

The Big Three: California, New York, Washington

- Long-established specialty coffee markets
- Online sales would compete with local companies
- Higher shipping costs and tax rates may inhibit price competition







Who else is drinking specialty coffee?

According to the SCA, specialty coffee generates about \$7 to \$8 billion dollars of revenue in the United States. With 65% of that market taken up by the Big Three, how can we effectively target the other 35%?

According to a 2024 Coventry Direct survey, the top ten coffee drinking states in the US (self-reported cups consumed per day) are: Delaware, Missouri, Massachusetts, Michigan, Oregon, Virginia, Iowa, Nebraska, North Carolina, and Wisconsin.

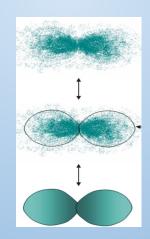
Not all coffee is equal

In order to refine our search to potential specialty coffee markets, we looked at three primary metrics:



Average beverage price

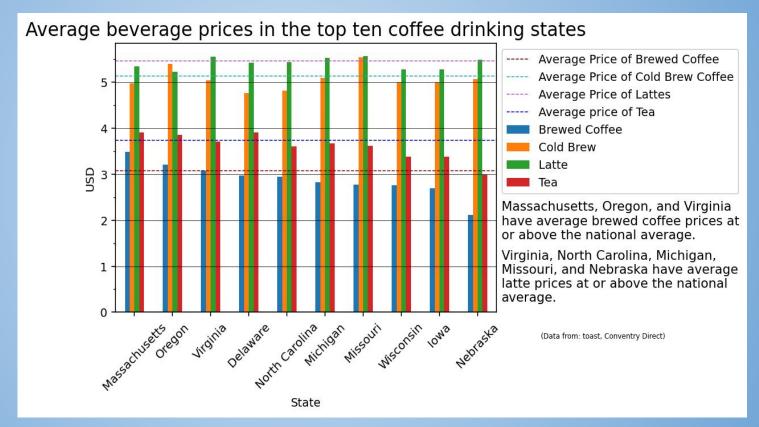




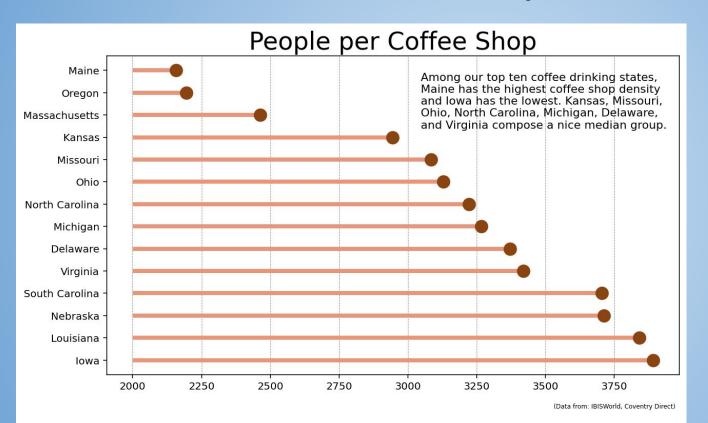
Coffee shop density

Price

Higher than average prices indicate better market conditions for specialty coffee in both the brewed coffee and latte categories



Density



Lower shop density presents hurdles for in-person sales, likely indicating a greater opportunity for online sales

Proportion

A higher proportion of locally owned shops indicates a greater market inclination towards specialty coffee products



Conclusion

An ideal target state for an online ad campaign featuring Iconik's specialty coffee products would rank among the nation's top coffee drinkers, would pay above national average prices for brewed coffee and lattes, would have a lower than average coffee shop density, and would have a higher than average proportion of locally owned coffee shops.

Cross-referencing these attributes results in twelve top contenders:

- lowa
- Kansas
- Louisiana
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- Missouri

- Nebraska
- North Carolina
- Oregon
- South Carolina
- Virginia
- Wisconsin



Further Research

Four of these target states were particularly unexpected: lowa, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska

Although they do not fit the stereotype of specialty coffee demographics, this may simply mean they are overlooked and underserved markets

Bear in mind that the pandemic caused dramatic shifts in worker locality, pushing coastal and urban customers towards the rural center of the US

In addition, these four have a geographical proximity to New Mexico and an established roadtrip culture that might make them good targets for a campaign aimed at hybridizing their consumption of our products.