GA Project #2: lowa Liquor Database

Marketing Campaign Strategy

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Objective

- To determine marketing budget allocation by utilizing consumer purchasing data from the lowa Liquor database.
- Make specific recommendations based on whether to allocate funds for growth opportunity in small to mid-sized liquor stores or to consider dealing with brands or types of liquor that already have large market shares in lowa.

About the Iowa Liquor Database

Obtained from https://data.iowa.gov/Economy/lowa-Liquor-Sales/m3tr-qhgy

- Spirits purchase information in Iowa
 - From Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Commision (Commerce)
- For stores with Class E liquor licensing
 - o Convenience stores, grocery stores, and liquor stores
- Overall dataset contains data from January 1, 2012 to present
- Last updated on October 1, 2018
 - Data updated monthly

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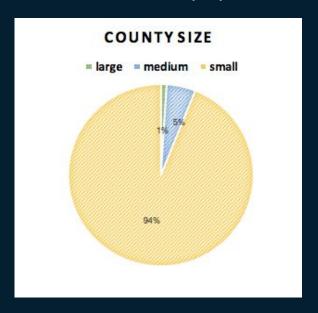
Each row

is an individual product purchase

lowa Liquor Database Summary

Counties Table

- > 99 counties
- > 3,046,352 in total population



Products Table

- > 271 distinct vendors
- > 69 liquor categories
- 973.75 ml in average bottle volume
- > \$111. 43 in average case cost
- > \$27.76 in average shelf price

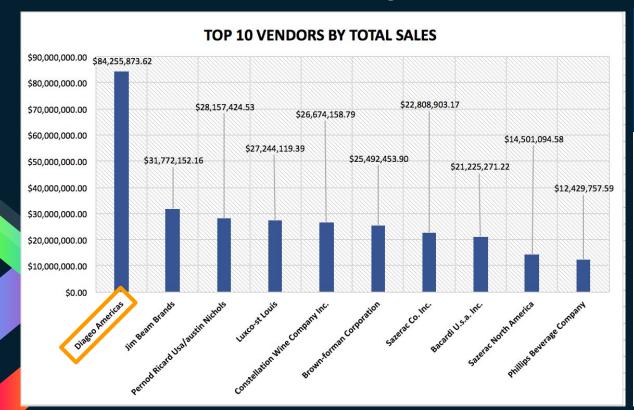
Sales Table

- > \$392,293,023.61 in total sales
- > \$14.35 in average bottle price
- > 68 distinct liquor categories

Stores Table

- > 1863 distinct stores
- > 1425 active stores and 548 inactive stores

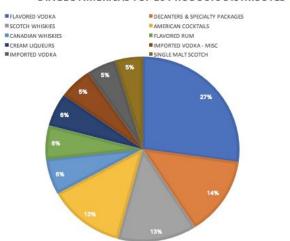
Top 10 Vendors By Total Sales Revenue



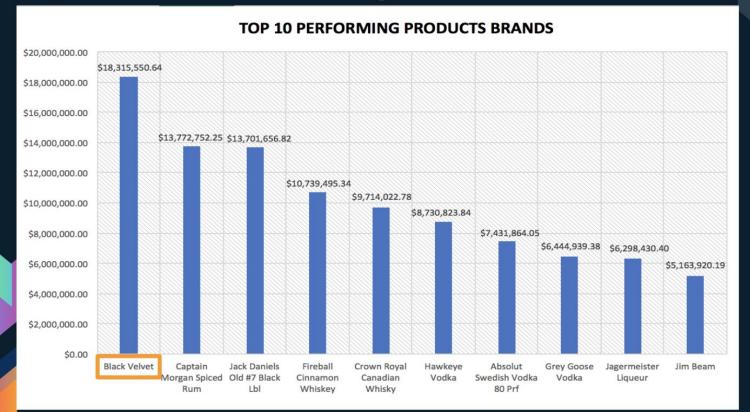
DIAGEO AMERICAS

- Average bottle price sold: \$18.16
- Average case cost: \$135.83
- 27% of products distributed (majority) is Flavored Vodka

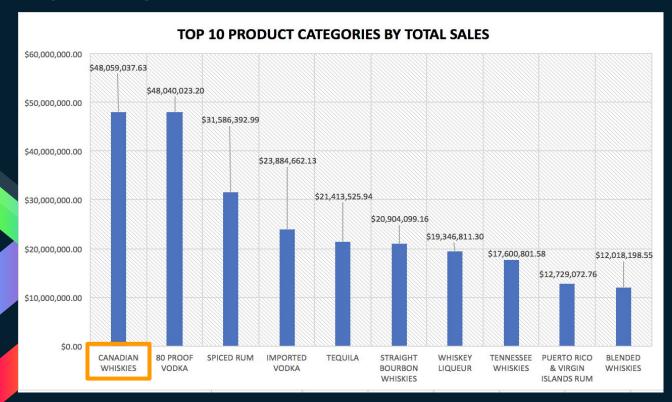




Top 10 Best Selling Product Brands



Top 10 Selling Product Categories By Total Sales Revenue

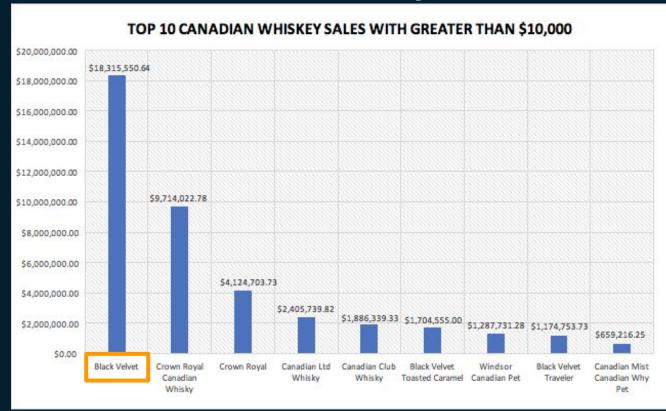


CANADIAN WHISKEY

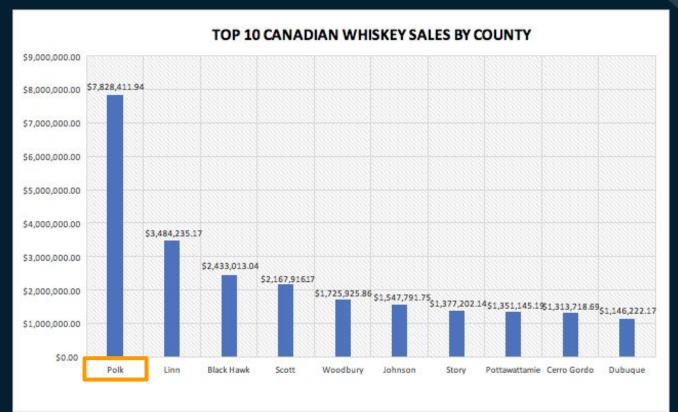


- 81 Canadian Whiskey products with Case Cost > \$100
- 261 Canadian Whiskey products
- Max Bottle Price: \$73.12
- Min Bottle Price: \$0.38

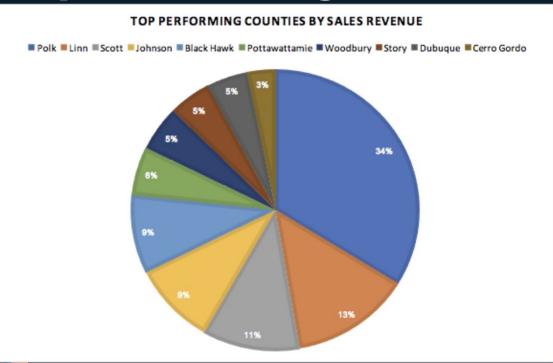
Top 10 Canadian Whisky Product Sales



Top 10 Canadian Whiskey Sales By County



Top Performing Counties



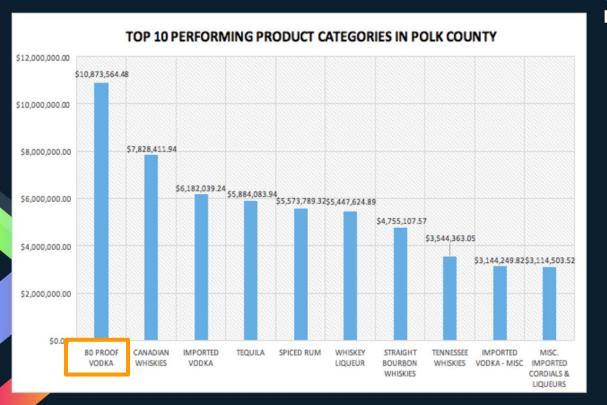
Polk County

- **Population:** 430,640
 - Also the highest population among other counties
- Total sales revenue generated: \$86,397,461.79
 - Contributes to over 22% of liquor sales in lowa
- Total Stores in Polk County: 194



Top Performing County: Polk County

Product Categories & Product Brands



TOP 3 BEST SELLING PRODUCT BRANDS IN POLK COUNTY



Fireball Cinnamon Whiskey \$3,459,838.72



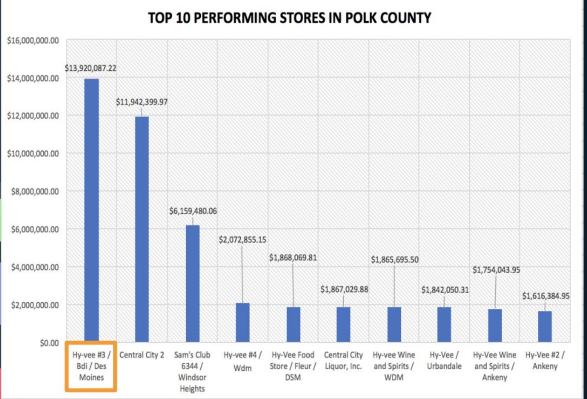
Jack Daniels Old #7 Black Label \$2,747,140.41



Captain Morgan Spiced Rum \$2,664,013.60

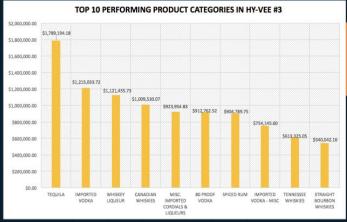
Top Performing County: Polk County

Stores & Product Categories in Top Performing Store



HY-VEE #3/BDI/DES MOINES

- Generated \$13,920,087.22 in total sales revenue
 - Captures over 16.11% of total sales in Polk County
- What product categories generated the highest total revenues for the store?



Top Performing Stores

Top 10 Performing Stores by **Total Sales Revenue**

STORE NAME	TOTAL REVENUE
Hy-vee #3 / Bdi / Des Moines	\$13,920,087.22
Central City 2	\$11,942,399.97
Sam's Club 6344 / Windsor Heights	\$6,159,480.06
Sam's Club 8162 / Cedar Rapids	\$5,734,721.57
Hy-vee Wine and Spirits / Iowa City	\$5,665,143.70
Costco Wholesale #788	\$4,907,465.88
Lot-a-spirits	\$4,289,169.59
Sam's Club 8238 / Davenport	\$3,308,625.56
Hy-Vee Wine and Spirits #2	\$3,169,984.14
Benz Distributing	\$3,129,506.57

Top Product Brand Sold At Hy-vee #3 By **Total Sales Revenue**



Fireball Cinnamon Whiskey \$957,519.36

Top 10 Stores with Average Bottle
Price Greater Than \$20



Marketing Recommendations

Based on total sales revenue generated

- PRODUCTS:
 - o **PRODUCT CATEGORIES:** Focus on Canadian Whiskies, 80 Proof Vodka, or Spiced Rum
 - PRODUCT BRAND: Focus on Black Velvet, Captain Morgan Spiced Rum, Jack Daniels Old #7 Black Label
- COUNTIES & STORES:
 - Polk County (large counties)
 - Focus on 80 Proof Vodka, Canadian Whiskies, or Imported Vodka
 - Work with stores including Hy-vee #3, Central City 2, Sam's Club 6344
 - Stores such as Grand Falls Casino Resort, Vom Fass, and Hard Rock Hotel & Casino
 - High average bottle prices

VENDORS

- Diageo Americas
 - Products generates over \$84M in total sales revenue
 - Mostly Flavored Vodkas, Decanters & Specialty Packages, and Scotch Whiskies

Data Limitations and Future Analysis

- Ignored null values in the dataset
 - E.g Convenience store column only had null values
- Data included only from 2014-2015
 - Consider including data from a wider range of dates to enhance the validity of consumer behavior and final recommendations
- No information about consumer's attributes included
 - E.g Information about age, gender, and/or other psychographics
 - May important to make more specific decisions about which segments to target, how to alter marketing mix, optimize costs, and determine the marketing channels to use
 - Look at what is happening in the market
 - Sales of other beverages: sodas, beers, wine
 - Other store types: breweries, restaurants, etc
- Track future changes marketing investment
 - Are we improving? Are we getting our return on marketing investment?