

Supermarket Sweep

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When Covid hit there was a mad rush for supplies. People were scared that they would not be able to buy their usual products. This was called panic buying. In shops there were full scale fights over simple products to the point where there were armed police officers in shops.

Many products ran short. Shipping was restricted and not as many boats were entering the country. This caused a shambles. Toilet roll was the main thing people were fighting over. Most toilet rolls are made in different countries. The country was in a crisis.

People started wearing masks in shops. The government encouraged people to make their own masks so there were masks left for the NHS. Did you know that billions of pounds have been spent on masks.

Towards the end of Lockdown we have seen a massive rise in all online elements of shopping, such as home buying and delivery, all shops which cannot supply this have been aided by Amazon fresh or have gone bust.



The reason for this spike in online shopping and delivery is because people do not want to risk themselves and other people when they go in person to the shops.

Another reason people do not want to go to the shops is because it has been proven that most people do not like wearing masks, and this can be avoided at shops by shopping online.

Another aspect of shopping that has thrived during lockdown is the gaming industry, tens of millions of

people have looked to gaming to cure their boredom. Did you know that over 4.2 billion pounds were spent on games in the UK alone.



Car shopping has also changed over lockdown. Companies have made 'online show rooms' where you can virtually try out cars without the contact in the shop. The Number of people buying cars has dropped drastically, nearly making companies go bust, because most people haven't been in their cars for months and have just been staying at home, therefore they don't really need a car.