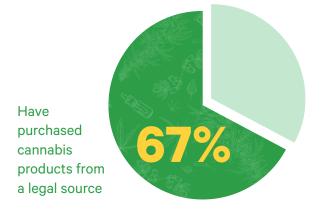


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Ontario Shopper and Consumer Insights from the OCS Issue #1 Fall 2022



About 2 in 3 Ontario cannabis consumers are now making at least some of their purchases from the legal market.



Three-quarters of consumers (**75%**) are likely to purchase from an Authorized Retailer's physical store.



Authorized Retailers are the biggest channel for both purchases and preference.

Likelihood of purchasing in the next 6 months from...



What drives consumers to purchase legal cannabis?

- Safety & Accountability Understanding what they will get and knowing products are safe
- 2 Product Content & Preferences Getting consistent quality and having a consistent experience product to product
- Specific Products & Features Providing the right cultivars, potency and brands



When it comes to shopping legally, consumers look for specific aspects in the shopping experience.



Those who consume for medicinal reasons (49%) are more likely to buy from recreational stores.

Retail stores can expect a mix of shoppers with a variety of needs.



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Mix of Recreational and Medical



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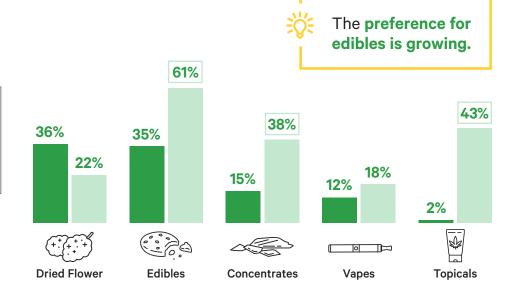
Flower continues to be the most preferred format and makes up the largest proportion of sales and consumption occasions.

High interest among those who have yet to try 2.0 products makes them perfect basket builders.

TIP

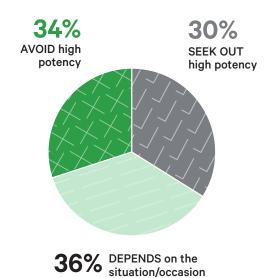
Preference (among those who have tried)

(among those who have not tried)



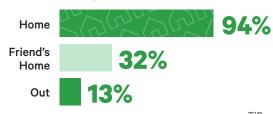


Not all consumers are looking for the highest THC products.



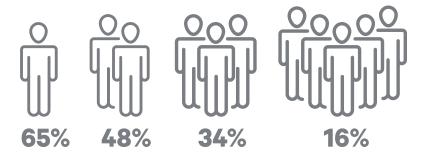
Be sure to understand shoppers' needs and occasions before suggesting products. -|-|At home and alone are the biggest occasions for consumption, but group occasions are beginning to rebound.

Cannabis Consumption Location



Group occasions are ideal for multipack and small format pre-roll recommendations.

Most consumers consume cannabis alone, while the fewest do so in a large group.



Note: Because cannabis consumers could select more than one option, the sum of the categories does not add up to 100%



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Shoppers' preferences and interests vary, depending on consumption habits

Once you understand who your consumer is, be sure to have these products on hand for them...



CONSUMER





WEEKEND / SOCIAL CONSUMER

DAILY CONSUMER

THEIR PREFERRED PRODUCTS:

Soft Chews	30%	Dried Flower	32%	Dried Flower	25%
Dried Flower	14%	Soft Chews	26%	Soft Chews	19%
Pre-Rolls	10%	Pre-Rolls	11%	Pre-Rolls	9%

PRODUCTS THAT SPARK THEIR INTEREST:

Beverages	30%	Beverages	27%	Creams and Lotions	25%
Creams and Lotions	30%	Hard Edibles	25%	Pantry Items	22%
Hard Edibles	29%	Pantry Items	22%	Skincare Products	22%
Baked Goods	26%	Creams and Lotions	18%	Bath Bombs	19%