



## **BETTER POSITION YOUR DEALERSHIP** For the Next Disrupting Event Using Digital Retailing

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STATISTICAL SURVEYS



#### "The consumer's behavior has undoubtedly **been changed in a lasting way**."

Jim Lyski • CMO, CarMax





#### Agenda

Lesson #1: You Need to Work at the Speed of the Customer

Lesson #2: Understanding the Value of Data, Technology and Digital Retailing

Lesson #3: The RV Industry Is Resilient and Adapting to Our Digital Age

# HOW DID WE GET HERE?

#### **How Did We Get Here?**

**March 2020** Pandemic forced us all to quickly learn a new normal



#### Fall 2020 -Spring 2021 Earlier manufacturing

shutdowns lead to shortages throughout industries



#### **Summer 2021** - Today

Tech and delivery shortages leading to dealers finding new ways to engage customers



#### **Spring 2020**

States begin to reopen, but many economists predict the economic crisis could take years to recover









## **Experiencing a Decade** in Days



Never experienced this level of disruption, in a time with internet speeds this advanced

During 2008, bandwidth was at 3 megabits per second <sup>1</sup>



In 2017, 20 megabits per second <sup>1</sup>



Online delivery advanced 10 years in 8 weeks <sup>2</sup>





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2 out of 3 Shoppers

Are more likely to buy a vehicle 100% online<sup>1</sup>

Increase in the number of monthly unique visitors to our sites, year over year<sup>2</sup>

**22%**↑

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Source: 1. AutoTrader, 2020 2. Trader Interactive

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## Businesses Adapted at a Moment's Notice



Of executives regard digital transformation as becoming more urgent in light of COVID-19<sup>1</sup>

Source: 1. <u>Wandera, 2020</u>



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https://www.oberlo.com/statistics/how-many-people-shop-online

#### We Can't Predict the Future... But We Can Better Prepare for It











#### Lesson #1: You Need to Work at the Speed of the Customer





#### Did you know that...



of retail shoppers conduct online research before buying

#### And that...



of consumers believe retailers should be doing more to integrate their online and offline channels

## **More Digital Touchpoints**

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Visited Dealership	Watched Video on Youtube	Filled out Form	Viewed Photos	Requested Quote Online
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Asked Family, Friends, and Coworkers	Used Model Comparison Tool	Visited OEM Website	Built and priced on OEMs site	Searched Tier 2 Dealer Inventory
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Saw a TV ad	Used loan calculator on third party site	Read Consumer Reviews	Influenced by Online Ad	Read Professional Review
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Browsed Newspaper Ads	Visited a Classified Marketplace	Located Dealer from Mobile	Watched Video Ad	Searched on Mobile









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## Consumers Have New Preferences





of respondents said that they would buy an RV online<sup>1</sup>



Preference for trusted brands



Less brand loyalty due to supply chain disruptions



EXPECTING to have the ability to <u>browse</u> and <u>purchase</u> online

Source:1. RV Trader, 2021



### Your Consumer Audience has Widened

- Limited Inventory means consumers will drive farther to get what they want
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- You are not just marketing to your local market

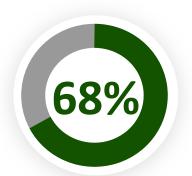


You need to ensure people farther away can visualize themselves in your units



**48%** of RVers are willing to **drive 6+ hours** to find their perfect RV

### **Start Preparing to Sell Virtually Today**



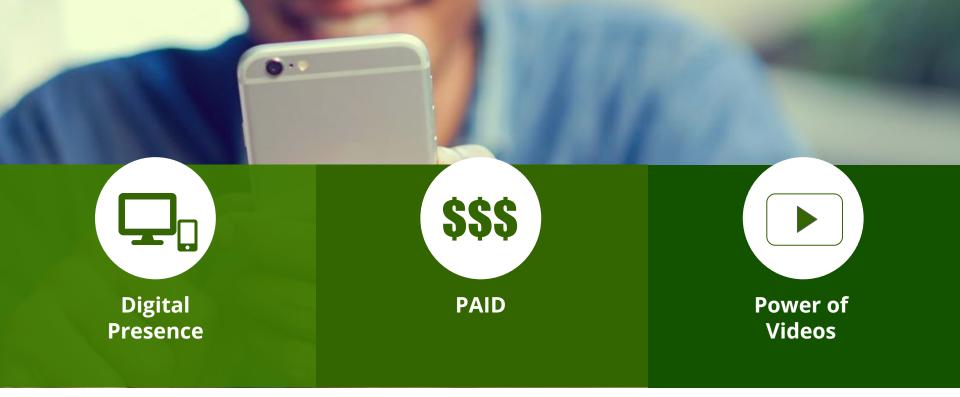
Of consumers state they are **more likely** to complete the purchase of an RV online if they **have a full RV report**<sup>1</sup>



Of consumers state they are **more likely** to complete the purchase of an RV online if they **can see the unit in person first**<sup>1</sup>

Source: 1. RV Trader, 2021





#### With Vehicle Merchandising, *Reach Consumers With a Click of a Mouse*

#### **Have a Well-Rounded Digital Presence**













<sup>Get</sup> P.A.I.D

> of consumers say that **photos and videos are most important** when considering buying an RV sight unseen<sup>1</sup>

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Source: 1. RV Trader, 2021

### **Power of Videos**

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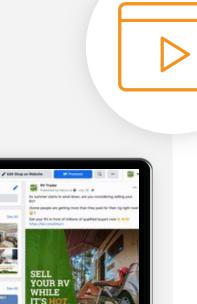
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of people say they've been convinced to buy a product or service by watching a brand's video<sup>1</sup>



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Keep **buyers** 

engaged

longer

**Easy** to capture visuals with an iPhone









With Expanded Communication Channels, *Reach Consumers Where They Are* 







of consumers **prefer text messaging** over direct phone calls <sup>1</sup>

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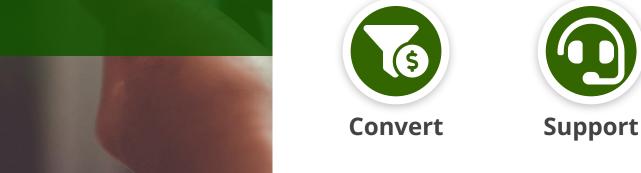


Source: 1. SMS Comparison, 2021

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# Live Chat







🔜 RV Trader.

Source: ApexChat







Video Chats per listing **increased by 2%** from Q2 in 2021 to Q3.

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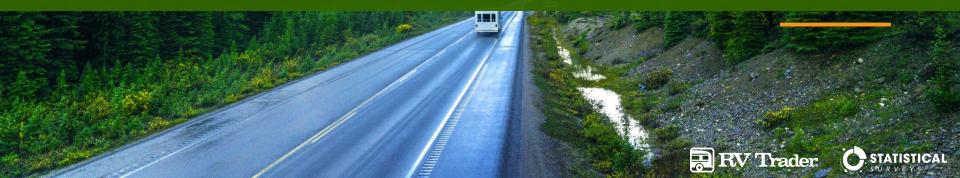
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According to a recent McKinsey Global Institute survey, companies in the top quartile for growth **invested 2.6 times** as much in research, **technology**, software, **advertising** and branding, and human capital, as those in the bottom two quartiles.



#### Work at the Speed of the Consumer



# **SECTION BREAKOUT #1**

Let's discuss different ways your dealership can work at the speed of the customer

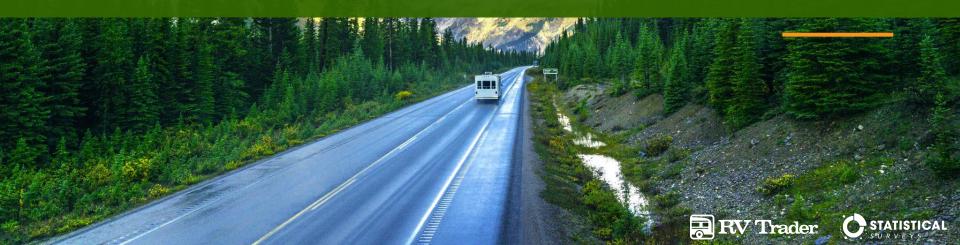
→ What do you need to stop doing?
→ What do you need to start doing?
→ What do you need to continue doing?



#### **Lesson #2:** Understanding the Value of Data, Technology, and Digital Retailing



#### Companies who adopt data-driven marketing are **6x more likely to be profitable** year-over-year.



#### The Value of Data



See where your consumers are coming to you from

Inventory Heath





Benchmark yourself to the competition



Forecast popular makes and models for more accurate ordering



#### The Data Informs Your Strategy

Use data to better understand your local market



These 10 zip codes have a **majority** of RV registrations in your county



Towables saw an increase in retail sales of **13.5%** where motorized only saw a **2%** increase (2019 - 2020)

#### Retail Registrations have exploded from 2019

2019	2020
418,422	478,094

#### **New RV Registration Ages**

Age Range	2021
34 and Under	9.26%
35-44 Years	24.48%
45-54 Years	21.78%
55-64 Years	24.69%
65-74 Years	15.88%
75+ Years	3.92%







## **Data Informs Sales Strategies**



those with **Lead Enrichment** turned on **received 5.2% more registrations** than those without it





## The Value of Technology

Saves you hours of data analysis

Pricing Analysis tool



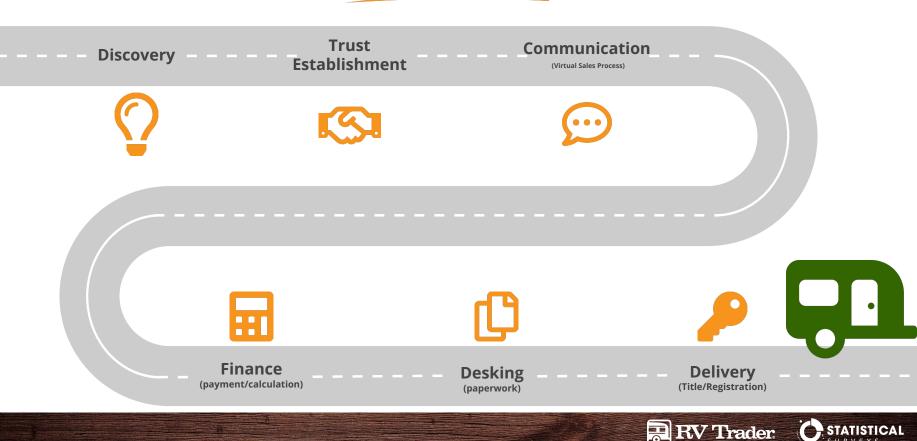


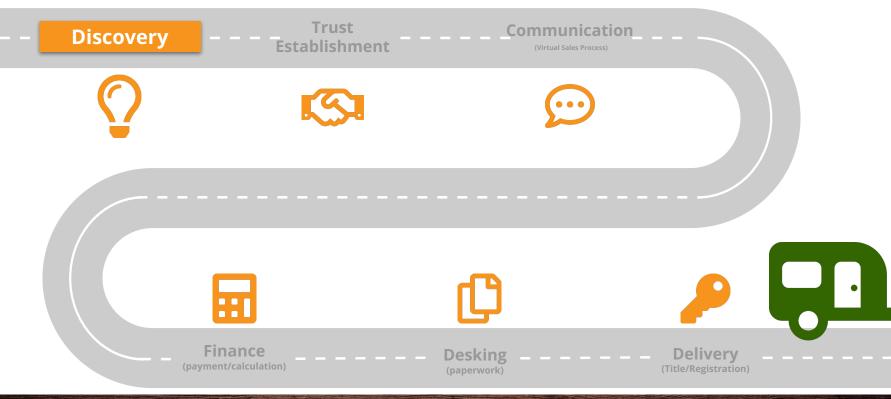
"Everyone's understanding is that even after we go through this pandemic, **people will continue some of that changed buying behavior.**"

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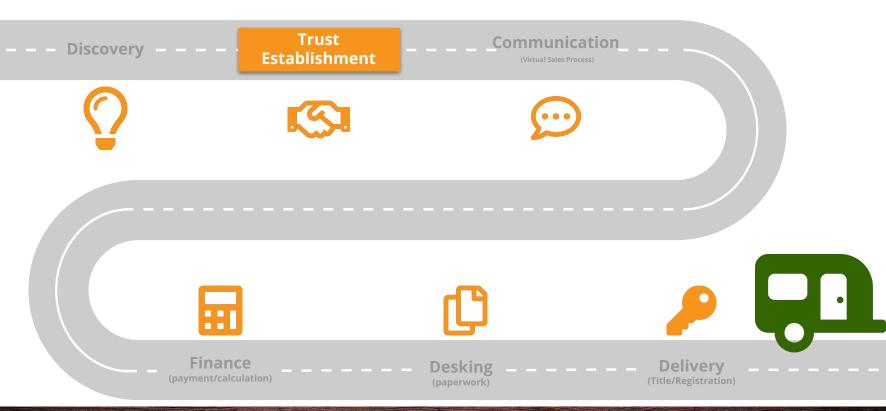




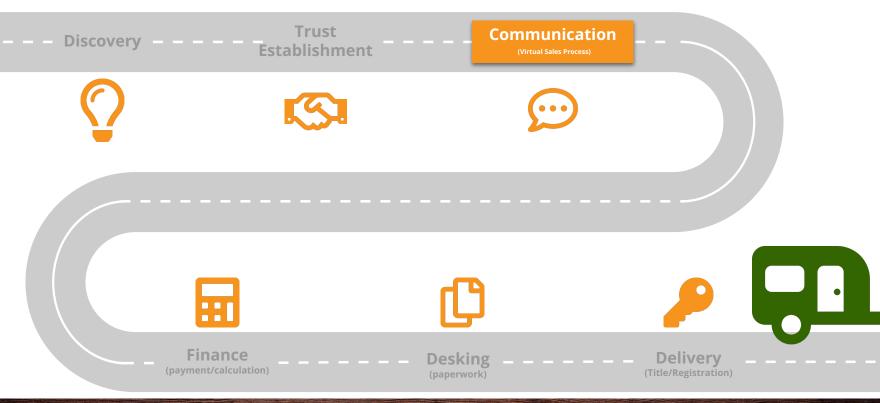






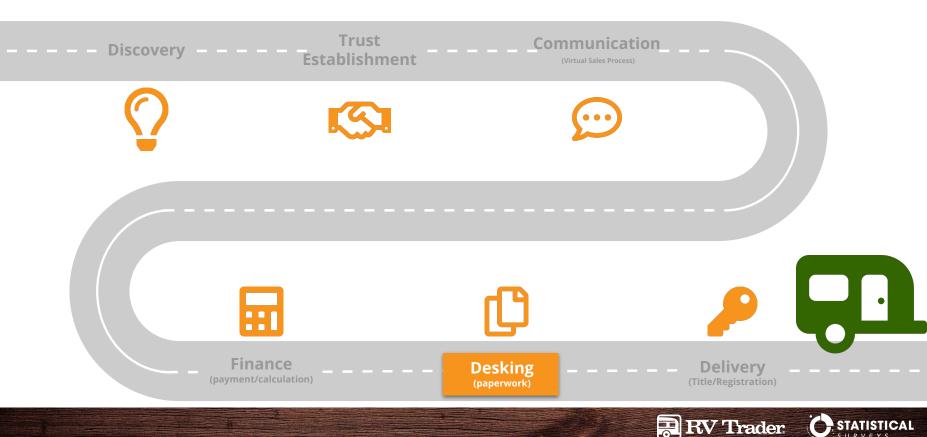


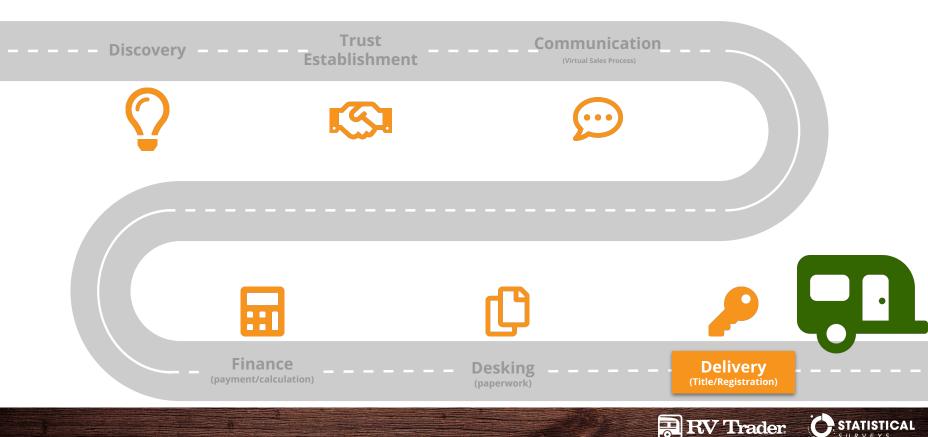












## Don't wait for tomorrow, start *today.*





# **SECTION BREAKOUT #2**

Let's discuss the value of technology and data and how you're currently applying it in your dealership

→ What do you need to stop doing?
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### **Lesson #3:** The RV Industry is Resilient and Adapting to Our Digital Age





## The RV Market is Only Growing

- More RVers enter the market every day
- Flexible Vacation and Work Environment

**RV** Trader.

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• Renting is on the Rise

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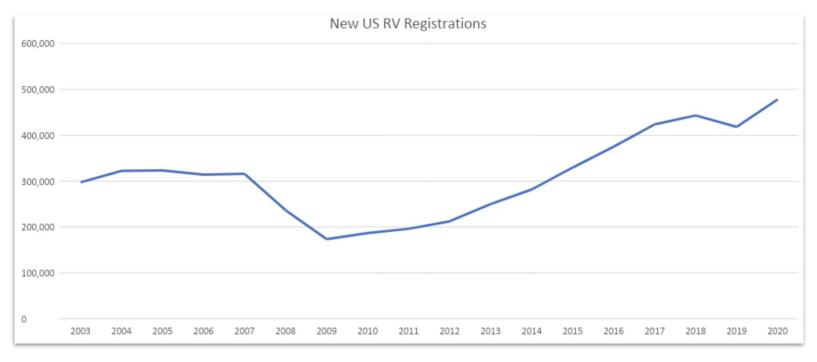
## **Ripple Effect Felt by Manufacturers**

Forest River has had to shift its manufacturing strategy due to material shortages, unavailable parts, and unreliable global transportation.





## The Demand of the RV is Growing



Source: SSI, 2021

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🔒 RV Trader



"I don't forecast the dealership going away, **the consumer is** going to demand that they be able to customize the experience, not be pressed into a dealership's model. If you can't do that, you aren't going to be viable."

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## Key Takeaways

You Need to Work at the Speed of the customer



of retail shoppers conduct online research before buying

### **Remember:**



Offering Chat, Text,

Understanding the value of data, technology and digital retailing

### Consumers value convenience

### **Remember:**



Leverage data and technology to take your retailing journey digital **today!** 

The RV industry is resilient and has adapted to our digital age

The North American RV market is projected to reach **\$3.57 billion** by 2026

#### **Remember:**



If you want this presentation Better Position Your Dealership to Deal with the Next Disrupting Event Using Digital Retailing, or a copy of our RV Buyer Trends please visit:

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