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# WHAT IS THE CURATION?



- What is the Curation?
- Six trends that will shape the next 18 months
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I love retail.

Retailers. Shopkeepers. Merchants. Displays. Clerks. Associates. Cast members. All of it.

A curation is a collection of concepts, ideas, owned and loaned works that come together to inform, educate and inspire an audience.

So, in this format, I curate a set of emerging ideas drawn from the news, media, retailer interviews and expert discussions. Not all ideas will be equally valid for all readers. And that's acceptable.

The goal is to provoke thought and consideration. There is no right or wrong. I collect angles and anchors. Most of the discrete topics have influence on other topics. For instance, platforms, ecosystems, ways of shopping, checking in, checking out, hiring, buying and interacting are all evolving, and so too should our perspective.

The goal is to bend toward the customer, not to bend the customer to us. To be modern in our approaches – and our metrics and measures of success. We aim to be sustainable while recognizing that a sustainable business implies business continuity as well as sustaining humans and the environment. Stores are still very relevant, and micro-moments matter.

We offer you new ways to have structured strategic debates through Wardley Maps built by experts, and examples drawn from across the real world.

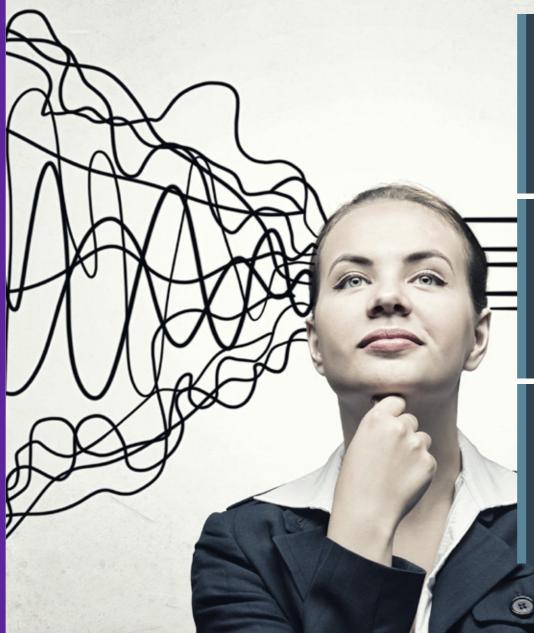
It's the conversation we have and our shared experience that matters.

Thank you so much.





# Market uncertainty can slow progress, but retail's most ambitious leaders move forward



### Inflationary pressures slow tech investment

CIOs focus on key initiatives: automation, data & transparency

Connected commerce in the customer channel



Progress core initiatives Flatten tech debt Modernize to support customers across journeys

### Supply and distribution are still weak links

Fully loaded costs now need to include time to market, transport, carbon

Smarter supply decisions include new factors



The CIO and COO align on tech for new visibility into vexing challenges

### As social pressure intensifies, gains emerge for people and planet

Better inventory solutions

Better ESG and sustainability



Solve multiple problems Optimize end to end New target operating models

# SIX TRENDS THAT WILL SHAPE THE NEXT 18 MONTHS



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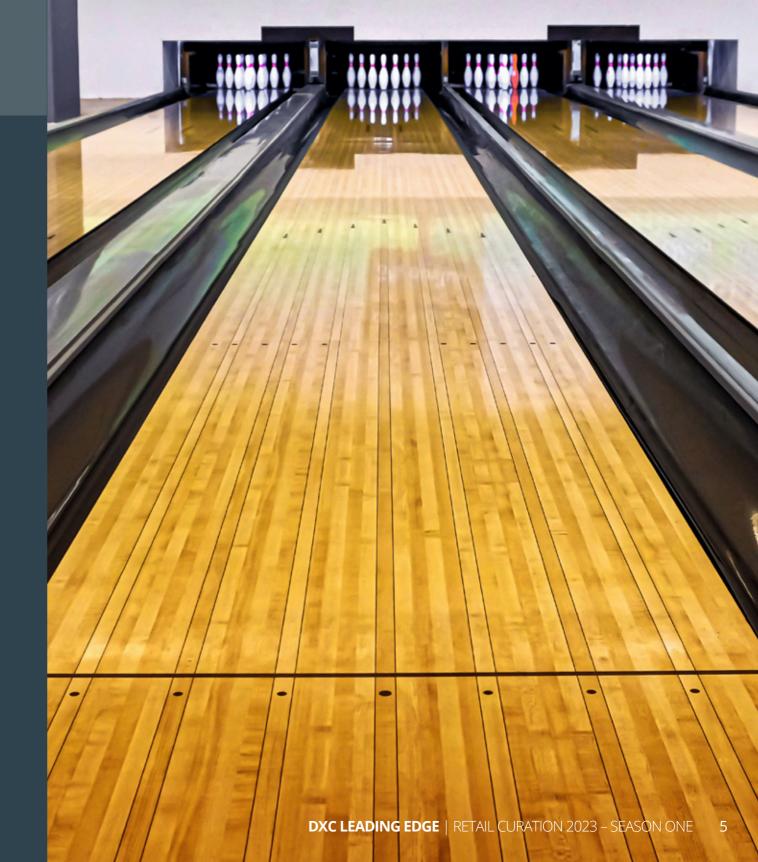


## 1 Rise of the customer channel

# Omni channel has nothing to do with the customer

Customers don't see channels – they see tasks and transactions. Why can't we?

(It's because we are tied to staying in the old lanes, because it's easier to measure and we think we know the metrics.)



## 1 Rise of the customer channel

Wegmans Lancaster, PA December 23rd, 2022 11:55 AM

# A completely true story



Ordered online



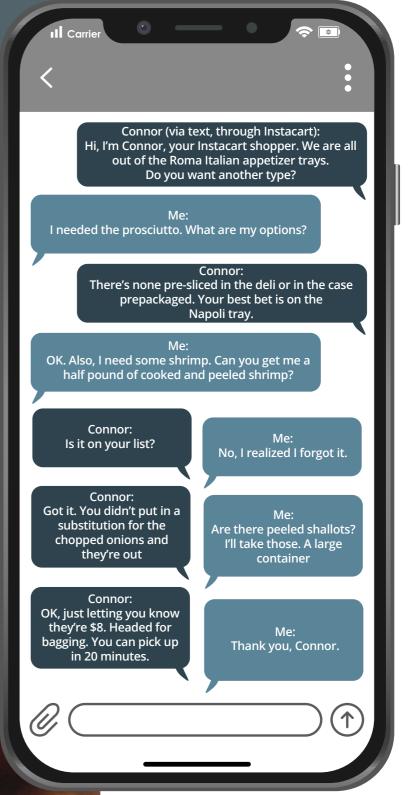
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Picked up at store



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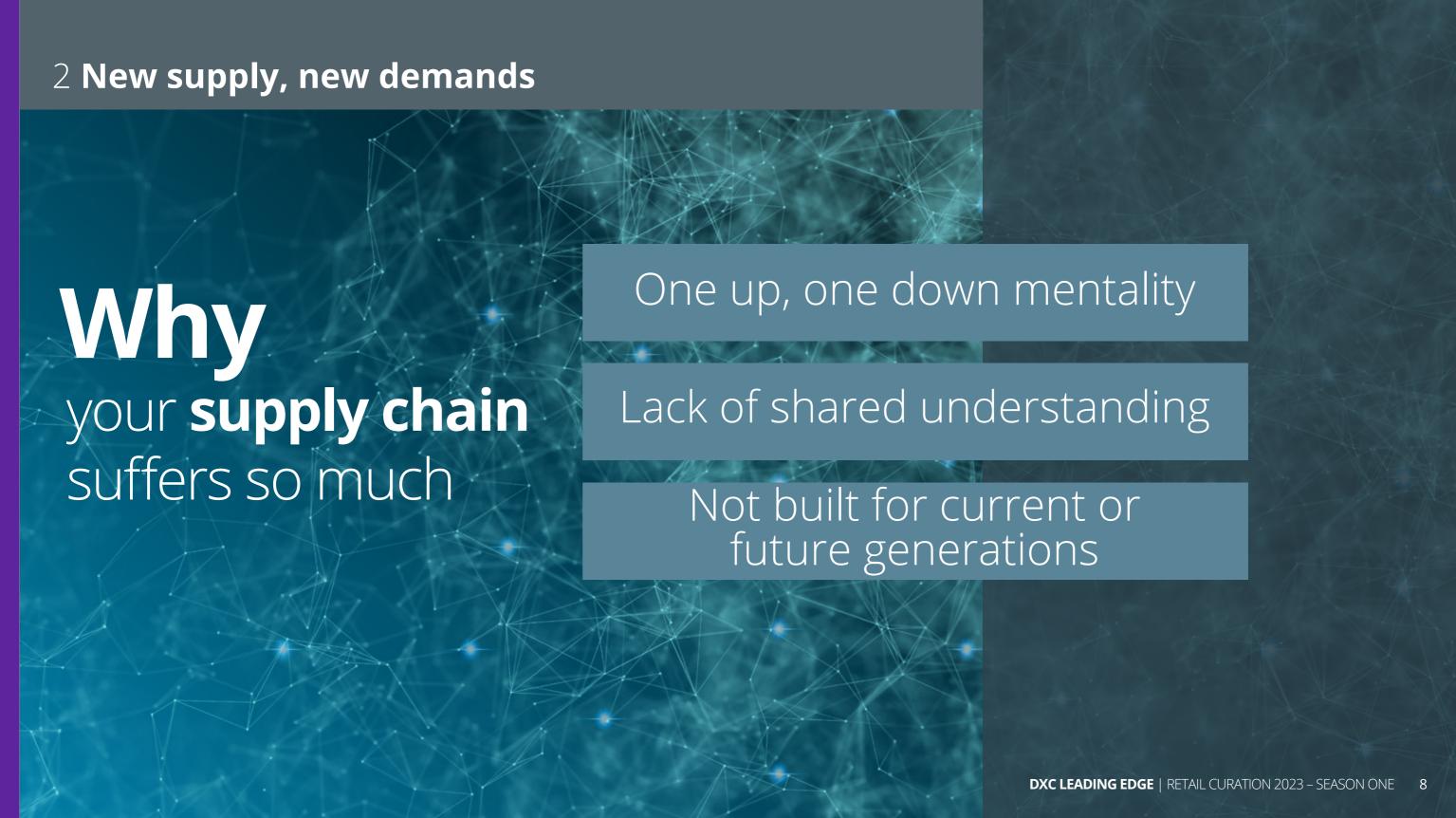
# "Takeaway please"

- Stores are more than warehouses with easy parking; store-based fulfillment is not a replacement for a store. Yes, I know those worldclass consultants said this was great but, please...
  - Refocus the journey around customer needs and happiness.

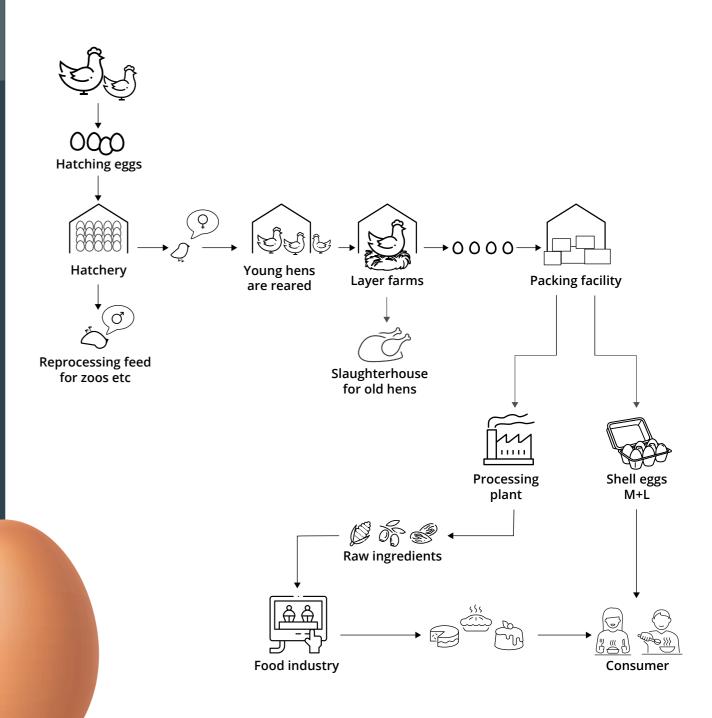
- Metrics that ignore interactions across channels will inevitably guide leaders to suboptimal decisions.
  - Dollars/sq inch
  - Dollars/sq ft
  - Orders closed in channel

Stop using them, please.

- When technology funding is aligned to a channel not the shopping journey, it limits creativity and ROI.
  - Plug tech into each journey in a measurable fashion – did it work, did it not? To what extent?
  - Build capabilities like Lego® blocks.



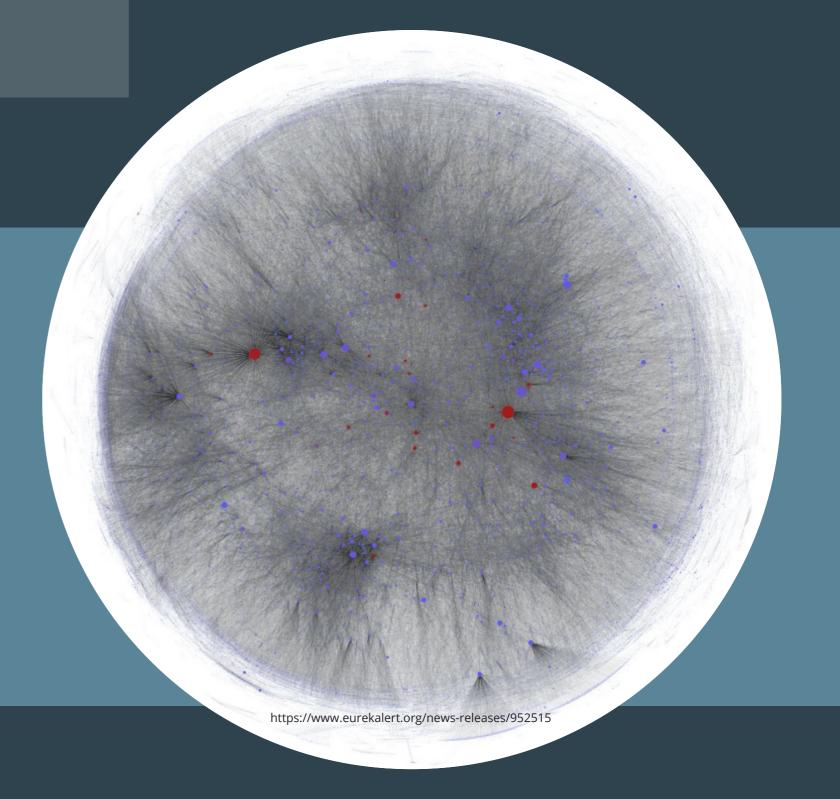
A cautionary tale: It took one year to adequately document the supply chain of *an egg* 



# We have no clue how at risk we are: the supply chain of Hungary

"About 23% of the national production could be adversely affected if firms cannot adjust their supply relations by finding new suppliers and customers fast enough."

"Almost 75% of the national systemic risk is concentrated in 100 high-risk companies."



Jon R. Moeller
Chairman, President
and Chief Executive
Officer, Procter & Gamble
Investor Day:
17 November 2022
(from the transcript)

Met with...

Doug McMillon **CEO, Walmart** 

In their warehouses

Rodney McMullen CEO, Kroger

Craig Jelinek
CEO, Costco







# **Slow fashion**

**Exemplars** 

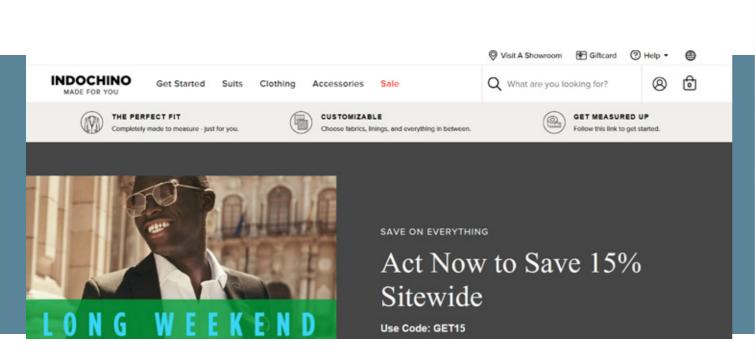
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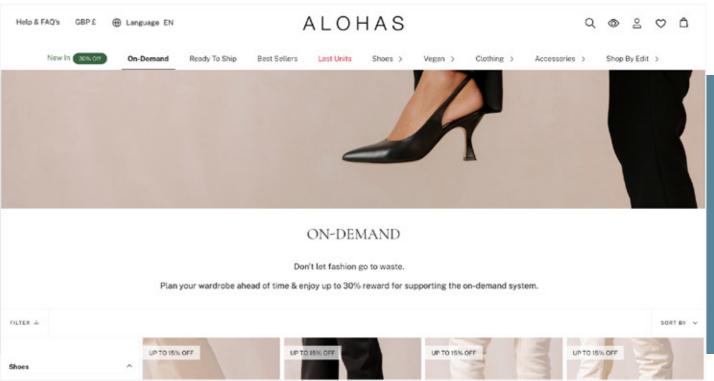
# **Hallmarks**

- Preorder
- Pre-sales
- Influence
- Control

# **Desirable** outcomes

- Better forecasting
- Fewer overstocks
- Improved materials management





# The "Unbrand"

# **Exemplars**

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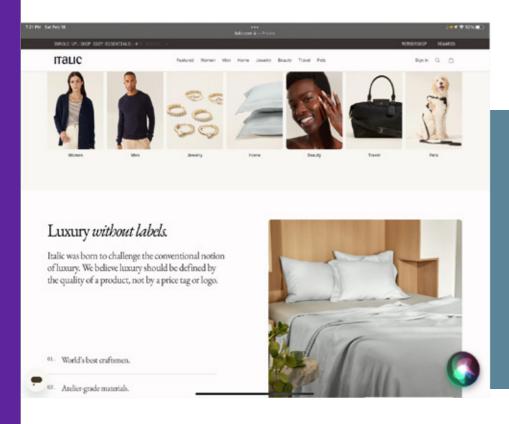
Beauty Pie

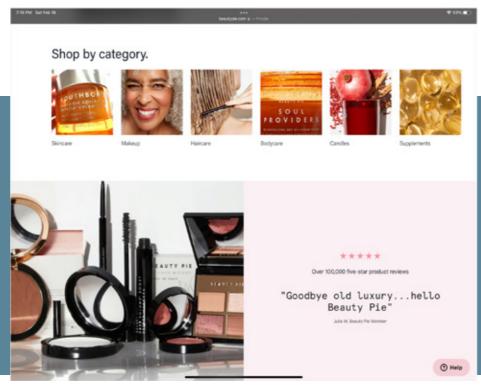
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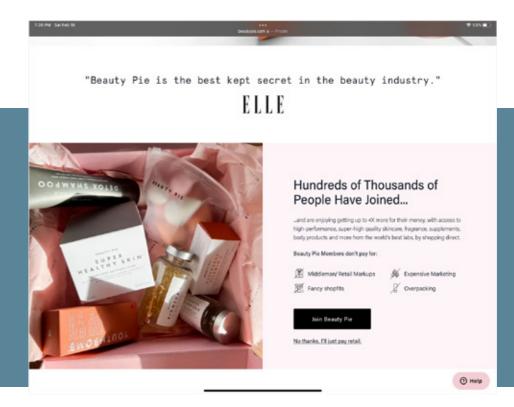
- Short run
- Line fillers (manufacturing)
- Membership models

# Desirable outcomes

- Direct to Customer
- Process control
- Heavy curation
- Focus on ingredients comparatives







# Rise of the artisan class

# **Exemplars**

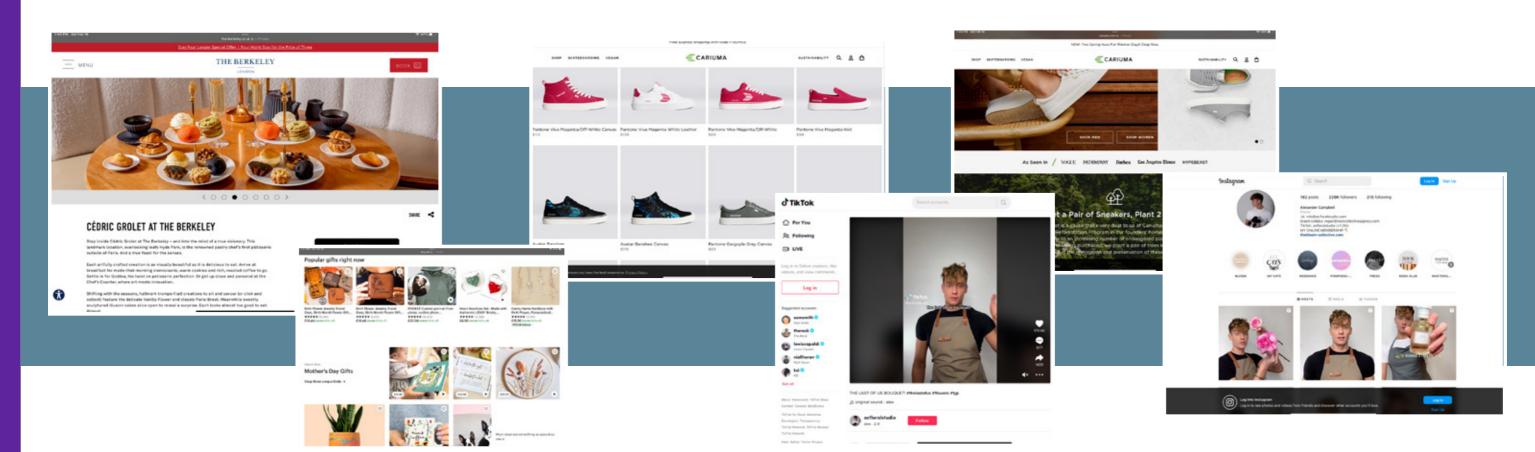
- Cédric Grolet
- CARIUMA (partnerships)
- AC Floral
- Etsy
- 1stDibs

## **Hallmarks**

- Experiences
- Cultural relevance
- Connection
- Exclusives
- Responsive

# **Desirable** outcomes

- Monetization
- Sponsorships
- Relationships
- Media +
- It's personal





# **Zero-distance supply chain**

# **Exemplars**

- Floret Flowers
- Daylesford Organic
- Gotham Greens
- Salt&Light

- Local cachet
- Hallmarks · Community engagement
  - Abbreviated transport but greater coordination
  - Consistency challenges

# Desirable outcomes

- Small business and community benefit
- Potential tax benefits
- Consumer support
- Shorter runs, more turns (or so they say)





First Commercial Scale Rooftop

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Gotham Greens designed and built its flagship greenhouse in the Greenpoint neighborhood of Brooklyn. The state-of-the-art hydroponic greenhouse facility represented a shift in the concept of urban farming: from seasonal community gardening resource to a year-round, viable, commercial-scale farming enterprise. The greenhouse remains one of the most high profile contemporary urban agriculture projects worldwide.



# "Takeaway please"

- Traceability for the complete supply chain is the goal.
  - Continuously collaborating with your suppliers is key.
  - Innovate, pilot and evaluate.
     Repeat.

 Going local changes cost, mix and availability metrics. Creating flexibility in the system is critical for success.

Wedding yourself to your market means acting like a partner; different benefits mean new ways of marketing. Customer education seems hard

 all outreach is. But it's needed
 to take pressure off front-line
 employees who may bear the brunt
 of customers while adjusting.

# IT leadership in retail...

Are: "Concerned about tech debt."

Are: "Actively working on a supply chain modernization project."

Agree: "market challenges and disruptions are placing pressure on our IT infrastructure and applications."

Say: "Tech debt impedes our ability to transform or innovate."

83%

74%

55%

31%

# How important are these outcomes of modernization?



Most important considerations (top 3 for retail)

Percent of respondents selecting

### **Cost-reduction benefits**

e.g., operating expense reduction, reduced labor spend through automation and work elimination, infrastructure and managed services cost reduction

71%

### More architecture flexibility

e.g., improved agility in operations (fast scaling), reduced complexity when integrating with external partner systems and applications

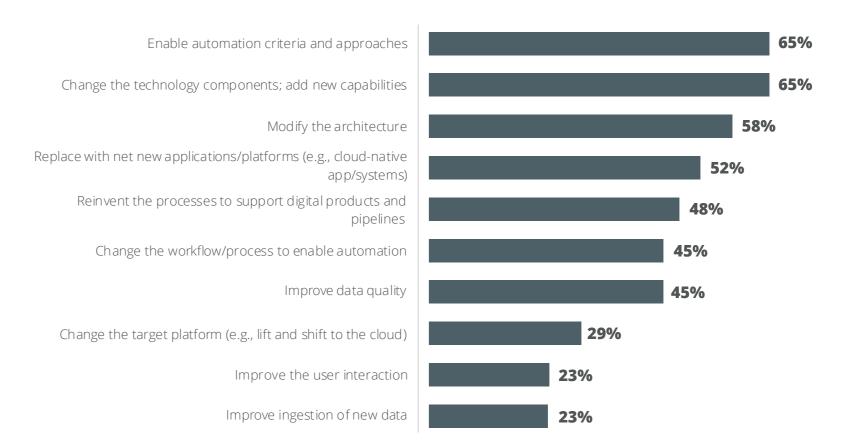
69%

### **Increased business agility**

e.g., increased digital ways of working, enhanced ability to work with partners using different applications/systems

67%

# Which of the following projects are included in your modernization efforts?



The ability to develop new features for employees and customers depends upon the flexibility in the underlying systems and the target operating model for delivery

Micro-moment development Check-out preferences and and experience management next-generation payments Profiles, personalization, Check-in preferences preferences and persistence, including loyalty, couponing including accessible solutions Store interaction and media Fulfillment traceability and detailing (recipes, nutrition, multi-system optimization areas shopped, requests) Cross-channel, cross system In-journey optimization, automation and rules distribution management

And let's not forget the metaverse... maybe

# "Takeaway please"

- Understand your "why". Focus on specific outcomes.
  - Go beyond cost benefit. Doing away with systems you're maintaining for little benefit decreases TCO - so your "why" should reflect a customer- or employee-oriented agility goal.

- Consider using a prioritization tool or scoring approach for tech debt. Tools can help move teams beyond "pet projects" and loudest voices to identify key dependencies and paths to value.
- Building agility serves platform business models and derives from new target operating models. Working toward both ends allows more flexibility overall. Check out our platform culture field guide.

# Sustainability and ESG: >>> not the same thing

The theatre of sustainability

Putting the social in ESG for retail

Moving to science and data

From measurement to action



# Putting the social in ESG for retail

### A Calculation of the Living Wage

### Written by Dr. Stephanie Moser and assistance from Chet Swalina on 05/19/2022

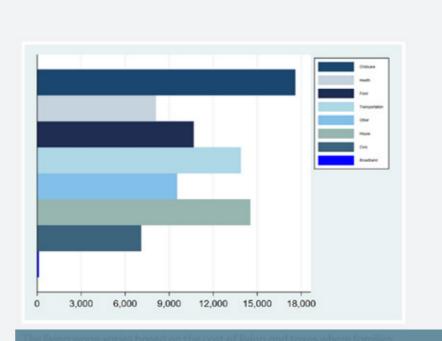
Checked for accuracy on 5/6/2022; Numerical values are consistent with living wage 2021 estimates published on 5/12/22

While the minimum wage sets an earnings threshold under which our society is unwilling to let families slip, it fails to approximate the basic expenses of families in 2021. Consequently, many working adults must seek public assistance and/or hold multiple jobs to afford to feed, clothe, house, and provide medical care for themselves and their families.

Establishing a living wage and an approximate income needed to meet a family's basic needs would enable the working poor to achieve financial independence while maintaining housing and food security. When coupled with lowered expenses for childcare and housing, the living wage might also free up resources for savings, investment, and the purchase of capital assets (e.g., provisions for retirement or home purchases) that build wealth and ensure long-term financial stability and security.

An analysis of the living wage (as calculated in December 2021 and reflecting a compensation being offered to an individual in 2022), compiling geographically specific expenditure data for food, childcare, health care, housing, transportation, and other necessities, finds that: The living wage in the United States is \$24.16 per hour, or \$100,498.60 per year in 2021, before taxes for a family of four (two working adults, two children), compared to \$21.54, or \$89,605.51 in 2020.

The minimum wage does not provide a living wage for most American families. A typical family of four (two working adults, two children) needs to work more than two full-time minimum-wage jobs (a 98-hour work week per working adult) to earn a living wage. Single-parent families need to work almost twice as hard as families with two working adults to make a living wage. A single mother with two children earning the federal minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour needs to work 235 hours per week, the equivalent of almost six full-time minimum-wage jobs, to make a living wage.



"Social" & "Governance" in retail must define how and when we get to a meaningful wage discussion.

In retail, only 15% of US-based employees achieve a living wage.

# The EWA: love it or hate it; many still need it.



Aite Novarica surveyed **Earned Wage Access** users in 2021, and found that of retail employees...

**21%**Had a
payday loan

**57%**Had late bill payments

95% Reduced payday loans with EWA

**88%**Had less trouble with bill paying



"If I had the capability to pay people for their earned wages every single day, I would," said Abby Ludens, chief talent officer at Comoto. "40% of eligible (hourly) workers opted to enroll, and those who withdraw wages are doing so to pay for the necessities."

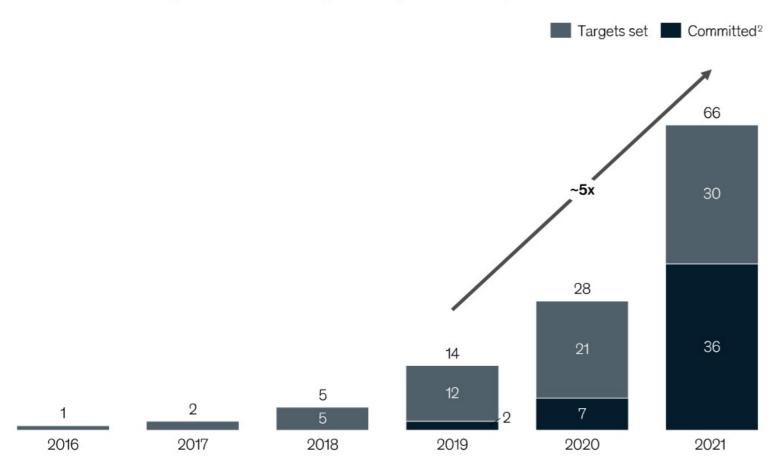


"The top three reasons: **food**, **bills and for transportation**."

# Moving to science and data tying goals to science makes progress more transparent (but not easy)

Science-based carbon emission targets are increasing, along with understanding

Global retailers<sup>1</sup> setting science-based targets each year, # of companies



Scope 3 emissions: 80% of the total carbon footprint for many companies and as much as 98% for home and fashion retailers

Expect to increase at least 10 to 15% in annual capital budgets for compliance, and up to 8% in COGS in select categories within 5-10 years

Cold chain, embedded elements and hazardous waste/contaminants will incur additional handling/reclamation redress

Defined here as what the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) calls "retailing" and "food and staple retailing" companies.

<sup>2</sup> The SBTi refers to "committed" as having submitted a letter establishing intent to set a science-based target. Targets must be submitted and approved within 24 months of committing.

Nine things retailers can do to prepare:

## From measurement to action

Start on emissions transparency for key product categories.

1

Understand consumer preferences around price, packaging, access and availability.

Decarbonize from procurement onwards.

(2

FIRST THINGS
FIRST:
Take accountability

Evaluate and join

partnerships that address data and framework principles to strive for.

**3** 

Work across the entire supply chain to create traceability, transparency and change where needed.

Advocate for green investors,

placements that support

sustainability.

board members and executive

Join principled, earth- and human-centric conversations with regulators and legislators.

4

Focus on greening not only products but also – and especially – packaging including overwraps and shipping.



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## Tesco suppliers to use online swapshop to cut costs and reduce waste

30 November 2022

More than 3,500 Tesco suppliers can now cut production costs and reduce waste by selling or donating surplus stock or products to other suppliers who can make use of them.

Tesco Exchange is a new online marketplace that matches suppliers who have too much of a product, for example, crops, by-products, ingredients or packaging, with other Tesco suppliers that need it. It is expected that savings in production costs will ultimately benefit customers too.

In the same way that consumer marketplaces work, suppliers can advertise surplus stock for sale on Tesco Exchange, post requests for things they need and agree sales between each other. They can also set alerts for when items they need are posted

We don't have a lack of efforts; what we have is a lack of coordination and visibility that allows benefit expansion.

# From our new report on ESG: Driving better insights for ESG decision makers

DXC Leading Edge gathered insights from experts to explore the role of data and tech in reaching ESG goals and driving better business performance. This collection of ESG executives, experts and thought leaders sheds light on how improved data strategies and next-generation technologies might play a role in providing meaningful, actionable insight to help reach ESG goals and encourage wider business commitment to ESG initiatives.

Learn how improved data strategies and next-generation tech can enhance ESG decision making.



### ESG data dark ages

- · Low frequency
- 10- to 15-month lag in measurement
- Reactive
- Proxy measures

· ESG "dark data"

measures

· Data silos

- Compound/aggregate
- · Different weighting
  - · Different scope
  - Top-down measures



**Timing** 

**Definition** and

measurement

- ESG business enlightenment
- Real-time or near-real-time measurement
- Simulations and predictive analysis
- · Point-of-use metering
- · Direct measures (e.g., carbon units)

- Organizational data fluidity
- Common data platforms
- · Automated, intelligent data collection and sifting
- Al-powered domain-driven searching

· Incomplete industry coverage

· Weak sharing incentives

· Inconsistent definitions of measurement and methodologies



- Comparability
- · Algorithmic verification and comparison of ESG performance

- · Poor visibility of extended supply chain risks
- · Scope 3 emissions poorly understood



- Supply chain
- · Real-time verification of supply chain transactions and activities
- Extended traceability

- · Correlation/causation confusion
- · Unclear direction of causality
- · Causation/internalization pathways unclear



- **Decision-making** frameworks
- · Delineation of internalization/ management pathways
- · Actionable decisionmaking frameworks/cost curves/next best alternatives

Making ESG data count for reporting and making progress

# Data fluidity



# Supply chains



Increasing organizational data fluidity

The starting point is to increase ESG data fluidity within the enterprise itself.

Moving to real-time measurement

Harness technology that yields more fine-grained data

# Building trust and traceability in supply chains

Learn how to accurately identify the sourcing for raw materials, the destinations for waste, and who's working at different factories and plants.

# Risk mapping





Outcomedriven frameworks



Mapping physical asset risks

Use climate intelligence to enrich ESG decision making and mitigate the impact of physical risk from climate change.

# Democratizing ESG data

ESG challenges require a

# Adopting better frameworks

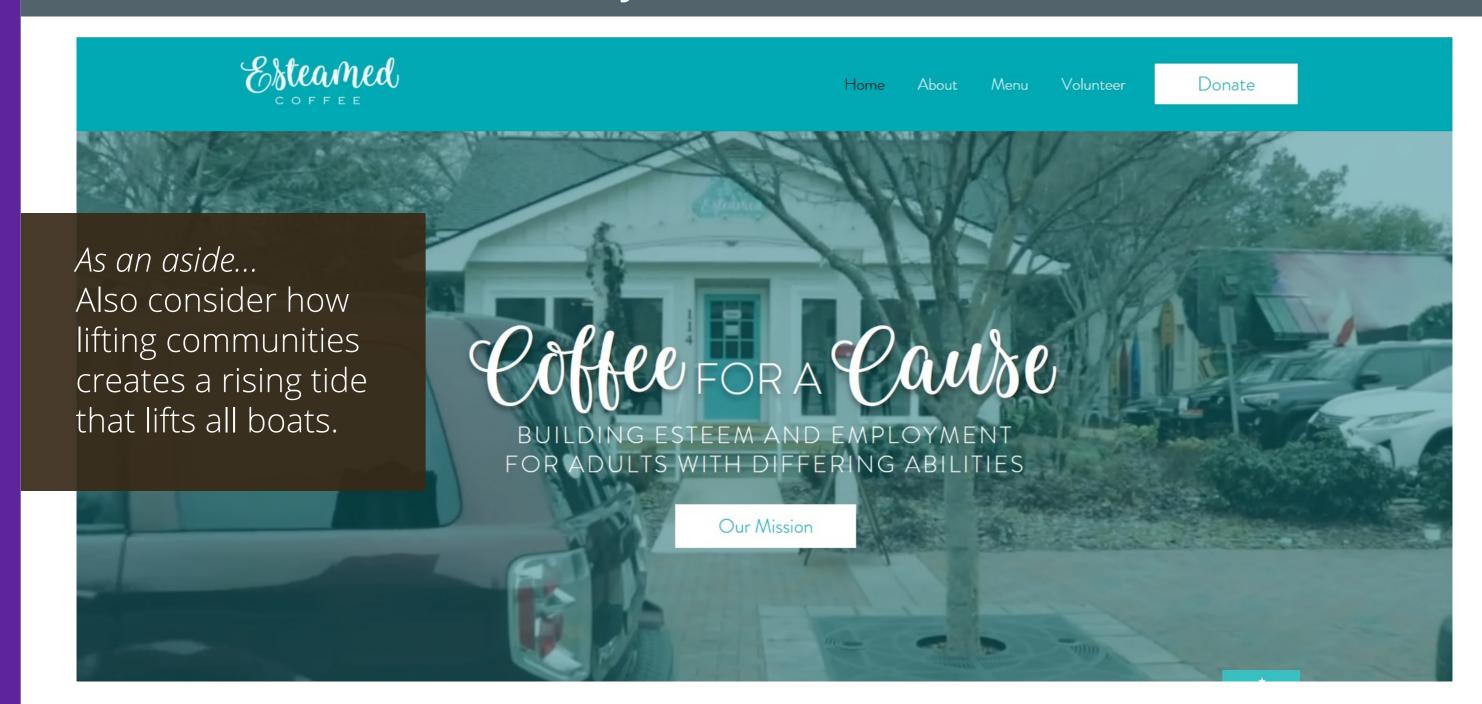
Businesses need good analytical and decisionmaking frameworks to turn data into insights that drive

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share approach to data gathering, analysis and dissemination.

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# "Takeaway please"

- It goes without saying that making retail more sustainable is a triple win for retailers, the planet and people.
- Early preparation will make later phases easier and build organizational muscle memory.

- Every c-Suite executive has a role to play in moving forward on sustainability and ESG, especially the CIO.
- Fixing the ESG problem lack of data, data consistency and lack of frameworks - is imperative.

- The benefits that accrue to the organization - especially around supply chains - go well beyond sustainability.
- Working to build ESG programs around employees and partners will drive business improvement.

# 5 Talent management requires new thinking

According to the US GAO...

as many as

47%

of employees are at risk of losing jobs because of automation.

"Workers with lower levels of education and who perform routine tasks – think cashiers or file clerks – face the greatest risks of their jobs being automated."

https://www.gao.gov/blog/which-workers-are-most-affected-automation-and-what-could-help-them-get-new-jobs



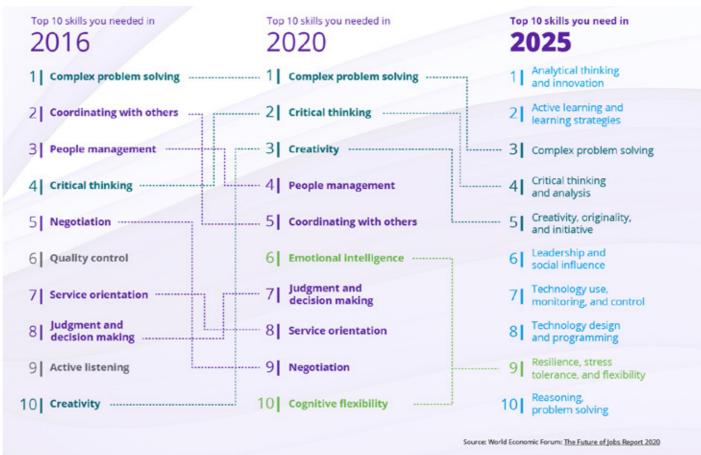
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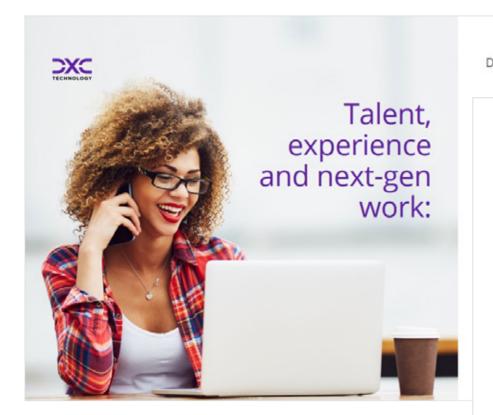
# How are you helping your people develop these next-generation skills?



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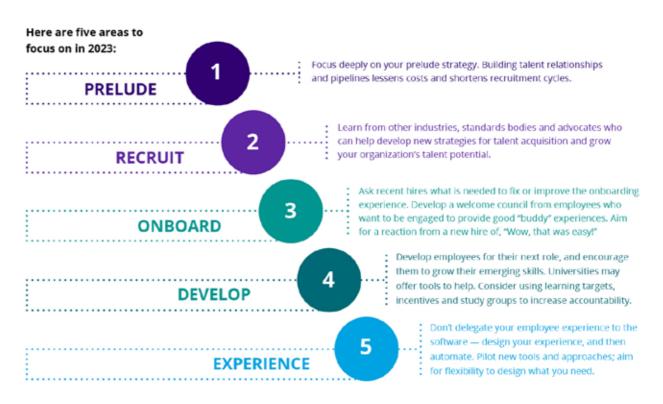
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#### Committing to talent flow

HR officers and their teams have been through a staggering amount of change and demonstrated great commitment to their employees and their companies.

The pressure is not off yet. Expectations abound around where, when and how work happens. When we open the aperture on talent, we need to continuously tune our models.

#### to do more with and for your talent in 2023 making it flow



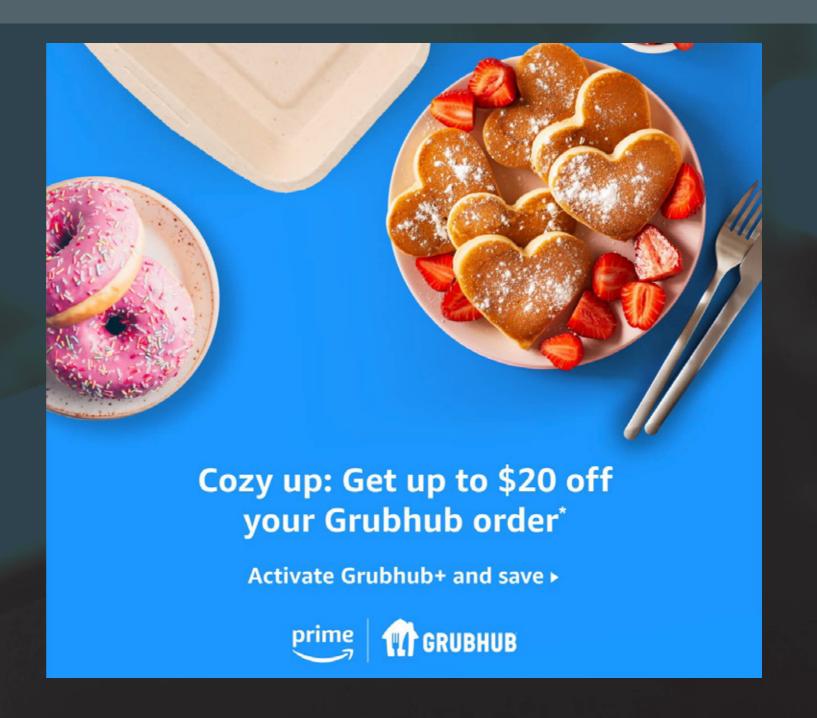
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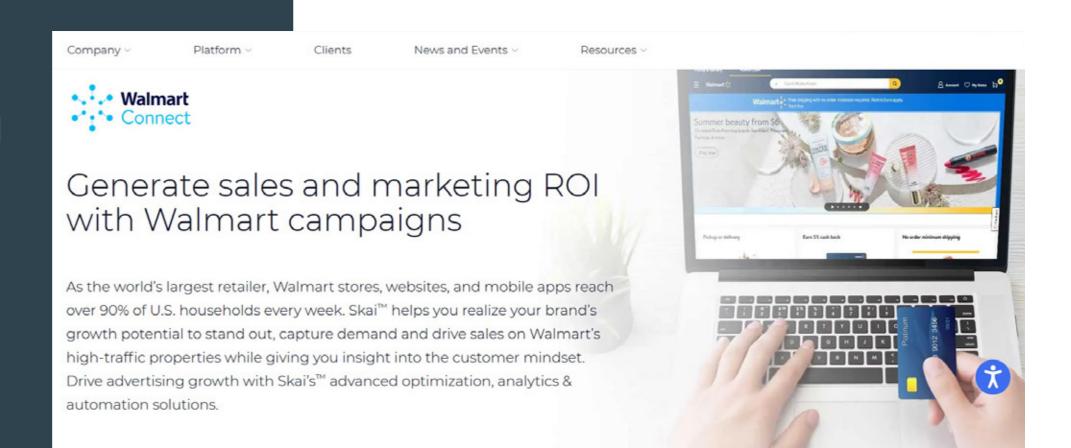


A retail media network is an advertising infrastructure that comprises a collection of digital channels (e.g., websites, apps) that are offered by a retail company to third-party brands for their various advertising purposes.



We now have two big 2021 advertising revenue numbers to work with – \$2 billion for Walmart and \$1 billion for Target – and the reality of the growth of retail media has not only set in, but is off and running.

It's 0.5% for Walmart (on \$572 billion), but that's not really the point.



Brick & Mortar US Retail Media Networks						tinuiti		
Avg/Monthly Unique# Online	In Store/Avg Monthly Visits	Loyalty Program	SSP (SS)	DSP (SS)	Marketplace	Same Day Delivery	Stores	Store in Store
110m	960m	Walmart+*	private/API	The Trade Desk	Walmart	Plus	4,742	-
100m	56m	Circle App	Criteo	Agnostic	Plus	Shipt	1,931	Ulta, CVS
30m	252m	Club Card Boost*	PromotelQ	Agnostic	Mirakl	Instacart	2,700	Bed, Bath, & Beyond (online
104m	_	My Best Buy Total Tech*	Criteo	No	No	Instacart	1,036	-
183m	132m	Pro Xtra	PromotelQ	No	No	No	2,300	-
180m	14.8m	Star Rewards	Criteo	No	No	No	867	Toys R Us (online)
39m	-	Ultimate Rewards	Criteo	No	No	DoorDash	2,690	Target
107m	135m	ExtraCare Care Pass*	Criteo	No	No	Instacart	9,809	Target
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Digital Retail Media Networks

Sources: Direct from retailer, Statista, Numerator, SimilarWeb and retail earnings call statements

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\*fee based, SS=self-service.

Channel	Avg/Monthly Unique#	Loyalty Program	SSP (SS)	DSP (SS)	Marketplace	Same Day Delivery	Demo (F/M)	Ads Launched	Stores	Key B&M Partnerships
Amazon	200b	Prime*	private/API	Yes	Yes	Yes	60%/40%	2012	529	Kohl's Rite Aid
nstacart	_	Plus*	private/API	No	n/a	Yes	80%/20%	May 2020	-	Kroger/All
Bay	180m	No	private/API	No	Yes	No	49%/51%	May 2015	1.5	-
Vayfair	39m	Professional	private	No	Yes	No	60%/40%	Feb 2019	2	-
Chewy	46m	No	No	No	No	No	60%/40%	n/a	_	Petco

"Walmart is seeking to combine in-store and online/app-based shopping as seamlessly as they can, including in-app enhancements to guide in-store experiences (like product location and checkout), and adding web-based reviews and ratings to physical product shelves in the store."

In RMN, the market is moving so fast that the attributes that influence decisions will change with unprecedented speed.

https://finance.yahoo.com/news/fresh-market-leveragesfirework-launch-140000939.html

#### Importance of Select Attributes When Deciding Which Retail Media Networks to Use for **Advertising According to US Consumer Goods** Advertisers, Nov 2021

#### scale of 1-5

Traffic scale (reaching a large enough audience)	4.35
2. Traffic quality (reaching the right audience)	4.32
Audience targeting capabilities (audience attributes/segmentation)	4.28
4. Advertising relevance	4.27
<ol><li>First-party consumer insights data (audience, advertising, category, and shopper insights to inform marketing tactics and strategy)</li></ol>	4.24
6. Access to in-store/omnichannel purchase data	4.24
7. Return on ad spending (ROAS)	4.23
<ol> <li>Reporting metrics and key performance indicators (KPIs); including breadth/depth of measurements, customizable dashboards, ease of monitoring, etc.</li> </ol>	4.22
9. Platform ease of use (e.g., self-serve capability, etc.)	4.15
10. Closed-loop sales attribution	4.06
11. Variety of available ad formats (e.g., sponsored products, display, video connected TV (CTV), in-store media)	3.98
12. Advertising load (number of ad impressions consumers are exposed to per page or search result)	3.90
13. Off-site targeting capability (via third-party publishers)	3.81
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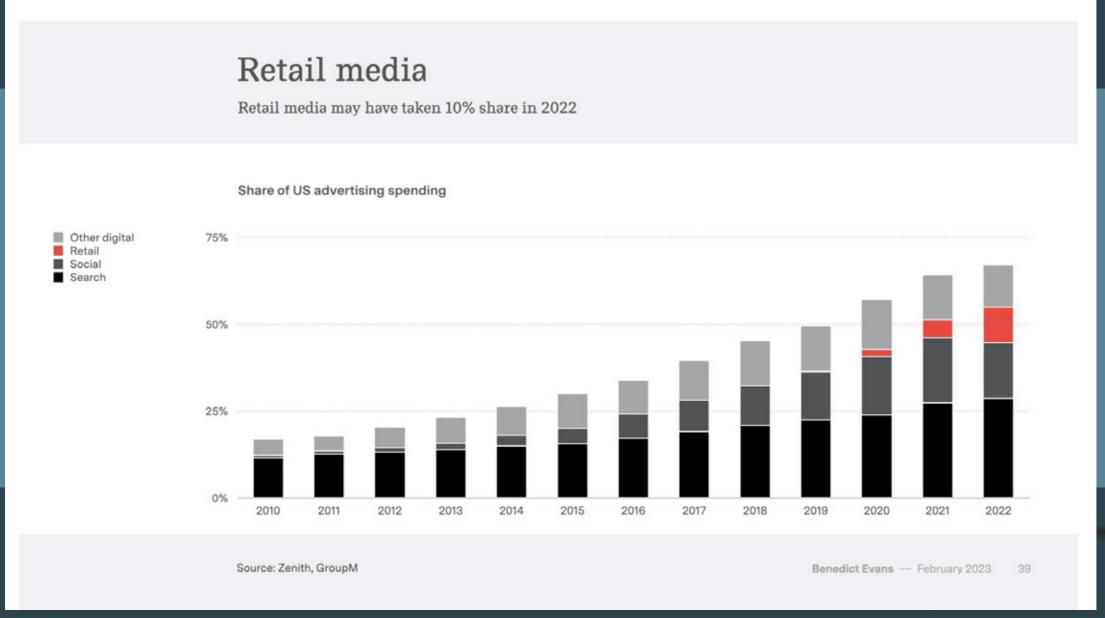
Note: respondents were asked to rate 13 different attributes on a 5-point scale according to their importance in deciding which retail media networks to use for advertising, with

Source: Insider Intelligence, "Retail Media Networks Perception Benchmark 2022," March

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SAN MATEO, Calif., Feb. 16, 2023 /PRNewswire/ - Firework, creator of the world's leading video commerce platform, today announced the evolution of its longstanding partnership with specialty food retailer, The Fresh Market. The expanded partnership will see The Fresh Market utilize the Firework video commerce platform to launch the U.S.'s first-ever Shoppable Video-Live Commerce (SVLC) retail media network





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# **APPENDIX**



- What is the Curation?
- Six trends that will shape the next 18 months
  - · Rise of the customer channel
- New supply, new demands
- Tech debt as business risk
- Data for ESG and sustainability
- Talent management requires new thinking
- · Retail media: The new frontier

#### Appendix

On strategy: Wardley Maps What is DXC Leading Edge?

# On strategy: Wardley Maps

When we determine topics for the curation, we examine areas where retailers can develop a strategic edge. We do that with Wardley Maps, using them as a key tool in anticipating the future.

By visualizing an organization's value chain and interactions, these maps reveal the evolving landscape, empowering teams to co-create and game out future scenarios. With Wardley Maps, leaders define winning strategies, align their teams, and stay ahead of the competition.

Developed by Simon Wardley, this powerful philosophy and toolset provide clarity on business direction and tactical insights, from outsourcing to team structures and company culture. Scale, industrialize, and embrace the new and novel with Wardley Mapping.

With a glance, a Wardley Map allows you to:

**Depict your** value chain

Spot new opportunities Anticipate the future

**Answer** strategic questions

Create consistent organizational language

Mapping works because it establishes context and relationships among the elements. "Place" has meaning on a map.

The act of placing an item encourages debate about its relationships and connections to other items.

It replaces discussions of "pet projects" with needs-based opportunities that become visible paths.

Not everyone must agree but alignment about desired outcomes is easier, as the landscape is better understood.

### **Condense and** prioritize

Identify the topics (trends, tech, influences) of significance and those of emerging importance for an industry.

## **Build a landscape**

Use a map canvas to work down from stakeholders to needs to dimensions, to reach easily understood granular functions.

#### **Define routes of** interest

Identify the connections between the elements, understanding the flow of one item to the next. Identify changing continuums.

## **Determine** strategic priorities

Determine how value flows across the map, and cluster components/ dimensions into opportunities. Debate and determine strategic value.

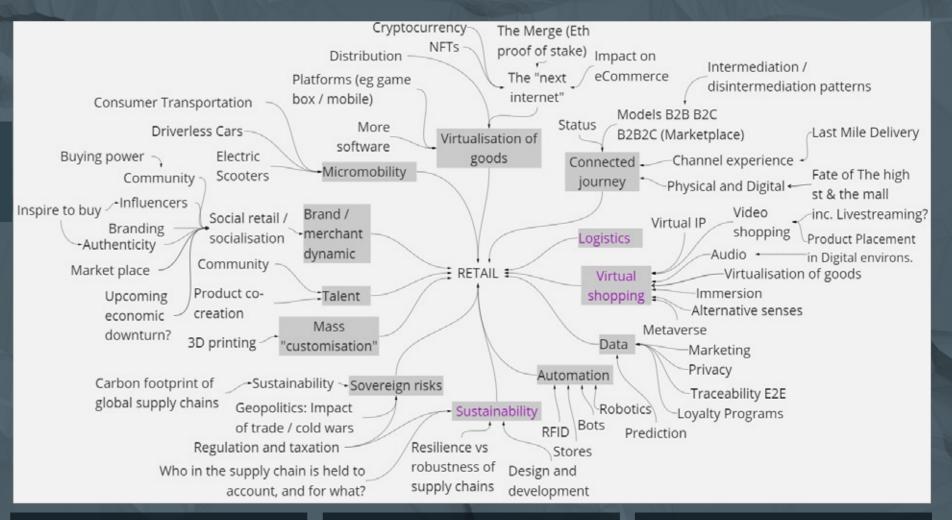
## Review the marketplace

Understand the differing market perspectives that exist around selected priorities. How well understood are they?

## **Create a forward** plan

Highlight the vital aspects of the plan that move conversation to action. Focus on consumable messaging for the Board and stakeholders.

#### **STEP 1: CONDENSE AND PRIORTIZE**



Experts and stakeholders articulate concepts that are influencing the market and strategy now, including extant, current and emerging influences.

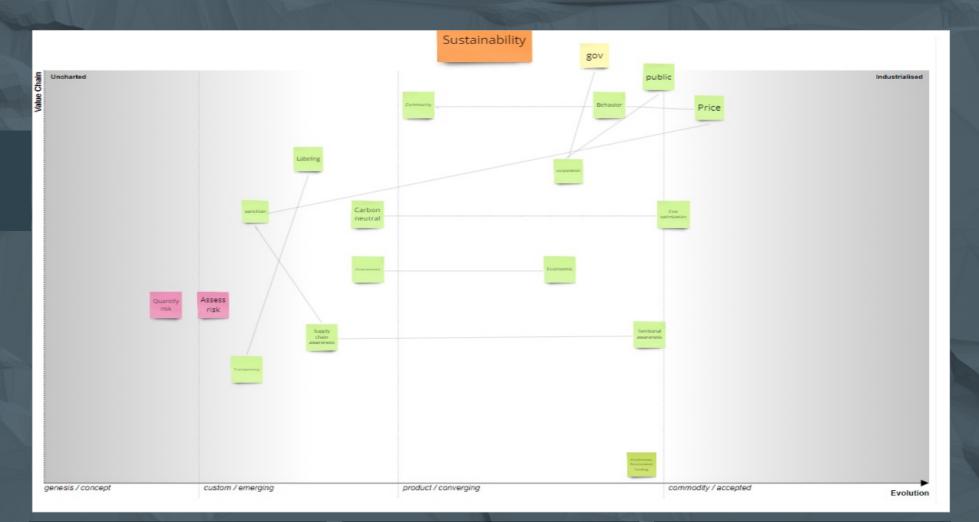
Create logical groupings reducing micro-trends toward broader descriptions. Some options may not be an exact fit; some may require "two jumps" to get to a level of aggregation.

Reach a collective **decision** on a tighter group of trends or concepts to move to mapping. Three is a good starting point. In the example above, sustainability, virtual shopping and logistics were chosen.

#### **STEP 2: BUILD A LANDSCAPE**

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- 2. <a href="https://miro.com/templates/wardley-map/">https://miro.com/templates/wardley-map/</a>

Please note this map has been recreated as a sample as an original was not available from the team

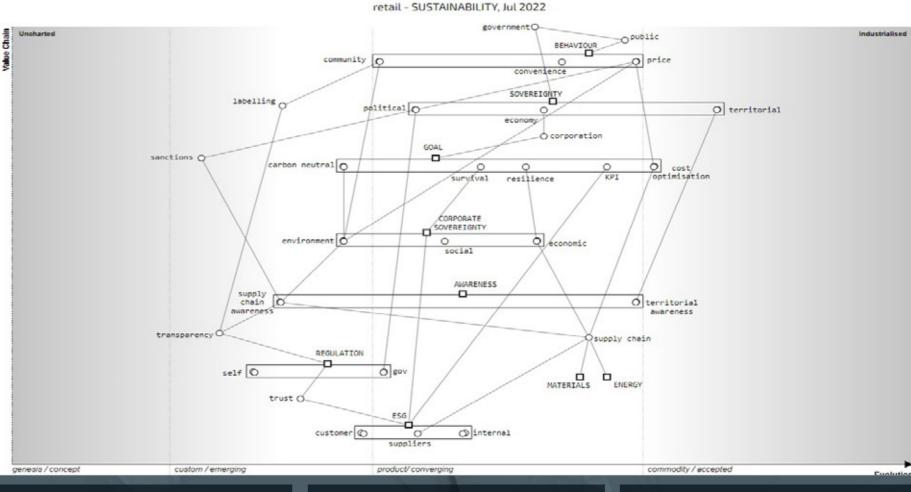


In Wardley Maps, the y-axis represents visibility to the user. Like a traditional value chain, the higher the component, the more the user can see it (e.g., a web page might be at the top, while a database or a server might be near the bottom).1

Participants work down and across, noting the maturity of components added to the map, and understanding where items are connected. At this stage, each added item begins to clarify dependencies and areas that are experiencing change.

Wardley templates are available in multiple online outlets. The DXC Leading Edge team often relies on the <u>version in Miro2</u> for our public-facing exercises.

## **STEP 3: DEFINE ROUTES OF** INTEREST (SUSTAINABILITY, **JULY 2022)**



The x-axis contains four stages of evolution: Genesis, Custom Built, Product, and Commodity. These represent the maturity or shared understanding of the component. Connectors are then added to show relationships. Pipelines – the boxes - show clear, continuous evolutions of components.

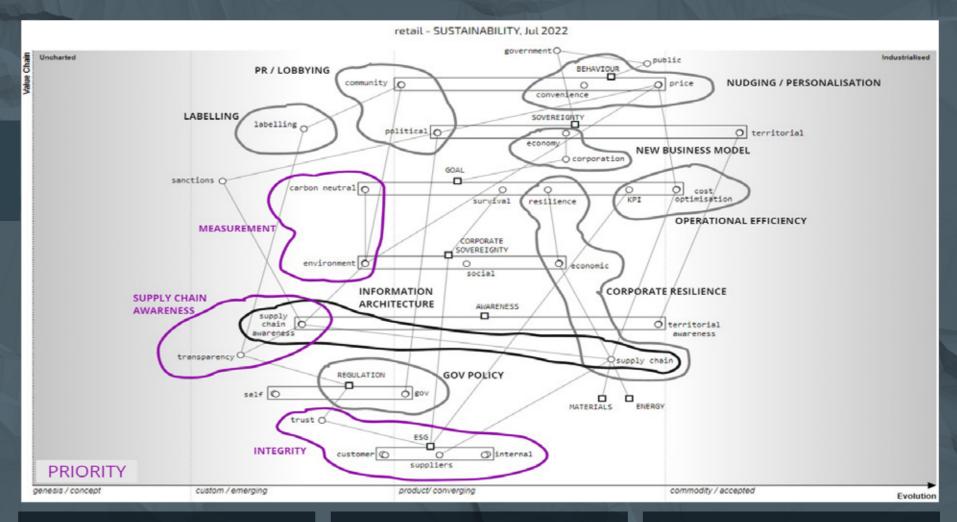
As a next step, begin to pressure test the map to explore how well it handles known situations and challenges. How does it explore risks and tradeoffs? Does it bring in key dynamics around people, technology, and culture?

Understand that ALL maps are contextual; NO map is fully correct. They are also not wrong. Maps are subject to interpretation.

All maps are influenced by their cartographers.

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#### **STEP 4: DETERMINE STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**



Here we want to examine the landscape for opportunities. Specifically, this is not about improving process flow but determining areas where there is the potential to address unmet or emerging needs.

In general, a map may have 8-10 opportunity areas flagged.

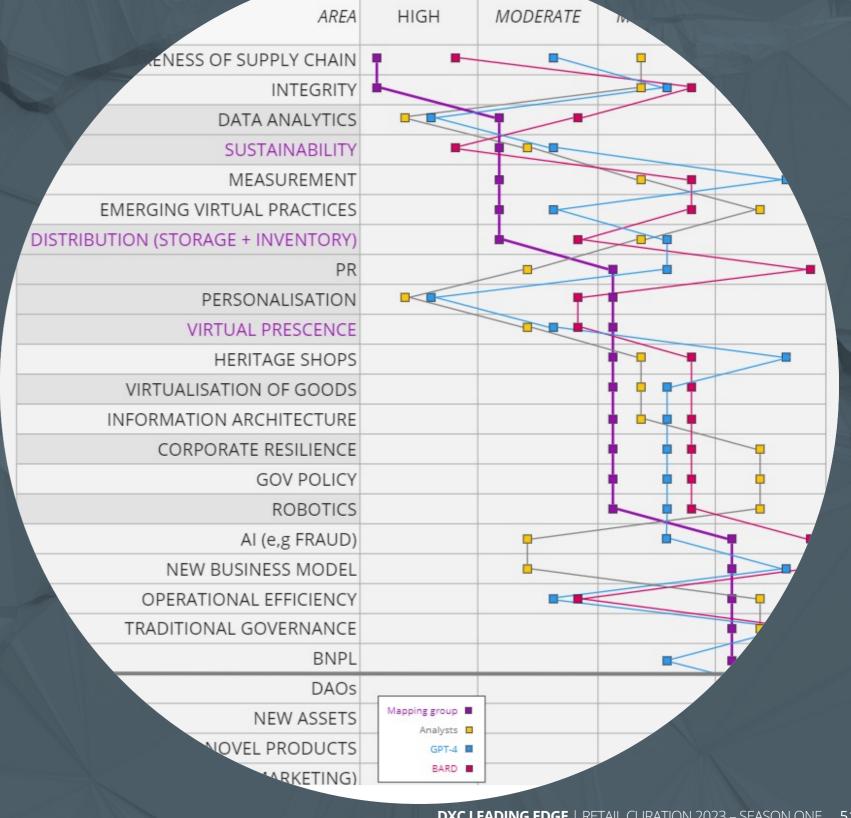
These opportunities may differ over time and change with context, and should be examined for biases.

Next, prioritize the top three initiatives (the purple outlines).

The black outline reflects supply chain visibility which runs across maps and has dependencies in the three selected priorities.

#### **STEP 5: REVIEW THE MARKETPLACE**

As with any strategy, examination and pressure testing are needed, as well as experimentation and validation. For the Wardley Maps DXC produces, we often compare Expert maps to analyst and media teams; we may also test new approaches such as publicly available Large Language Models (OpenAl's ChatGPT and Google's Bard) and Marketing Intelligence Engines such as AlphaSense.Al



#### **STEP 6: CREATE A FORWARD PLAN**

We apply the six-box to multiple purposes, and tweak the text appropriately for each. For Wardley Maps, the six-box journey looks like this:

Box 1: What's new in your thinking?

Box 2: What complicates your journey?

Box 3: What's missing?

Box 4: Pivoting toward solutions

Box 5: What does success look like?

Box 6: What actions are needed to advance?

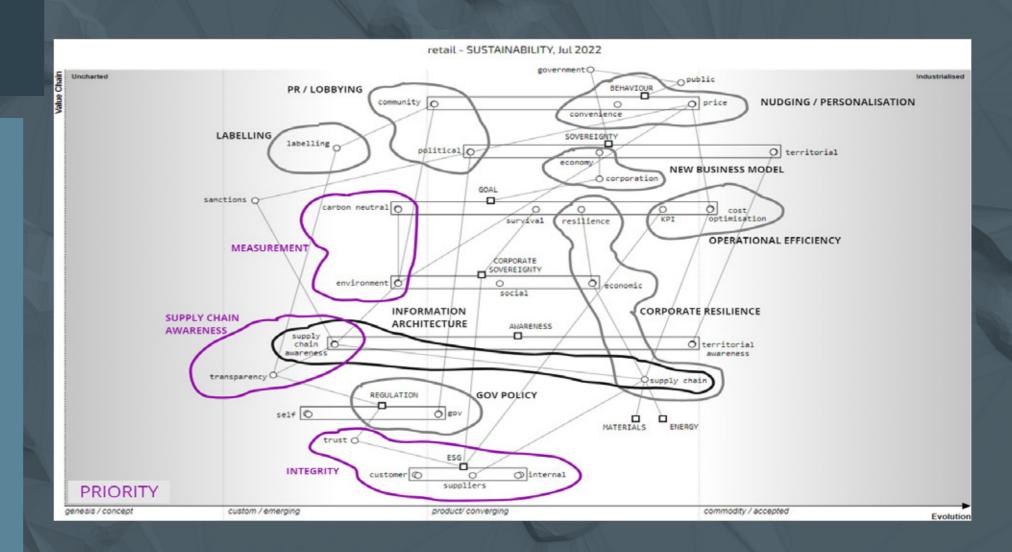
KEY MESSAGE INTEGRITY MATTERS	KEY MESSAGE INCREASING AWARENESS OF SUPPLY CHAIN	KEY MESSAGE  METRICS THAT DRIVE SUSTAINABLE  DECISIONS
KEY CHALLENGE CHALLENGE OF SHARING (collaborate effectively before regulation forces you)	WHAT GOOD LOOKS LIKE AVOIDING SCANDAL WHILST EVOLVING	ACTIONS  Dare to share. Share your supply chain knowledge publicly and transparently. Share what you don't know.  Act with integrity, avoid spin and transparently admit mistakes.  To ensure sustainability and accountability, prioritize evolving metrics, incorporate scientific expertise, value transparency, and welcome feedback.

#### **MAP 1: SUSTAINABILTY**

**SUPPLY CHAIN AWARENESS: Needing** to trace the full provenance of what is sold + operations + locations will be incredibly challenging.

**MEASUREMENT:** The situation is fluid, there is no consistency but there are expectations, which leaves room for confusion but also for leadership and opportunity.

**INTEGRITY:** The ability to escape scandal, avoid greenwashing and build a trusted community is valuable on tangible and intangible fronts.

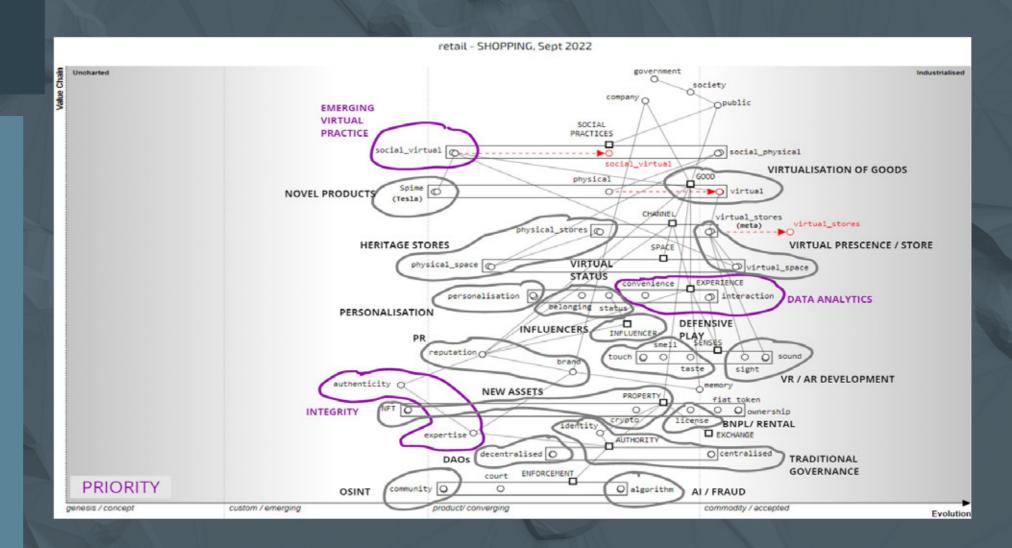


#### **MAP 2: NEW SHOPPING EXPERIENCES**

**EMERGING VIRTUAL PRACTICES: Most** retailers operate on a solid, well-trodden playbook. Virtual rewrites those rules. It requires new principles and practices that govern people, process and technology in virtual spaces.

**DATA ANALYTICS:** Emerging areas (including retail media networks, ingaming, online-only events) present measurement and marketing challenges.

**INTEGRITY:** The ability to escape scandal, avoid notable failures and build a trusted community is valuable on tangible and intangible fronts – even when selling intangible goods.

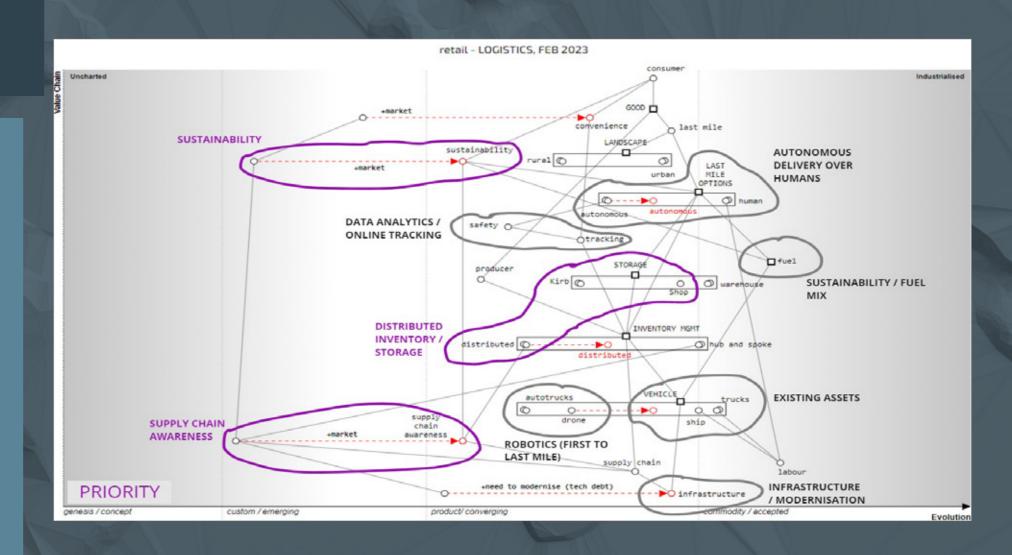


#### **MAP 3: RETAIL LOGISTICS**

**SUSTAINABILITY:** Retailers must meld timely delivery with green and efficient choices including vehicles, fuel, routes and sourcing. It's a delivery and a customer challenge

**DISTRIBUTED INVENTORY:** The explosion of the mid and last mile, potentially new players and ecosystems changes the playing field. It's where scale wins, and partnering can advance bring *new solutions* 

**SUPPLY CHAIN AWARENESS:** There's a new meaning to low cost, and that cost should likely include time, distance, carbon and how much it will take to pivot if needed



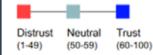
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#### Mass-Class Divide: Income-Based Inequality Creates Two Trust Realities

#### Trust Index

(average percent trust in NGOs, business, government, and media)



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Income quartiles were determined separately for each country based on the distribution of household incomes among respondents from that country.



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#### Consumers and Employees Pressure Business to Stand Up for Them

Percent who say

2022 Edelman Trust Barometer Special Report: The New Cascade of Influence

I buy or advocate for brands based on my beliefs and values

GLOBAL 14

63%

2022 Edelman Trust Barometer Special Report: Trust In the Workplace

Having societal impact is a strong expectation or deal breaker when considering a job (avg)

GLOBAL 7

Among employees

Business reflects my values Has a greater purpose Meaningful work that shapes society Opportunities to address social problems Stops specific business practices if employees object CEO addresses controversial issues I care about

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## **RESEARCH**

#### Forward-focused research

Our research agenda is executive focused and supports a 3-year forward view. Some areas, such as trendwatching, may encompass 5- to 10-year horizons.

#### WHAT IS DXC **LEADING EDGE?**

DXC Leading Edge is a team of experienced practitioners who create progressive thought leadership backed by primary research, immersive events and practical interventions focused on business transformation needs.

**STRATEGY** 

**ENGAGE** 

**ADVISE** 

#### Strategic industry mapping

Strategic Wardley maps are created by the team in collaboration with industry and functional experts to deliver vital insights on core business challenges.

#### **Customer engagement**

We provide roundtables and workshops that bring customers together to discuss challenges, develop new routes to market, get meaningful insights and develop new relationships.

#### **Strategic advisor**

We provide personalized support to priority customers. We act as a critical friend helping to navigate through their challenges.

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