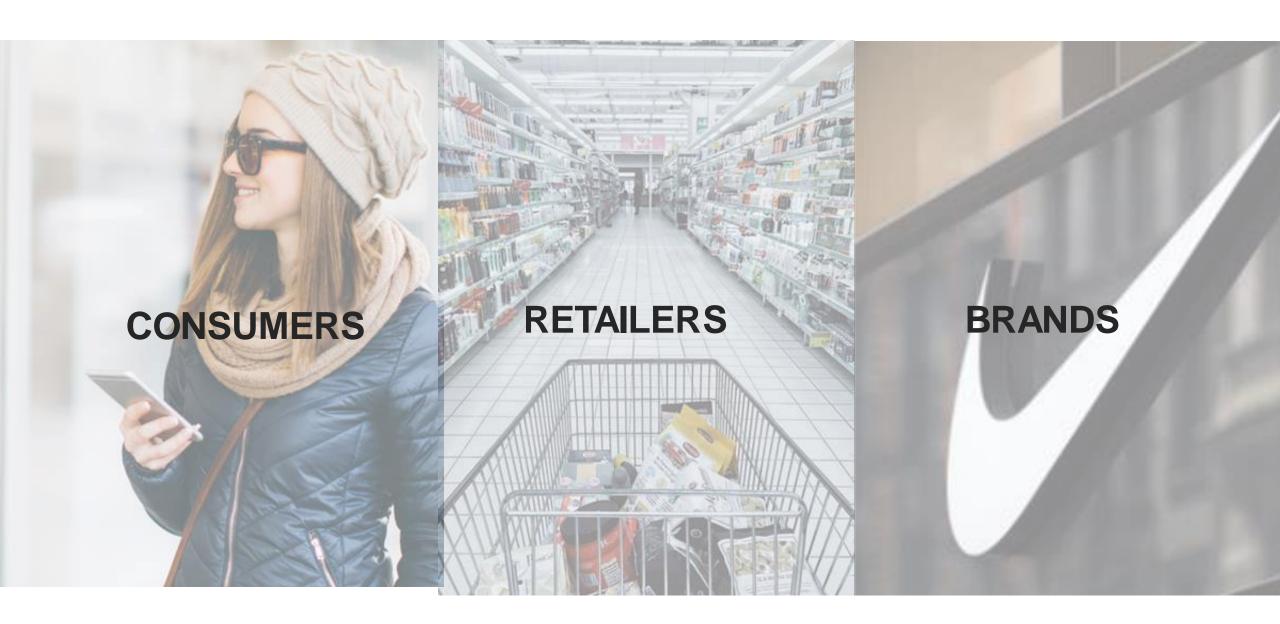
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## Trends That Will Shape Retail in 2020

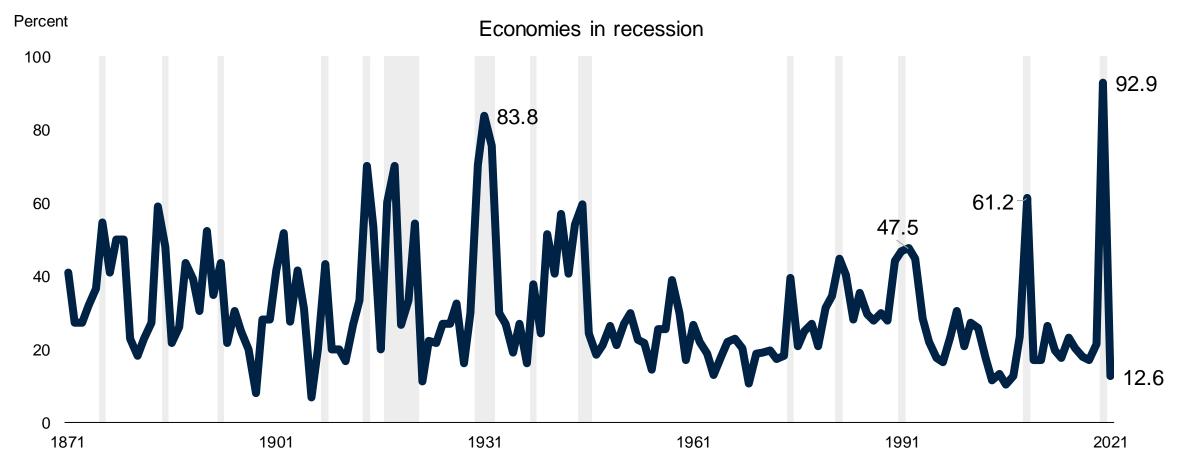
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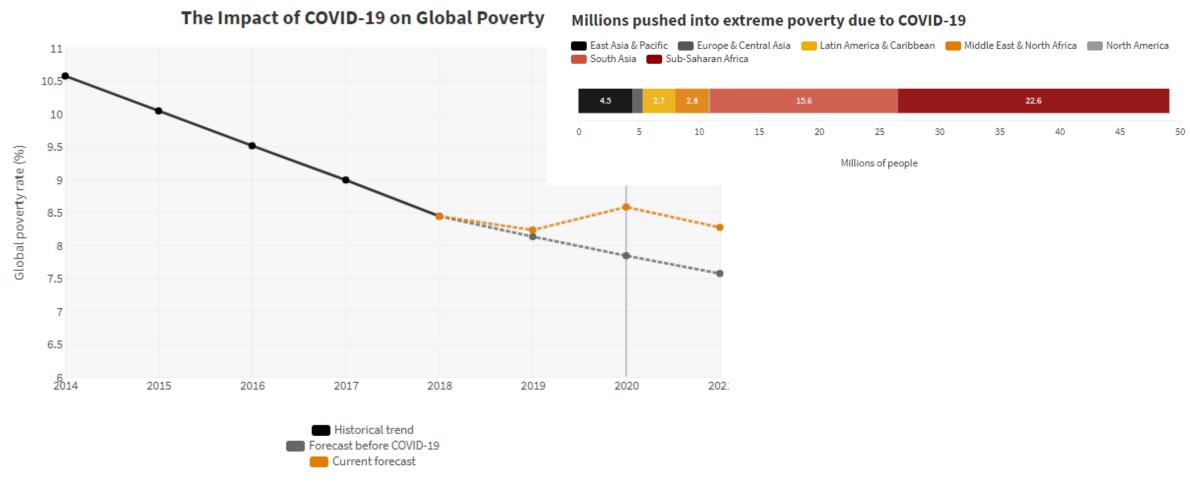
## This pandemic has the highest synchronization this century of global economies in recession

In 2020, the highest share of economies will experience contractions in per capita GDP since 1870—more than 90 percent, even higher than the proportion of about 85 percent of countries in recession at the height of the Great Depression of 1930-32



Source: World Bank

## Global poverty will rise as a result of COVID-19



Source: PovcalNet • The global poverty rate is measured as the share of the world's population living on less than \$1.90 per day.

Source: World Bank Blogs (https://blogs.worldbank.org/opendata/impact-covid-19-coronavirus-global-poverty-why-sub-saharan-africa-might-be-region-hardest)

## Even markets that have recovered are left with even poorer poor



#### "poorer households are still struggling...

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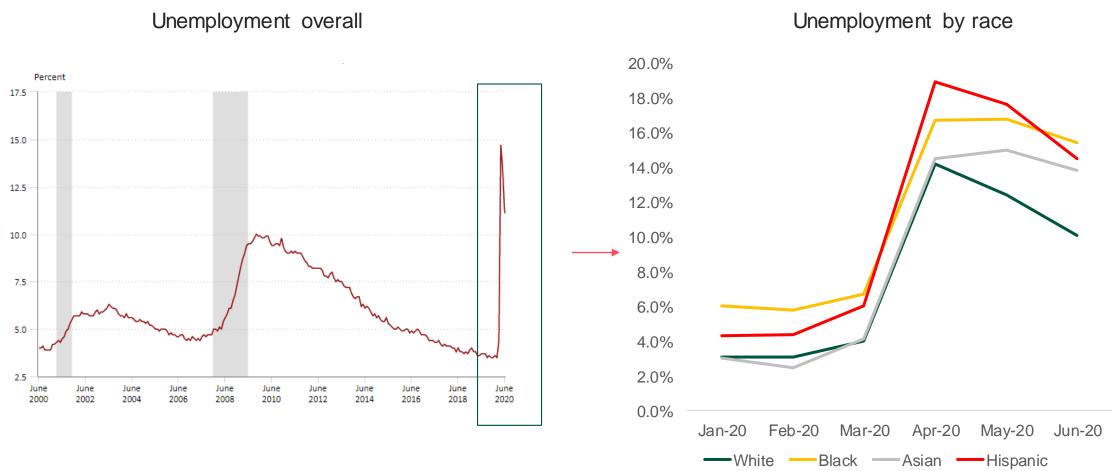
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China's urban unemployment rate has con to 5.6% in August from February's 6.2% high, opened in part because China's fiscal stimu-tics bureau proudly proclaimed. This figure is I understatement. Migrant workers are hardly the government's urban survey.

Make China a cautionary tale for Washing political impasse over stimulus continues, tì end up in the same situation, with the wealth ing whether work from home means they their Hermes ties while the poor scramble t K-shaped recovery is worse than a U- or W-sh

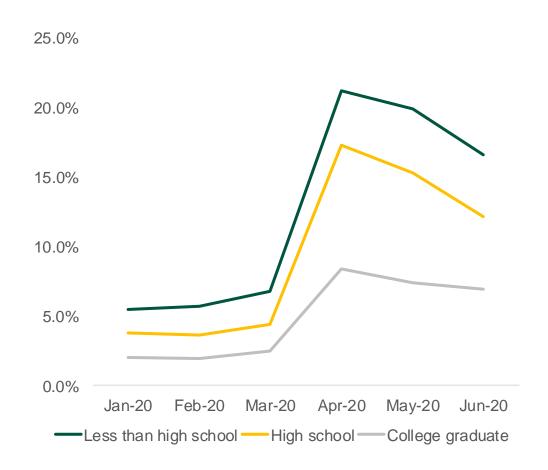
### The pandemic has hurt the least well off



Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics

## Meanwhile, the wealthy are holding their own

#### Unemployment is lower for more educated HHs



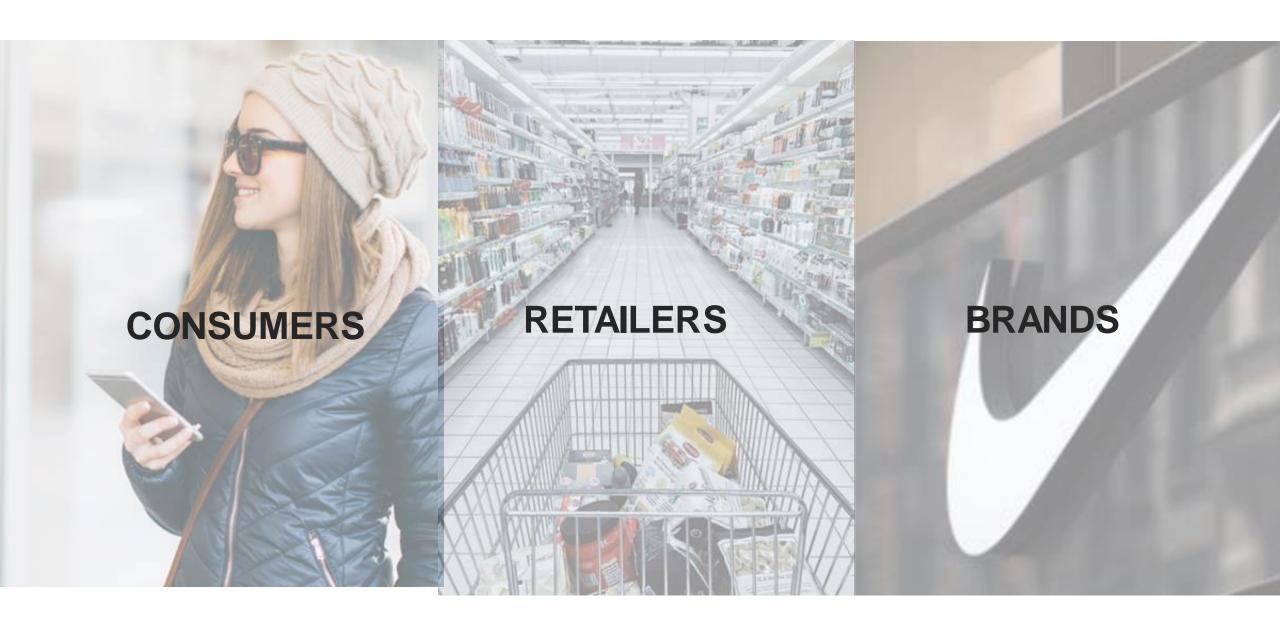


Wealthy households are 4x as likely to own stocks

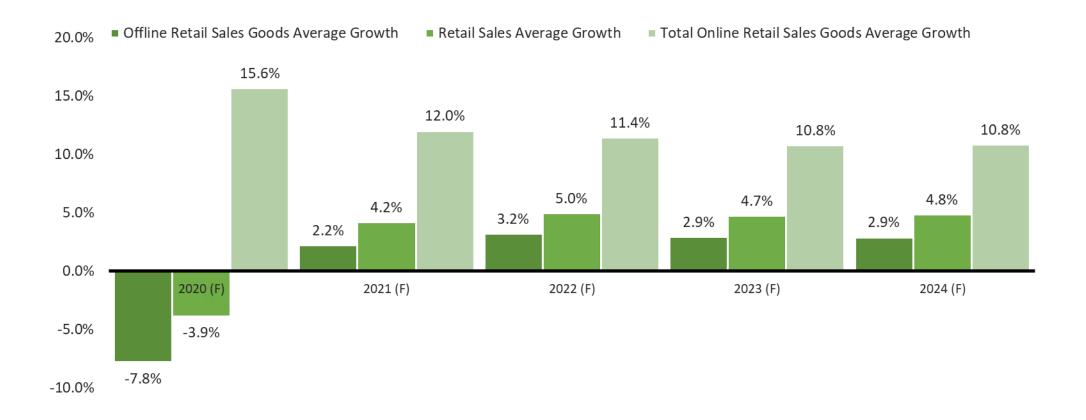
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics; Pew Research

## Luxury items continue to be resilient



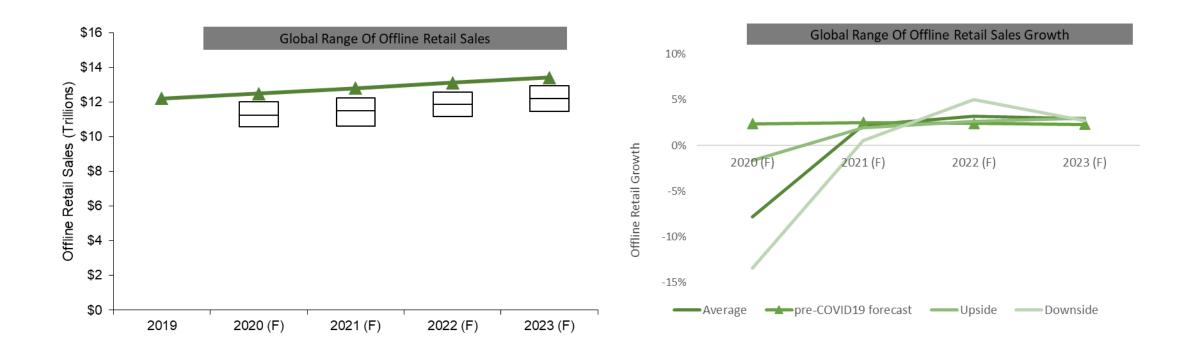


## Global retail sales will decline by an average of 3.9% in 2020, a loss of \$1.2 trillion compared to pre-COVID19 forecasts



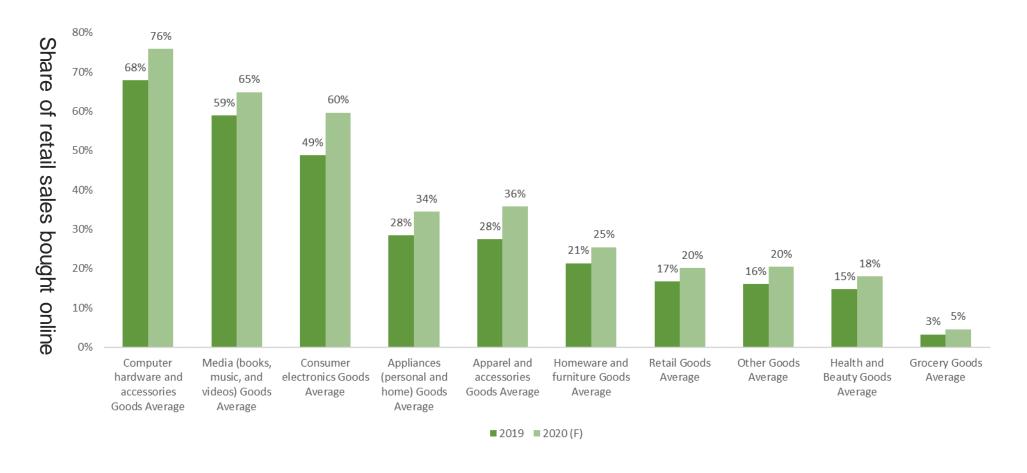
Source: Forrester ForecastView: COVID-19 Retail Scenario Planner, July 2020 (Global)

## Global offline sales will loose \$1.2 trillion compared to Forrester's pre-COVID19 forecasts, and won't surpass 2019 levels until 2023



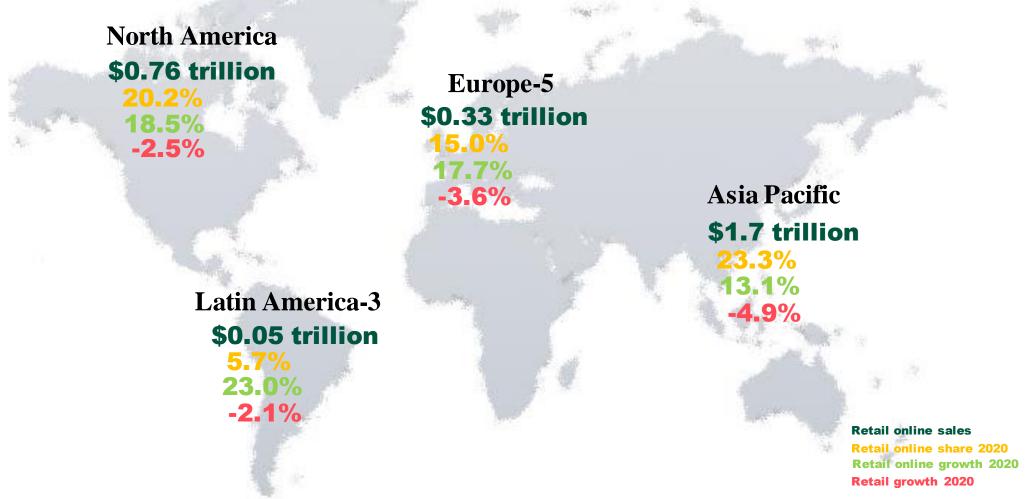
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## In 2020, Grocery, Apparel and Electronics will see the largest share of their sales migrating online



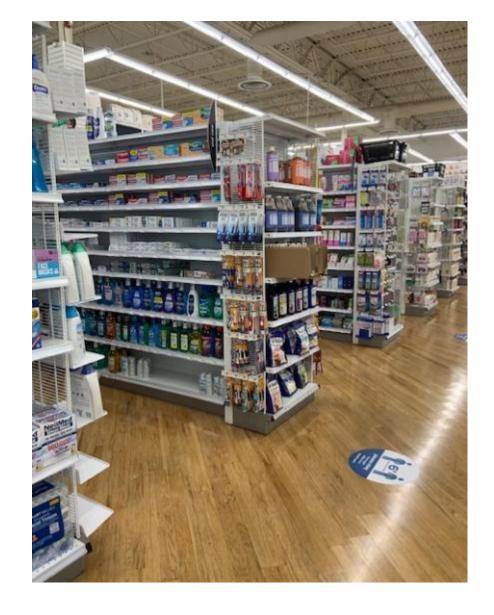
Source: Forrester ForecastView: COVID-19 Retail Scenario Planner, July 2020 (Global)

## In 2020 all regions will see retail sales decline and strong eCommerce growth



Source: Forrester ForecastView: COVID-19 Retail Scenario Planner, July 2020 (Global), Europe-5 covers Germany, France, Italy, Spain and UK, Latin America-3 covers Mexico, Argentina and Brazil, Asia-Pacific covers China, India, Japan, South Korea, Australia and South East Asia

# Retailers are trying to pivot where possible



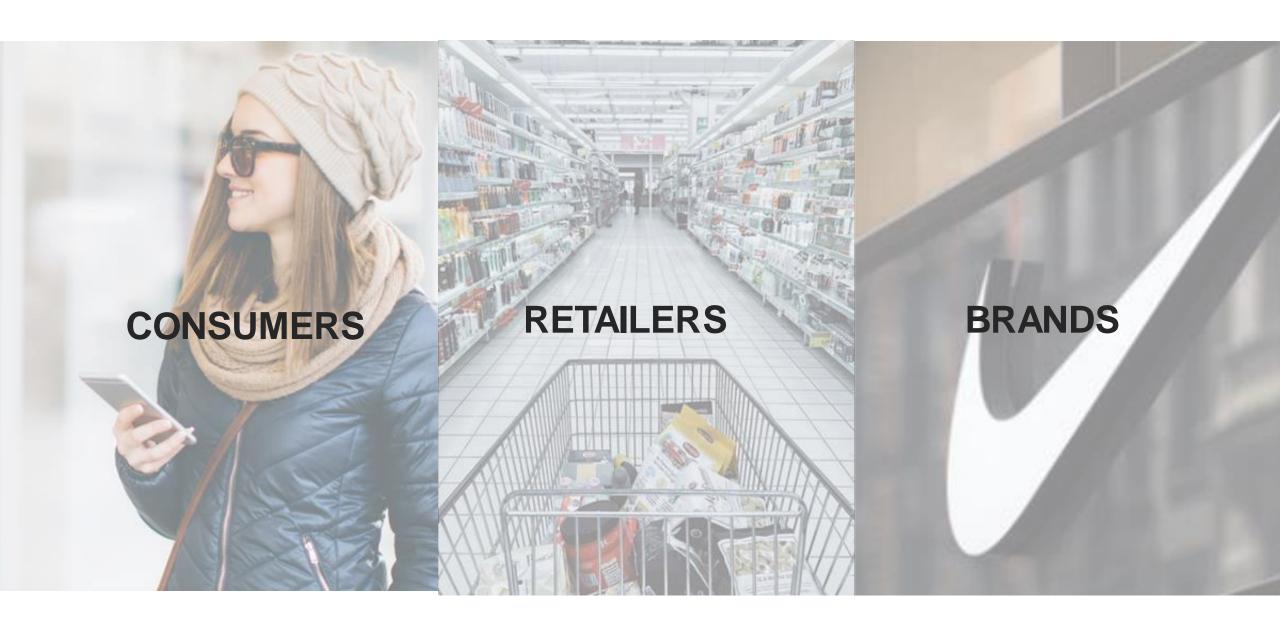
This home goods retailer is now selling essential items in its stores (example: Bed, Bath & Beyond)

## Experiments like MFCs are happening, but nothing systemic



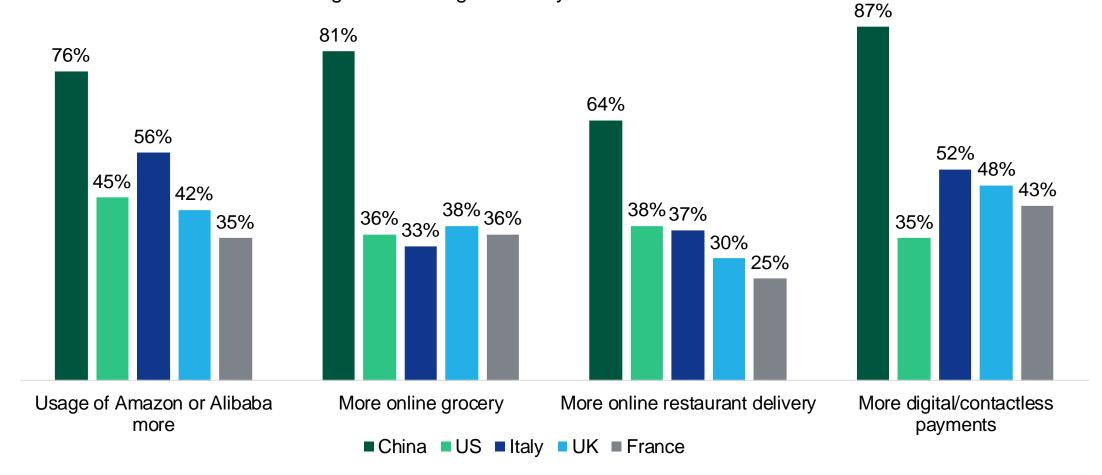


Source: Fabric, Takeoff



## Marketplaces will be more powerful

Thinking about the activities that you have started doing during the COVID-19 pandemic, please indicate how likely you are to continue doing the following once stay-at-home restrictions are lifted.



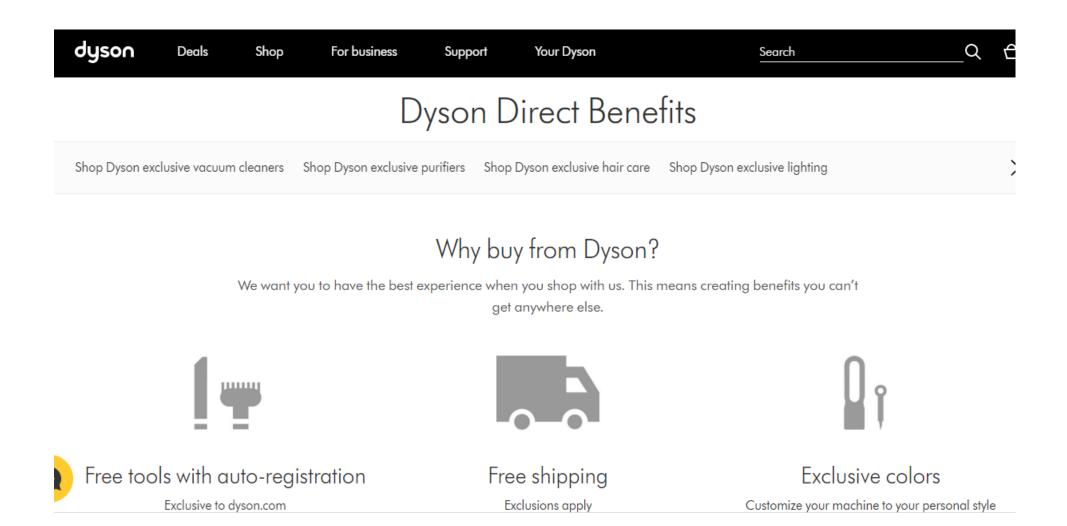
Source: Forrester Analytics Consumer Technographics COVID-19 Survey (Wave 2), 2020 (May 8-15) (US).

## But marketplaces dilute brands



Price is the #1 reason that shopper buy on Amazon, 1.4x more than the next most important attribute

## Brands aren't rolling over



## Sales are nascent and growing on direct-to-consumer sites

10% of customers are purchasing directly from manufacturer sites for essentials...even though many of these sites have subpar experiences



#### **Everyday Pantry**



Everyday Pantry Pack - Family Size

\$49.95

Add To Cart



Everyday Pantry Pack - Standard Size

\$29.95

Add To Cart

## Where we are now in recovery

#### COVID-19 timeline: US and Europe

#### Phase 1 January to mid-March 2020

Phase 2 March to mid-May 2020

#### Phase 3 Mid-May 2020 into 2021

Phase 4 Through June 2021







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#### Infection

- No awareness, social distancing, or management.
- Rapid spread of the disease.

#### Social distancing

- Stay-at-home and shelter-in-place mandates will have a significant impact on the spread of the disease.
- New infections will begin to decline in late April to early May and plummet by mid-May.

#### Management

- Pandemic management protocols will define ways of working, traveling, congregating, eating, moving, and connecting.
- Firms will create their own systems to maintain workforce health.
- Outbreaks of infection will face an improved public health response due to availability of tested antivirals and near-universal quick testing.

#### Eradication

- Pre-pandemic conditions will not be restored; shifts in consumer buying and organizational management change to create a new normal.
- Vaccines will become readily available, and the era of "sickness" will end.

### What DIVERGENCE means

#### **Consumers**

- The Business Roundtable's call for Stakeholder Primacy gains clout
- More protectionism and nationalism
- Higher taxes on the wealth to support wages and social programs

#### **Retailers**

- Dinosaurs die...speed is correlated with survival
- New retailers will be built on more nimble, asset light platforms, with fewer smaller stores
- New business models for retailers that survive (e.g. ad dollars)

#### **Brands**

- Retail jobs in the future will be on the digital teams of brands
- Sales organizations are replaced by eControl
- Every brand sees at least 10% of sales coming from its DTC channel

## Thank You.

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