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The Intent Economy

How AI, Autonomous Agents, and Real-Time Payments Will Transform How Enterprises Buy and Sell

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01 The Commerce Interface Has Changed

For two decades, digital commerce operated on a predictable model. Shoppers arrived at a brand's owned properties, used search or navigation to find what they wanted, and completed a transaction inside a controlled environment. Brands owned the interface, set the context, and controlled the moment of purchase.

That model is eroding faster than most enterprise technology teams anticipated.

In 2014, 82 percent of digital commerce journeys began on a brand's own website. By 2024, that figure had fallen to 38 percent.[1] The entry point to commerce has shifted. Increasingly, it is an AI system positioned between the shopper and the brand.

AI-powered platforms are now mediating discovery at scale. Sixty percent of searches end without a click.[2] Eighty percent of consumers rely on zero-click results more than 40 percent of the time.[3] AI-driven traffic to retail sites grew 805 percent year over year.[4] The commerce interface is no longer owned. It is contested.

$300 to 500B

Projected US market for agent-mediated commerce by 2030 [5]

The operational consequences are measurable. Brands relying on traditional web traffic and keyword search are experiencing organic reach decline of 15 to 25 percent from AI zero-click search alone.[3] Retail pre-tax margins declined from 5.5 to 3.2 percent, underscoring the mounting pressure on traditional retail economics.[7]

The challenge is not that AI is displacing commerce. It is that most enterprise commerce infrastructure was not designed to execute inside AI-led interactions. The gap between what the technology promises and what current systems can deliver is where revenue is already being lost.

02 Why Conversational Commerce Alone Is Not Enough

Conversational commerce, enabling shoppers to express intent in natural language, is a meaningful step forward from keyword search. It is not, by itself, a solution.

The fundamental gap is between engagement and execution. Most conversational interfaces return fluent, helpful responses and surface options. What they frequently cannot do is complete a transaction. Verifying live inventory, enforcing pricing policy, applying promotional logic, routing to the correct fulfillment path, and confirming payment without breaking context or redirecting to a disconnected system: that chain of execution is where most conversational AI implementations fail.

This is what practitioners have begun calling the chat trap: AI that converses fluently but cannot close. The shopper reaches a decision state, ready to buy, and the system cannot execute. They are redirected to a separate checkout flow. Context is lost. Momentum breaks. They abandon.

70%

of online shopping carts are abandoned at the point of transaction [8]

The issue is architectural. Most conversational AI tools are built on top of existing commerce stacks as engagement layers, not execution layers. Discovery is separated from checkout. Checkout is separated from fulfillment. Fulfillment is separated from payments. Each handoff is a point of failure.

The brands that will lead in this environment are not the ones that deploy better chatbots. They are the ones that build the execution capability to close reliably inside AI-mediated journeys, whether the shopper is a person or a system acting on a person's behalf.

03 What This Moment Actually Requires

The next phase of commerce, where AI systems actively participate in discovery, evaluation, and transaction, is not a future scenario. The infrastructure is being built now.

Visa's Trusted Agent Protocol is establishing cryptographically secure rails for agent-to-merchant transactions, enabling a verified AI system to confirm purchase intent and complete payment without exposing unnecessary customer data.[9] Salesforce analysis found that AI and agents influenced approximately 229 billion dollars in global online sales, with AI-assisted shopping engagement growing 42 percent year over year.[10] McKinsey estimates that generative AI could unlock 240 to 390 billion dollars in annual value for retail, improving margins by 1.2 to 1.9 percentage points.[11]

For enterprise leaders, the question is not whether to engage with this shift. It is what their systems need to do to participate in it reliably.

Three Layers Every Enterprise Commerce Stack Must Cover

Commerce that executes reliably inside AI-mediated journeys requires three foundational layers working in concert. When any one is absent or disconnected, the system breaks at the moment that matters most.

01 Data

AI systems can only reason over what they can read. Incomplete attributes, inconsistent taxonomy, and sparse product metadata create failure before a recommendation is even surfaced. Agent-ready commerce requires product data that is machine-interpretable, consistent across channels, and enriched enough to support contextual reasoning.

02 Intelligence

General-purpose AI is optimized for language fluency. Commerce requires a system that understands variants, substitutions, compatibility, pricing constraints, and inventory logic, and can act on that understanding in real time. Commerce-tuned intelligence is the reasoning layer that turns data signals into decisions.

03 Execution

The most common failure point in AI-assisted commerce is the moment of transaction. Systems that cannot close the loop inside the same context where discovery occurred will lose the sale. Without it, the journey ends at the moment that matters most: the transaction itself.

04 The Risk of Not Being Ready

The consequences of infrastructure unreadiness are already measurable, and they accelerate as AI becomes the dominant commerce interface.

Brand Invisibility

When an AI system evaluates options on a shopper's behalf, it queries structured data sources and returns a recommendation. If a brand's product data is not structured, enriched, and machine-readable, the system cannot interpret it accurately enough to recommend it with confidence. The result is not a lower ranking. It is an absence.

Accelerated Commoditization

When AI systems can read a brand's catalog but cannot interpret its differentiation, they reduce products to their lowest common denominators: price and availability. The brand that wins is the cheapest one that ships fastest. This is not a competitive position any brand with a meaningful product proposition should accept.

Margin and Customer Intelligence Loss

The shift toward AI-mediated discovery means customer intelligence is migrating away from brand-owned systems. Brands that do not control the discovery and transaction layer lose insight into who their customers are, what they are considering, and why they choose or abandon. That intelligence, once lost to third-party platforms, is difficult to recover. The window to build infrastructure that keeps brands in control of their data and customer relationships is open now.

Four Risks Of Infrastructure Unreadiness

Disintermediation: As AI mediates more buying decisions, the customer relationship migrates to the platform, not the brand. Brands that cannot be read and transacted with by AI systems are progressively excluded from the journeys that drive purchase decisions.

Commoditization: When AI cannot interpret a brand's differentiation, it defaults to the only signals it can reliably read: price and availability. For any brand with a meaningful product proposition, that is a structural disadvantage that compounds with every AI-mediated interaction.

Margin erosion: Retail pre-tax margins have already compressed from 5.5 to 3.2 percent as digital commerce fragmented.[7] Brands that cannot execute inside AI-led journeys become dependent on third-party platforms, with reduced pricing authority and margin concessions that erode unit economics over time.

Data loss: Customer intent and decision signals are increasingly captured by the platform, not the brand. Brands that control the discovery and transaction layer accumulate proprietary signals about purchase decisions. Those that do not become progressively blind to their own customers.

05 How Rezolve Ai Is Built for This

Rezolve Ai is the commerce execution layer for the next era of digital retail, purpose-built to unify data, intelligence, and transaction execution. It does not replace existing commerce infrastructure. It connects to it, integrating with ecommerce platforms, order management systems, PIM, CRM, CDP, loyalty systems, and payment service providers.

Brain Commerce: Intelligence and Discovery

Brain Commerce covers the front end of the buying journey, from the moment a shopper or AI system expresses intent to the point at which a purchase decision is reached.

Conversational AI

An always-on sales intelligence layer that understands shopper intent, maintains context across the full journey, and recommends only what is verifiably accurate: right price, in stock, and aligned with brand and merchandising policy. It guides shoppers from first question to completed purchase in a single conversational flow, across web, mobile, messaging, and in-store touchpoints.

Discovery AI

Semantic, visual, and behavioral search that understands what shoppers mean, not just what they type. It supports text, image, and voice-based discovery, improving relevance across large catalogs and eliminating the zero-results sessions that represent direct revenue loss.

Data Intelligence and Enablement

The foundational data layer that makes everything above reliable. Data Intelligence enriches and normalizes product catalogs at scale, generating missing attributes, aligning taxonomy, and optimizing product data for discoverability across both traditional and AI-mediated discovery surfaces. It transforms a raw catalog into an asset that AI systems can read, reason over, and act on.

Brain Checkout: Transaction and Fulfillment

Brain Checkout handles the moment of commitment, converting purchase intent into a completed, confirmed order. This is where most AI-commerce implementations break down, and where Rezolve Ai's architecture is specifically designed to close the gap.

Purchase Suite

An agentic checkout layer that enables AI-assisted and AI-initiated transactions through conversational flows and universal cart orchestration. Merchants integrate via Rezolve's ecommerce API layer without exposing internal systems. Policy guardrails ensure every transaction, whether initiated by a person or a system, is authorized, compliant, and auditable.

Click and Collect

Location-powered fulfillment orchestration that synchronizes mobile orders, in-store capacity, and customer arrivals in real time. For high-volume retail and QSR environments, it reduces wait times and improves the reliability of the omnichannel promise.

The Intelligence Engine: brainpowa

Underlying both product suites is brainpowa, Rezolve Ai's proprietary family of compact, commerce-tuned AI models. Where general-purpose large language models are optimized for language fluency, brainpowa is engineered for commerce precision. It is grounded in structured product data, live inventory, pricing, and fulfillment logic, enabling hallucination-resistant execution in revenue-generating environments where a confident wrong answer carries real cost. Each brainpowa variant is specialized for a distinct phase of the shopping journey, and their compact architecture means they respond faster, cost less to run, and integrate more deeply with merchant data systems than general-purpose models.

06 In Production: What Results Look Like

The following outcomes are drawn from live deployments across Rezolve Ai's enterprise customer base. Each reflects production performance against real catalogs, with real shoppers, under real business conditions.

Rebag

+60%

Revenue per search

The challenge: Rebag's luxury resale catalog presented high-intent shoppers with a search experience that returned irrelevant or incomplete results, limiting discovery and reducing revenue yield from high-traffic sessions.

The outcome: After deploying Rezolve Ai's discovery layer, Rebag saw 24 percent more purchases, 60 percent higher revenue per search, and 51 percent greater search-driven revenue overall. Deployment completed in under 45 days.

Myntra

+35%

Visual search adoption year over year

The challenge: Shoppers increasingly arrived with images and screenshots rather than keyword queries, and the existing search infrastructure could not interpret visual intent effectively.

The outcome: Rezolve Ai's multimodal Discovery AI enabled image-based search at scale. Visual search adoption grew 35 percent year over year, translating directly into higher conversion and increased revenue per user.

Liverpool

Verified

Executive-validated results

The challenge: Liverpool, one of Latin America's largest omnichannel retailers, needed AI infrastructure that could scale with a complex, multi-channel digital transformation program.

The outcome: Rezolve Ai's technology was described by Liverpool's Chief Digital Officer as a game-changer for their digital strategy, delivering measurable improvements in online presence and shopping experience quality.

Across these deployments, a consistent pattern holds: the most significant performance improvements occur when data quality, conversational intelligence, and transaction execution are unified, rather than addressed as separate, sequential projects.

07 Where Enterprise Leaders Begin

The harder question is not whether to invest in this infrastructure. It is sequencing: where to start, what to build first, and how to generate measurable returns while building toward a more capable architecture.

Step 1: Assess Data Readiness

Everything begins with data. An honest assessment of catalog quality, attribute completeness, and taxonomy consistency is the necessary first step. Most enterprise catalogs have significant enrichment gaps that determine the ceiling of what AI can achieve. Identifying the highest-impact gaps creates a prioritized roadmap with measurable financial upside.

Step 2: Deploy on the Highest-Value Journey First

Rezolve Ai's modular architecture delivers value in four to twelve weeks without requiring replatforming. The starting point should be the journey where the gap between current performance and potential is largest: high-intent search returning irrelevant results; guided selling in complex categories; checkout completion where context breaks; or pickup coordination where reliability is eroding repeat usage.

Step 3: Extend to Agent-Ready Infrastructure

As AI systems begin initiating purchases on behalf of consumers, enterprise commerce systems need to be readable, interpretable, and executable by those systems. This means exposing structured product data in machine-readable formats, establishing policy guardrails for AI-initiated transactions, and ensuring checkout flows can handle system-originated requests with the same governance applied to human-initiated ones. Organizations that build this now will be positioned to participate profitably as the pattern scales.

Commerce infrastructure for the agentic era is being built now.

The brands that lead the next decade of retail will not be the ones that moved fastest to deploy AI. They will be the ones that built the infrastructure to execute reliably when AI became the entry point for discovery, decision, and transaction. That infrastructure is not a product category. It is a decision about how your commerce stack is architected for a world where the shopper at the front door may be a system, not a person.

Rezolve Ai works with enterprise commerce leaders through a structured discovery process, assessing data readiness, identifying the highest-return starting point, and designing a deployment roadmap calibrated to your existing infrastructure.

Start with a strategic briefing.

In a single session, Rezolve Ai's commerce architecture team will assess your current stack, identify where the biggest gaps are between your infrastructure and the market's direction, and map a deployment path that delivers measurable returns within your first quarter.

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About Rezolve Ai

Rezolve Ai (NASDAQ: RZLV) is an industry leader in AI-powered solutions, specializing in enhancing customer engagement, operational efficiency, and revenue growth. The Brain Suite is the world's first enterprise AI platform built for Agentic Commerce, delivering advanced tools that harness artificial intelligence to power search, transact, fulfill, and personalize at global scale.

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