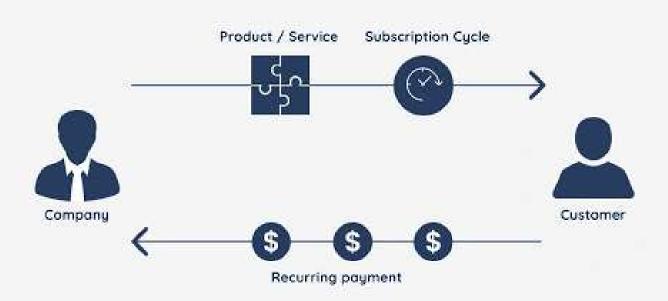
Subscription Business







Subscription Box

Subscription Businesses

Students will be able to:

- 1. Describe a subscription box business.
- 2. What's inside a subscription box.
- 3. Write a sales pitch to sell a subscription box service for a product(s).

What is a Subscription Box?

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Subscription Boxes are boxes that contain a product or an assortment of products — typically with a common theme, such as beauty boxes, pet boxes, or food boxes. These boxes are <u>automatically</u> delivered for the length of your subscription.

What is a Subscription Box?

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• The <u>majority</u> of subscription box services keep each month's specific box items a surprise.



- Some monthly boxes allow you to set subscriber preferences to personalize your box.
- A few fully **customizable subscription boxes** are available.

How Subscription Boxes Work

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1. How often will I receive a subscription box?

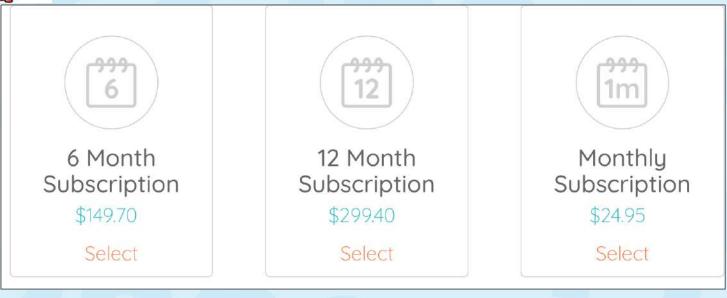
 Typically subscription boxes are sent out <u>once a</u> <u>month</u>, however some boxes are sent more or less frequently.

2. How much do subscription boxes cost?

- The price of monthly subscription boxes can range from around \$10 to ? per box.
- If you purchase monthly subscriptions for 3, 6, or 12 months, there is usually a discount on the box price.



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Does the price for this subscription service offer a discount for multiple months/year?

What's inside a Monthly Subscription Box?

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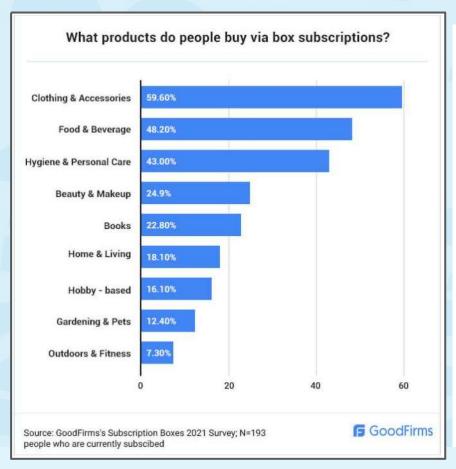






Most boxes provide a mix of 4-7 sample-size and full-sized sample products.

The Subscription Box Industry

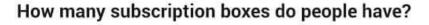


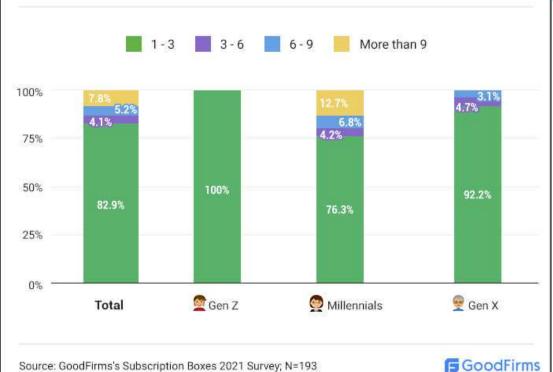
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How many different types of subscription boxes are there?

The **subscription box** industry is booming, with the market projected to reach \$19.8 billion by 2026 and over 10,000 different boxes available as of 2021.

How many subscription boxes do people subscribe to?





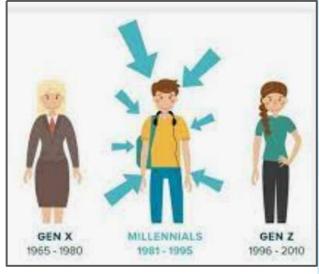
Source: GoodFirms's Subscription Boxes 2021 Survey; N=193 people who are currently subscibed (Gen Z = 8, Millennials = 118, Gen X = 64)

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Baby Boomers

52 -70 1946-1964



Top 10 sites with highest number of current subscribers by gender

Women		Overall		Men
Amazon Subscribe & Save	1	Amazon Subscribe & Save		Dollar Shave Club
Dollar Shave Club	2	Dollar Shave Club		Amazon Subscribe & Save
Ipsy	3	lpsy		Harry's
Birchbox	4	Blue Apron		Blue Apron
Sephora Play!	5	Birchbox		BarkBox
JustFab	6	Sephora Play!	M	Loot Crate
Blue Apron	7	Harry's		Birchbox
BarkBox	8	BarkBox		HelloFresh
StitchFix	9	JustFab		Home Chef
AdoreMe/ShoeDazzle	10	0 HelloFresh		Instacart

boxes so popular?

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- #1 Waste reduction.
- #2 Time-saving.
- #3 Flexibility.
- #4 They make excellent gifts.
- #5 A chance to try-before-youbuy.
- #6 An air of mystery.
- #7 Niche products.
- #8 Low costs.



The Subscription Food nBox Industry



10 HelloFresh

OVERALL

Part of the appeal of a meal subscription box is that it frees you from making the decision of what to have for dinner each day — a decision that saves time but comes at a cost. The best value service in the US is provided by **EveryPlate**, with a price difference of \$12.76 between the ingredients and the cost of the box. Green Chef offers the best vegan deal with a difference of \$55.44.

Ingredients Cost



Box Cost







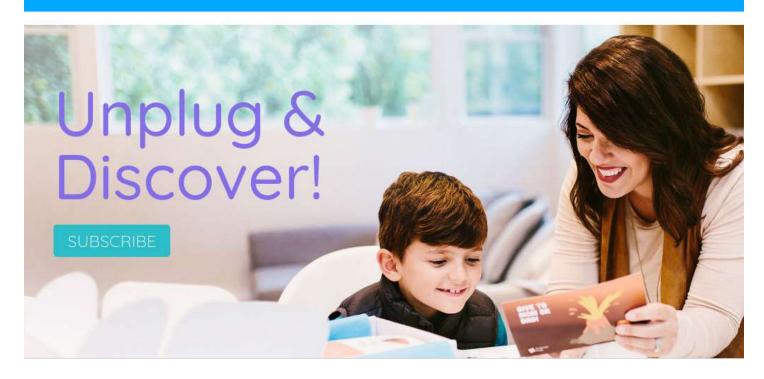
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- Thousands of parents flocked to the Surprise Ride website to enroll in the fledgling subscription service.
- The company reached its goal of \$500,000 in sales by the end of 2014.
- By the end of 2015, they hit \$1 million in sales.





In 2016, over two years after their failed pitch on Shark Tank, the sisters were invited to film a "Beyond the Tank" follow-up segment.

While shooting, Kevin made the sisters a surprise offer.

- \$50,000 in exchange for 2.5% equity (ownership) and a 6% royalty until he recoups \$150,000. (The sister's originally asked for \$110,000 and 10% ownership on Shark Tank)
- It was a "take it or leave it" offer. They accept Kevin's offer.





Kevin's Marketing Strategy was to drive traffic to the company's website and lower while their \$5.30 per customer acquisition cost.

Two years after Kevin joined Surprise Ride, the company hit over \$3 million in sales.

That same year, November 2018, Surprise Ride sold their business to Fat Brain Toys for an undisclosed amount.





- 1. Ecommerce subscriptions
- 2. Membership subscriptions
- 3. Digital subscriptions

E-Commerce (Website)

- Shopify
- WooCommerce
- Magento
- WIX
- Subbly
- Sellfy
- Recurly

A subscription eCommerce platform is a system that empowers merchants to sell products or services online and let you bill and invoice customers periodically.

These platforms can help you to collect subscription fees from customers on a weekly, monthly, or annual basis effortlessly.

E-Commerce (Website)



- Allow third-party apps installation
- Support selling any subscription products & services
- Recommended apps: Recharge Subscriptions & Bold Subscriptions

WOO COMMERCE

- Support simple subscription products & variable subscription products
- Integrate with 30+ payment gateways
- Support automatic payments & manual payments
- Support built-in renewal notifications & automatic emails
- Deliver a suite of subscription reports

Video: Shopify

Which would you choose?

Video: Wix











Membership Subscriptions



Limited Time: \$25 for a Sam's Club Membership

Join Now

sam's club 🔷

Join now and get 50% off your Club membership.

That's only \$25!



Digital Subscriptions Digital Subscriptions





QUESTION OF THE DAY

Measure Marketing





How much does the average consumer spend per month on ALL subscription services?



Closest to the number WITHOUT going over.

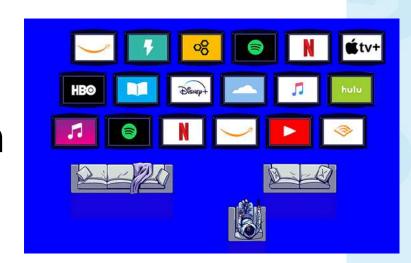




QUESTION OF THE DAY

Wow!

A: \$219 per month on subscription services



Source: C+R Research



QUESTION

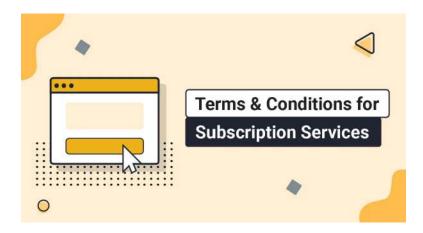


How many subscription boxes, memberships or services are you (or your parents) paying for that you don't use? Input your answer on the next slide.

Source: C+R Research

FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS

1. How can a customer avoid paying for subscription services they rarely use or have forgotten about?



CONSUMER AWARENESS

One way to avoid losing track of your subscriptions is to review your bank and/or credit card statement.

amazon Prime

The average length a consumer keeps a subscription service:



Women were more likely to keep subscriptions longer than men:



FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS

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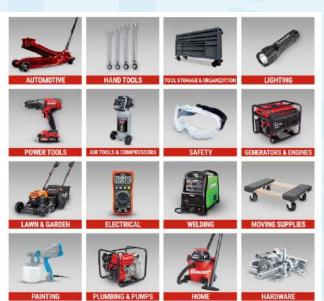




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THERESA, WE'VE MISSED YOU - HERE'S YOUR 25...

Jan 25





Show me more products

Why Don't Subscription Box Businesses Survive?

- Customers frequently skip boxes
- Customers return 60% to 70% of the box's products.

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Subscription Businesses



What is the role of Marketing in a subscription based business?

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In a subscription-based business, **effective marketing drives long-term customer behavior**, not just the initial sale.

Marketing is also responsible for <u>measuring</u> the effectiveness in <u>engaging</u> and <u>nurturing</u> existing customers.

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