

# Market Research to be Market Ready

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# Market Research Market Ready: Overview

- Understanding why research is critical for success
- How to do effective research
- Competitive Intelligence
- Know where you want to go
- Market channels and pricing basics

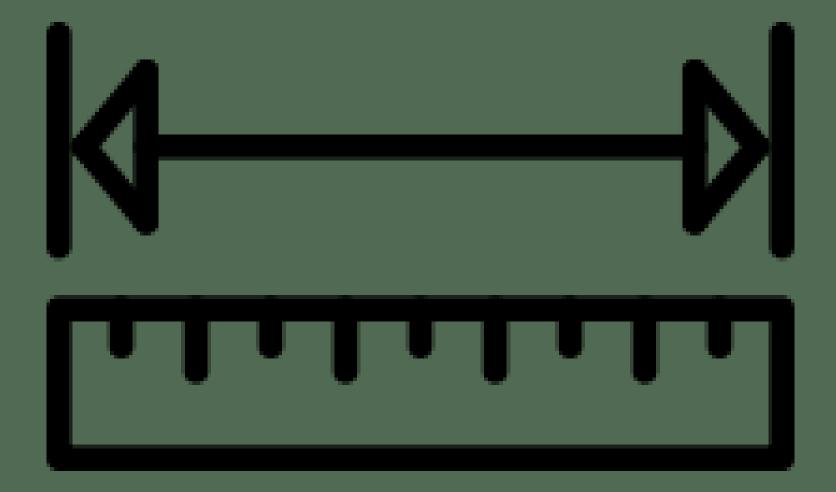






### RESEARCH

# Measure twice, cut once







## RESEARCH: Category

- Dry grocery
- Refrigerated
- Frozen
- Bakery

- Produce
- Dairy
- Beverage
- Bulk Foods







## RESEARCH: Category

- Category size: Global, US,
  National, local
- Category Growth
- Trends: Diets, source, sustainable, health
- Category Needs
- Political and health regulations







## RESEARCH: Competitive Intelligence

- Retail survey
- Top 5 locations
- Price compare by 10 grams/milliliters
- Nutritional comparisons
- US/Canadian product
- Certifications





## KNOW YOUR NEXT STEP

# Start with Your Goals in Mind







### CHANNEL: Start Small

- Start local Farmer's Markets
- Build retail sales and demand
- increase distribution
- Choose your Channels:
  - Food Service, Grocery, Online, Retail
     — not too many!
- Focus: one category vs multiple categories







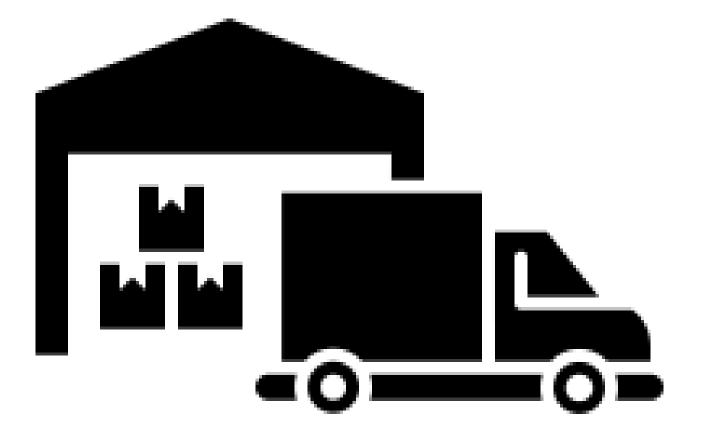
## CHANNEL: Sales Avenues

#### Grocery

- Online
- Independent
  - Store
  - Chain
- Reg./Nat. Chain
- Mass (Walmart)
- Club (Costco)

#### Other

- Farmers Markets
- Craft Markets
- Food Service
- Institution







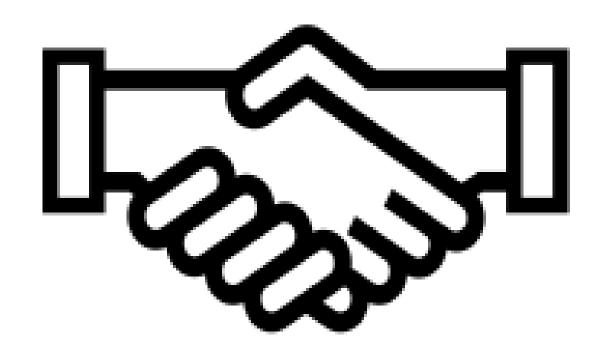
## CHANNEL: Requirements

#### Grocery

 Label compliance, line price, UPC, case sizes

#### Food Service:

Bulk sizing, lower cost, supports your production volume







## CHANNEL: Pricing Basics

- MSRP = Manufacturer's Suggested
  Retail Price
- Understand your retailers' margin structure
- Be consistent with volume discounts
- Identify peaks and valleys for demand
- Know what you are willing to do to drive sales







## CHANNEL: Grocery Buyers

- How will your Brand WIN the category:
  - Fit in mix, fit in pricing, stand out on shelf
- Understand the retailer:
  - backroom, merchandising, competition, pricing, promotional programs
- How will you drive repeat purchases?



