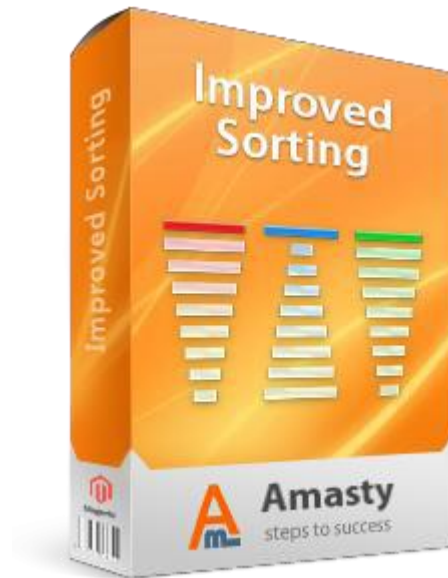


Improved Sorting



Magento Extension User Guide

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1. Steps to configure Improved Sorting

Please go to admin panel -> System -> Configuration -> Improved Sorting to configure the extension.

Configuration

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Current Configuration Scope: Default Config

Manage Stores

Improved Sorting

Save Config

General

Use Index: Yes
▲ Recommended for large catalogs.

Bestsellers Period (days): 30
▲ Leave empty for life-time statistics.

Custom Bestsellers Attribute Code: bestseller
▲ Use to artificially move some products to the best sellers list. Leave empty to show results.

Exclude Products: [STORE VIEW]
New
Pending Payment
Processing
Complete
Closed
Canceled
On Hold
Payment Review
▲ Products from orders with selected states will not be used in the Bestsellers

Most Viewed Period (days): 15 [STORE VIEW]
▲ Leave empty for life-time statistics.

Custom Most Viewed Attribute: viewed [STORE VIEW]

We recommend to enable 'Use Index' option for large catalogs to improve the extension performance for sorting options 'Best Sellers', 'Most Viewed' and 'Now in Wishlists'. For the information to be up to date, the index is refreshed automatically once per day, if you have cron enabled for your website. You can also refresh the index manually in admin panel -> System -> Index Management.

The sales of products for 'Bestsellers' sorting option will be counted for the period, indicated here. So if you indicate '30' here, sales for the last 15 days will be counted and the order of products for bestseller sorting option will be defined based on the count.



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Current Configuration Scope: Default Config [Manage Stores](#)

Configuration

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General

Use Index: Yes [GLOBAL]
▲ Recommended for large catalogs.

Bestsellers Period (days): 30 [STORE VIEW]
▲ Leave empty for life-time statistics.

Custom Bestsellers Attribute Code: bestseller [STORE VIEW]
▲ Use to artificially move some products up in the real best sellers list. Leave empty to show real data.

Exclude Products: [STORE VIEW]
New
Pending Payment
Processing
Complete
Closed
Canceled
On Hold
Payment Review
▲ Products from orders with selected states will not be used in the Bestsellers

Most Viewed Period (days): 15 [STORE VIEW]
▲ Leave empty for life-time statistics.

Custom Most Viewed Attribute: viewed [STORE VIEW]

It is possible to manually move products up in the bestsellers list. For this please fill in this field with attribute code of the custom bestseller attribute. You can find instructions on how to create and use the custom bestseller attribute in the second section of the guide (page 10).

Products with specified statuses will not be used in Bestsellers.



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'New' sorting option displays products in the order they were added to the website. If you would like to manage product order for this option yourself, please create a product attribute with the help of which you can specify the dates you need. Then indicate the attribute code here.

Exclude Products [STORE VIEW]

- New
- Pending Payment
- Processing
- Complete
- Closed
- Canceled
- On Hold
- Payment Review

▲ Products from orders with selected states will not be used in the Bestsellers

Most Viewed Period (days)

▲ Leave empty for life-time statistics.

Custom Most Viewed Attribute Code

▲ Use to artificially move some products to the most viewed list. Leave empty to show default.

Attribute Code for the Newest Sorting [STORE VIEW]

▲ Leave empty to use product creation date. If you indicate a custom attribute, make sure 'Used in Product Listing' for the attribute is set to 'Yes'

It is possible to manually move products up in the most viewed list as well. Fill in this field with attribute code of the custom most viewed attribute to use this feature. Steps to create the attribute code are the same as for bestsellers.



1. Steps to configure Improved Sorting

Use Percentage for Biggest Saving Sorting	Yes
Show Products without Images Last	Yes for Catalog, No for Search <small>▲ If it is not important, select 'No' to optimize server resources usage.</small>
Show 'Out of Stock' Products Last	Yes for Catalog, No for Search <small>▲ If it is not important, select 'No' to optimize server resources usage.</small>
Use qty to determine if the product is 'Out of Stock'	No <small>▲ Products with the qty < 1 will be shown last regardless of the stock label. Make sure the previous setting is 'Yes' also.</small>
Hide 'Position' Sorting Option for Customers	Yes
Sort attributes descending by default	created_at <small>▲ Comma separated list of the attribute codes.</small>
Disable Sorting By	<ul style="list-style-type: none">NewBiggest SavingBest SellersMost ViewedTop Rated

You can move products without images to the bottom of the product list (it is possible to apply this option only to catalog page and leave the search page as is).

If you would like to remove 'Position' sorting option from front end, please turn this setting to 'Yes'.

Set 'Yes' to sort the products by the highest percentage of discount in the 'Biggest Savings' ranking option.

If you allow backorders, however would like to show products with zero stock last, set this option and the above one to 'Yes'.



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Use qty to determine if the product is 'Out of Stock'	<input type="text" value="No"/>	[STORE VIEW]
	<small>▲ Products with the qty < 1 will be shown last regardless of the stock label. Make sure the previous setting is 'Yes' also.</small>	
Hide 'Position' Sorting Option for Customers	<input type="text" value="Yes"/>	[STORE VIEW]
Sort attributes descending by default	<input type="text" value="price, bestseller"/>	[STORE VIEW]
	<small>▲ Comma separated list of the attribute codes.</small>	
Disable Sorting By	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Best SellersMost ViewedTop RatedReviews CountNow in WishlistsQuantityProfitRevenueRevenue per ViewOrder per View	[GLOBAL]
	<small>▲ Press CTRL+mouse to select multiple values.</small>	
Cost for profit option Sorting.	<input type="text" value="Cost"/>	[GLOBAL]
Price for profit option Sorting.	<input type="text" value="Cost"/>	[GLOBAL]
Revenue Period (days)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Group PriceMinimal PriceManufacturer's Suggested Retail PricePriceSpecial PriceTier PriceviewedWeight	[STORE VIEW]

To have descending sorting for some attributes by default, please indicate codes of these attributes here (separated by comma).

You can disable any of the sorting options, if needed.



1. Steps to configure Improved Sorting

Use qty to determine if the product is 'Out of Stock'	<input type="text" value="No"/>	[STORE VIEW]
	<small>▲ Products with the qty < 1 will be shown last regardless of the stock label. Make sure the previous setting is 'Yes' also.</small>	
Hide 'Position' Sorting Option for Customers	<input type="text" value="Yes"/>	[STORE VIEW]
Sort attributes descending by default	<input type="text" value="created_at"/>	[STORE VIEW]
	<small>▲ Comma separated list of the attribute codes.</small>	
Disable Sorting By	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Best SellersMost ViewedTop RatedReviews CountNow in WishlistsQuantityProfitRevenueRevenue per ViewOrder per View	[GLOBAL]
	<small>▲ Press CTRL+mouse to select multiple values.</small>	
Cost for profit option Sorting.	<input type="text" value="Cost"/>	
Price for profit option Sorting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BestsellerCostGroup PriceMinimal PriceManufacturer's Suggested Retail PricePriceSpecial PriceTier Priceviewed	[S
Revenue Period (days)		

In case you want products to get sorted by Profit, specify which attributes will be set as Cost and Price.
Note: the Profit equals Cost minus Price.



1. Steps to configure Improved Sorting

Use qty to determine if the product is 'Out of Stock'	<input type="text" value="No"/>	[STORE VIEW]
	<small>▲ Products with the qty < 1 will be shown last regardless of the stock label. Make sure the previous setting is 'Yes' also.</small>	
Hide 'Position' Sorting Option for Customers	<input type="text" value="Yes"/>	[STORE VIEW]
Sort attributes descending by default	<input type="text" value="created_at"/>	[STORE VIEW]
	<small>▲ Comma separated list of the attribute codes.</small>	
Disable Sorting By	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Best SellersMost ViewedTop RatedReviews CountNow in WishlistsQuantityProfitRevenueRevenue per ViewOrder per View	[GLOBAL]
	<small>▲ Press CTRL+mouse to select multiple values.</small>	
Cost for profit option Sorting.	<input type="text" value="Cost"/>	[GLOBAL]
Price for profit option Sorting.	<input type="text" value="Price"/>	[GLOBAL]
Revenue Period (days)	<input type="text" value="10"/>	[GLOBAL]
	<small>▲ Leave empty for life-time statistics.</small>	

Sorting by revenue displays products based on their sales amount. The sales of products for 'Revenue' sorting option will be counted for the period, indicated here.



2. Custom attributes for bestsellers and most viewed

To create custom attributes for bestsellers and most viewed options, please go to admin panel -> Catalog -> Attributes -> Manage Attributes and click 'Add new attribute' button.

Attribute Properties	
Attribute Code *	<input type="text" value="bestsellers"/> <small>▲ For internal use. Must be unique with no spaces. Maximum length of attribute code must be less than 30 symbols</small>
Catalog Input Type for Store Owner	<input type="text" value="Price"/>
Default Value	<input type="text"/>
Unique Value	<input type="text" value="No"/> <small>▲ Not shared with other products</small>
Values Required	<input type="text" value="No"/>
Input Validation for Store Owner	<input type="text" value="None"/>
Apply To *	<input type="text" value="All Product Types"/>

Frontend Properties	
Use in Quick Search	<input type="text" value="No"/>
Use in Advanced Search	<input type="text" value="No"/>
Comparable on Front-end	<input type="text" value="No"/>
Use In Layered Navigation	<input type="text" value="No"/> <small>▲ Can be used only with catalog input type Dropdown, Multiple Select and Price</small>
Use In Search Results Layered Navigation	<input type="text" value="No"/> <small>▲ Can be used only with catalog input type Dropdown, Multiple Select and Price</small>

Select 'Price' for Catalog Input Type setting.

Specify any attribute code you like for the custom attribute. You will also need to type this code in the extension configuration section ([page 4](#) of the user guide).




2. Custom attributes for bestsellers and most viewed


Frontend Properties	
Use in Quick Search	<input type="text" value="No"/>
Use in Advanced Search	<input type="text" value="No"/>
Comparable on Front-end	<input type="text" value="No"/>
Use In Layered Navigation	<input type="text" value="Filterable (with results)"/> <small>▲ Can be used only with catalog input type Dropdown, Multiple Select and Price</small>
Use In Search Results Layered Navigation	<input type="text" value="No"/> <small>▲ Can be used only with catalog input type Dropdown, Multiple Select and Price</small>
Use for Promo Rule Conditions	<input type="text" value="No"/>
Position	<input type="text" value="0"/> <small>▲ Position of attribute in layered navigation block</small>
Visible on Product View Page on Front-end	<input type="text" value="No"/>
Used in Product Listing	<input type="text" value="Yes"/> <small>▲ Depends on design theme</small>
Used for Sorting in Product Listing	<input type="text" value="Yes"/> <small>▲ Depends on design theme</small>

Set this option to 'Yes' for the attribute specified in the 'Custom Bestsellers Attribute Code' field (see page 4).




2. Custom attributes for bestsellers and most viewed


 **New Product Attribute**

 If you do not specify an option value for a specific store view then the default (Admin) value will be used.

Manage Titles (Size, Color, etc.)

Admin	English	French	German
<input type="text" value="bestsellers"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

 **Failed**



Specify the desired title and save the attribute.





2. Custom attributes for bestsellers and most viewed

The screenshot displays the Magento Admin interface. On the left, the 'Catalog' menu is open, showing options like 'Manage Products', 'Manage Categories', 'Attributes', 'URL Rewrite Management', 'Search Terms', 'Reviews and Ratings', 'Tags', 'Google Sitemap', and 'Improved Navigation'. The 'Attributes' option is selected, and a sub-menu is visible with 'Manage Attributes' and 'Manage Attribute Sets'. The main content area is divided into two panels: 'Groups' and 'Unassigned Attributes'. The 'Groups' panel shows a tree view of attribute groups, including 'General' and 'Prices'. The 'Unassigned Attributes' panel lists various attributes, with 'bestsellers' highlighted. A green arrow points from the 'bestsellers' attribute in the 'Unassigned Attributes' panel to the 'Groups' panel. An orange callout box contains the following text: 'Assign the created attribute to the attribute set you use for creation of your products in Catalog -> Attributes -> Manage Attribute.'



2. Custom attributes for bestsellers and most viewed

General	
Name *	Apevia Black X-Cruiser Case ATX Mid-Tower Case (Default)
SKU *	apevia-black
Weight *	10.0000
Status *	Enabled
bestsellers	88.99 [USD]
Tax Class *	default
URL Key	apevia-black-x-cruiser-case-atx-mid-to <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create Permanent Redirect for old URL
Visibility *	Catalog, Search
Manufacturer	
Color	Black
Set Product as New from Date	<input type="text"/> 
Set Product as New to Date	<input type="text"/> 
Country of Manufacture	

The amount you specify here will be taken instead of real sales statistics for this product, when the extension will define the order of products for bestsellers sorting option. You can create a custom attribute and use it on analogy for most viewed sorting option.



3. New sorting options on category page

General Information | Display Settings | Custom Design | Category Products

Display Settings

Display Mode	Products only	[STORE VIEW]
CMS Block	Please select a static block ...	[STORE VIEW]
Is Anchor	No	[GLOBAL]
Available Product Listing Sort By *	Biggest Saving Most Viewed Top Rated Reviews Count Now in Wishlists Quantity Profit Revenue Revenue per View Order per View	[STORE VIEW]
	Use All Available Attributes	
Default Product Listing Sort By *	Best Value	[STORE VIEW]
	Use Config Settings	
Layered Navigation Price Step		[STORE VIEW]
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Use Config Settings	

The new product sorting options are available on 'Display Settings' tab of category page, so you can specify which sorting options to use for which category.




4. New sorting options on front end

Items 1 to 9 of 12 total Page: 1 2 ▶ Show 9 per page

View as: Grid [List](#) Sort By New

- Name
- Price
- Bestseller
- New
- Biggest Saving
- Most Viewed
- Top Rated
- Reviews Count
- Now in Wishlists
- Quantity
- Profit
- Revenue**
- Revenue per View
- Order per View



Anashria Womens Premier Leather Sandal


★★★★☆ 4 Review(s)

\$41.95

[Add to Cart](#)

[Add to Wishlist](#)

[Add to Compare](#)



The Only Children: Paisley T-Shirt


\$100.00

As low as: \$80.00

[Add to Cart](#)

[Add to Wishlist](#)

[Add to Compare](#)



Product

★★★★☆ 1 Review(s)

\$22.00

As low as: \$18.00

[Add to Cart](#)

[Add to Wishlist](#)

[Add to Compare](#)

The new options are added to standard Magento ones on front end and enable your customers to find the right products a lot faster.



5. Creating blocks based on sorting options

You can add blocks based on sorting options to any page or CMS block for different categories. For this please add such code:

```
{{block type="amsorting/featured" header="DON'T MISS THE DEAL, BIGGEST SAVING YOU'VE EVER SEEN"  
sorting="saving" category="8" limit="3" template="amasty/amsorting/list.phtml"}}
```

'header' variable is used for the block title.

Use 'sorting' variable to specify which sorting option should be used for the block. To use 'New' sorting option please specify code new, for Biggest Saving – saving, Best Sellers - bestselling; Most Viewed – mostviewed, Top Rated – toprated, Review Count – commented, Now in Wishlists – wished.

'category' variable allows you to choose from which category to display products in the block – just specify the category id. If you would like to show products from the category, on which the block is displayed, please remove the variable.

'limit' variable enables you to specify the number of products in the block.

'template' variable lets you choose the template for the block. 'amasty/amsorting/list.phtml' is one of the templates we provide with the extension. Please feel free to create your own ones.

At the homepage the blocks will use all store products (if not, set 'Is Anchor' to 'Yes' for store root category). At the category pages - another category of products can be added.

Please see the next page for block examples.

*Please note: If you're planning to use 'amsorting/featured' block for Magento 1.9.2.2 and higher or after installing SUPEE-6788 security patch is needed to create a permission for it:

Backend – > System – > Permissions – > Blocks – > `Add New Block` button

Block Details	
Block Name *	<input type="text" value="amsorting/featured"/>
Is Allowed	<input type="text" value="Yes"/>




6. Examples of blocks based on sorting options





This is the block based on the 'Biggest saving' sorting option by category, which was created with the code mentioned on the previous page.

 **DON'T MISS THE DEAL, BIGGEST SAVING YOU'VE EVER SEEN:**

 Sony Ericsson W810i Regular Price: \$399.99 Special Price: \$229.00 Add to Cart	 HTC Touch Diamond Regular Price: \$750.00 Special Price: \$699.00 Add to Cart	 AT&T 8525 PDA Regular Price: \$499.99 Special Price: \$174.99 Add to Cart
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This block is based on 'Top Rated' option.

 **TOP RATED**

 Magento Red Furniture Set Starting at: \$129.99 Add to Cart
 The Get Up Kids: Band Camp Pullover Hoodie \$30.00 Add to Cart
 Olympus Stylus 750 7.1MP Digital Camera \$161.94 Add to Cart
 SLR Camera Tripod \$99.00 Add to Cart

Thank you!

Should you have any questions or feature suggestions, please contact us at:

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Your feedback is absolutely welcome!



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