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Retail Week Poll - Price Matching Schemes (March 2013)





The key claimed driver of grocery store choice is Price (45%) followed by Quality (27%) and Location (18%). Price is even more important to people aged 25-34 who are more likely to be at the family lifestage (51%) and those from more downmarket social grades (C2DE 55%), whilst Quality is more important to those aged 65+ (33%) and more upmarket groups (AB 34%). Service is significantly more likely to be mentioned by 18-24 year olds (7%) than people in general



One in four consumers (27%) claim they compare supermarket prices on a weekly basis whilst a third (38%) claim they do so monthly. Those groups who are most likely to compare prices weekly are those aged 25-34 who are more likely to be at the family lifestage (30%) and those from more downmarket social grades (31%). People aged 18-24 are most likely to never compare supermarket prices

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3. How important are price-matching schemes (e.g. Sainsbury's Brand Match, Tesco's Price Promise) in determining where you shop?

More than one in two people (57%) claim that price matching schemes are important in determining where they shop. It is particularly important for those aged 25-34 who are more likely to be at the family lifestage (68%), whilst the schemes are less likely to have any relevance to older age groups (55+ = 53% not very important/ not important at all)



Around one in two people (49%) trust that the price claims made by supermarkets are accurate (at least to some extent). Again, it is those aged 25-34 who have the highest levels of trust (64%) whilst the older age groups are more cynical about the price claims made (55+ = 58% not a lot/ not at all