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Market Segmentation

4 segment variables

- Demographic
 - Use demographic segmentation variables to separate people into groups of marketable groups. (Age, gender, family, race, marital status, income)
- Geographic
 - Seperated by region, city, density, climate e.t.c.
 - Believes that people who live in the same area have similar needs and wants.
- Behavioral
 - Benefit Sought or Benefit Segmentation
 - People who are looking for a specific solution or product.
 - Uses usage rate, occasion, loyalty status, and Benefits sought

- Psychographic
 - Personality, values and lifestyle
 - Can project a customers needs and wants the best.

Demographic / Geographic - Low cost, easy to use Behavioural / Psychographic - Harder to use, closer to consumers needs and wants.

Segment profitability - how to determine?

- Segment size In million
- Adoption percentage %
- Purchase behavior %
- Profit margin %
- Fixed cost In million

Profitability = [size * adoption * behavior * margin] - [fixed cost]

Responsive consumer:

- React positively to firms offering
- Move toward the firm's products/services
- Accept the firm's value proposition.

Targeting and Positioning

How do you choose your target market

Based on SWOT analysis

- Assess the attractiveness of the opportunity
- Considers the organization's comptemptness

Targeting strategies

Undifferentiated targeting

- Target as amass market
- Example: iPhone
- Advantages
 - Savings on productions and marketing costs
- Disadvantages
 - Not marketing oriented

More susceptible to competition

Niche marketing

- Single segment
- Example: suit shops
- Advantages
 - Concentrations of resources and Small firms can compete
 - Strong positioning
- Disadvantages
 - Segments too small or could decline
 - Large competitors may enter easily

Differentiate marketing

- Two or more distinct markets
- Example: Gap inc (owns Old navy, gap, and banana republic)
- Advantages
 - Greater financial success
 - Economies of scale
- Disadvantages
 - High marketing costs
 - Cannibalization concerns Lose consumers to own brand

Micro-marketing

- Target each customer
 - 1:1 marketing
 - Example: Custom m&m's with custom messages
 - Advantages
 - Strong positioning
 - Consumers are happy
 - Disadvantages
 - Costs too much for either marketers or consumers

Head to Head marketing:

Differentiation:

- What you do to the product or service to make it different from the competitor

Position steps

- 1. Determine consumers perception and evaluations in relation to competitors
- 2. Identity competitors positions
- 3. Determine consumer preferences
- 4. Select the position
- 5. Monitor the position.

Create a perceptual map:

- A graphical representation of the consumers perceptions of our brand versus our competitors
- Typically price vs rating

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Segment your market [Step 1-2]

Target the market [Step 3-4]

Position your product [Step 5]

Step 1.

- Establish overall strategy or objectives
- Consistent with mission statement

Step 2.

- Select how to segment your market (4 market basis [Geo, Demo, Psycho, Behav]

Step 3.

- Evaluate attractiveness
 - identifiable
 - Reachable
 - Substantial
 - responsive.

Step 4.

Select the target market segment

Step 5.

- Identify and develop position strategies
- Position markets
 - Value
 - Attributes
 - Benefits & symbol
 - Competition
 - Market leadership

Midterm Info (25%):

- CH 1.4 and 6
- Skip chapter 5
- 75 minutes

First part is short answer

- 3 Questions, [E.g. "What is marketing", "what is segmentation"]
- Use your own answer

Second part is case

- 2 stories
- Both stories will have 3-4 questions
- If you want to get used to it:
 - Go to end of chapter, case analysis questions