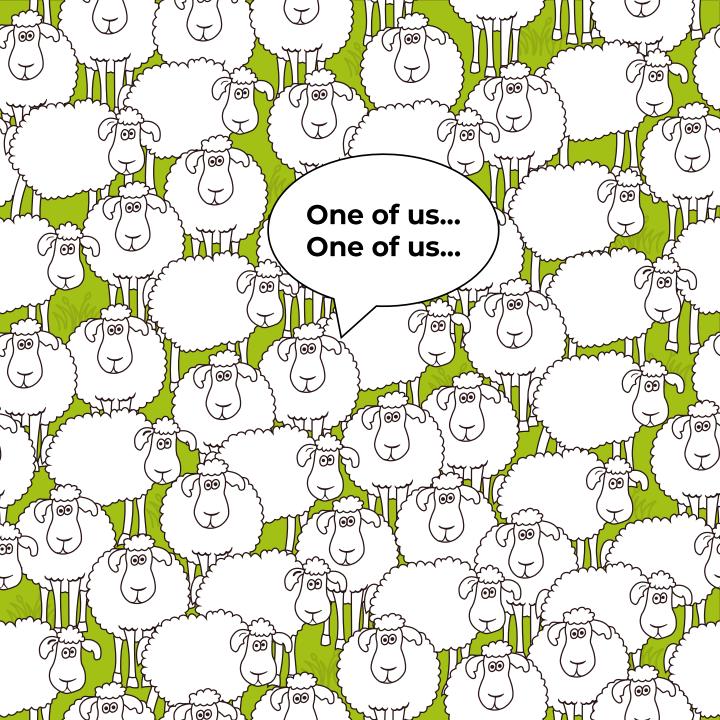
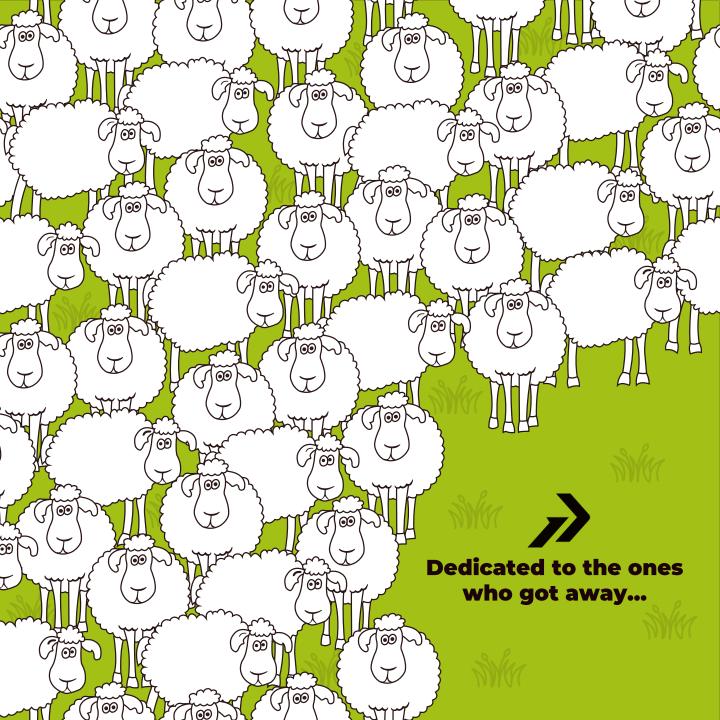


### SHEARED

**Shedding Your Coat of Corporate Conformity** in the Age of eCommerce

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## When it comes to retail, we're not in Kansas anymore...

#### Really?!

I know I'm a sheep, but I haven't been living under a rock!





## #1 driver of growth globally...



**Accounting for** 

65% of chain retail growth

39% of chain retail sales

by 2026

Led primarily by eCommerce marketplaces, last milers and D2C brands!

Thank you, Amazon!



### To win in eCommerce, brands must win the digital shelf.

Where do you start your product search online?

64%

of clicks go through top 3 search results on Amazon.

63%



48%

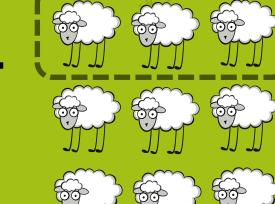


All

**Others** 

33%

+



### And winning the digital shelf helps brands win the physical shelf.



**62%** of sales are digitally influenced.

82%

of smartphone users consult their phones on purchases they are about to make in-store.



# Yet, despite all this retail disruption, some organizations and leaders are still behaving like sheep...



And that's baaa-d...



#### Silos...

### Great on farms, but not so much for CPGs





### Baaa-d Behavior #2

#### Shortsight

Only focusing on the grass right in front of them

### Baaa-d Behavior #5



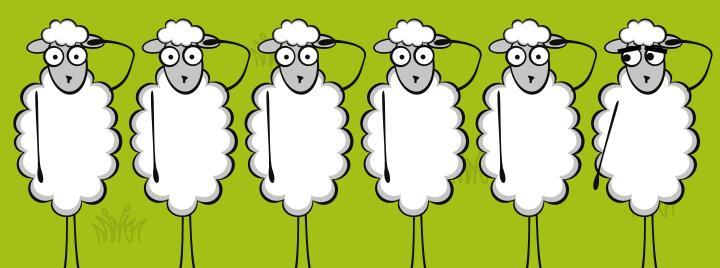
#### Risk Aversion

Unable to test and learn for fear of failure while learning



#### Bureaucracy

Agility and speed hindered by the herd



And sometimes it almost feels like they like it better

this way.

## Because maybe the "field" they know is safer than the field beyond the fence.

#### But in reality, there is no fence...

So why are we letting one hold us back?





Because many organizations end up pursuing "blind" growth

at the expense of clear, holistic goals, KPIs and roles for true accountability...

## And so, they migrate to working in functional silos toward ironically different and sometimes

conflicting goals.

Baaa-d Behavior #7

## They end up shortsighted on shorter-term KPIs determined by how shareholders ultimately measure their C-Suite.



They end up risk averse to new growth initiatives because scaled tests put short-term goals at risk, and small tests may not make enough impact to move the needle to merit scaled investment.

Baaa-d
Behavior #3

They end up with a model of bureaucracy i) rewarding efficiency vs. effectiveness amidst self-imposed complexity and ii) hindering speed, agility and the very growth they want.

Baaa-d
Behavior #4

#### So how can they jump over this personal and organizational fence of change?

**Early Majority** 

**Early Adopters** 



**First** Movers

# Successful eCommerce change requires 8 factors

**Executive Commitment** 

Focused Leadership

Ambitious of Vision

SMART Strategy + Goals

Resources + Investment

Communication + Assessment

Education, Skills + Capabilities

Organizational Enablement



#### **Executive Commitment**

Change must start at the top with eCommerce stated as a top priority publicly and internally.

The buck **STARTS HERE! Exec But this MUST** extend to/from all executive leaders, **NOT just the CEO!** 



#### Focused Leadership

Leadership and talent focused on eCommerce is critical, but how you structure matters, too.

#### **54**% Embedded Team

Lean team reporting up through a single function, likely Sales or Marketing

27%

Sidecar Team
Cross-Functional Team
made up operating as a

standalone unit

Only **15%** 

of brands are Integrated Teams which often perform better thanks to COE support and eCommerce roles distributed across the organization.

Profitero 2021 eCommerce Organizational Benchmark Report



Ambitious Vision Most CPGs confuse vision with priorities or goals AND lack the reasons to believe.

Them: "We are transforming into a digital-first organization."

Us: "Great...how?"

Them: "We will achieve \$2B in eCommerce net sales by 2024."

Us: "Cool...is that good?"

#### **How about?**

Them: "We would like to be within arms distance of desire by 2030. Based on trends and dynamics, for that to be true, we must achieve \$XB in incremental growth via a) D2C acceleration, b) exclusive portfolio development fit for model across our top 5 retailers, c) Gen Z product innovation, d) metaverse integration and e) Y% increase in working shoppable media YoY."

Us: "You had us at incremental..."

#### Growth is NOT a strategy. Growth is the result of a strategy.

No problem.
We've got the
eCommerce
flywheel...

The flywheel is a growth strategy BUT it only works well when you know how you want to grow.

Are you growing new HHs, lapsed HHs, bigger baskets, more trips, more profitability or a mix?

SMART Strategy + Goals



WILL WORK for RETAIL MEDIA BUDGET Sadly, CPGs are forfeiting ROI due to lagging retail media measurement capabilities, NOT the lack of actual ROI.

Our shoppers are already going digital.

We must follow the shopper and invest ahead of the curve.

+ Assessment

Education,

+ Capabilities

Resources

+ Investment

#### For digital transformation, you must continuously check the pulse of your organization's maturity.



#### **屬Profitero** + bobsled

provide complimentary benchmark assessments based on 100+ brands for both total eCommerce AND Amazon.

How eComm ready is your brand



TAKE THE ASSESSMENT

How Amazon savvy is your brand?



#### Communication

**Assessment** 



And for business performance, "You can't manage what you don't measure."

- Peter Drucker

61% vs. 34%

of brands track lagging metrics = eCommerce sales

of brands also track leading metrics = digital shelf and other advanced analytics

Communication + Assessment

True eCommerce Leaders know how they're doing, why + next steps.

For success, organizations require advanced analytics, accessible and actionable scorecards and frequent, direct communication to the broader organization.

CPGs have had 30+ YEARS to learn how to master Brick & Mortar Retail and there are some brands who still don't get it right.



Touché...

How can we expect an entire organization to shift at the COVID-accelerated pace of retail change without robust, custom training, continuing education and new partners and tools?

Education, Skills

+ Capabilities





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Spitious

SMART Strategy
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#### Only

13%

of brands say that each functional team in their company has specific eCommerce goals built into their growth plans & KPIs.

#### eCommerce Leaders are

**2**X

as likely to have eCommerce goals built into crossfunctional growth plans and team performance KPIs vs. eCommerce Laggards.

## These 8 factors will help them hop that fence of change...



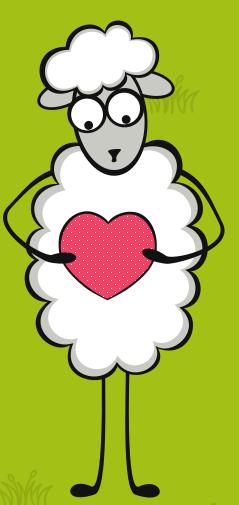
Early Majority

> Late Adopters

> > Laggards



While this all sounds straightforward, leading change is NOT for the fainthearted.









#### But you're not alone.

## We've got your baaa-ck!









#### Your Satellite COE

for CPG eCommerce Education + Change Management

Empowering go-to-market change from the front lines of retail disruption

#### **EXPLAIN**

with Industry Education + Strategy

#### SUSTAIN

through Digital Transformation Support

**Early Majority** 

Early Adopters **Late Adopters** 

First Movers

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"Better to lead for one day as a lion than lag an entire career as a sheep..."

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