

THE COX AUTOMOTIVE 2018 SERVICE INDUSTRY STUDY

RESEARCH
PRESENTATION



About the Study...

WE INTERVIEWED

3,550 consumers that had at least 1 service visit in the past 12 months

404 employees of franchise dealers who have input into decisions on service operations



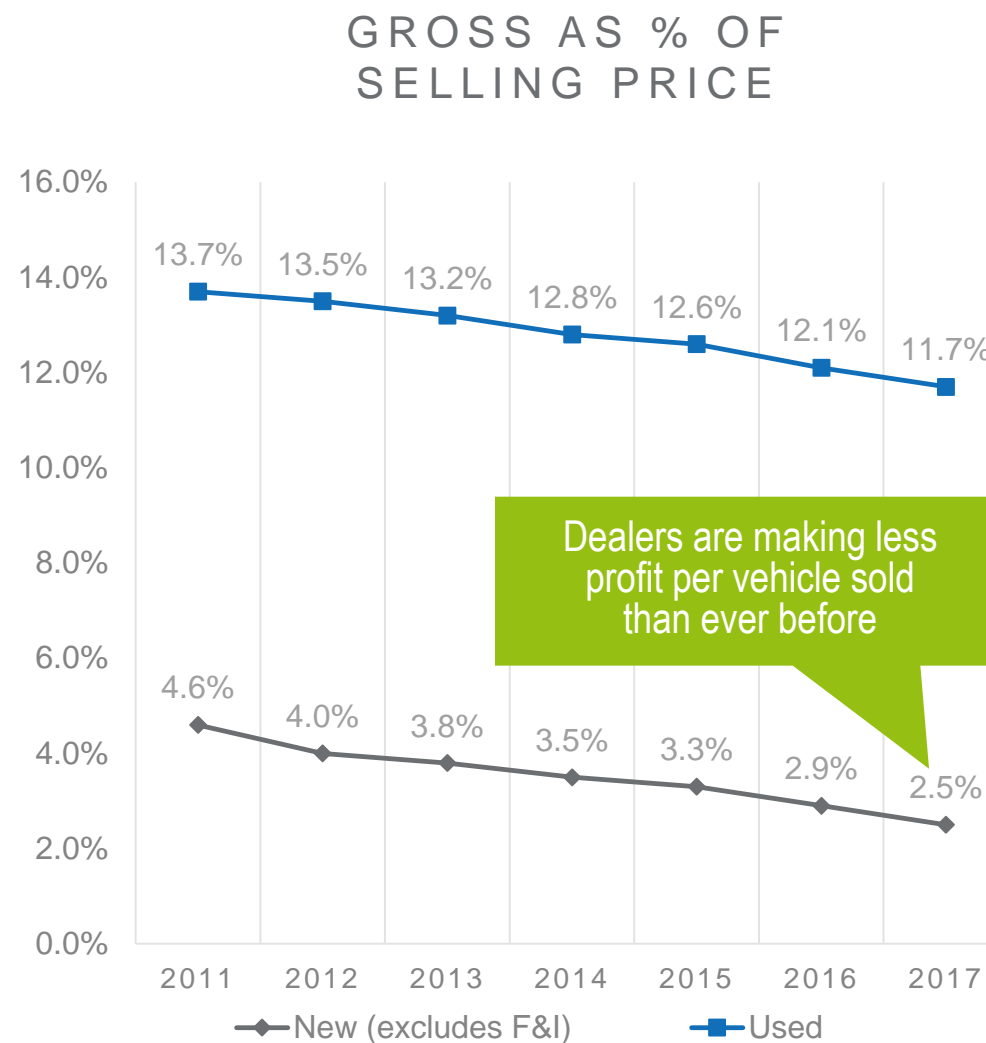
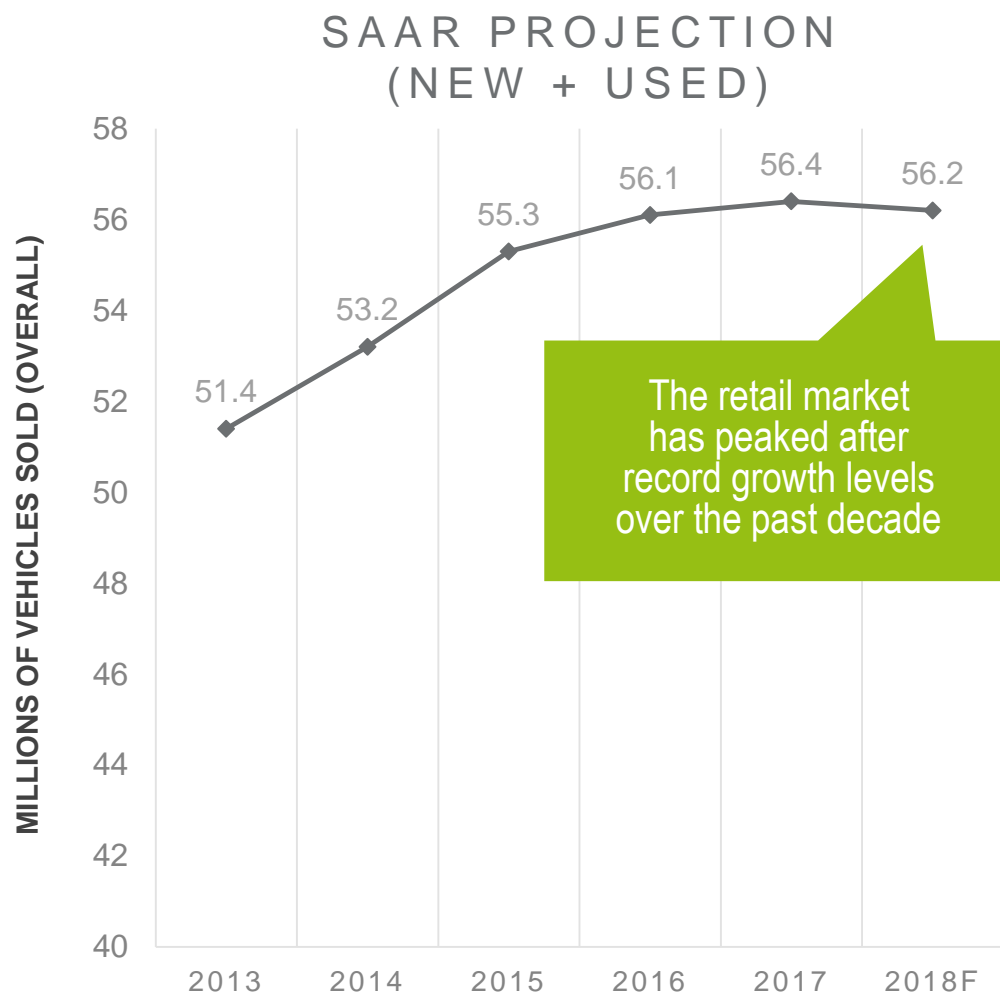


DEALERS **SHIFT** **FOCUS TO FIXED** **OPERATIONS**

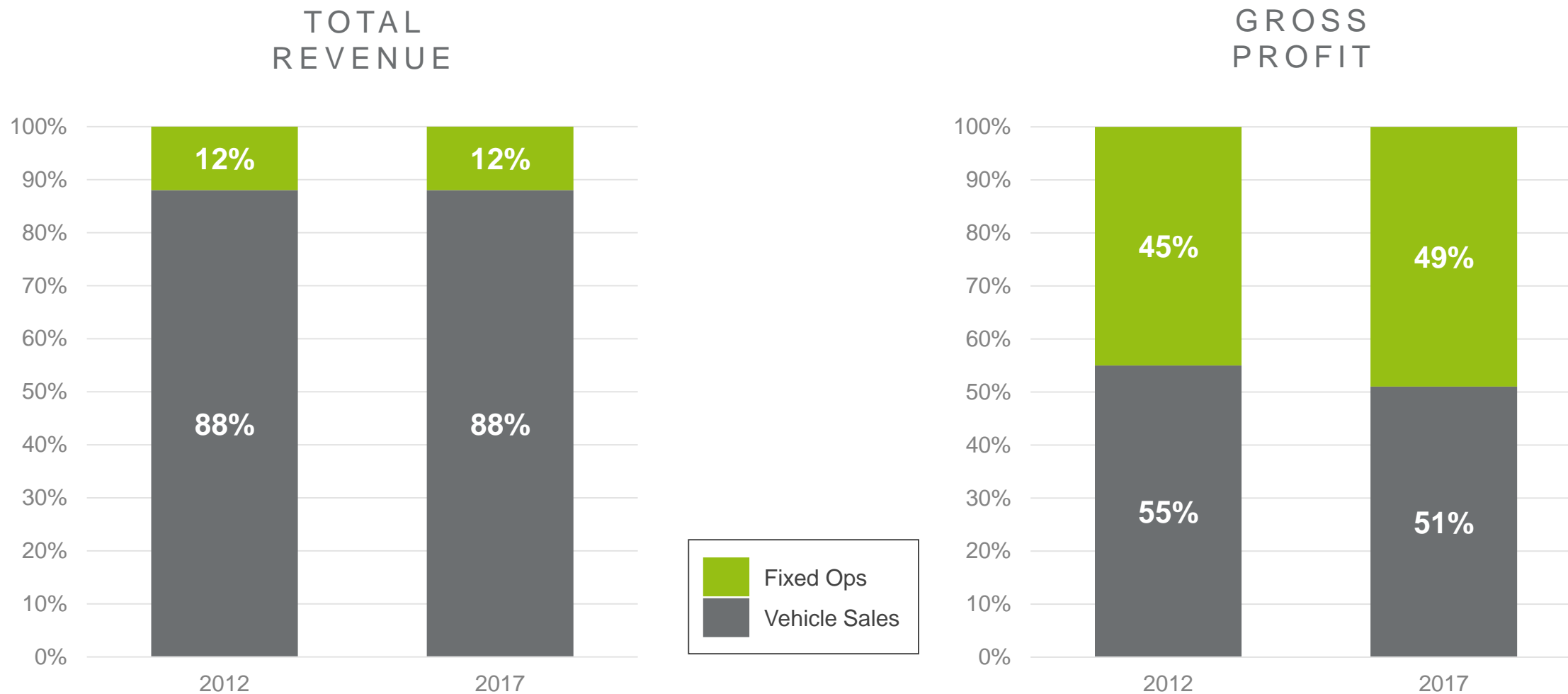
Growing profit center

Effective tool for loyalty

Challenges in Retail Renew Dealer Focus on Fixed Operations



Fixed Operations Contributing More to Gross Profit Than in Prior Years



Fixed Ops is Critical to Retaining Customers for Future Vehicle Sales

LIKELY TO RETURN TO DEALER OF PURCHASE FOR NEXT VEHICLE

74% — vs — **35%**

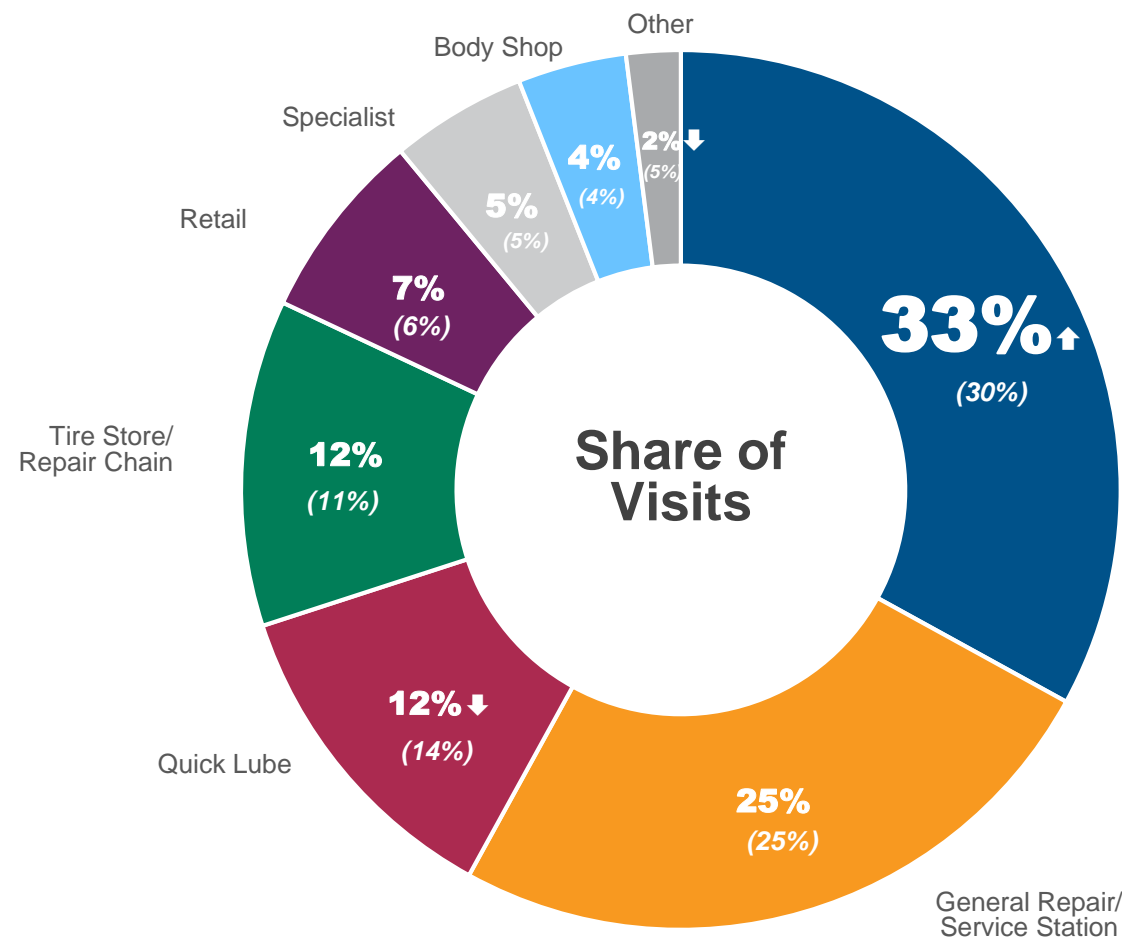
of those who
RETURNED
for service within the
past 12 months

of those who
DID NOT return for
service within the
past 12 months



**SERVICE VISITS
TO DEALERS
GROW WITH
CROSS-SELLING
& RECALLS**

Since 2015, Dealers Have Gained in Share of Consumer Service Visits



SHARE OF CONSUMER SERVICE VISITS IN PAST 12 MONTHS

~18.6MM

ADDITIONAL VISITS TO DEALERS

↑↓ Indicates a significant difference from previous time period at the 95% confidence level
() = 2015

Dealers Take Market Share From Quick Lube and General Repair

SHARE OF VISITS BY TYPE OF SERVICE

	Dealerships	General Repair	Quick Lube	Tire Store	Retail	Specialist	Body Shop	Other
Maintenance 526 MM	179 MM 34% ↑	121 MM 23%	68 MM 13% ↓	68 MM 13%	37 MM 7%	26 MM 5%	16 MM 3%	11 MM 2%
2015	(31%)	(23%)	(16%)	(12%)	(7%)	(4%)	(3%)	(4%)
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Repair 223 MM	67 MM 30% ↑	67 MM 30% ↓	18 MM 8%	24 MM 11%	16 MM 7%	16 MM 7%	13 MM 6%	2 MM 1%
2015	(27%)	(33%)	(7%)	(10%)	(5%)	(6%)	(7%)	(5%)

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3 In 5 Visits to the Dealership Included an Oil Change (Many of the Oil Change Visits also Included an Additional Service)

TOP SERVICES CONDUCTED IN PAST 12 MONTHS

(Share of visits)

19% ↓

of service visits at dealership only had an oil change

(29% in 2015)

	Dealership (change since 2015)	Total Providers (change since 2015)
Oil change/fluid check/air filter	57% (-4)	52% (-4)
Tires (rotation, replacement, repair)	31% (+17) ↑	28% (+10) ↑
General Check-up/Tune-up	22% (+1)	17% (+1)
Scheduled maintenance/interval service	23% (+3)	15% (+2)
State Inspection/Emissions testing	13% (+3)	13% (+1)
Battery	12% (+3)	11% (+3)
Brakes	7% (+1)	9% (+1)

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Percentage of Dealership Visits Including Multiple Services Is Up Significantly from 2015

TOP COMMON SERVICE PAIRINGS CONDUCTED AT DEALERSHIP IN PAST 12 MONTHS

(Among those that had more than 1 service done)

53% [↑]

of service visits at dealership included multiple services

(41% in 2015)



#1	Oil Change Tires
#2	Oil Change General Check-up/Tune-up
#3	Oil Change Scheduled Maintenance Tires
#4	Oil Change General Check-up/Tune-up Tires

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OEM Recalls Adding Volume on Top of Consumer Pay Visits

NUMBER OF RECALLS & VEHICLES IMPACTED

	2013	2017	% CHANGE
Number of recalls	712	899	+26%
Number of vehicles	16.3MM	42.7MM	+162%

72%

of dealers say that the % of warranty work due to recalls is higher than 5 years ago

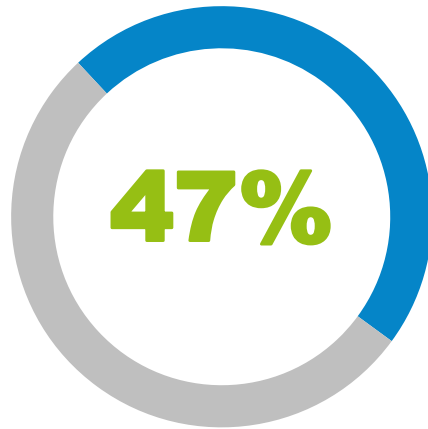
Source: NHTSA // 2018 Cox Automotive Service Industry Study



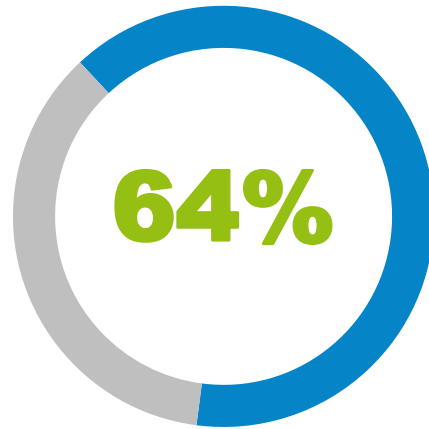
Ability to Complete Recall Work Impacted by Lack of Available Parts

SATISFACTION WITH THE PROCESS YOUR OEM HAS IN PLACE TO ENABLE YOU TO...?
(%8-10)

Replace recalled parts



Get reimbursed for the costs

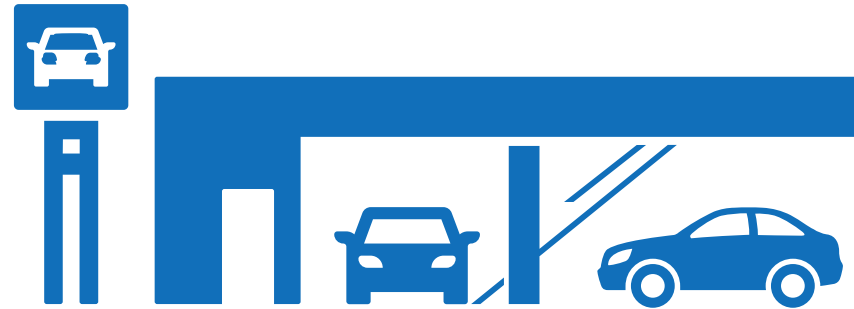


TOP FRUSTRATIONS WITH OEM RECALL PROCESS
(92% with a frustration)

- 71%** Parts availability (parts scarce after recall is announced, on back-order, etc.)
- 13%** Unsatisfactory reimbursement
- 4%** No repair available when recall is announced
- 3%** Amount of time repair takes

What Dealers Can Do

SERVICE VISITS TO DEALERS GROW WITH CROSS-SELLING & RECALLS



**GOOD MIX IN
LABOR TYPES**

**MONITOR MIX OF RECALL
VS. CUSTOMER PAY WORK**

**VIEW RECALLS AS WAY TO
ACQUIRE NEW CUSTOMERS**



**CAPACITY
LIMITATIONS
AND CONSUMER
EXPECTATIONS
PUT **EFFICIENCY**
TOP OF MIND**

2 of the Top 5 Frustrations Consumers Have with Dealers Are Related to Time Spent Waiting

CONSUMER TOP FRUSTRATIONS

(Among those with a frustration)



30%

Service took longer than expected



20%

Tried to push additional services



13%

Had an appointment but waited in line



10%

Finding out how much they charge



10%

Did not provide a loaner vehicle

Consumers Who Are Most Satisfied Spend 2.5 Hours or Less at the Dealer for Service

CONSUMER TIME SPENT (HOURS)

Very satisfied,
I'll always go to them

2.4

Somewhat satisfied,
I might use in the future

3.0

Very dissatisfied,
I'll never go back

3.7

Source: 2018 Cox Automotive Service Industry Study

Can Dealers Handle this Extra Volume?

% OF SERVICE BAYS USED



Total	Small (3-50 monthly sales) (A)	Medium (51-149 monthly sales) (B)	Large (150+ monthly sales) (C)
86%	83%	85%	90% ^{AB}

Letters indicate significantly higher than identified subgroup

Franchise dealers are already *near* capacity for a single shift!

Dealers Thinking Creatively to Help Manage High Demand Periods

81% of dealers have implemented special tactics to handle high demand periods

TOP TACTICS FOR HANDLING HIGH DEMAND PERIODS

		Total	Small (3-50 monthly sales) (A)	Medium (51-149 monthly sales) (B)	Large (150+ monthly sales) (C)
#1	<i>Schedule service on weekends</i>		49%	33%	52% ^A
#2	<i>Schedule overtime for employees</i>	38%	22%	39% ^A	48% ^A

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Efficiency of the Service Department is a Concern for Many Franchises

62%

of franchise dealers are concerned with increasing the efficiency of their service process

Source: 2018 Cox Automotive Dealer Communication & Operations Study

What Dealers Can Do

CAPACITY LIMITATIONS AND CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS PUT EFFICIENCY TOP OF MIND

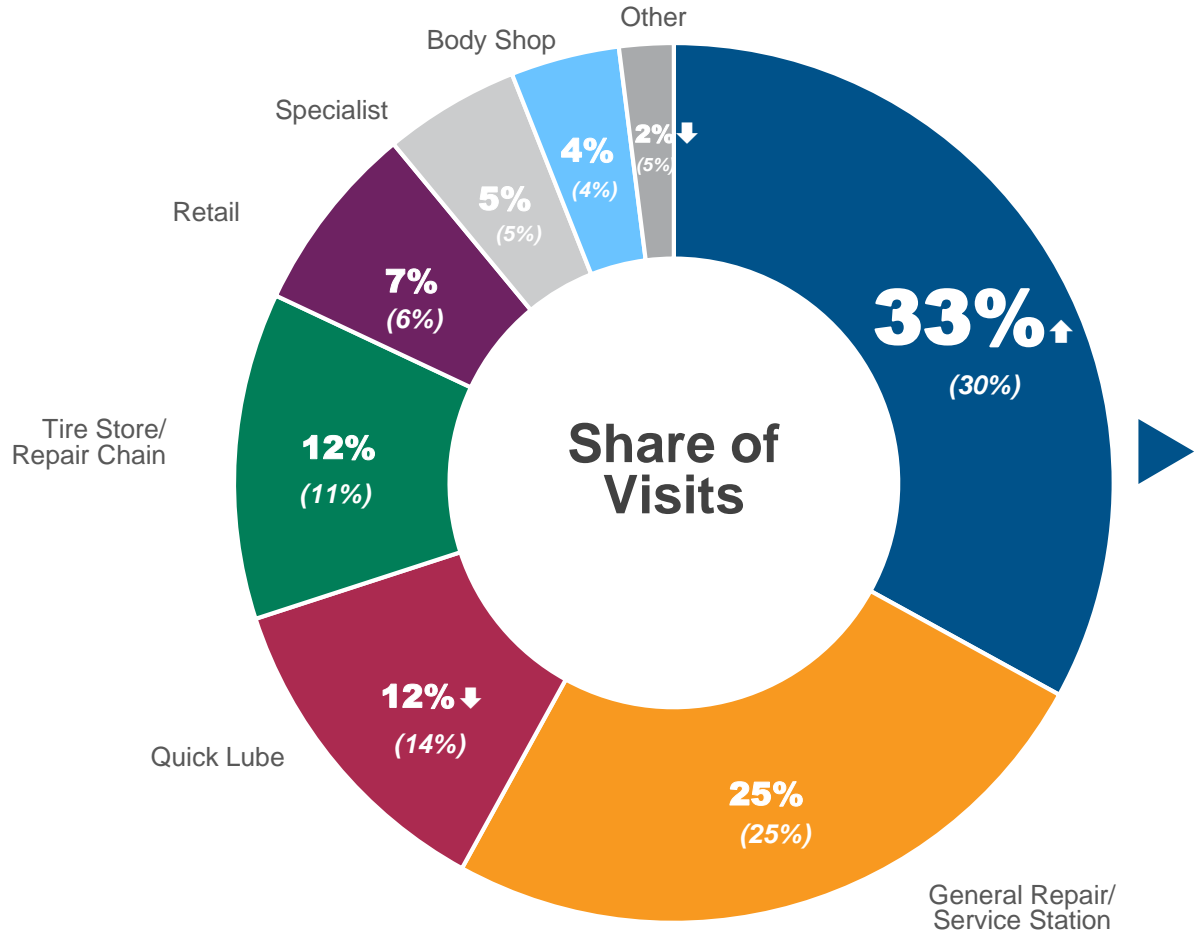
Leverage technology to put customer data at fingertips of staff





**LOCATION
BECOMING EVEN
MORE OF A
RETENTION ISSUE
FOR THE “DEALER
OF PURCHASE”**

Growth in Share Driven by Dealers Who Are Not the “Dealer Of Purchase”



SHARE OF CONSUMER SERVICE VISITS IN PAST 12 MONTHS

	2015	2018
Dealership where purchased	17%	17%
Other dealership	13%	16%

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Share of Preference for “Dealer Of Purchase” is Higher Than Actual Share of Service Visits

PREFERENCE FOR DEALER OF PURCHASE VS ACTUAL VISITS

REPAIR

24%

prefer
dealer of purchase

13%

visited
dealer of purchase

MAINTENANCE

24%

prefer
dealer of purchase

18%

visited
dealer of purchase

The “Dealer Of Purchase” Has a Consistent Advantage of Knowing the Vehicle

TOP REASONS TO USE DEALER OF PURCHASE FOR SERVICE

2015

They know my vehicle

Knowledgeable/courteous staff

Certified/qualified technicians

2018

They know my vehicle

Knowledgeable/courteous staff

Certified/qualified technicians

But Ultimately It's the Relationship that Gets Consumers into the Door of the Service Department

WHAT PROMPTED THE RETURN TO THE DEALER FOR SERVICE?

(Among those using the dealership they purchased from for service)



53%

I trust this dealership



45%

Had a good purchase experience



35%

Vehicle was under warranty there



21%

Introduced to the service department when I purchased

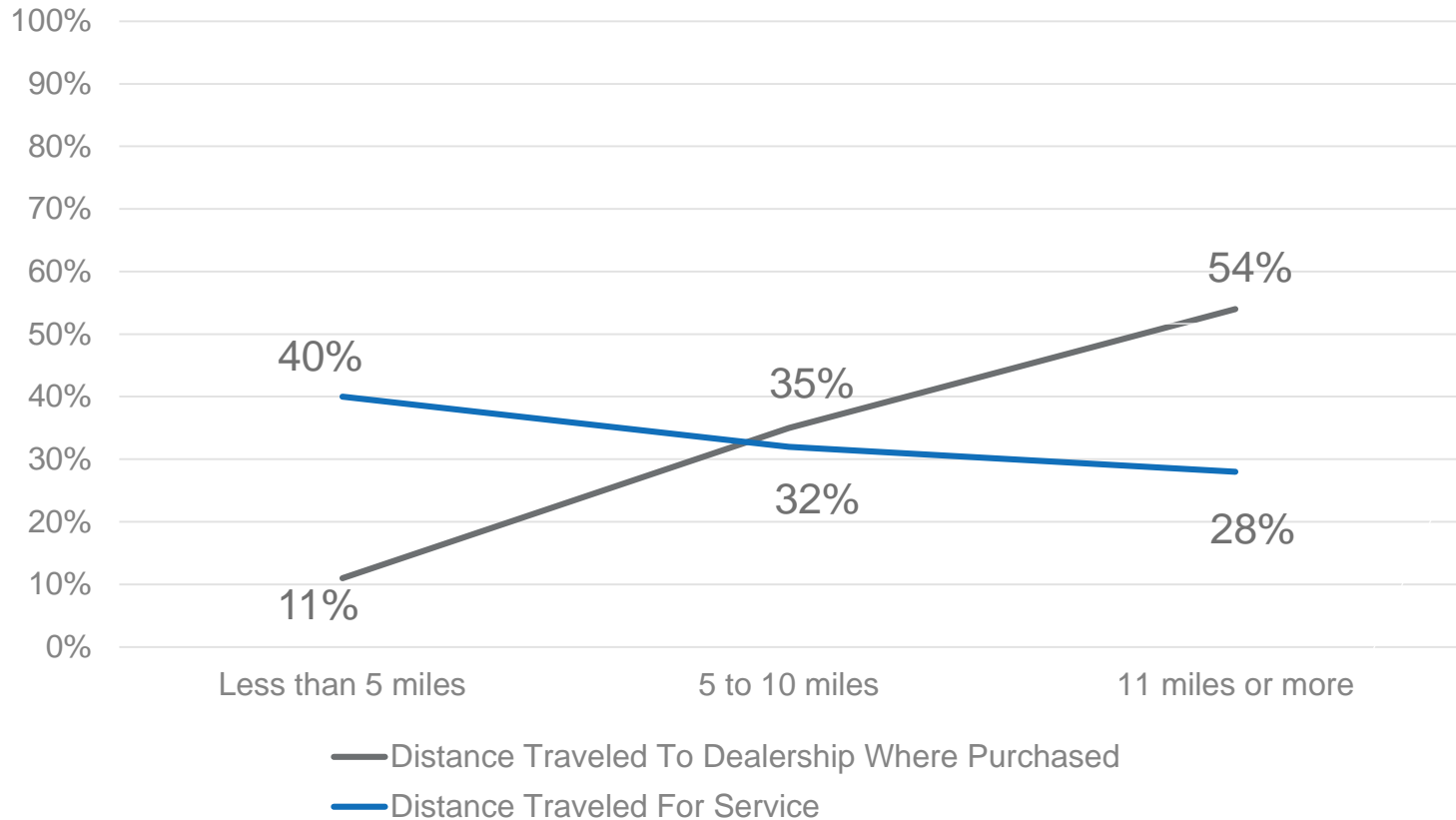


20%

Had a service contract with the dealership

Unfortunately, the “Dealer Of Purchase” Tends to be Farther Away than Where Consumers Are Willing to Travel for Service

DISTANCE TRAVELED BY CONSUMERS



95%
of dealers have
service facility on the
same lot as dealership

Location Moving up as a Top Reason to Not Return to "Dealer Of Purchase"

TOP REASONS TO NOT USE DEALER OF PURCHASE FOR SERVICE

2015

Total cost is NOT reasonable
They will overcharge me
Unreasonable labor charges
Unreasonable parts charges
NOT a convenient location

2018

Total cost is NOT reasonable
NOT a convenient location
They will overcharge me
Unreasonable labor charges
Unreasonable parts charges

Dealers Focus on Price and Many Are Not Aware That Location Is Causing a Retention Issue

TOP REASONS DEALERS SAY CUSTOMERS GO ELSEWHERE

2 in 3 dealers don't mention location as a top reason for defection

77%

Think dealership will overcharge them

36%

Not a convenient location

27%

Total cost is not reasonable

What Dealers Can Do

**LOCATION BECOMING EVEN MORE OF A RETENTION ISSUE
FOR DEALER OF PURCHASE**



**VALET (PICK UP
AND DROP OFF)
AND MOBILE SERVICES**



**CREATIVE USE OF
RIDE-SHARING SERVICES**



**VALUE SURPASSES
QUALITY AS MOST
IMPORTANT WHEN
SELECTING A
SERVICE PROVIDER**

Dealers Continue to Struggle with Retaining Customers After Their Warranty Has Expired

SERVICE VISITS CONDUCTED AT DEALERSHIP

WITH A CURRENT WARRANTY

6 in 10

WHY THEY GO...

THEY KNOW MY VEHICLE
KNOWLEDGEABLE/COURTEOUS STAFF
TRUST
VEHICLE WARRANTY

WITH AN EXPIRED WARRANTY

3 in 10

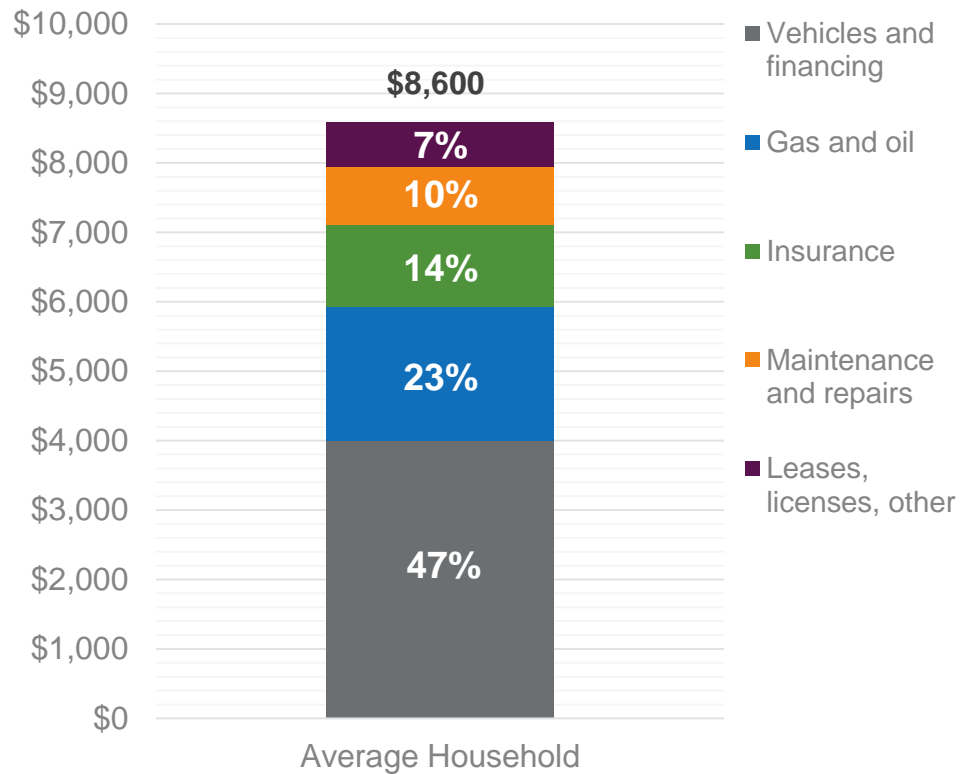
WHY DON'T THEY GO...

TOTAL COST
DISTANCE
FEAR OF OVERCHARGING

NO CHANGE SINCE 2015

Consumers Increasingly Feel that Owning a Vehicle Is Too Expensive

AVERAGE US HH ANNUAL EXPENDITURES ON VEHICLES



OWNING/LEASING A VEHICLE IS BECOMING TOO EXPENSIVE



2015 (A)
42%

2018 (B)
48%^A

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Value Surpasses Quality as Most Important When Selecting Providers

WHAT'S MOST IMPORTANT WHEN CONSIDERING SERVICE PROVIDERS?



23% → **28%**
2015 2018

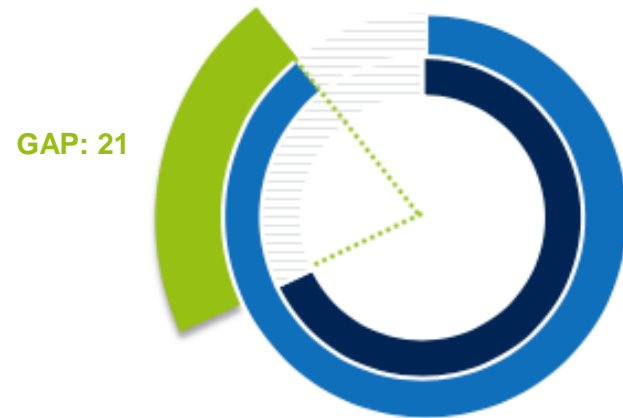
COUPONS & LOYALTY PROGRAMS
INCREASED SIGNIFICANTLY IN IMPORTANCE

A Disconnect: Dealers Think “Quality” Attributes Are More Important than They Actually Are

MOST IMPORTANT “QUALITY” ATTRIBUTES

(% Critically Important)

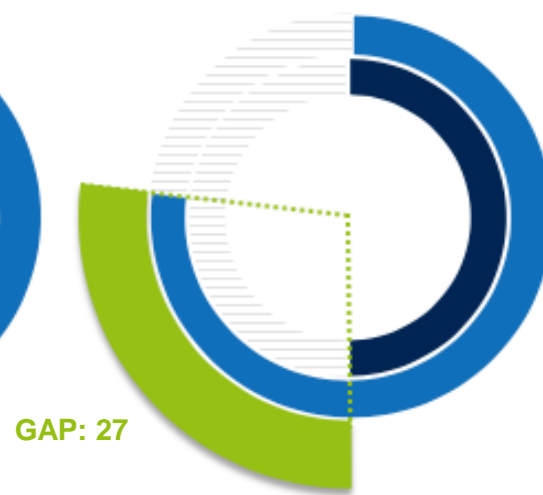
MY VEHICLE IS FIXED
RIGHT THE FIRST TIME



GAP: 21

CONSUMER: 68%
DEALER: 89%

KNOWLEDGEABLE/
COURTEOUS STAFF



GAP: 27

CONSUMER: 50%
DEALER: 77%

CERTIFIED/HIGHLY
QUALIFIED TECHNICIANS



GAP: 4

CONSUMER: 55%
DEALER: 59%

EXPLAINS
SERVICES RENDERED



GAP: 23

CONSUMER: 48%
DEALER: 71%

Consumers & Dealers Agree That Value Is Proven Through Fair Pricing

MOST IMPORTANT "VALUE" ATTRIBUTES

(% Critically Important)

THEY WON'T
OVERCHARGE ME



CONSUMER: 66%
DEALER: 64%

TOTAL COST IS
REASONABLE



CONSUMER: 59%
DEALER: 44%

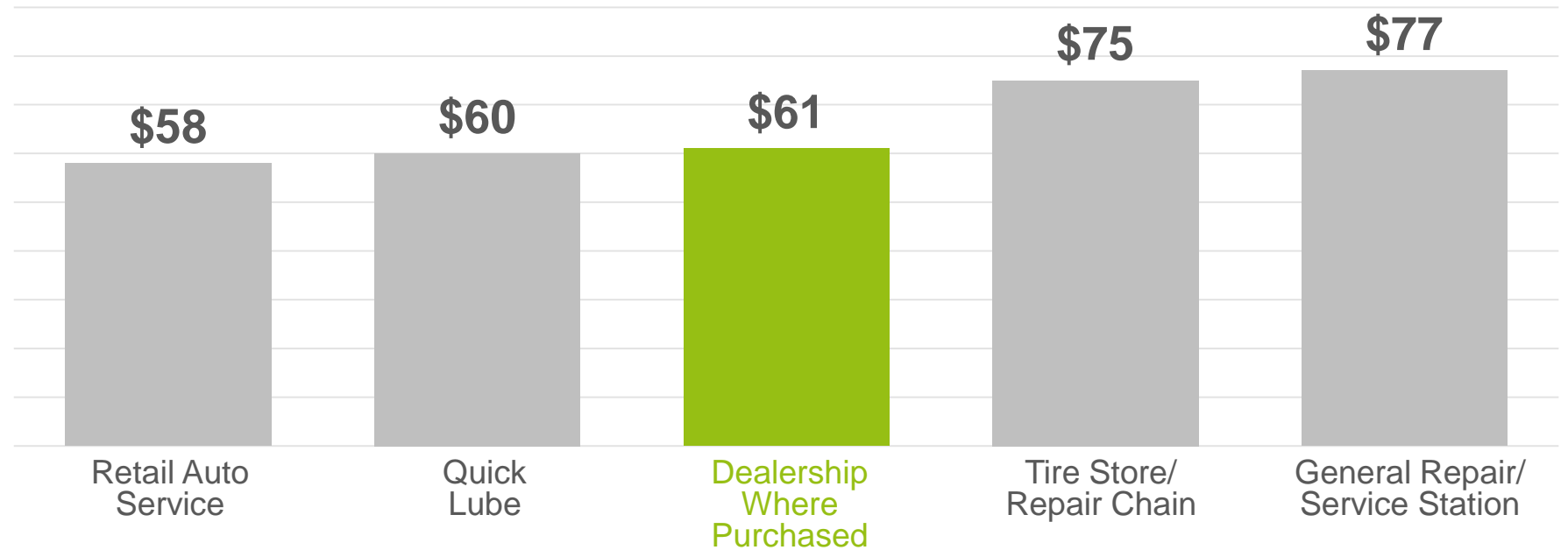
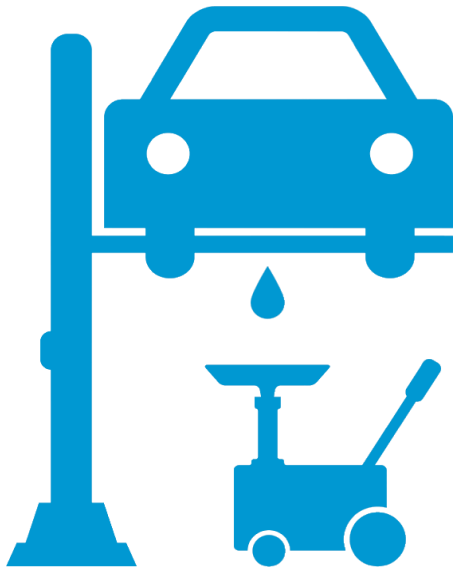
PROVIDES TOTAL
COST UP FRONT



CONSUMER: 51%
DEALER: 47%

Are Dealers Pricing Services Fairly?

WHAT ARE CONSUMERS PAYING? OIL CHANGE SNAPSHOT



**DEALERS ARE OFFERING OIL
CHANGES AT A COMPETITIVE PRICE**

What Dealers Can Do

VALUE *SURPASSES* QUALITY AS MOST IMPORTANT WHEN SELECTING A SERVICE PROVIDER

Survey competitors to find out how much they are charging

Market how much cheaper you are than competitors – **price transparency**

Competitively price quick services to get consumers into your service department



**NEW VEHICLE
INNOVATION WILL
STRENGTHEN
DEALERS'
POSITION AS
TOP SERVICE
PROVIDER**

Dealers Think New Vehicle Innovation Will Provide Greater Opportunity

62%

of DEALERS say dealerships will have a competitive advantage in fixed ops as new vehicles evolve



Consumer Preference For Dealers Is Higher Among Those with Advanced Features in Their Vehicles

CONSUMER PROVIDER PREFERENCE AMONG THOSE WITH ADVANCED CAR TECH FEATURES



62%

DEALERSHIP

— vs —



32%

GENERAL REPAIR

What Dealers Can Do

NEW VEHICLE INNOVATION WILL STRENGTHEN DEALERS' POSITION AS TOP SERVICE PROVIDER

Educate customers on the advantages of servicing their vehicle with a provider that understands the complexity of today's vehicles



WHAT DEALERS NEED TO KNOW & WHAT THEY CAN DO

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SERVICE VISITS TO DEALERS GROW WITH CROSS-SELLING & RECALLS	<p>Good mix in labor types</p> <p>Monitor mix of recall vs. customer pay work</p> <p>View recalls as an opportunity to acquire new service customers</p>
CAPACITY LIMITATIONS AND CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS PUT EFFICIENCY TOP OF MIND	<p>Leverage technology to put customer data at fingertips of staff</p>
LOCATION BECOMING EVEN MORE OF A RETENTION ISSUE FOR THE “DEALER OF PURCHASE”	<p>Valet (pick up and drop off) and mobile services</p> <p>Creative use of Ride-sharing services</p>
VALUE SURPASSES QUALITY AS MOST IMPORTANT WHEN SELECTING A SERVICE PROVIDER	<p>Survey competitors to find out how much they are charging</p> <p>Market how much cheaper you are than competitors – price transparency</p> <p>Competitively price quick services to get consumers into your service department</p>
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