## What's Hot & What's Not 2013-2014 U.S. Trends in the Aromatherapy Essential Oil Sector

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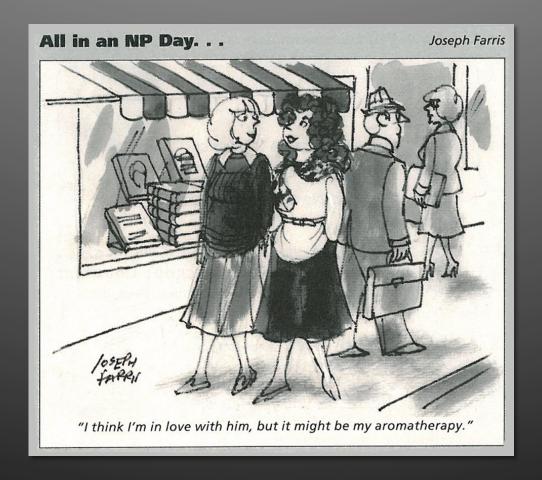


## **Hot Topics**

- What is Aromatherapy?
- Sources and Quality of Essential Oils
- Diluents and Extended Oils
- Environmental and Sustainability Concerns
- Essential Oil Labeling
- 2013 Aromatherapy Trends Survey and SPINS Retail Data
- Top Essential Oils Used By Professional Aromatherapists
- Factors That Influence Purchasing
- Notable Biological Activity
- 2013-2014 Market Trends and Growth of the Sector
- Conclusion



## What is Aromatherapy?





## Aromatherapy Terms

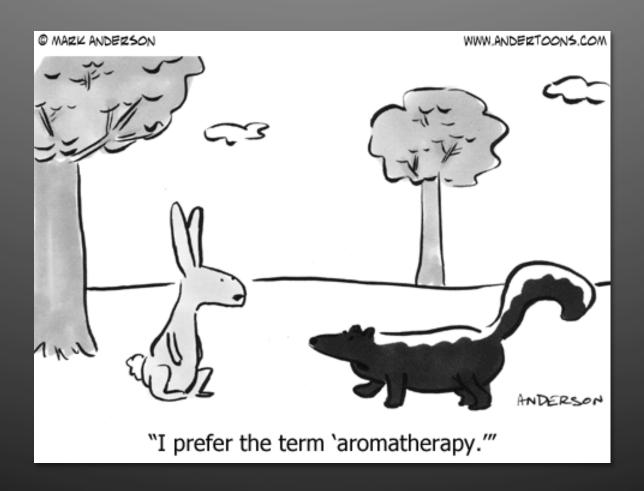
Aromatherapy... the controlled use of essential oils to promote the health and vitality of the body, mind and spirit by inhalation, baths, compresses, topical application, and full-body massage. (Price, 2000)

Aromatology... [above and] selected area massage, plus external intensive use of undiluted oils and internal use via rectum, os, and vagina. (Price, 2000)

Aromachology... only olfactory effects that have been scientifically demonstrated to affect mood, physiology and behavior. (Herz, 2009)



#### How does it work?





## How does it work? Do you need to be able to smell?

Aromatherapy does not depend on aromatic perception; psychological changes occur despite perception.
(Hongratanaworakit, 2004)

Anosmics can benefit from aromatherapy. (Nasel et al., 1994)





#### How does it work?

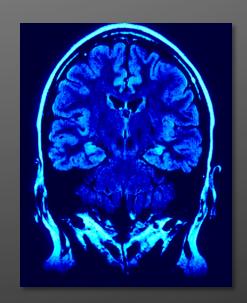
# PHYSIOLOGICAL & PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS contingent negative variation cerebral blood flow brain waves dialation or constriction of pupils heart rate and eye blink peripheral blood pressure electrodermal activity skin temperature

There are many measurements that can be used to quantify the physiological and psychological effects of essential oils on the body.



## How does it work? What are the health claims?

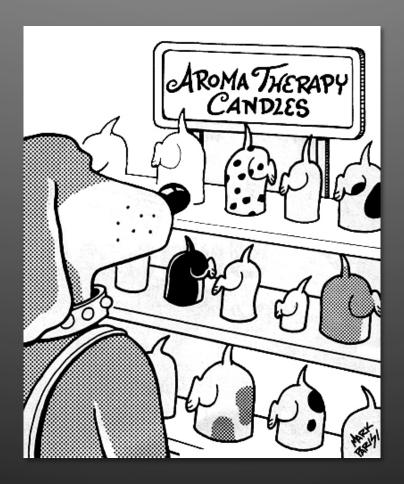
- Improve memory and increase alertness (Jellenik, 1997)
- Affect mood: sedate or stimulate (Kikuchi et al, 1991)
- Affect overall performance ability, such as memory tasks, sustained attention, and problem solving (Moss et al., 2003)



 Affect cognitive performance and attention speed (Moss et al., 2003)



#### How does it work?





## How does it work? Contemporary Aromatherapy Research

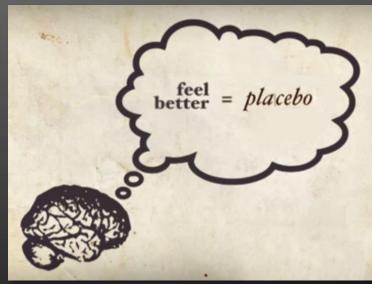
- Prior experiences and expectations associated with aroma affect the final outcome (Fox, 2009; Herz, 2009)
- Culture and learned social behavior affect the perception and effects of aromas (Herz, 2009)
- There is some evidence of gender-related differences; little evidence of age-related differences; but much evidence to suggest individual variance (Choudhury, 2004; Larsson et al., 2000)



## Does Aromatherapy really work?

Aromatherapy is unique as a healing modality because it can produce physiological and psychological effects simultaneously. There are four methods of aroma action (Jellinek, 1997):

- Quasi-pharmacological
- Semantic
- Hedonic valence
- Placebo





# Sources and Quality of Essential Oils What does an Aromatherapist look for?

Just like a fine wine, a number of factors affect the quality of an essential oil:

- Origin of the plant
- Part of the plant used
- Growing techniques employed
- Climate where the plant was produced
- Harvest methodologies
- Time of harvest [Basil EO extracted in spring had the highest antioxidant levels (Al-Maskri et al., 2011)]
- Method of production
- Method of and length of storage after production



## Why is Latin important? Lavandula vs. Lavandin







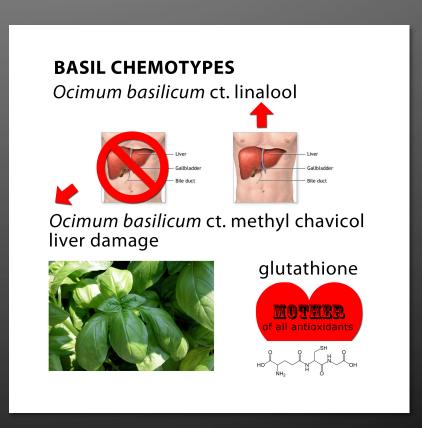
## Sources and Quality of Essential Oils Lavandula vs. Lavandin

	<mark>Lavender</mark>	<mark>Lavandin</mark>
Source	Lavandula angustifolia	Lavandula intermedia
	(otherwise known as	Hybrid: <i>L. latifolia</i> x <i>L.</i>
	Lavandula officinalis)	angustifolia
Constituents	Linalool (25-28%), linalyl	Linalyl acetate (28-28%),
	acetate (25-45%), <mark>1,8</mark>	<mark>1,8 cineole (6-20%)</mark> , and
	cineole (0%), and camphor	camphor (7-40%)
	<mark>(0%)</mark>	
Oil Characteristics (color	Colorless to pale yellow;	Colorless to pale yellow,
and scent)	sweet, floral herbaceous	yellow-green; similar but
		with camphor tones and
		rose-like note due to
		"rhodinol"
Therapeutic Action	More sedating	Less sedating

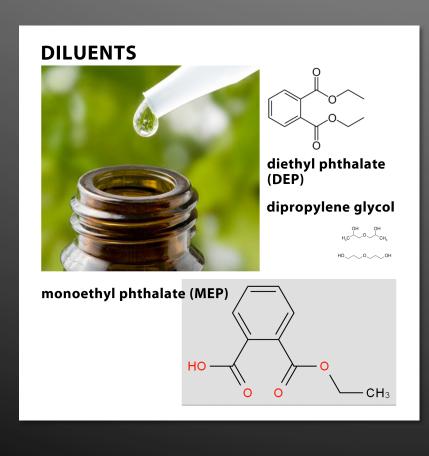


# Sources and Quality of Essential Oils Chemotypes

Chemotypes that provide a specific constituent profile are also important for clinical aromatherapy.



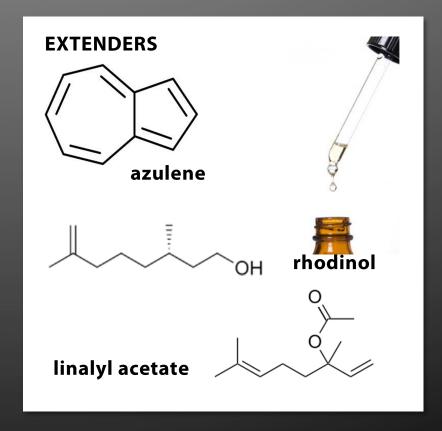




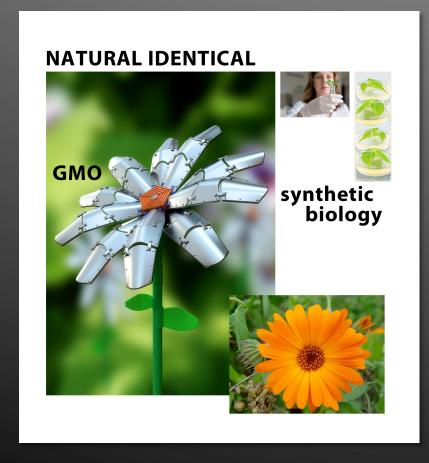
Diluents...substances that are usually odorless and are added to the products for commercial reasons.



Extenders... inexpensive aroma materials that may or may not have an identical fragrance and are usually synthetic.



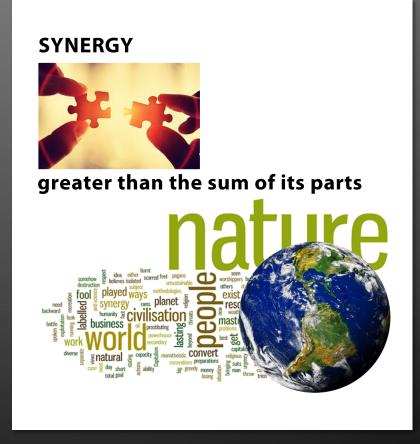




Nature identical...
usually refers to a
chemically
synthesized version of
an essential oil.



Synergy... the whole is better than the sum of its parts, and it exists within each oil and within blends of specific oils.





## Environmental & Sustainability Concerns

Wildcrafted Plant... has been gathered in the wild, in its natural habitat, for manufacturing or personal use. (organic.org, 2013)







- Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) of Wild Flora and Fauna
- United Plant Savers (UpS) At-Risk and To-Watch
- International Union for Conservation of Nature Natural Resources (IUCN) Red List of Threatened Species



## Environmental & Sustainability Concerns

Sandalwood Santalum album is now virtually extinct in India with no evidence of any real sustainability programs for regeneration.







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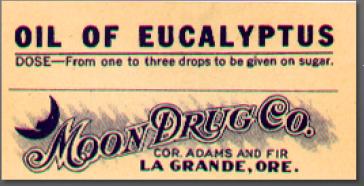
At the Manoko experimental and research garden managed by the Indonesian Medicinal and Aromatic Crops Research Institute, they feed dairy cows spent material left from distilling Citronella Cymbopogon nardus, which produces raw milk with less bacteria.



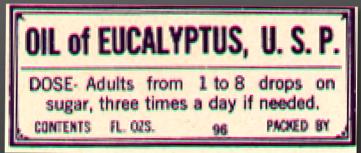


## Aromatherapy Essential Oil Labeling











# Aromatherapy Essential Oil Labeling Federal Drug Administration (FDA)

Essential oil labeling for retail sales generally falls under the jurisdiction of dietary supplement labeling requirements, which are defined and regulated in the U.S. by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).





## Aromatherapy Essential Oil Labeling American Herbal Products Association

#### American Herbal Products Association (AHPA):

 Keep out of reach of children or significantly similar cautionary language



- External Use Only, Not for Internal Use,
   Not for Ingestion or significantly similar cautionary language
- Keep away from eyes and mucous membranes or significantly similar cautionary language
- The Latin name of the plant from which the essential oil is derived
- Identification of the plant part from which the essential oil is derived



# Aromatherapy Essential Oil Labeling Regulated Terms

The Agricultural
Marketing Service of the
U.S. Department of
Agriculture (USDA)
oversees the National
Organic Program (NOP)
and defines the term and
certifies organic.



- Organic
- Certified organic





# Aromatherapy Essential Oil Labeling Unregulated Terms

These are just a sampling of the many unregulated terms. Consumers should be especially cautious of these products as they may contain pesticides, synthetic adulterants, or diluents.

- All natural
- Spray free
- Therapeutic grade
- CPTG Certified Pure Therapeutic Grade<sup>®</sup>
- Pure and natural
- Genuine
- Certified naturally grown



# 2013 Aromatherapy Trends Survey Who did we survey? (APA's)





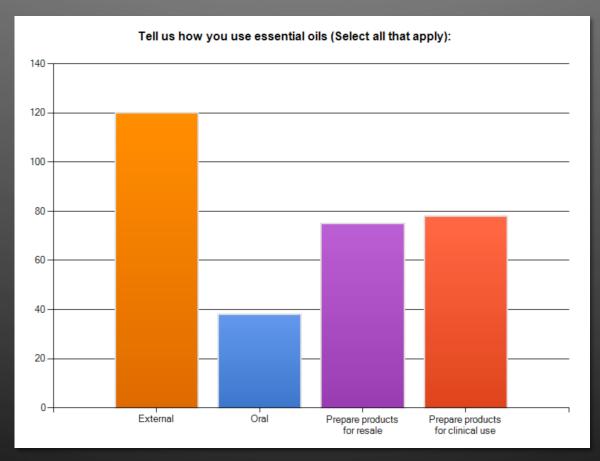




- Registered Aromatherapists:Aromatherapy Registration Council (ARC)
- National Association for Holistic Aromatherapists (NAHA)
- Alliance of International Aromatherapists (AIA)
- International Journal of Professional Holistic Aromatherapy

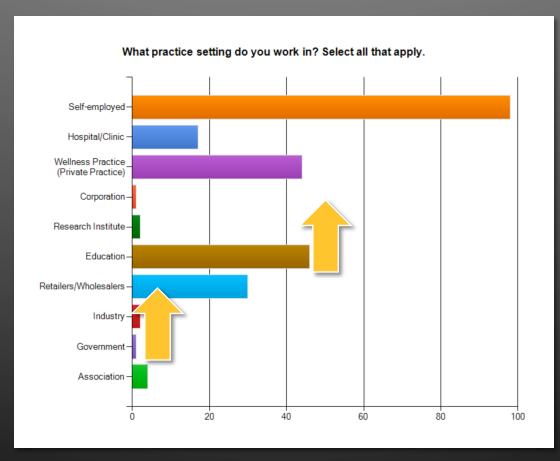


## 2013 Aromatherapy Research Methods of Administration



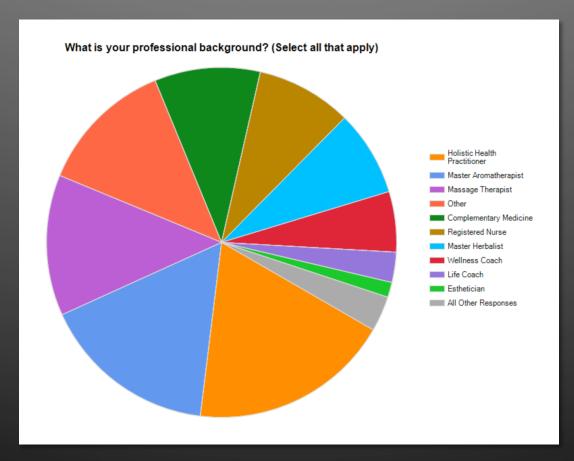


## 2013 Aromatherapy Trends Survey Distribution of APAs Practice Settings





# 2013 Aromatherapy Trends Survey Professional Backgrounds





## Six Hot Essential Oils APA's Use vs. Retail Sales

Rank	k Essential Oil Common and		
Natik			
	Latin Name		
1	LAVENDER <i>Lavandula</i>		
	<mark>angustifolia</mark>		
2	BERGAMOT Citrus aurantium		
	<mark>var. bergamia</mark>		
3	IMMORTELLE Helichrysum		
	italicum		
4	CHAMOMILE Chamaemelum		
	nobile		
5	EUCALYPTUS Eucalyptus		
	<mark>globulus</mark>		
6	FRANKINCENSE Boswellia		
	<mark>carterii</mark>		
7	TEA TREE AUSTRALIA		
	Melaleuca alternifolia		
8	BLACK PEPPER Piper nigrum		
9	PEPPERMINT Metha piperita		
	var. <i>vulgaris</i>		

Rank	Scent	\$ Sales
1	LAVENDER	\$3, 574, 157
<del></del>	PEPPERMINT	
2		\$1,631,238
<mark>3</mark>	EUCALYPTUS	<mark>\$1,492,073</mark>
4	TEA TREE	\$1,291,079
5	ROSEMARY	\$490,129
6	PATCHOULI	\$447,150
7	BLEND — OTHER	\$385,959
8	LEMON	\$380,038
9	ROSE	\$372,131
<mark>10</mark>	FRANKINCENSE	\$371,444
11	BLEND — CALMING	\$332,382
12	CLOVE	\$331,972
13	ORANGE	\$321,681
14	SANDALWOOD	\$310,142
15	GERANIUM	\$265,400
16	GRAPEFRUIT	\$261,068
17	YLANG YLANG	\$255,223
<mark>18</mark>	BERGAMOT	\$237,048
19	BLEND — MEDICINAL	\$231,590
20	LEMONGRASS	\$231,586



#### Hot Stand Out!

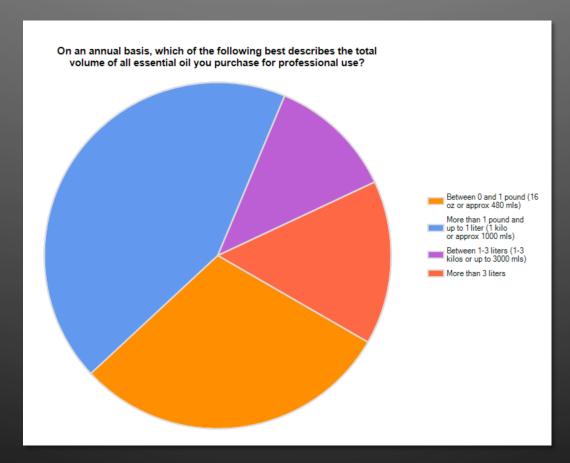
Cinnamon Cinnamomum zeylanicum grew at a 19.8% rate in 2012, well out-pacing the retail aromatherapy category growth rate of 14.9%.

Research confirms that it can lower blood sugar and LDL cholesterol with no harmful side effects. (Sharma et al, 2012)



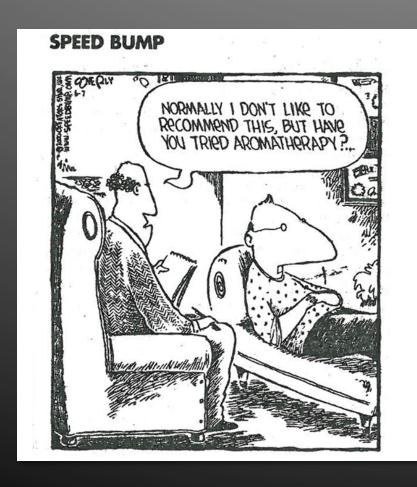


# **Volume of Essential Oils Used By APAs**





#### **Aromatherapy Research Review**



Three of the most popular oils identified in both retails sales and clinical aromatherapy:

- Lavender L. angustifolia
- Peppermint M. piperita
   var. vulgaris
- Eucalyptus E. *globulus*



## Notable Biological Activity Lavender L. angustifolia

19 human studies, from January 1, 2012 until the beginning of September 2013, demonstrate significant biological activity:

- Antifungal (Zuzarte et al., 2011)
- Reduce perineal discomfort (Sheikhan et al., 2012)
- Reduce pain for primary dysmenorrhea (Ou, 2012)





### Notable Biological Activity Lavender L. angustifolia

- Reduce symptoms of colic in infants (Cetinkaya & Basbakkal, 2012)
- Reduce anxiety and depression in high-risk post partum women (Conrad & Adams, 2012)
- Provide support for post traumatic stress disorder and anxiety (Uehleke et al, 2012)
- Alleviate agitated behavior in patients with dementia
   (Holmes et al., 2002)





## Lavender *L. angustifolia*Antimicrobial Blend

In a 2013 in vitro study, Cinnamomum zeylanicum and Citrus sinesis show the highest synergist antimicrobial effect at 1:1 ratios with lavender (de Rapper et al., 2013)





### Lavender L. angustifolia Antibacterial and Anti-Fungal Blend

In another study, lavender *L*.

angustifolia oil, clary sage
Salvia sclarea oil, and ylang ylang
Cananga odorata var. geniune oil
(volume ratio 3:4:3) showed
significant antibacterial and



anti-fungal activity in vitro against Gram-positive bacteria *Staphylococcus aureus* and *S. epidermidis*, and the Gram-negative bacterium *Escherichia coli* and *Candida albicans*. (Tadtong et al., 2010).



# Lavender L. angustifolia Hypertension & Prehypertension

A 2013 clinical trial on blood pressure levels and salivary cortisol concentration in patients with hypertension and prehypertension showed lavender L. angustifolia had both an immediate (within 10 minutes) and long-term hypotensive effect. (Kim et al., 2012)





### Notable Biological Activity Peppermint *Mentha piperita*

44 human studies (during the same time period) demonstrate significant biological activity:

- Anticarcinogenic (Jain et al., 2011)
- Antiemetic (Heimes et al., 2011)
- Reduce the perceived level of mental fatigue and burnout (Varney & Buckle, 2013)





### Notable Biological Activity Peppermint Mentha piperita

- Manage fungal infection (dEnfert et al., 2007)
- Extend the shelf life of food products (Saharkhiz et al., 2010)
- Reduce the intensity and number of chemotherapyinduced nausea and vomiting events (Tayarani-Najaran et al., 2013)





### Notable Biological Activity Eucalyptus *Eucalyptus globulus*

6 human studies (during the same time period) demonstrate significant biological activity:

- Analgesic
- Antibacterial
- Antiseptic
- Pediculicide (Toloza et al., 2010; Choi et al., 2010)
- Anti-dandruff agent
   (Selvakumar et al., 2012)





### Notable Biological Activity Eucalyptus Eucalyptus globulus

- Anthelmintic with potential support for parasitic infection(Taur et al., 2010; Macedo et al., 2010; Macedo et al., 2009)
- Absorption enhancer(Williams & Barry, 1989)
- Penetration enhancer to aid topical drug delivery
   (Williams & Barry, 1989)





# Factors That Influence Purchasing Professional Aromatherapy Users

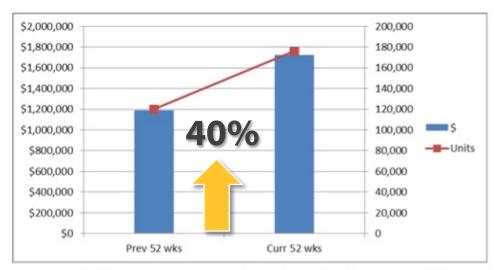
These results identify a consumer who is savvy about the scientific testing of essential oils to determine quality and therapeutic viability, as well as the impact of environmental concerns and the continued importance of organic.

	Purchasing Influences
Factor #1	GC/MS Available
Factor #2	Certified Organic
Factor #3	Sustainably grown and harvested
Factor #4	Organic
Factor #5	Price
Factor #6	Country of Origin
Factor #7	At-Risk Status (Endangered Status)
Factor #8	Age of the oil
Factor #9	How was the oil stored
Factor #10	Wildcrafted
Factor #11	Fair Trade
Factor #12	Spray-free cultivated
Factor #13	Conventionally grown



# Factors That Influence Purchasing Organic Performance





- Organic Oils are outpacing their non-organic counterparts, posting in excess of 40% growth in both units and \$ in the last 52 weeks, compared to 13% \$ growth for conventional oils.
- Aura Cacia, the top Organic Oil brand, top selling Patchouli Organic oil up 73% vs. last year.

Source: SPP Commitment of AN Parties of Sugar markets of Armon SE AND Ending (ISA) (AST) Ending attraction material

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## Certificate of Analysis Does "organic" really make a difference?

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RT 12.59	Component	Area %
	tricyclene	<0.00
13.05	alpha-pinene	0.62
14.82	camphene	0.04
16.77	beta-pinene	7.69
17.18 18.55	sabinene	0.89
18.55	delta-3-carene	0.21 1.36
19.40	beta-myrcene	<0.00
20.15	alpha-phellandrene alpha-terpinene	0.00
20.15	alpha-terpinene limonene	7.11
21.84	beta-phellandrene	0.19
22.85	(Z)-beta-ocimene	0.19
23.94	(E)-beta-ocimene	1.90
25.38		0.28
26.03	p-cymene	0.28
29.32	terpinolene	
31.53	6-methyl-5-hepten-2-one allo-ocimene	0.04
36.25	trans-linalool oxide (furanoid)	0.01
38.43		0.23
38.43 44.88	cis-linlalool oxide (furanoid)	46.08
45.81	linalyl acetate	8.63
48.66	beta-elemene	0.04
49.65	beta-caryophyllene	1.09
50.45	allo-aromadendrene	0.01
54.87	(E)-beta-farnesene	0.06
56.02	alpha-humulene	0.08
58.56	alpha-terpineol	6.31
59.60	germacrene D	0.03
61.03	neryl acetate	1.38
62.98	(E,E)-alpha-farnesene	0.05
64.11	geranyl acetate	2.61
68.35	perol	1.31
73.15	geraniol	2.56
73.61	p-cymen-8-ol	0.12
82.56	benzeneacetonitrile	0.06
83.75	(E)-jasmone	0.02
87.38	caryophyllene oxide	0.16
92.70	(E)-nerolidol	2.03
101.22	spathuleniol	0.15
113.62	methyl anthranilate	0.09
123.97	(E.E)-farnesol	0.03
132.74	indole	0.08

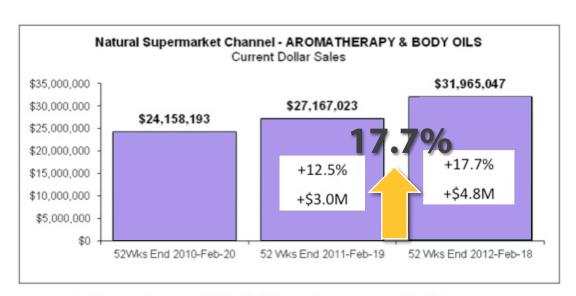
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14.84	camphene	0.06				
16.87	beta-pinene	11.01				
17.23	sabinene	1.07				
18.58	delta-3-carene	0.01				
19.03	beta-myrcene	1.36				
19.44	alpha-phellandrene	0.02				
20.19	alpha-terpinene	0.15				
21.51	limonene	11.50				
21.91	beta-phellandrene	0.29				
22.85	(Z)-beta-ocimene	0.67				
24.09	(E)-beta-ocimene	5.45				
25.42	p-cymene	0.15				
26.08	terpinolene	0.44				
29.34	6-methyl-5-hepten-2-one	0.02				
31.56	allo-ocimene	0.03				
36.27	trans-linalool oxide (furanoid)	0.22				
38.48	cis-linlalool oxide (furanoid)	0.25				
44.73	linalool	29.86				
45.75	linalyl acetate	7.99				
48.66	beta-elemene	0.07				
49.66	beta-caryophyllene	1.59				
50.43	allo-aromadendrene	<0.00				
54.90	(E)-beta-farnesene	0.14				
56.03	alpha-humulene	0.10				
58.57	alpha-terpineol	5.43				
59.93	germacrene D	0.13				
61.09	neryl acetate	1.72				
63.01	(E,E)-alpha-farnesene	0.08				
64.19	geranyl acetate	3.26				
68.35	nerol	0.92				
73.18	geraniol	2.41				
73.60	p-cymen-8-ol	0.02				
82.58	benzeneacetonitrile	0.22				
83.78	(E)-jasmone	0.03				
87.39	caryophyllene oxide	0.02				
92.82	(E)-nerolidol	3.36				
101.22	spathuleniol	0.06				
113.59 123.49	methyl anthranilate	0.92				
	(E,E)-farnesol	1.83				

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### Growth of Retail Aromatherapy Retail Sales 3-Years' Performance



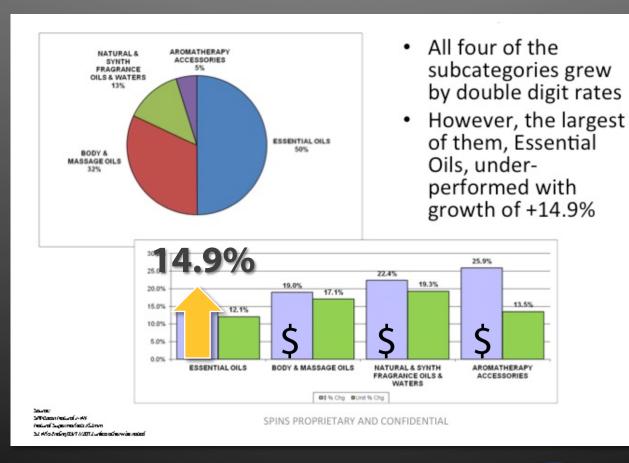
- •The Aromatherapy & Body Oils category grew in Natural Supermarkets by +17.7% in the 52 weeks ending February 2012
- •The category posted growth of +12.5% in the prior year 2011

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# Growth of Retail Aromatherapy Category Makeup





## Growth of Retail Aromatherapy Brand Performance

	Current 52 Weeks										
Brand Dollar Rank		Current Units	Unit % Change (Vs Year Ago)	% Units Sold On Promo	% Units Sold On Promo LY	% Units Sold On Promo % Change	Average Discount		Promo Elasticity		
	AROMATHERAPY & BODY OILS	3,510,176	14.7%	23%	23%	(0.3%)	20%	21%	1.0		
1	AURA CACIA	1,256,846	10.5%	34%	35%	(0.7%)	23%	24%	1.1		
2	NOW	843,670	26.2%	13%	16%	(2.6%)	16%	21%	1.3		
3	HERITAGE PRODUCTS	174,811	3.9%	12%	13%	(1.2%)	14%	8%	0.6		
4	SIMPLERS	91,369	11.2%	19%	16%	3.2%	18%	11%	0.6		
5	WYNDMERE	121,810	5.8%	14%	14%	(0.2%)	20%	15%	0.8		
6	WELEDA	54,464	0.8%	23%	19%	3.6%	23%	26%	1.1		
7	PACIFICA	57,107	74.9%	28%	32%	(3.9%)	20%	11%	0.6		
8	DESERT ESSENCE	70,535	11.6%	32%	32%	(0.2%)	19%	23%	1.2		
9	VERIDITAS BOTANICALS	59,221	48.5%	43%	33%	10.0%	19%	27%	1.4		
10	KUUMBA MADE	78,881	12.7%	17%	12%	4.6%	14%	17%	1.2		

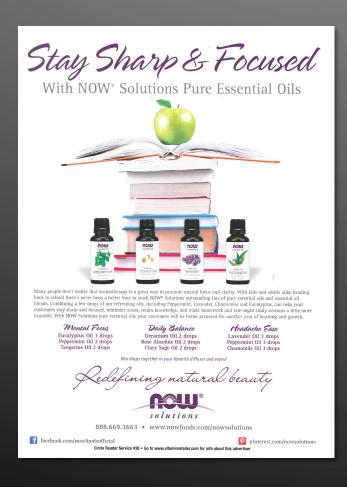
- •The category sells 23% of its total units with a promotional price discount. This is a -0.3% decrease over the prior year
- •The average discount for the category is 20% resulting in a 21% item lift over baseline expectations. This is a 1.0% lift on average for every 1% of discount low compared to other Body Care categories
- •Veriditas Botanicals, which claims the fastest growth and sales velocity rates among the Top 10 brands, also had the most units sold on promo over the period

Source: SPINSscan Natural x-WF Natural Supermarkets >\$2mm 52 Wks Ending 03/17/2012 unless otherwise noted

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## **Growth of Retail Aromatherapy Brand Performance**

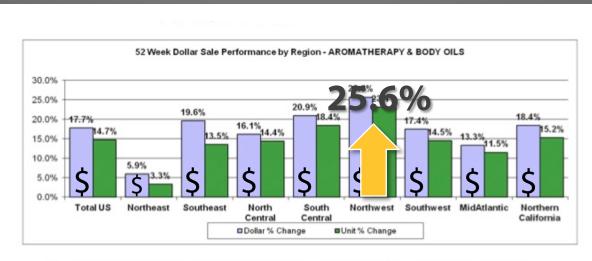


Consumers need to be educated on how to use essential oils.

This will also provide an opportunity to develop the accessories subcategory.



## Growth of Retail Aromatherapy Sector Regional Trend



- All of the SPINSscan Natural regions saw dollar increases compared to year ago, although growth was minimal in the Northeast
- The Northwest was the fastest growing region for the category

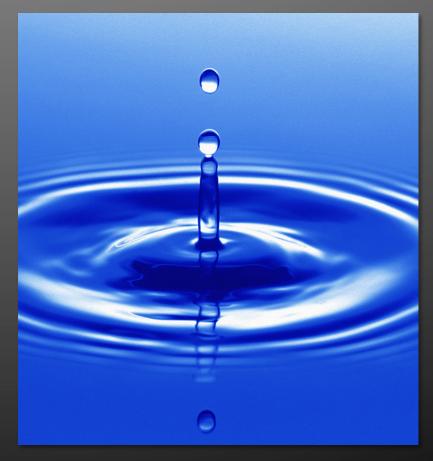
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### Conclusion

The essential oil industry can have an impact on the growing professional clinical and retail aromatherapy markets in the U.S. by producing raw materials with a commitment to...





### Conclusion

- Certified organic, or organic cultivated, or sustainably wildcrafted
- GC/MS analyses to show constituent profile
- Pesticide-free,
   evidenced by a
   pesticide analysis

- Aromatherapy accessories
- Continued growth
- Increased education based on research

And, the story of the raw materials needs shared .....

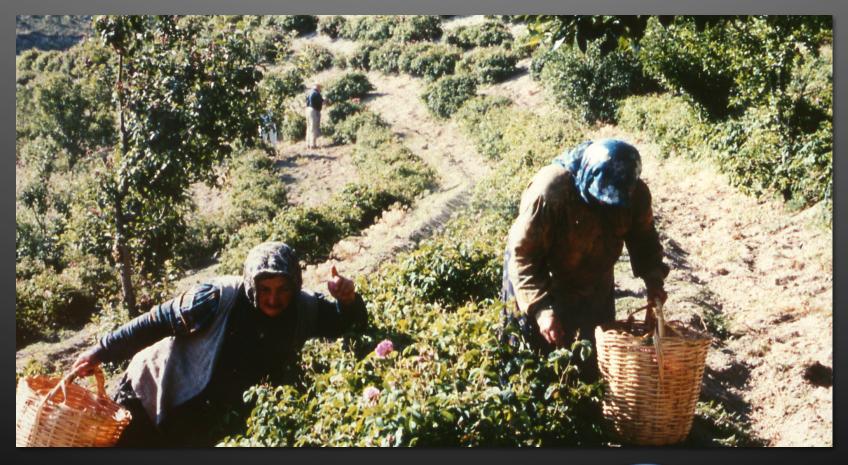


# Essential oils produced with care and concern for those who grow and gather...





# ...will be sought after, as key factors in a product's desirability.









## An abiding love for the raw materials can unite us...



...as one industry where sustaining our resources is achieved with equal parts heart and head.

Thank you,

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