



MARKET SEGMENTATION

The Role of Market Segmentation

Market Segmentation

Division of the total market into smaller, relatively homogeneous groups.

No single marketing mix can satisfy everyone. Therefore, separate marketing mixes should be used for different market segments.

PURPOSE OF SEGMENTATION

- Target market selection
- Tailored marketing mix
- Differentiation
- Opportunities and threats

Steps in Target Marketing

- Market segmentation
 - Dividing a market into smaller groups of buyers with distinct needs, characteristics, or behaviors requiring separate products or marketing mixes.
- Target marketing
 - Evaluating each segment's attractiveness and selecting one or more to enter.
- Market positioning
 - Setting the competitive positioning for the product and creating a detailed marketing mix.

Steps in Segmentation, Targeting, and Positioning

			Mix for Each	6. Develop Marketing Mix for Each Target Segment Develop Positioning			Market
			for Each Target Segment			Positioning	
			elect Target nent(s)			Market	
3. Develop Measures of Segment Attractiveness					Targeting		
2. Develop Profiles of Resulting Segments				Market Segmentation			
1. Identify Bases for Segmenting the Market							



Segmented by Gender



Segmented by Age



Step 1. Market Segmentation Levels of Market Segmentation

Mass Marketing Same product to all consumers (no segmentation)

Segment Marketing Different products to one or more segments (some segmentation)

Niche Marketing

Different products to subgroups within segments (more segmentation)

Micromarketing

Products to suit the tastes of individuals or locations (complete segmentation)

Market Segment

 A large identifiable group within a market with similar wants, purchasing power, geographical locations, buying attitudes

Niche Marketing

- What is an attractive niche ?
- A distinct set of needs
- A premium can be charged
- Not likely to attract competition
- Gains certain economies through specializations
- Sufficient size, profit and growth potential

Local Marketing

- When the marketing mix is altered to suit the local conditions
 - eg. Giving a higher/ lower discount than what's prevailing in the rest of the markets
 - or implementing a different promotion scheme

Individualized Marketing

- When the firm deals with each customer on a one to one basis.
- When products are customized for the customer.
- Wind and Rangaswamy gave the concept of-customerisation.

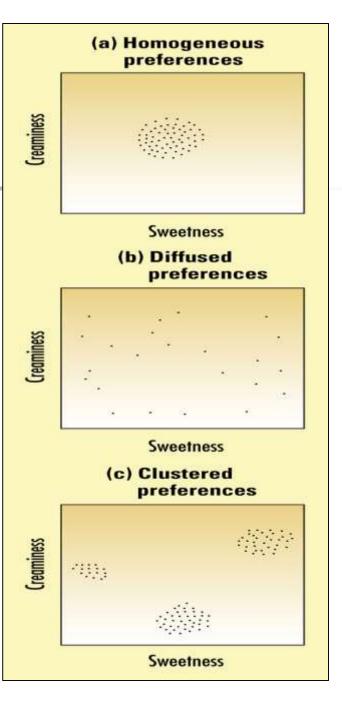
Patterns of Segmentation

Homogeneous Preferences-Mass
Marketing

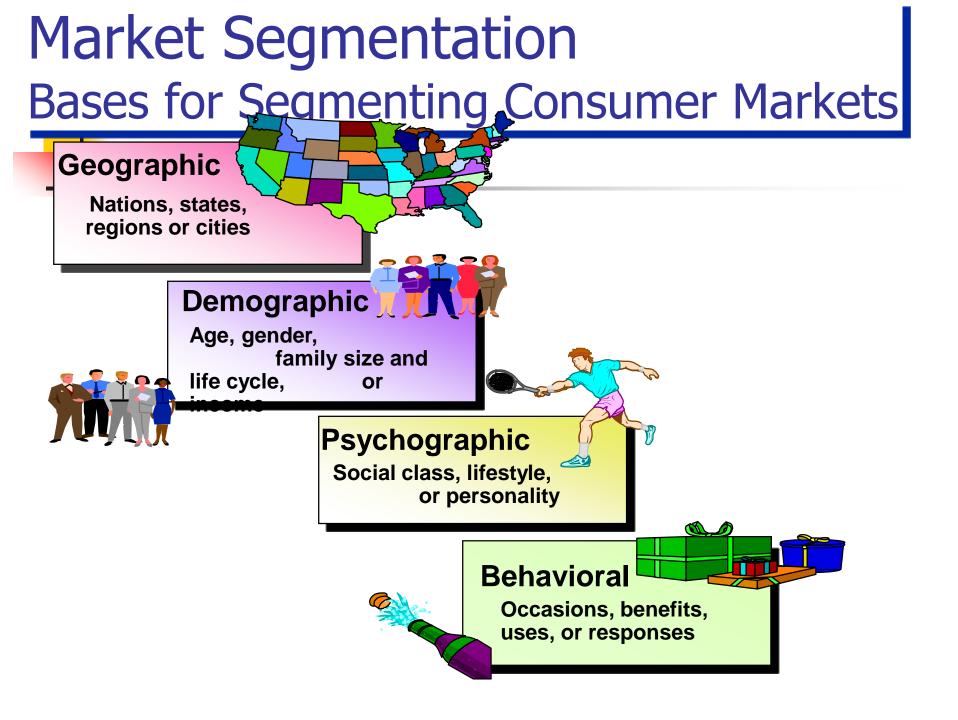
Diffused Preferences-Individual

Clustered Preferences-Segment

Basic Market-Preference Patterns



- Key variables:
 - Geographic
 - Demographic
 - Psychographic
 - Behavioral
- No single way to segment a market.
- May combine more than one variable to better define segments.



- Geographic:
 - World region or country
 - Region of country
 - City or metro size
 - Density or climate

Demographic:

- Age, gender, family size, family life cycle, income, occupation, education, race, religion, etc.
- The most popular bases for segmenting customer groups.
- Easier to measure than most other types of variables.

- Age and Life-Cycle Stage:
 - Example: Colgate has different toothpastes for different age groups.

Income:

- Identifies and targets the affluent for luxury goods.
- People with low annual incomes can be a lucrative market.
- Some manufacturers have different grades of products for different markets.

- Psychographic:
 - Social class
 - Lifestyle
 - Personality

- Behavioral:
 - Occasion segmentation
 - Special promotions and labels for holidays.
 - Special products for special occasions.
 - Benefits Sought
 - Different segments desire different benefits from products. Focuses on the attributes that people seek in a good or service and the benefits that they expect to receive from that good or service
 - Groups consumers into segments based on what they want a product to do for them

- User Status
 - Nonusers, ex-users, potential users, first-time users, regular users
- Usage Rate
 - Light, medium, heavy
- Segmenting by grouping people according to the amounts of a product that they buy and use
- Markets often divided into heavy-user, moderateuser, and light-user segments
- The 80/20 principle ("Pareto's Law")

Buyer-Readiness Stage

- Unaware, Aware, Interested, Desire, Intention to buy
- Loyalty Status
 - Hard-core loyal, Split loyal, Shifting loyal, No loyal
- Attitude
 - Enthusiastic, Positive, Indifferent, Negative, Hostile

Brand Loyalty

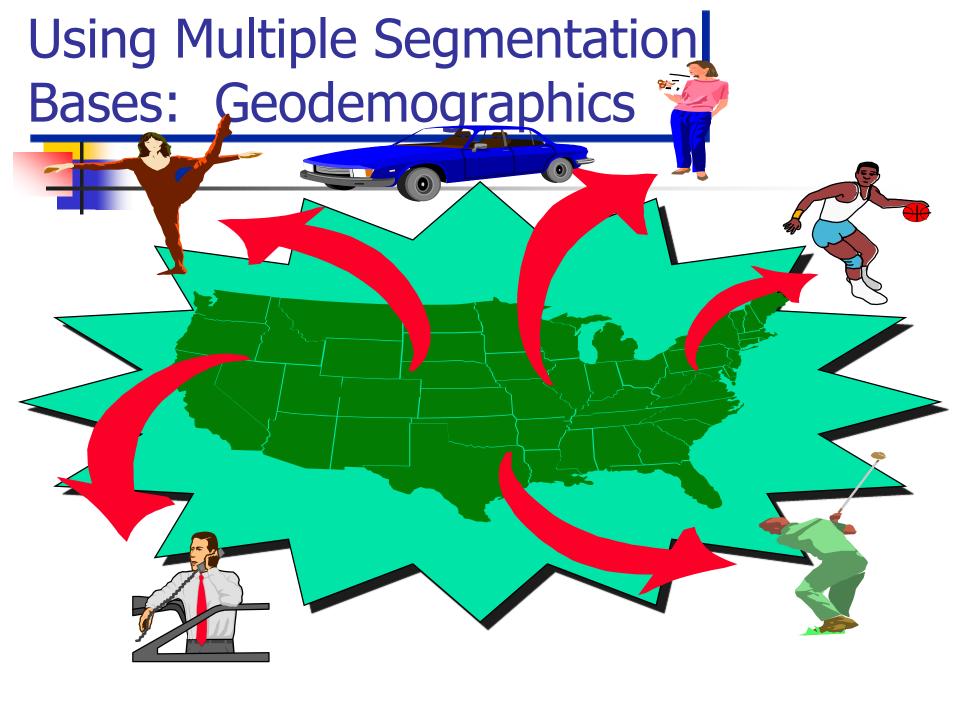
- Segmenting consumers grouped according to the strength of brand loyalty felt toward a product
- Frequent flyer programs of airlines and many hotels



Using Multiple Segmentation Bases

- Increase accuracy in reaching the right markets
- Combine multiple bases
 - Geographic and Demographic
 - Product-related with income and expenditure patterns
 - Others

- Best to use multiple approaches in order to identify smaller, better-defined target groups.
 - Start with a single base and then expand to other bases.
 - Geodemographic segmentation is becoming more common.



Segmenting Business Markets

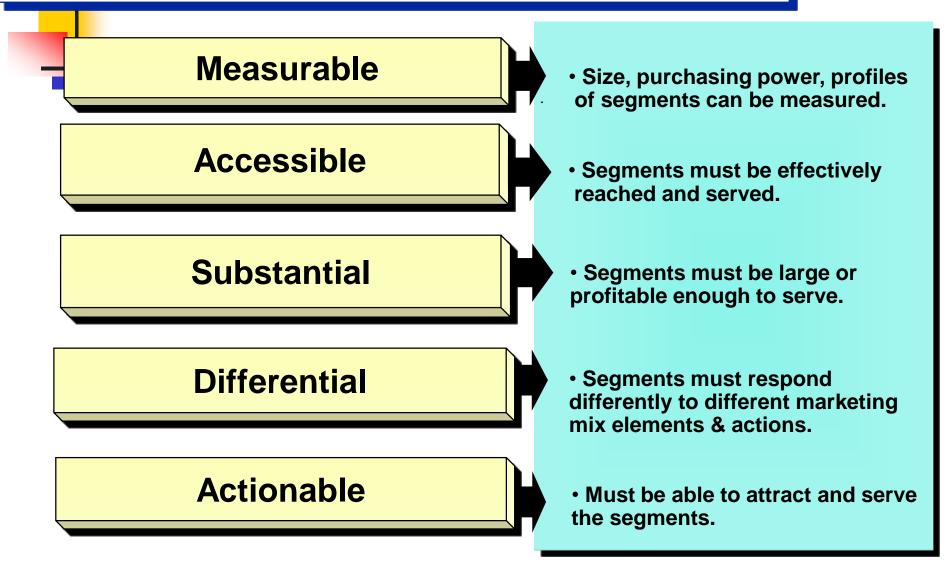
- Consumer and business markets use many of the same variables for segmentation.
- Business marketers can also use:
 - Operating Characteristics-Technology
 - Purchasing Approaches-Purchasing policies
 - Situational Factors-Urgency, Size of the order
 - Personal Characteristics

Segmenting International Markets

Factors used:

- Geographic location
- Economic factors
- Political and legal factors
- Cultural factors
- Intermarket segmentation:
 - Segments of consumers who have similar needs and buying behavior even though they are located in different countries.

Requirements for Effective Segmentation



The Market Segmentation Process

- Develop a Relevant Profile for each Segment
- Forecast Market Potential
- Forecast Probable Market Share
- Select Specific Market Segments



Thank you for your attention!

Any questions please?