Rental Industry Outlook Spanning Different Business Niches

2022-2027
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INDUSTRY OVERVIEW
The online rental industry is an outcome of the Fourth Industrial Revolution, also known as Industry 4.0 that brought mass scale disruptions in the global industrial sectors based on technology.

The revolution led to a drastic change in business processes and emphasized automation and digitization. Capitalizing on the opportunity, traditional rental businesses evolved and adapted various online business models for conducting rental business operations.

Today, there are several product niches in the online rental industry, renting out a wide variety of products and equipment to millions of customers. Some of these rental niches are car rental, truck rental, dress rental, construction equipment, medical equipment and electronic equipment rental.
Growth Factors

The determinants of the rental industry are many and account distinctively towards the overall growth. Only when taken into consideration as a unanimous whole, they represent the growth potential of the rental industry, which is the highlight of this overview.
Sustainability

With global attention toward environmental sustainability, businesses and consumers are switching to renting over buying. The contribution of rental business models towards the green movement is significant. This is because not only the re-use of potential rental items promotes a greener lifestyle but it also reduces the need for mass production. Thus, reducing the constant strain on the environment as well as overall carbon footprints.

Consumer Conscious Decisions

The buying practices in the modern digital world are more objective-driven. Consumers are well-aware of the consequences of their purchase and are committed to pre-empting some consequences such as paying more taxes or upfront costs. They are also more resolved toward leaving a positive impact in the social, economic and environmental spheres.
Reduction in Both Long-term and Short-term Expenses

Renting equipment reduces business expenses on maintenance, repair work and replacement parts. With upgradation in technology, businesses are also not required to purchase new equipment in the rental model. Lastly, renting equipment involves fewer taxes and the rental fee is counted as a deductible expense.

Depreciation

A wide majority of rental goods are depreciating assets that will give poor returns in case a customer/business tries to sell them at a later age. Moreover, many consumers require those goods for short-term usage. Thus, renting depreciating assets over buying is a profitable option for every consumer.

Minimalism

The preference of modern youth and working professionals for simplicity and clutter-free homes is another driving factor in the rental economy. Rental products require less maintenance and cannot be accumulated. Moreover, due to opportunistic mindsets where consumers aren’t reluctant to move cities, they are ready to part with belongings for distant but lucrative job opportunities.
Digital Enablements

According to International Data Corporation (IDC), a leading market intelligence firm, nearly 70% of all global organizations have adapted digital technologies. This includes rental businesses as well, which are adding online modes of business to their traditional roots. United Rentals, a global leader in the heavy equipment rental industry even reported a 2x multiplication of its digital accounts in comparison to its offline channels.

With the aforementioned statistics, it can be rationalized that the quick adoption of digital technology in the rental industry is evident. However, this digital enablement can be traced back to the emergence of various online rental business models.
Emergence of Online Rental Business Models

There are strong presumptions behind the emergence of online rental business models after the financial crisis of 2007-2008. Erento, an online rental marketplace, one of the very first of its kind (and now Germany’s largest), launched in 2003 witnessed rapid growth during the period of financial crisis when consumers started to prefer renting over buying.
With time, many more online rental business models, such as **business-to-business (B2B)** rental, **business-to-consumer (B2C)** rental, **peer-to-peer (P2P)** rental and **consumer-to-business (C2B)** rental or more popularly known as multi-vendor rental marketplace model came into existence.
Benefits of Starting a Digital Rental Store

Incorporating digital into an existing rental business is not necessarily a complex process but more of a learning process, where the rental business owners need to gradually learn to root out conventional offline processes and adapt to modern digital technologies. Once implemented, digital processes and storefronts bring the following benefits to the business owner:

- Increased online presence and stronger branding
- Access to national or even global level markets
- Enhanced customer engagement and experience
- Access to digital data analytics with enhanced learning outcomes
- Automation of key business processes
- Reduction in overall operational costs and lower customer acquisition costs
- Better opportunities for marketing
TOP NICHES IN THE RENTAL ECONOMY
Heavy Equipment Rental

The heavy equipment industry rents out a wide range of equipment that is used for construction, demolition, mining, transportation, oil extraction, forestry and farming. Another name for the heavy equipment rental industry is the plant hire industry. In the past few years, the requirement for rental heavy equipment has significantly increased due to the increase in private and public construction and infrastructure maintenance projects.
Statistics:

- Projected to surpass $170 billion market value by 2026.
- Expected CAGR rate of 4.78% in the forecast period 2021 - 2026
- Estimated revenue of $46 billion in 2024 (US Market)

Top Markets:
United States, Russia, China, Germany, United Kingdom

Top Players

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# Key Challenges

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| Complex B2B orders. Example: Multiple equipment rentals with different or undefined rental dates and varying add-ons | • Request-for-Quote (RFQ) module  
• Advanced booking calendar                                                  |
| Requirement of frequent equipment maintenance at the client-side          | • Chat Messenger for customer support  
• Add-on module with maintenance checks/servicing as an add-on               |
| Requirement for equipment operator at client site                         | • Operator as a rental add-on service                                       |
| Significant order cancellation loses                                       | • Custom order cancellation periods  
• Late cancellation charges                                                  |

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Car Rental

The car rental industry is the backbone of the automobile rental niche. The industry primarily targets tourists, adventurists, young professionals and newly settled families in the B2C sector. Furthermore, P2P car rental businesses are gaining scale in the industry with an asset-light marketplace business model. In the near future, electric cars are expected to be in high demand in the car rental industry.
Statistics:

- Estimated CAGR of 10.7% in the forecast period 2020-2027

- Expected to reach $214.04 billion by 2027 (130% increase in a span of 7 years)

- $28.1 billion US car rental market revenue in 2021

Top Markets:

USA, Canada, China, Brazil, South Africa

Top Players

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<td>1958</td>
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<td>Hertz Corp</td>
<td>1918</td>
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<td>Europcar</td>
<td>1949</td>
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<td>Turo</td>
<td>2010</td>
<td>$330.5 Million</td>
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<td>Getaround</td>
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<td>Fleet management is difficult</td>
<td>• Automation with a fleet/inventory management software&lt;br&gt;• Multi-vendor marketplace business models</td>
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<td>Rentals often extend without prior notice</td>
<td>• Option to collect rental security&lt;br&gt;• Custom late return charges</td>
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<td>Existence of a language barrier in an important customer segment, i.e. immigrants and tourists</td>
<td>• Multilingual online platform</td>
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<td>Customer level standards are very high</td>
<td>• Ticket support system&lt;br&gt;• Live chat module&lt;br&gt;• Chatbot integration</td>
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<td>Rental Period Damages</td>
<td>• Rental security management&lt;br&gt;• Car insurance</td>
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The online truck rental industry is a substantial contributor in the goods transportation sector. It provides vast sizes of rental trucks with a loading capacity ranging from 1,000 pounds to 10,000 pounds, making them the most preferred means for shipping and logistics. In recent years, a Truck-as-a-Service model has also emerged that lends trucking services to businesses at a discounted monthly recurring price.
Statistics:

- CAGR of 10.32% in the forecast period 2022-2030
- Estimated to reach $214 billion in next 8 years
- Average Year-over-Year growth (US Market) of 4.5% in the past 5 years

Top Markets:
USA, UK, Germany

Top Players

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<td>Ryder</td>
<td>1933</td>
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<td>Penske</td>
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<td>Europcar</td>
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<td>Logistics consignments make timely truck delivery very crucial</td>
<td>• GPS-enabled tracking with hardware integration</td>
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| Rentals often extend without prior notice                                  | • Option to collect rental security  
|                                                                            | • Custom late return charges                                               |
| There can be an unprecedented need for on-road assistance                 | • Rental insurance with on-road assistance as an add-on                   |
| Rental businesses must ensure government mandated driver regulations     | • Document verification feature on the platform                            |
| Costly truck maintenance                                                   | • Rental security management  
|                                                                            | • Rental insurance                                                         |
RV Rental

Recreation Vehicles (RVs) are used for recreational and hospitality purposes with camping and guest accommodations at events being the most commonly used purposes. Today, most RV rental operations take place on Peer-to-Peer (P2P) RV rental marketplaces that have also become the most convenient way to rent an RV. Due to being a fully enclosed private transportation plus accommodation utility, the RV rental industry survived the pandemic.
Statistics:
- US Market size $356.2 million in 2022
- Projected to reach $810 Million by 2028
- CAGR of 5.3% in the period 2021-2028

Top Markets:
USA, Canada, UK, France

Top Players

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<td>1972</td>
<td>$96.5 Million</td>
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<td>Outdoorsy</td>
<td>2015</td>
<td>$40 Million</td>
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<td>El Monte RV</td>
<td>1970</td>
<td>$28 Million</td>
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<td>RVShare</td>
<td>2012</td>
<td>$25 Million</td>
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<td>Motorhome Republic</td>
<td>2010</td>
<td>$11 Million</td>
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<td>Ensuring RV owner’s terms and conditions are followed</td>
<td>• Rental security management for reimbursement in case of terms violation</td>
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<td>Government-mandated driver regulations</td>
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<td>Demand for camping equipment</td>
<td>• Add-on module for upselling camping equipment and other products/services</td>
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Bike Rental

The bike rental industry targets students and young working professionals looking for cheap micro-mobility options in new cities and towns. Rental bikes bring more privacy than public transportation and are also time-saving. Furthermore, motorbike segments such as rental dirt bikes and ATVs are used for recreational purposes. During the pandemic, the bike rental industry witnessed the emergence of new business models such as Pay-as-you-go and station-based.
Statistics:
- CAGR of 20.1% in the forecast period 2021-2028
- Expected to reach 11 billion USD in the next 6 years

Top Markets:
China, Germany, France, USA, Italy

Top Players

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<td>Lime</td>
<td>2017</td>
<td>$420 Million</td>
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<td>Bird</td>
<td>2017</td>
<td>$95 Million</td>
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<td>Jump</td>
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<td>$37 Million</td>
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<td>Mobike</td>
<td>2015</td>
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| Competition with Pay-as-you-go models                                     | • Offering a broad range of bikes on your platform. Bike docking stations often offer only one type of bike and do not provide many choices to customers.  
• Bikes in Pay-as-You-Go models are criticized for their lack of maintenance. With regular maintenance and features like rental security management, the online bike rental business can deliver overall more satisfying rental experiences. |
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<td>Risk of Theft</td>
<td>• Insure all the bikes with a compulsory rental insurance add-on</td>
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<td>• Rental security management</td>
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<td>• GPS-enabled tracking with hardware integration</td>
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<td>Demand for additional</td>
<td>• Add-on module for upselling complementary products and services</td>
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<td>equipment</td>
<td>like protective and services like protective gear, microfiber cloth,</td>
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<td>luggage racks, first-aid kits and more.</td>
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Boat Rental

The boat rental industry is an emerging part of the tourism industry, providing various types of rental boats for recreational, transportation and water sports purposes. The industry witnesses active demand in coastal areas and primarily targets boat enthusiasts, business class and high-income families. In recent years, the industry has also created a community of occasional boat users and owners.
Statistics:

- CAGR of 15.70% in the forecast period 2021-2028
- Expected to reach $280 million in the next 6 years
- Estimated valuation of $19.7 billion in the year 2030

Top Markets:
USA, Germany, France, Italy, China

Top Players

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<td>GetMyBoat</td>
<td>2013</td>
<td>$158 Million</td>
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<td>Le Boat</td>
<td>1969</td>
<td>$130 Million</td>
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<td>Click &amp; Boat</td>
<td>2013</td>
<td>$15 Million</td>
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<td>Globe Sailor</td>
<td>2008</td>
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<td>Costly inventory with added need to cut down inventory management costs</td>
<td>• Launching an asset-light marketplace business where third-party boat owners and vendors will upload their boats on the platform</td>
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<td>High repair and maintenance costs</td>
<td>• Insure all the boats with a compulsory rental insurance add-on</td>
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<td>• Rental security management</td>
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<td>Increasing demand for flexible pricing</td>
<td>• Hourly, daily and weekly pricing options required on the platform to meet the demand</td>
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Dumpster Rental

Rental dumpsters are required at numerous places including construction sites, hotels, restaurants, educational institutions, apartment buildings, remote factories, etc. They simplify waste collection and management for governments and are now technologically advanced to dispose of all types of waste materials. With an increase in infrastructure projects, there’s also an increase in demand for dumpster rental services all over the world.
Statistics:
- $506.8 million US market size in 2022
- 3.5% growth over the last year in the US market

Top Markets:
Japan, Germany, USA, UK, South Korea

Top Players

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<td>WRS Dumpster Rental</td>
<td>1969</td>
<td>$130 Million</td>
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<td>Ridgerunner Container Service</td>
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<td>$15 Million</td>
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<td>Budget Dumpster Rental</td>
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| Providing constant maintenance | • Maintenance alert notification system in the online platform  
• Pre-scheduled maintenance services as rental add-ons |
| Customers exceeding the dumping capacity of the dumpster | • Excess dumping charges that can be deducted from the customer’s rental security |
| Year-long rental contracts that unable business owner in coping up with inflation rates | • Weekly and monthly pricing  
• Monthly subscription packages |
Challenges

Non-segregation and dumping of hazardous waste (flammable items, sharp objects, toxins, corrosive metals and harmful liquids)

Common instances of vandalism (For example, graffiti on dumpsters)

Solutions

- Introduction of separate dumpster rental services to collect hazardous waste
- Fines for dumping hazardous waste in regular dumpsters

- Rental security management
- Dumpster cleaning and repainting costs
Furniture Rental

The minimalist lifestyle and fully-occupied daily schedules have increased public preference for rental furniture. It is most recommended for people living on short-term living contracts and is highly convenient for relocating purposes, considering free assembly is provided by rental furniture providers and the exclusion of moving costs. In the past few years, rental companies also started to offer complete furniture rental bundles for bedrooms, dining rooms, gardens, and more. Furniture rental models are also being favored in the corporate sector.
Statistics:

- $670.2 million US market size for home furniture rental in 2022
- 6.8% global CAGR in the forecast period 2021-2031
- Total sales estimated to cross 10 billion USD by 2031

Top Markets:
USA, Canada, UK, Germany, Switzerland

Top Players

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<td>Rent-A-Center</td>
<td>1986</td>
<td>$4 Billion</td>
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<td>Aaron's</td>
<td>1955</td>
<td>$1.7 Billion</td>
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<td>Cort</td>
<td>1972</td>
<td>$880 Million</td>
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<td>Furlenco</td>
<td>2012</td>
<td>$65 Million</td>
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<td>Rentmojo</td>
<td>2014</td>
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| Risk of theft                                                             | • Rental security management  
                                  • Furniture insurance                                                               |
| Costly maintenance                                                         | • Unexpected wear and tear charges  
                                  • Cleaning charges in case of stains  
                                  • Free sofa and table covers for furniture protection  
                                  • Sun and water damage charges  |
| Year-long rental contracts that unable business owner in coping up with inflation rates | • Monthly subscription packages  |
| Costly and difficult transportation for bundled packages                   | • Delivery charges for longer deliveries  
                                  • Additional charges for absenteeism at delivery  |
Dress Rental

According to the Chief Design officer of California Closets, people only use 20% of their closet. This means the remaining closet mostly sits idle for the rest of the year. This explains the sudden popularity of dress rental platforms. Along with designer wear renting, the dress renal industry also rents out branded clothes, accessories, cosplay costumes, and more. Dress rental operations are most beneficial for consumers looking for designer dresses for different occasions and events.
Statistics:
- $1.2 billion market valuation in 2021
- 10.6% global CAGR in the forecast period 2022-2027
- Estimated to reach $2.2 billion valuation in 2026

Top Markets:
USA, Canada, UK, Germany, France

Top Players

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<td>2011</td>
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<td>Rent the Runway</td>
<td>2009</td>
<td>$100 Million</td>
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<td>Le Tote</td>
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<td>$44 Million</td>
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<td><strong>High risk of stains and damage</strong></td>
<td>• Unexpected wear and tear charges</td>
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<td>• Cleaning charges in case of stains</td>
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<td><strong>Late returns</strong></td>
<td>• Rental duration extension</td>
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<td>• Late return charges</td>
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<td>• Option to buy</td>
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<td><strong>Fitting and sizing issues</strong></td>
<td>• Optional rental inspection period with return and exchange policy</td>
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Party Supplies Rental

Party supply rental businesses have been operating on traditional offline models for decades. However, this left them outdated and incapable of competing with digital players, igniting the demand for large-scale digital transformation and automation. The online party supplies rental industry also offers a broad range of products and equipment including lighting, furniture, utensils, audio, video, dance floors, and more.
Statistics:
- $19.14 billion market valuation in 2021
- 7.18% global CAGR in the forecast period 2022-2027
- Estimated to reach $29.132 billion by 2027

Top Markets:
United States, China, Germany, Japan, South Korea

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<td>CORT Party Rental</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>$379 Million</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bright Event Rentals</td>
<td>1978</td>
<td>$179 Million</td>
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<td>Baker Party Rentals</td>
<td>1982</td>
<td>$8 Billion</td>
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<td>Ventura Rental Center</td>
<td>1958</td>
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## Key Challenges

Online party supplies rental businesses face the following challenges:

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| High risk of theft and damage                   | • Rental security management  
                                           • Product insurance                                                        |
| Late returns                                    | • Rental duration extension  
                                           • Late return charges                                                            |
| Chances of misuse                               | • Rental terms and conditions with a document eSign option               |
| Extensive inventory                             | • Inventory management module with automation                             |
| Party supplies may require a lot of moving and  | • Trailer or mover service as a rental add-on                             |
| transportation                                  |                                                                           |
Outdoor Gear Rental

Renting outdoor gear, be it for camping, hiking, trekking, mountaineering, and other adventure sports is more convenient and affordable for the general population. Many sports enthusiasts also prefer to rent out outdoor gear when in distant regions. Thus, with a diverse group of customers ready to rent out various types of outdoor gear, the entire industry is thriving worldwide.
Statistics:

- CAGR of 6.68% in camping equipment rental, forecast period 2022-2027
- CAGR of 7.0% in hiking gear rental, forecast period 2020 to 2027
- Ski and Snowboard rental US market size $144.4 million in 2022

Top Markets:
USA, Canada, Germany, UK, France

Top Players

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<tr>
<th>Company</th>
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<td>C.A.M.P. USA</td>
<td>1889</td>
<td>$13 Million</td>
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<td>Tentrr</td>
<td>2004</td>
<td>$5 Million</td>
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<td>Backwoods Mountain Sports</td>
<td>1975</td>
<td>$4.3 Million</td>
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<tr>
<td>Black Tie Skis</td>
<td>2002</td>
<td>$4.3 Million</td>
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<td>Outdoors Geek</td>
<td>2010</td>
<td>$1.37 Million</td>
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<td>Consumer safety is an imperative</td>
<td>• Only rent out certified high-quality equipment</td>
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<td>• Provide safety gear as rental add-on</td>
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<td>• Rental buffer period for full product-inspection on return</td>
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<td>High risk of theft and damage</td>
<td>• Unexpected wear and tear charges</td>
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<td>• Rental security management</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Product insurance</td>
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<td>Seasonal fluctuations in sales</td>
<td>• Rent out diverse types of outdoor gear</td>
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<td>• Proper SEO and SMM marketing tools to target ideal audience in off-season</td>
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<td>Need to maintain quality customer experience with foreign tourists as well</td>
<td>• Multi-currency and multilingual functionality</td>
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The requirement of rental electronics is wide-scale with soaring demand for both commercial and domestic use. Advancements in technology and the variety of electronic items available today also contribute towards the growth of the electronics rental industry. Some other factors behind industry growth are an increase in employment rates, the rise of eLearning and the requirement for computer technology in smart classrooms.
Statistics:

- $8.9 billion US Market size in 2022

Top Markets:
USA, Canada, Germany, UK, France

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<td>Aaron's</td>
<td>1955</td>
<td>$1.7 Billion</td>
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<td>RentOne</td>
<td>1985</td>
<td>$100 Million</td>
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<td>RentDelite</td>
<td>2013</td>
<td>$24 Million</td>
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<td>Rent King</td>
<td>1996</td>
<td>$12 Million</td>
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<td>Rentacomputer</td>
<td>1987</td>
<td>$6 Million</td>
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## Key Challenges

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| Increasing consumer demand for more variety and specifications in technology | • Custom filters for adding proper specifications  
• Product comparison for assistance in decision making  
• Cart recovery features |
| Risk of theft and damage                                                  | • Rental security management  
• Product insurance  
• Document verification |
| Customers often require installation                                       | • Paid or free installation services in rental add-on |
| Limited cash flow in young working professionals and students             | • Tiered pricing option with daily and weekly pricing |
Exemplary Revenue Generation Model for an Online Rental Store
Adapting digital business models also requires rental businesses to set up a versatile and flexible revenue generation model. For proper capitalization of assets and financial risk minimization, revenue stream diversification has become the new norm. Online rental businesses can use their inventory and digital storefronts as the most potential revenue generation tools. Based on these two, we have come up with an exemplary revenue generation model that online rental businesses and marketplaces can follow:

- Rental Charges
- Rental Add-ons
- Rental Commission
- Paid Listings
- Display Ads
- Service Fees
- Subscription Packages
- PPC Campaigns
ADVANCEMENTS IN RENTAL TECHNOLOGIES
With an expansion of our world into the digital landscape, technological requirements also diversified into various fields. This called for the need to recondition and readjust to new business technologies. As a result, several rental businesses evolved and adapted the new and ‘modern’ at a much faster rate. Below is a brief outlook on the top rental business technologies.

GPS and RFID for Asset Tracking

Global Positioning System (GPS) and Radio Frequency (RFID) devices together provide an invulnerable asset and inventory tracking system to rental businesses. Where GPS can be used to track the geographical location of an asset, RFID can be used for the positioning of inventory and assets within a warehouse itself. Both these technologies assist rental businesses in expanding their inventory and scaling business operations to broader or much larger levels.
IoT for Rental Equipment Management

Rental heavy equipment is both difficult to manage and requires timely maintenance. A few examples of such equipment are bulldozers, compactors, forklifts, loaders, excavators and haulers. With the help of Internet of Things (IoT), heavy equipment can schedule routine checkups and service requests itself. It can also detect damages and pollution levels. As a result, IoT can help equipment rental businesses reduce operations downtime, improve rental experience, extend equipment life span and stay compliant with statutory emissions regulations as well.

Smart Software Tech for Operations Management

With improvements in software technology, such as the rise of rental business solutions, inventory management solutions and digital marketing tools, rental businesses can more effectively manage their rental operations. They can create advanced digital storefronts, access wider audiences, automate inventory, invoicing, and even generate sales reports. All such software technology will enable rental businesses to keep pace and stay relevant in the internet era.
Green Technology for Reducing Carbon Footprints

Improving economic sustainability is a major goal of the rental economy. Reusing goods and articles reduces the need for production and thus helps in removing carbon footprints. With the introduction of green technology, such as electric-powered rental cars, heavy equipment, boats and more, rental businesses are further able to reduce carbon emissions. In the near future, the rental industry will also be able to deal in more efficient and green technologies like solar power and green hydrogen.

Rise for More Reusable and Sustainable Rental Products

Apart from green technology, the near future is also expected to witness the rise of smart sustainable rental products that are more reusable and can be rented frequently or for long durations. A few examples of reusable rental products are house automation products, HVAC equipment, audio video equipment and also IoT-enabled heavy equipment. A change in consumer preference for more sustainable rental products will persuade rental companies to upgrade their inventory.
About Yo!Rent

Served Close to 100+ Countries

Catered 1000+ Businesses

Providing Rental Solutions Since 2015
Previously in this report, we read about various online rental niches, growth factors and digital enablements in the entire rental industry. To help you embark on your own rental entrepreneurship journey in all stated niches, Yo!Rent is a dedicated online rental software that comes with purpose-built rent-centric functionalities.

Overview

Yo!Rent was launched in the year 2015 to cater to various requirements of rental businesses. It helps entrepreneurs launch their rental startups and also assists existing rental businesses in taking the digital route to market. Yo!Rent provides business owners with the agility and resilience required to compete in the still booming rental industry.

With a digital storefront, Yo!Rent ensures that rental businesses obtain an international presence and access to wider audiences. While the appropriate marketing tools of the solution assist business owners in attracting consumers, the advanced order management tools and inventory management tools ensure quality rental services.
Impressive Yo!Rent Features to Help you Grow

The latest version of Yo!Rent comes with a plethora of rent-centric features built around the various use-cases and challenges that rental business owners face on a day-to-day basis. Some of those features with their use cases are listed below:

- **Rental Security Management:** Ensuring rental equipment safety is a challenge to rental businesses. With the help of rental security management, business owners can easily collect rental security and use it to reimburse any damages.

- **Advanced Booking Calendar:** Regular eCommerce platforms lack the functionality to input rental dates. Due to this, it is not possible to use them for collecting rental orders online. Yo! Rent’s advanced booking calendar not only takes rental date inputs but also assists in accurate invoicing.

- **Product Inspection:** For further streamlining operations and providing a superior rental experience, Yo!Rent provides a product inspection feature to customers. Using these features, they can report any damages at the time of delivery and place return/exchange requests.
- **Late Cancellation Charges**: Rental businesses suffer a loss when a customer cancels an order post-processing. Late cancellation charges of Yo!Rent assists businesses in recovering their order processing costs.

- **Late Return Charges**: In rental businesses, not only late returns count as additional rental dates but they also hinder the business’ capacity to timely fulfill the next order. To upkeep their order fulfillment rate and encourage timely returns, Yo! Rent comes with a feature to define and levy late return charges.

- **Request for Quote (RFQ) Module**: Rental orders can be very complex involving a lot of products and varying rental dates. To successfully accept such orders and negotiate pricing, Yo!Rent comes with an RFQ module.

- **Rental Buffer Period**: The rental buffer period of Yo!Rent allows business owners to inspect returned products for any damages. At the end of the rental buffer period, the equipment is automatically added back to the inventory.

- **Document Verification**: Certain types of rental equipment also require business owners to comply with statutory requirements. Many of these include collecting identity proofs and address proofs of customers. This use case is handled by Yo!Rent’s document verification feature.
- **Rental Agreement and eSign:** Every shop owner on a Yo!Rent powered marketplace can upload his own rental terms conditions. Customers can view these terms and conditions during check out and also ratify them with the help of the eSign feature.

- **Product Comparison:** Rental equipment is often second-hand and reused. Moreover, renting products is also more affordable than buying. Due to these two reasons, customers want to compare multiple options to make a fine selection. Yo!Rent’s product comparison feature allows customers to compare up to four different equipment at once.

- **Custom Attributes:** In addition to the product comparison feature, Yo!Rent supports custom attributes. These attributes help the business owner in uploading detailed listings and product specifications that can be later used for automated comparison.

- **Rent Plus Sell:** Inventory clearance is important for online rental businesses. Yo!Rent is not only limited to rental capabilities, but also allows rental business owners to sell products on the same platform as well.
• **Advanced Analytics and Reports:** Rental order details, returns, cancellations, total revenue, Yo!Rent’s data visualization features provide you valuable insights of your business to help you grow.

• **Multicurrency and Multilingual:** Rental niches like car rental, automobile rental and adventure gear rental include immigrants and tourists as one of their primary target audiences. With multilingual and multi-currency functionalities, Yo!Rent helps rental businesses provide satisfying rental services to both.

Apart from these features, Yo!Rent is fully scalable and comes with unlimited listings, transactions and user profiles to accommodate all levels of business growth. It can support your online rental business right from startup level and help you scale it to enterprise level. Moreover, the solution is available at a one-time cost. To support any additional use cases or match any specific business requirements, Yo!Rent is fully customizable.

**Intriguing Front-ends and Dashboards**

Yo!Rent also uses color-psychology to meet industrial standards and provide a highly-satisfying user experience. Its interface is divided into three primary industrial niches which can be used to launch a rental business in all covered niches of this report.
Heavy Equipment Rental

Top Products

Featured Products
Automobile Rental

Top Products

Featured Products
Dress Rental

Top Products

Featured Products
Custom Design

Top Products

Featured Products
Awards and Recognition

Flexible, scalable and fully customizable, Yo!Rent has won many awards and recognitions for helping rental business owners in launching their rental stores. It has been recognized as one of the most leading rental software by both users and software critics like G2, Capterra, SoftwareWorld, Software Advice and SoftwareSuggest.
How to Get Started

To launch an online rental store or marketplace with Yo!Rent, you need to:

1. **Get your Yo!Rent License** - This license will be inclusive of all inherent features of Yo!Rent plus any desired customizations that you want in the solution.

2. **Get the Solution Installed** - Our team will assist you in selecting the right server for the solution and install Yo!Rent on your server.

3. **Add Products** - After the system is fully installed and configured by our experts, you can start adding products using the solution’s catalog management module.

4. **Launch Your Marketplace** - Finally you are ready to start your online rental business. Use Yo!Rent’s in-built management and marketing features to handle operations and attract customers.
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