# PayPal Holiday Research 2017

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# Methodology

What	<ul> <li>An online study among a sample of the general public was conducted by independent research firm, Koski Research</li> </ul>
When	<ul> <li>The study was fielded September 21 to 28, 2017</li> <li>The study averaged 12 minutes in length</li> </ul>
Who	<ul> <li>1,000 Americans aged 18-55 completed the survey</li> <li>The sample was drawn from online sample sources</li> <li>Age, gender, ethnicity, and region quotas were used to develop a nationally representative sample; the data was not weighted</li> </ul>



#### **Executive Summary**

- Most shopping will take place at major chains or online marketplaces.
  - Americans are almost equally likely to say they will do most of their shopping at an online marketplace (39%) as in-store or online at a major retailer (38%). About one in five (22%) say they will do most of their shopping at small businesses.
  - 63% say they are more likely to shop at a store which donates a percent of their proceeds to a charitable cause.
- Americans are slightly more likely to be stressed (54%) about holiday shopping than have a positive outlook about it (46%).
  - A third (32%) of Americans say they find holiday gift shopping to be a joyful experience, and 14% say holiday gifts and spending do not stress them out at all.
  - About a quarter (23%) of Americans say spending too much money is a concern, and 14% say all of the hassle of holiday shopping is stressful.
- Americans will spend the most on purchases for their significant others (\$226) and children (\$220), and nearly equal amounts on their pets (\$85) as their friends (\$80).
- Almost all Americans plan to shop in-store (98%) or on their computer (95%). Four in five (80%) will shop on their mobile device.
  - They expect to spend 2.8 hours in-store, 3 hours online, and 2.5 hours on their mobile device shopping.



#### **Executive Summary**

- Mobile shoppers recognize the benefits of shopping on their devices.
  - Shopping on mobile devices is catching up to laptops and desktops. 43% say they prefer to shop on their mobile device, compared to 57% who say they prefer to shop on their laptop or desktop.
  - Two-thirds (67%) say they like that they can shop from anywhere on their mobile phone.
  - Americans are more than twice as likely to say they have no problems shopping from their mobile device (68%) than they are to say it can be frustrating to shop on their mobile device (32%).
- One in three (33%) holiday shoppers plan to buy a gift abroad this holiday season.
  - They're shopping overseas because they want a unique gift (41%), are looking for a deal (34%), or looking for an item they can't find in the U.S. (25%).
  - Security (38%) and free shipping (31%) are most important when shopping online outside of the U.S.
- Over a quarter (27%) plan to pool funds via person-to-person (P2P) payments.
  - 49% of P2P users will pool money for a gift, and are more likely to prefer P2P to be paid back.
  - Over half of those who aren't pooling funds (52%) say they aren't doing so because it's too complicated.



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### American mindset going into Holiday Season





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### Millennial Mobile Shopper

Love shopping on mobile devices and see fewer drawbacks & barriers



71% of Millennials report no problems when shopping on their mobile device

72% like shopping from anywhere

47% prefer to shop on mobile device

More likely to shop in bed 56%, on toilet 50%, walking down the street 27%

Would consider today: purchasing through social media (33%), drone delivery (28%)

# Holiday Shopping



### Americans expect to do most of their shopping in online marketplaces or large traditional retailers

A fifth will get most of their gifts from small or local businesses

#### Plan to buy most holiday gifts from







In-store/online local/small business

Americans (63%) are more likely to shop from a store that will donate a percentage of their proceeds to a cause.

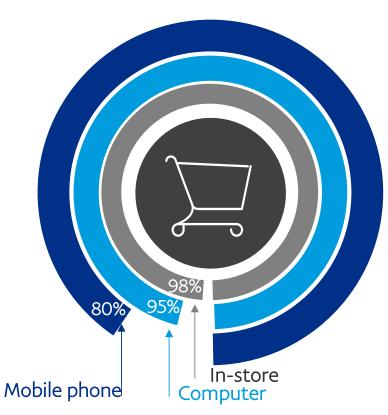


# More than 4 in 5 Americans expect to do some holiday shopping on their mobile phone

In-store and computers remain most popular for holiday shopping

Holiday shopping methods

Mobile shopping experience



Pain points for mobile shopping include:

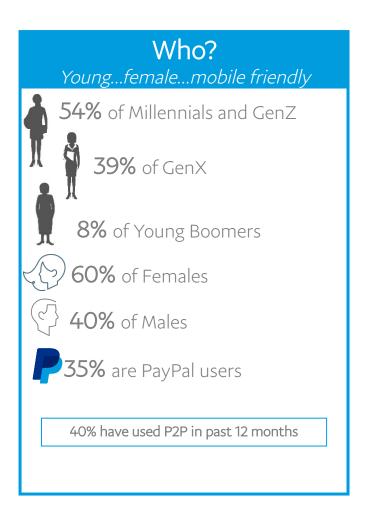


- The small screen and keyboard size (54%)
- Having to type in all of my data (37%)
- Difficulty switching between browser tabs (34%)
- Sites that are not optimized for mobile (28%)

**88**% believe shopping on their mobile device **is secure** and **32**% agree it is **very secure**.

# Being able to purchase items anywhere and in the moment are top reasons for mobile device shopping

Mobile Shoppers shop on the go and...in bed!



#### Holiday Mobile Shoppers





### Americans are split between a positive, and a stressed outlook on how they feel about the holiday season

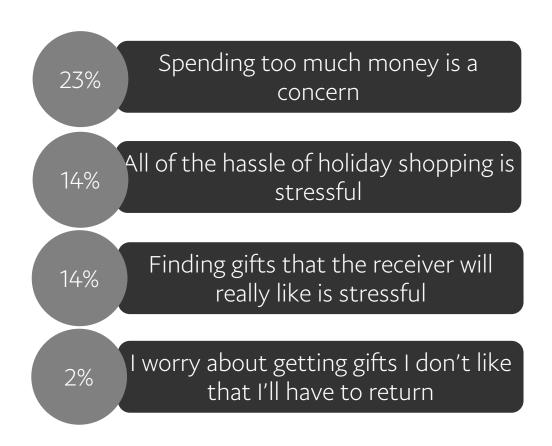
The biggest reason behind stress is concern about spending too much money

#### Holiday shopping outlook





**46%** of Americans **do not stress over** holiday shopping and spending.





### Two-thirds of Americans will be filling their pet's stocking this year

Americans on average will spend more on a gift for their furry friends than human friends

#### Expected spend on holiday gifts

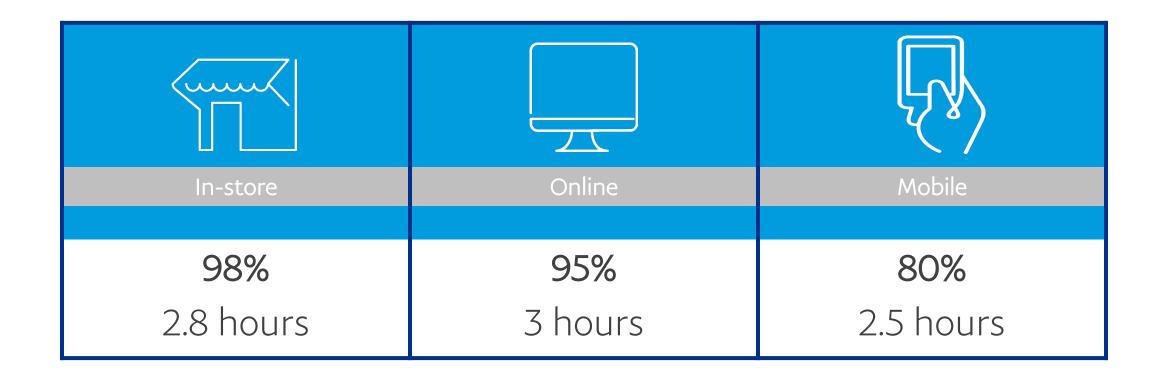




### 4 in 5 Americans will shop from their phones this holiday season

On average, Americans will spend between 2 and 3 hours each shopping in-store, online, and mobile

Time expected shopping per channel

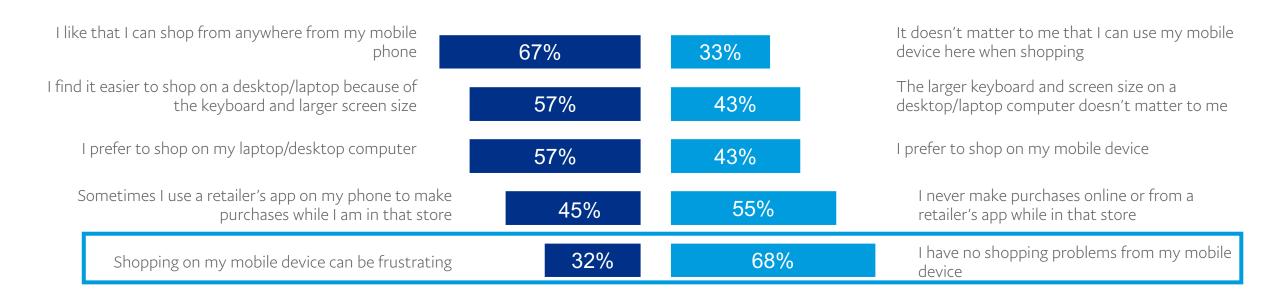




## Mobility, preference, and ease are driving mobile device shopping

Some Americans still prefer a desktop for larger screen and keyboard when shopping online

#### Describes me best...





# Americans today are most likely to consider purchases through social media or driverless vehicle delivery

They are least likely to be interested in purchases through visual/augmented reality

#### Consideration of new shopping technologies

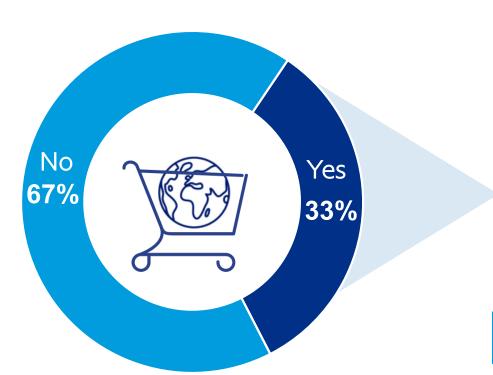
	Would Consider Today	Would Consider in Next 5 Years	No Interest
Driverless vehicle delivery	25%	30%	45%
Delivery by drone	23%	29%	47%
Purchase through social media	28%	19%	53%
Purchase on voice-controlled device	20%	27%	53%
Purchase through virtual/augmented reality	17%	26%	57%



#### Global gifting: a third plan to purchase gifts from out of country this season

Americans seek international gifts for uniqueness and savings

#### Plan to make overseas purchases



#### Shoppers are going abroad for a variety of reasons

Wanting a unique gift 41%

Looking for a deal 34%

Looking for something 25% can't find in the U.S.

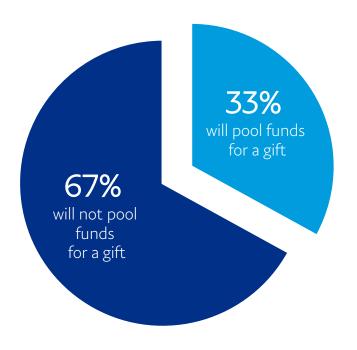
**Security** is most important when shopping online outside the U.S. (38%), followed by free shipping (31%).



# A third of all shoppers, and half of P2P users, will be pooling funds to purchase gifts this year

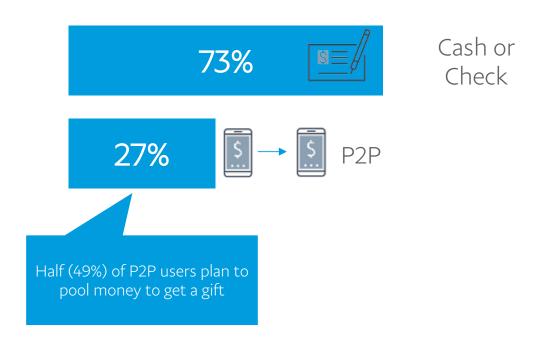
A quarter of those pooling will use P2P to gather funds





**52%** of those who do not plan to pool funds for a gift this year feel it's **too complicated.** 

#### Method used to pool funds

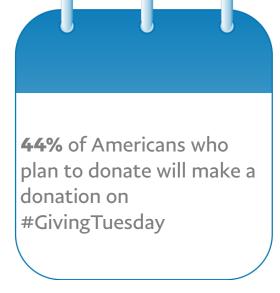


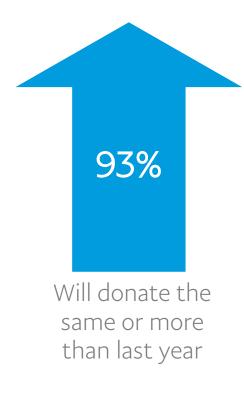


# Over half of Americans say they will be making a charitable donation this year

Almost all who give will give more or the same as last year







#### **Top giving causes:**

- Humanitarian relief (45%)
- Animal welfare (35%)
- Faith/religion (32%)



Q27. Which of the following best describes your charitable giving during this holiday season? (Base: Donating=530)

Q31. Do you plan to make a charitable donation on Giving Tuesday (also known as #GivingTuesday), which falls on November 28, 2017? 19 (Base: Donating=530)

# Demographics



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	Total (N=1,000)
Gender	
Male	42%
Female	58%
Age	
Gen Z	6%
Millennials	43%
Generation X	40%
Boomers	11%
Mean	37
Region	
East	16%
Midwest	22%
South	42%
West	20%
Phone	
Android	55%
iPhone	37%
Other/Both	6%
None	2%

	Total (N=1,000)
Personal Income	
Under \$25,000 (\$25k)	27%
\$25,000 - \$34,999 (\$30k)	13%
\$35,000 - \$49,999 (\$42.5k)	15%
\$50,000 - \$59,999 (\$55k)	11%
\$60,000 - \$74,999 (\$67.5k)	11%
\$75,000 - \$99,999 (\$87.5k)	9%
\$100,000 - \$149,999 (\$125k)	9%
\$150,000+	3%
Prefer not to answer	2%
Mean	\$55,612

