

CHANGING CHANNELS

YOUR GUIDE TO BUILDING SHOPPER CENTRIC CHANNEL STRATEGIES



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How we help you



Understand your shoppers

We help you understand the needs and motivations of your shoppers and support you to become best-in-class shopper and category teams

Shopper Journey, Path to Purchase, Purchase Drivers, Barriers to Purchase, Decision Hierarchy, Shopper Priorities, Shopper Satisfaction



Your Shopper Partners

We are shopper and category experts with 20+ years' supplier side experience to Category Director level, working strategically with retailers to deliver with impact

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Get the support you need



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Add impact to your selling story with limited budget



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Plan for today's webinar..



- We shop differently across different channels
- And we know shoppers often want different things
- Which means as suppliers and retailers we need to do things differently

Details for today's analysis



- Latest Q2, 2024 Shopper Intelligence data set
- Total store view (i.e. all categories) by channel
- Sample of 78k shoppers across all four channels as follows:
 - Grocery – 51k respondents
 - Convenience – 2.3k respondents
 - Hard Discounters – 12k respondents
 - Online – 12k respondents

**We shop differently
across different channels**

...the obvious stuff!

Mission drives channel choice, Convenience sees a more even spread compared to other channels..

Grocery

Online

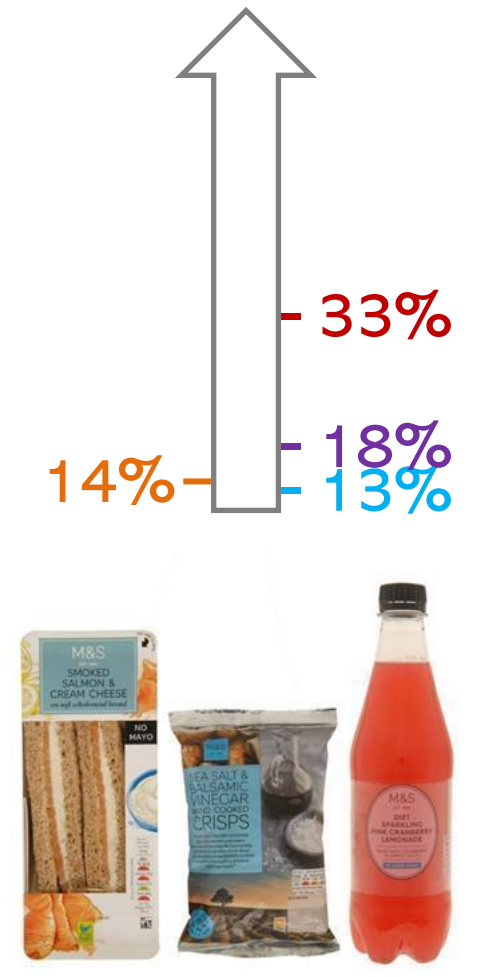
Convenience

Hard Discounters

Main Shop

Top-up Shop

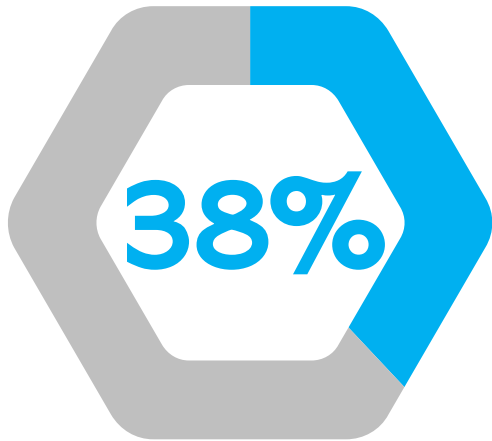
Eat Now/Soon



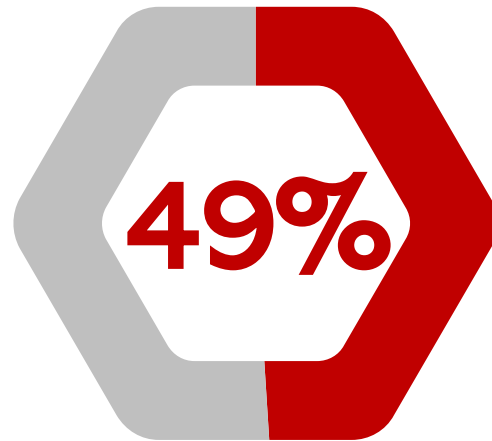
Occasion is also a driver, almost half of shoppers visiting Convenience are buying for snacking and treating



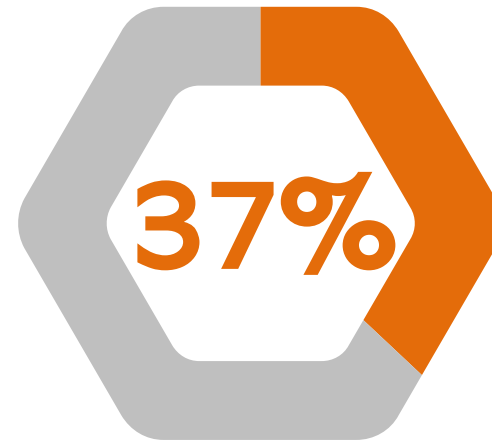
Buying for a 'snack or treat'



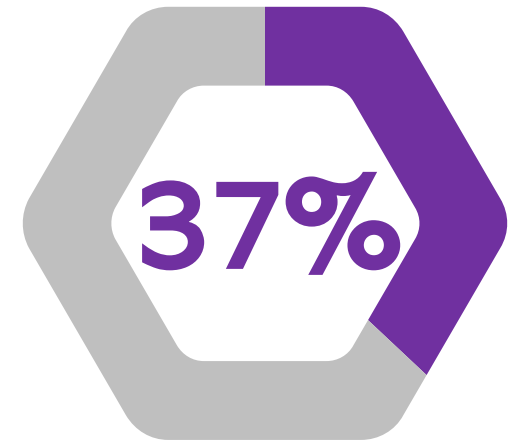
Grocery



Convenience



Hard Discounters



Online

**We shop differently
across different channels**

...what about other factors?

In Grocery, Discounters and Online – we're buying what we usually buy



“I bought what I regularly buy”

48.2%

Grocery

33.4%

Convenience

48.0%

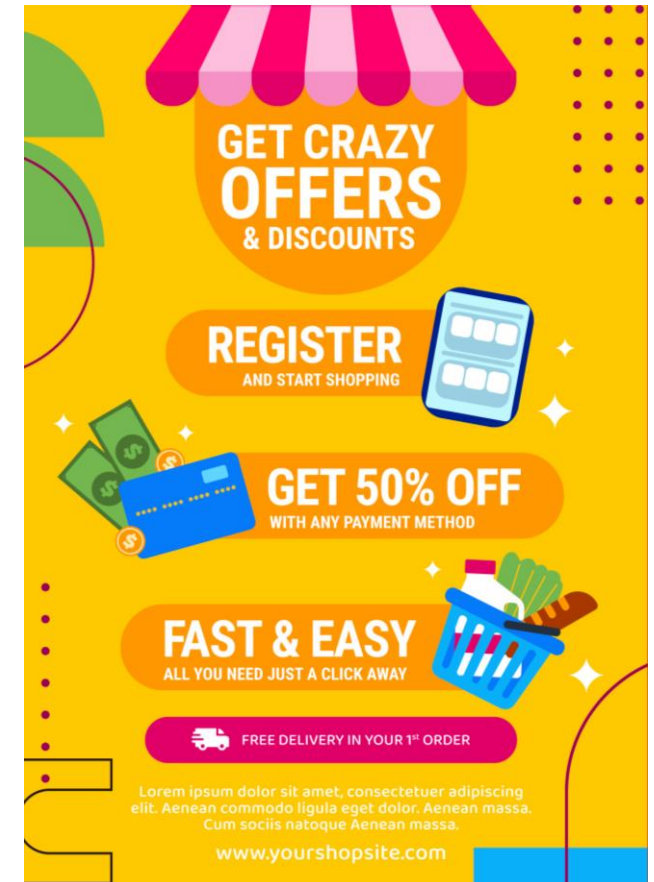
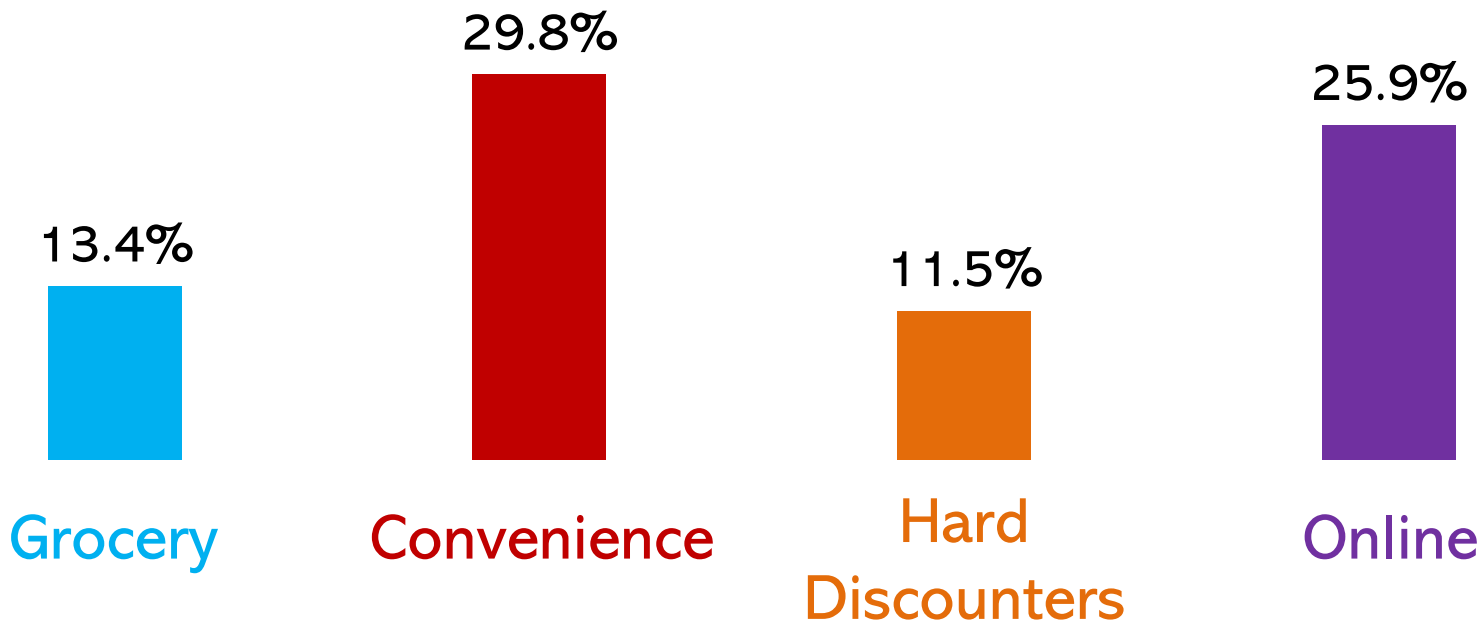
Hard Discounters

47.6%

Online

Pre-store promotional factors can influence the shop for Convenience, and Online as well

Pre-store Promo Triggers (e.g. adverts, coupons, leaflets) influenced my purchase



Discounters will more likely buy if they see a display

“I bought because it caught my eye/a display”

10%



Grocery

10%



Convenience

12%



Hard
Discounters



7%



Online

Online and Convenience are where most browsing happens, but for different reasons..

% Browse with reasons



Perhaps as a consequence these channels see the most promo uptake too



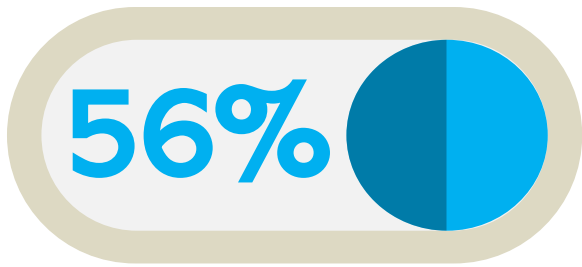
% bought on promotion



Grocery shoppers are more flexible to alternative options, which also means getting it wrong in Convenience is more costly



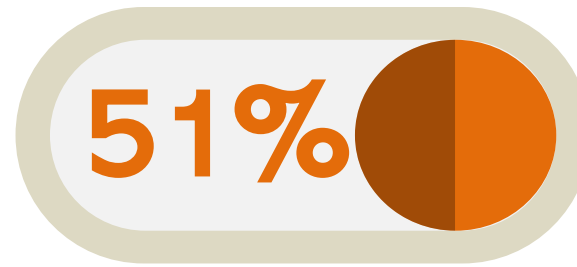
% likely to switch if their choice isn't available



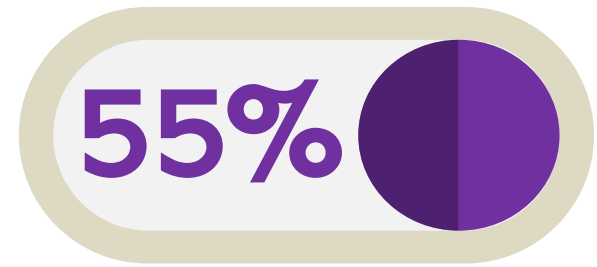
Grocery



Convenience



Hard Discounters



Online

There is also a clear distinction with Convenience shoppers much more likely to purchase for 'me'..



% buying for 'myself'

47%
Convenience



40%
Grocery

39%
Hard Discounters

38%
Online

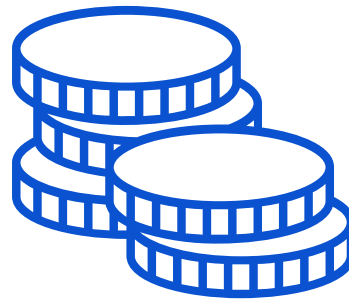
**And we know shoppers
want different things**



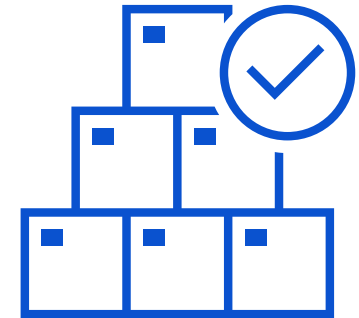
As a priority, everyone is looking for the same things regardless of channel:



QUALITY

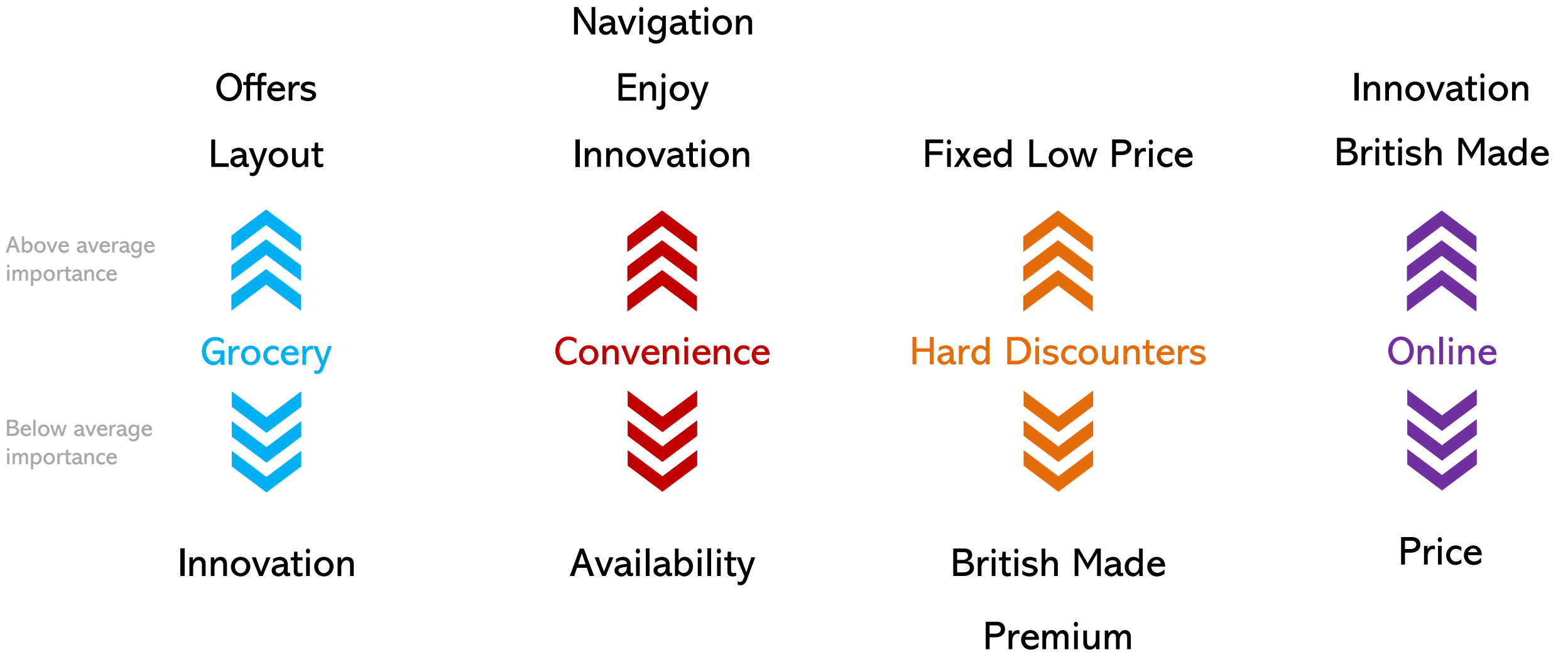


PRICE



CHOICE

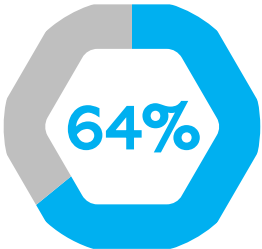
But...there are differences to be aware of:



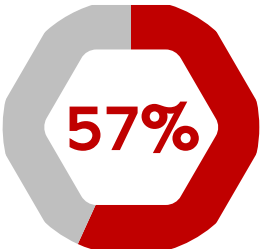
Satisfaction will tell us if shoppers feel they're getting these different things



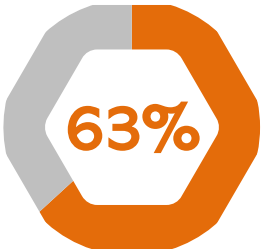
Overall Satisfaction



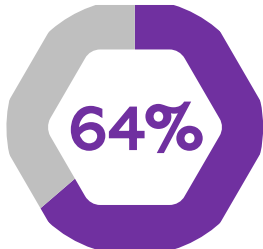
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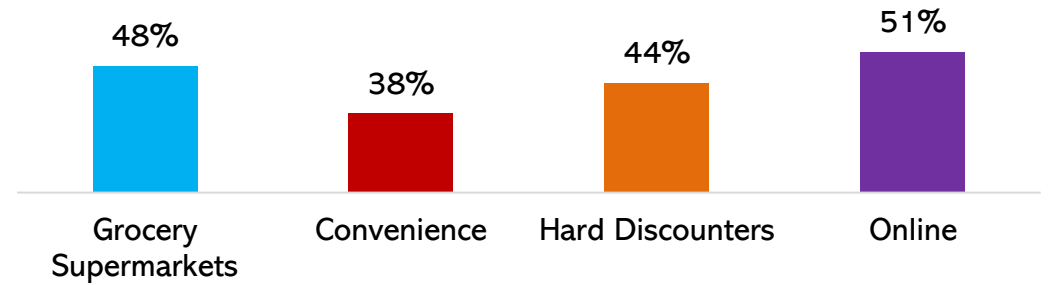
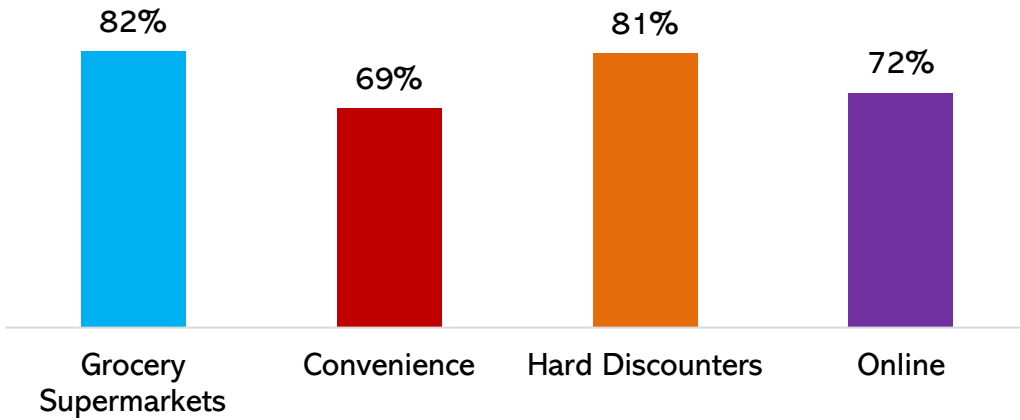


Online

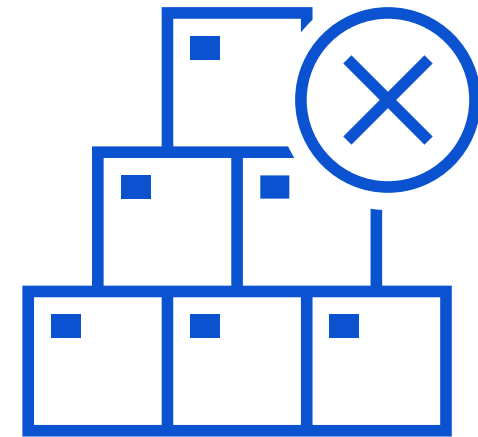


% overall satisfaction, combined importance weighted performance scores

Convenience is behind the curve, there are indications as to why..



Navigation



Availability

Has cost-of-living affected behaviour differently by channel?

Grocery

Convenience

Hard Discounters

Online



Most common
action

“I haven't changed
how I buy”

“I try to buy more
special offers”

“I buy cheaper versions”

“I haven't changed
how I buy”



Biggest difference
to average

“I haven't changed
how I buy”

“I buy bigger 'bulk'
packs”

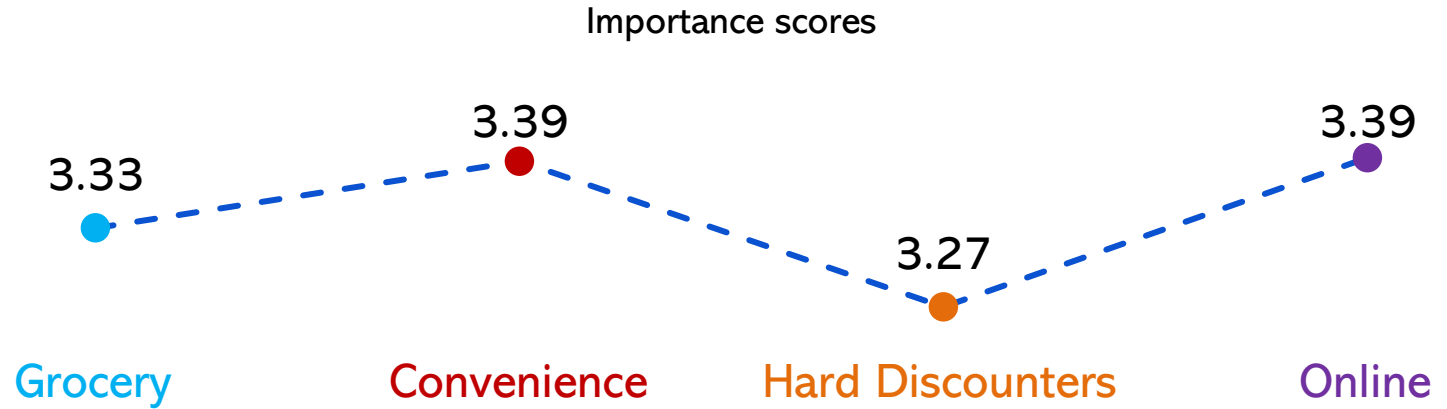
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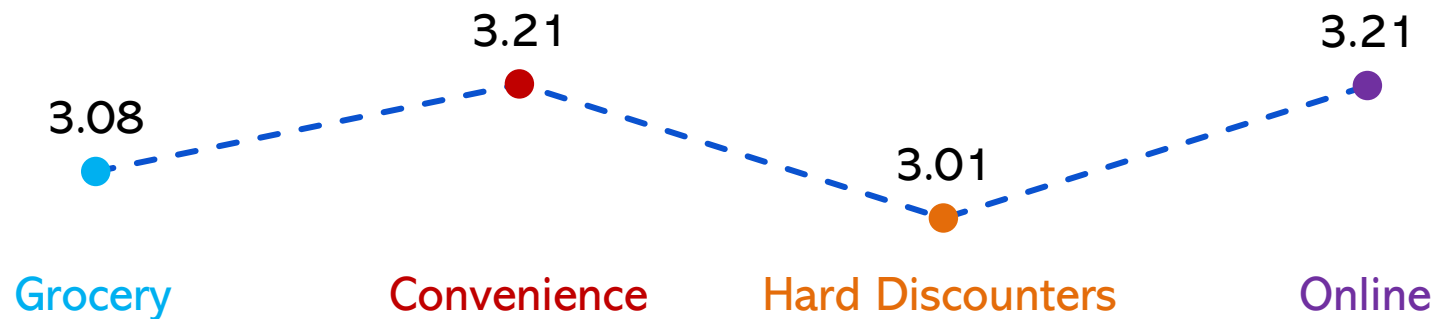
What about macro trends, are these not as important in some channels?



Health



Sustainability



Does cost-of-living affect this too?



Willing to pay for Health



Willing to pay for Sustainability

Grocery

£ £ £ **60%**

£ £ £ **61%**

Convenience

£ £ £ £ £ **71%**

£ £ £ £ £ **75%**

Hard Discounters

£ £ **57%**

£ £ **57%**

Online

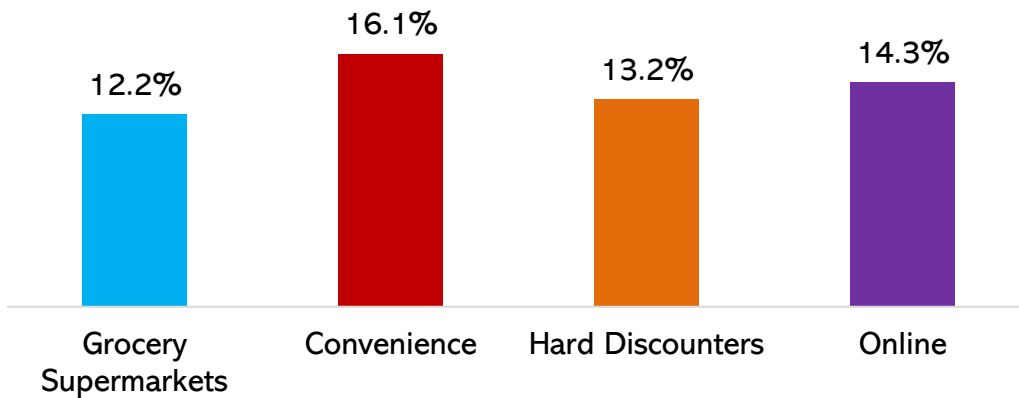
£ £ £ £ **64%**

£ £ £ £ **68%**

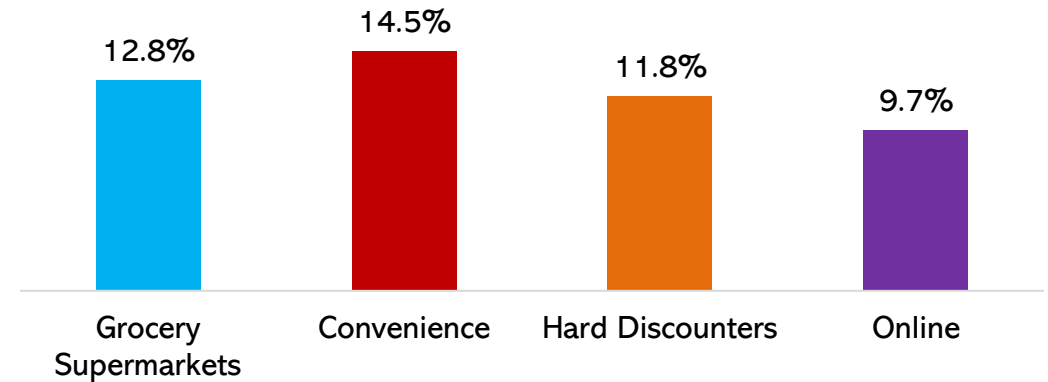
And finally for now, what are shoppers actually asking for?



Pack Sizes (bigger or smaller)



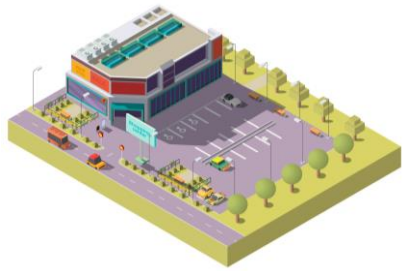
#2 = Range Gaps



#3 = Innovation

**All of this means as suppliers
and retailers we need to do
things differently**

Channel summary, key takeouts..



Grocery

- Heavily main shop focussed
- Fuelled by the 'regular purchase'
- More likely to be 'grab & go'
- Willing to switch if choice isn't available (need to complete task)
- Greater focus on execution and offers
- Less likely to change due to cost-of-living concerns



Convenience

- Even spread of missions, significantly more 'eat now/soon' versus others
- Snacking/treating a big driver
- Promo's influence pre-store and in-store
- Browsing more likely to be driven by uncertainty
- Shoppers less happy, navigation and availability are key to improve
- Macro trends important to shoppers



Hard Discounters

- Third of shops are top up mission
- Most likely to be influenced by a display
- Most focussed on a quick 'grab & go' shop
- Not buying on promotion (less available)
- Double-down on Price (after quality and choice)
- Less willing to pay for healthy and sustainable options



Online

- Most likely to be main shop
- Bigger influence from pre-store triggers (click-through opportunity)
- High browsing with shoppers interested to explore
- More likely to buy on promo (easy to find)
- Satisfaction in line with main store
- Seeking bigger packs to mitigate cost of living concerns

Strategic considerations by channel

Grocery

- Focus on execution
- Easy to shop, easy to find
- Right availability – good stock, good range

Hard Discounters

- Use display to help convert – not just off-shelf display, think standout, SRP etc.
- Ease of shop to keep shoppers happy
- Strong price comms a must



Convenience

- Not a 'mini' version of larger stores
- Focus on mission and occasion opportunities (snacking, eat now, dinner for tonight) with ranging and execution
- Link promo's pre-store to in-store execution

Online

- Set up for main shop but consider ways to facilitate browsing, e.g. complete main task quickly for 'plus one' purchase
- Make promos visible to be sure of selection
- Use pre-store triggers to drive click-through with shoppers

Questions?

3 things to close...

<https://shopperintelligence.com/resources/>



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