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## The Tricky Math of Black Friday Bargains

Wall Street Journal Cites Citi Retail Services and Leslie McNamara, Managing Director of Citi Retail Services Partner Management

An article by Suzanne Kapner published Nov. 23, 2015, in *The Wall Street Journal* focuses on the evolution of Black Friday sales and how the proliferation of year-round retail sales has complicated the shopping process for consumers looking for savings. The piece cites information from Managing Director Leslie McNamara based on Citi Retail Services' learnings from a pricing test:

Citi Retail Services, a unit of Citigroup that provides private-label credit cards to retailers, tested two offers this year with thousands of customers. One gave a fixed \$20 off the first purchase made with a credit card. The other gave 30% off. Most customers chose the fixed \$20 off, even though the 30% discount provided greater savings because most first purchases exceed \$100, according to Leslie McNamara, Citi Retail Services' managing director.

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