



# America's Fastest Growing Online Shops 2022

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## Summary

The America's Fastest Growing Online Shops 2022 highlights online entities that experienced rapid growth and are trending in the market with brands that show high levels of quality service and trust. The evaluation focused on 3 key areas: **Sales, Traffic, and Website Technical Details**.

In total, **more than 10,000** of the largest online shops were compiled using Statista's proprietary research database along with public online databases, online directories and price comparison websites to identify the most relevant online shops. Online shops selling mainly digital goods (e.g.: netflix.com), subscription-based shops, C2C marketplaces (e.g.: ebay.com), B2B online shops, showcase websites and online shops that do not display their site in English were excluded from further evaluation to allow a better comparison between them. The online shops were then organized according to their main product offering into **37 categories** (see slide 5).

The online shops had to meet the following criteria in order to progress to the evaluation:

- 1) At least 1,000,000 annual website visits in the USA
- 2) At least 1,000,000 USD revenue in the USA
- 3) Growth in both traffic and revenue
- 4) More than half of traffic coming from the USA
- 5) More than half of sales coming from the USA

After the screening, the shops were evaluated based on revenue growth (both absolute and relative\*), traffic growth (both absolute and relative\*) and technical details which show the performance of the website. The growth KPIs were evaluated from period 1 (March 2020 – February 2021) to period 2 (March 2021 – February 2022).

The top 1,000 online shops with the highest scores were then awarded “America's Fastest Growing Online Shops 2022” and listed on the Newsweek website. The companies are awarded by their scores in growth rates as either **‘high’, ‘very high’ or ‘extremely high’**.

# Evaluation: every online shop was evaluated in three dimensions and is solely based on objective KPIs

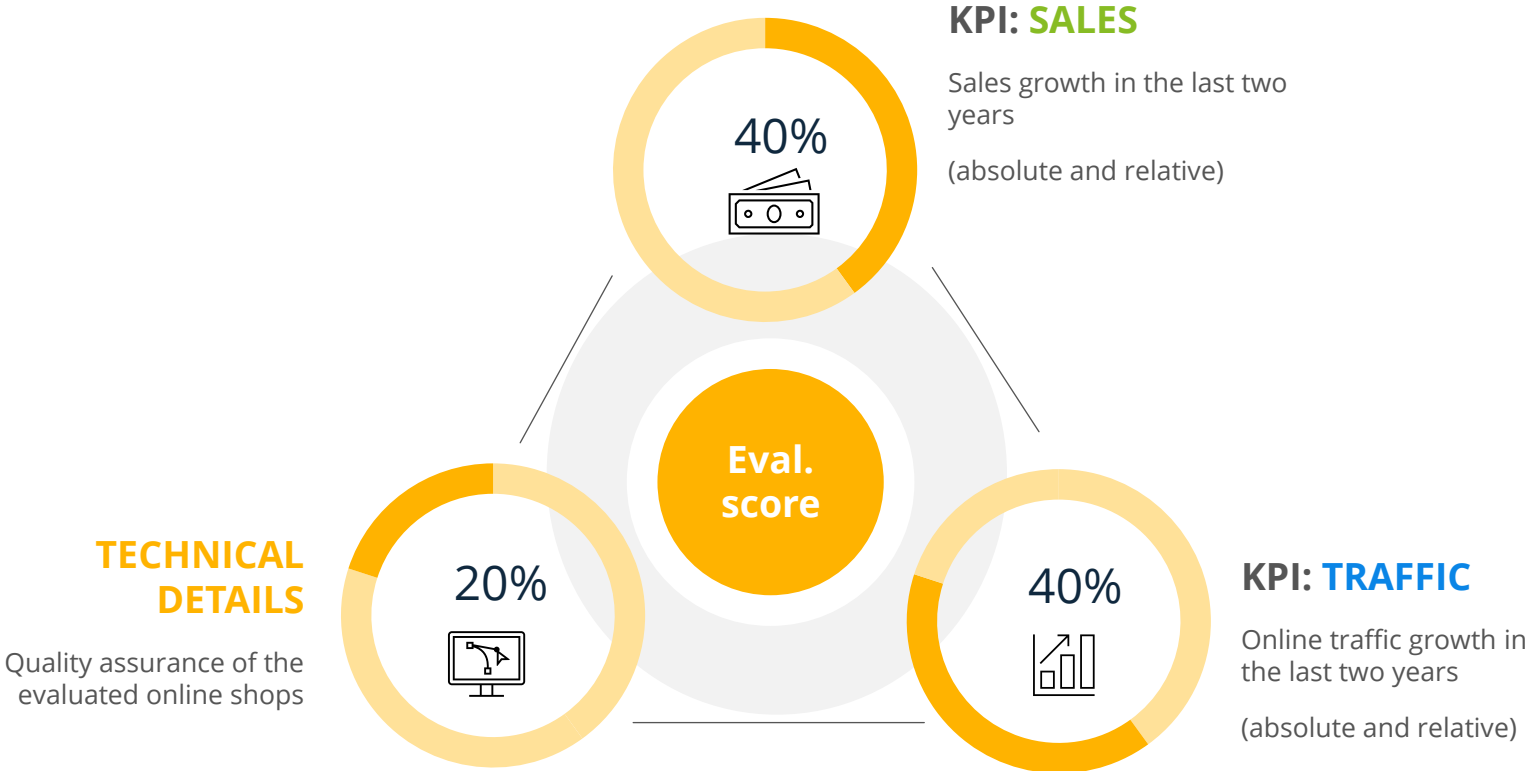
## Approach

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A longlist was created with online retailers in the USA (criteria: min. US sales of 1,000,000 USD, min. US traffic of 1,000,000 visits & > 50% in both US traffic and US sales)

KPI's: Growth trends were evaluated for traffic and sales as well as technical details

The ranking was based on the growth scores calculated above



# In detail: criteria used to evaluate the Fastest Growing Online Shops

## KPI: SALES

- Sales data with Statista's vertical [ecommerceDB](#)
- The revenues of the online stores are collected or modeled ([see Methodology](#))
- Weighted by relative and absolute growth



## KPI: TRAFFIC

- Requirement to participate: over 50% of traffic from the US
- Increase in online-traffic in the last two years
- Weighted by relative and absolute growth



## TECHNICAL DETAILS

- Loading time
- Bounce rate
- Page views per visit
- Average time on site
- Mobile optimization
- Cookies



**THE VARIOUS CRITERIA ARE EVALUATED WITHIN THE SCORING MODEL**

\* eCommerce net sales are defined as the amount of first party sales generated by a specific online store on domain-level after the deduction of returns, allowances for damaged or missing goods and any discounts allowed. If an online shopping website also offers a marketplace shop on a site like eBay or Amazon, the resulting revenue is included in the shop's eCommerce net sales as well.

# 1,000 companies across 37 categories to cater to each readers' interests and shopping habits

## Industries

Industries	Categories
<b>Fashion &amp; Accessories</b>	Accessories (e.g. handbags, suitcases, leather goods)
	Fashion (multi-brand)
	Fashion (single brand)
	Jewelry, Watches
	Shoes
	Women's Fashion (multi-brand)
	Women's Fashion (single brand)
<b>Food, Health &amp; Personal Care</b>	Drugstore products, Cosmetics (multi-brand)
	Drugstore products, Cosmetics (single brand)
	Food
	Health products, Food supplements, Medical supplies and Medication
<b>Garden &amp; Craft</b>	Opticians, Eyewear
	Building services (e.g. bathroom, kitchen, electronics)
	DIY, Tools, Supplies
	Flowers, Plants
	Garden furniture and supplies
<b>Home Living</b>	Spare parts
	Furniture
	Home decor and textiles
	Household appliances
	Household goods

Industries	Categories
<b>Leisure, Games &amp; Hobby</b>	Arts and Crafts
	Collectibles
	Hobby, Leisure items
	Music equipment
	Pet supply
	Photo, Print
	Toys, Baby
<b>Office, Electronics &amp; Media</b>	Consumer electronics
	Consumer electronics (accessories)
	Media (e.g. books, CD, DVD, software)
<b>Sport, Outdoor &amp; Motor</b>	Bicycle, E-Bike
	Car, Motorcycle, Boats
	Outdoor
	Sports products (general)
	Sports products (specialized)
<b>Universal Provider</b>	General

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