

Brand: Mainline Menswear

Sector: Retail

Primary Objective: Sales

Formats used: Search

## Background and Overview:

Large retailers rely on their brand recognition and scale. Smaller companies have to compete in ever more ingenious ways.

Launched online in 2004, Mainline Menswear has the distinct advantage of being a nimble, digital-native start-up with a keen focus on customer service and next-day delivery. Though relatively small, the company is growing rapidly. It sells 10,000 items across close to 100 designer brands. With a growing customer base, Mainline Menswear is poised to expand internationally beyond its UK roots.

Mainline Menswear has been able to expand in the face of competition due to its clever online advertising operation, carefully targeting audiences with messaging around free next-day delivery, loyalty rewards, and special offers.

## What was the role of digital within the media mix?

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## **Results/Achievements:**

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## What was the killer headline?

Mainline Menswear create a bespoke approach to paid search.