



COVID-19 IMPACT REPORT

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INTRODUCTION

Nielsen CGA gathers consumer insights and continual statistics to support you in making informed decisions. What would be the greatest comfort to your consumers, what are they willing to take a risk on and what would encourage them to choose your venue or brands. Listening to feedback from industry experts and client questions, we shape our work to provide you with value added data that can highlight where the current opportunities lie and what consumers are planning for the future.

We offer a suite of products which can reach into different areas or research and if you have broader business questions please reach out to speak with us for support. We are thankful for your engagement and hope to continue bringing you studies which can help you to focus your efforts.

This issue we focused on the key states of **Texas, Florida, New York** and **California** and have shifted to a data tracker format in order to consistently visualise the changes in the current situation and easily highlight fluctuations.

Over the weekend (**Jan 8-10**) we surveyed **1,604** respondents (who have drunk alcohol in the last 3 months) from these states on their expectations, desires and how they plan to behave in the next two weeks.

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Only (Example: California)

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*State breakdown included in appendix

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SOURCE: FODORS.COM

SUMMARY

- 50% of consumers have gone out to the On Premise for an eating occasion since venues reopened, and 17% for a drink led occasion. This has stayed relatively even for several months now and it is positive over half of On Premise consumers have returned, however still highlights the challenge in assuring other consumers that it is safe and an understanding of what further action would be needed to encourage them
- Florida and Texas are still seeing increases in visitation and positively moving to over 3/5 of consumers retuning
- Age isn't the main factor limiting the numbers returning, while state regulations are clearly a much bigger influencer, with California remaining low with much stricter measures in place than Florida and Texas, where we have been able to see small increases.
- Sparkling Wine/Champagne was ordered +3pp higher than in the previous month, showing its strength in the December holiday season
- ¾ of On Premise users have missed visiting bars and restaurants with their family and friends, highlighting that when people are able to mix more freely with other households, there will be a call for On Premise occasions
- Of venue's consumers are most missing visiting; local/neighborhood restaurants came out highly (only beaten by casual dining restaurants). This shows the support is there in communities and people are missing unique venues which offer differing atmospheres and more regional offerings
- However, a host of venues which have struggled to open fully since March also have significant numbers missing them; supporting that they have not been forgotten and their absence is felt by consumers. This includes cinemas, festivals and airlines. The youngest consumers particularly miss experience based venues such as cinemas or festivals.
- The occasion consumers are most excited to visit bars and restaurants for are Valentine's day and Mother's day. These being two holidays which can be facilitated in small group numbers, making them significant opportunities to target for visitation, offers and reminding consumers what they were missing.



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PHENOMENAL DATA. EXPERT INSIGHT.

RETURNING TO VENUES



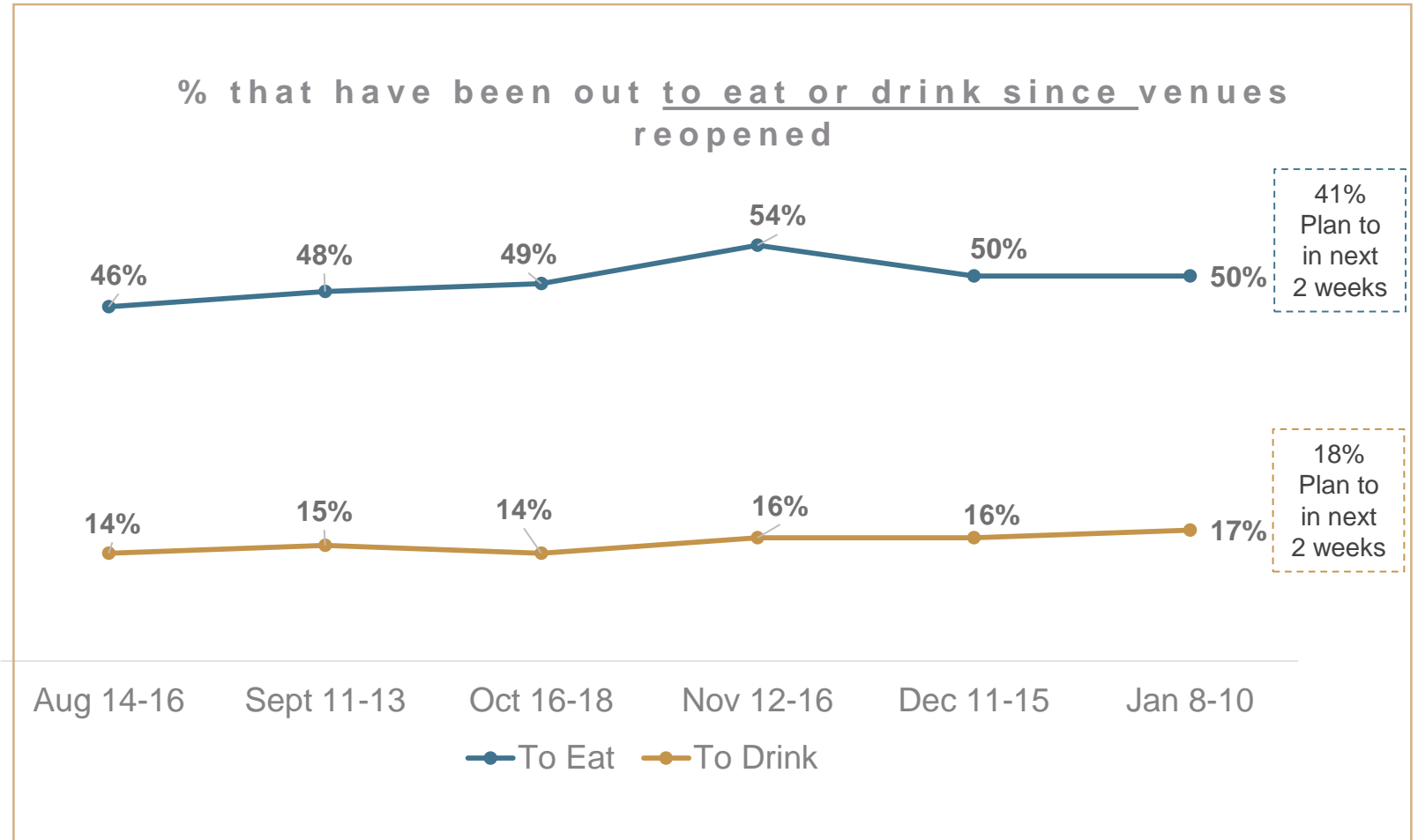
50%

CONSUMERS HAVE BEEN
OUT TO EAT



17%

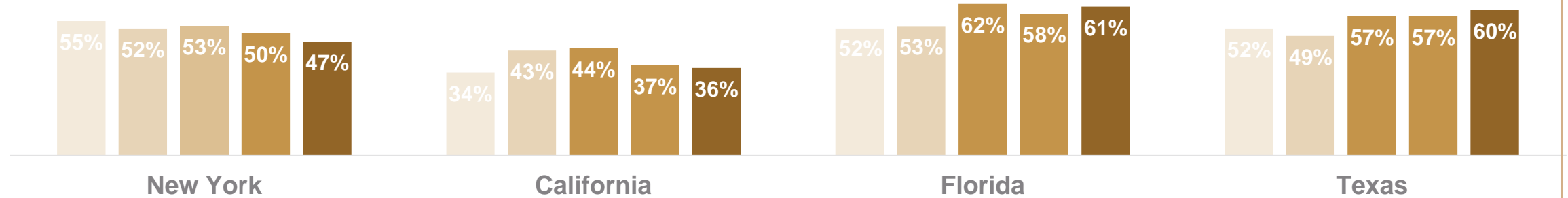
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RETURNING TO VENUES - TO EAT DEMOS

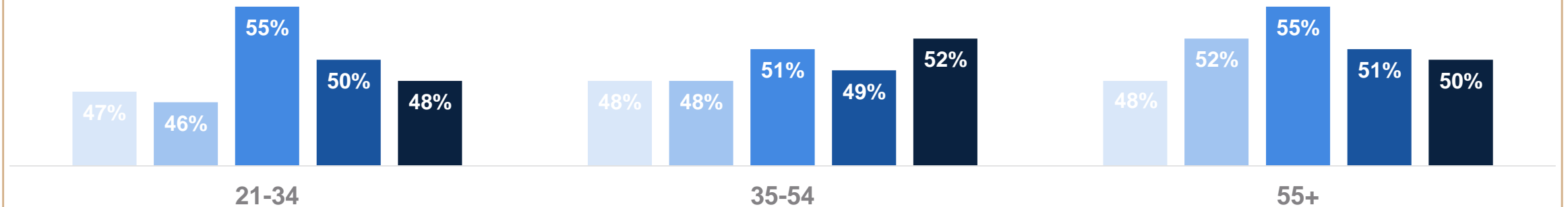
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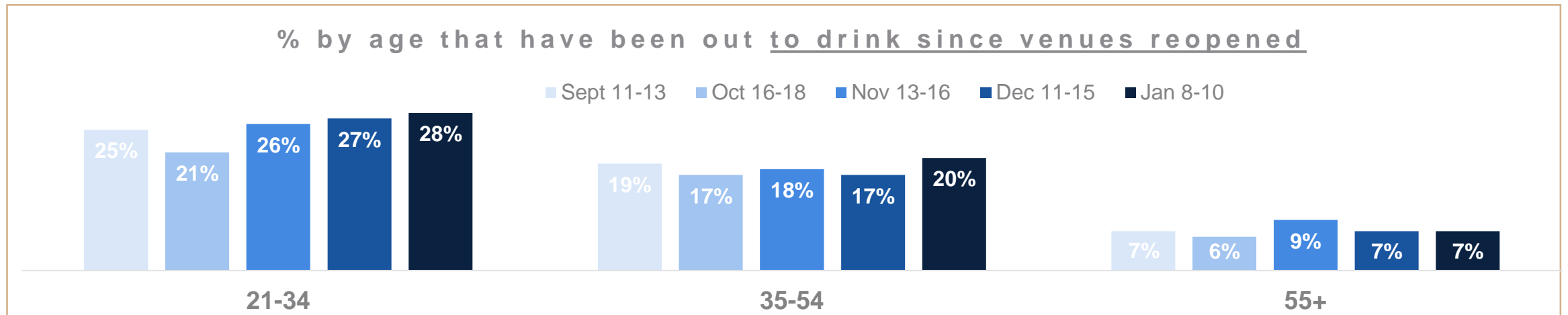
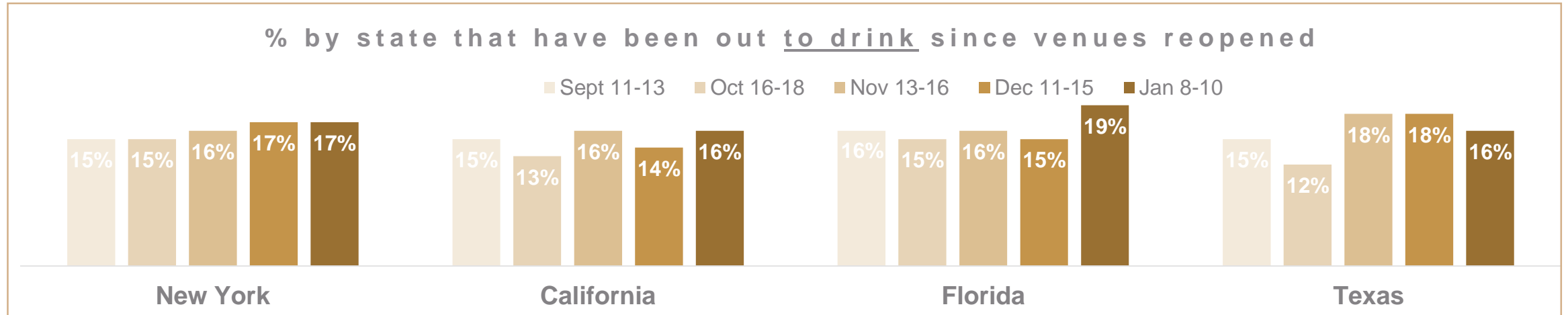


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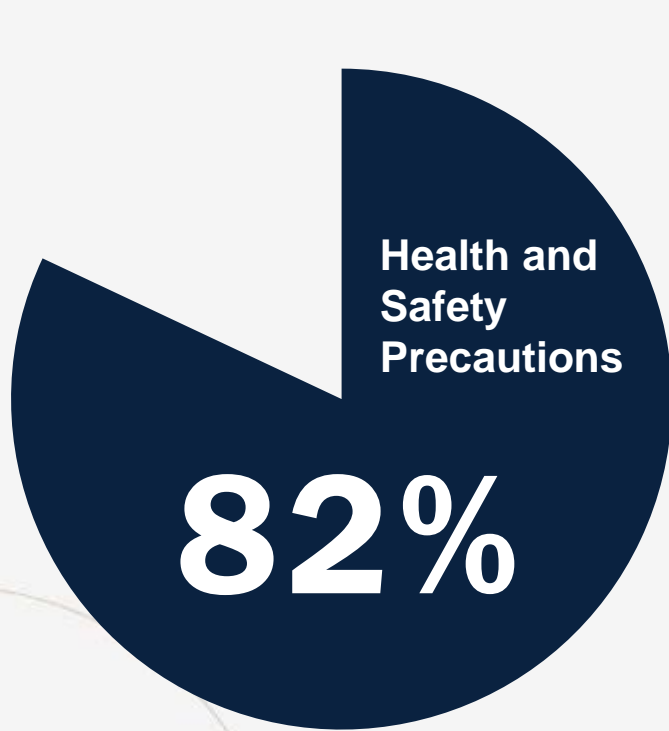


RETURNING TO VENUES - TO DRINK DEMOS

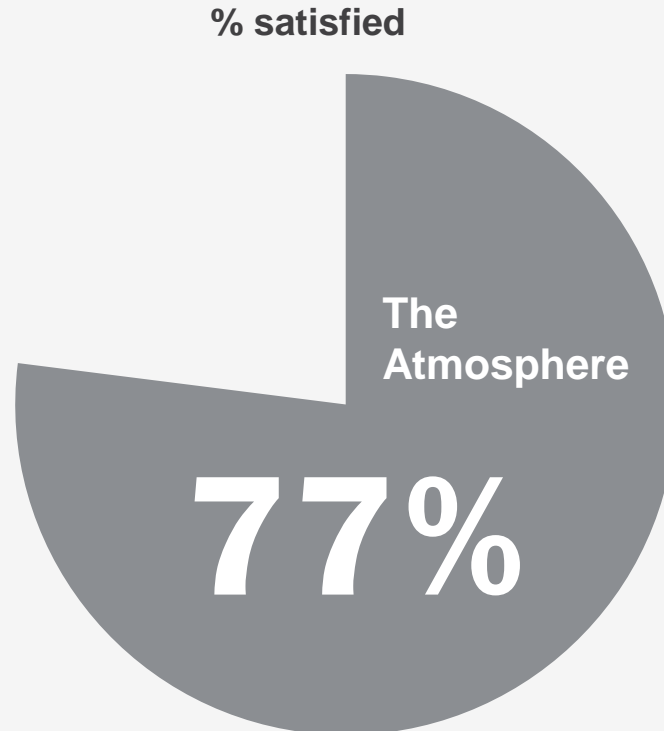


THE LEVELS OF SATISFACTION ARE EVEN BY FACTOR

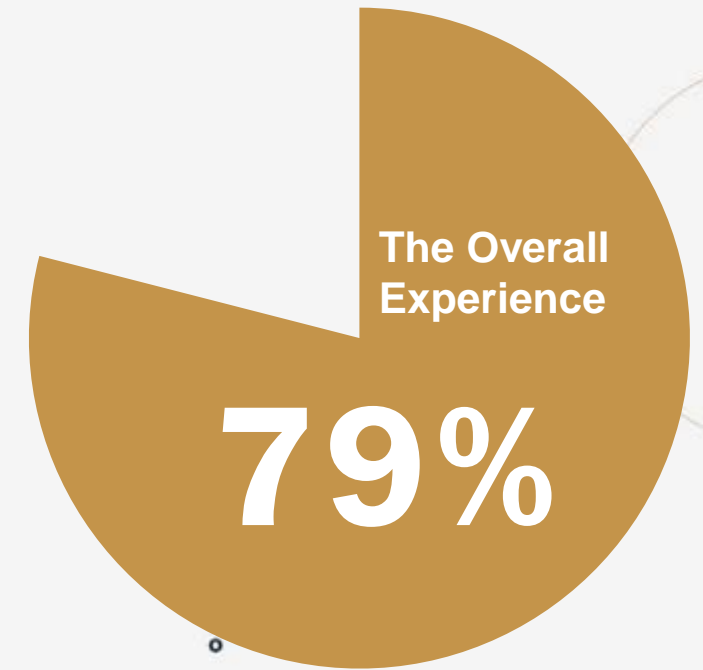
Satisfaction with the following factors on visits to bars/restaurants in the last 2 weeks



Vs 80% prior month



Vs 75% prior month

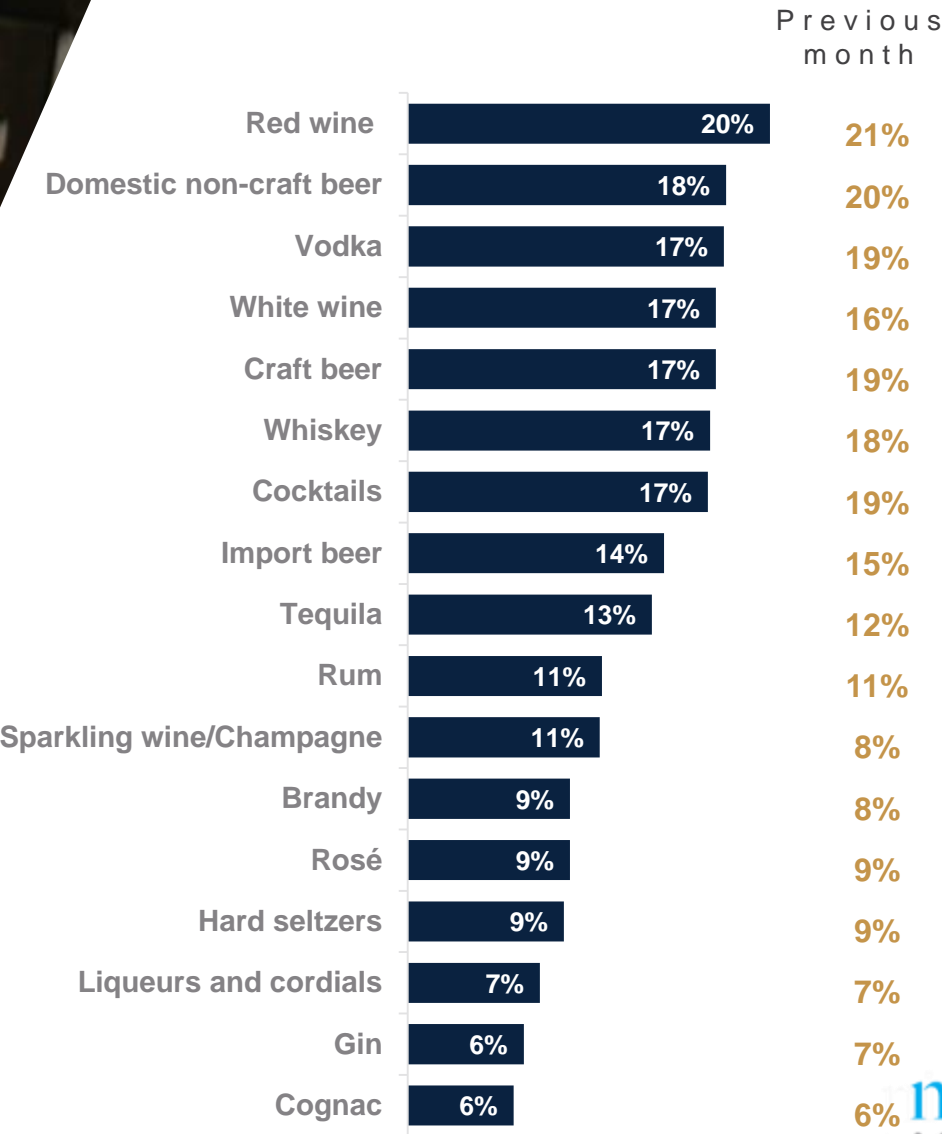


Vs 80% prior month



DRINKS WHEN RETURNING TO BARS AND RESTAURANTS

What did you drink when in bars and restaurants in past 2 weeks?



Sparkling wines also did better in December. This could be as a celebratory beverage over the holidays.

% VISITING VENUES



CASUAL DINING
CHAINS

41%



INDEPENDENT
RESTAURANTS

36%



SPORTS BARS

19%



NEIGHBORHOOD
BARS

18%



FINE DINING

18%

Average across prior 3 months

42%

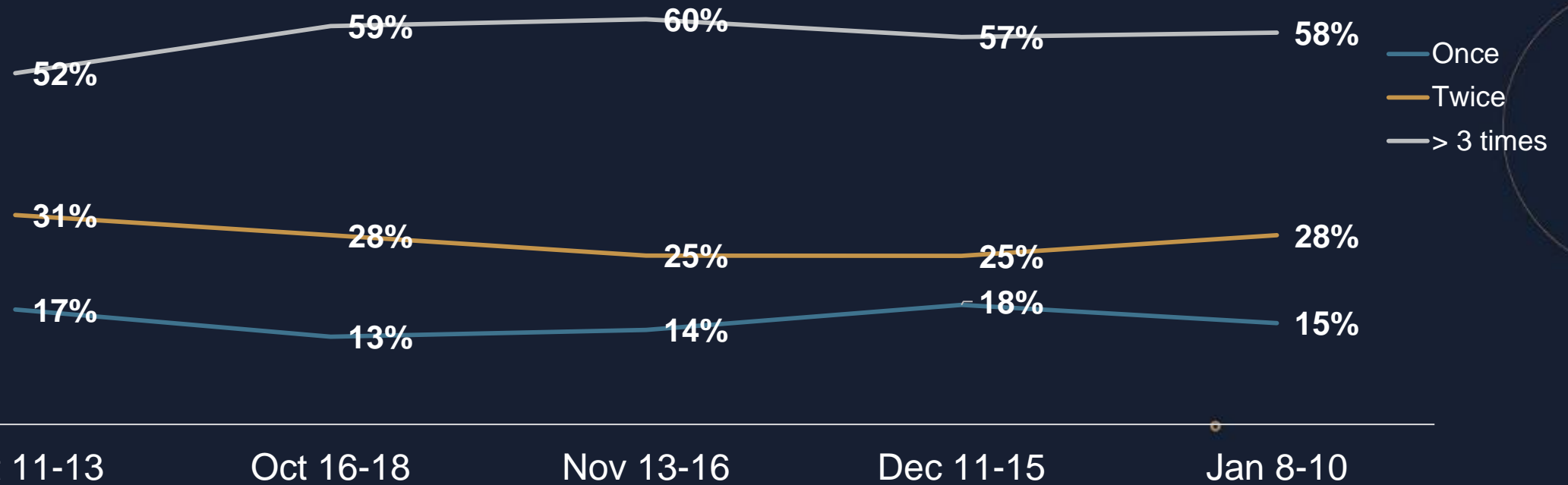
43%

18%

21%

19%

FREQUENCY OF ON PREMISE VISITS BY THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN OUT



OCCASIONS FOR VISITATION

Which, if any, of the following occasions have you visited bars and restaurants for in the past 2 weeks?

42%

Drinks with food



46%

30%

Relaxed/ quiet drinks



30%

26%

Special occasion



28%

22%

Brunch



20%

Average from prior 3 months

WHY HAVE YOU NOT RETURNED TO THE ON PREMISE?

ANXIETY

I don't feel safe going out at the moment 50%

I don't feel safe being in close proximity to strangers in these places 50%

It will take me a while to feel comfortable visiting these places 36%

PRECAUTIONS

I am self-isolating 20%

I am concerned about my financial situation and am trying to save money 17%

I don't feel comfortable with other people preparing my food/drinks 16%

EXPERIENCE

The atmosphere is/will not be the same as it was before COVID-19 20%

My experience when visiting a bar or restaurant will not be the same as it was before 12%

I have realized I don't need these experiences as often 11%



WHEN WILL YOU VISIT THE ON PREMISE?

ONCE THE THREAT OF COVID-19 IS COMPLETELY GONE

40%

WHEN THERE IS A VACCINE / TREATMENT AVAILABLE

37%

WHEN THE NUMBER OF CASES FALL BELOW
A CERTAIN NUMBER

25%

ONCE THE NUMBER OF COVID-19 CASES DOES

19%

UNSURE

18%

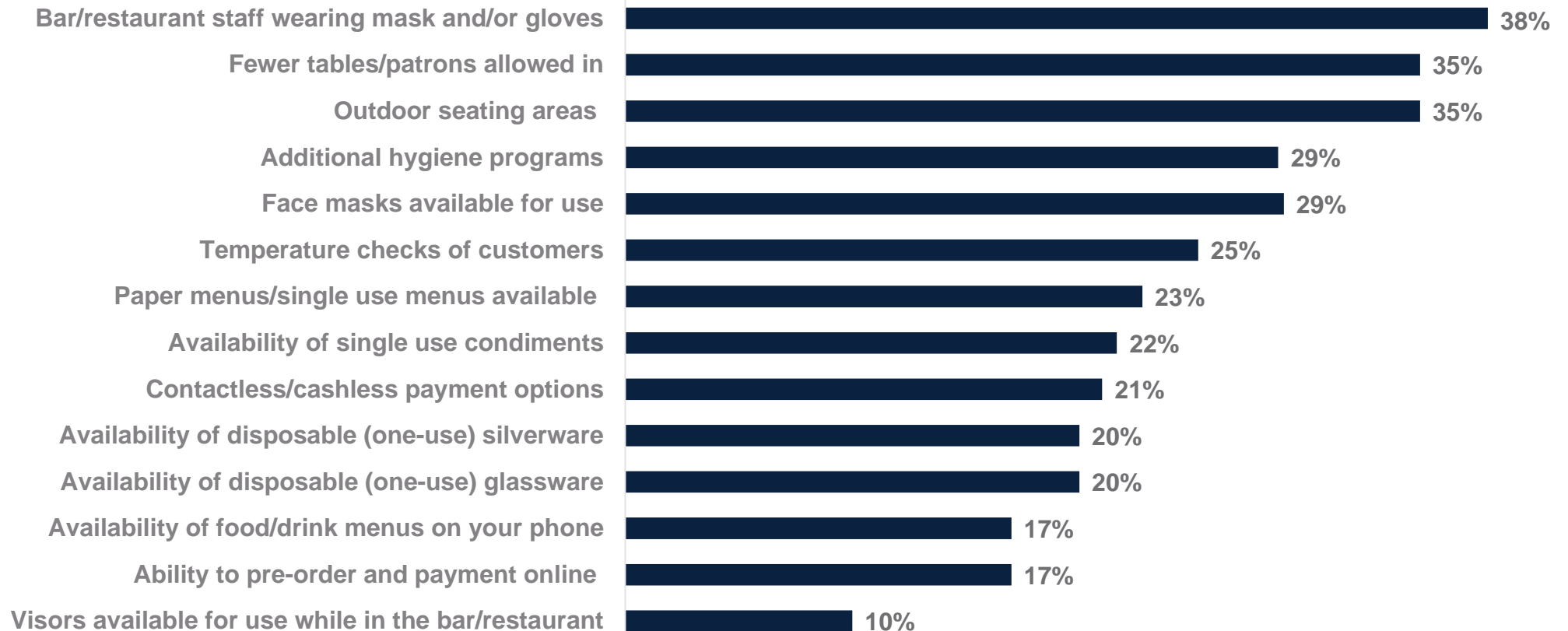
WHEN OUTLETS HAVE DEMONSTRATED
SUCCESSFUL SOCIAL DISTANCING

12%

ENCOURAGING CONSUMERS TO VISIT

The top 3 factors that would encourage the average consumer to visit bars and restaurants are the same three factors as previous issues; Outdoor seating, PPE for staff and social distancing, however bar/restaurant staff wearing PPE has increased as an encouraging factor.

Which of the following would encourage you to visit bars or restaurants over the coming weeks?



HOW HAS ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION CHANGED DURING COVID-19?



54%
DRINKING THE
SAME AMOUNT
OF ALCOHOL



26%
DRINKING MORE



24% Dec 16



21%
DRINKING LESS



21% Dec 16



76%

Of On Premise Users agree that they have missed visiting bars and restaurants with family and friends

76%

Of On Premise Users agree that bars/restaurants are a place to treat yourself

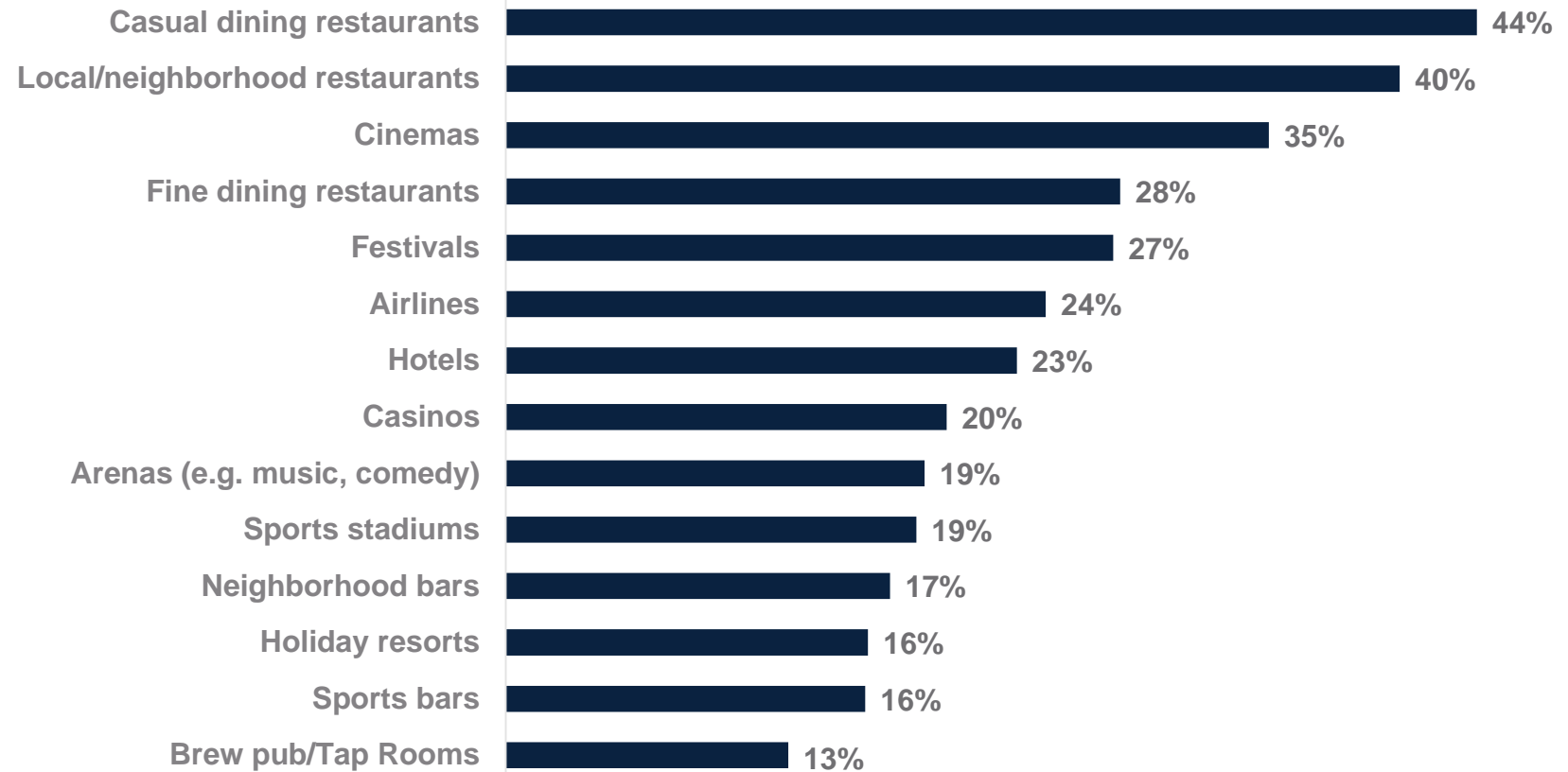
73%

Of On Premise Users agree that bars/restaurants are a place I go to celebrate



VENUES MISSED

What have you most missed not being able to visit as usual, during the restrictions due to Covid-19?



VENUES MISSED *Age Splits*

TOP 3 MOST MISSED VENUES BY AGE GROUPS

Venues such as cinemas and airlines which were harder to visit in the past few months do show in the most missed outlets. However casual dining chains, which overall are the most missed venue, seem to be much more significant with older age groups. Young consumers are missing experience based occasions more – perhaps showing they miss high tempo occasions more than older age groups.

21-34 yr olds

Cinemas 37%

**Local/
Neighborhood
Restaurants 30%**

Festivals 29%

35-54 yr olds

**Casual Dining
Restaurants 40%**

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**Local/
Neighborhood
Restaurants 35%**

55+ yr olds

**Casual Dining
Restaurants 58%**

**Local/
Neighborhood
Restaurants 52%**

Airlines 35%

LOOKING FORWARD TO

Which of the upcoming events and occasions are you most looking forward to visiting bars and restaurants for?

Valentine's Day	26%
Mother's Day	18%
Superbowl	17%
Independence Day	15%
St Patrick's day	13%
Cinco De Mayo	12%

The closest holiday is the one people are most looking forward to. This is consistent by state and is top with all ages, except the over 55+'s who are looking forward to Mother's Day more.

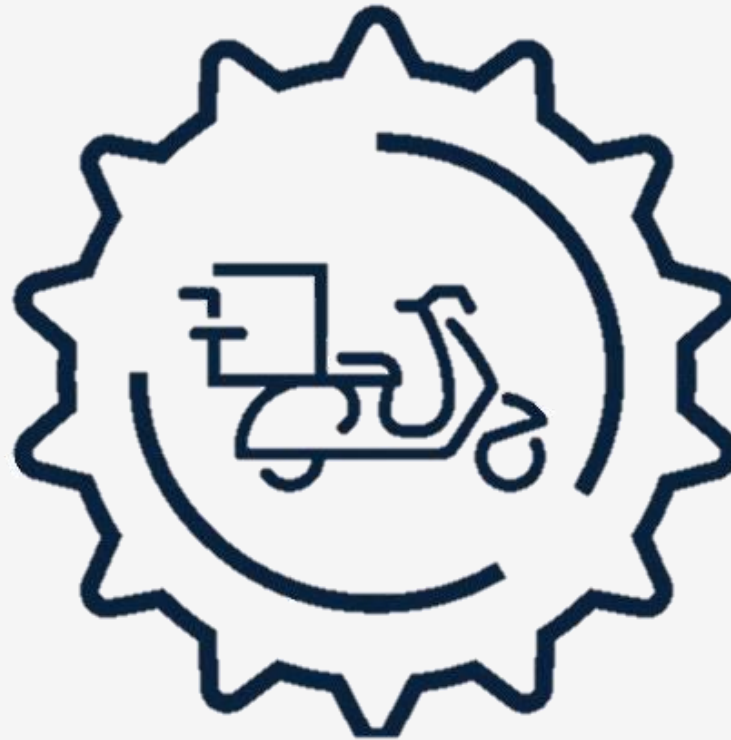
TAKE OUT/DELIVERY

63%

HAVE ORDERED TAKE
OUT/DELIVERY OF
FOOD IN THE LAST 2
WEEKS

63% Plan to in the
next 2 weeks

Vs 65% prior 2
weeks



12%

HAVE ORDERED TAKE
OUT/DELIVERY WITH
ALCOHOL IN THE LAST 2
WEEKS

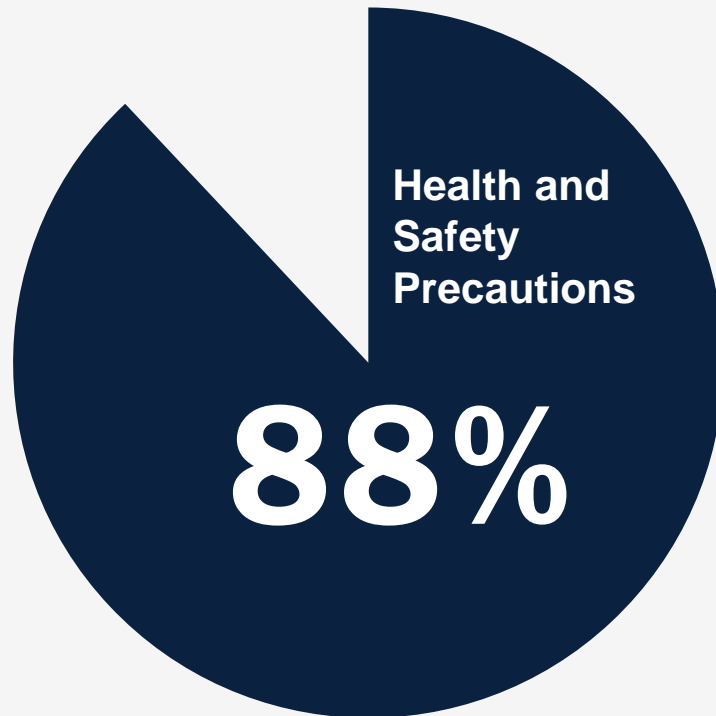
15% Plan to in the
next 2 weeks

Vs 10% prior 2
weeks

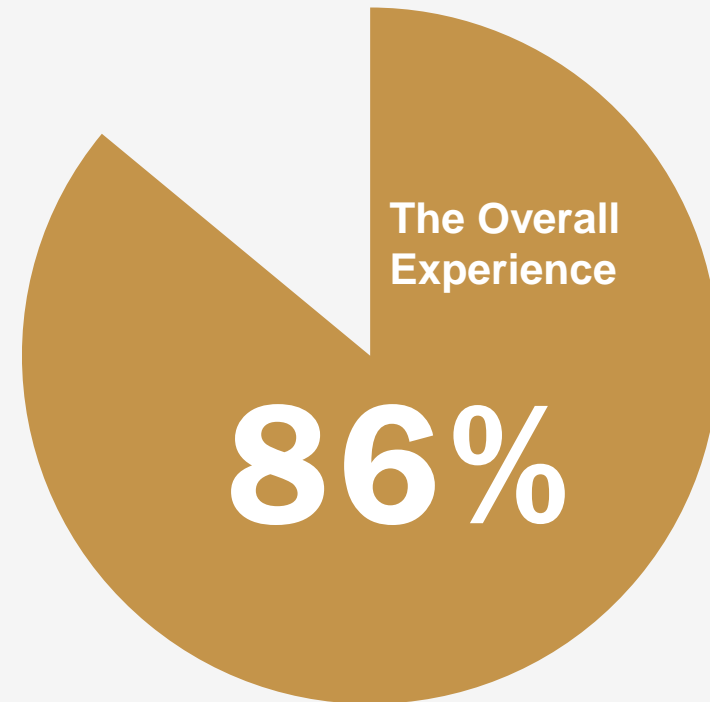
LEVELS OF SATISFACTION WITH TAKE OUT/DELIVERY ARE HIGH

Satisfaction with the following factors when ordering take out/delivery in the last 2 weeks

% satisfied



Vs 88% last month



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TAKE OUT/DELIVERY

WHERE DO YOU ORDER ALCOHOL WITH DELIVERY FROM



Third party delivery apps
49%

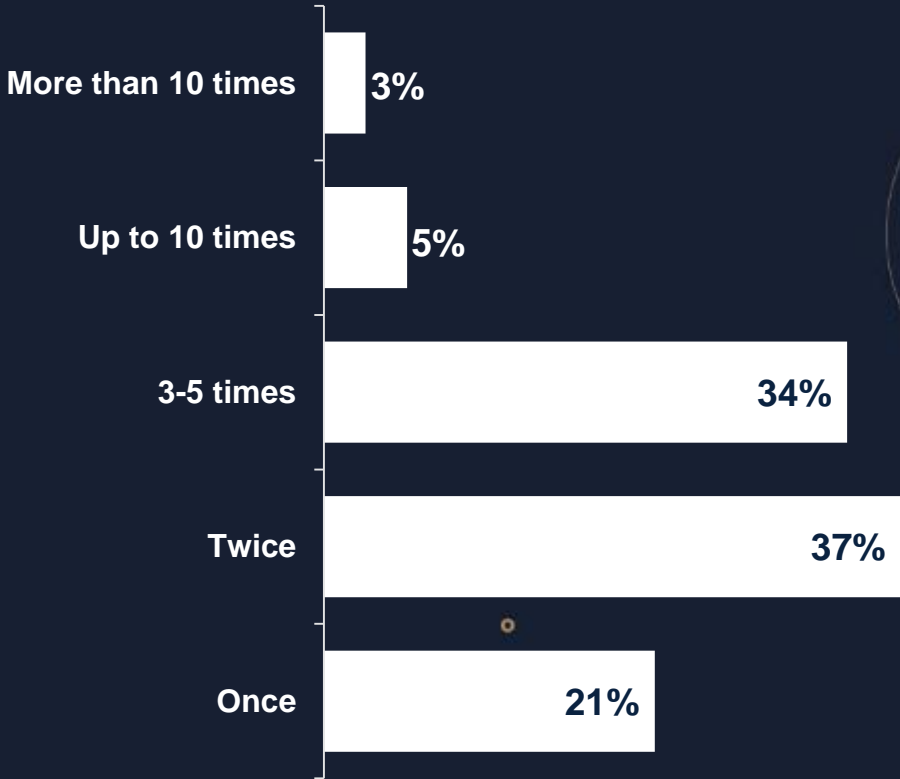


Direct from restaurants/bars
48%



Supermarket/grocery store/convenience/liquor store
35%

HOW OFTEN HAVE YOU ORDERED TAKE OUT IN THE LAST 2 WEEKS



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WHAT'S NEXT?

As per this report, we are focusing our approach for the COVID-19 On Premise Impact report towards a tracker of core metrics, both from a **consumer** and **sales** perspective. This is to allow us to see how the On Premise and consumers are behaving throughout changing restrictions for bars and restaurants. We are moving to a monthly deliverable as behaviors have begun to normalize more so we will continue to deliver these reports to you with key, actionable insights every 4 weeks. By moving towards a 4 weekly tracker we will also be able to continue to invest in our other services to ensure you have all the tools needed to support your brands in the On Premise.

If you wish to see this consumer data by more splits, such as by category drinkers, please get in touch for more information.

NCGA can support your On Premise recovery plans in many ways, over the past few months, we have created a whole set of new products which are now available to purchase, please see the next slide for more detail.

If you have any questions, please contact both matthew.crompton@nielsenCGA.com and amy.warren@nielsenCGA.com.

Look after yourselves and stay well.

The Nielsen CGA Team



GET IN TOUCH NOW TO DISCUSS YOUR 2021 PLANS

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NIELSEN CGA SERVICES

Essential tools to help you navigate the new On Premise reality

State Performance Tracker



Channel Strategy

Track the top line performance of 40 states for just \$1k a month!



Channel Strategy is back for 2021 – how will you win in casinos, stadiums and other channels when the market fully re-opens?

International Expansion



Following the huge success of OPUS in the US and Canada – this service will now be available in Mexico and Brazil

BeverageTrak



Tracking & responding to low level, sub-market, sales performance is now crucial

PurchaseTrak



An On Premise tracking tool designed solely for regional sale teams

Retail Solutions



Did you know that NCGA has an entire retail division?





METHODOLOGY

CONSUMER RESEARCH

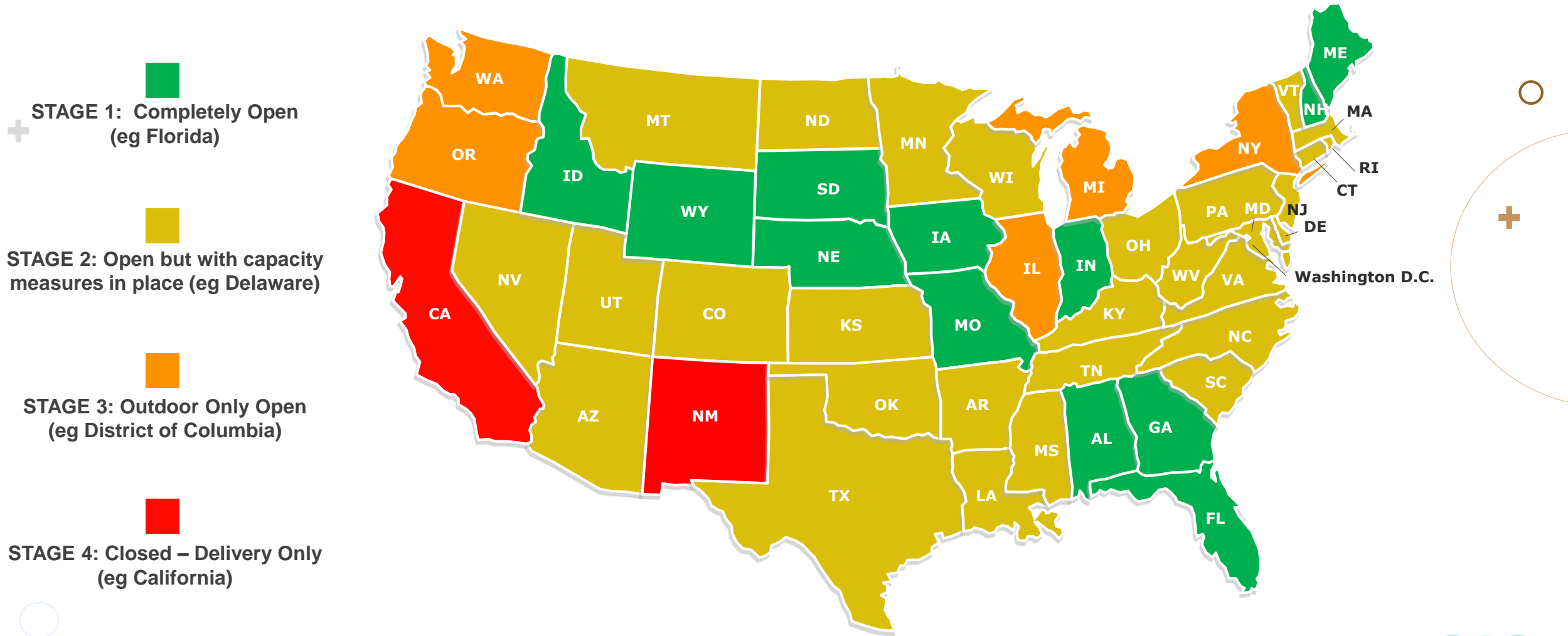
NCGA have surveyed 1,604 LDA On Premise consumers across four key states (Florida, Texas, New York & California)

An equal number of respondents were collected from each state, with each nationally representative on age and gender.


Fieldwork was 01/08/21 to 01/10/21

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