

Americans Buy Nearly 1,500 McDonald's Burgers a Minute



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Every 60 seconds, Americans pour about \$7 million into the U.S. retail industry.

Consumers buy an average of 1,440 McDonald's burgers and 5,695 Starbucks drinks every minute of every day, according to an engrossing new [infographic from Retale.com](#).

It's no surprise that Americans are big spenders — the U.S. retail market totaled \$3.2 trillion last year, and it's expected to climb even higher this year, with online retail growing at a rapid pace.

By 2018, annual online spending is expected to surpass \$2,000 per person, according to [Forrester Research](#). Amazon alone sells more than \$84,000 worth of items online every minute, the Retale graphic shows.

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The video above offers a glimpse of how the spending adds up, but to watch how Americans spend their money in real-time go [here](#).

This article's headline was corrected at 5:30 p.m. on June 18, 2014, to reflect the number of McDonald's burgers Americans buy (as noted in the story), rather than what they spend on these burgers.

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