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The Rise of Savvy Shoppers Consumer Trends Snapshot

Criteo recently surveyed more than 1,400 consumers in India to understand how inflation is impacting shopping behavior and preferences. The results show economic uncertainty and rising costs are creating smarter shoppers, eager to get the best value for their money without sacrificing the items they love.

Here are five major trends for advertisers to consider:

1 People are heading online in search of the best offers.

Shoppers searching for savvier ways to buy are passing up physical stores in favor of better prices online.

of shoppers are spending more time online to search for the best offers/values before making a purchase

80% of shoppers are finding products at better prices online than at physical stores

77% of shoppers say they shop more online

95%

The increase in online shoppers buying from 5+ retailers vs. one year ago.¹

Organic Criteo data. Shopping behaviors observed across the same set of Criteo retail partners across anuary 13, 2022 - January 19, 2022 vs January 12, 2023 - January 18, 2023.

2 Shoppers are still finding ways to buy what they love.

Consumers have no choice but to spend more on non-negotiables like mortgages or food. At the same time, a majority are still purchasing the goods and experiences they want most.

Share of shoppers who say they're spending **more** on:

23% Mortgage/rent

39% Energy bills

52% Gas/fuel

56% Groceries

Share of shoppers who say they're spending the **same or more** on:

71% Home furnishings 78% Consumer electronics

74% Travel 82% Apparel and accessories

74% Eating Out 85% Personal care/health and beauty

67%+

Share of consumers in India who report spending the same or more on travel, eating out, and luxury goods.

3 A forward-thinking mindset is accelerating some purchases.

Consumers are shopping creatively in order to maximize their spending power.

Buying gifts for future holidays/birthdays because prices are going up	51%
Cancelled/postponed their plans to buy items due to the rise of prices	59%
Buying high value items (e.g. appliances, furniture) sooner because prices are going up	61%
Buying essential items (e.g. detergent, tissues) in bulk to get more value for their money	74%

4 Deals shouldn't come at the expense of quality products.

Though saving money is top of mind, shoppers still want great products that are made to last. Product quality is the most important factor for shoppers, ahead of free shipping and discounts/coupons. Factors influencing purchase decisions:

Product Quality

95%

Free Shipping

90%

Discounts/Coupons

89%

5 Consumers want more from brands than just discounts.

Alignment with a brand's values and loyalty programs are strong motivators for shoppers to make a purchase right now.

How important will the following be for you when buying from a brand or retailer in the next six months?







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