Measuring domestic and cross-border e-commerce

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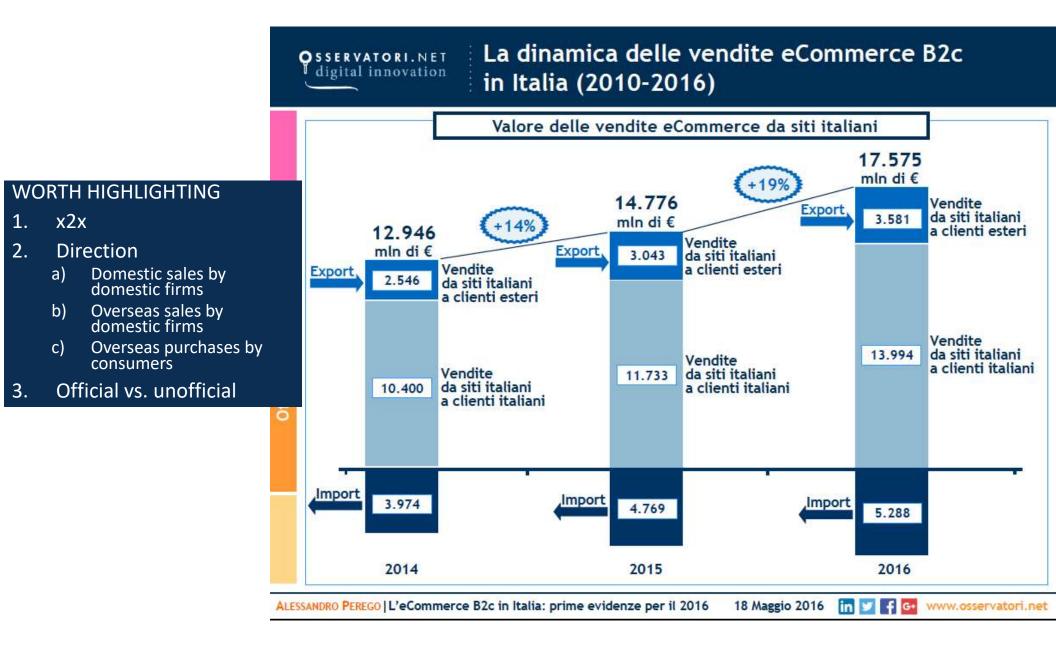
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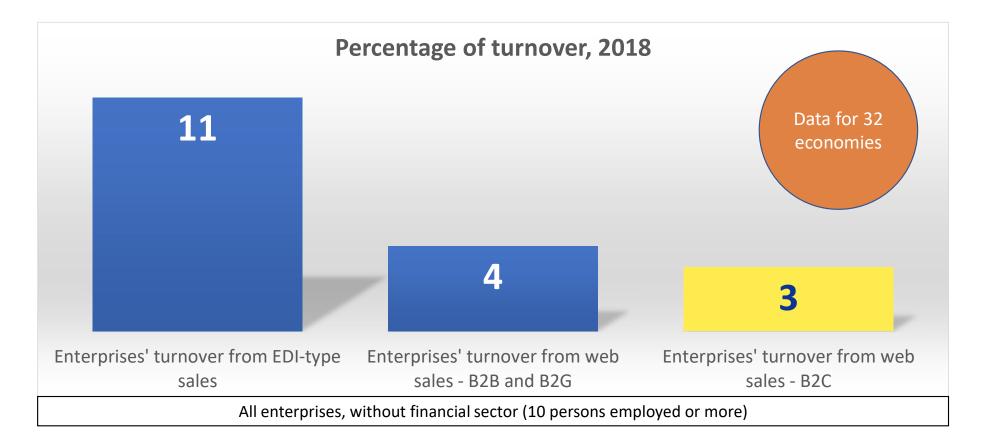
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B2C e-commerce value

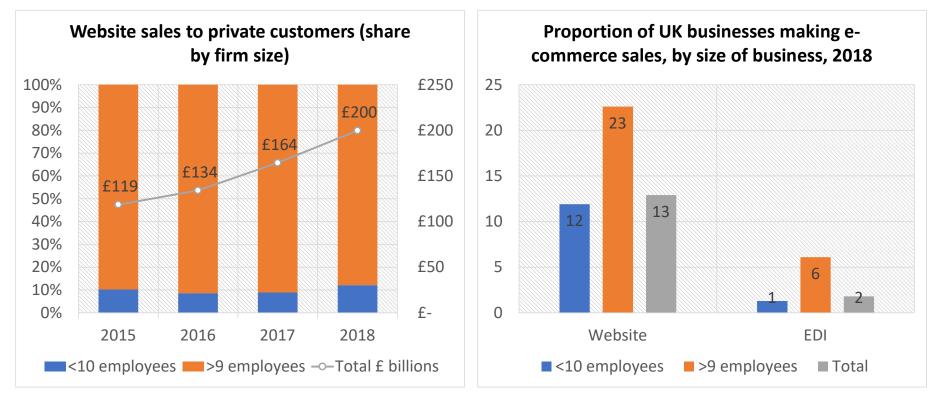
Business surveys





United Kingdom

Micro enterprises (<10 employees), 2018 96% of all businesses 37% of employment 21% of turnover



Source: Office of National Statistics, E-commerce and ICT activity

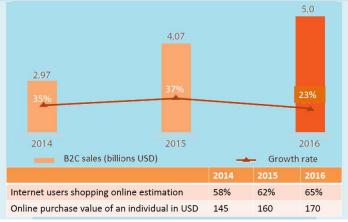
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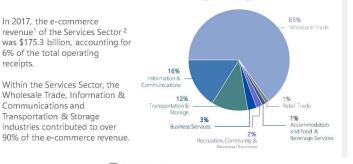


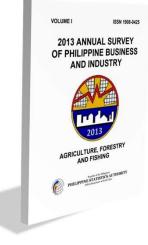


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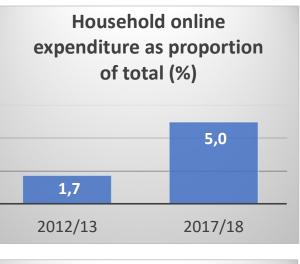


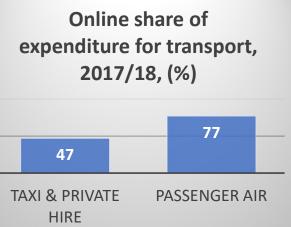
Share of E-commerce Revenue by Industry, 2017

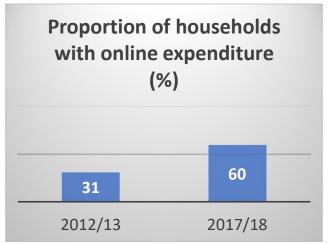












2017/18 online expenditure: S\$4 billion Proportion of GDP: 0.8%

Estimating B2C e-commerce

EGYPT	2016	2017	2018	OMAN (OMR m)	2015	2016	2017
Egypt online shoppers (% of 15+ pop.)	3.1%	3.3%	3.7%	Domestic B2C e-commerce sales	83	104	130
Egypt population 15+ (m)	58.8	59.9	61.0	of which: tickets	64	77	100
Egypt online shoppers (m)	1.8	1.9	2.3	of which: other	20	27	30
Jumia GMV per customer (US\$)	\$264	\$260	\$245	Share of GDP	0.3%	0.4%	0.5%
Egypt estimated B2C (US\$ m)	\$ 481	\$ 508	\$ 552	Excluding tickets	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Growth		6%	9%	B2C e-commerce imports	3	10	15

Top ten countries by E-commerce sales, 2017

Rank	Economy	Total (\$ billion)	As a share (%) of GDP	B2B (\$ billion)	Share (%) of all e- commerce	B2C (\$ billion)	Annual average spend per online shopper (\$)
1	United States	8,883	46	8,129	90	753	3,851
2	Japan	2,975	61	2,828	95	147	3,248
3	China	1,931	16	869	49	1,062	2,574
4	Germany	1,503	41	1,414	92	88	1,668
5	Korea (Rep.)	1,290	84	1,220	95	69	2,983
6	United Kingdom	755	29	548	74	206	4,658
7	France	734	28	642	87	92	2,577
8	Canada	512	31	452	90	60	3,130
9	India	400	15	369	91	31	1,130
10	Italy	333	17	310	93	23	1,493
	Top 10 Total	19,315	36	16,782	87	2,533	2,904
	World	29,367		25,516		3,851	

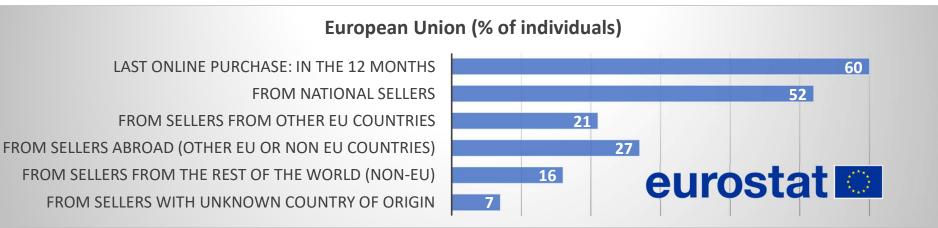
Source: UNCTAD.2019. "Global e-commerce sales surged to \$29 trillion." *News*, 29 March.

Data for ~60 economies in total

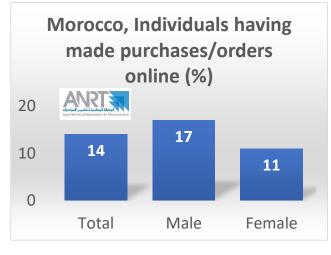
Online shoppers

Household surveys

Online shopper data 2018



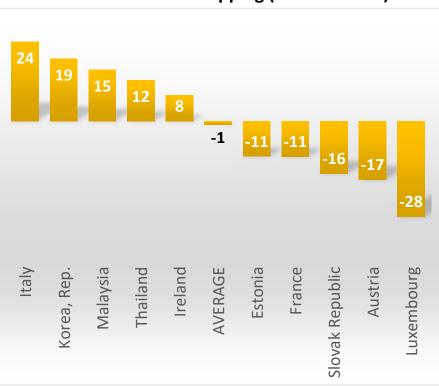






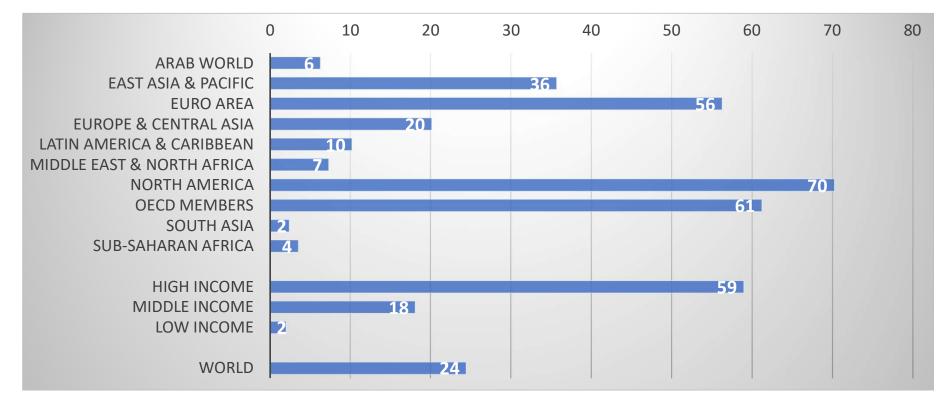
Global Findex 2017

- Used the internet to buy something online in the past year (% age 15+)
- 144 economies (before 71 countries)
- Disaggregated by gender & other variables



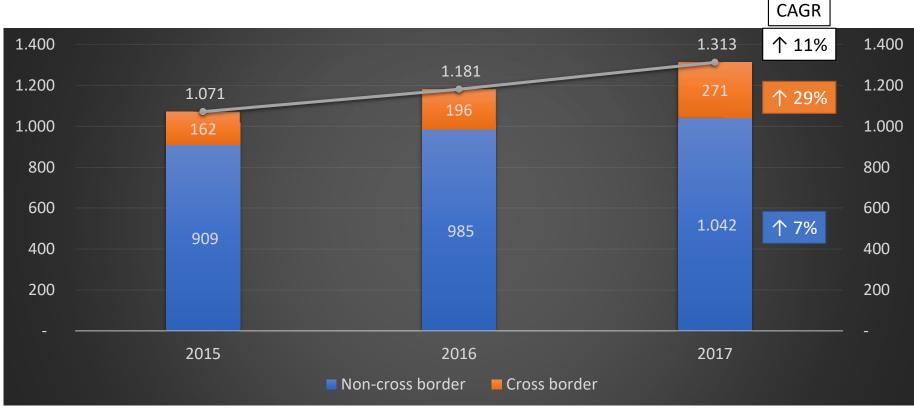
Difference online shopping (Findex – NSO)

Used the internet to buy something online in the past year (% age 15+), 2017



Source: Global Findex database.

Global online shoppers (million)



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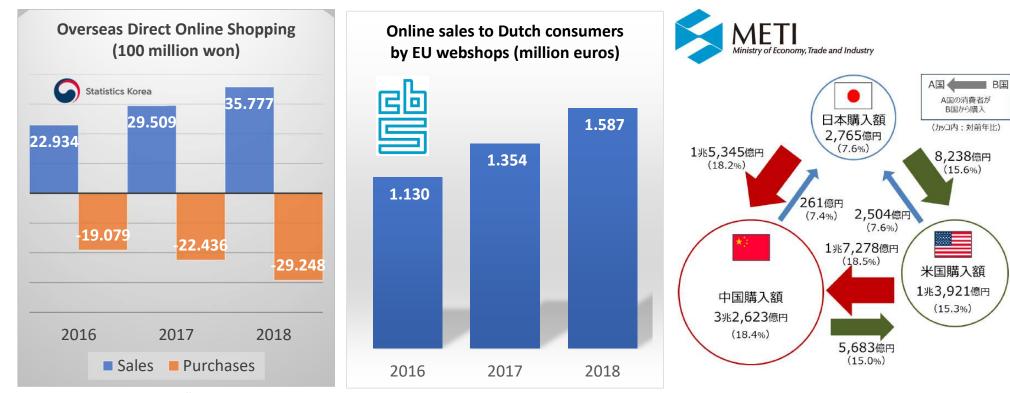
Cross border

Cross border value

- Republic of Korea *only* country where *official* statistics on total cross border B2C value data is available
- Japan has official data on its B2C trade with China and USA

From→ To↓	USA	China	Japan	Korea (Rep.)	EU
USA		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
China	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	
United Kingdom					
Japan	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	
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Cross border B2C value examples



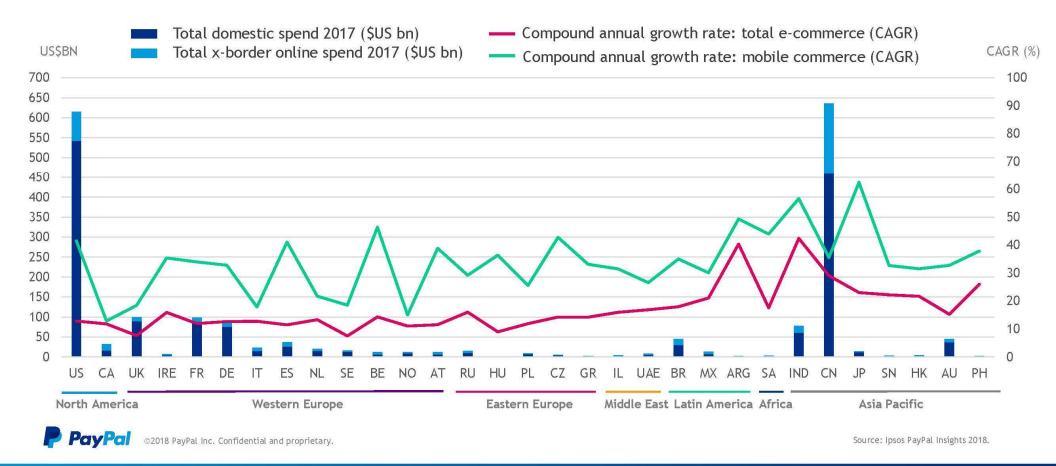
Statistics Korea. 2019. "Online Shopping in December and 2018 (Including Overseas Direct Online Sales and Purchases in the Fourth Quarter and 2018)."

CBS. 2019. "EU webshops generate €1.6 billion in the Netherlands."

METI. 2019. "Results of FY2018 E-Commerce Market Survey Compiled"

Online and cross-border commerce size and growth estimates

US and China are the biggest markets in terms of online spend, but Japan and India are growing fast



Estimated cross border B2C sales of top ten merchandize exporters, 2017

Rank	Economy	Total (\$ billion)	As a share (%) of merchandize exports	% of B2C
1	United States	102	6.6	13.5
2	China	79	3.5	7.5
3	United Kingdom	31	7.0	15.0
4	Japan	18	2.6	12.2
5	Germany	15	1.0	17.1
6	France	10	1.8	10.6
7	Canada	8	1.8	12.7
8	Italy	4	0.7	16.2
9	Korea (Rep.)	3	0.5	3.8
10	Netherlands	1	0.2	5.0
	Top 10 Total	270	3.0	10.7
	World	412	2.3	10.7

Source: UNCTAD.2019. "Global e-commerce sales surged to \$29 trillion." *News*, 29 March.

Conclusions

Impacts Official data

Consumer welfare

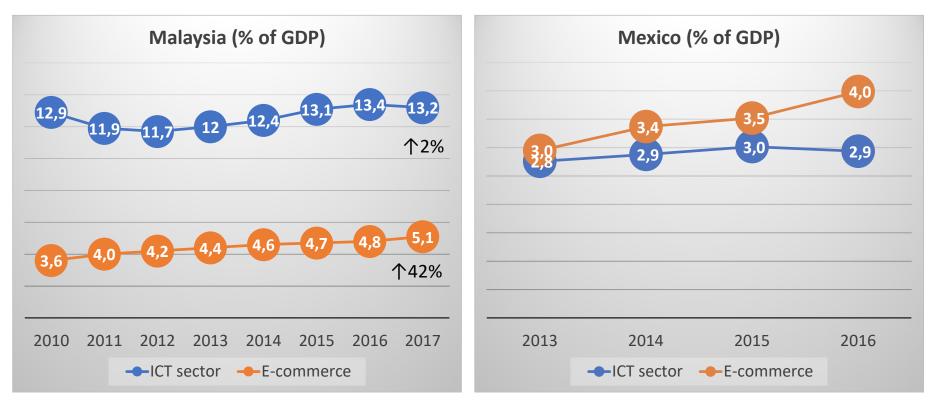
- Research found that retail e-commerce impact in the United States benefited consumer consumption by 1% between 2007 and 2017, around US\$1,000 per household.*
- In China, a study of rural households in three provinces found the cost of living reduced by 0.81% across all households and 5.5% for those using e-commerce.**
- A study on cross border e-commerce in the European Union countries found that household consumption benefited by 1.1%.***

^{*}Dolfen et al. 2019. "Assessing the Gains from E-Commerce."

^{**}Couture et al..2018. "E-Commerce Integration and Economic Development: Evidence from China."

^{***}Cardona. et al. 2015. "The Macro-economic Impact of e-Commerce in the EU Digital Single Market."

Value added



Source: Department of Statistics, Information and Communication Technology Satellite Account 2017

Source: INEGI. Sistema de Cuentas Nacionales de México. Valor Agregado Bruto del Comercio Electrónico

Employment

Retail trade employment change (000s), 2011-2016

	EU	USA
Retail	(121)	674
Internet	220	118
Net	100	792

Note: Retail excludes pure play Internet shops. Source: Eurostat and Bureau of Labor Statistics. Full Time Equivalent Employees (3-month moving average, 000s) Change December 2007-June 2017

BRICK-AND-MORTAR RETAIL	-140
ECOMMERCE JOBS	401
WAREHOUSE (FULFILLMENT CENTERS)	274
ELECTRONIC SHOPPING	126
BRICK-AND-MORTAR + ECOMMERCE	261

Note: Brick-and-mortar retail is equal to retail minus nonstore retail. Assumes 40-hour week.

Source: Michael Mandel. 2017. "How Ecommerce Creates Jobs and Reduces Income Inequality." *Progressive Policy Institute,* September.

B2x indicators

COMMUNITY SURVEY ON ICT USAGE AND E-COMMERCE IN ENTERPRISES

- 1. What was the value of your web sales?
 - 1. What was the value of your web sales of goods or services, in 2019? **OR**
 - 2. What percentage of total turnover was generated by web sales of goods or services, in 2019?
- 2. What was the percentage breakdown of the value of web sales in 2019 by type of customer:
 - 1. Sales to private consumers (B2C)
 - 2. Sales to other enterprises (B2B) and Sales to public sector (B2G)
- 3. What was the value of your EDI-type sales?
 - 1. What was the value of your EDI-type sales of goods or services, in 2019?
 - 2. What percentage of total turnover was generated by EDItype sales of goods or services, in 2019?
- 4. What was the percentage breakdown of the turnover from orders received that were placed via a website or apps in 2018 by customers located in the following geographic areas?

COMMUNITY SURVEY ON ICT USAGE IN HOUSEHOLDS AND BY INDIVIDUALS

- 1. When did you last buy or order goods or
- services for private use over the internet?
- □ Within the last 3 months
- □ Between 3 months and a year ago
- □ More than 1 year ago
- □ Never bought or ordered over the Internet

2. From whom did you buy the mentioned goods via a website or app in the last 3 (12) months? Include online purchases from enterprises or private persons.

- □ National sellers
- \Box Sellers from the rest of the world
- \Box Country of origin of sellers is not known

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Proportion of businesses receiving orders over the Internet

International online dataset of e-commerce indicators