Ecommerce ad spending edges closer to a 50% share of China's digital ad spending

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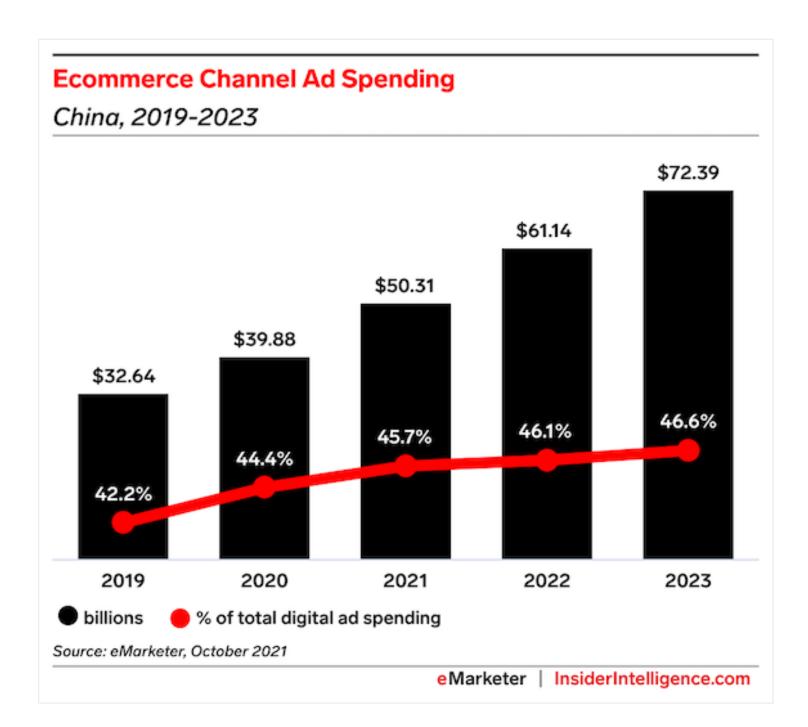
The forecast: China's ecommerce ad spending will reach **\$50.31 billion** in 2021, which is nearly double that of the US. This represents **45.7**% of China's digital ad market, compared with the





US, where ecommerce ad spending's share of total digital is 13.4%.

As retail ecommerce sales in China are expected to reach **\$2.564 trillion** in 2021 and continue to grow by double digits through 2023, advertisers will increasingly shift their attention to the vast potential of that market.



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- A major reason for this growth is because Alibaba, which single-handedly takes up 67.4% of China's ecommerce ad spending, has always emphasized ad revenue growth in its business model. It is estimated that Alibaba's retail customer management revenues (where ad revenues reside) take up a much bigger share than commissions revenues.
- Alibaba, JD.com, and Meituan will account for 83.7% of China's ecommerce ad spending, while much of the remaining share belongs to other ecommerce companies such as Pinduoduo and Suning.



