through the full Salsify report, including more statistics from Australia as well as the United States, Germany, Great Britain, and France, click the link below.

