How 'Sign in with Klarna' can bring the BNPL provider volume and data advantages

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The news: Klarna launched a service called Sign in with Klarna to enable faster online checkout, <u>per</u> a press release.





- When registering, a consumer chooses what data to share with the merchant and whether to sign up for any merchant-offered membership programs.
- The service then automatically fills in the customer's details anytime they use the option.
- The service is available in 23 countries, including the US, the UK, Canada, and Mexico.

Klarna said it launched the service because **Apple's** and **Google's** <u>elimination of third-party</u> <u>cookies</u> has made it harder for payment services to automatically fill in customer details at checkout.

What's in it for merchants?

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- Merchants can use the consented personal data for memberships or to give recommendations based on purchase histories.
- They also don't need to work with third-party services to confirm the customer's identity via email or SMS.
- And integrating the service could help merchants increase conversion rates: <u>60% of online</u> <u>shoppers will abandon their cart</u> if it takes more than two minutes to check out, per Stripe.

How this helps Klarna: The benefits are twofold for Klarna—it's both an information play and a payments play.

- Because they're logged in with Klarna, shoppers will be more likely to pay with Klarna; they don't have to input any payment information. Whether they use pay now or pay later, Klarna gets more volume.
- Data monetization is also a vital part of Klarna's business, and this launch helps the firm maintain control over customer information on the web.
- Klarna could also sell that consumer data to advertisers, which may become more valuable in a post-cookie world.

The bigger picture: Innovating its offering and leaning into non-BNPL revenue streams will be crucial for Klarna going forward.

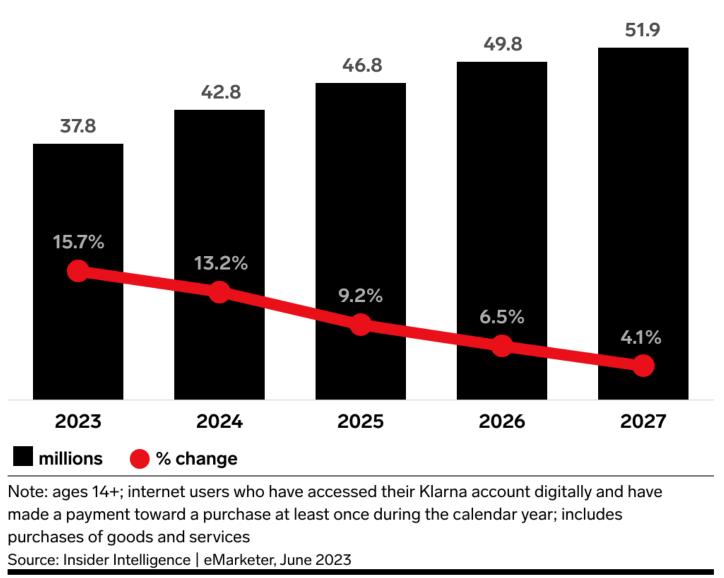
 Many BNPL providers have achieved profitability in recent quarters thanks to efforts like layoffs and reducing risk profiles.

- But these measures won't grow their profitability in the long term because the interest-free BNPL model is inherently a low-margin business: <u>BNPL profit margins</u> were just 1.01% in 2021, per the CFPB.
- Leaning into data monetization can bring in bigger revenues.
- This service can also strengthen brand loyalty to Klarna and increase customer engagement going forward.





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