INTRO TO PRIME DAY
Amazon launched the first Prime Day on July 15, 2015, with customers buying more units than Black Friday 2014. On Prime Day 2018, Prime members enjoyed a day (and a half) of shopping, with more than 1 million deals worldwide offered exclusively to them. Members worldwide bought more than 100 million products, making Prime Day 2018 the biggest shopping event in Amazon history at that time.

In 2018, 17 countries participated in Prime Day, with customers in Australia, Japan, Singapore, China, India, Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, Germany, Austria, France, Italy, Spain, the U.S., U.K., Canada, and Mexico shopping on Prime Day.

Why is Prime Day important?

Facts and sales records during Prime Day

Prime Day continues to grow year over year, bringing more traffic and customers to Amazon. Here are some highlights:

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<td>Customers worldwide bought more than 90,000 TVs</td>
<td>Prime members worldwide bought more than 100 million products</td>
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<td>Customers in the US bought more than 215,000 Instant Pot 7-in-1 Multi-Functional Pressure Cookers</td>
<td>Customers worldwide bought more than 5 million items in each of the following product categories: toys, beauty products, PCs and computer accessories, apparel, and kitchen</td>
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<td>Prime Day 2017</td>
<td>Customers in the US bought more than a million smart home devices, making it the biggest sales day for smart home devices in Amazon history</td>
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<td>Prime members in the US bought more than 50,000 TP-Link Smart Plugs</td>
<td>Amazon welcomed more new Prime members worldwide than any previous day in Amazon history</td>
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<td>Customers in the US bought more than 200,000 women's dresses and more than 200,000 light bulbs</td>
<td>In the US, the best-selling deal at Whole Foods Market was on organic strawberries</td>
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Tens of millions of Prime members worldwide made a purchase, more than 50% higher than the prior year
When is Prime Day?

Dates of previous Prime Days

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Small- and medium-sized businesses selling on Amazon are among many that participate. These businesses far exceeded $1 billion in sales on Prime Day 2018. During Prime Day 2017, customers ordered more than 40 million units from hundreds of thousands of small businesses and entrepreneurs around the world. Here’s what sellers had to say about Prime Day:

“Prime Day was the biggest single sales day of the year. We sold 10 times as many items as we sell on a regular day.”

- Chris Guiher, Vintage Book Art Co.

“Prime Day has already been our biggest day ever. During our peak hour, customers were purchasing one Tea Forté product every two seconds.”

- Jurgen Nebelung, Tea Forté

“Prime Day has been our most successful day ever when launching new products. We released 10 new items, and all 10 are up more than 300 percent over our previous launches.”

- Brandon Straub, Tegu
“Prime Day 2018 has exceeded our expectations—sales are up more than 400 percent over a typical day. We’re excited to leverage the momentum as we move into the second half of 2018.”

- Caron Proschan, Simply Gum
How do I participate?

Make history with Amazon

Active Amazon sellers don’t have to do anything to participate!

By simply having products available for sale on Amazon, you can take advantage of the increased customer traffic Prime Day brings to Amazon.

Ways to drive success

Getting started:
1. **Products**: Add products to your catalog
2. **Inventory**: Ensure that your products are available for buyers
3. **Pricing**: Learn how to price your products
4. **Product detail pages**: Update your detail pages with quality content

To make the most of Prime Day

1. **Fulfillment by Amazon**: sign up to make your products Prime eligible
2. **Lightning Deals**: can help your products gain more visibility
3. **Sponsored Products**: can help advertise products to Amazon customers

Learn more about Prime Day:
- Amazon Prime – [About Amazon Prime](https://www.amazon.com/about_prime)
References

