YOUR FARMERS MARKET DATA

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WELCOME!



RESEARCH TERMS

Total

Range

Average

Median

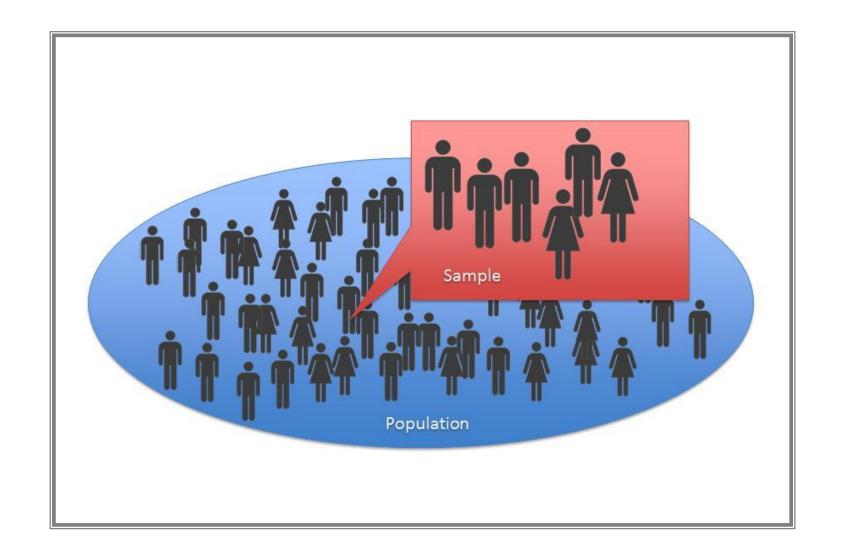
Mode

Population (N)

Sample (n)

Data v. Information

Quantitative v. Qualitative

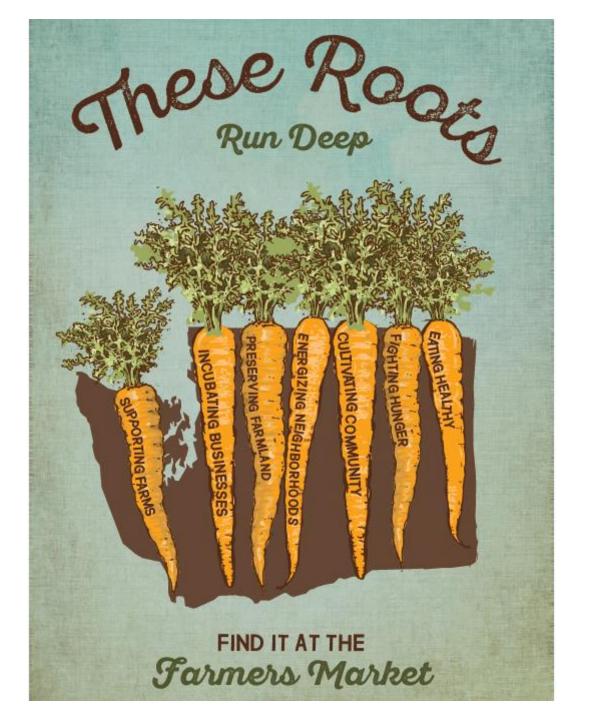


SAMPLE

Random
Convenience
Representative

CONFIDENTIAL VS ANONYMOUS

What story do you want to tell? To whom?



WHO'S INTERESTED IN YOUR DATA?

- Chamber of Commerce
- Downtown Association
- Tourism/Agritourism
- Small Business Advocates
- Food Policy Councils
- Anti-hunger/Food AccessGroups
- Farmer Groups
- Extension

- WA State Dept of Agriculture
- Farmers Market WeekOrganizers
- FM Associations
- Local Foundations, Civic Groups
- Teachers, Child Care Centers
- Senior Centers
- Media







EDUCATING SHOPPERS





Advocacy



Bremerton Farmers Market

FUNDRAISING

15. ACHIEVABILITY

This section includes the outcome indicator evaluation plan.

Outcome Indicators

Complete all Outcomes and Indicators that are relevant to the project with baseline and/or estimated realistic target numbers. If an outcome indicator does not apply, check t N/A (Not Applicable).

Outcome 1: To Increase Consumption of and Access to Locally and Regionally Produced Agricultural Products.

Indicator	Description	Estimated Number	N/A
1.a.	Total <u>number</u> of project beneficiaries/stakeholders reached		
1.b.	Of the total number that was reached, the <u>number</u> that reported buying, selling, aggregating, storing, producing, and/or distributing locally or regionally produced agriculture products		
1.c.	Of the total number that was reached, the <u>number</u> that gained		

Source: 2017 FMPP proposal narrative







South Perry Farmers Market(Spokane)





Does data change your mind?

Why or why not?

- F Fit
- M Measurable
- D Documented
- A Answers a question
- T Transparent
- A Aggregate-able

CAPACITY VARIES — DO WHAT FITS!

More market capacit

Market association

Older market

Larger market

City-run

Main Street Program

University partners

Food access

Single market

New market

New manager

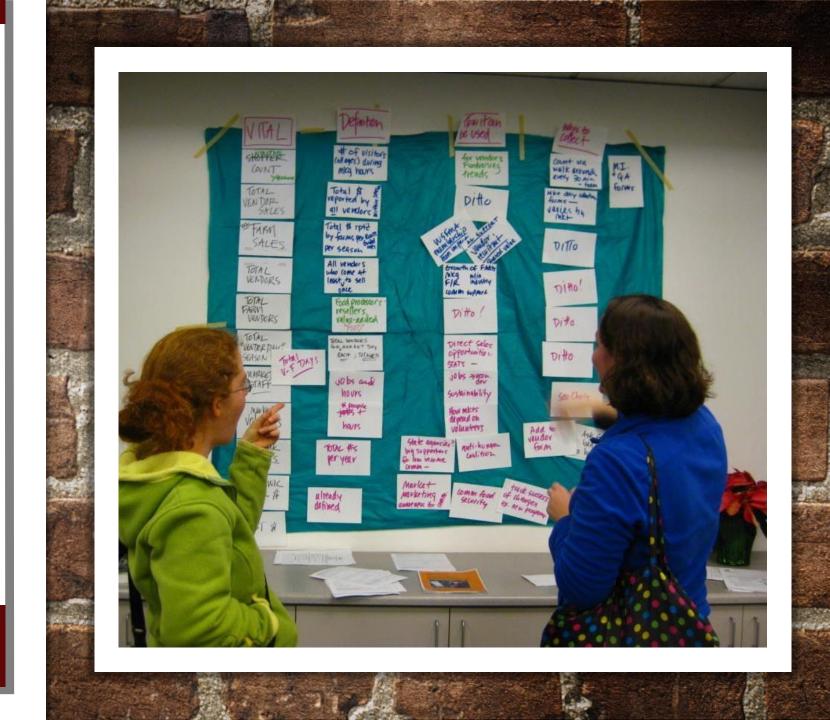
Small or very small market

Volunteer-run

"Informal" systems

Less market capacity

"Market Vitals" Project



THE "MARKET VITALS" PROJECT

http://www.wafarmersmarkettoolkit.org/chapter-3/

	MARKET VITAL statistic	DEFINITION - per season	ideas on HOW VITAL CAN BE USED to help markets	ideas on HOW IT CAN BE COLLECTED
1	Shopper Count	Total # of visitors, of all ages, who come to market during market hours per season.	Recruiting/informing vendors about customer base; fund-raising; monitoring trends.	Clicker method at the entrances or a walk around the market every 30 minutes. The key is to be consistent.

COLLECTING SALES FROM VENDORS?



What are your market policies?

If you do want to collect sales information:

- Set expectations early.
- Explain (repeatedly) why it is important.
- Think through <u>how</u> you collect sales data.
- Be rigorous about protecting vendor privacy.
- Share what you learn!

"Don't measure with a micrometer what you cut with a chainsaw."





DOCUMENTATION

- ☐ Vendor application (and survey?)
- ☐ Roster of vendors
- ☐ Market day data: vendors, products, shoppers, volunteers, conditions
- WIC/Senior & SNAP
- Event records
- ☐ Special projects photos, video, interviews, RMAs
- ☐ End of Season report
- WSFMA Application

DOCUMENTATION

Date



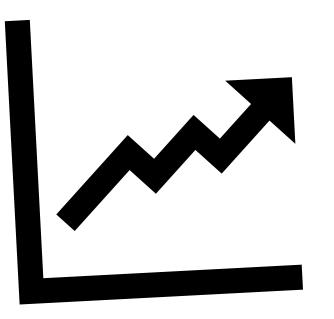
Description of context



Who recorded info?

What decision do you want to make? Info?

TRACKING TRENDS







Share Results

IMPORTANCE OF DIRECT MARKETING Average direct sales for direct marketing farms Source: USDA Census of Agriculture \$13,000 \$8,000 Washington State San Juan County 2007 2012



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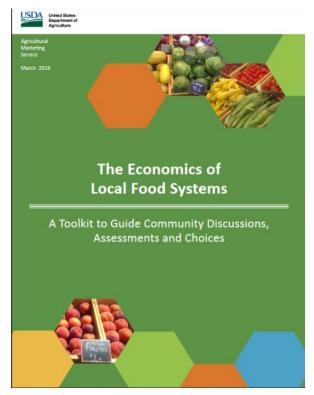
USDA'S "LOCAL FOODS DATA"

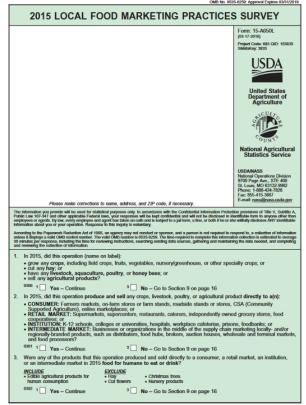


Direct and Intermediated Marketing of Local Foods in the United States

Sarah A. Low Stephen Vogel







https://www.ams.usda.gov/market-news/local-regional-food

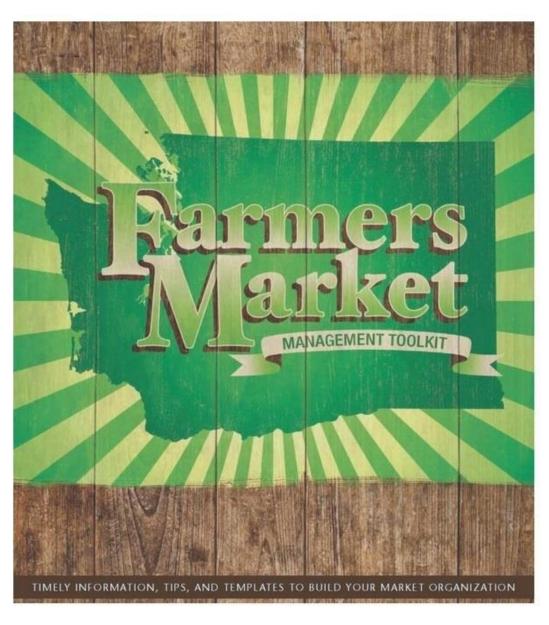
Farmers Market Coalition's Market Metrics Project



Market Evaluation Background	
Metrics	>
Data Collection Methods	>
Data Entry	>
Analysis and Reporting	>
Data Management Portals	>

https://farmersmarketcoalition.org/programs/farmers-market-metrics/

SECOND EDITION 2016



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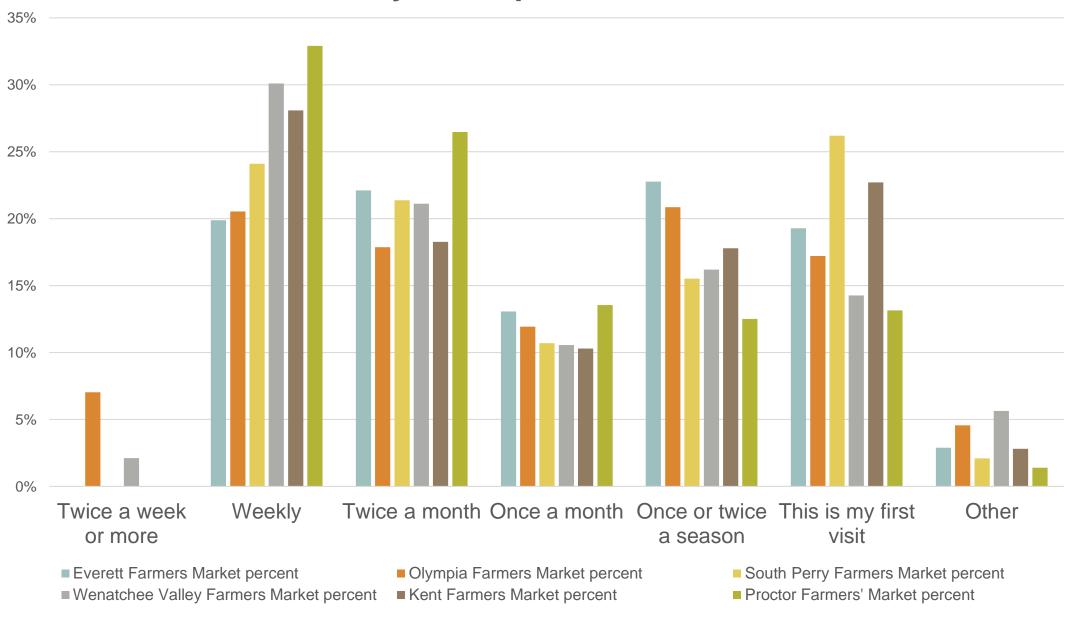






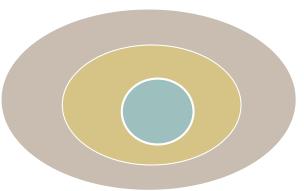
2017 RMA Teams

How often do you shop at this farmers market?







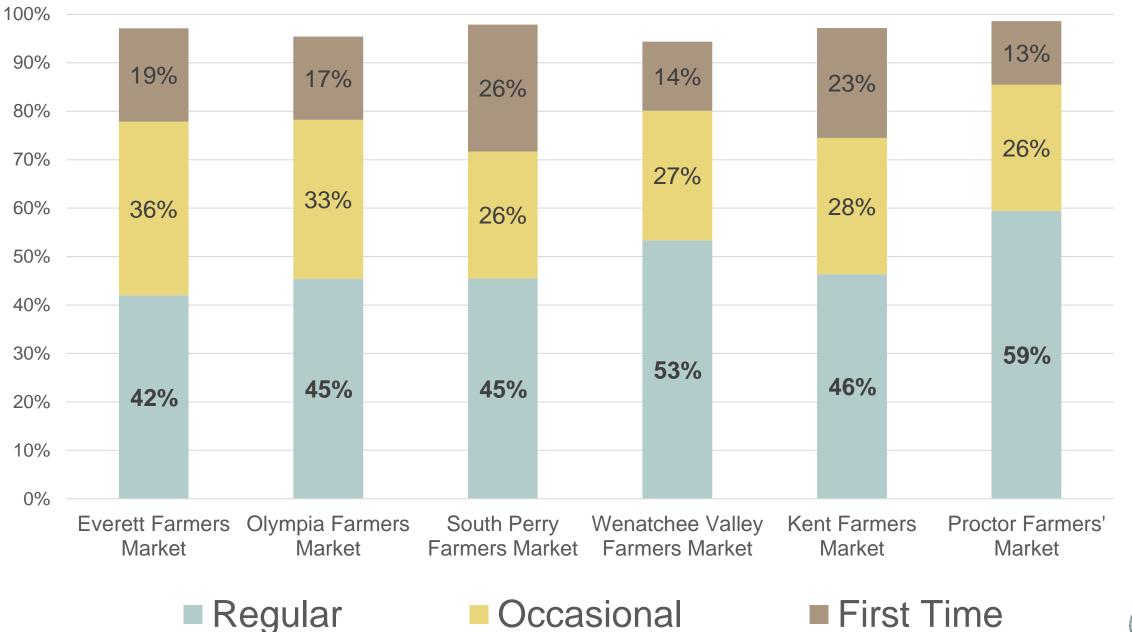


Core F'Mkt Shoppers

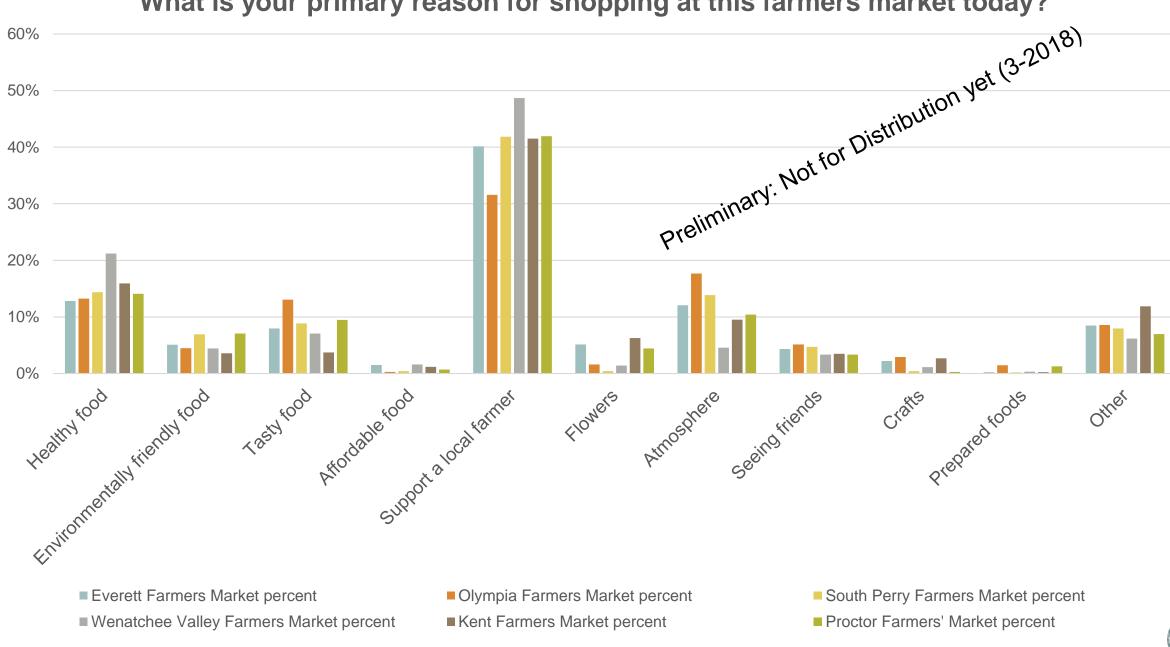
Occasional Shoppers

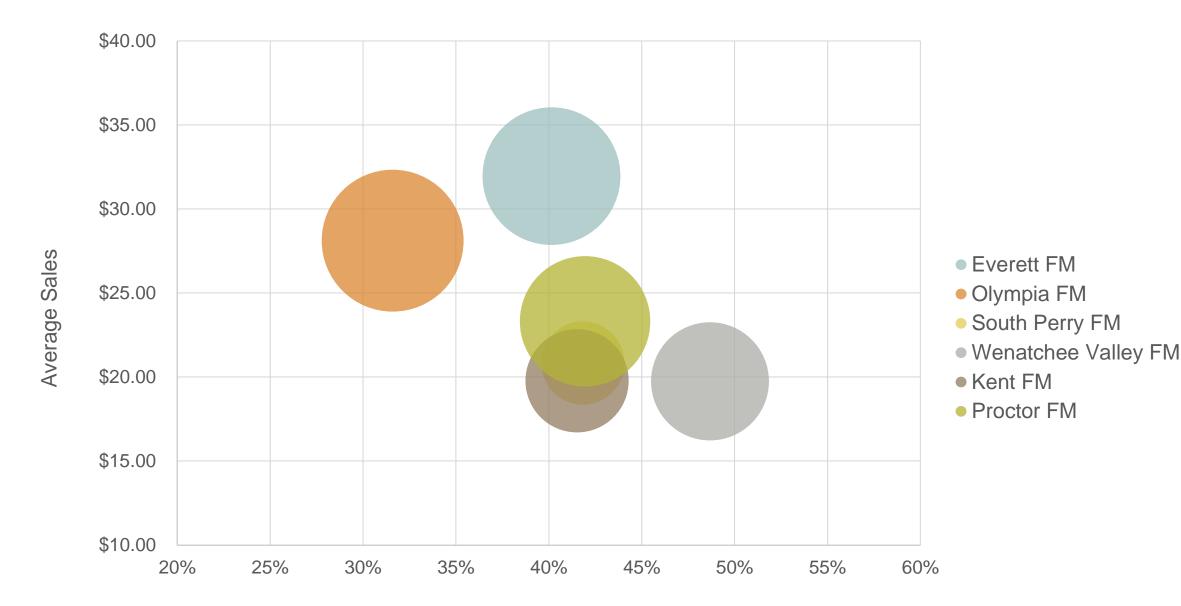
Non-Farmers Mkt Shoppers





What is your primary reason for shopping at this farmers market today?





Primary Reason "To Support a Local Farmer"

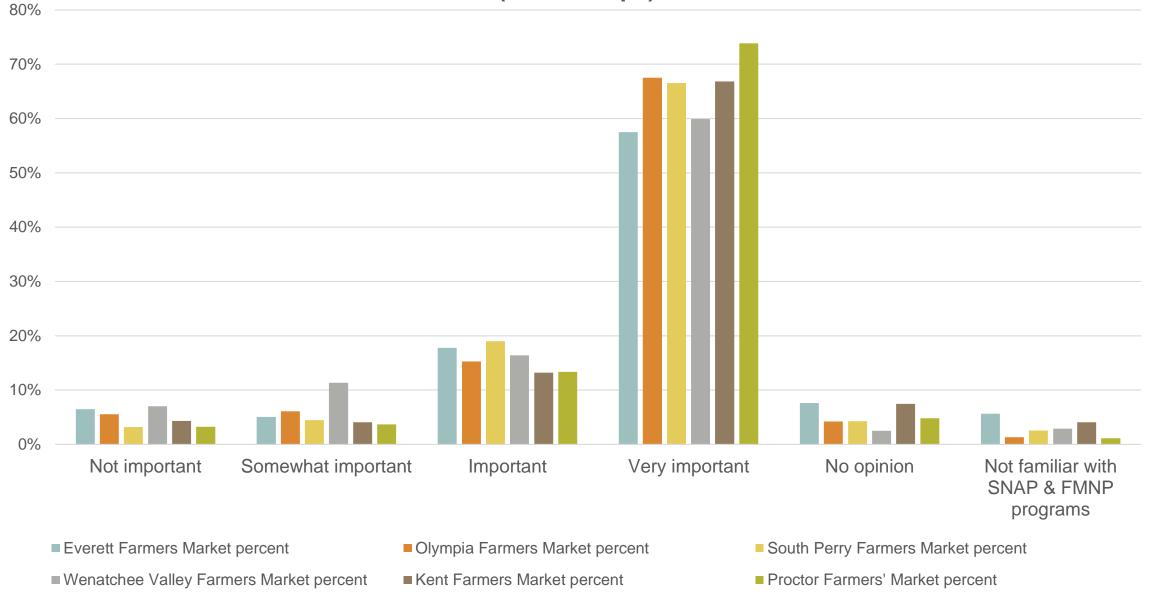




COMMENTS & OBSERVATIONS

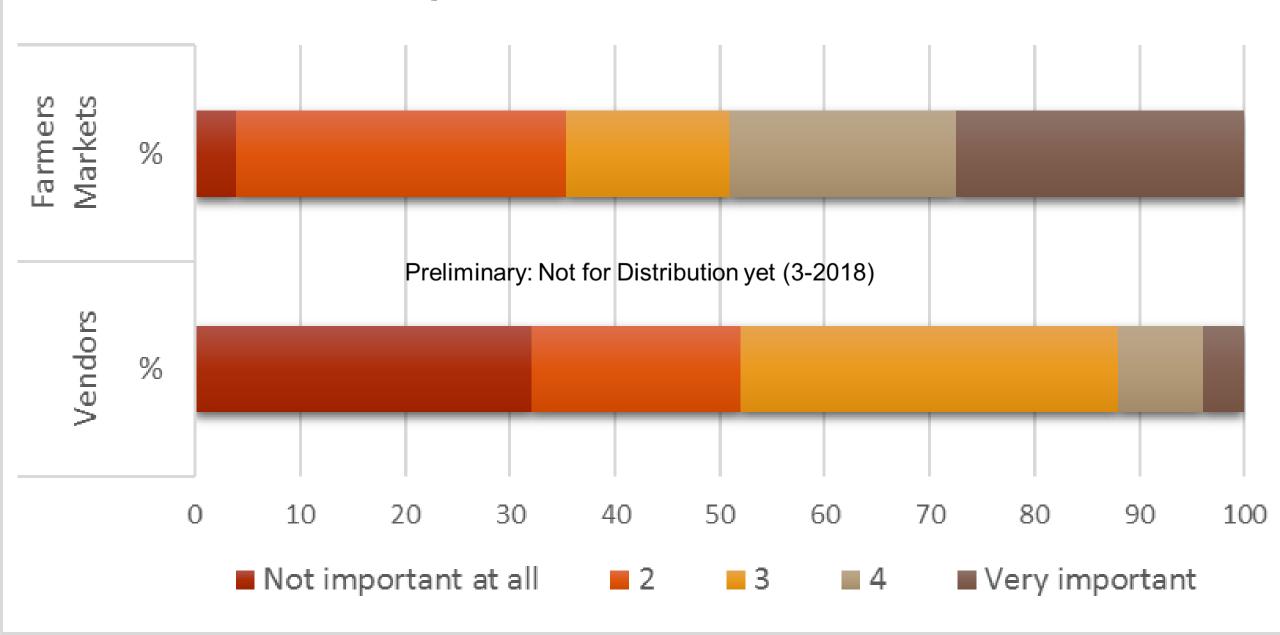
- Signage leading to market
- Signage within market
- Signage in booths
- Educational activities?
- Do you want shoppers to linger?
- Layout
- Vendor mix
- Vendor (& product) quality
- Role of prepared foods?
- Resellers?
- Safety issues

How important is it to you that low income people can shop at this farmers market with SNAP EBT (food stamps) or WIC / Senior FMNP?

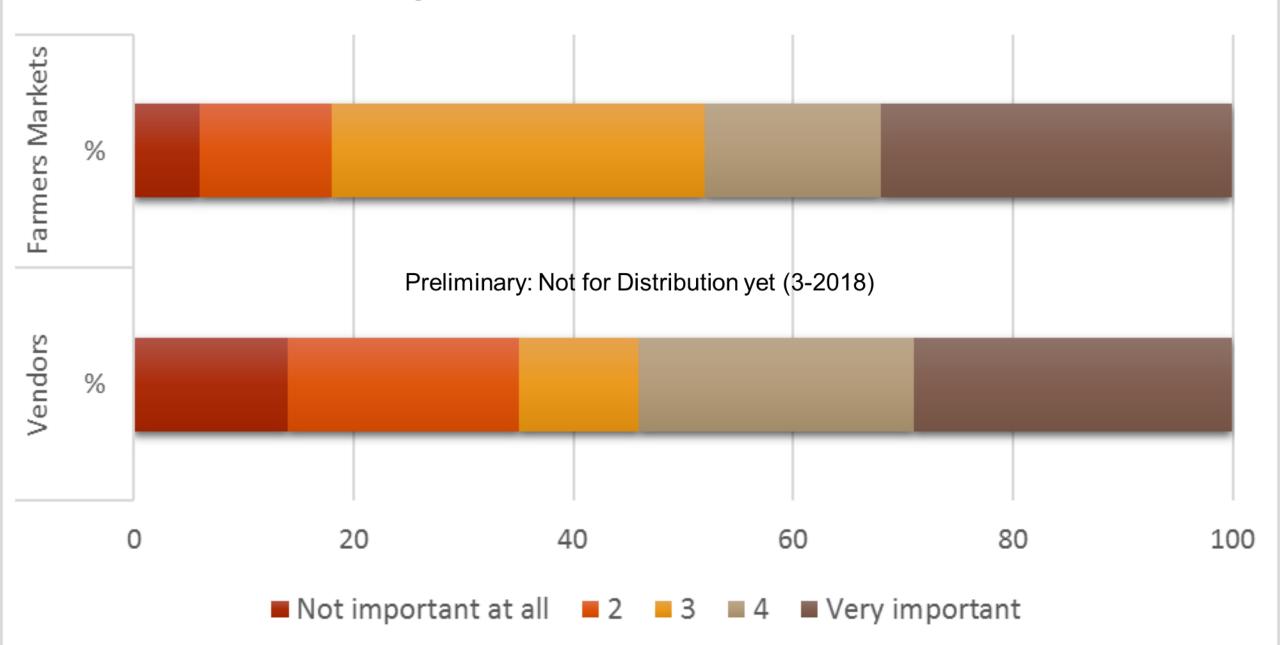


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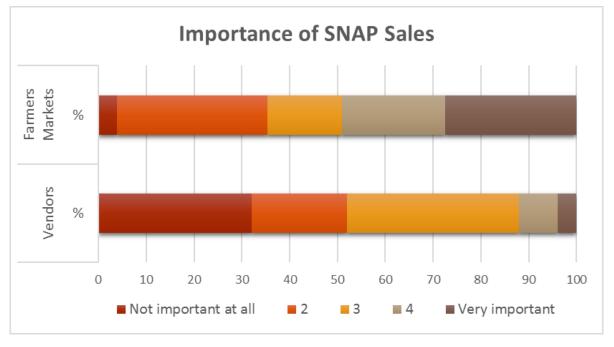
Importance of SNAP Sales

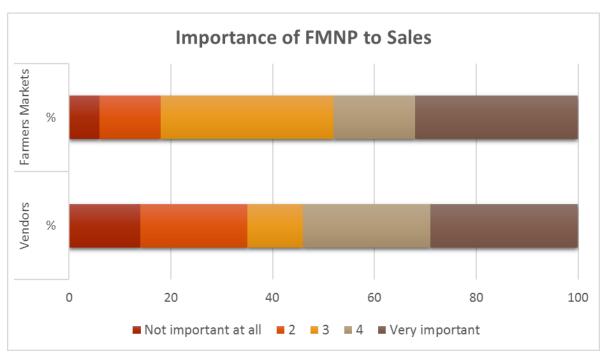


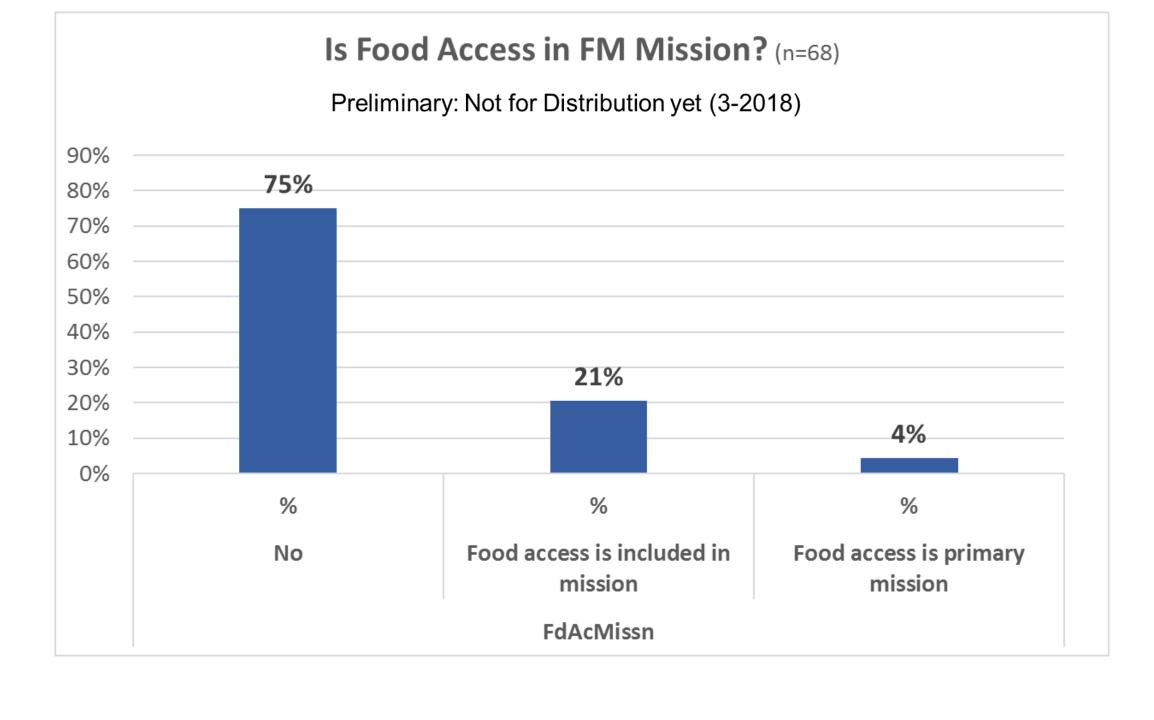
Importance of FMNP to Sales

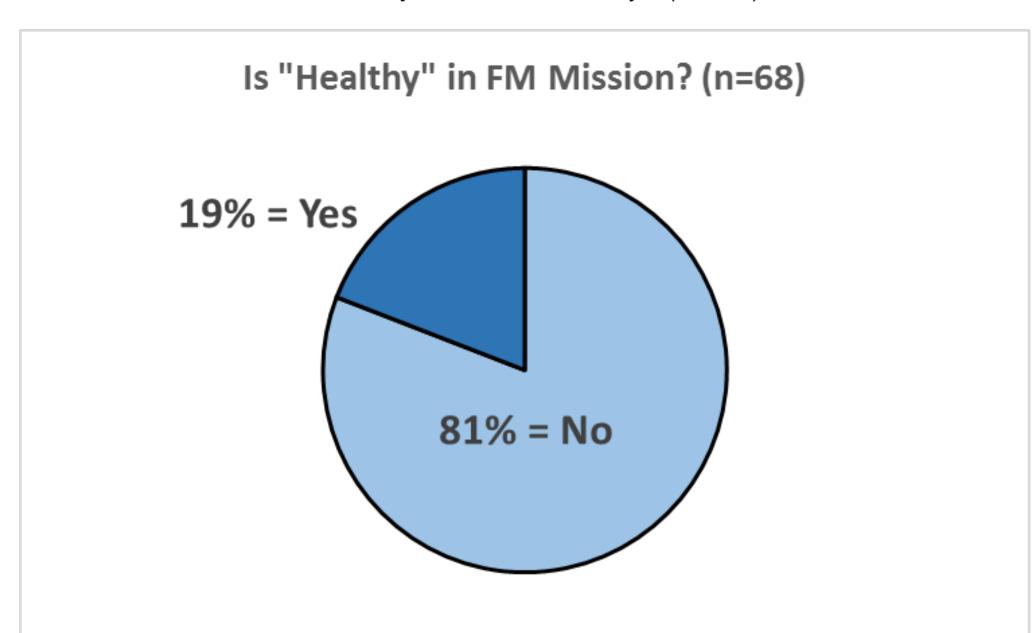


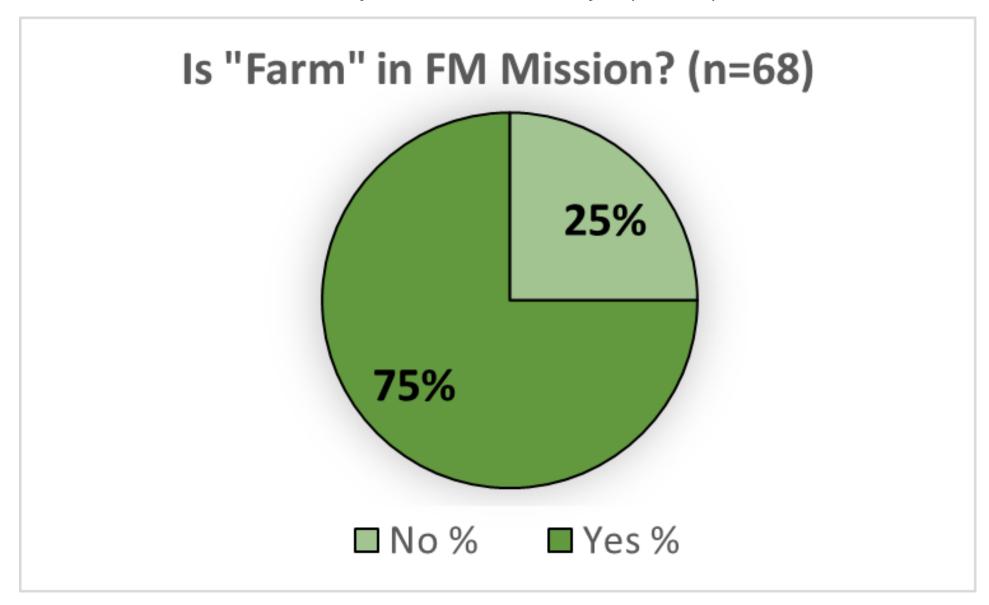
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THANK YOU!

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