



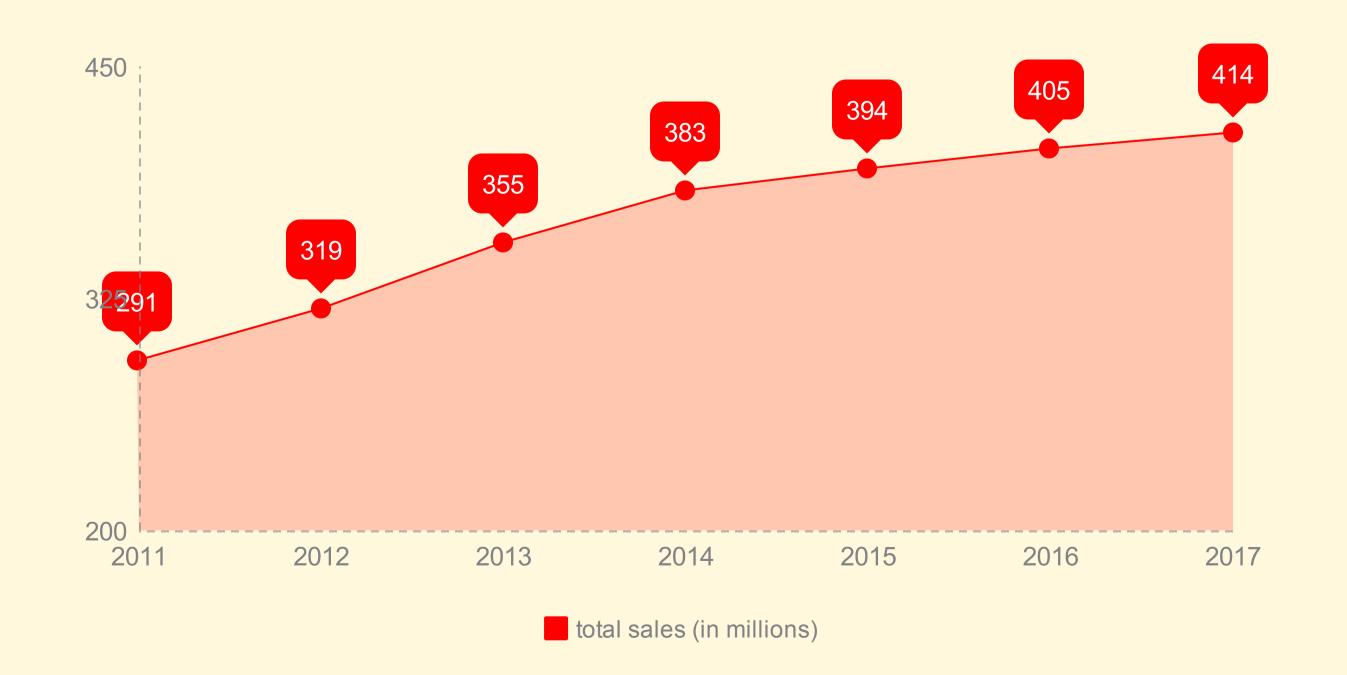
National Numbers Holiday spending

Winter Holiday Average Spending Per Person



Between Thanksgiving Day and Cyber Monday, more than 165 million U.S. Americans shopped in-stores or online.

Electronic Shopping and Mail-order Houses: U.S. Total





New Year's Traditions

FUN FACTS





In Spain, eating 12 grapes at midnight signifies good luck for the rest of the year



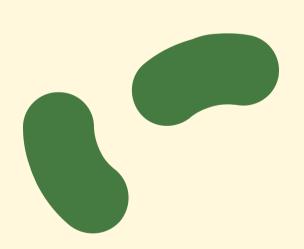
For Brazilians, wearing all-white and/or placing flowers in the ocean represents good luck and fortune



In countries like Cuba, throwing water out of the door or window signifies a renewal



Haitians drink
Joumou soup on New
Year's Day to
celebrate their fight for
freedom and
independence



For Chileans, eating lentils at midnight is believed to bring a prosperous year



In Ecuador, burning effigies of popular figures or photographs signifies a cleanse to leave the past behind and have a new beginning



Want to travel in the New Year? Many countries like Colombia believe taking your luggage out for a walk (or run) at the stroke of midnight will bring new adventures!



Wearing a new pair of yellow underwear to bring in the New Year is considered good luck for Venezuelans!

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, National Retail Federation, Winterfest Parade, Santa's Enchanted Heritage Museum, City of Miami Beach, Statista, ABC News

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