



A look at the trends, behaviors, and insights that matter most to brands heading into 2022

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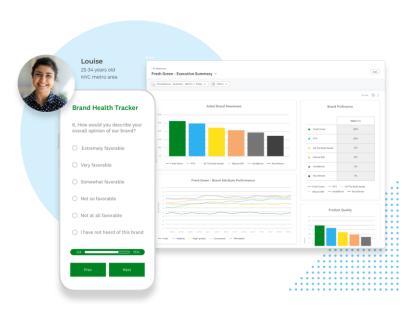
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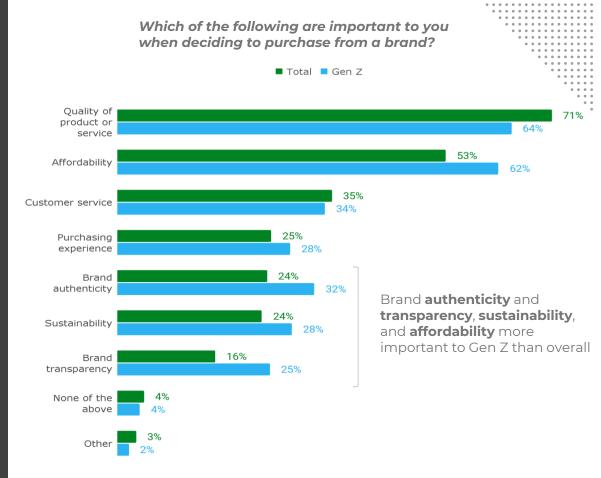


- 1. What matters to **younger consumers (Gen Z)** when making purchasing decisions
- How consumers decide between private label and name brand products
- 3. What role **social values and sustainability** play in influencing brand and product choices
- 4. How pandemic-related supply chain issues are impacting consumer behaviors
- 5. How the emerging **"buy now, pay later"** option may affect your category



# 1. Gen Z looks to social media to make purchase decisions

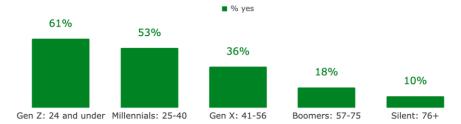
Gen Zers expect more from brands than just good prices and high quality products



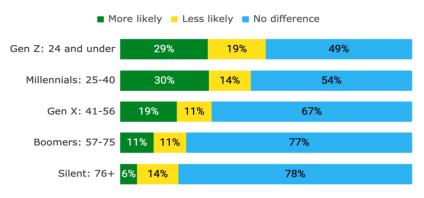


# Social media plays an important role in influencing Gen Z's purchases

#### Do you follow any brands that you like on social media?



# Are you more or less likely to purchase from a brand that has a social media presence?

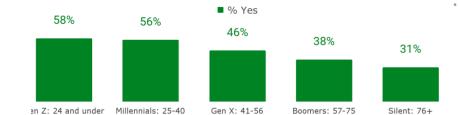


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# Social media plays an important role in influencing Gen Z's purchases

# Have you ever made a purchase based on a recommendation from a social media influencer or content creator?



more of due to social media

Products

purchased

1
Clothing
Beauty and skincare
Technology
Food and beverages
Home goods
Other

	Gen Z 24 and under	Millennials 25-40	Gen X 41-56	Boomers 57-75	Silent 76+
	49%	38%	29%	20%	16%
	34%	28%	21%	12%	9%
	-31%	28%	21%	18%	17%
	29%	23%	17%	11%	8%
	20%	23%	22%	22%	17%
	5%	7%	8%	8%	8%



N = 5,934z; June 15-22, 2021; Adults 18+ in the United States

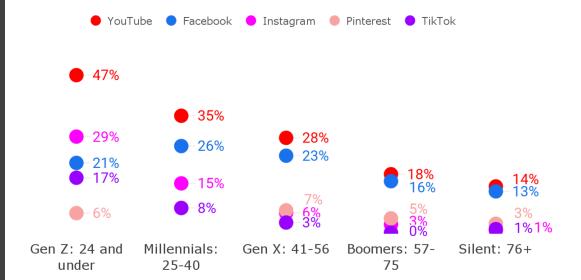
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Q: What type of product have you purchased more of due to social media? (Select all that apply)



# Social media plays an important role in influencing Gen Z's purchases





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Q: Which of the following online or social media platforms do you use to research products before making a purchase? (Select all that apply).

Note: Platforms with less than 5% overall not shown





# 2. Private label is gaining traction across categories

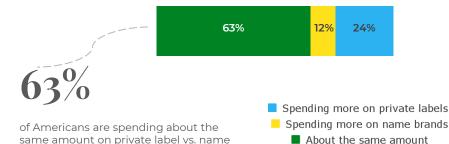
# A large majority of consumers consider private label brands before making a purchase.





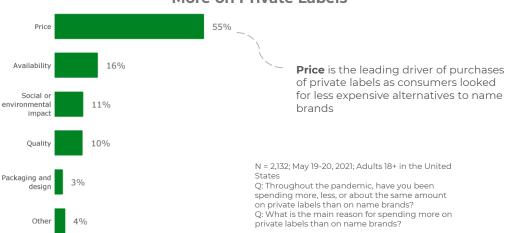
# COVID-19 hasn't changed spending patterns for private label vs. name brand products significantly

## Spending on Private Brands vs. Name Brands



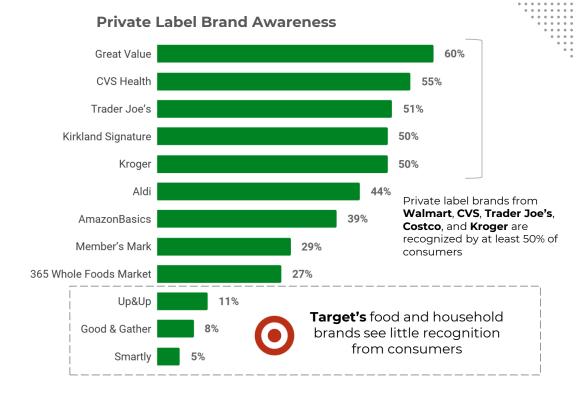
brands now vs. before the pandemic

# Reason for Spending More on Private Labels



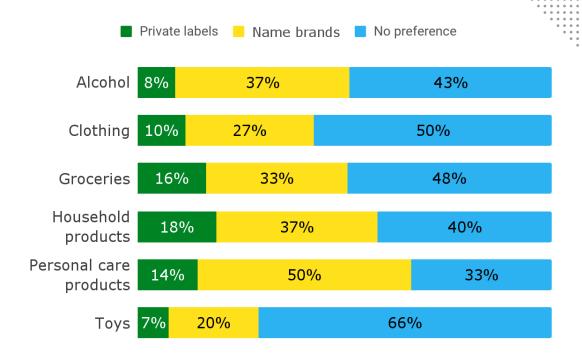


# Brand awareness among top private labels brands reach half of all consumers





Half of consumers prefer name brands when purchasing personal care products, and mostly indifferent for clothing and toys







# 3. Sustainability continues to grow in importance

# According to the Consumer Brands Association:



- The 25 largest consumer goods companies have made commitment to increase recyclable content, minimize packaging or reuse material
- 80% of those companies are working toward fully recyclable packaging for all of their products by 2030 at the latest















44%

Consumers say they care about environmental issues **much more** today than they did a year ago.

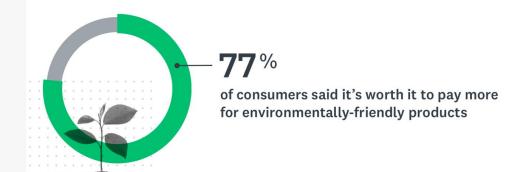
8 in 10

Have made purchase decisions **based on their values** in the past year.



**70**%

Consumers say they **very likely to purchase** from a company that
shares their environmental values.



Early adopters of sustainability have cemented their place in the minds of consumers and continue to reap the rewards in terms of brand awareness

## Brands that take positive actions to protect the environment



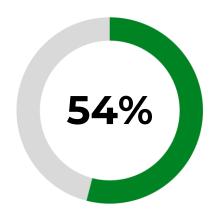
Momentive March 2021 study of 1,097 US consumers





# 4. Supply chain constraints continue to be a problem

Shopping has continued throughout the pandemic, even on large items and despite supply chain disruptions



More than half of people in the U.S. have experienced issues making a planned purchase during the COVID-19 pandemic

65% of people have still made major purchases during the COVID-19 pandemic



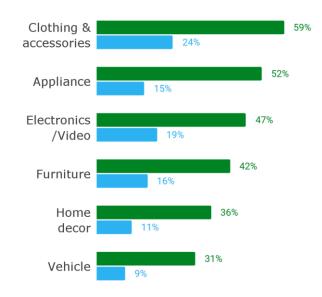
N = 1,118; 8/27/21- 8/28/21; US Adults 18+

Q: Have you made any major purchases such as kitchen appliances, cars, electronics, furniture etc... during the Covid-19 pandemic?



Q: Have you experienced issues making planned purchases during the COVID-19 pandemic, whether that be shipping issues or stock issues?

Industry by industry, supply chain issues have caused proportionate problems



Have made a major purchase during the pandemic

Have been interested in purchasing during the pandemic, but have had to wait



Q: What sort of major purchases have you made during the Covid-19 pandemic? (Select all that apply)



Q: Which of the following items have you been interested in purchasing during the Covid-19 pandemic, but have had to wait due to delays or it being out of stock? (Select all that apply)

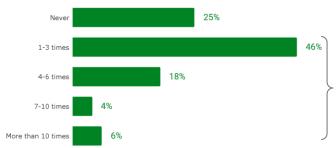
Most consumers have had to wait longer than usual for a purchase this year, but few are willing to wait more than a few months

What is the longest you'd be willing to wait for a desired item to become available?



60% would wait 2 months at most for a desired item to become available

How many times have you had to wait longer than usual for a purchase to be delivered due to COVID-19?



75% Have waited longer than usual at least once for an item to be delivered during COVID-19

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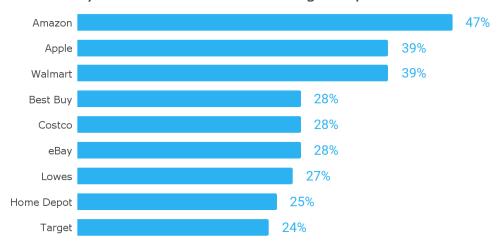
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Even for the supply chain experts, shipping delays have abounded during COVID-19

Nearly half of Amazon customers say they've experienced delays when purchasing from Amazon during COVID-19

Percent of \_\_\_\_\_\_ shoppers who have experienced delays with each retailer during the pandemic







# 5. Buy now, pay later emerges as a purchase incentive

# Affordability and interest-free payments drive "Buy Now, Pay Later" usage

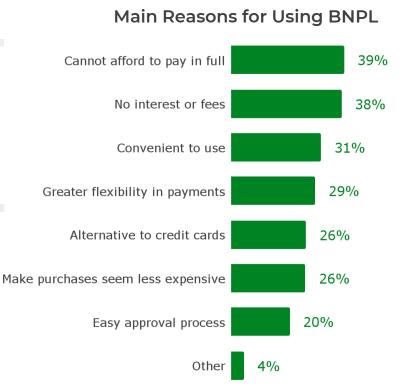




20% of consumers have used BNPL to make a purchase within the last 12 months



33% of consumers who haven't used BNPL express interest in using the service



N = 3.353; August 18-20, 2021; US Adults 18+

Q: Within the last 12 months, have you used a "buy now, pay later" service to make any purchases?

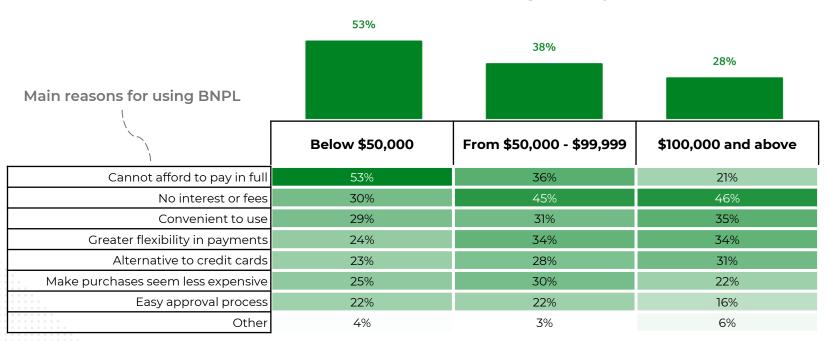
Q: How interested are you in using this type of service?

Q: What are your main reasons for using a 'buy now, pay later' service? (Select all that apply)

# Interest in BNPL highest among lower income consumers, driven by affordability



## % Interested in Using BNPL by Annual Income



More common

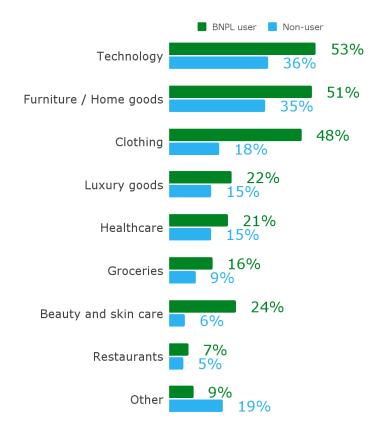
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Buy Now, Pay Later users more likely to use the service for purchases beyond technology and furniture

## **Expected Usage of Buy Now, Pay Later**





# What's Next RETAIL & CPG

- Gen Z looks to social media and influencers for purchasing decisions
- 2. Private labels are gaining market power
- **3. Sustainability** continues to be an emerging factor in customer purchase decisions
- **4. Supply chain** disruptions will continue, but consumers won't wait to make purchases
- **5. "Buy now, pay later"** emerging as a key incentive for purchasing, especially among lower income brackets





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