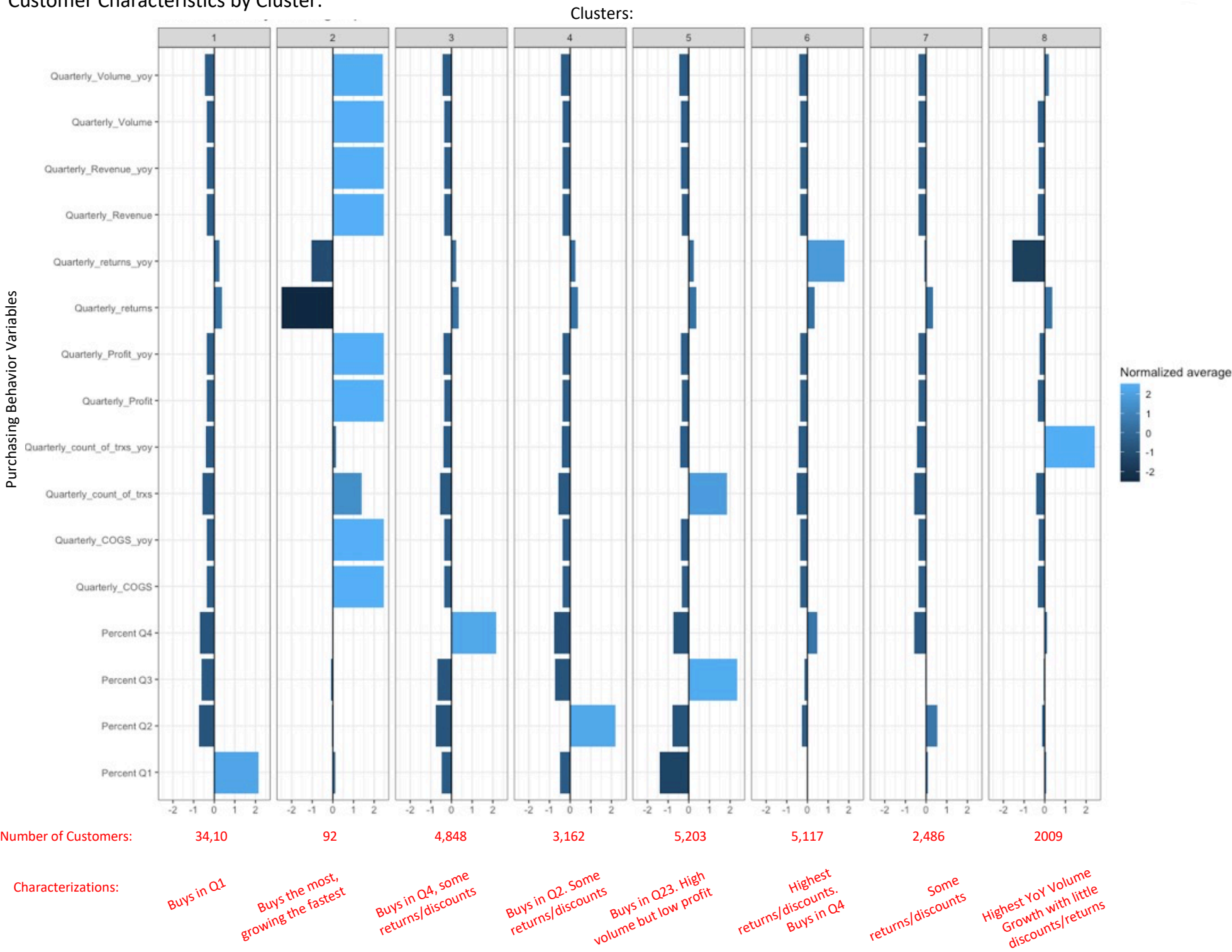


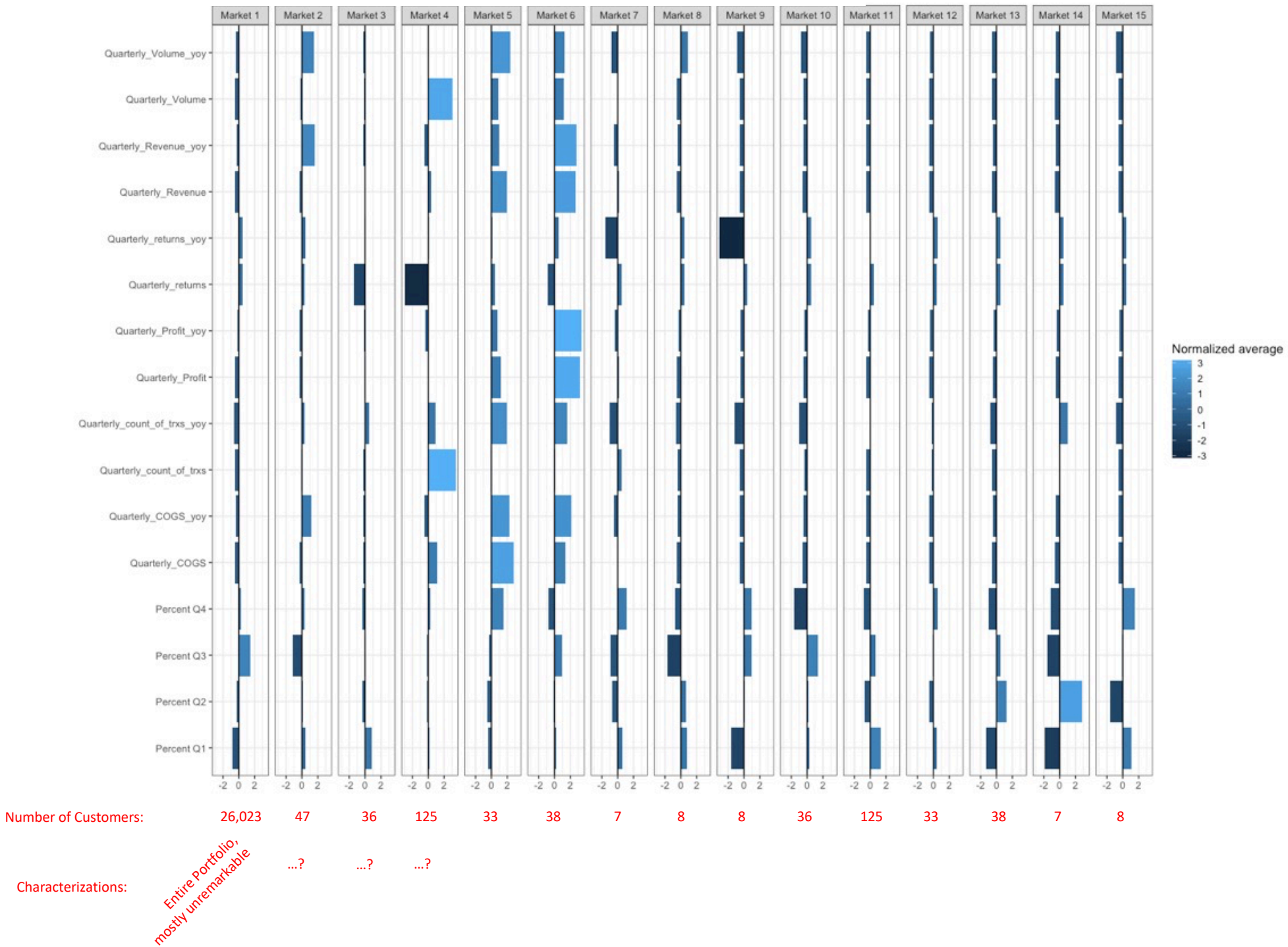
# Summary

1. The current practice of “End Market” classification fails because “Market 1” makes up >98% of all customers
2. By segmenting customers based on purchasing behavior (e.g., how much, how often, when, where) we can identify like-groupings of customers
3. Underperforming customers (compared to their segment) can be targeted for incremental revenue and cost improvement
4. Back-of-the-envelope analysis suggests:
  - \$2.4B in potential revenue headroom at 10% under-performer lift rate
  - \$3.5B in potential COGS reduction at 10% under-performer lift rate
5. Additional areas for exploration:
  - Plant optimization / redundancy
  - Seasonality of purchasing (consolidation, targeting)
  - Implementing a targeted sales-service (as opposed to engineering staff being solely responsible)
  - How sensitive are customers to price increases?
  - Which customers/markets are most influenced by regulations?
  - Target customers based on likelihood of incremental gain

Customer Characteristics by Cluster:



“End Market” Segmentation Fails because all customers are in “Market 1”



## Targeting Customers for Interventions

### Process:

- Assign cluster to each customer along with information about common cluster behavior (e.g., average profit)
- Identify customers that are under-performing relative to their cluster
- Target customers in order of potential upside (delta from group mean)
- For future exploration: Target customers based on *likelihood of incremental gain*

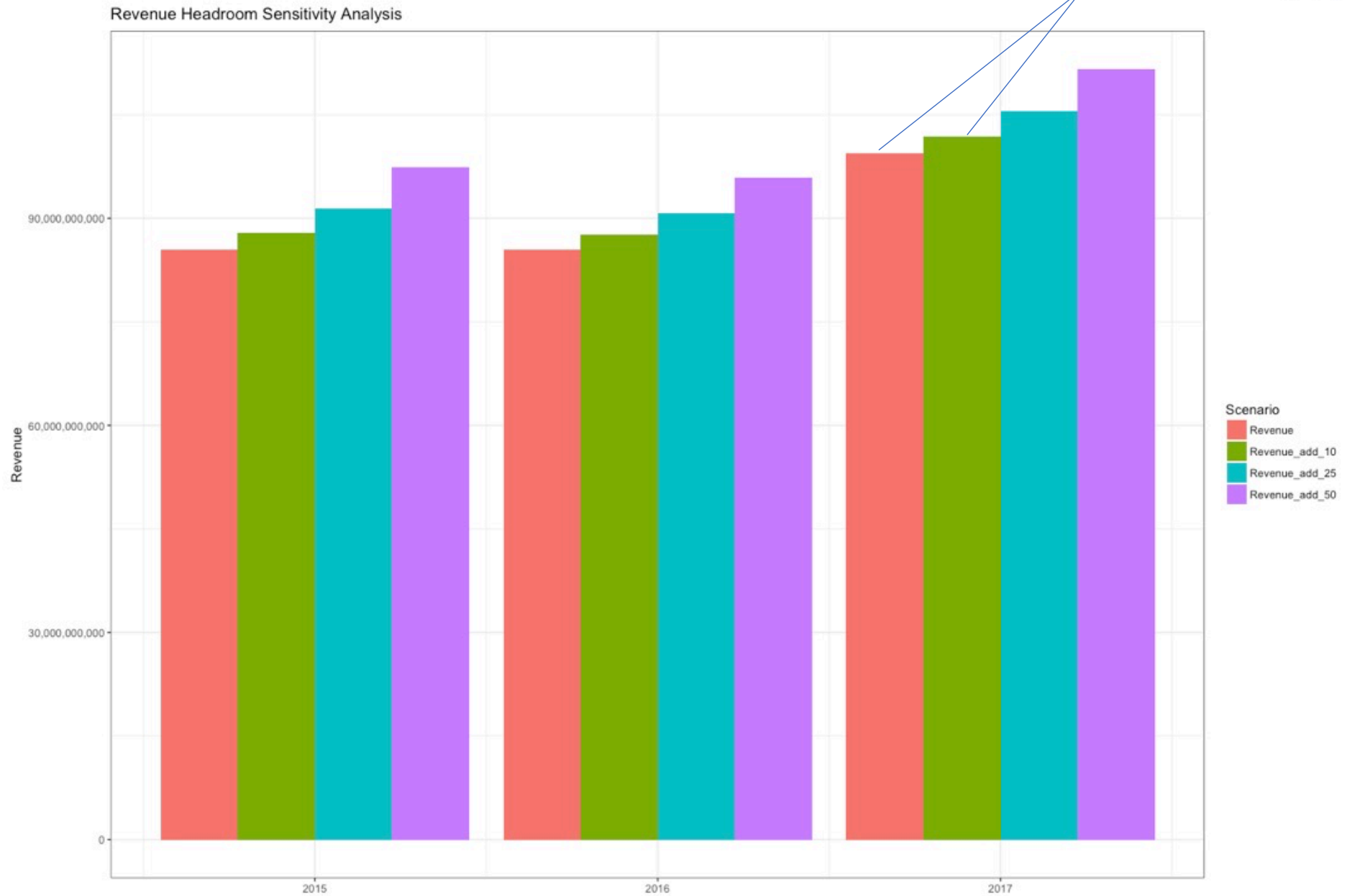
Example: Top 10 Customers by difference from cluster mean:

Customer	Average Quarterly Profit	Quarterly_Profit_cluster_mean	Quarterly_Profit_delta
Customer 2243	\$ 3,346,865	\$ 147,017,951	\$ (143,671,087)
Customer 2424	\$ 12,763,173	\$ 147,017,951	\$ (134,254,778)
Customer 2578	\$ 7,186,739	\$ 147,017,951	\$ (139,831,212)
Customer 3939	\$ 14,007,406	\$ 147,017,951	\$ (133,010,546)
Customer 4077	\$ 1,736,164	\$ 147,017,951	\$ (145,281,787)
Customer 4865	\$ 16,478,070	\$ 147,017,951	\$ (130,539,882)
Customer 518	\$ 14,749,410	\$ 147,017,951	\$ (132,268,541)
Customer 573	\$ 4,847,317	\$ 147,017,951	\$ (142,170,634)
Customer 577	\$ 12,863,103	\$ 147,017,951	\$ (134,154,849)
Customer 734	\$ 9,650,885	\$ 147,017,951	\$ (137,367,066)

## Potential Upside: Increasing Revenues

*If 10%-50% of underperformers could be moved to the mean, how much would that be worth?*

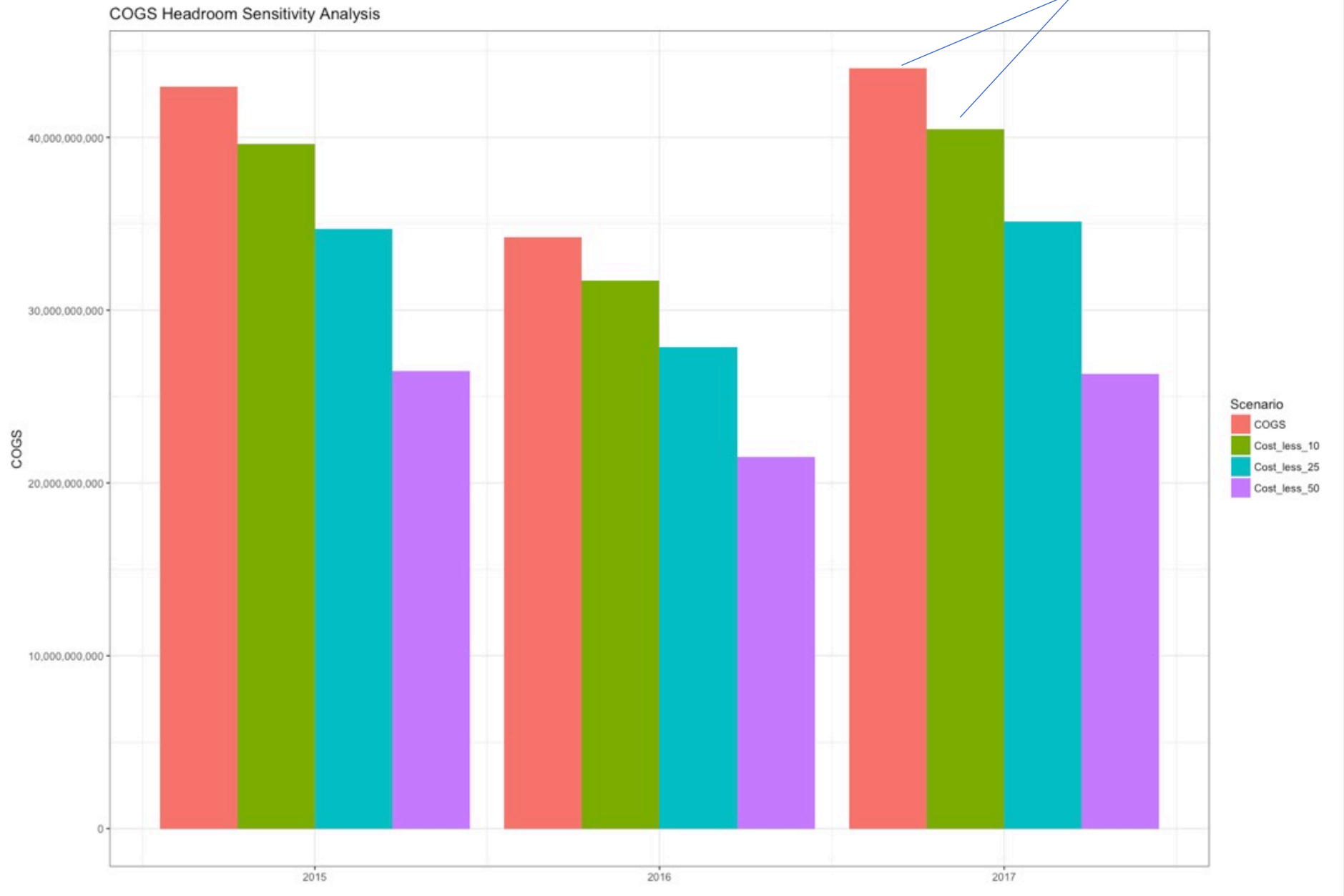
\$2.4B in potential cost savings at 10% increase



## Potential Upside: Decreasing COGS

*If 10%-50% of underperformers could be moved to the mean, how much would that be worth?*

\$3.5B in potential cost savings at 10% reduction



# Appendix

## Future Topics:

- Employ predictive modeling to target customers based on things like:
  - Predicted sensitivity to increased prices
  - Likelihood of attrition
  - Likelihood to consolidate plants/products
  - Additional data needed: Price of eventual goods sold by customers using our parts
- Non-linear optimization of product mix / manufacturing output
  - What is the exact right mix of products to produce so as to:
    - Maximize revenue
    - Minimize cost
    - Maximize LTV of customer
- Plant optimization
  - Redundancy in plants
  - Consolidation
  - Logistics optimization

# Appendix

## Why choose 8 clusters?

- "Elbow" method reveals 8 clusters is optimal
- Few enough to be understandable, and increasing group size incrementally decreases the Sum of Squared Errors within clusters

SSE of kmedians across different k

