Retail executives see clear value in better imagery

And they plan to achieve it with innovative technologies — namely CGI and 3D imagery.

97% agree contextual or lifestyle images perform better than plain images

84% are eager to increase their company’s use of these images

Technology innovation is needed to meet visualization demands...

Which of the following technology capabilities for next generation image creation would benefit your company? Choose all that apply.

- Ability to swap out images in a scene without conducting a photo shoot (59%)
- Ability to create photorealistic visuals without requiring a photo shoot (52%)
- Deep-learning application to simply visual merchandising (47%)
- Deep-learning application to optimize image (38%)

59% plan to make significant investments in interactive product imagery and visualization (360° images, ability to zoom in on an image)

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CGI and 3D image creation are imperative

87% see CGI and 3D image creation as necessary technologies to deliver their product visualization strategy

100% see clear benefits from adopting these technologies for their product images

57% expect an increase in purchase conversion rates

Retailers understand the plentiful benefits

- Increase purchase conversion rates
- Enable more contextual and lifestyle imagery
- Deliver more personalized images to specific customer segments
- Generate more images per product
- Lower image creation costs
- Reduce carbon footprint compared to traditional shoots
- Lower product return rates
- Optimize promotion of specific products to match availability

Adoption is still in progress, but the future is clear

61% already use CGI and 3D product visuals in some capacity

38% use CGI and 3D product visuals extensively

52% are “very positive” that CGI and 3D visuals are the future of merchandising visualization

...and retailers are ready to invest

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The Mimize platform leverages cutting-edge CGI technology so you can quickly and easily create high-quality visuals.

Research Methodology: A total of 104 qualified individuals from the United States completed the survey conducted by Dimensional Research. All respondents were VP or C-level executives working with national retailers with more than 1,000 employees. All had responsibility for online sales, with decision-making responsibility for product images or e-commerce merchandising.

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