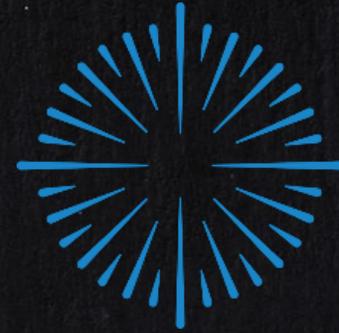


# Seafood Consumer of the Future



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# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute retained Technomic to identify future trends in seafood consumption, and how Alaska Seafood can best position itself within this dynamic marketplace

**Technomic proposed a two phase approach**

Deep dive into secondary sources to assess landscape and opportunity of future seafood consumer marketplace

Assess Alaska Seafood fit within the market to develop target consumer personas, and actionable brand strategy - anticipating strengths and challenges for the brand

**PHASE ONE:  
SECONDARY  
REVIEW**

**PHASE TWO:  
PRIMARY  
RESEARCH**

# PHASE ONE: SECONDARY REVIEW METHODOLOGY

Technomic leveraged internal and external resources to assess the current landscape and opportunity for Alaska Seafood. Data sources used in this phase include:

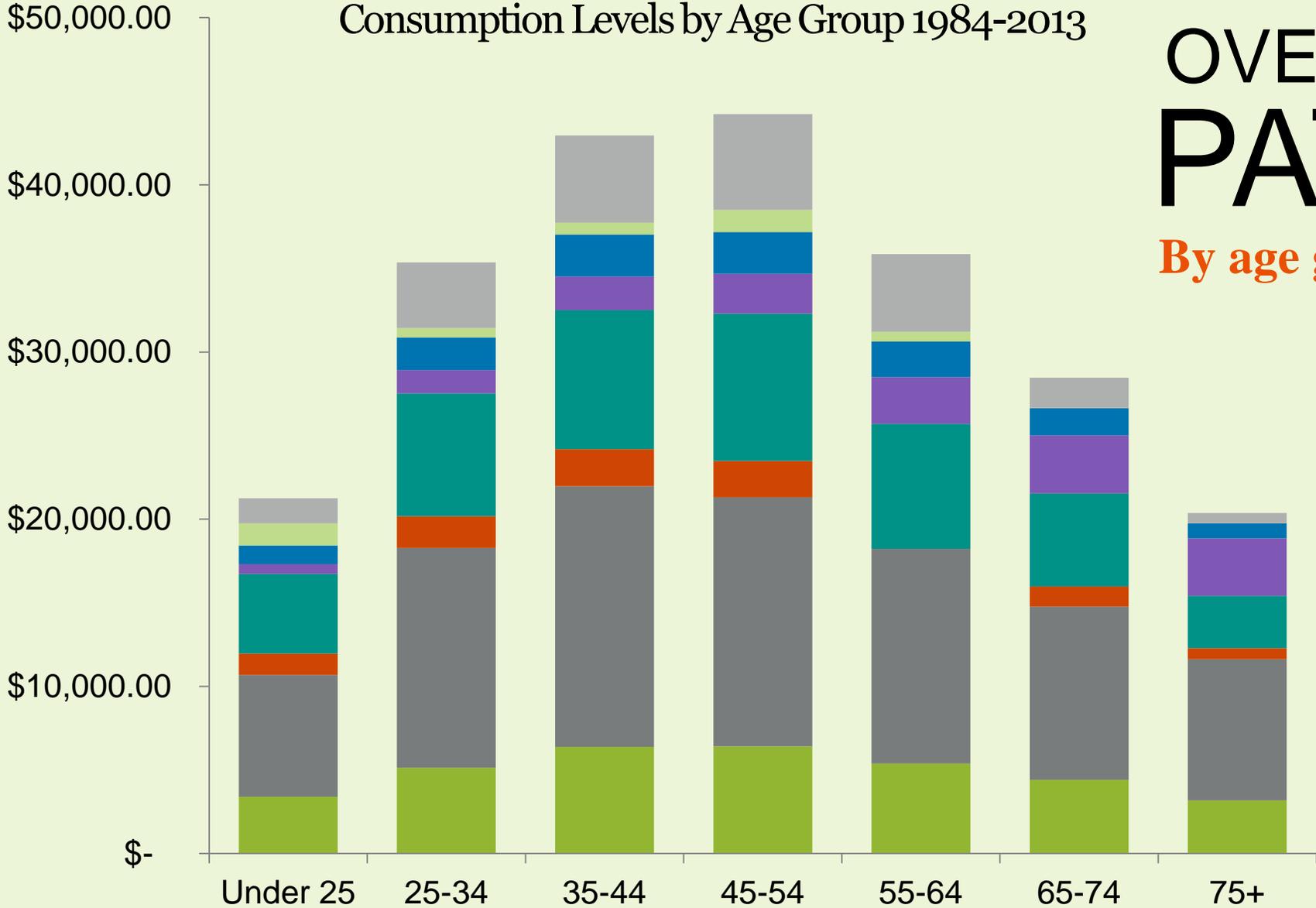
- **Technomic Trend Reports and Presentations**
- **Bureau of Labor**
- **U.S. Census**
- **Morgan Stanley**
- **Euromonitor**
- **Mintel**
- **Nielsen**
- **Food Marketing Institute**
- **U.S. National Library of Medicine**
- **Pew Research Institute**
- **Among Others...**

**The best predictor  
of future behavior  
is...**

**past behavior**

# OVERALL SPEND PATTERNS

By age groups over time



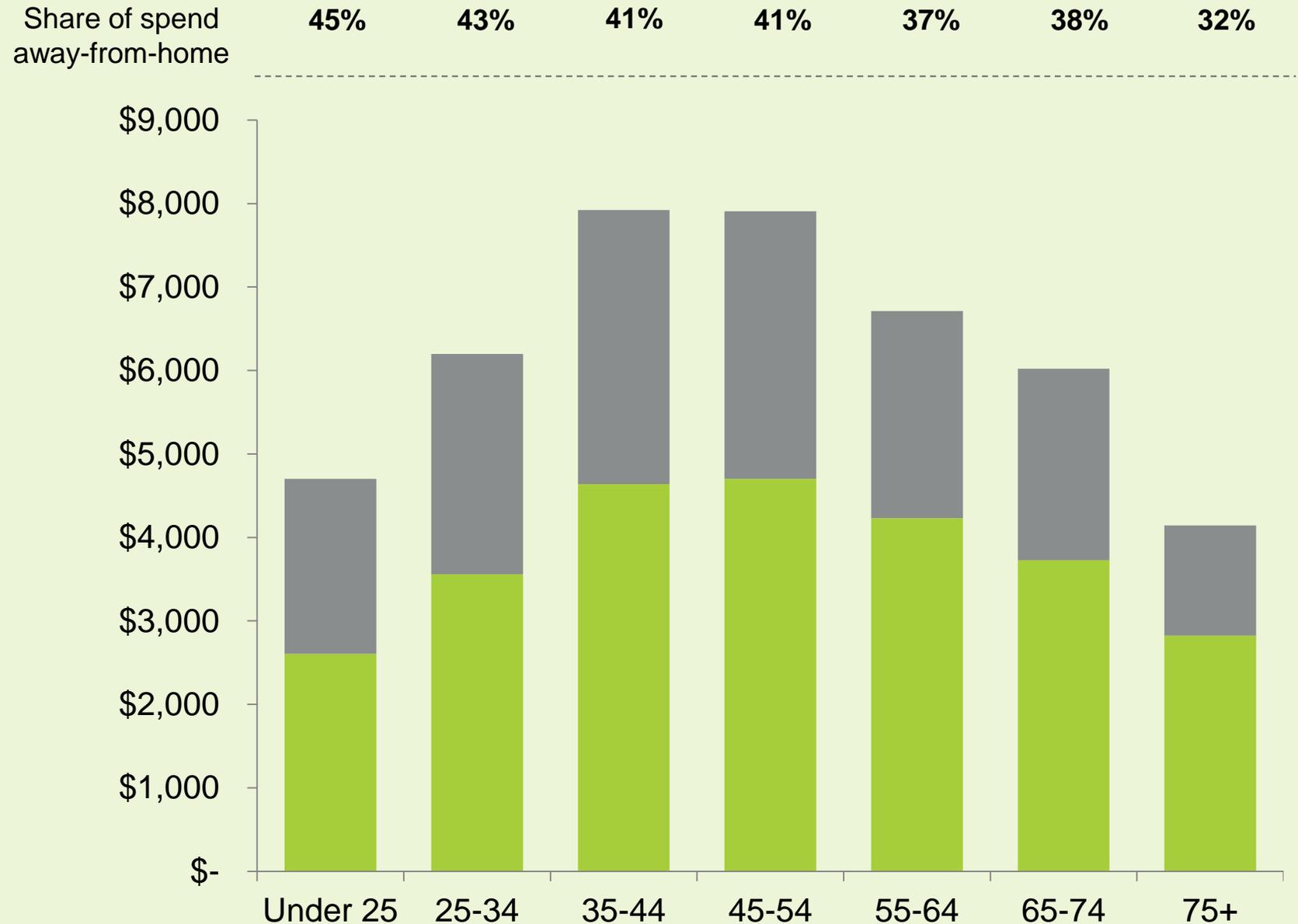
Source: Morgan Stanley (2016) "Generations Change How Spending is Trending"

# AGE GROUP FOOD SPEND

At-home and  
away-from-home

- Food away-from-home
- Food at-home

## Mean Food Expenditures by Age, 2013



Source: bureau of Labor Statistics (2105) "Consumer expenditures by age"

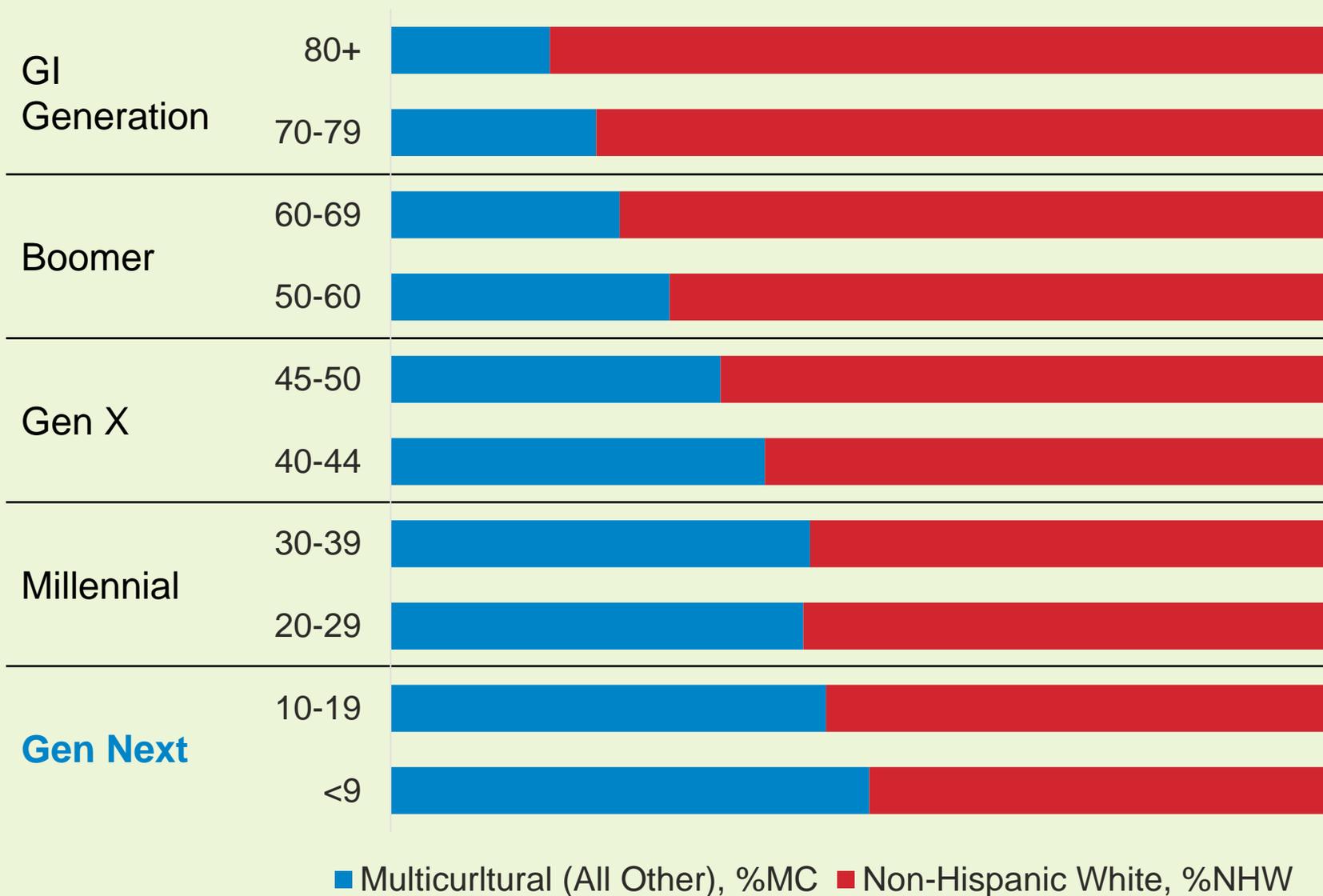
# IN 2025...

## **NEW WORKFORCE, NEW LIFESTAGE GROUPS**

- A larger proportion of Gen Z will be in the workforce
- More Millennials will be married with kids, impacting their food spend behavior
- Some Gen X and older Millennials will start becoming empty nesters



# American Diversity by Generation



**FUTURE  
CONSUMERS  
WILL BE  
MORE  
DIVERSE**

Source: Nielsen (2015), "The Multicultural Edge: Rising Super Consumer". Original data sourced from Nielsen Pop-Facts 2014 aggregate of single year age by race by ethnicity (ASRE) with collapse Race/Ethnicity into "core" diversity cohorts.

## U.S. Ethnic Group Population Projections

By 2060...  
NH White  
population share  
shrinks by  
**20%**

Ethnic Group	2014		2060	2060-2014
	Population (Millions)	(%)	(%)	% Difference
Non-Hispanic White	197	62.1%	42.6%	-19.5%
Hispanic	56	17.6%	29.3%	+11.7%
African-American	40	12.7%	14.7%	+2.0%
Asian-American	16	5.0%	8.2%	+3.2%
Other/2+ Races	14	4.3%	8.2%	+3.9%

Source: Nielsen (2015), "The Multicultural Edge: Rising Super Consumer". Original data sourced from Nielsen Pop-Facts 2014 with U.S. Census Bureau, 2060 projections (Dec 2012) with reported numbers to exceed 100% due to allocation/overlap for Hispanics of mixed race. Included in "Other/2+ Races" are 3.1 million native American Indian and Native Alaskans (AINA), plus 600,000 Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islanders (NHPI), all generally of moderate growth.

# CURRENT THEMES DRIVING SHOPPER CHANGE

In addition to demographic shifts, changes in taste, technology and the American household will shape the future of seafood consumption

DIGITAL  
EVERYWHERE

WOMEN  
BREAKING  
THROUGH  
GLASS  
CEILING

CONSUMER  
DEMAND  
FOR  
HEALTHY

CONSUMER  
PREFERENCES  
FOR  
SUSTAINABLE

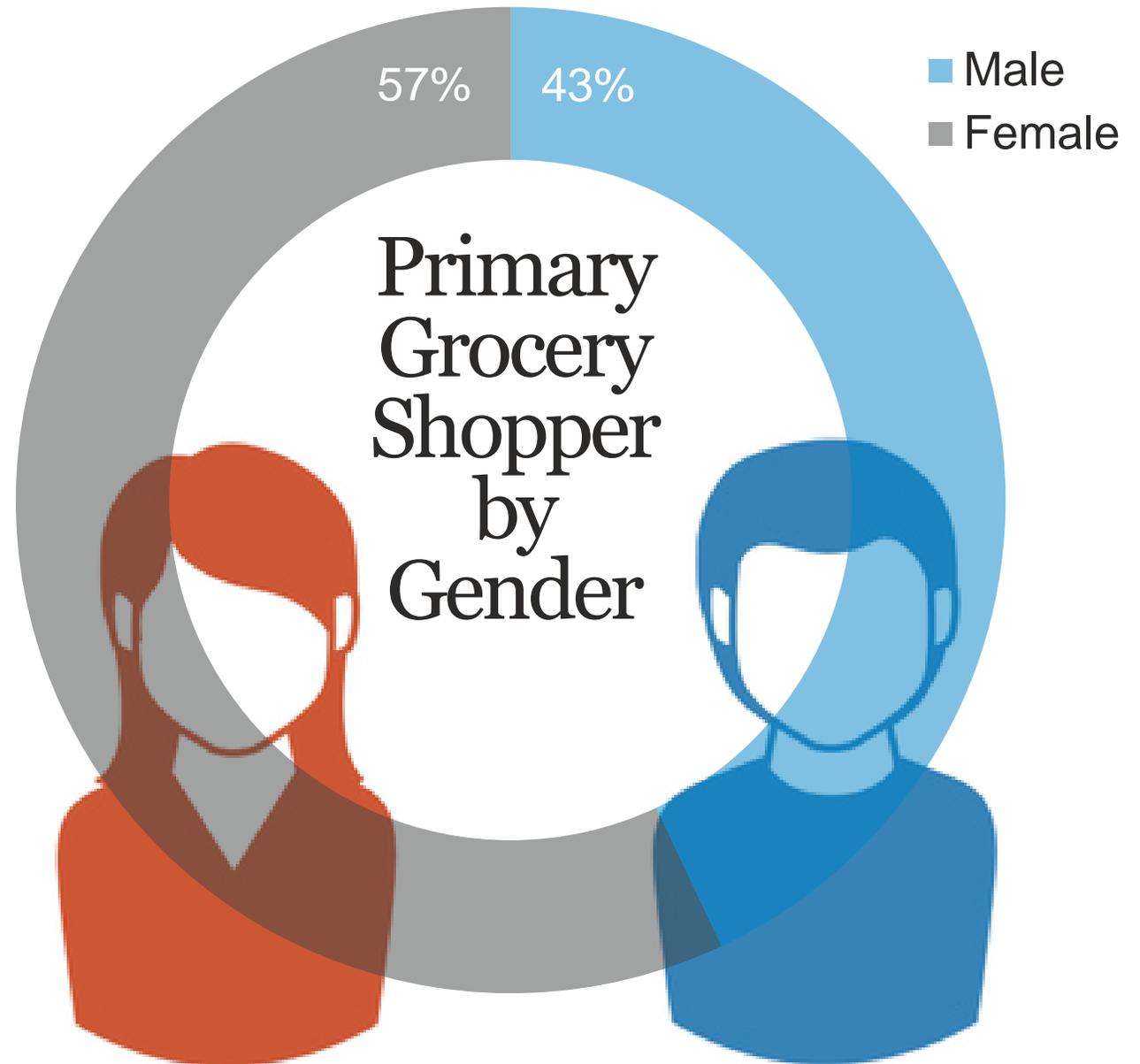
HIGHER  
EDUCATION  
&  
HIGHER  
DEBT

CHANNEL  
AGNOSTIC  
SHOPPING

**who**

**...is  
shopping**

# THE SHOPPER GENDER DIFFERENTIAL WILL CONTINUE TO DECREASE



# GROCERY SHOPPER ROLE SEGMENTATION

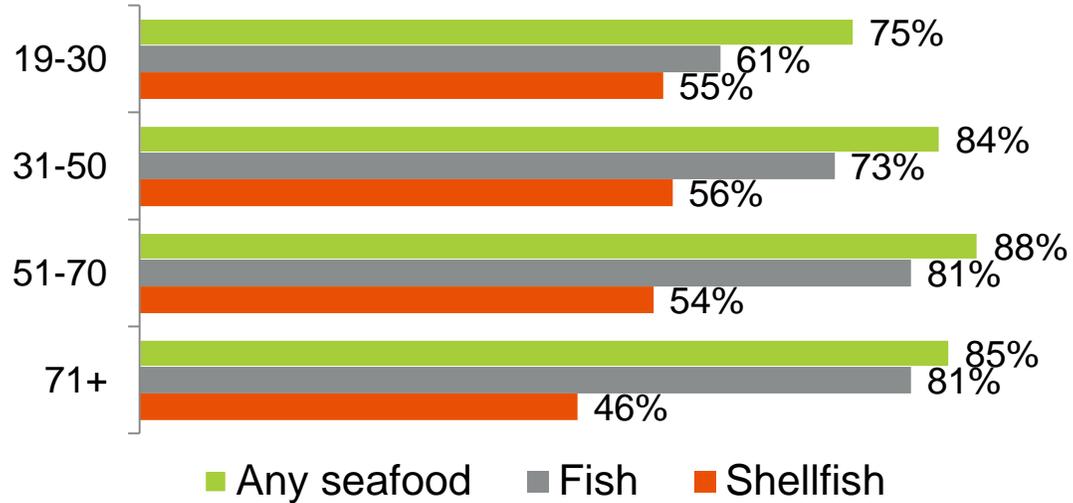
83% OF CONSUMERS ARE  
RESPONSIBLE FOR HOUSEHOLD  
GROCERY SHOPPING



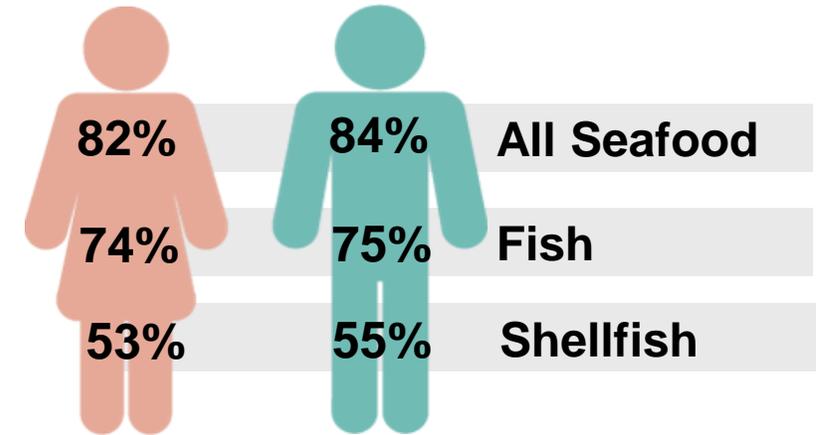
Grocery Shopping Roles Among Adults in U.S.

# MONTHLY+ SEAFOOD CONSUMER DEMOGRAPHICS

## Age group



## Gender



## Education

	All	Fish	Shellfish
Post Secondary	87%	80%	60%
HS or equivalent	82%	71%	50%
<High school	78%	66%	49%

## Ethnicity

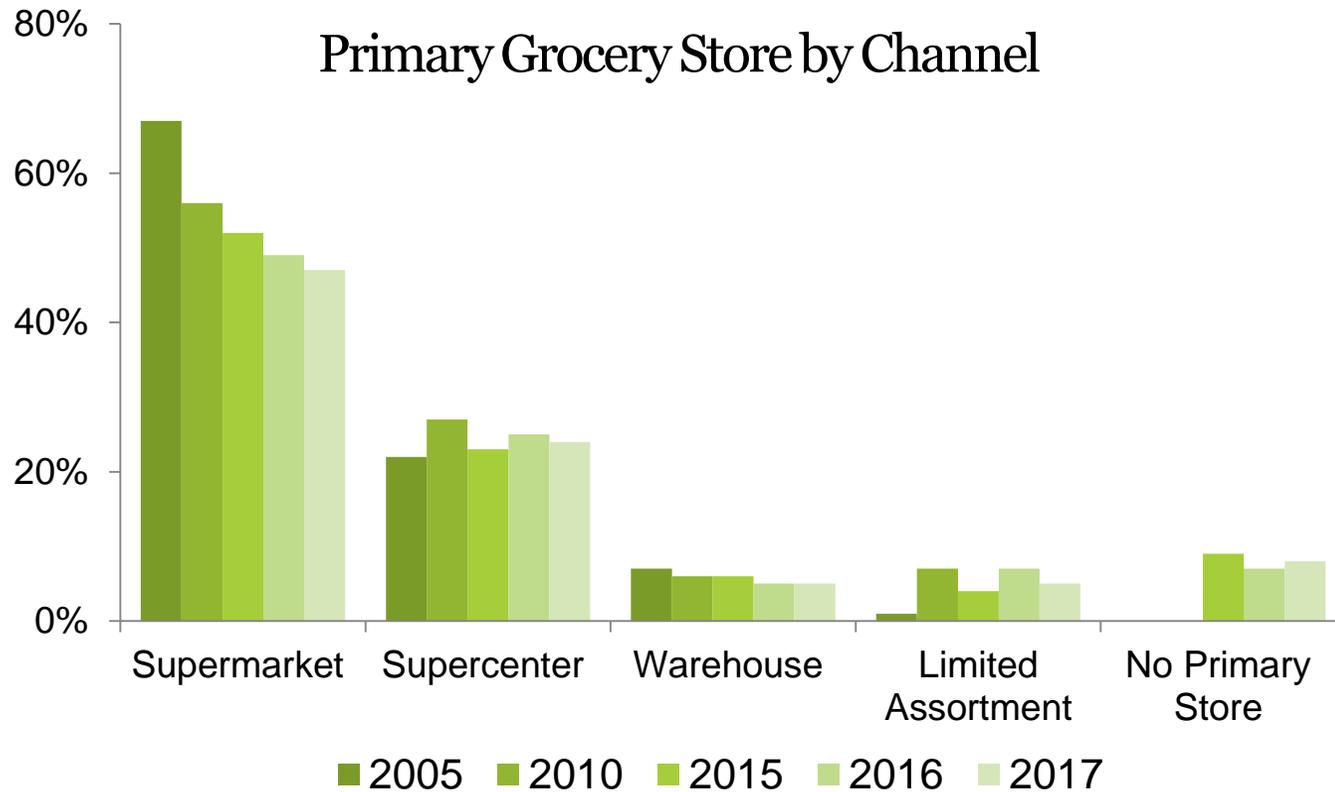
	All	Fish	Shellfish
Caucasian (non-Hispanic)	83%	74%	53%
Mexican American	83%	70%	60%
Non-Hispanic Black	85%	78%	51%

**how**

**...are they  
shopping**

# GROCERY CHANNEL SOURCING FRAGMENTATION

grocery shopping is increasingly a multi-channel experience

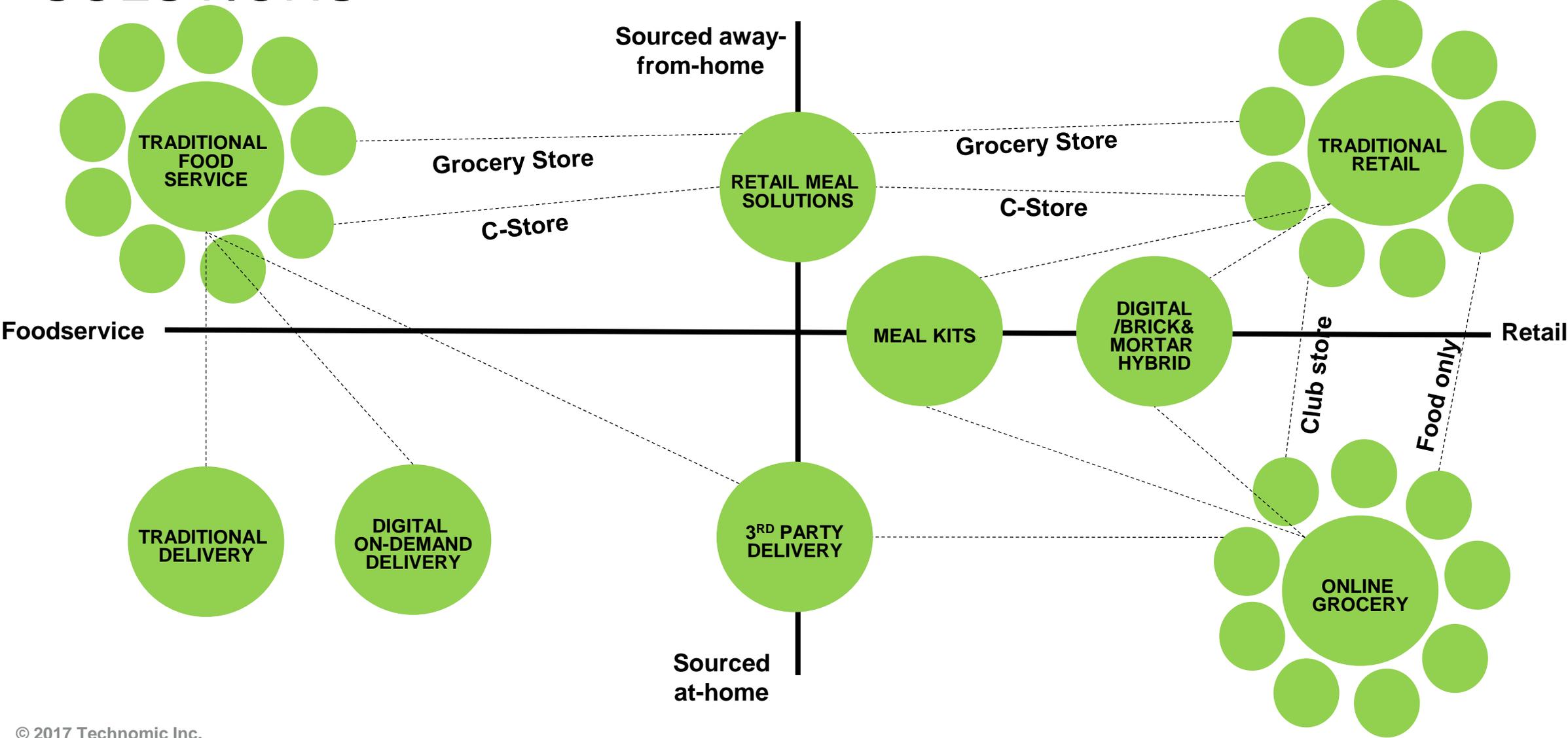


Grocery Category Segment Usage (%)

Fairly Often/Almost Always visit	2016	2017
Supermarket	85	83
Supercenter	54	53
Discount Store	29	31
Limited Assortment	21	25
Dollar Store	20	22
Drug Store	18	18
Natural + Organic	13	17
Convenience Store	8	11
Ethnic Food Store	7	11
Online-only Food Store	5	11

Source: FMI (2017) "U.S. Grocery Shopper Trends, 2017"

# IN THE UNIVERSE OF MEAL SOURCING OPTIONS NEW FORMATS BRIDGE FOODSERVICE AND RETAIL SOLUTIONS

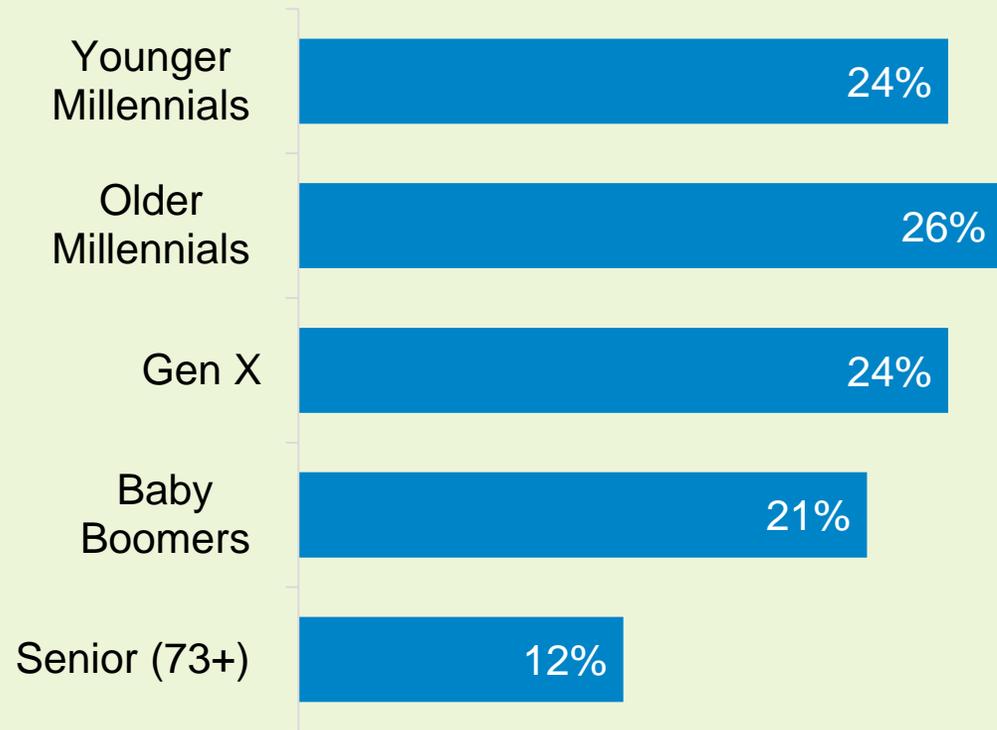


# THE EMERGENCE OF DIGITAL/BRICK & MORTAR HYBRID FORMATS REFLECT GROCERY SHOPPING IN TRANSITION



# DIGITAL GROCERY USAGE AT 23% IN 2017

Internet users who have purchased groceries digitally



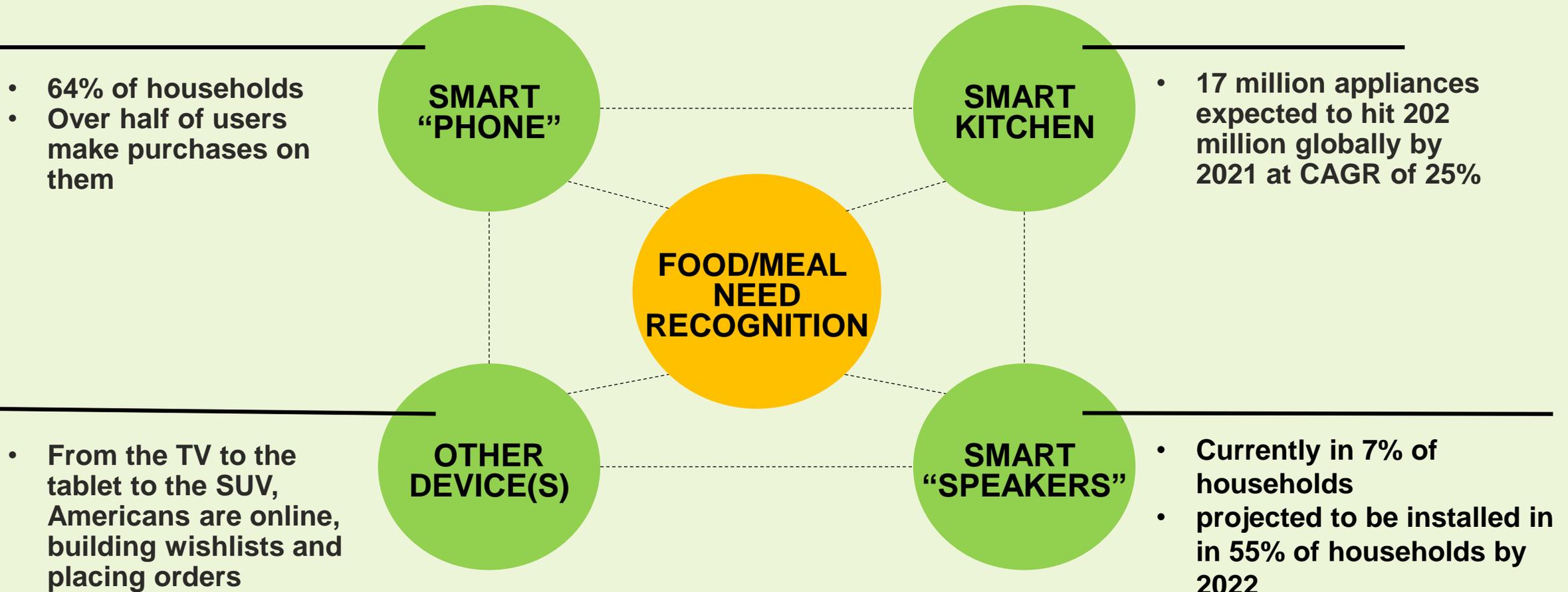
Source: Emarketer (2017) "Online Grocery Shipping is No Longer Just a Millennial Story"

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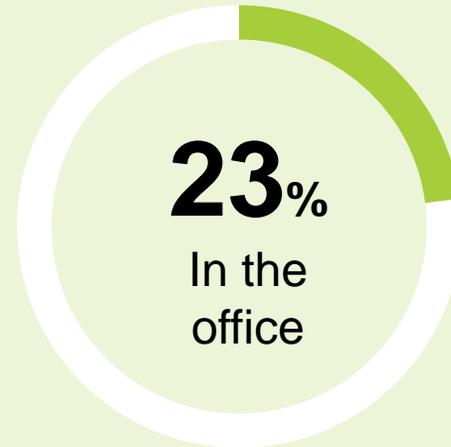


# THE AVERAGE AMERICAN OWNS FOUR INTERNET ENABLED DEVICES

*The “Internet of Things” is closing the gap between need recognition and need fulfillment*

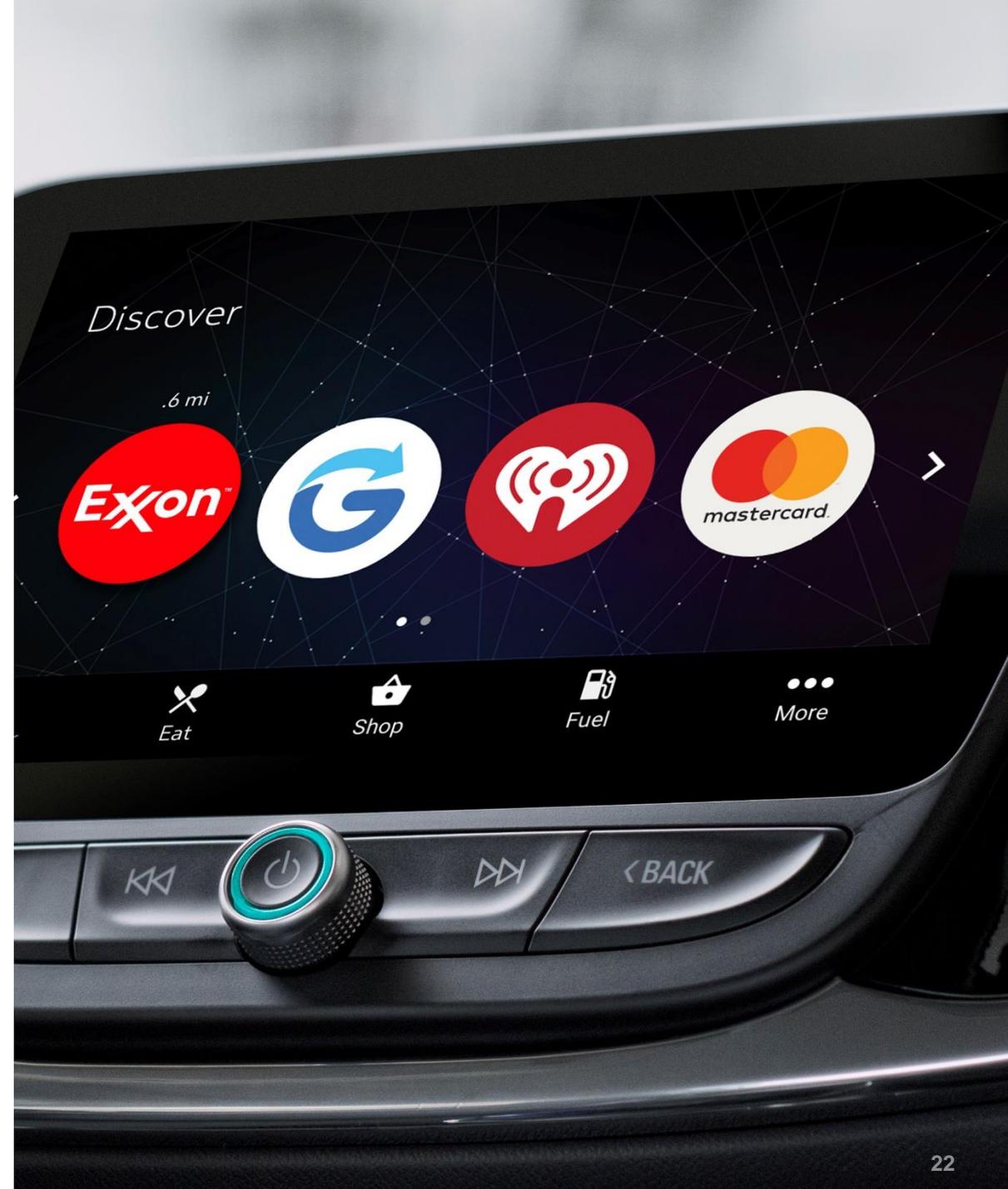


# WHERE AMERICANS DO THEIR ONLINE SHOPPING

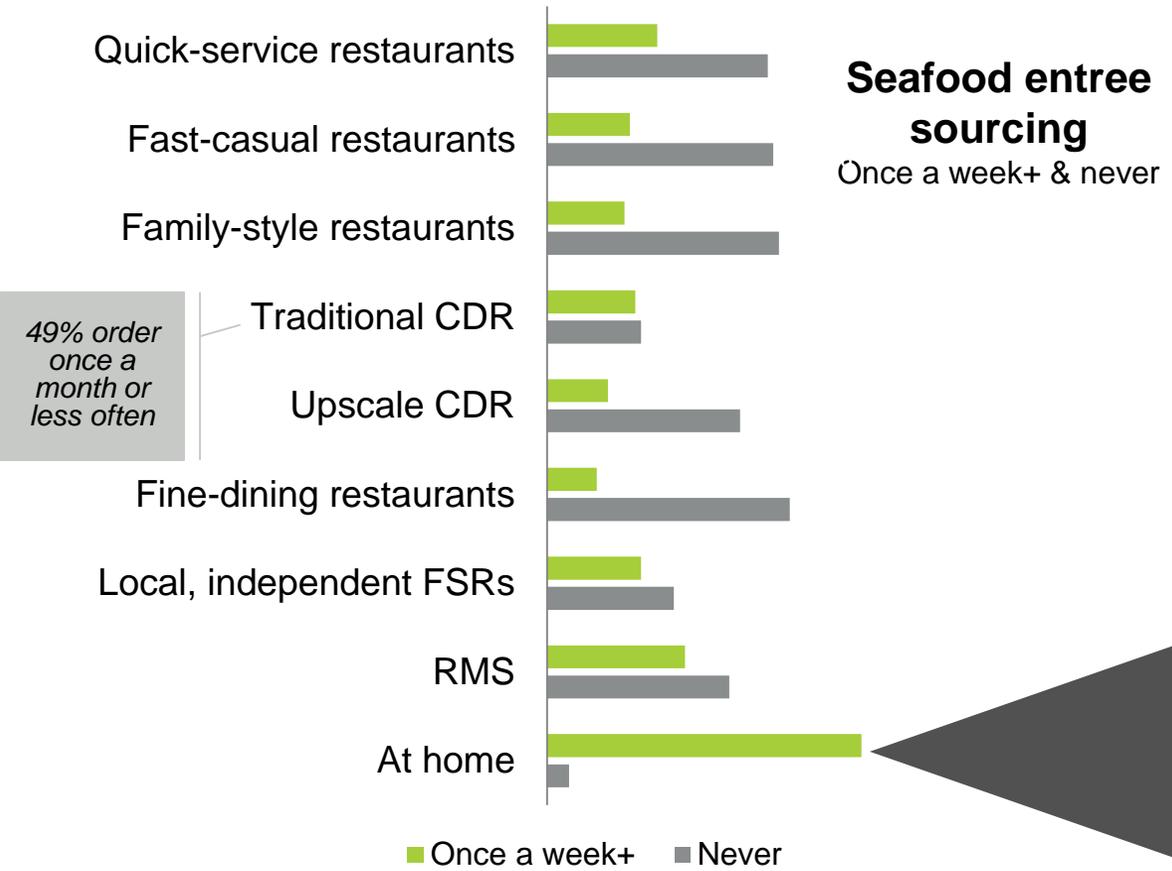


Source: BigCommerce (2017) "Omni-Channel Retail in 2017"

# WHERE IT'S HEADED?... EVEN EASIER

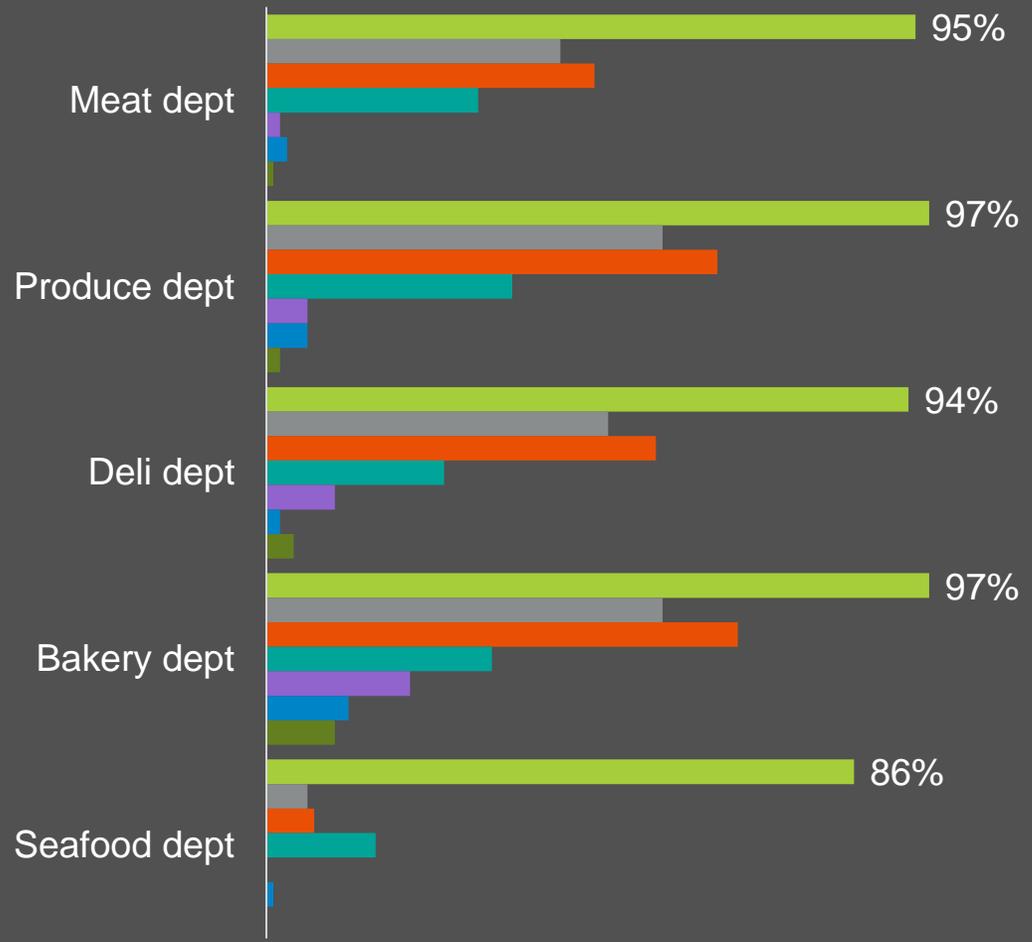


# SEAFOOD CONSUMPTION IS FRAGMENTED ACROSS FOODSERVICE BUT SILOED IN RETAIL



Base: 1,300 seafood consumers  
 Q: How often do you eat seafood as a main entree, or as an ingredient/topping on a main entree (e.g., on a sandwich, entree salad, etc.) from the following places?  
 Source: Nielsen (2014) "Perishables Group Seafood Trends"

## Sourcing by department for at-home consumption



- > \$2MM grocery
- Mass merch w/ supercenters
- Dollar stores
- Drug store
- Supercenters
- Warehouse/club
- Convenience store

# THE E-COMMERCE CONSUMER LOOKS FOR...

Currently this favors non-grocery and non-fresh categories. This will shift as e-commerce becomes normalized and previous deterrents become additional drivers.

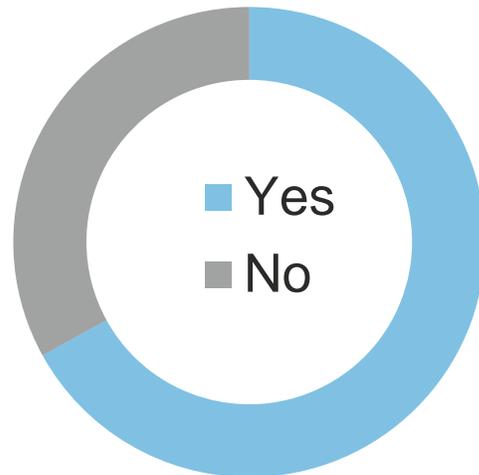
<b>DRIVERS</b>	<b>DETERRENTS</b>
CONVENIENCE	FRESHNESS
VALUE	QUALITY
ABILITY TO "STOCK-UP"	SAFETY

**what**

**...are they  
shopping  
for**

# AMERICANS ARE ASPIRING TO A HEALTHY DIET

% who have  
changed their diet  
in past 3 years



Of those who have changed their  
diet, 70% are now eating healthier  
foods



# CONSUMERS WHO REPORT EATING MORE SEAFOOD CITE, HEALTH AS THE PRIMARY DRIVER

**30%** *Say they've eaten more seafood over the past year*

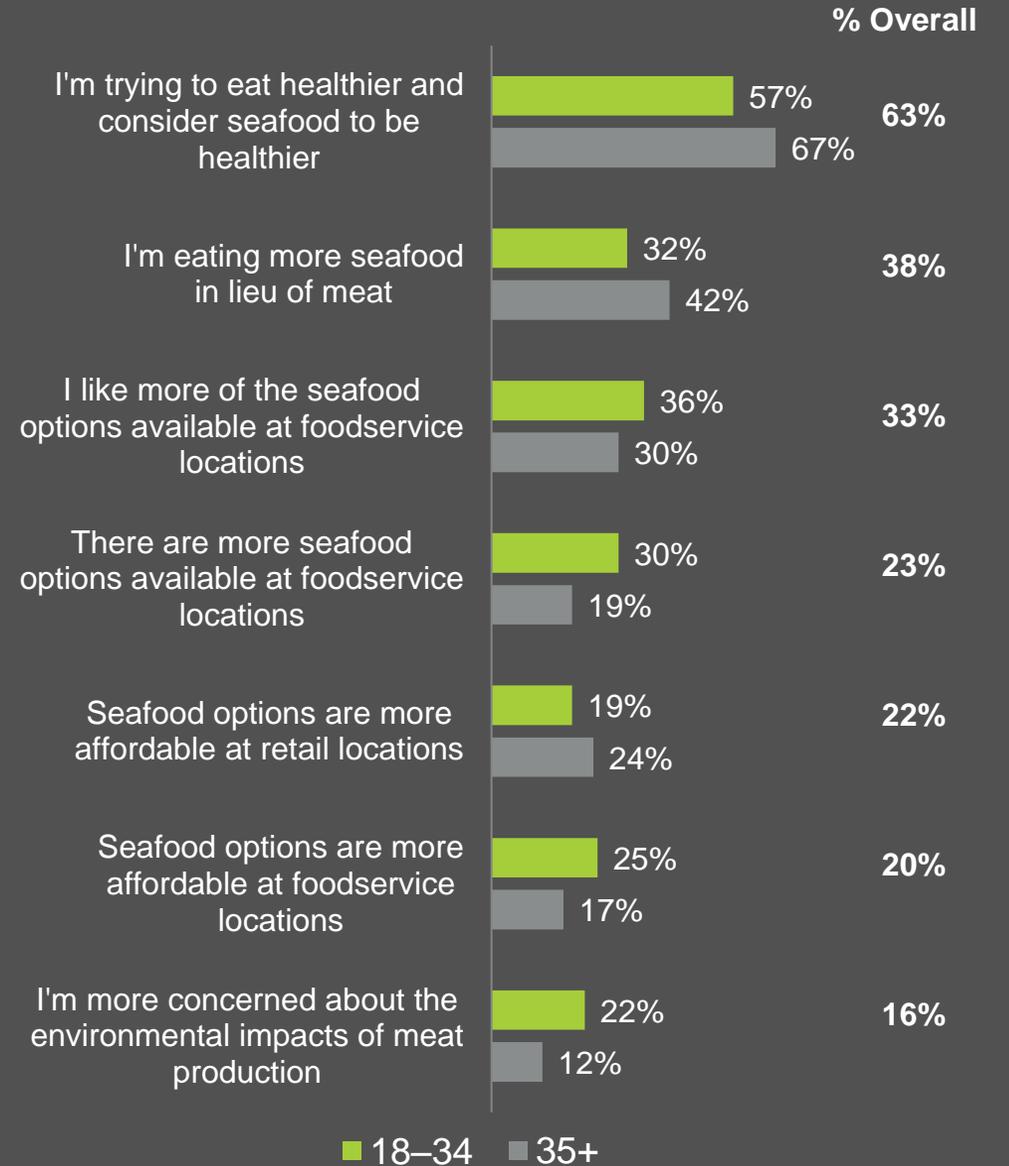
Base: 447 who report eating more meals with seafood

Q: Why are you eating more meals with seafood? Select all that apply.

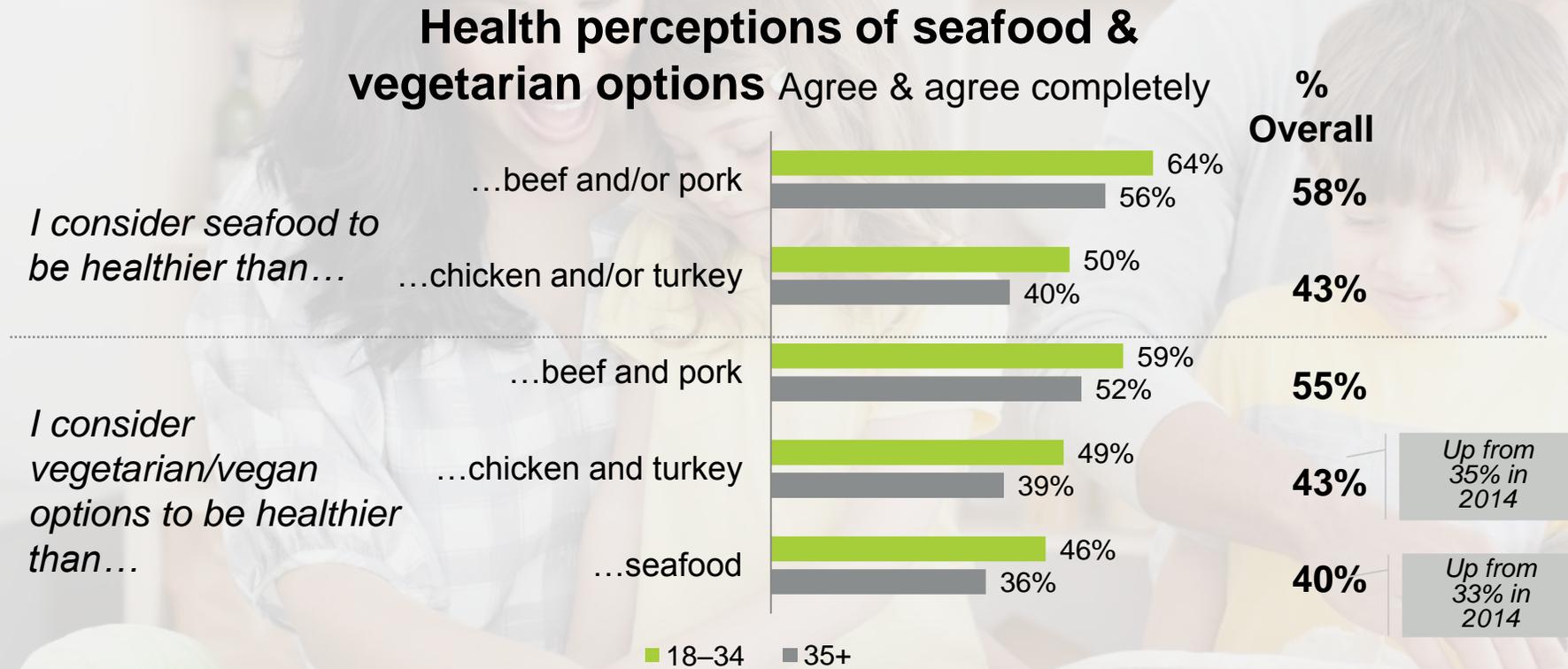
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## Reasons for eating more meals with seafood

Select all



# YOUNGER CONSUMERS ARE MORE LIKELY TO FIND SEAFOOD AND PLANT-BASED PROTEINS TO BE HEALTHIER THAN POULTRY, BEEF OR PORK



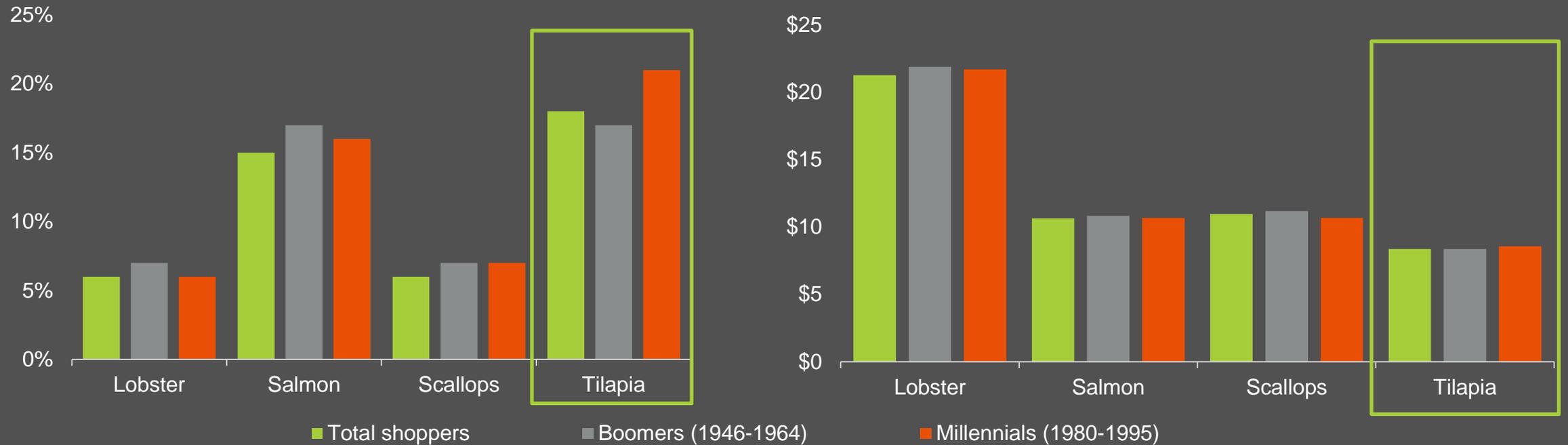
Base: 1,083 (seafood) and 589 (vegetarian/vegan) consumers

Q: Please indicate your agreement or disagreement with the following statements regarding seafood.

Please indicate your agreement or disagreement with the following statements regarding vegetarian and/or vegan options/substitutes.

# THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR VALUE PRODUCTS FOR YOUNGER SEAFOOD CONSUMERS

% who say they purchase the following types of seafood

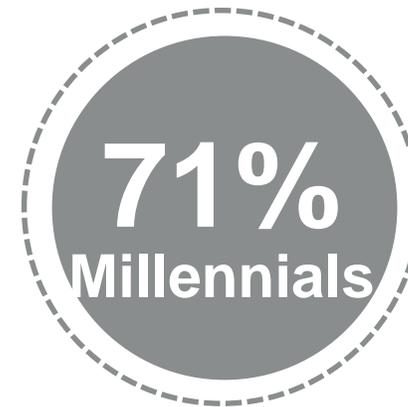


Source: Nielsen (2014) "Perishables Group Seafood Trends"

# CONSUMER INTEREST IN HOW FOOD IS PRODUCED HAS INCREASED

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“I am more interested today in where my food was sourced from than I was two years ago...”  
% agree completely or agree



“I am more interested today in how food is grown, raised or produced than I was two years ago...”  
% agree completely or agree

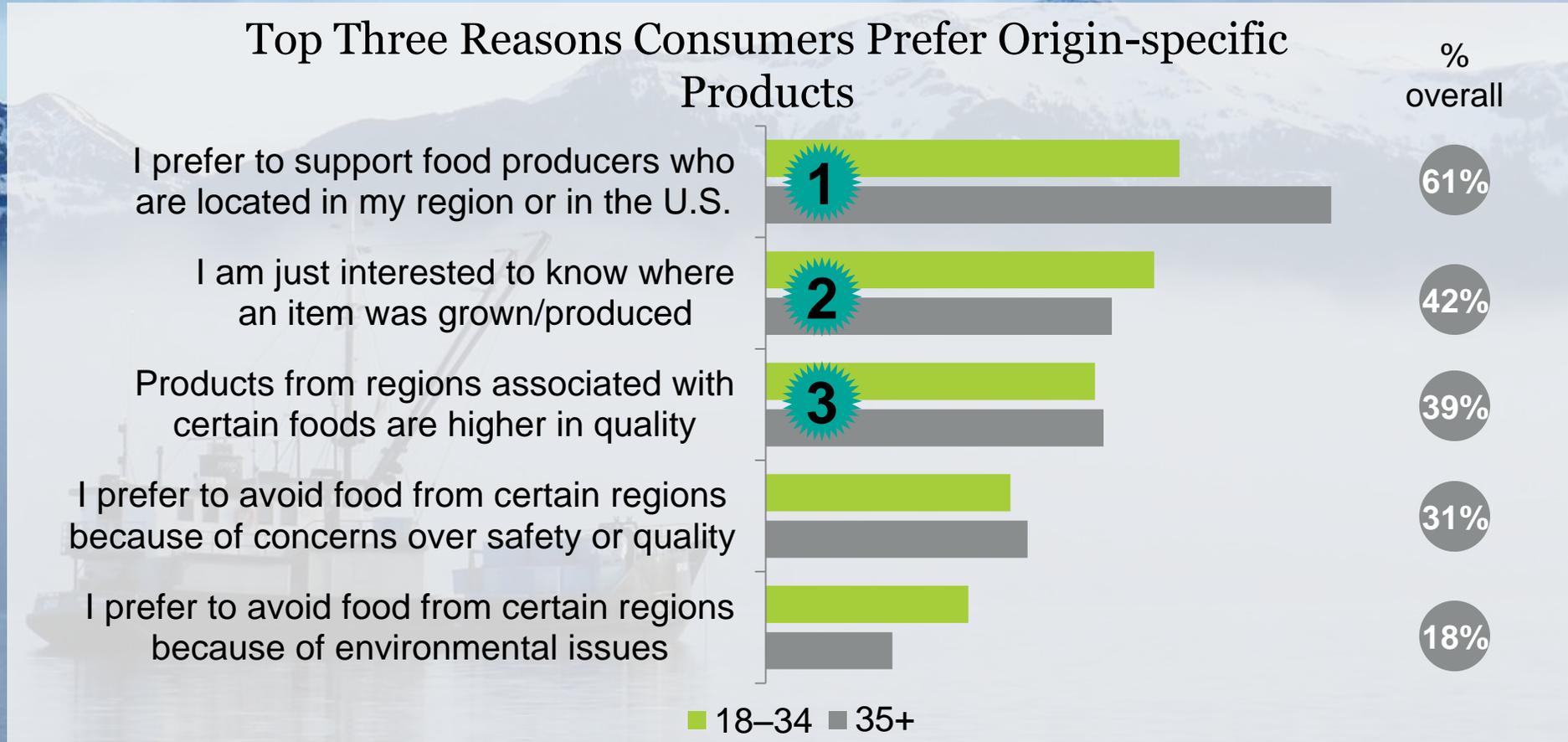


Base: 2,000

Q: Is it more important to you that a food's source is regionally specified at certain types of restaurants and other foodservice locations versus others?

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# SUPPORTING FOOD PRODUCERS RANKS HIGHEST FOR PREFERENCE FOR ORIGIN-SPECIFIC PRODUCTS



Base: 1,505

Q: Thinking about all the types of items in restaurants or other foodservice locations for which origin-specific sourcing is important to you, what would you say are your TOP TWO reasons for preferring origin-specific products? (Top 5 shown)

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# PLACE OF ORIGIN, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND PRODUCTION METHOD ALL PLAY A PART IN THE SEAFOOD PURCHASING DECISION



Base: Approximately 1,082 seafood consumers

Q: Please indicate your agreement or disagreement with the following statements regarding seafood.

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**The  
seafood  
consumer  
of the  
future is  
[...]**

**...digitally native  
...highly educated  
...health-conscious  
...sustainability-  
minded  
...sourcing their  
meals from wherever  
...urban & suburban  
...on social media**

# Key Takeaways

**Alaska Seafood is well positioned to take advantage of trends in seafood consumption, but to do so will need...**

**...A consumer strategy that targets consumers in and approaching peak spending years**

**...A product strategy that highlights health, sustainability, and uses source-specificity to elevate the Alaska Seafood brand**

**...A go-to-market strategy that anticipates the challenges and opportunities of omni-channel fresh food sourcing**

# Next Steps

**PHASE ONE:  
SECONDARY  
REVIEW**

**SEPTEMBER-  
NOVEMBER**

**DOMESTIC  
COMMITTEE  
MEETING**

**NOVEMBER, 27**

**PHASE TWO:  
PRIMARY  
RESEARCH**

**DECEMBER-  
FEBRUARY**

**STRATEGIC  
WORK  
SESSION**

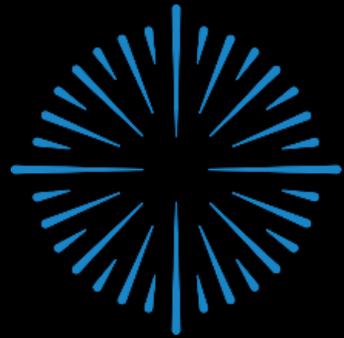
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