

First Look: Amazon Go

Amazon is proving yet again that physical retail has a future. On top of nearly 480 Whole Foods locations, the retail juggernaut is steadily growing its own brick-and-mortar footprint through Books, Pop Up and 4-Star branded stores.

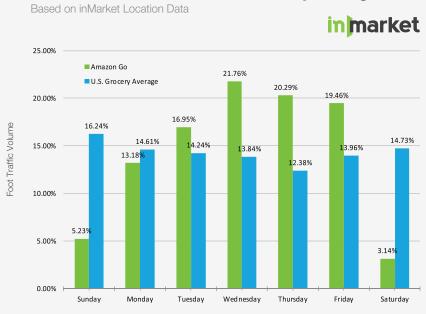
Perhaps most intriguing is **Amazon Go**, a new store concept that has removed the checkout process from the retail experience. Without cashiers or kiosks, these stores operate on "<u>Just Walk Out</u>" technology, with payment settled digitally and automatically. It's a powerful example of convergence that could foreshadow what's to come at Amazon's stores, and perhaps all retailers, over the next decade.

While it's still early for Amazon Go, its impact on shoppers can already be measured through inMarket's first-party location data platform. In this inMarket inSights report, we've compiled the first-ever look at shopper behavior and visitation trends at Amazon Go stores in Seattle and Chicago. This analysis focus on the 60-day period trailing 10/22/18.

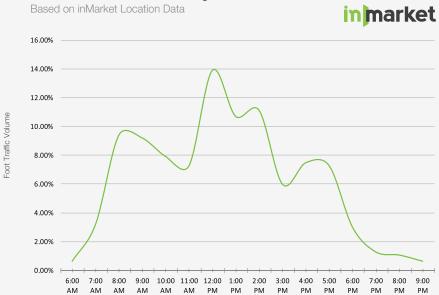
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Amazon Go Visitation Analysis

Amazon Go Visitation v. U.S. Grocery Average



Amazon Go Visitation by Hour







Key Takeaways:

- Visits to Amazon Go contrast traditional grocery stores in that they receive high traffic during the weekdays, and lower traffic on weekends. This is in direct contrast to traditional grocery stores, which rely heavily on weekend foot traffic.
- While three of the five stores in this analysis were <u>closed</u> on weekends, the weekday peak still exists when you remove said stores from the data set. For Amazon, the decision to keep some of these stores closed on weekends indicates that they don't necessarily see Go as a grocery competitor (yet), as weekends are vital to traditional grocery business.
- Wednesday was the busiest day of the week at Amazon Go in September and October 2018, followed by Thursday and Friday. Excluding weekends, the slowest day was Monday.
- Peak visit times occur during business hours, with 12pm, 2pm and 1pm attracting the most visits, followed by 8am and 9am. Fresh, pre-made food is a big focus of the Amazon Go marketing strategy, and the visitation data supports that consumers are indeed stopping by for breakfast and lunch.
- The median dwell time at Amazon Go is 27 minutes. This could indicate that people are taking their time and exploring the store, or sitting down to enjoy their pre-made food items in the seating area. If this is the case, it would underscore that Amazon Go customers are indeed treating it as more of a c-store restaurant hybrid, versus a grocery store. (Or perhaps shoppers are being slowed by their own apprehension about "just walking out.")
- For any new retailer, customer retention is a critical part of success. At Amazon Go, retention does seem to be happening: 44% of shoppers in this study visited Amazon Go multiple times, versus 56% who visited only once.



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