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## Alternative Payment Methods

#### Capturing, growing & protecting global revenue streams

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### Global e-commerce businesses accept locally preferred alternative payment methods to capture, grow and protect revenue and customer relationships.



Bank transfers



Buy now, pay later



Digital wallets



Cashbased



Loyalty points



### Alternative Payment Methods are digital payments that reduce or eliminate the role of major payment brands like Visa or Mastercard.

77%

of global e-commerce spend used locally preferred alternative payment methods

Source: PPRO Payments and e-Commerce Report https://www.ppro.com/wp-content/uploads/protected/PPRO-WECE-Report-2020\_web.pdf

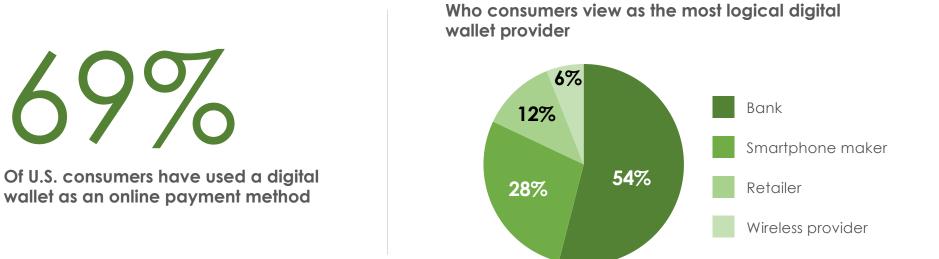


Estimated 2023 Buy Now, Pay Later payment value

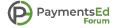
Source: Business Insider Intelligence Buy Now, Pay Later Report https://content-na1.emarketer.com/era-of-uncertainty-buy-now-pay-later



### U.S. digital wallet adoption & trends

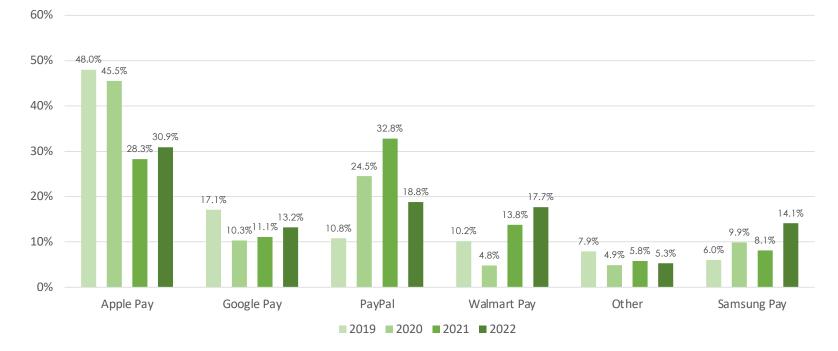


#### Consumers cite merchant loyalty/offers as a top value proposition for digital wallet use.



Source: McKinsey, Consumer trends in digital payments https://www.mckinsey.com/industries/financial-services/our-insights/banking-matters/consumer-trends-in-digital-payments

### Apple Pay is preferred digital wallet in U.S.

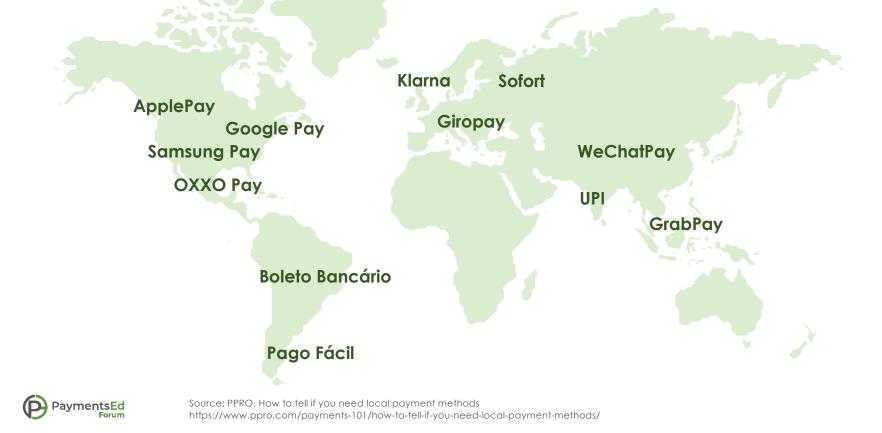


#### Mobile wallet usage in last 24 hours



Source: PYMNTS, Mobile Wallet Adoption, July 2022 https://content.pymnts.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/PYMNTS-Mobile-Wallet-Adoption-August-2022.pdf





### What are the potential benefits of accepting alternative payment methods?



Reduce cart abandonment



Increase ticket size





Deepen customer loyalty Gain competitive edge



Avoid transaction costs



### The Importance of Exploring & Leveraging Alternative Payment Methods



### Meeting Evolving Customer Expectations

- Diversify payment options beyond traditional methods
- Enhance convenience and satisfaction



#### Expanding Customer Reach and Staying Competitive

- Tap into new customer segments and preferences
- Remain relevant in a changing market



### Improving Conversion Rates and Business Growth

- Increase conversions, reduce cart abandonment
- Drive business growth and profitability



### **About Spokeo**



**Spokeo** is an industry-leading people search platform with over 20 million monthly users.

- Founded in 2006; Profitable since 2009
- Headquartered in Pasadena, CA
- Proprietary platform that aggregates, organizes, and makes searchable 12 billion records
- > Helping consumers and business customers to connect with lost contacts, lead generation, fraud prevention and mitigation
- Subscription-based service; Offer introductory trials, upgrade tiers and direct subscriptions

Source: Spokeo internal reporting

### The Business Case for Alternative Payments



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### Improving customer experience and conversion rates

Improved convenience, security, speed, and (unintended) global accessibility

#### Leveraging alternative payments as an acquisition channel

Different alternative payment methods cater to different customer segments, including higher intent purchasers

Leverage the brand equity of alternative payments to instill buying confidence

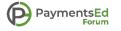


### Spokeo Observed Results



Impact on business growth

• New customer behavior includes increased conversion while different usage patterns of subscribers lead to higher retention



### Shift in Customer Behavior

#### Reduction of Prepaid Card Usage

 Alternative Payment Methods introduced on Spokeo site in July 2021

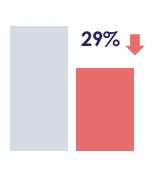


 Prepaid usage adversely impacts renewals



Source: Spokeo internal reporting





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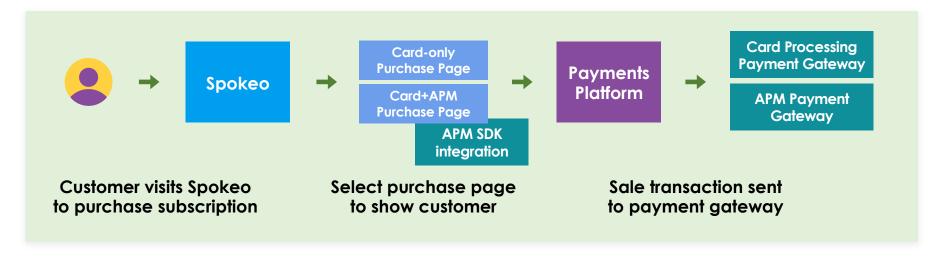
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### **Technical Considerations**

#### **API integration**

• New gateway integration, client-side UI implementation





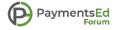
### Alternative Payment Method Considerations

- Integrating alternative payment methods into existing systems
  - Loss of transparency in payment method (BIN data)
  - Ability to perform subsequent transactions
  - Reporting capabilities of the alternative payment platform



### Testing Considerations

- Availability of sandbox environment
- Device and operation system limitations
- Setting up third-party wallet accounts



### Identifying Pertinent Payment Methods

#### The Consideration Playbook



#### **Market Trends**

- Stay updated with payment trends and technologies
- Anticipate future market demands to stay ahead
- Study successful payment methods adopted by competitors

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#### Technical/Data integration & Level of Effort

- Evaluate the complexity and effort required for integration and testing
- Assess compatibility with existing systems and infrastructure



#### **Customer Preferences**

- Prioritize preferred methods aligned with target customers
- Consider demographic or cultural payment preferences if applicable



#### **Cost Analysis & ROI**

- Determine the financial implications and potential return on investment
- Assess transaction fees, setup costs, and long-term savings. Sometimes, you may get incentives

#### **Security Considerations**

- Evaluate robust security measures against fraud and data breaches
- Ensure compliance with industry regulations and standards



#### Accessibility & User **Experience**

- Ensure ease of use, availability across (selected) devices, and user-friendliness
- Provide a seamless payment experience across various touchpoints



### Takeaways & Lessons Learned

#### Challenges and mitigation strategies when implementing alternative payment methods

- Purchase conversion workflow changes (data returned by gateway)
- Understanding dispute process (chargeback vs platform-internal dispute)
- Customer behavior (approval, recurring)

#### Best practices and lessons learned

- Change internal perception on the impact of payment method to revenue generation, customer acquisition and customer behavior
- Payment methods serve as a strategy for revenue generation & new customer acquisition
- Continue to evaluate, test, and deploy other payment methods



# Thank you

• Don't forget to submit your session evaluation!

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