CREATING AN ONTARIO-WIDE FOOD MOVEMENT

September 14, 2020





AGENDA

RESEARCH STRATEGY CREATIVE YEAR ONE PLAN BUDGET DISCUSSION

Objective CREATE AN ONTARIO-WIDE FOOD MOVEMENT

The Opportunity THOUGH VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS ARE ENGAGING IN CONVERSATIONS WITH CANADIANS, THEY REMAIN FOCUSED ON THEIR OWN VERTICAL.

DEMONSTRATE TO ONTARIANS WHY THEY SHOULD Select ontario-grown foods.

THE INSIGHT

"SHARED VALUES ARE 3-5 TIMES MORE POWERFUL THAN FACTS WHEN IT COMES TO EARNING TRUST."

- The Canadian Centre for Food Integrity

We need to steer the conversation around

Ontarians' common values, rallying behind a local food movement, and in turn presenting an opportunity to educate people about the food they buy and eat.

WHAT CANADIANS VALUE

CONCERNS ON LIFE ISSUES



Rising cost of food



Keeping healthy food affordable

CONCERNS ON FOOD SYSTEMS



Food safety



Climate change



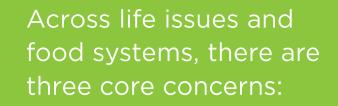
Humane treatment of animals



Rising health care

costs

Having enough food to feed Canada

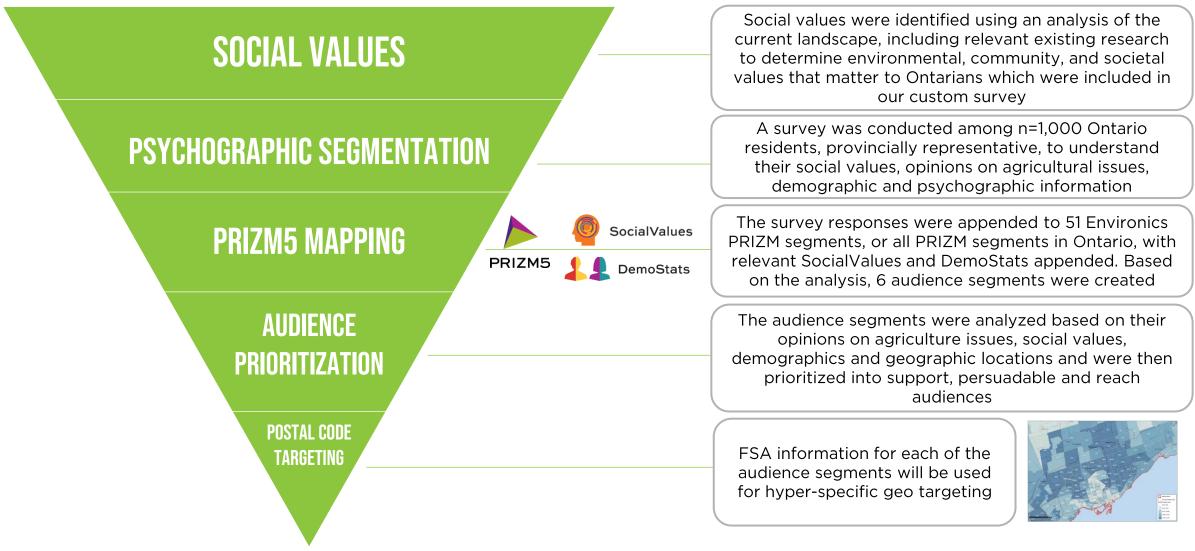


SAFETY QUALITY OF LIFE SUSTAINABILITY

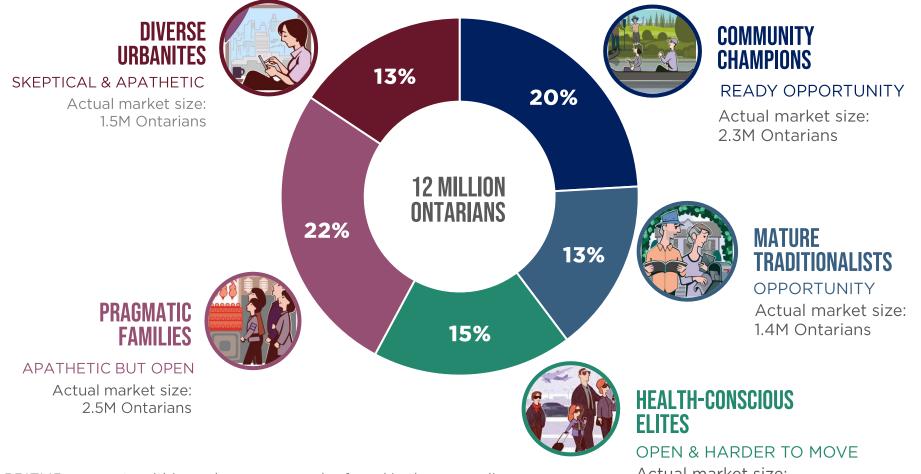
BUT WHAT DO ONTARIANS VALUE?



RESEARCH APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY



THE FOLLOWING SEGMENTS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED BASED ON DIFFERENCES IN DEMOGRAPHICS, GEOGRAPHY, AND PERCEPTIONS TOWARDS ISSUES IN AGRICULTURE IN ONTARIO



PRIZM5 segments within each persona can be found in the appendix SOURCE: Environics Analytics Segmentation Analysis January 2020

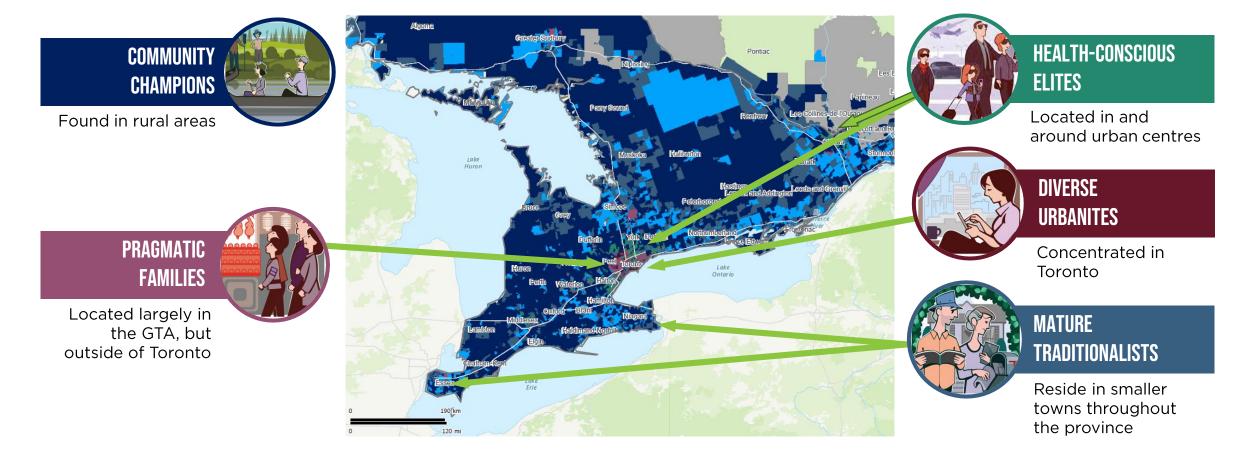
Actual market size: 1.8M Ontarians

83% OF ONTARIO POPULATION

A CORRELATION BETWEEN URBANITY AND AFFILIATION TO AGRICULTURE

Geographical Distribution

ONTARIO

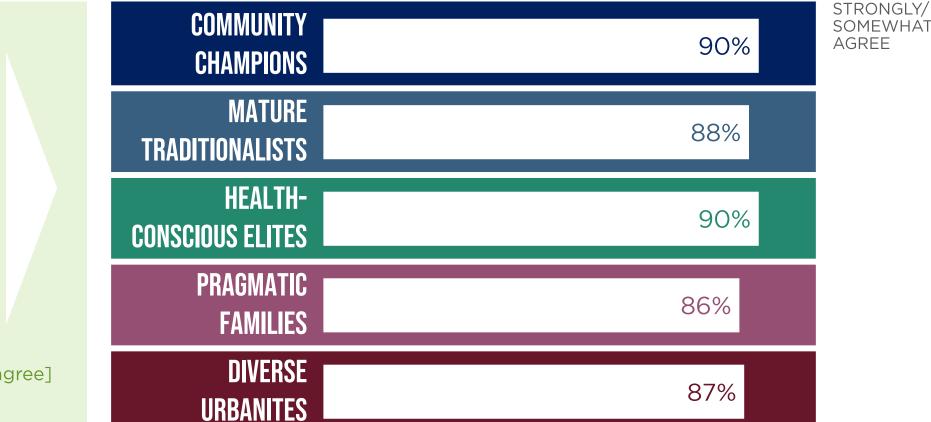


ONTARIANS ARE PROUD OF THEIR PROVINCE – AND THIS IS TRUE OF ALL SEGMENTS

Ontario Pride

9 in 10 Ontarians are proud to live in Ontario

[88% strongly/somewhat agree]



Base: Total sample (n=1001)

Q9. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about the agriculture industry in Ontario. [5-pt scale: Strongly agree – Strongly disagree]

PURCHASING LOCAL IS IMPORTANT TO COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS, WHILE DIVERSE URBANITES FIND Environmental protection to be the biggest issue

Key Defining Issues

	COST & AFFORDABILITY	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	FOOD SAFETY	SUSTAINABILITY & FOOD SUPPLY	LOCALLY PRODUCED (influences food choices)
COMMUNITY Champions	61%	67%	48%	28%	52%
MATURE Traditionalists	54%	58%	61%	33%	38%
HEALTH-CONSCIOUS Elites	57%	63%	57%	28%	40%
PRAGMATIC Families	52%	61%	60%	24%	39%
DIVERSE URBANITES	55%	83%	49%	27%	35%

Q4: Which of the following issues surrounding agriculture are the most important in Ontario? Q6: Please indicate which, if any, of the following considerations influence your food and beverage choices. SOURCE: Environics Analytics Segmentation Analysis January 2020

UNCOVERING THE RIGHT OPPORTUNITIES

To help move Ontarians from a state of mind where they know little about agriculture and food production to where they can confidently make informed choices, we recommend prioritizing the following audiences.

ADVOCACY

Segment Prioritization

EDUCATION



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OUR KEY BARRIERS

- 1. A growing disconnect between Farmers/Producers and consumers, which is heightened with proximity to urban centers
- 2. Our diverse population presents challenges to connect with consumers on an emotional level



OPPORTUNITIES

- 1. Bridge the relationship gap between farmers and food producers, to consumers
- 2. Connect with our target segments on an emotional level

STRATEGIC APPROACH

We'll leverage these opportunities through a three-pronged approach.



The Brand

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With only 1% of Ontarians working in the farming and food processing sector, the majority of Ontarians are disconnected from how food is grown and processed. But they are interested in learning more. And they want to hear this directly from the farmers and food producers.

We need to bridge the relationship gap between farmers and food producers with all Ontarians.

We will build a brand that makes Ontario farmers and food producers more relatable to the Ontarian consumer through our shared pride of Ontario. We will show how they are active contributors to the Ontarian culture.

HOW WE'LL BRIDGE THE GAP

How we'll show Ontarians that their local farmers & food producers are active participants in the Ontarian community:

- Humanize farmers and food producers by showcasing the full lives that they lead, both off and on the farm
- How made in Ontario food is enjoyed by the community in grocery stores, restaurants, across the whole province

Social Values **TELLING OUR STORY**

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Our research has identified the 3 core social values most Ontarians care about. And these are the social values we will use to relate Ontarians with farmers and food producers of Ontario.

To resonate with our audience on a personal and emotional level, we will target content to our different segments based on their unique social values.



QUALITY & SAFETY



ELITES

FAMILIES

TRADITIONALISTS

- Ontario's growers and producers are confidently feeding their families with locally grown foods
- Growers and producers are diverse, delivering quality through a positive and safe work environment
- Our food system is backed by a strict regulatory system that ensures our food is safe and the environment is protected
- Animals are being raised in an adequate and safe manner, leading to better quality food for your family

COMMUNITY

CHAMPIONS

LOCAL Economy

- Connecting farmers and food producers in the community
- Support Ontario farm families by buying local food products
- How Ontario's growers and food producers can support a local food diet

ENVIRONMENT



DIVERSE

URBANITES

- Ontario farmers are stewards for the land they farm on.
- Ontario's farmers and food producers can support a range of diets
- New precision agriculture tools allow growers to monitor crops, equipment and the water – leading to a healthier planet and more sustainable agriculture.
- Technology innovations like AI are helping growers reduce food loss

THE OUTCOME

Now that we have engaged our segments on the social values most relevant to them, we will move to our final job to be done: helping Ontarians understand why they should consume Ontario-made.

- Educate Ontarians about the different types of food grown and produced in the province across different seasons
- How consumers can identify and where they can find locally grown foods.

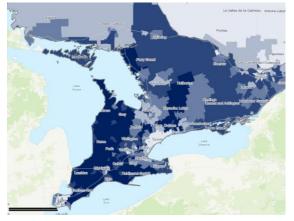
The ultimate outcome will be: "I can feel good about buying Ontario-grown and produced foods as they align with my own social values."

DISTRIBUTION STRATEGY

Geo-targeting is at the core of our campaign, and how we will activate our content with our identified segments.

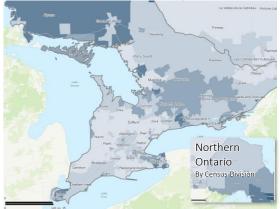
COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS

rural areas predominantly in SW Ontario



MATURE TRADITIONALISTS

second cities and rural communities



Target Group Penetration by FSA (%) 0 - 9.9 10 - 24.9 25 - 39.9 40 - 59.9 60+

HEALTH-CONSCIOUS ELITES

urban centres & surrounding suburbs



PRAGMATIC FAMILIES

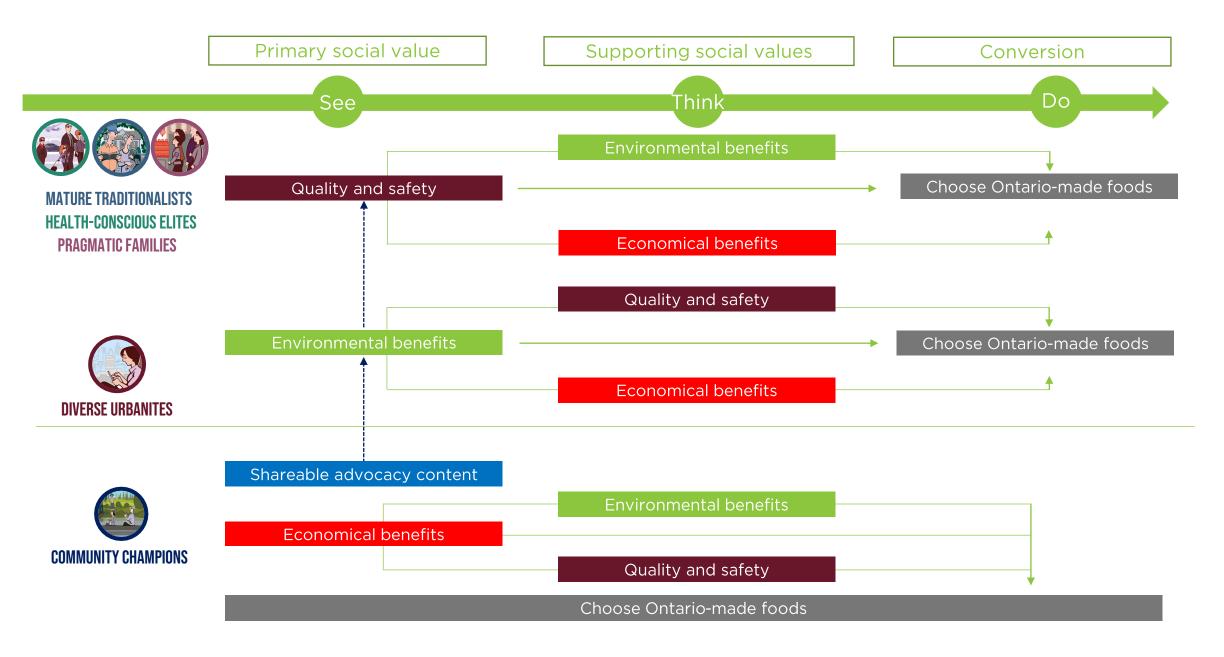
GTA-centric suburban neighbourhoods



DIVERSE URBANITES

major urban centres (Toronto/Ottawa)





CREATIVE APPROACH

To build an emotional connection between our target audiences and the people who produce their food, we'll establish a new brand that can live on over multiple years.

With a meaningful platform to build on, we'll have ample opportunity to engage and educate and Ontarians for years to come.

THINKING

As Canada has developed, we've become more physically distant from where our food is being produced.

Partly because of this, our relationship with food has changed. From people trying to look better through fad diets, to specific types of eating that hold the promise of making us healthier, we all have reasons for eating what we do. But instead of thinking only about *what* we eat, it's *where* it's from that's equally as important.

We can accomplish this mind shift by tapping into the pride that Ontarians have in the place they call home.

In other words, you are where you eat.



THANK YOU





