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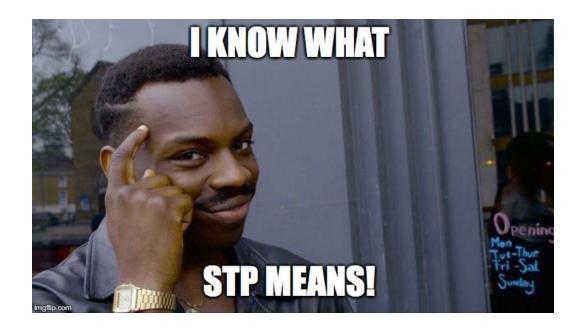
- 1. Segmentation
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- 3. Positioning













Marketing Strategy

1) Segmentation

2) Target Market Selection

3) Positioning





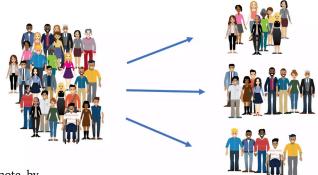


1. How to SEGMENT Markets



Segmentation consists of dividing the market into groups of (potential) customers - called market segments- with distinct characteristics, behaviours and/or needs.

The goal of segmentation is to cluster in groups that clearly differ from one to another but show a great deal of homogeneity within the group





Segments must be sufficiently different one from another

Compared with large heterogeneous market segments can be served better more efficiently and effectively with products and through channels that match their needs and their customer journey

Critical → segmentation must be based in one or more customer characteristics relevant to the company marketing effort



Segmentation based on:

- Perceived benefits from our product's attributes: benefits sought by customers
- Observable characteristics of customers → persona analysis
- 3. Customer Convenience→ based on how the customers wants to buy (CX: Customer eXperience). This is trendy now, segmenting customers based on behavior + channel



Customer Convenience→ Segmenting customers based on behavior + channel with customer centricity has brought *omnichannel*

Multichannel Store Web Mobile Social Phone All channels available to the consumer

but are not integrated.





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Segmentation groups created based on:

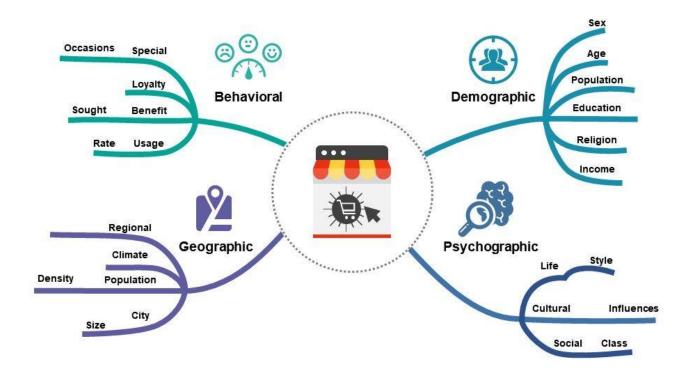
- Consumer demographics (age, gender, incomes, ...)
- Geographic location (city, country,)
- Lifestyle (sportive, luxurious, etc)
- Behavioral characteristics (such as usage ie)

Are easy to identify and to address through marketing communication

Segmentation only works to the extent that is correlated with benefit segments









Segmentation requires the following steps from marketers:

- 1. Understand the benefits customer's seeking
- 2. Segment the market and develop prototypical customer profiles
- Find observable variables most likely to discriminate among the benefit segments to identify membership in specific segments

Segmentation is an iterative process that requires both creativity and experience

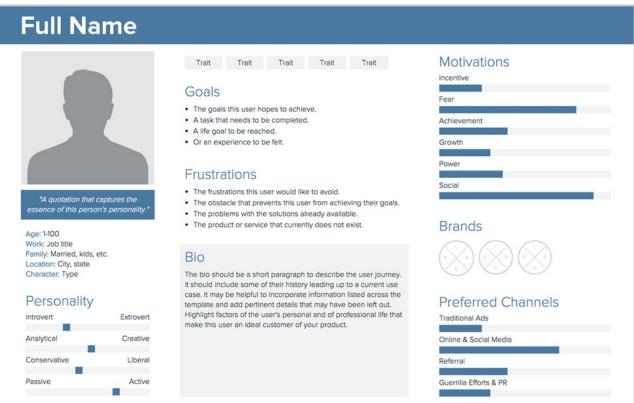


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Buyer persona analysis is an ideal profile of an individual that represents the segment that marketers are addressing.

He or she can be a actual person or a character crafted based on the traits of the segment

BPA is very useful for marketers to propose actions based on marketing-mix model





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Segmentation at McDonald's

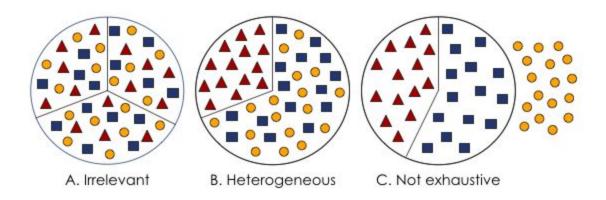


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Common segmentation mistakes

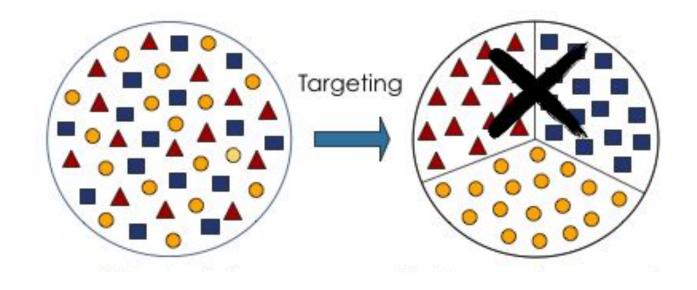


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2. From Segmentation to Targeting



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Targeting involves the assessment of the attractivity of one or more market segments to enter.

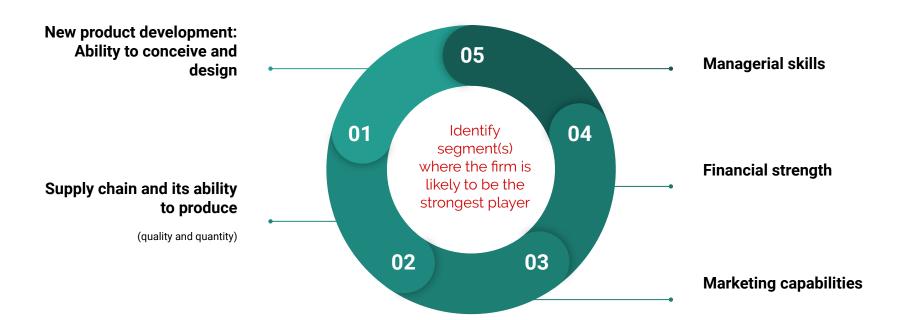
Once the venture understands the structure of customer demand it's time to decide what segments serve and how.

The goal of targeting is to select segments where the company maximizes profits!

The key to market selection is to understanding differentiation→ involves collecting and comparing data on company and its rivals in 5 areas



2. From Segmentation to Targeting





3. Positioning



What is the first idea/image that comes into your mind when you see these images?









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3. Positioning

"Truth is irrelevant (...) what really matters is perception because it's individual's truth (...) that's why positioning is the key"

"Positioning is the first body of though to come to grips (...) and is about how you differentiate in prospect's mind (how we -our products- are perceived)"

Ries & Trout, 2001









3. Positioning

A good positioning statement answers 3 questions:

- 1. Who are the customers?
- 2. What is the set of needs that this products fulfills or the problem it solves?
- 3. Why is this product the best option to satisfy those needs/solve these problems?

A good positioning statement highlights the *difference* between the BRAND and its competitors



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Positioning Statement



Adapted by prof. Antonio González Ph.D. from Chernev, A. (2014). Strategic marketing management. Chicago: Cerebellum Press.



3. Positioning: addressing positioning statement

1. 3 Elements of Positioning Statement

2. 4 Structures of Positioning Statement

3. Examples of Positioning Statements



3. Positioning: addressing positioning statement

3 Elements of

Positioning Statement

1. Target Customer: whom the company will tailor its offerings and key benefit(s) for them, behavioral or demographic profile.

Target Customer also applies to group of users or a set of people facing the same need.

Target Customer is your "target audience". The same offer may required different Positioning Statements when, ie, we are selling to channel partners (wholesalers, retailers, distribution chain, etc)

- 2. Frame of Reference: is the reference point used to define offering that can leverage different frames regarding different market or company conditions:
 - a. Need-based framing, which relates benefits with particular customer need
 - b. User-based framing, which relates with particular type of buyer
 - c. Category-based, (...) through membership in a particular product category
 - d. Competitive and product-line framing

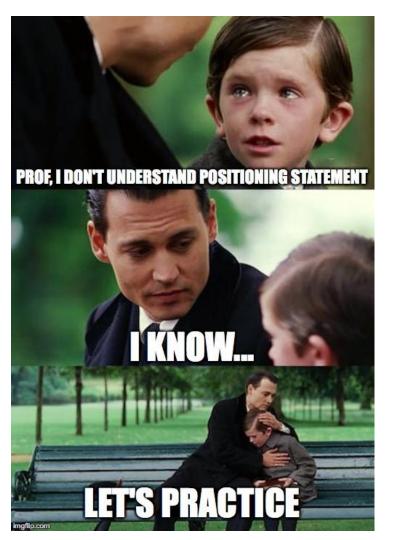
REMEMBER: try to link your offer to one concept in

customer's mind



Reason for Choice: identifying primary reason why customers will consider, buy and use the offering; highlighting key benefit (functional, psychological, monetary...) that creates the difference regarding other options your customer may choose









3. Positioning: addressing positioning statement

4 Structures for Positioning
Statement



For (target customers, group of users/need) who seek (key benefit), (offering) is an excellent (product category) because (justification of the benefit)

2

For (target customers, group of users/need) who seek (key benefit), (offering) is a better (product category) than (competitive offering) because (justification of the benefit)

3

To (target customers, group of users/need), (brand name) is the brand of (frame of reference: product category or competitive offering) that (justification of the benefit) because (reason why)

4

(Offering) is a better choice for (target customers, group of users/need) than (competitive offering) because (justification of the primary reason to choose the offer)



3. Positioning: addressing positioning statement

Positioning Statement

Examples



[Target customers]

To active athletes of all ages and performance levels who love to compete and rely heavily on liquid replenishment to stay at their competitive best,

[Category is the frame of reference in this example]

Gatorade is the brand of thirst-quencher/body replenisher that best satisfies thirst and replenishes you, so you can keep achieving your personal best because

[Reasons to choose]

- (1) it's the only brand endorsed and used by all major US pro sports (NFL, NBA, MLBB) and
- (2) Gatorade's well-known, athletically proven formula

[Target customers]

To shoppers and consumers,

[Frame of reference]

Lay's is the brand of fresh tasting and perfectly crispy chips that shares the moment because

[Reasons to choose]

it has been America's favorite snack for more than 75 years

[Target customers]

For tradesman who uses power tools to make a living,

[Frame of reference]

DeWalt offers dependable professional tools that

[Reasons to choose]

- (1) are engineered to be tough and
- (2) are backed by a guarantee of repair or replacement within 48 hours

Remember:
We r selling
24/7!

Thanks for your attention



