Building a Brand that Matters

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Zappos at a Glance

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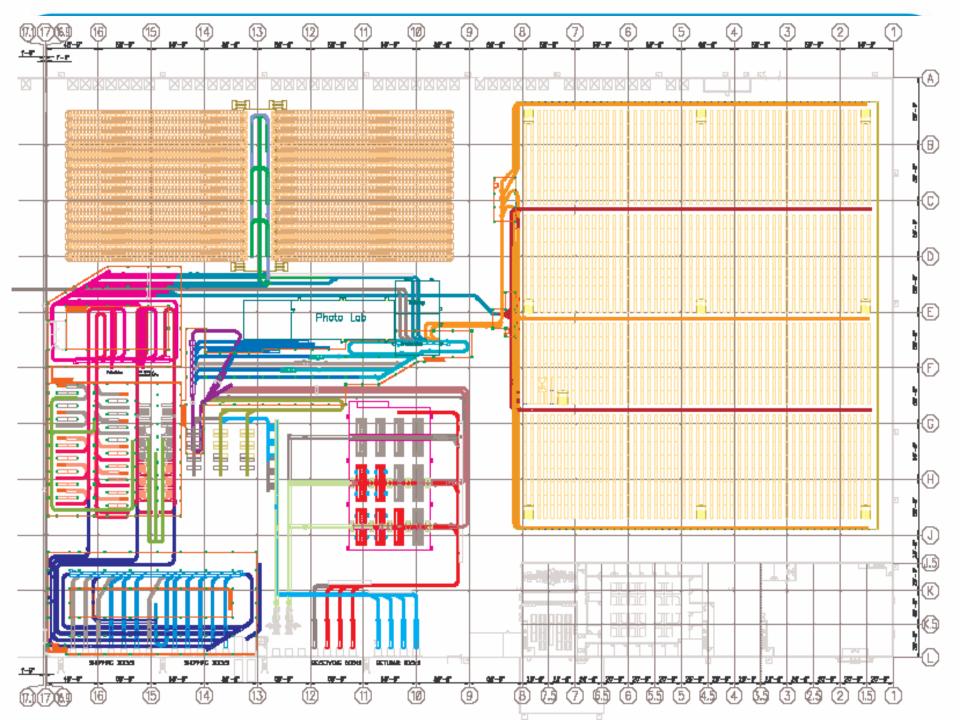
- Founded in 1999
- 1600 employees (half in Las Vegas, Nevada, half in Louisville, Kentucky)
- Zappos is "Powered by Service"
 - Providing the best online shopping experience possible.
 - <u>Fast, Free Shipping</u>. Free return shipping. 365-day return policy.
 - Fast fulfillment. Expedited delivery. Fast, friendly & expert customer service.
- Best selection
 - Over 1200 brands, over 200,000 styles, over 900,000 unique UPCs.
 - Over 4 million items in warehouse
 - Photography in multiple angles & 100% in-house.
 - 100% of products inventoried (no drop ship).
- Zappos is a service company that happens to sell shoes, clothing, handbags, eyewear, watches (and eventually a bunch of other stuff).



































Customer service value proposition in action...

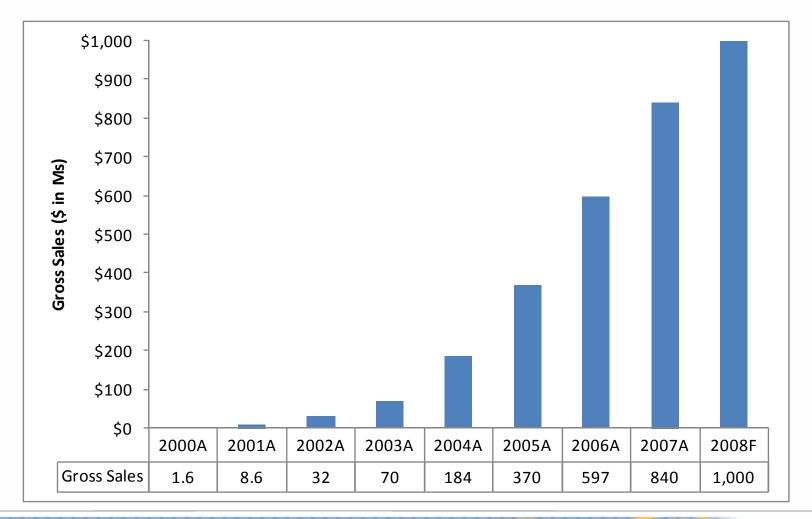
Zappos is committed to WOWing each and every customer.

- Customers come...
 - 8.0M total purchasing customers (2.7% of US population)
 - 3.5M have purchased in the last 12 months
- Customers come back...
 - On any given day, about 75% of purchases from returning customers
 - Repeat customers order >2.5x in the next 12 months
- Customers come back, order more and order more often...
 - Repeat customers have higher average order size
 - \$111.98 first time customers in Q406
 - \$143.22 returning customer in Q406





Power of Repeat Customers & Word of Mouth







Customer Service: What Customers First See

- 24/7 1-800 number on every page
- Free shipping
- Free return shipping
- 365-day return policy



Customer Service: What Customers Experience

- Fast, Accurate Fulfillment
- Most customers are "surprise"-upgraded to overnight shipping
 - Create WOW
- Friendly, helpful "above and beyond" customer service
- Occasionally direct customers to competitors' web sites



Customer Service: What We Do Internally

- No call times
- No sales-based performance goals for reps
- Run warehouse 24/7
- Inventory all product (no drop-ship)
- 5 weeks of culture, core values, customer service, and warehouse training for everyone in Las Vegas
- Culture book
- Interviews and performance reviews are 50% based on core values and culture fit





Email from a customer...

From: Dana C.

I placed an order with your company on Saturday... Your employee ... spoke with me on the phone. I am battling breast cancer and this girl sent me the NICEST card, a bouquet of flowers which were received on Monday, card, flowers, and shoes. You couldn't have a nicer employee.

Talk about GREAT Customer Service, she is the GREATEST! I can't thank her enough for all she has done. I never expected the card or flowers. All I had asked was for the shoes to be sent overnight. She asked me what her favorite color was, and if I guessed it she would send the shoes overnight.

When I answered her that I didn't know her favorite color but mine has become PINK, due to battling breast cancer, she told me she would send them. Again I PRAISE Her and your company for SUPERIOR CUSTOMER SERVICE.

Many thanks go out to her and your company.











4 Things You Need to Build a Brand that Matters



VISION

"Whatever you're thinking, think bigger."

Does the vision have meaning?

Chase the vision, not the money...





REPEAT CUSTOMERS

"Great product, Great service, or Low Prices" (Choose and focus on 2 of the 3)





Repeat Customer Data for Zappos.com

	% customers who buy again within next 12 months (repeat customers)	avg # purchases by repeat customers over next 12 months	% repeat customers multiplied by avg # purchases
March 2001	20.4%	1.50	0.31
March 2002	27.0%	1.74	0.47
March 2003	33.5%	1.96	0.66
March 2004	44.6%	2.36	1.05
March 2005	51.0%	2.53	1.29
March 2006	51.3%	2.66	1.37
March 2007	54.9%	2.68	1.47



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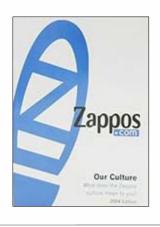
"Be real, and you have nothing to fear."

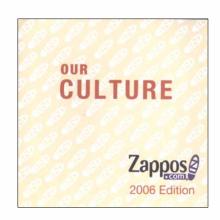




CULTURE

"Committable Core Values"











Zappos Core Values

- Deliver WOW Through Service
- 2. Embrace and Drive Change
- Create Fun and a Little Weirdness
- 4. Be Adventurous, Creative, and Open-Minded
- 5. Pursue Growth and Learning
- 6. Build Open and Honest Relationships With Communication
- 7. Build a Positive Team and Family Spirit
- 8. Do More with Less
- 9. Be Passionate and Determined
- 10. Be Humble











Don't be afraid...TALK with your

customers

- Zappos Blogs
 - http://blogs.zappos.com



- Zappos.TV
 - Zappos.tv (VIDEO)







- Twitter
 - Twitter.zappos.com



Facebook





10 Things Learned in e-commerce

- 1. The e-commerce business is built on repeat customers
- 2. Word of mouth really works online
- 3. Don't compete on Price
- 4. Make sure your web site inventory is 100% accurate
- 5. Centrally locate your distribution
- 6. Customer service is an investment, not an expense.
- Start small, stay focused
- 8. Don't be secretive. Don't worry about competitors
- 9. You need to actively manage your company culture
- 10. Be wary of so-called experts...INCLUDING US!!!





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Answers to any additional questions not answered today

A copy of our culture book

Tour of our offices if you're in Vegas or Kentucky

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