

Learning Objectives

- 1 Related Concepts: STP
- 2 Segmentation Levels, Basis and Preferences
- Target Market Criteria and Patterns
- Positioning Definition, Behavioral Foundations, Strategies
- **Managerial Decisions**

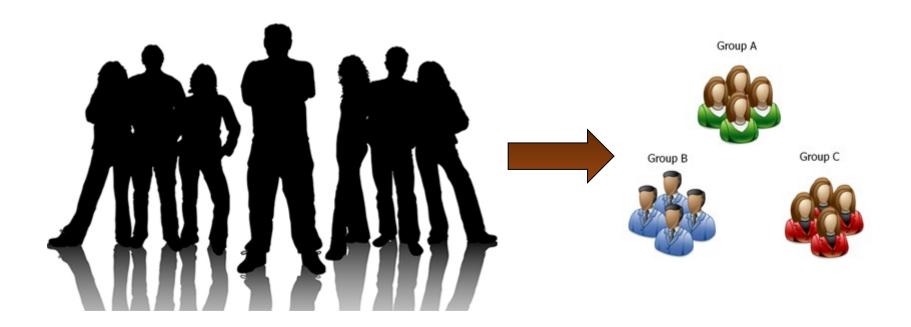
Death of Mass Marketing!!!

- No longer can one say "You can have any colour as long as it is black"
- No longer Coca-Cola can have only 6.5 ounce bottles
- No more mass marketing Need to follow a "horses for courses" policy
- STP Marketing is the name of the game
- Mass marketing is dying and companies are moving to MICROMARKETING

Levels of Market Segmentation

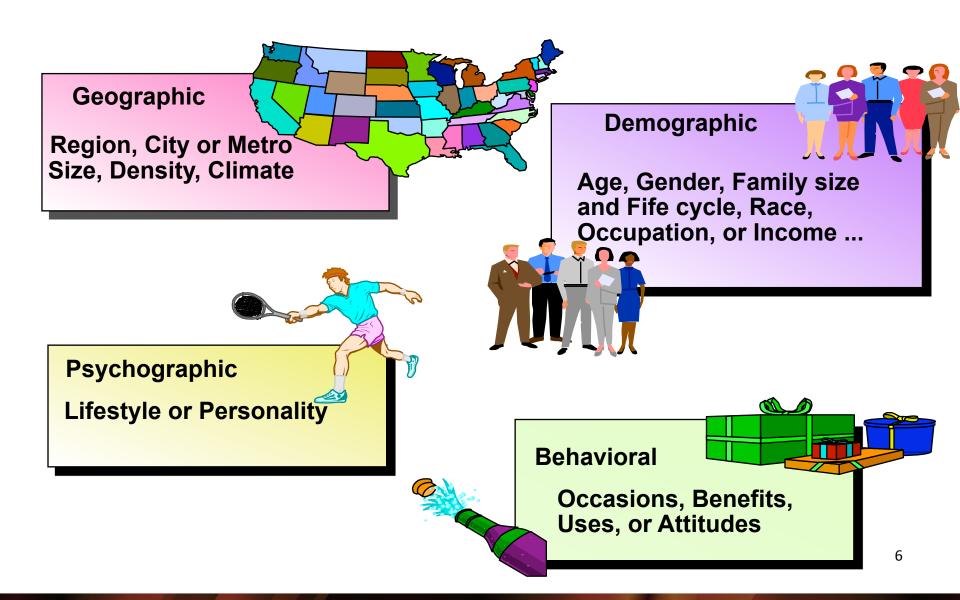


Segmentation



- Taking a heterogeneous mass market and breaking it into smaller, more homogeneous groups (segments)
- Group of customers who share a similar set of needs and wants

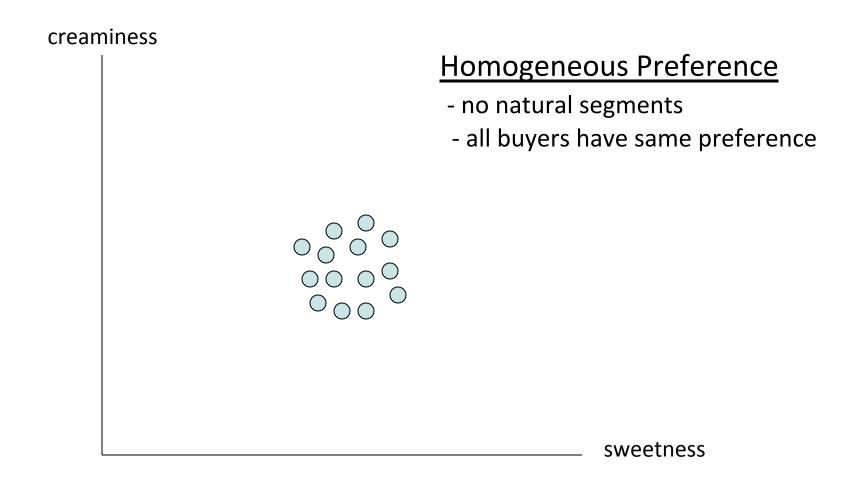
Bases for Segmenting Consumer Markets



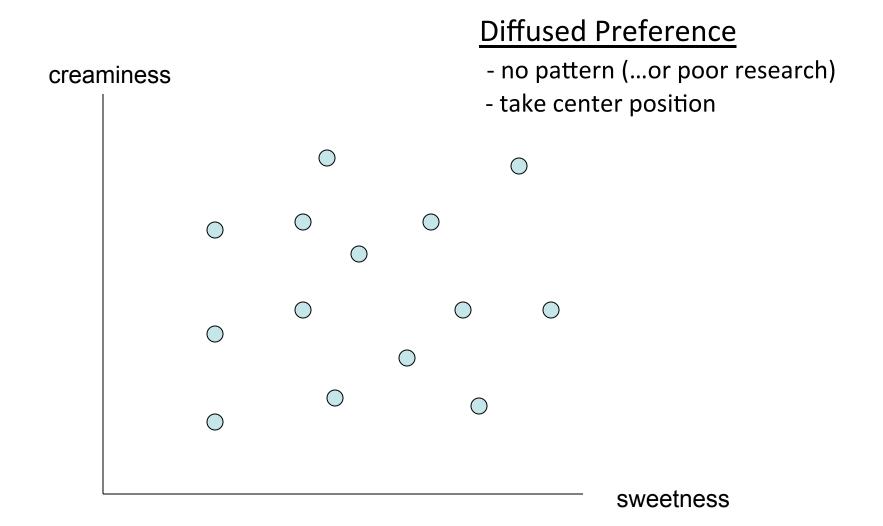
Segment Marketing

- Identify and Understand the Preferences
 - Ice creams©
 - Homogeneous / Diffused/ Clustered

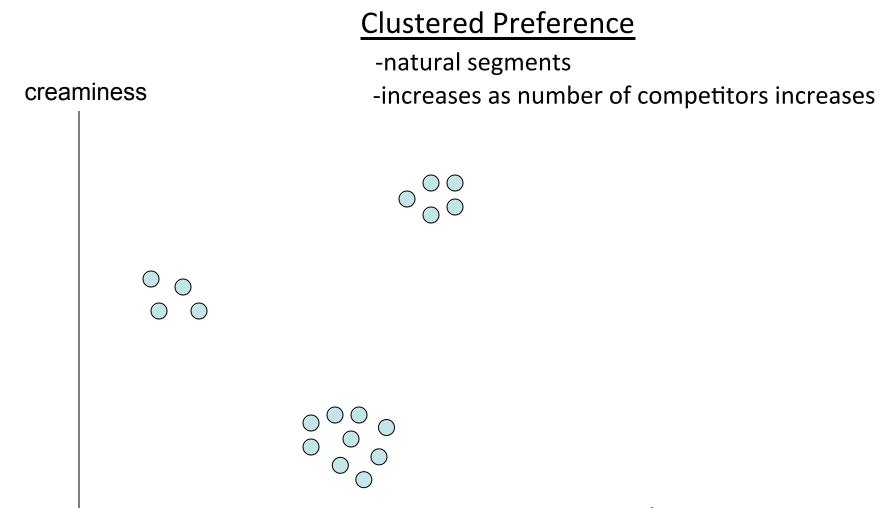
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Niche Marketing

- Niche = Segments divided into Sub-segments
- A more narrowly defined customer group seeking a distinctive mix of benefits
- Niche Characteristics???
 - Customers seek a distinct set of benefits
 - Ready to pay a premium
 - Unlike segments, not likely to attract many competitors
 - Gain certain economies of scale through specialization
 - Have size, profit and growth potential
- Examples???

Local Marketing & Customerization

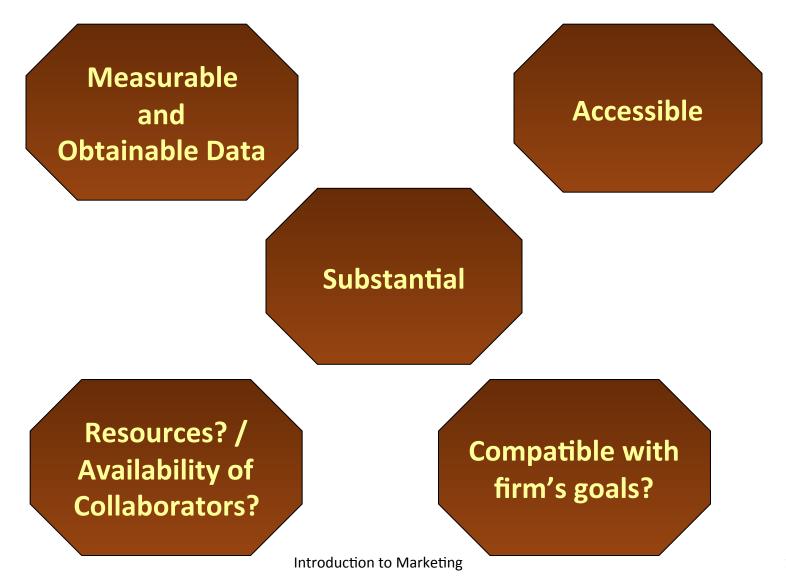
- Local / Grassroots marketing E.g. Nike's initial success?
- Customerization
 - "Segments of One"/Customized Marketing/One-to-one Marketing

Now what???

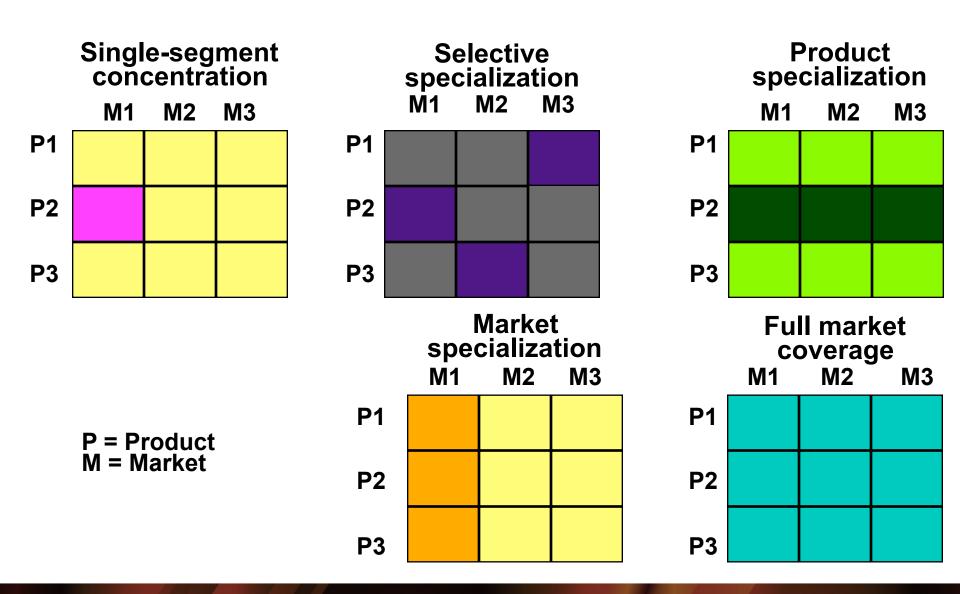
- Why Segmentation?
 - No marketer can serve all the segments profitably
- Having segmented the market which one to choose?

Targeting is the actual selection of the segment you want to serve

Target Market Selection Criteria



Five Patterns of Target Market Selection



Market???

- 'Market' is in the minds of the consumers. If you don't exist in the mind of the consumer, you don't exist in the market ☺
- What you do to the minds of the consumers?
 - Yoghurt Dessert/Snack/Meal in itself

Positioning

- Creating an Image/Identity in the minds of the target market
- Positioning is the battle for a place in the consumer's mind...
 - Al Ries and Jack Trout

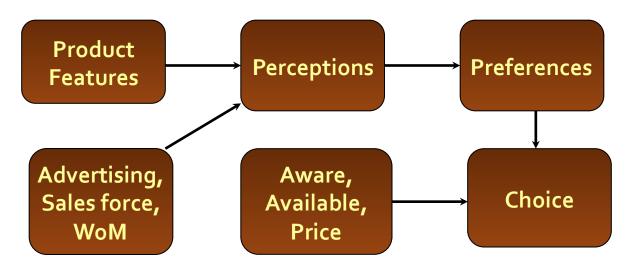
"Pick a vacant slot and sit on it"

Positioning - Comprehensive Definition

- The 'position' of a brand is its perception among target customers
- This perception reflects the essence of the brand
 - Functional and non-functional benefits
- In relation to the perceptions about the competitors

Behavioral Foundations of Positioning

1. Perceptions



Brunswick's "Lens" Model

Behavioral Foundations of Positioning

- 2. Classical Conditioning Theories of Stimulus Categorization
 - E.g. Maruti Van
 - Launched in 1983: 13,583 bookings were made
 - 1984-85: Demand went up to 1,22,330
 - 1986-87: Large cancellations (As many as 90,000)
 - Unclear positioning
 - Van ??? !? Light commercial vehicle?
 - 1987 Brand Personification Test

Behavioral Foundations of Positioning

- 3. Importance of Image and Symbolism
 - E.g. Maruti Van Larger Cat
 - Own an Image (Brand DNA)
 - Reposition to Omni 'The most spacious car on the road'
 - All in one car
 - Sales went up by 15.8% by December 1988



Positioning Strategy

Positioning is the pursuit of differential advantage.

- Four Strategic Questions:
 - Who am I?
 - What am !?
 - For Whom am I?
 - Why Me?

Product Positioning Strategies

Positioning by Corporate Identity



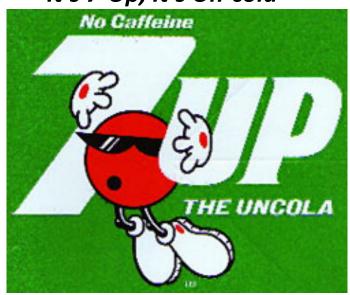
- Positioning by Brand Endorsements
 - Dove



- Category-Related Positioning
 - Sugar Free
- Positioning by Distinct Benefits
 - Moov
- Positioning by Usage Occasion and Time
 - Cadbury's Celebrations
 - Nescafe Great Start to the Morning

- Positioning by Product Class Association
- Positioning by Product Class Disassociation

It's 7-Up, It's Un-cola



Citibank's Unfixed Deposit

	Return (+)
* Bank Fixed	*
Deposit	Citibank's Unfixed
	Deposit
Liquidity (-)	Liquidity (+)
	Return (-)

- Positioning by User Category
 - Pepsi for the Young Generation
- Positioning by Cultural Symbols
 - Marlboro Cigarettes
- Positioning by Price
 - Big Bazaar

Positioning by Competitor



Travails of Positioning

- Similar Positioning (Me-too): Favvy Noodles
- Marketing Myopia: Burnol
- Positioning that was unfavorable:
 - Raymond's Double Barrels (The Park Avenue Collection)

Managerial Decisions

- 1. Creating a Dimension
 - It is also what you do to the product, not just the mind
 - Job-related Positioning
- 2. Dynamics (Repositioning)



Food for Sick

Against Horlicks

For Family

For Growing Children

3. Matching Segments and Positioning

Conclusion

- Temptation to think tactically
 - Position toward the average customer
 - Serve the most common customer needs
- More effective to think strategically
 - Find your strength in terms of <u>benefits</u>
 - Differentiate or Die
 - Unique
 - Meaningful
 - Believable Advantages