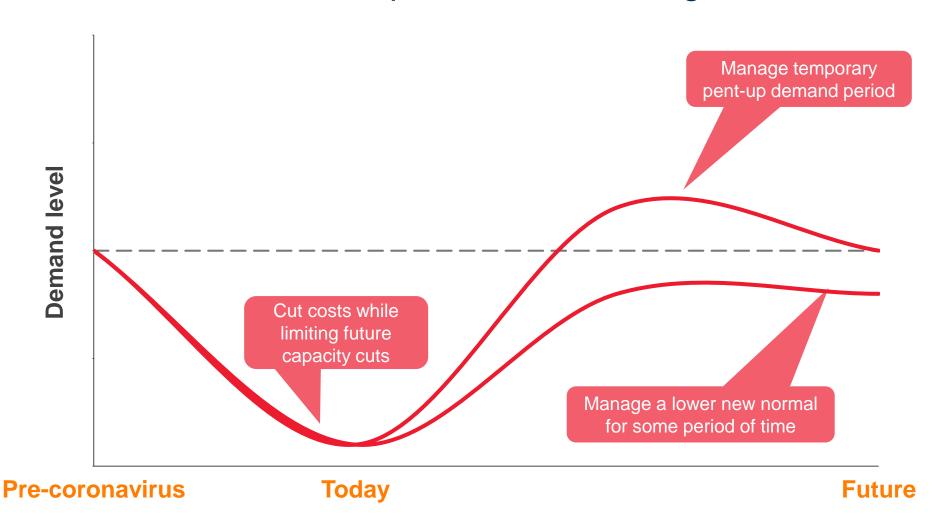
Most companies will have to manage severe short term demand drops and future swings



Everyone needs a plan

SURVIVE NOW

Retain sales

Adapt offering to meet revised customer needs

If you are not online yet... now may be the time!

Adjust service delivery models

Carefully consider pricing and payment term changes

Explore retooling capacity for urgent societal needs

Conserve cash

Leverage all government programs

Seek concessions from suppliers, landlords and bankers

Cut dividends and other cash outlays

Reduce salaries

Reduce staff

THRIVE LATER

Find competitors who are worse off and acquire their share or acquire them

Take a fresh look at the organizational structure

Explore new strategies for the future

Retain sales

Strategy	Examples	
Contactless in-store offering	 Curbside pick-up Increased dollar limits at POS Protective barriers at points of contact 	BEST mastercard.
2 Online offering	 Shipping fees waived Flexible return policies Social media to deliver product Online content Online marketplace in collaboration with other suppliers 	BARRY'S NORDSTROM KENDAL HILLS FARM FOOD FROM THE FOREST SEPHORA
3 Pricing	New offering at lower pricesCollections deferralsContract term easing	JOSÉ ANDRÉS THINKFOOD GROUP TELUS
4 Capacity retooling	 Production shift to medical supplies and equipment Empty space used for COVID testing 	CVS LVMH PRADA
Diversify revenue streams	 Partnerships to fill emerging needs e.g. filling hiring gap with displaced hospitality workers New end markets or geographies 	STAFFY Spiffy

Conserve cash

Strategy	Examples	
1 Alternative staffing	 Shorter workweeks Reduced daily hours Sabbaticals Temporary lay-offs Redeployment of hours to other parts of the business with increased demand Permanent cuts (last resort) 	GM LUSH FRESH HANDMADE COSMETICS
Compensation modifications	 Salary increase freezes Salary reductions Bonus delay Overtime restrictions RRSP matching freezes 	Alarriott. SNBA DCKS SPORTING GOODS American Airlines
Contract concessions	 Loan payment deferrals Rent payment deferrals Supplier payment deferrals Advance payments 	Walmart BEDROCK LOCKHEED MARTIN

Come out stronger

Strategy	Examples	
Acquire undervalued assets	 Acquisition of struggling businesses, defunct locations, hard assets, etc. Talent acquisition 	Too early to tell
Revise strategy for the new normal	 Post-crisis world strategy refresh Special projects (e.g. new product development, sourcing and pricing optimization, complexity reduction, etc.) 	SATOV Clients
3 Brand building	 Discounted or free products for COVID impacted consumers Regular ad substitution with COVID-sensitive messages Business expertise use for hospitals and medical workers 	Adobe Crocs UDer SUBARU
4 Employee development	 Online training courses Externship opportunities 	UDACITY

Where should you start?

How existential is the current threat to the business? How much time do you have? Do you have the right leaders in place?

Are you talking to your most important customers? Do you know what you have to do to keep their business during the crisis? How badly are they hurting? How can you help them?

Have you shifted your effort online? If online was not a big focus before, do you have the right people to do it now, or do you need help?

How compressible is your cost base? How quickly could you see the impact of cost reduction? How much of your top line do you need to retain to get through the crisis?

Do you have a war chest for potential acquisitions? What is your level of confidence to invest in the future? What would you need to get there?