

Online Shopping in Malaysia 2022

49% of Malaysians reported a decrease in the frequency of visits to physical shops – moving their shopping to online platforms.



Introduction

- Since the COVID-19 pandemic almost two years ago, there have been many restrictions from the lockdown policy, forcing people to change their lifestyles.
- One of the main changes we saw was behaviors for online shopping. Even though online shopping or e-commerce has been around for a long time, the growth rate has increased significantly from the pandemic.
- As such, Rakuten Insight wanted to discover how Malaysians have evolved regarding online purchases and food delivery services.



Survey Methodology & Demographics

Target

Male and Female, aged 18+

Markets

Malaysia, n = 1,046



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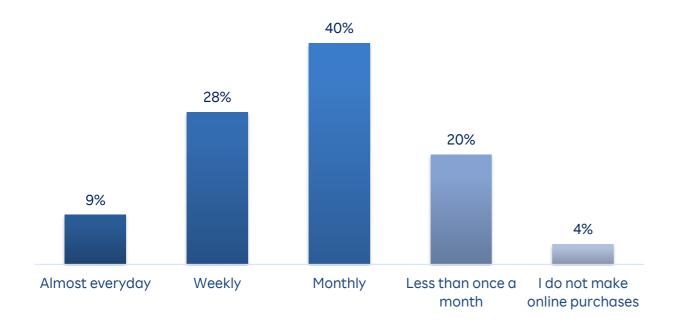






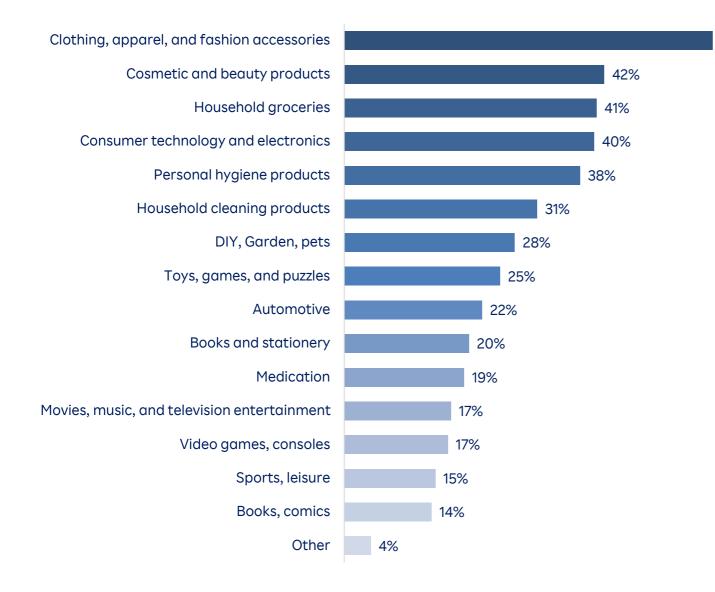
Online Purchase

77% of Malaysians make online purchases at least once a month with 37% purchasing at least once a week.





Online Purchase - Categories in the Past 1 Month



Malaysians purchased Clothing, apparel, and fashion accessories (60%) online the most in the past month. This is followed by Cosmetic and beauty products (42%), Household groceries (41%), Consumer technology (40%), and Personal hygiene products (38%).

Other responses include:

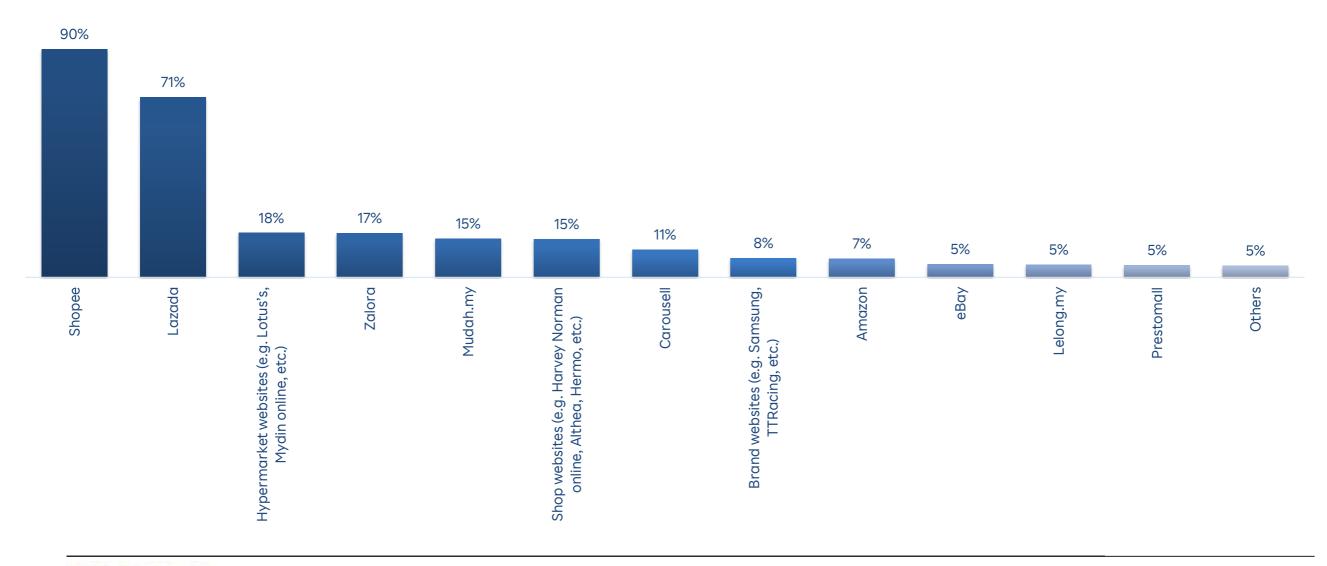
- Supplementary food
- Snacks
- Food

60%

- Alcohol
- Furniture & Decoration
- Babies' products
- Trading & Investment
- Vouchers

Online Purchase – Preferred Platforms

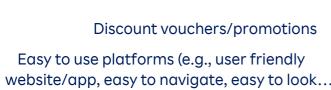
Shopee (90%) and Lazada (71%) are Malaysians' top preferences for online shopping. Other online platforms trail behind.



Online Purchase – Important Factors for Choice of Platforms

76%

68%



Payment security (ensure payment data is protected)

Easy returns & cancellation

Point collection (e.g., points can be redeemed for services – discount vouchers, free...

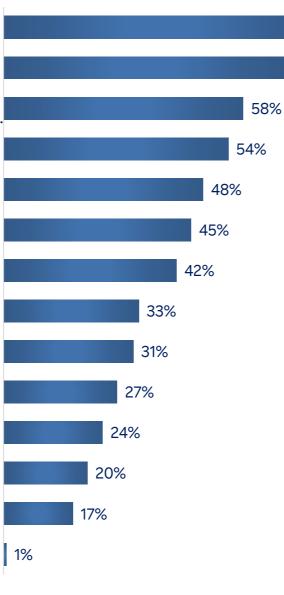
Money back guarantee

Free shipping

Advertisements and promotions (e.g., 9.9 promotions, brand day sales, etc.) Technical support (e.g., help desk, customer service, live chat, etc.) Search accuracy (Able to find items based on keywords) Credit card tie with online platforms (e.g., Maybank Shopee Credit Card, etc.) Live shopping (e.g., Shopee Live, Lazlive, etc.)

Contribution to good causes

Others



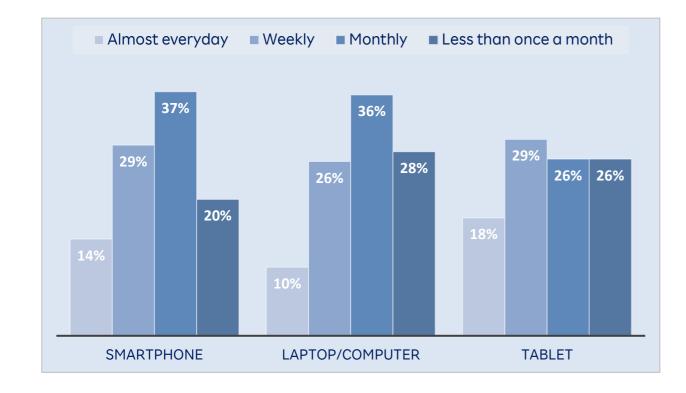
The main factor Malaysians look for when it comes to online platforms are Free shipping (76%), Discount vouchers (68%), Easy to use platforms (58%), and Payment security (54%)

The other responses mentioned include quality of products, reviews, timesaving, and installment service.

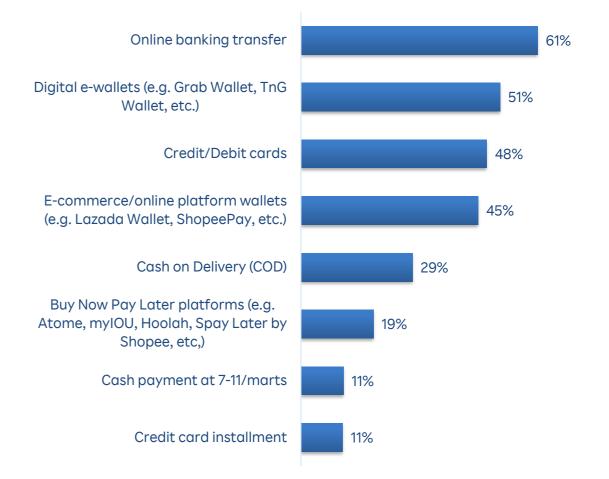
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Online Purchase – Device Used and Payment Methods

93% of Malaysians make online purchases via smartphones, while 34% use laptops/computers, and 14% use tablets. The frequency of use for each device is as below:

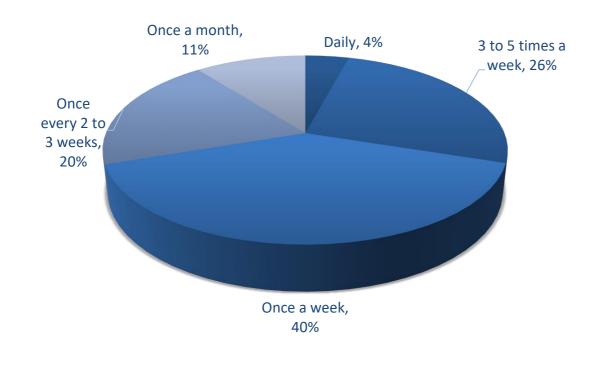


The most preferred choice of payment is via Online banking transfer (61%), followed by Digital e-wallets (51%), Credit/debit cards (48%), and E-commerce/online platform wallets (45%).



Groceries and Purchase Frequency

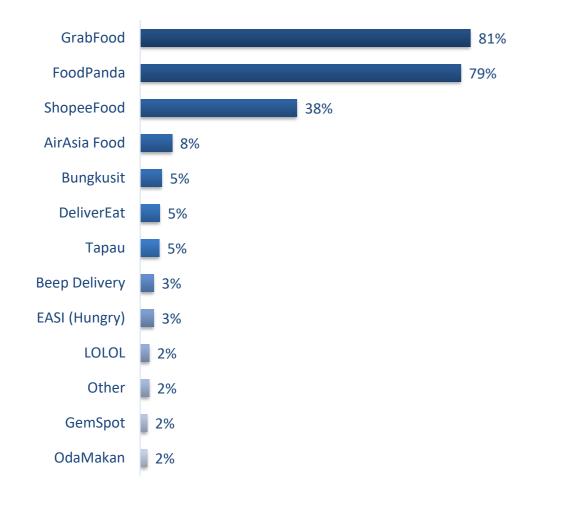
89% of Malaysians shop for groceries. 70% of them shop for groceries at least once a week.





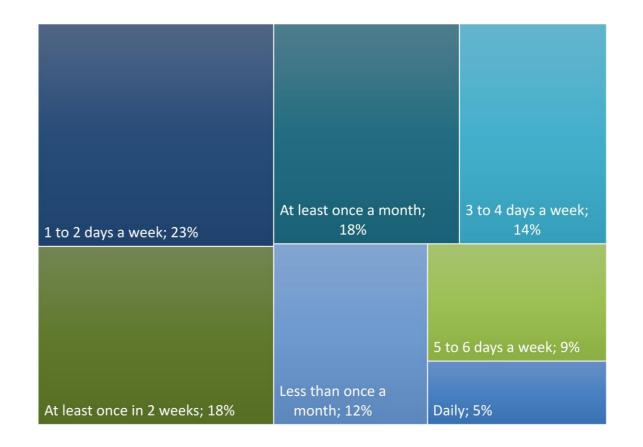
Food Delivery Behavior

77% of Malaysians order food via delivery apps. The top food delivery app used by Malaysians are GrabFood (81%), FoodPanda (79%), and ShopeeFood (38%).



Overall, 51% of Malaysians use food delivery services at least once a week.

23% of consumers use food delivery service 1 – 2 days a week, while 18% use the service at least once a month and once in 2 weeks.



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