

# **Marketing Insights for Kraft Mayo:**

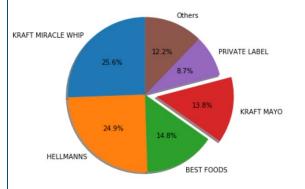
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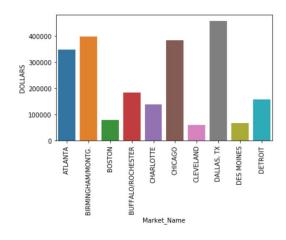


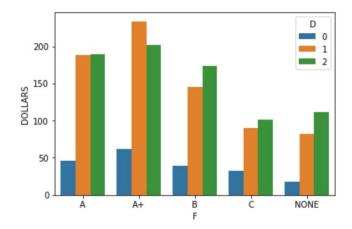
# **Exploratory Data Analysis of Kraft Mayo:**



The Pie chart represents market share of top 6 brands. From the pie chart its evident that Kraft miracle whip (25.6%) has the highest market share followed by Hellmann's with 24.9%. We have chosen Kraft Mayo as our brand to suggest some recommendations which will improve sales for the brand.

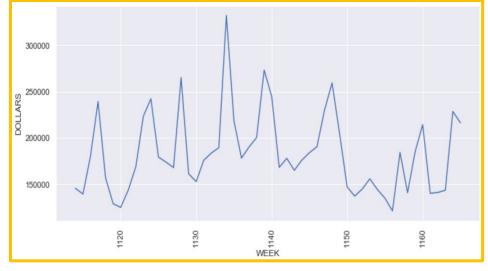
Dallas is the top Market for Kraft Mayo in terms of revenue followed by Birmingham and Chicago. It has good presence in all regions of US Market which could be put into use to improve sales uniformly throughout the States.





From the bar graph for Kraft Mayo, we can see the dollar sales value when we have both display and Feature. The maximum sales occurred when we have a rebate and retailer coupon feature along with Minor Display. In the overall feature and display interaction having a major display along with large ad featuring is giving out more dollar sales value compared to any other possible interaction.

The Line graph shows the weekly dollar sales of Kraft Mayo over the observed period. The maximum revenue was generated between the Weeks 1134 and the lowest in week number 1156.



# 1. Analysis on effect of Price, Featuring & Display on sales of overall Mayo and Kraft Mayo:

**About the data**: We have data on weekly sales of different mayonnaise UPC's at different stores for a year. The data is basically panel data with each store as different panel.

### Panel Data Regression on Overall Mayo Sales:

To figure out the effect of price, featuring and display on dollar sales of Mayonnaise as a whole, we ran Panel data Fixed effects & random effects regression with each store as a different panel and select fixed effects after conducting Hausman test.

Since we have sales data at UPC level for every week at different stores, we had to calculate the average price per unit volume, average featuring & average display for the whole mayo sales in every week at different store. To find these average values we used the weighted average method with each UPC weekly sale weighted at the weight of each UPC yearly sales on all the UPC's yearly sales in specific stores.

The Model output can be found below.

Model Log\_Total\_Dollars = Avg\_Price\_Per\_Unit\_Vol Avg\_F\_A

Avg\_F\_A\_Plus Avg\_F\_B Avg\_F\_C Avg\_D\_1 Avg\_D\_2

Price\_Inter\_F\_A Price\_Inter\_F\_A\_Plus Price\_Inter\_F\_B

Price\_Inter\_F\_C

In this output,

Avg\_F\_A = Avg large size ad

Avg F B = Avg medium size ad

Avg F C = Avg small ad, usually 1 line of text

Avg F A Plus = Avg retailer coupon or rebate

Avg D1 = Display - MINOR

Avg D2 = Display - MAJOR

Price Inter F A, Price Inter F A Plus, Price Inter F B,

Price\_Inter\_F\_C = price interacted with different levels of advertising.

The Insights we get from this model output are:

- 1) As we reduce the Price, sales will increase.
- 2) Featuring has a significant boost on Sales and different levels of featuring has different effect.
  - On an average, Dollar sale with Large Ad are 63% higher compared with no Ad.
  - On an average, Dollar sale with Medium Ad are 49% higher compared with no Ad.
  - On an average, Dollar sale with Small Ad are 30% higher compared with no Ad.
  - On an average sale with retailer coupon or rebate are 60% higher compared with no Ad.



- 3) Display's also boost the sales significantly.
  - a) On an average, Dollar sale with Minor Display are 42% higher compared with no Display.
  - b) On an average, Dollar sale with Major Display are 64.9% higher compared with no Display.
- 4) There are interaction effects between price and different levels of advertisements.
  - a) On an average Dollar sale increases by 4% when the price per unit volume is decreased by \$1 and there is no Advertising.
  - b) On an average Dollar sale increases by 98% when the price per unit volume is decreased by \$1 and there is a Large Ad.
  - c) On an average Dollar sale increases by 98% when the price per unit volume is decreased by \$1 and there is a Medium Ad.
  - d) On an average Dollar sale increases by 32% when the price per unit volume is decreased by \$1 and there is a Small Ad.
  - e) On an average Dollar sale increases by 54% when the price per unit volume is decreased by \$1 and there is a retailer coupon or rebate.

From the above Insights we can conclude that having Featuring and Display helps in increasing sales and if there is planning for price reduction, then giving medium size ad helps in getting the maximum benefit for low price of advertising.

### **Panel Data Regression on Kraft Mayo Sales:**

To figure out the effect of price, featuring and display on dollar sales of Kraft Mayo we ran Panel data Fixed effects regression with each store as a different panel.

To calculate the average price per unit volume, Average Featuring & Average Display for the Kraft mayo sales in every week at different store we used the weighted average method used while we calculated for overall mayo sales.

We ran both the Fixed effects and random effects model and from Hausman test results we concluded that Fixed effects model is better.

## The Insights we get from this model output are:

- 1) As we reduce the Price, sales will increase.
- 2) Featuring helps boost Sales.
  - On an average Dollar sale with Large Ad are 40% higher compared with no Ad.
  - On an average Dollar sale with Medium Ad are 38% higher compared with no Ad.
  - On an average Dollar sale with Small Ad are 41% higher compared with no Ad.
  - On an average Dollar sale with retailer coupon or rebate are 95% higher compared with no Ad sales.
- 3) Display's also boost the sales significantly.
  - On an average Dollar sale with Minor Display are 50% higher compared with no Display.



- On an average Dollar sale with Major Display are 73.2% higher compared with no Display.
- 4) There are interaction effects between price and different levels of advertisements.
  - On an average Dollar sale increases by 71% when the price per unit volume is decreased by \$1 and there is no Advertising.
  - On an average Dollar sale increases by 109% when the price per unit volume is decreased by \$1 and there is a Large Ad.
  - On an average Dollar sale increases by 102% when the price per unit volume is decreased by \$1 and there is a Medium Ad.
  - On an average Dollar sale increases by 102% when the price per unit volume is decreased by \$1 and there is a Small Ad.
  - On an average Dollar sale increases by 12% when the price per unit volume is decreased by \$1 and there is a retailer coupon or rebate.

#### From the above Insights we can conclude that

- 1) Retailer coupon or rebates provide higher boost of Dollar sales compared with all other advertising when there is no price reduction, so this method of advertising is best.
- 2) Large Ad, Medium Ad & Small Ad boost of Dollars sales are similar when there is no price reduction so we should go with Small Ad as it is more cost effective.
- 3) Major Displays gives higher boost in sales.
- 4) When we are planning to decrease the price to boost sales then placing Large Advertisements help getting maximum boost of Dollar Sales. We should not go with retailer coupon or rebate when decreasing the price because this way of advertising nullifies the effect of price reduction giving least benefit.

# **Effect of other competing brand Price, Featuring & Display on Kraft Mayo Sales:**

To check the effect of competing brands price, featuring and Display on our brand, we filtered out the retail store sales of top 4 selling UPC from Kraft Mayo, HELLMANNS, KRAFT MIRACLE WHIP & PRIVATE LABEL. These UPC's account for almost 50% of sales in their respective brands. We ran panel data models on these data to figure out the required effects.

## Panel Data Regression to Know the effect of competitors price:

model Log\_KM\_DOLLARS = KM\_Price\_Per\_Unit\_Vol KM\_F KM\_D KMW\_Price\_Per\_Unit\_Vol

HELL\_Price\_Per\_Unit\_Vol PL\_Price\_Per\_Unit\_Vol

The abbreviations are given below for reference:

KM = Kraft Mayo

KMW = Kraft Whip Mayo

PL = Private Label

Hell = Hellmanns

Parameter Estimates												
Variable DF Estimate Standard Error t Value Pr >  t  Label												
Intercept	1	4.583292	0.1069	42.88	<.0001	Intercep						
KM_Price_Per_Unit_Vol	1	-0.31341	0.0230	-13.62	<.0001							
KM_F	1	0.622567	0.0120	51.76	<.0001							
KM_D	1	0.487086	0.00899	54.21	<.0001							
KMW_Price_Per_Unit_Vol	1	-0.28847	0.0172	-16.75	<.0001							
HELL_Price_Per_Unit_Vol	1	0.349977	0.0162	21.63	<.0001							
PL_Price_Per_Unit_Vol	1	-0.01903	0.0201	-0.95	0.3427							

## The Insights we get from this model output are:

- 1) When Hellmann's reduce their price by \$1 our sales decreases by 35% approximately. This effect is very high. To reduce our loss, we should reduce our price too during that time.
- 2) There is no effect on Kraft Mayo due to price changes from Private Label.

# Panel Data Regression to Know the effect of competitors Featuring and Display:

model Log\_KM\_DOLLARS = KM\_PR KM\_F KM\_D Competitors\_F Competitors\_D Competitors\_PR KM\_F\_Inter\_Competitors\_F KM\_D\_Inter\_Competitors\_D KM\_PR\_Inter\_Competitors\_PR

Competitors Display, featuring = 1 if any of Hellmann's, Private label has display or any featuring.

The Insights we get from this model output are:

- 1) When Competitors Features any advertisement Kraft sales go down by 12% on average compared to when there is no competition.
- 2) When Competitors Has Display, Kraft sales go down by 6% on average compared to when there is no competition.
- 3) There is interaction effect between Kraft Mayo display and Competitors display. When Both Kraft

Parameter Estimates										
Variable	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	t Value	Pr >  t	Label				
Intercept	1	4.282534	0.0976	43.89	<.0001	Intercept				
KM_F	1	0.849533	0.00935	90.87	<.0001					
KM_D	1	0.542602	0.0101	53.66	<.0001					
Competitors_F	1	-0.12087	0.00798	-15.16	<.0001					
Competitors_D	1	-0.06191	0.00914	-6.77	<.0001					
KM_F_Inter_Competitors_F	1	0.021301	0.0241	0.88	0.3777					
KM_D_Inter_Competitors_D	1	-0.06664	0.0190	-3.50	0.0005					

Mayo and competitors both have a display, the sales of Kraft go down by 6% more than when there is only competitors feature. From these results we can conclude that Kraft Mayo to get full benefit from featuring and display, they should do it when competitors are not doing featuring and display. To combat the reduction in sales due to competitors Featuring and Display we should be doing featuring and display.

# Recommendation for Kraft Mayo from the Analysis of Price, Display & Featuring:

- Kraft Mayo should be doing Featuring and Display's frequently to boost their sales. While doing Featuring and Display they should follow the below quide lines.
  - 1) Retailer Coupon or rebates provide higher boost of Dollar sales compared with all other advertising when there is no price reduction, so this method of featuring is best when there is no price reduction.
  - 2) Larger Ad, Medium Ad & Small Ad effect have same magnitude of effect on Dollars sales when there is no price reduction so we should go with Small Ad as it is more cost effective.
  - 3) Major Displays should be used as they give higher boost in sales.
  - 4) When we are planning to decrease the price to boost sales then placing Large Advertisements help getting maximum boost on Dollar Sales. We should not go with retailer coupon or rebate when decreasing the price because this way of advertising nullifies the effect of price reduction giving least benefit.
  - 5) Kraft Mayo to get full benefit from featuring and Display we should do it when competitors are not doing featuring and display.
  - 6) To Combat the reduction in sales due to competitors Featuring and Display we should be doing featuring and display at the same time.
- When Competitor brand Hellmann's reduce their price Kraft sales get effected by 34% approximately. To reduce our loss, we should reduce our price too during that time and do featuring to combat that effect.

## 2. Analysis on effect of customer demographics on Brand Choice:

To check how demographic variables such as household income, Age, education, number of kids, number of cats and dogs effect brand choice we ran Conditional logit on all the household purchase history data of top 4 brands (Kraft Mayo, Kraft Miracle Whip, Hellmann's, Private Label).

The output of Conditional Logit with Kraft Mayo as Base brand(Brand-1), Brand-2 as Kraft Miracle Whip, Brand – 3 as Hellmanns, Brand – 4 as Private Label can be found below.

Parameter Estimates								
Parameter	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	t Value	Approx Pr >  t			
Income2	1	-0.002637	0.0124	-0.21	0.8313			
Income3	1	-0.007455	0.0123	-0.60	0.5456			
Income4	1	-0.1208	0.0144	-8.39	<.0001			
Family_Size2	1	-0.1319	0.0319	-4.13	<.0001			
Family_Size3	1	-0.0911	0.0317	-2.88	0.0040			
Family_Size4	1	-0.0864	0.0375	-2.30	0.0214			
HH_AGE2	1	0.009839	0.0338	0.29	0.7708			
HH_AGE3	1	0.007475	0.0337	0.22	0.8243			
HH_AGE4	1	-0.2295	0.0389	-5.90	<.0001			
HH_EDU2	1	-0.0584	0.0233	-2.51	0.0122			
HH_EDU3	1	-0.0871	0.0233	-3.74	0.0002			
HH_EDU4	1	-0.1050	0.0282	-3.73	0.0002			
No_Dogs2	1	-0.0308	0.0429	-0.72	0.4727			
No_Dogs3	1	0.0423	0.0425	1.00	0.3192			
No_Dogs4	1	0.1559	0.0492	3.17	0.0015			

No_Cats2	1	-0.0176	0.0356	-0.50	0.6205
No_Cats3	1	0.0475	0.0352	1.35	0.1767
No_Cats4	1	0.0349	0.0414	0.84	0.3984
No_TVs2	1	-0.0330	0.0219	-1.51	0.1309
No_TVs3	1	-0.0646	0.0218	-2.96	0.0031
No_TVs4	1	-0.0320	0.0262	-1.22	0.2212
Kids_below_6_2	1	0.1129	0.1666	0.68	0.4979
Kids_below_6_3	1	-0.0911	0.1667	-0.55	0.5848
Kids_below_6_4	1	0.0347	0.1906	0.18	0.8554
childeren_6_11_2	1	0.3531	0.1169	3.02	0.0025
childeren_6_11_3	1	0.5036	0.1155	4.36	<.0001
childeren_6_11_4	1	0.3319	0.1325	2.50	0.0123
childeren_12_17_2	1	-0.004111	0.0964	-0.04	0.9660
childeren_12_17_3	1	0.0528	0.0955	0.55	0.5801
childeren_12_17_4	1	0.1279	0.1116	1.15	0.2520
intercept2	1	2.4942	0.2384	10.46	<.0001
intercept3	1	2.6234	0.2376	11.04	<.0001
intercept4	1	3.0224	0.2741	11.03	<.0001

## From the above output, we can conclude that

- With increase in income of household there is no much difference in brand choice of 1,2 or 1,3 but between brand 4 and brand 1, with increase in income people tend to choose brand 1(kraft Mayo) over brand 4(Private Label).
- With Family size seeing all coefficients negative we can say with increase in family size there is a pattern of choosing our Kraft Mayo over other brands.
- Age also follows the same pattern as of income, no significant difference in brand choice between 1,2
  or 1,3 with age but increase in age decreases the loyalty towards brand 4 with respect to brand 1(Kraft
  Mayo)
- With increase in Education of household, we can say the choice of household choosing our Kraft Mayo over their brand is increasing.
- Number of dogs is not significant between brand choice of 1,2 or 1,3 but in case of brand choice between 1,4 with increase in number of dogs the probability of them choosing brand 4 is increases.
- Number of cats in a household has no effect over the brand decision.
- Households with kids below 6 and households between 12-17 have no effect on brand choice.

• But For Number of children between 6-11, increase in the number increases the probability of household choosing that brand with respect to our Kraft mayo.

## Recommendations from Analysis of Household Data on brand choice:

For the households between 6-11, they are choosing other brands compared to ours, we must spend more targeted ads to those households. And households with kids age between 12-17 are not caring about the brands, so we can reach out to those households and can turn them into our loyal customers.

# 3. Analysis of how purchasing frequency of mayonaisse varies based on customer demographics using survival analysis (Lifetest and Phreg):

### **Survival Analysis – Lifetest:**

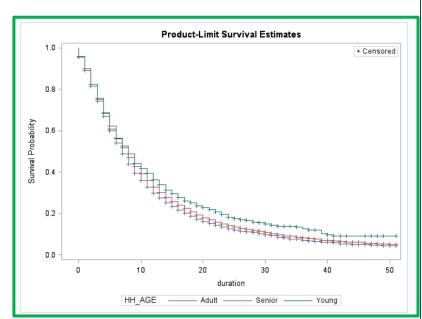
- Additional variables were created such as start (week of purchase), end (week of next purchase or that week itself if it's last transaction), duration (end-start), censor (1 = the last transaction of every panid, else 0).
- The following categories were regrouped
  - Income: Low=0-44,999, Medium=45,000-74,999, High=75,000+
  - Family size: Small=1-2, Medium=3-4, Large=5+
  - HH\_Age: Young=18-34, Adult=35-54, Senior= 55+
- Shortlisted 12 variables on the dataset and they are as follows: PANID, L5, censor, Income, Family\_size, HH\_Race, HH\_Age, HH\_EDU, HH\_OCC, F, D, PR, duration, total\_ounces

## **Model Interpretation**

1. Life test was conducted on the dataset with HH\_Age as strata, time variable as duration and censoring variable as censor. There are 3 groups in this HH\_Age variable; Young=18-34, Adult=35-54, Senior= 55+

Test of Equality over Strata								
Test	Chi-Square	DF	Pr > Chi-Square					
Log-Rank	29.0695	2	<.0001					
Wilcoxon	19.3992	2	<.0001					
-2Log(LR)	32.9992	2	<.0001					

Both Log-Rank (p-value < 0.0001) and Wilcoxon (p-value < 0.0001) confirms that there is significant difference between the strata groups considered for the analysis. We see that survival probability for the Adult and Senior population is less indicating that their frequency of buying

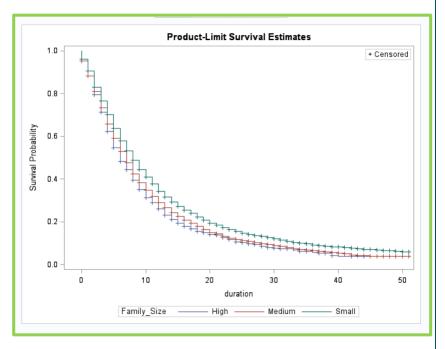


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2. Life test was conducted on the dataset with Family\_size as strata, time variable as duration and censoring variable as churn. There are three groups in this Family\_size variable; Small: 1-2 people, Medium: 3-4 people, Large: 5+ people

Test of Equality over Strata								
Test	Chi-Square	DF	Pr > Chi-Square					
Log-Rank	118.4778	2	<.0001					
Wilcoxon	107.9061	2	<.0001					
-2Log(LR)	131.7447	2	<.0001					

Both Log-Rank (p-value < .0001) and Wilcoxon (p-value < 0.0001) confirms that there is significant difference between the strata groups considered for the analysis. We see that Medium and High family size population have a lower survival probability indicating that their frequency of buying mayonaise is higher than the small family size population.



## **Survival Analysis – PHREG:**

We have used Proportional Hazard as part of Survival Analysis to determine the importance of covariates and the impact of each of the features on hazard of coming back to buy frequently. We have modeled for the censor variable (1) for each other panelists.

We have obtained the following results:

Model Fit Statistics								
Criterion	Without Covariates	With Covariates						
-2 LOG L	280838.76	280606.76						
AIC	280838.76	280634.76						
SBC	280838.76	280741.74						

Type 3 Tests							
Effect	DF	DF Wald Chi-Square Pr > Cl					
Income	2	9.6540	0.0080				
Family_Size	2	101.2388	<.0001				
HH_RACE	1	2.0451	0.1527				
HH_AGE	2	20.9850	<.0001				
F	4	68.2725	<.0001				
D	2	0.5383	0.7640				
PR	1	3.8644	0.0493				

The model statistics provides us with information to compare the fit of two different models. The AIC and BIC of the model with Covariates is 280634.76 and 280741.74. The null Log likelihood of the model is 280606.76. Type 3 test below states the significance of overall feature and determine the contributing demographics of panelists in determining the churn of the model.

	Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates									
Parameter		DF	Parameter Estimate	Standard Error	Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq	Hazard Ratio	Label		
Income	High	1	-0.07663	0.02492	9.4527	0.0021	0.926	Income High		
Income	Low	1	-0.01874	0.01904	0.9690	0.3249	0.981	Income Low		
Family_Size	High	1	0.25462	0.02995	72.2778	<.0001	1.290	Family_Size High		
Family_Size	Medium	1	0.17209	0.02047	70.6908	<.0001	1.188	Family_Size Medium		
HH_RACE	1	1	-0.10963	0.07666	2.0451	0.1527	0.896	HH_RACE 1		
HH_AGE	Adult	1	0.15699	0.04331	13.1401	0.0003	1.170	HH_AGE Adult		
HH_AGE	Senior	1	0.19706	0.04381	20.2283	<.0001	1.218	HH_AGE Senior		

The variables income, Family size, HH\_age, F, PR suggest some differences among their respective classes which might be key in evaluating strategies for that panelists representing that group. Whereas age does not seem to be significant in determining with Kraft mayo.

The significant parameters in determining the hazard of buying of the customer staying with the credit card company are Income, Family Size, HH\_race, HH\_Age, Feature and Price Reduction.

### **Insights and Recommendations:**

- As compared to Medium Income category which we have created for salaries ranging from (\$45,000-\$75,000) the hazard of repurchasing is lower in case of High-income households by 7.4% ((1-0.926) \*100) and in case of Low-Income category its 1.9% ((1-0.981) \*100) lower. Thus, we should target middle income category people.
- As compared to Small Family Size having a Large family, the hazard of purchasing again increases by 29%, and in case of medium sized family it increases by 18.8%. Thus, we should target more on middle and large sized family.
- As compared to Hispanic Community, the hazard of repurchasing is 10.4% lower for non-Hispanic. Thus, we should target Hispanic community more.
- The hazard of repurchasing is 17% higher for Adults and 21.8% higher for seniors compared with young populations. Therefore, we should create a retention strategy for older population as they are more frequent mayonnaise buyers.