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# OPMA Quarterly Report: Q1 2024

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# What were Canadian **consumers' main** concerns in Q1?

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Consumer financial concern remains high and steady in March

#### PRIMARY CONCERNS

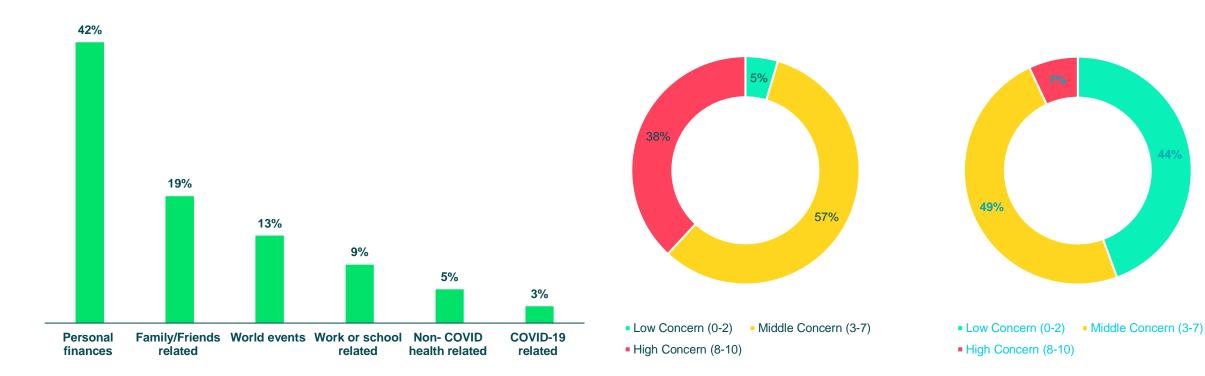
What do you think your primary concern will be over the next few months?

#### ECONOMIC CONCERN

What is your level of concern regarding the economy?

#### COVID-19 CONCERN

What is your level of concern regarding COVID-19?



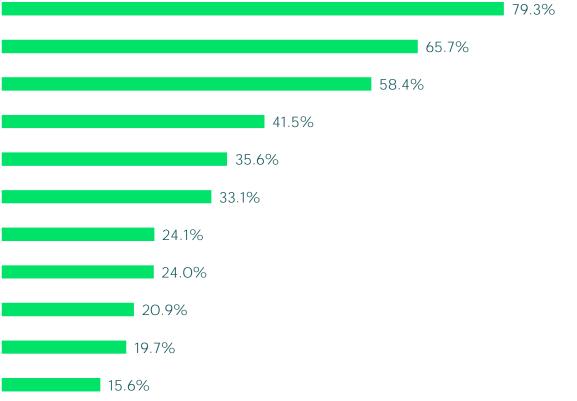


#### Rising prices on essentials remain top of mind for consumers

#### SPECIFIC CONCERNS

What specific concerns do you have regarding the economy?





# How did these concerns translate into shopping decisions?

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#### Total FMCG Overview, Ontario Shoppers, Q1 2024

- Ontarians spent slightly more per household on FMCG products in Q1, perhaps reflective of the inflationary environment.
- We saw a increase in the number of trips the average Ontario household made (purchase frequency), reflecting an increase in deal seeking due to price increases.
- The increase in trips was offset by spending less per trip.

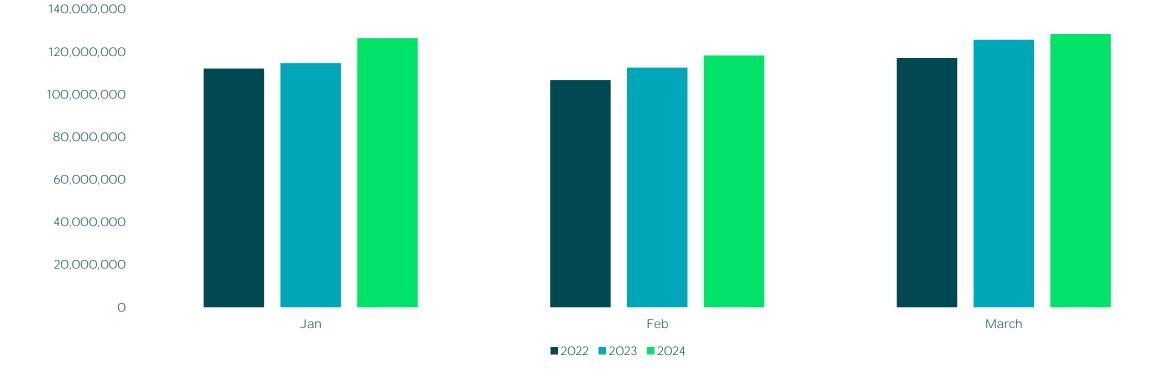




Overall FMCG Trips in Q1 2024 increased compared to the past two years

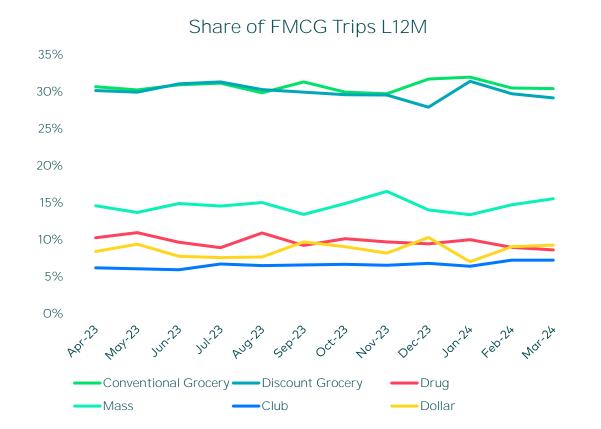
Q1 2024 trips were up 6% vs. Q1 2023, and up 11% vs. Q1 2022

#### FMCG Trips, Ontario Total Outlets by Month





Conventional and Discount continue to dominate trip choice for Ontarians; Club is winning in share of trips



#### Q1 2024 Share of Trips, Index

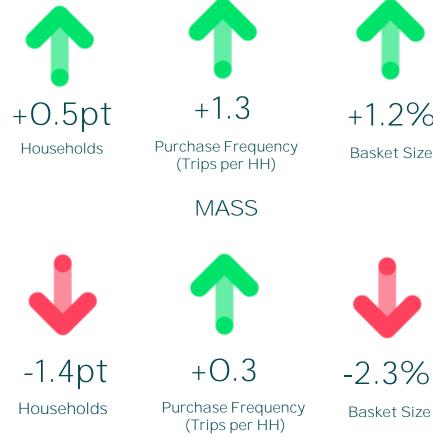
| Channel      | vs 2022 | vs 2023 |  |  |
|--------------|---------|---------|--|--|
| Conventional | 104     | 103     |  |  |
| Discount     | 105     | 100     |  |  |
| Drug         | 82      | 86      |  |  |
| Mass (WM)    | 89      | 96      |  |  |
| Club         | 118     | 119     |  |  |
| Dollar       | 103     | 104     |  |  |



Source: Numerator Canada Insights, L24M ending 03/31/2024, Ontario Region

#### Club saw the largest interest in trial in the face of inflation and consumers are moving away from Mass







+1.2%

Basket Size





+1.1% Basket Size

(Trips per HH)

DISCOUNT





-0.9%

**Basket Size** 



How did Ontario **shoppers'** Produce purchase behaviour shift in Q1 2024?



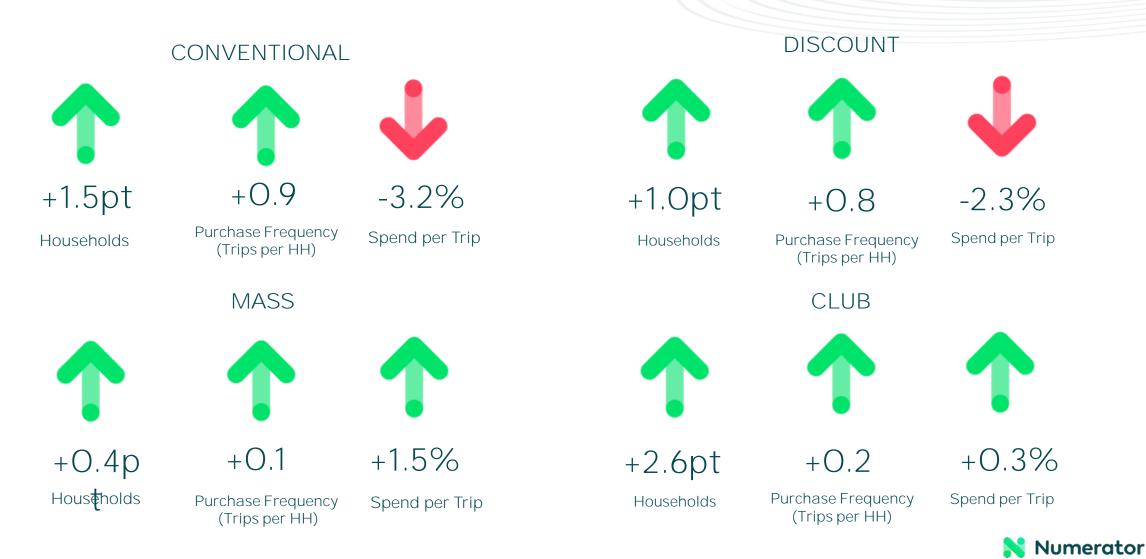
#### Total Produce Overview, Ontario Shoppers, Q1 2024

- Ontarians spent more on Produce in Q1 2024.
- We saw an increase in the number trips the average Ontario household made (purchase frequency). However, this is offset by Ontarians spending less per trip





#### Ontarians are moving toward Mass and Club for Produce





## Vegetable Scorecard

| Fresh Potatoes                | HH Penetration |      | Buy Rate |        | Purchase Frequency |      | Spend per Trip |        |
|-------------------------------|----------------|------|----------|--------|--------------------|------|----------------|--------|
|                               | 78.8%          | 2.6  | \$15.84  | 7.9%   | 3.5                | 0.2  | \$4.51         | 1.2%   |
| Fresh Tomatoes                | 77.1%          | -0.3 | \$20.40  | 6.1%   | 4.9                | 0.0  | \$4.20         | 6.1%   |
| Fresh Onions                  | 73.4%          | 3.2  | \$10.30  | 17.8%  | 3.1                | 0.2  | \$3.33         | 9.8%   |
| Fresh Carrots                 | 72.7%          | 2.6  | \$10.55  | 12.7%  | 3.2                | 0.2  | \$3.34         | 7.6%   |
| Fresh Peppers                 | 69.7%          | -0.3 | \$16.84  | 8.1%   | 3.8                | O.1  | \$4.4O         | 4.5%   |
| Fresh Cucumber                | 69.1%          | 2.6  | \$12.99  | -6.9%  | 4.O                | -0.2 | \$3.23         | -1.7%  |
| Fresh Lettuce                 | 65.6%          | -0.6 | \$15.29  | -2.6%  | 3.8                | 0.0  | \$4.04         | -3.0%  |
| Fresh Broccoli                | 55.4%          | 6.0  | \$9.46   | -3.0%  | 3.1                | O.3  | \$3.06         | -12.2% |
| Fresh Mushrooms &<br>Truffles | 56.2%          | 0.0  | \$12.59  | 3.8%   | 3.4                | O.1  | \$3.74         | 2.4%   |
| Fresh Celery                  | 44.8%          | 5.9  | \$7.69   | -14.4% | 2.2                | 0.0  | \$3.46         | -14.1% |
| Fresh Cauliflower             | 36.8%          | 7.8  | \$8.20   | -9.7%  | 2.1                | O.1  | \$3.85         | -16.6% |
| Fresh Green Beans             | 23.7%          | -1.5 | \$8.80   | 5.7%   | 2.0                | 0.0  | \$4.31         | 4.1%   |
| Fresh Radishes                | 17.1%          | 1.2  | \$4.69   | -11.1% | 2.0                | 0.0  | \$2.40         | -7.0%  |



Source: Numerator Canada Insights, 01/01/2024-03/31/2024 vs YA, Ontario

## Fruit Scorecard

|                    | HH Penetration |      | Buy R   | Buy Rate |     | Purchase Frequency |        | Spend per Trip |  |
|--------------------|----------------|------|---------|----------|-----|--------------------|--------|----------------|--|
| Fresh Bananas      | 85.5%          | O.4  | \$13.34 | 3.0%     | 8.4 | O.4                | \$1.58 | -2.1%          |  |
| Fresh Apples       | 71.8%          | 3.1  | \$21.29 | 2.9%     | 4.2 | O.3                | \$5.10 | -4.3%          |  |
| FreshStrawberries  | 62.8%          | -0.2 | \$20.35 | -0.1%    | 3.9 | 0.0                | \$5.22 | 0.1%           |  |
| Fresh Grapes       | 56.0%          | O.4  | \$24.29 | 13.1%    | 3.4 | 0.2                | \$7.10 | 7.0%           |  |
| Fresh Blueberries  | 53.6%          | 3.5  | \$18.86 | 10.4%    | 3.7 | O.3                | \$5.13 | 2.3%           |  |
| Fresh Clementines  | 49.3%          | 2.9  | \$17.11 | 3.1%     | 3.0 | 0.2                | \$5.68 | -4.2%          |  |
| Fresh Lemons       | 42.9%          | 3.5  | \$7.55  | -1.3%    | 2.3 | 0.0                | \$3.25 | -4.4%          |  |
| Fresh Oranges      | 42.1%          | -2.6 | \$14.31 | 0.9%     | 2.8 | O.1                | \$5.07 | -3.4%          |  |
| Fresh Pears        | 34.2%          | 3.4  | \$9.59  | -8.0%    | 2.5 | O.1                | \$3.89 | -11.9%         |  |
| Fresh Raspberries  | 32.8%          | -5.2 | \$16.08 | 12.4%    | 2.8 | O.1                | \$5.82 | 9.4%           |  |
| Fresh Pineapple    | 31.7%          | 2.3  | \$8.14  | -0.1%    | 2.2 | 0.0                | \$3.66 | -2.2%          |  |
| Fresh Limes        | 28.3%          | 5.0  | \$5.97  | -6.1%    | 1.9 | 0.0                | \$3.12 | -7.5%          |  |
| Fresh Blackberries | 26.4%          | -0.1 | \$11.05 | 1.0%     | 2.4 | 0.0                | \$4.55 | 0.3%           |  |
| Fresh Cantaloupe   | 23.3%          | -2.0 | \$6.40  | -10.5%   | 2.0 | -0.1               | \$3.25 | -5.0%          |  |



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#### Surprise Winners & Losers



FRESH

FRESH

ONIONS





However, those who did purchase spent...



less on Fresh Cucumber

more households purchased Fresh Onions in Q1 2024 vs Q1 YAGO

Those who did 17.8% purchase spent...



FRESH PEARS



4.5% 个

fewer households bought Fresh Pears in Q1 2024 vs 01 YAGO

However, those who purchased spent...

11.9%

more on Fresh Pears per trip



What should we expect from Ontario shoppers in the next few months?

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Prices on essentials & gas continue to fuel economic concerns



Feel as though the country is in an economic recession right now





62%

Think the Canadian economy will worsen in the next few months

72% Think inflation will increase in the next few

months

THINK THE FOLLOWING ARE LIKELY IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS...

70%

Believe we will learn to live with COVID rather than returning to "normal" 17%

Reimposed or extended mask mandates

17%

Reimposed or extended travel restrictions

15%

Reimposed or extended gathering restrictions

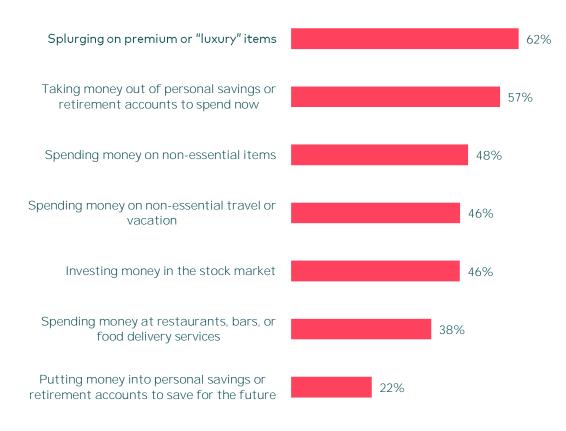


#### Consumers remain uncomfortable with discretionary spending

#### SPENDING DISCOMFORT

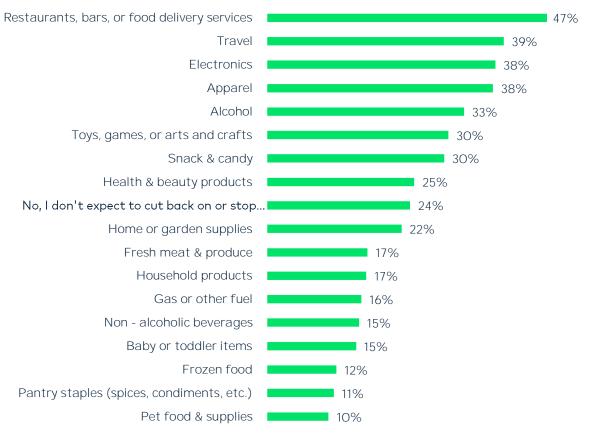
What is your current comfort level personally engaging in these activities / behaviours?

% who are currently uncomfortable with given behavior



#### SPENDING CUTS

In the next few months, do you expect to cut back on or stop buying any of the following products or categories in response to inflation/rising prices?





## Q1 2024 Ontario Shopper Behaviour Summary



Consumer financial concerns remains high and steady for Q1 2024. Consumers are most concerned about rising prices on gas and fuel and are uncomfortable with discretionary spending.



Ontario shoppers made more trips for Produce but are spending less each trip. Ontarians are moving to Club and Mass to purchase Produce.



Inflation will continue to shape Ontario shopper behaviour.

72% of Canadian households think inflation will increase further in the next few months.





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# Reference

Key Metric definitions

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# POS vs. PANEL

When do I use POS data?

#### POS data answers questions like...

MARKET SHARE

PRICING

DISTRIBUTION

PROMO VOLUME

VELOCITY

- E **G** Has my brand gained market share within Walmart?
  - **What is my brand's weekly average** price per week for the latest 52 weeks?
  - **What is my brand's %ACV within the** universe captured by POS?
  - What % of my brand sales have been bought on promotion?
  - How many units per store per week does my brand sell at No Frills?





# POS vs. PANEL

When do I use POS data?

#### Whereas Panel answers...

SHOPPER PROFILE

BASKET AFFINITY

LEAKAGE TREE

LAPSED SHOPPER

SHOPPER METRICS

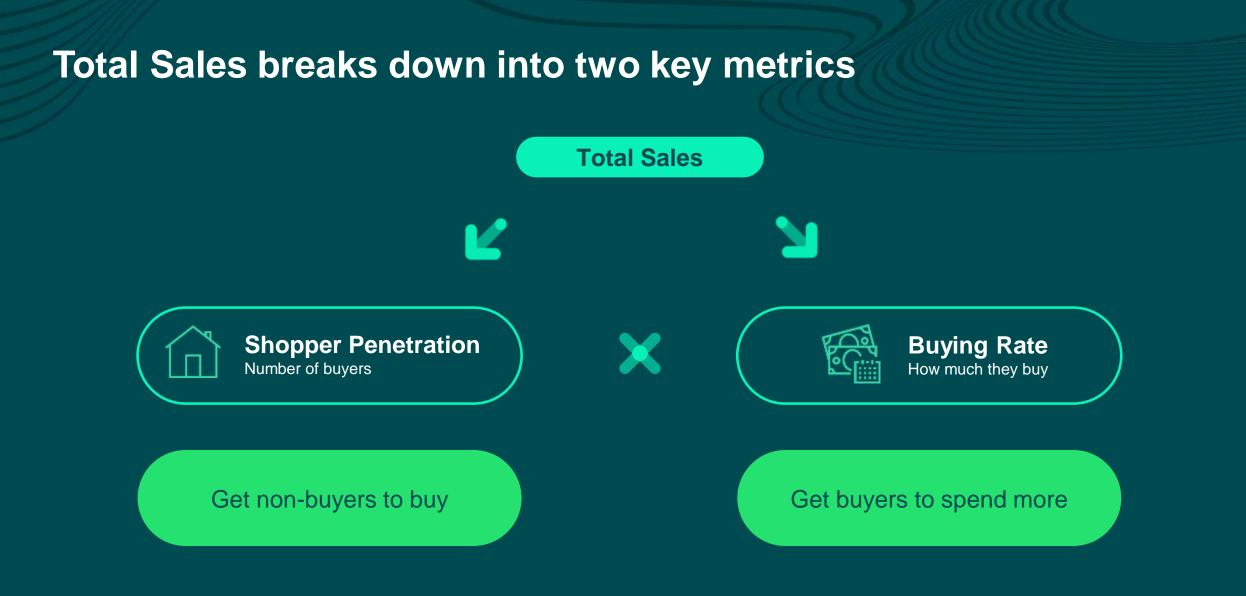
PROMOTIONS

BRICKS & CLICKS

LOYALTY

- Who are my brand shoppers? Where do they shop? When do they shop?
- What else is in the basket when my brand is being bought?
- Which retailers are best at converting a category's shoppers into category buyers?
- How much have lapsed shoppers impacted trips to my brand or retailer?
- What is driving sales for my brand? Penetration, Buying Rate, or both?
- Did I attract new shoppers to my brand or did I subsidize the cost of the brand amongst my loyal shoppers?
- Is my performance online consistent with offline?
- What percentage of my loyalists remain loyal over time?







## And Buy Rate breaks down as well...

