

Business Specification DocumentAmtrends Retail



1. Executive Summary

This document outlines the business specifications for Amtrends Retail, focusing on streamlining operations, enhancing customer experience, and leveraging data for informed decision-making. The objective is to define key business processes, data requirements, and performance indicators to drive growth and efficiency.

2. Business Objectives

- Increase sales revenue by 15% in the next fiscal year.
- Optimize inventory levels to reduce stockouts by 10% and overstock by 8%.
- Enhance customer loyalty, targeting a 20% increase in repeat purchases.
- Improve operational efficiency by reducing operational costs by 5%.

3. Key Stakeholders

- Management Team: Oversees business performance, strategic decisions, and budget allocation.
- Sales & Marketing Team: Analyzes customer behavior, executes promotional campaigns, and optimizes sales.
- Operations Team: Manages inventory, supply chain, and logistics.
- IT Team: Implements and maintains technology systems supporting data analysis and reporting.

4. Business Requirements

4.1 Data Collection Requirements

- Collect data on product sales, inventory levels, customer transactions, returns, and promotions.
- Capture customer feedback, website and mobile app behavior, and engagement in loyalty programs.

4.2 Data Integration Requirements

- Integrate data from POS systems, e-commerce platforms, CRM systems, and inventory management tools.
- Implement automated data pipelines for real-time reporting.

4.3 Reporting Requirements

- Provide real-time dashboards for sales and inventory tracking.
- Generate weekly and monthly reports on performance against KPIs.

4.4 Security and Compliance

- Ensure encryption of customer and transactional data in compliance with data protection regulations (e.g., GDPR).
- Implement role-based access control for sensitive business data.

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5. System Requirements

- Data Warehouse: Centralized repository for all business data.
- Analytics Platform: Advanced data analysis and reporting using tools like Power BI or Tableau.
- ETL Processes: Integration of data from multiple sources for analysis.
- Mobile & Web Dashboards: Real-time monitoring for sales and operations teams.

6. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

6.1 Sales KPIs

- Total Sales Revenue: Measure of total sales over a given period.
- Sales Growth Rate: Percentage increase in sales compared to the previous period.
- Average Order Value (AOV): Average amount spent per transaction.
- Sales Conversion Rate: Percentage of website visitors making a purchase.

6.2 Inventory KPIs

- Stock Turnover Rate: Frequency of inventory sales and replenishment.
- Days of Inventory (DOI): Average days items remain in stock before being sold.
- Inventory Shrinkage: Percentage loss of inventory due to theft, damage, or misplacement.

6.3 Customer KPIs

- Customer Retention Rate: Percentage of repeat customers within a given timeframe.
- Customer Satisfaction Score (CSAT): Customer rating of their shopping experience.
- Net Promoter Score (NPS): Customer loyalty measure based on recommendations.

6.4 Marketing KPIs

- Return on Investment (ROI) for Marketing Campaigns: Profitability of marketing initiatives.
- Customer Acquisition Cost (CAC): Cost to acquire each new customer.
- Website Traffic Growth: Percentage increase in website visits over time.

6.5 Operational KPIs

- Order Fulfillment Rate: Percentage of orders processed and shipped on time.
- Operational Efficiency Ratio: Ratio of sales output to operational costs.
- Supply Chain Cycle Time: Duration from order receipt to product delivery.

7. Data Flow Diagram

A visual representation illustrating the data flow from sales systems, CRM, inventory systems, and marketing platforms into the data warehouse for analysis and reporting.

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8. Conclusion

This business specification document outlines the core objectives and requirements for enhancing Amtrends Retail operations through data-driven strategies. The defined KPIs will be instrumental in tracking progress, optimizing decision-making, and fostering business growth.

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