

# STREAMLINING YOUR E-COMMERCE RETURN PROCESS

As most small and mid-sized businesses (SMBs) know, dealing with returned shipments can be a hassle. However, if you don't take the time to properly plan your return policy, inefficient processes and unhappy customers can quickly eat into your profit margins.



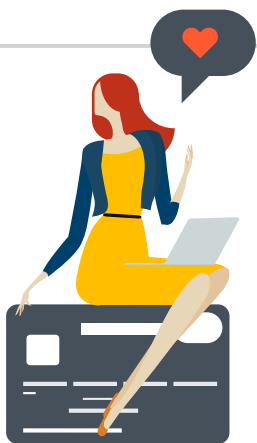
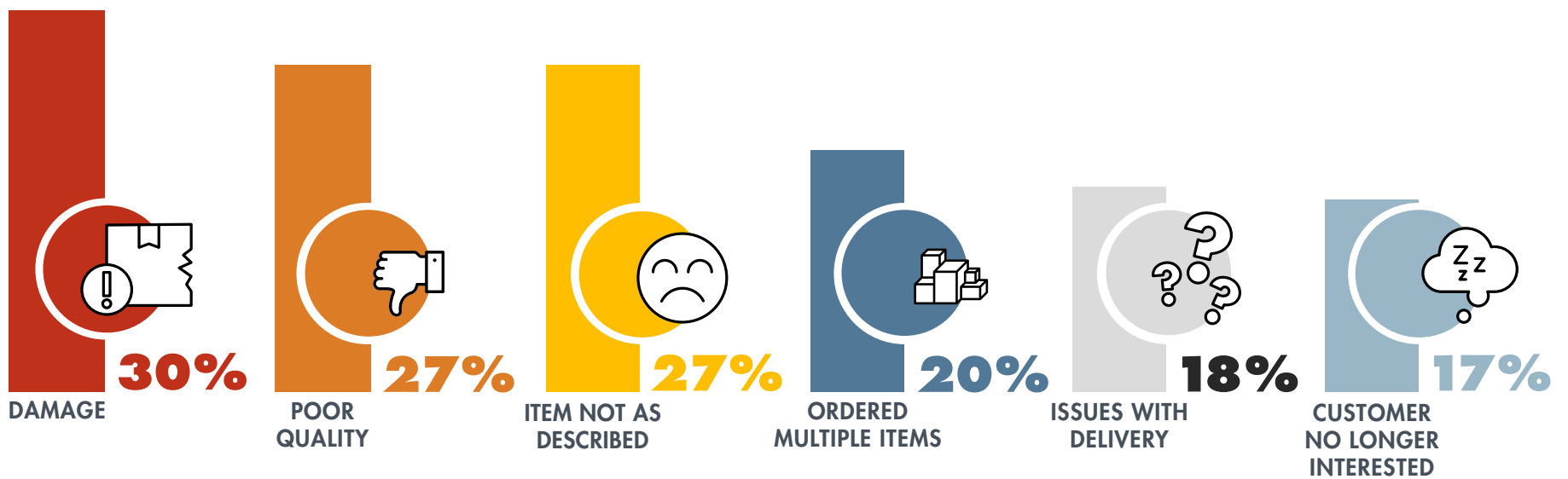
READ ON TO LEARN HOW YOU CAN STREAMLINE YOUR E-COMMERCE RETURN PROCESS FOR SUCCESS.



## UNDERSTANDING RETURN REASONINGS

By determining why your customers are making returns, you can take steps to remedy the problem — protecting your profit margins, while keeping customers happy.

According to consumers<sup>1</sup>, the most common reasons for returned products are:



**96%**

OF CONSUMERS WILL SHOP WITH A BUSINESS AGAIN IF THEY HAVE A SMOOTH RETURN EXPERIENCE<sup>2</sup>

## OPTIMIZING YOUR RETURN PROCESS

Unfortunately, returns are sometimes unavoidable. But by providing a positive return experience for your customers, you can help ensure they shop with you again.

Create a positive return experience for your customers by:



**CLEARLY COMMUNICATING YOUR RETURN POLICY**

**61%** of shoppers look for a return policy prior to purchasing<sup>3</sup>



**PROTECTING SHIPMENTS FROM DAMAGE WITH STRONG PACKAGING**



**OFFERING FREE RETURN SHIPPING**

**69%** of shoppers say they're deterred by having to pay for return shipping<sup>2</sup>



**INCLUDING RETURN LABELS WITH SHIPMENTS**

Effortlessly create return labels for every shipment with Unishippers' Express Manager™ platform



**CREATING INTERNAL PROCESSES FOR RECEIVING, INSPECTING AND RESTOCKING RETURNS**



**COMMUNICATING WITH CUSTOMERS**

Keep customers informed of their order and refund status with email or text notifications



**PRIORITIZING CUSTOMER SERVICE**

**80%** of consumers will stop shopping with a company due to poor customer service<sup>4</sup>

Contact Unishippers to learn how we can optimize your e-commerce shipping strategy — making the returns process painless for your business AND your customers.

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