

Fare Expectations

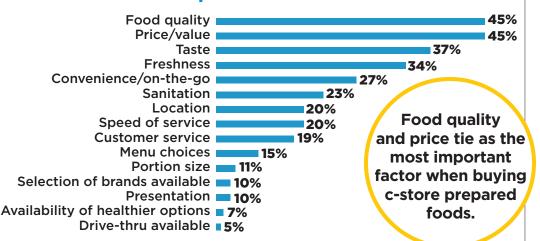
C-store foodservice shoppers don't want to have to sacrifice quality for price

As more convenience stores elevate their foodservice offerings, consumers are setting their expectations higher. They want highquality, good-tasting and fresh foodservice options — but at a value, according to the 2020 Convenience Store News Realities of the Aisle Study, which surveyed 1,500-plus consumers who shop a c-store at least once a month. Other key foodservice-category findings from the study include:



Most Important Factors When Purchasing

Prepared Foods at C-stores



Base: 1,213 U.S. shoppers aged 18+ who purchased prepared food from a c-store in the past month

Top 10 Most-Purchased Types of Prepared Food





sandwiches

Hamburger



Hot snacks (other than French fries)



foods (i.e., muffins, bagels)



Breakfast sandwich

Fresh baked goods (i.e., doughnuts, cookies)

French fries

Other breakfast

Base: 1,509 U.S. shoppers aged 18+ who shop convenience stores at least once a month

Beverages slightly eek out prepared foods as the most-purchased foodservice items.

Foodservice Items Purchased in the Past Month

> Fountain/ dispensed drink

> > Hot beverage

Grab-and-go prepared food

Made-to-order prepared food

Frozen drink

Branded fast food

of shoppers say they were satisfied with their last prepared food purchase from a convenience store — an increase of five points from 2019. Only 4% were not satisfied.

Chicken