Marketing tips

... farmers' markets & farm retailing

FARMA



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- National Farmers' Retail & Markets Association
- Merger 2003
- Farm Retail Association (FRA)
- National Association of Farmers' Markets (NAFM)
- 550 producers + 250 farmers' markets
- Co-operative
- Largest organisation of its type in the world
- Members sell direct at full retail margin

How many (2006)?

- 7,000+ farms sell direct
- 4,000 farm shops
- 1,000 PYO farms
- 550 farmers' markets locations
- 10,000 stallholders
- 300 box schemes (home delivery)
- ??? Selling to schools / public procurement

How big?

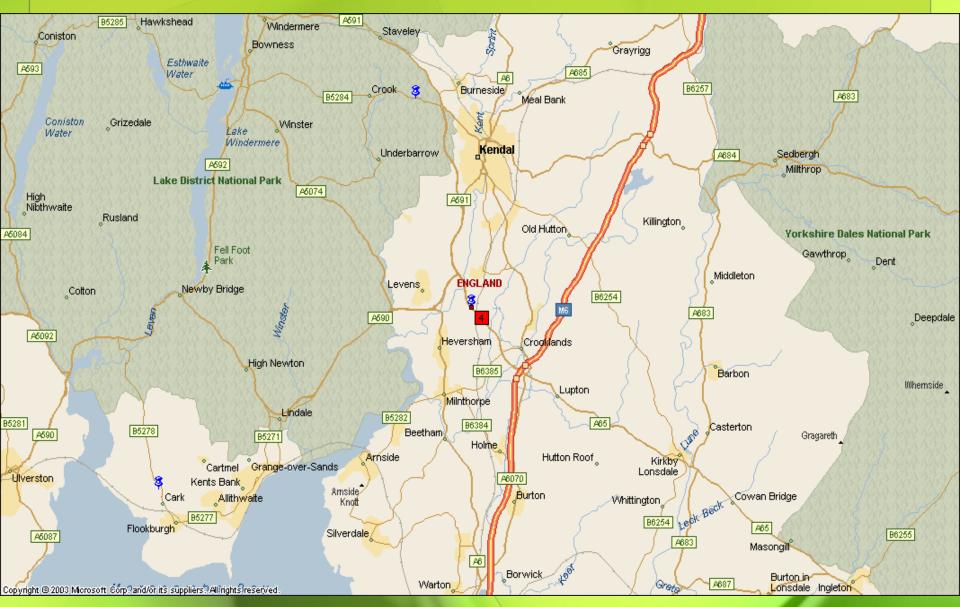
- FARMA original research through YouGov
- 2,025 households in June 2004 + 2005
- 30% visited a farm shop in past 12 months
- 30% visited a farmers' market in past 12 months
- 90% would shop if they had access
- Market estimate €3,000 million
- Farm shops have 80% share
- Conclusions: Demand outstripping supply

Low Sizergh Barn

Farm Shop, Café, Crafts Cumbria

FARMA Farm Retailer of the Year 2005

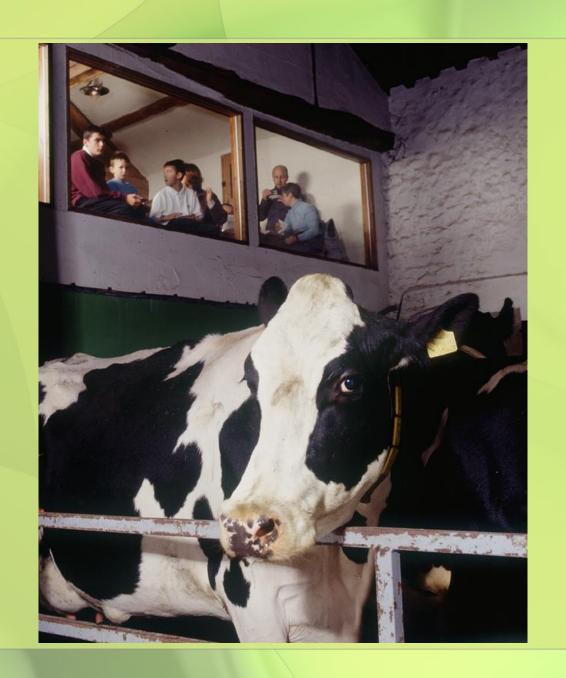
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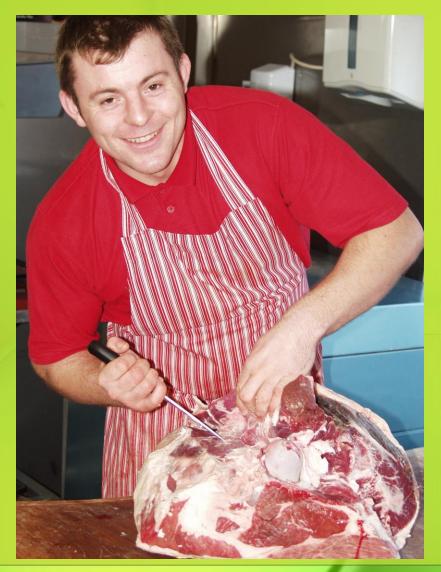
Every farm shop is different

Aim to provide a whole shopping basket

Staffing Craft v Overhead



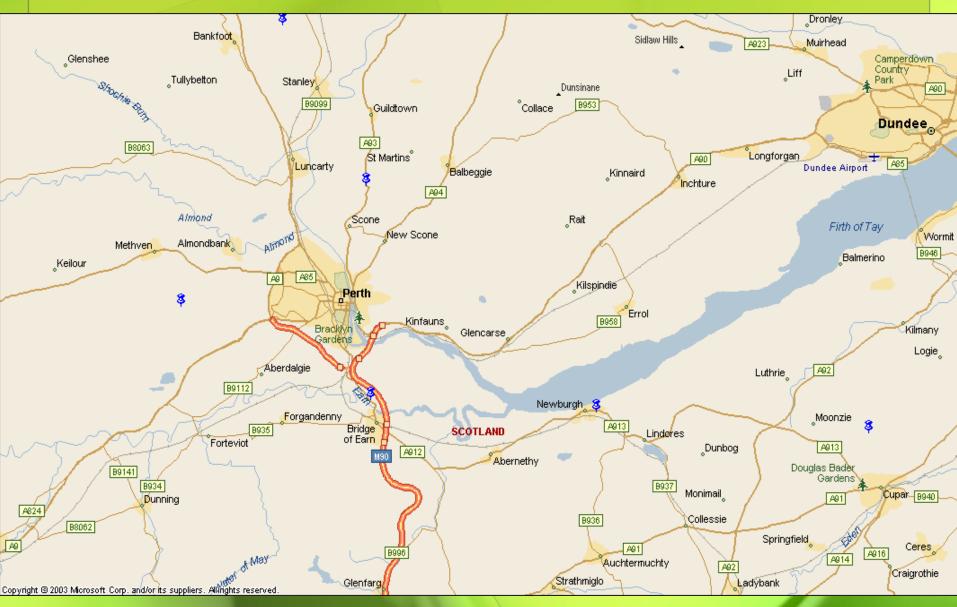








Two different farm shops













Farm shop sales? **Vision** Careful assessment **FARMA** has lots of experience **Need to reach €150,000 quickly Mature sites £millions**

Farm Entertainment



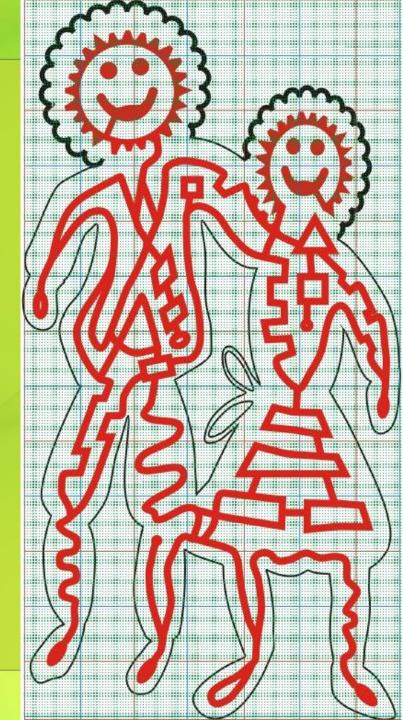


Pumpkin Patch

4 weeks in Oct **Family target** Freer € spend **Scary barn Scary rides Investment large**

Maze Mazes

July - Sept
Family target
Planned marketing
Investment:
medium to large







Keeping our Promise



Producer sells only their own goods

Stall staffed by knowledgeable people involved in production

Local & quality rule

Inspection

180 farmers' markets in UK achieving this status

Information about the farmers' market & stallholders available for shoppers



Measuring performance



Data gathering





HealthCheck: Lewes footfall

Footfall:

Measured 4 entrances

- 2,850 customers
- out of 7,532 potential/passers-by
- 38% conversion rate



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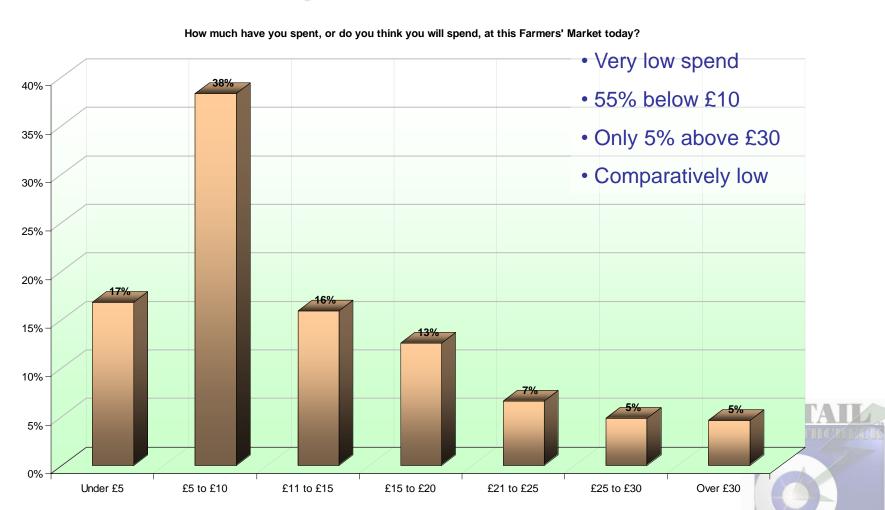
Getting it right!





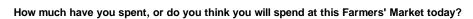
Lewes DOTS findings: Spend

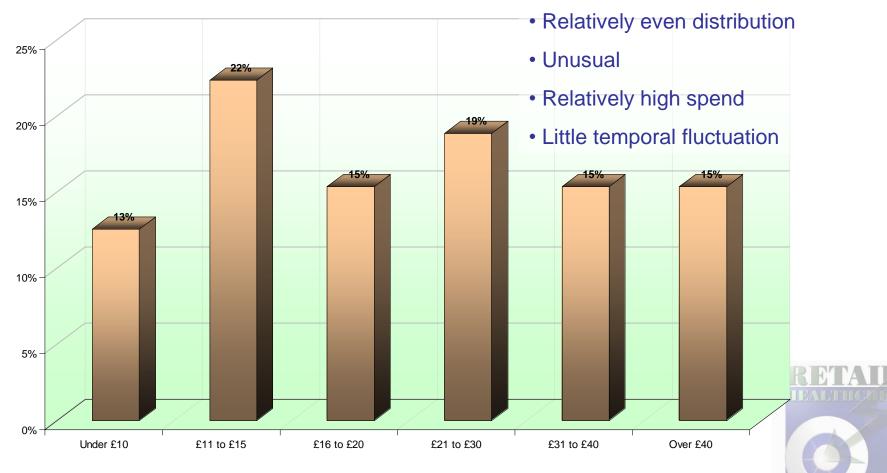
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York (Merton) Motivation

Question 1: What do you like most about this Farmers' Market?

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Farmers' Markets Conclusions Stick to the principles of FMkts Need to be retail sites Measurement now critical **Dedicated locations best Drive for frequency** change shopping habits

Thank You.



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