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# COLLABORATIVE LAST MILE DELIVERY

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#### AGENDA

- Background
- Methodology
- Sensitivity Analysis
- Conclusion & Recommendation

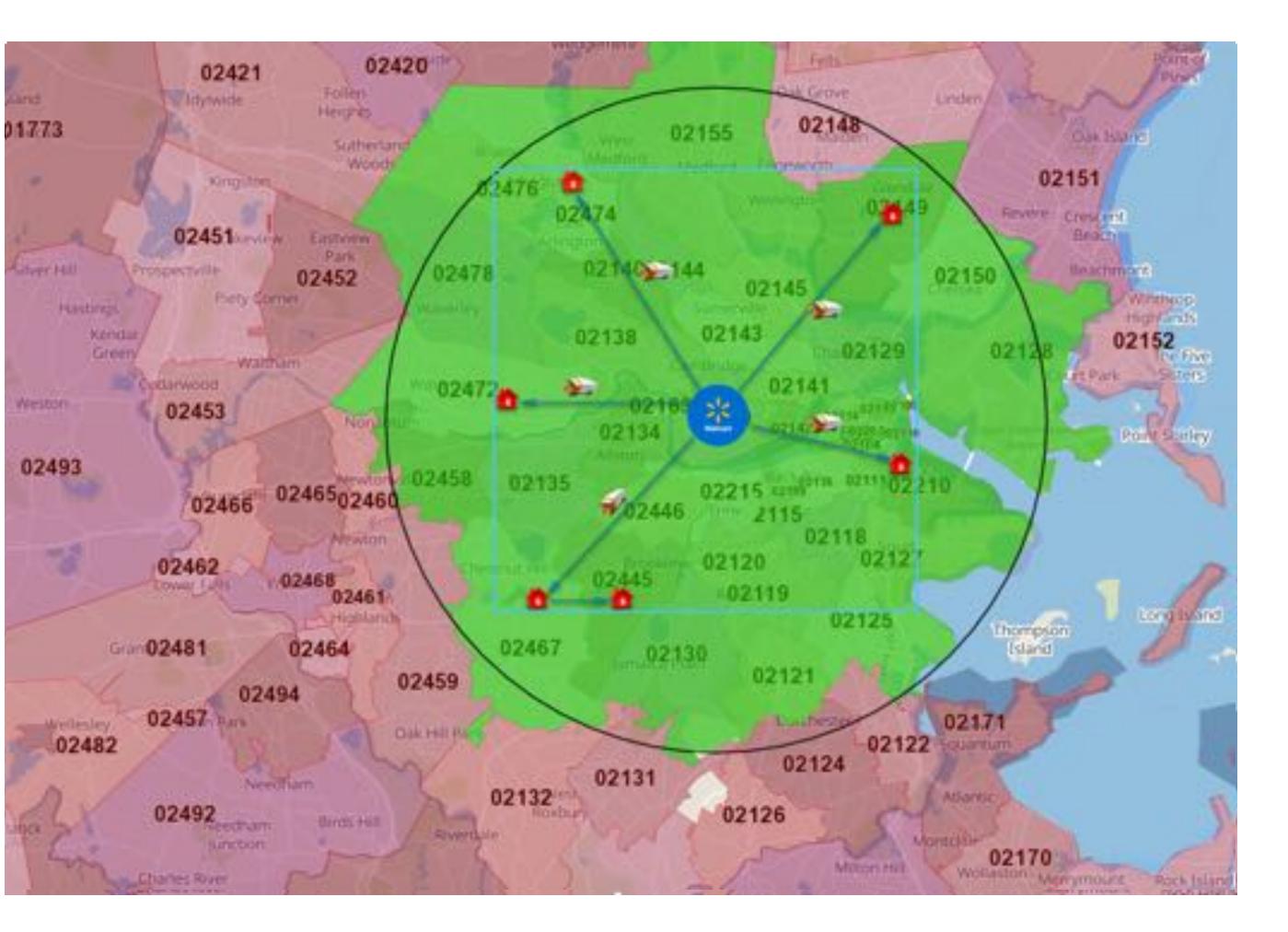


## WALMART'S CHALLENGE

SETUP THE DELIVERY AREA FOR ITS ONLINE GROCERY BUSINESS...

- Set desired delivery area (5-7 Miles)
- Customer orders are scattered around the ulletstore
- More drivers are needed to deliver these ulletorders





# WALMART'S CHALLENGE

#### REDUCE CUSTOMER DELIVERY FEE TO DRIVE SALES

- Last Mile Delivery of Groceries from store • to customer's home is challenging and expensive.
- The following factors are the biggest last mile challenges related to grocery
  - Delivery Density  $\bullet$
  - Delivery Flexibility  $\bullet$
  - Driver Engagement  $\bullet$





May 9<sup>th</sup> 2019, Chris Sultemeier (Former EVP of Logistics at Walmart) in MIT CTL





#### **RESEARCH QUESTIONS**

• How can Walmart identify the right delivery areas to extend its delivery services?

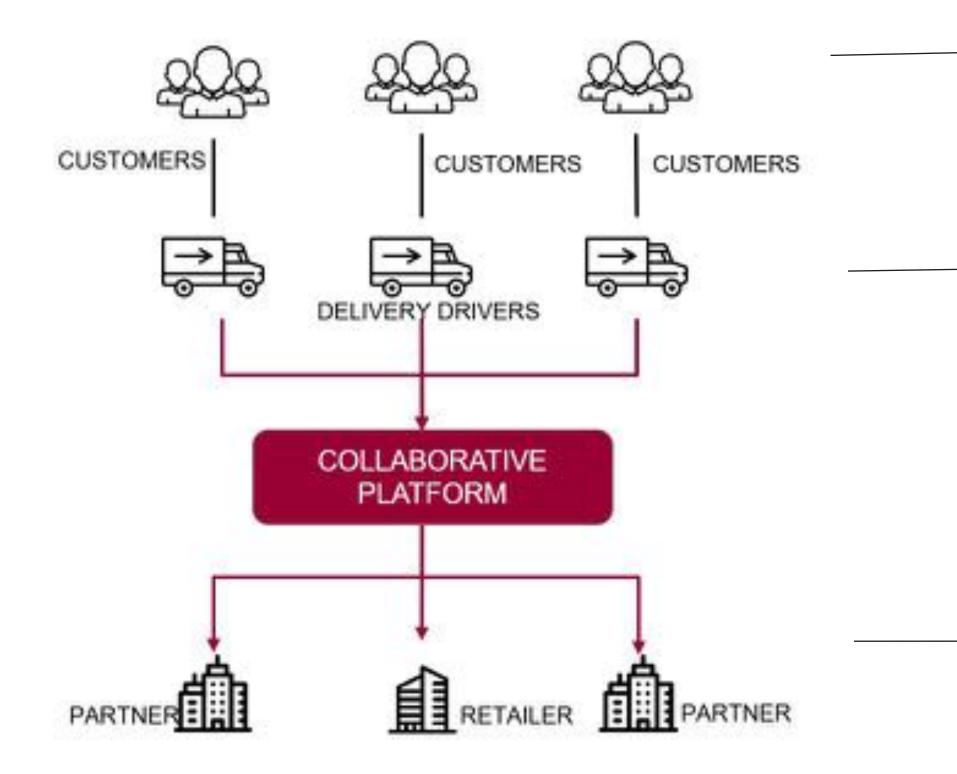
 How can Walmart implement a low-cost grocery delivery solution while maintaining its current service level?





#### PROPOSAL

Data-driven platform where Walmart collaborates with local business partners to increase order density and driver engagement while driving down delivery cost.





End customers of Walmart, Flower shops, Restaurants, etc.

Walmart's fleet

Flower shop, Bakery, Restaurant, etc.

#### PROPOSAL

What are the advantages for the stakeholders ?

Stakeholder	Benefits
Walmart	<ul><li>Higher</li><li>Lower</li></ul>
Business Partners	<ul><li>Provide</li><li>Low del</li></ul>
Delivery Drivers	<ul><li>Opport</li><li>Opport</li></ul>

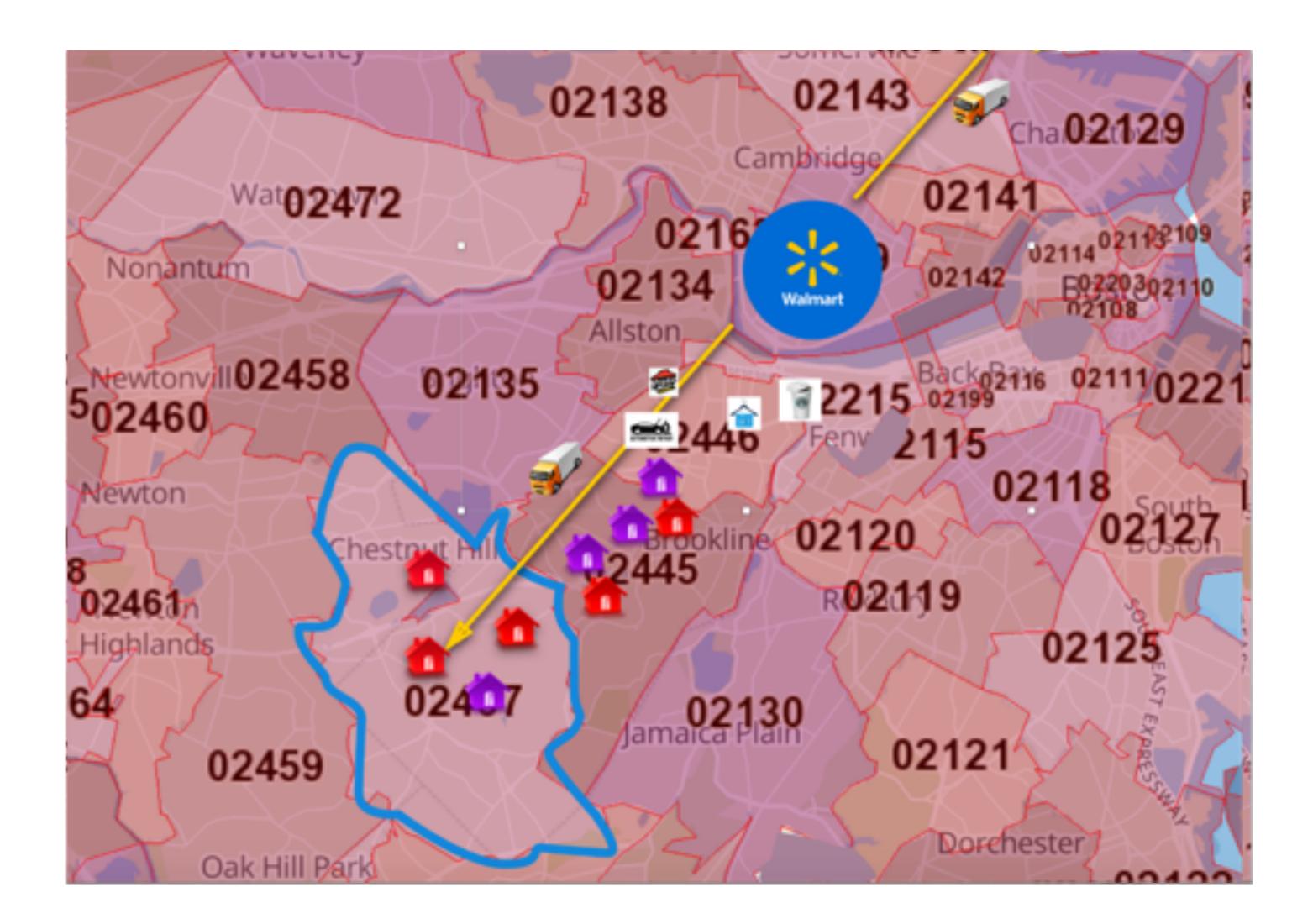


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tunity to earn higher due to more delivery orders tunity to receive more tips from customers

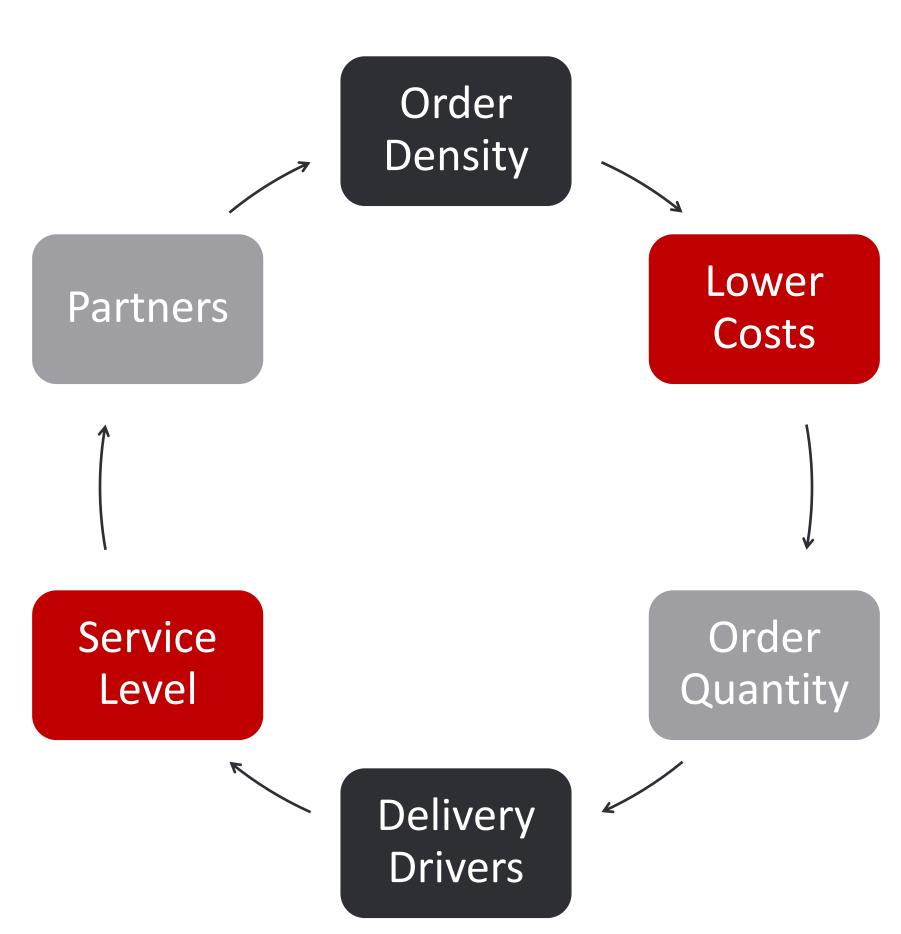
#### PROPOSAL - EXAMPLE





### **REINFORCING LOOP**

#### THE COLLABORATION WILL CREATE NETWORK EFFECTS





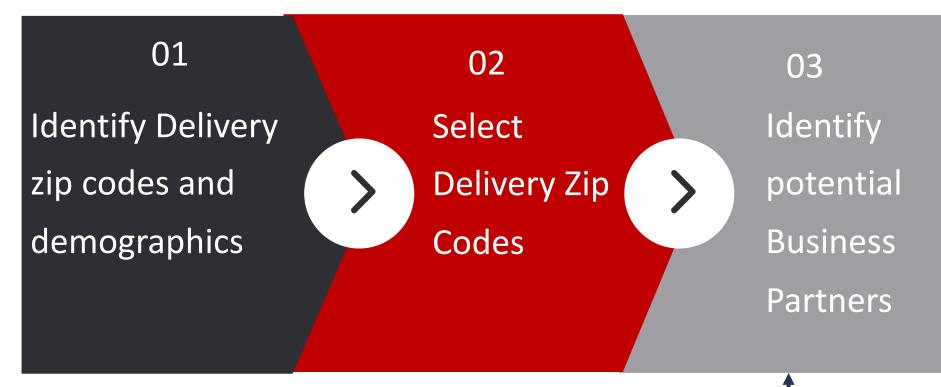
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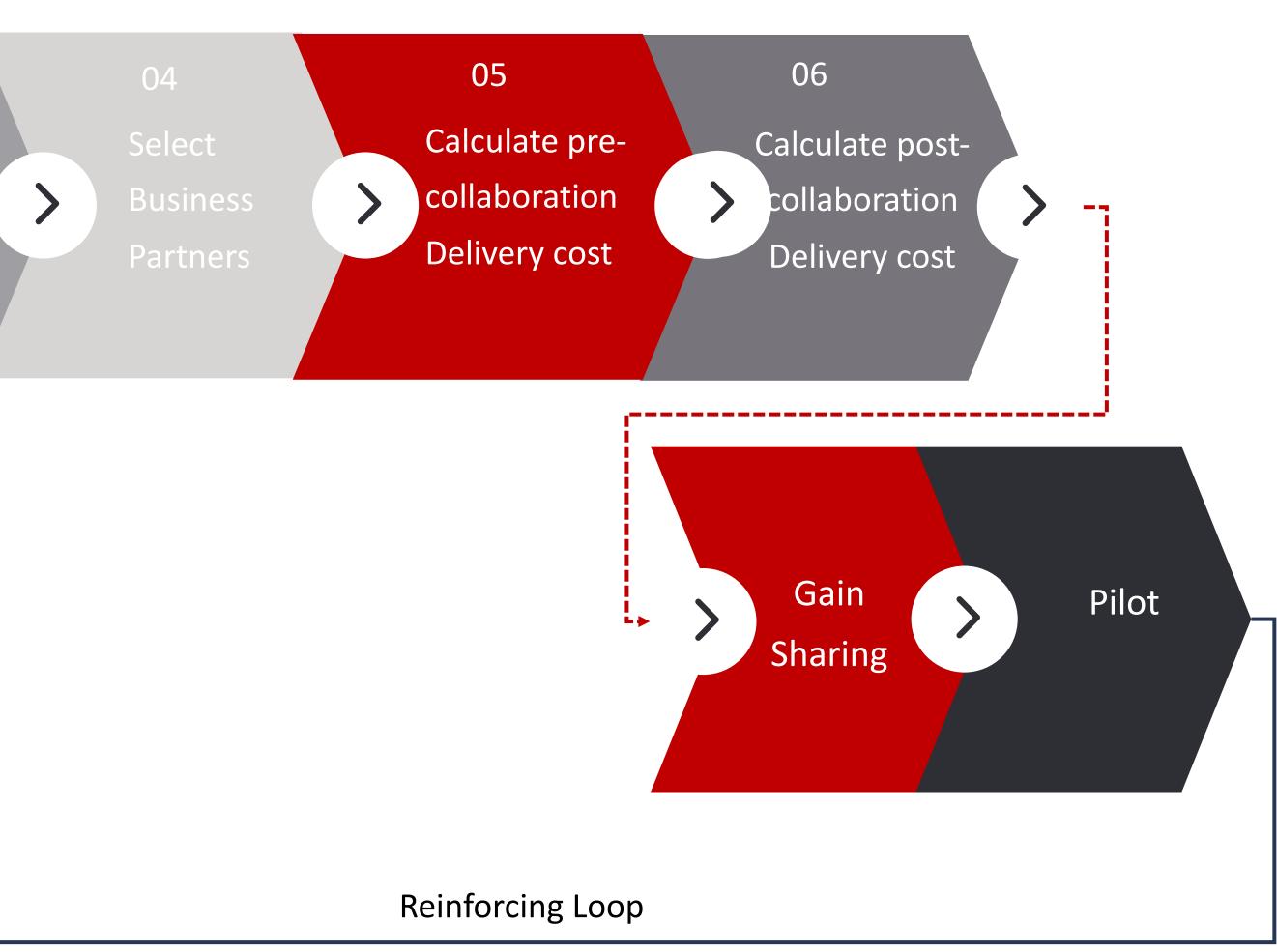
#### METHODOLOGY

Precollaboration



Collaboration





# STEP 1 : IDENTIFY ZIP CODES & DEMOGRAPHICS

- Retrieve zip codes from www.zipcodeapi.com with store location and radius as inputs
- Parse demographics from www.city-data.com for all zip codes
- Features include: population age, home value, household income.
- Example output:

Percentage of home value above 750k for Zip code 02472 : 45% Percentage of home value above 750k for Zip code 02474 : 58% Percentage of home value above 750k for Zip code 02476 : 62% Percentage of home value above 750k for Zip code 02180 : 31%



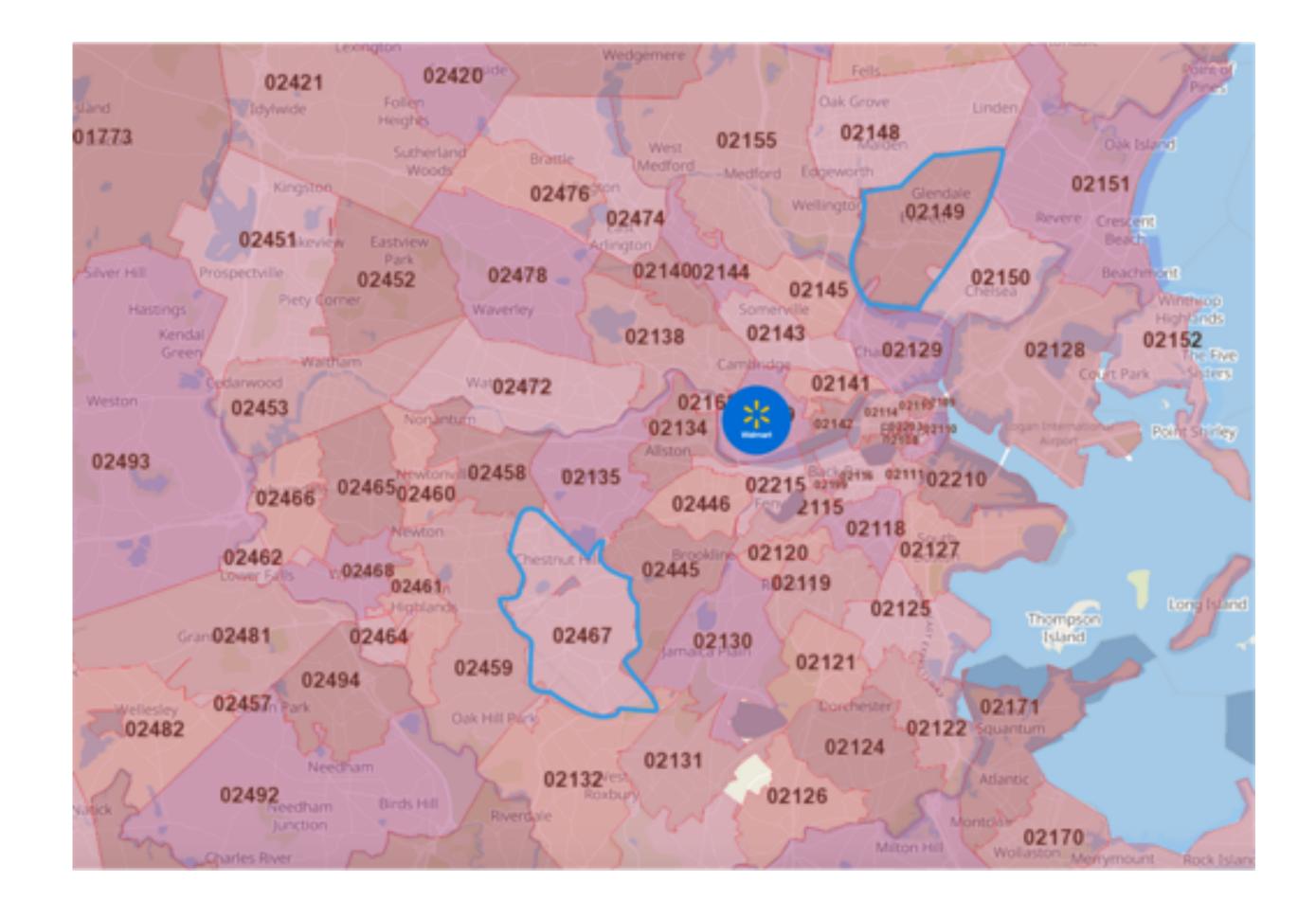
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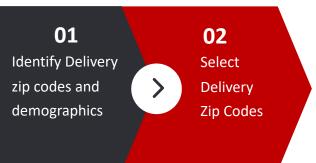
# STEP 2 : SELECT ZIP CODES FOR DELIVERY

Target a specific demography for delivery and open up delivery for those zip codes

Illustration : 60% of the home value >75K 







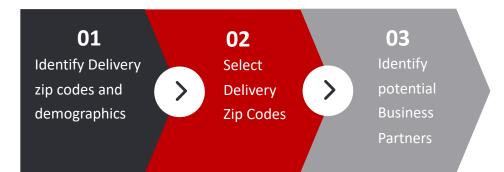
### **STEP 3 : IDENTIFY BUSINESS PARTNERS**

- Retrieve business names and ratings from api.yelp.com with delivery zip codes and business ٠ type as inputs
- Sample output: flower shop around zip code 01239

Business Name	Rating	Store Latitude	Store Longitude	Business Type	City Name	Zip Code
Five Star Flower Shop	5	42.386	-71.184	Flowers	Belmont	2478
Royal Flower Shop	2	42.376	-71.248	Flowers	Waltham	2451
Bright Town Flower Shop	2	42.349	-71.152	Flowers	Brighton	2135
Star Dry Flower Shop	5	42.349	-71.140	Flowers	Boston	2134
Best Flower Shop	5	42.421	-71.138	Flowers	Medford	2155
Dependable Flower Shop	2	42.360	-71.185	Flowers	Watertown	2472
J & D Flower Shop	2	42.404	-71.141	Flowers	Arlington	2474
Porter Square Flower Shop	1	42.389	-71.117	Flowers	Somerville	2144
Sunshine Flower Shop	3	42.336	-71.148	Flowers	Brighton	2445
Hemmingway Flower Shop	2	42.378	-71.164	Flowers	Belmont	2478



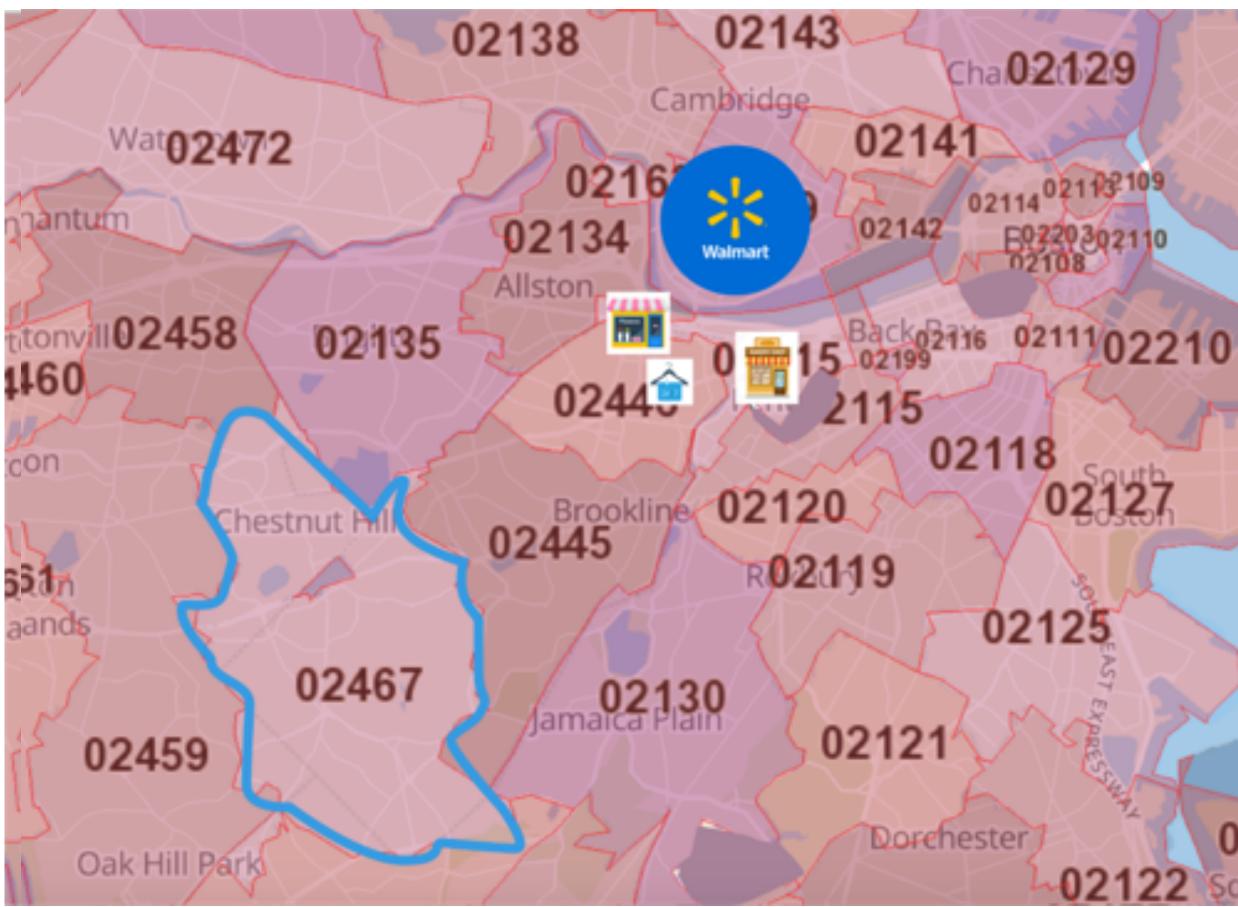




# STEP 4 : SELECT BUSINESS PARTNERS

- Finalize business partners based on selection criteria
- Sample Criteria:
  - High customer rating Ratings: 4+
  - Long time window– 4 hour delivery window
  - Short pick up time Avoid Malls
  - Non peak time deliveries 10 am to 3 pm



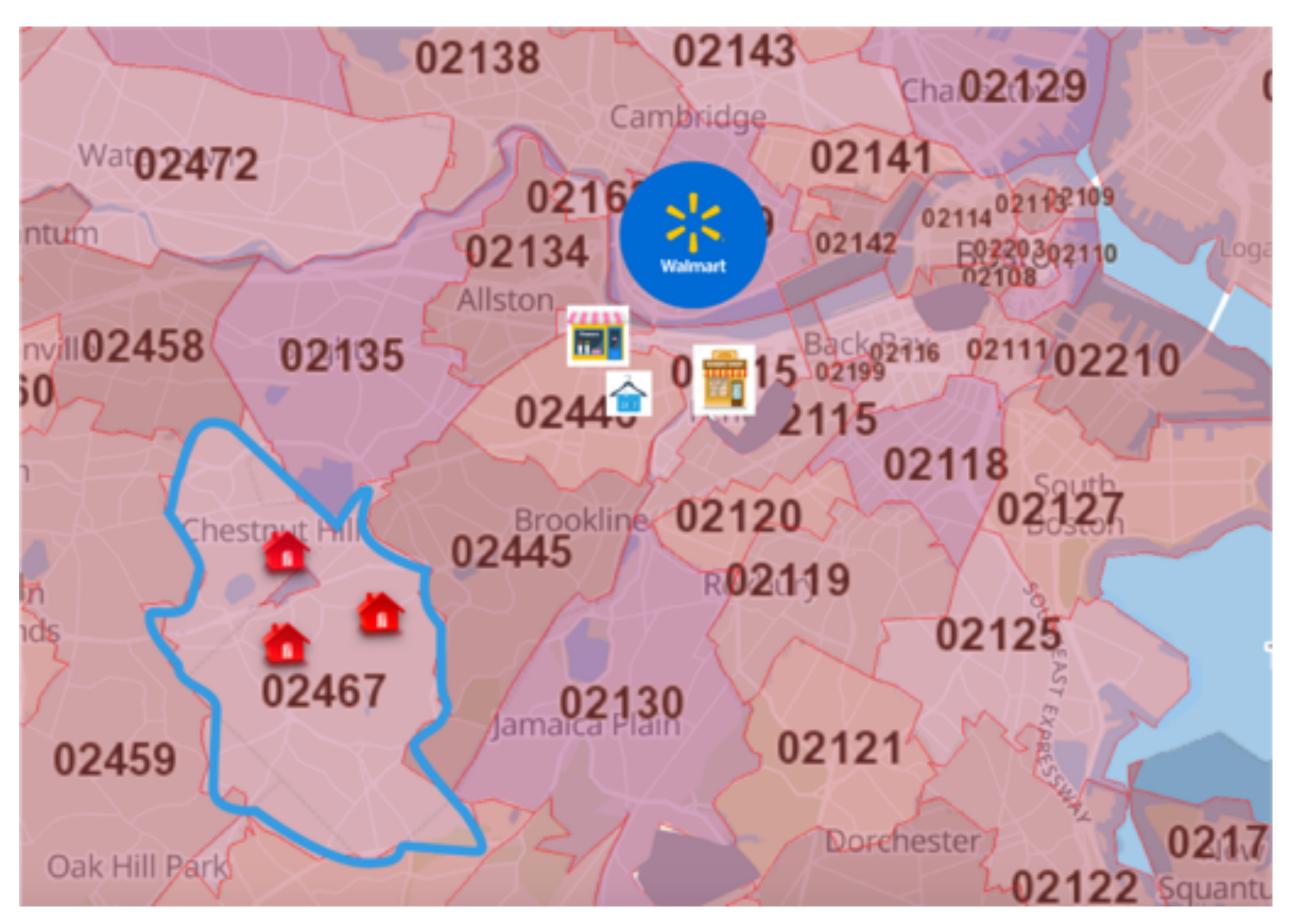






# STEP 5: PRE-COLLABORATION DELIVERY COSTS

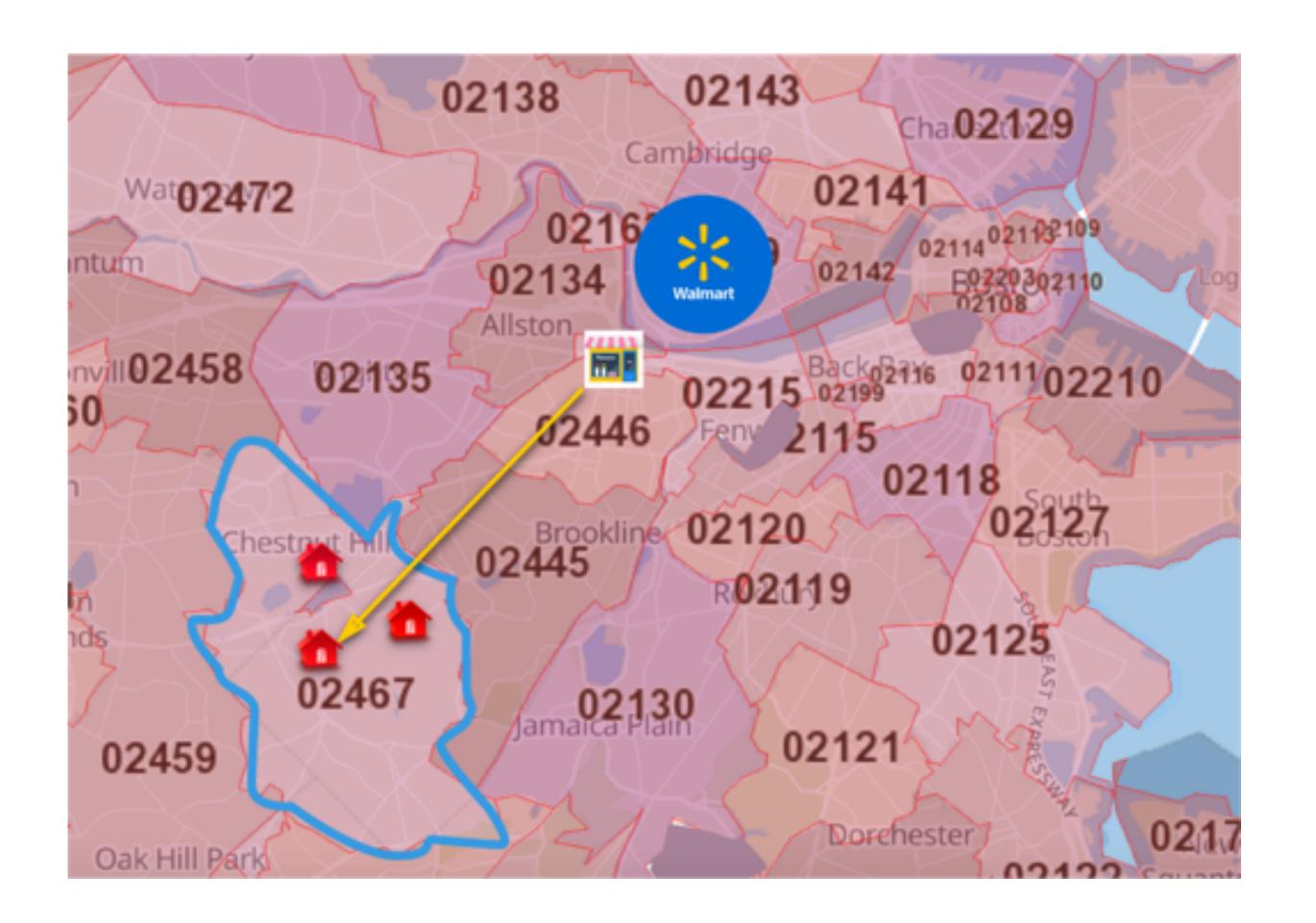
#### a. Simulate the customer's orders in zip code - 02467







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b. Calculate the on demand delivery cost from the business partner to customer's home using Uber api's

Sample Output : From Five Star Flower Shop to Zip Code - 02467

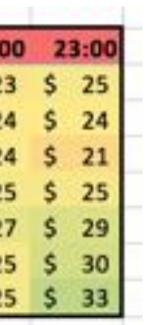
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**Lowest Delivery Cost Pre-Collaboration: \$20** 









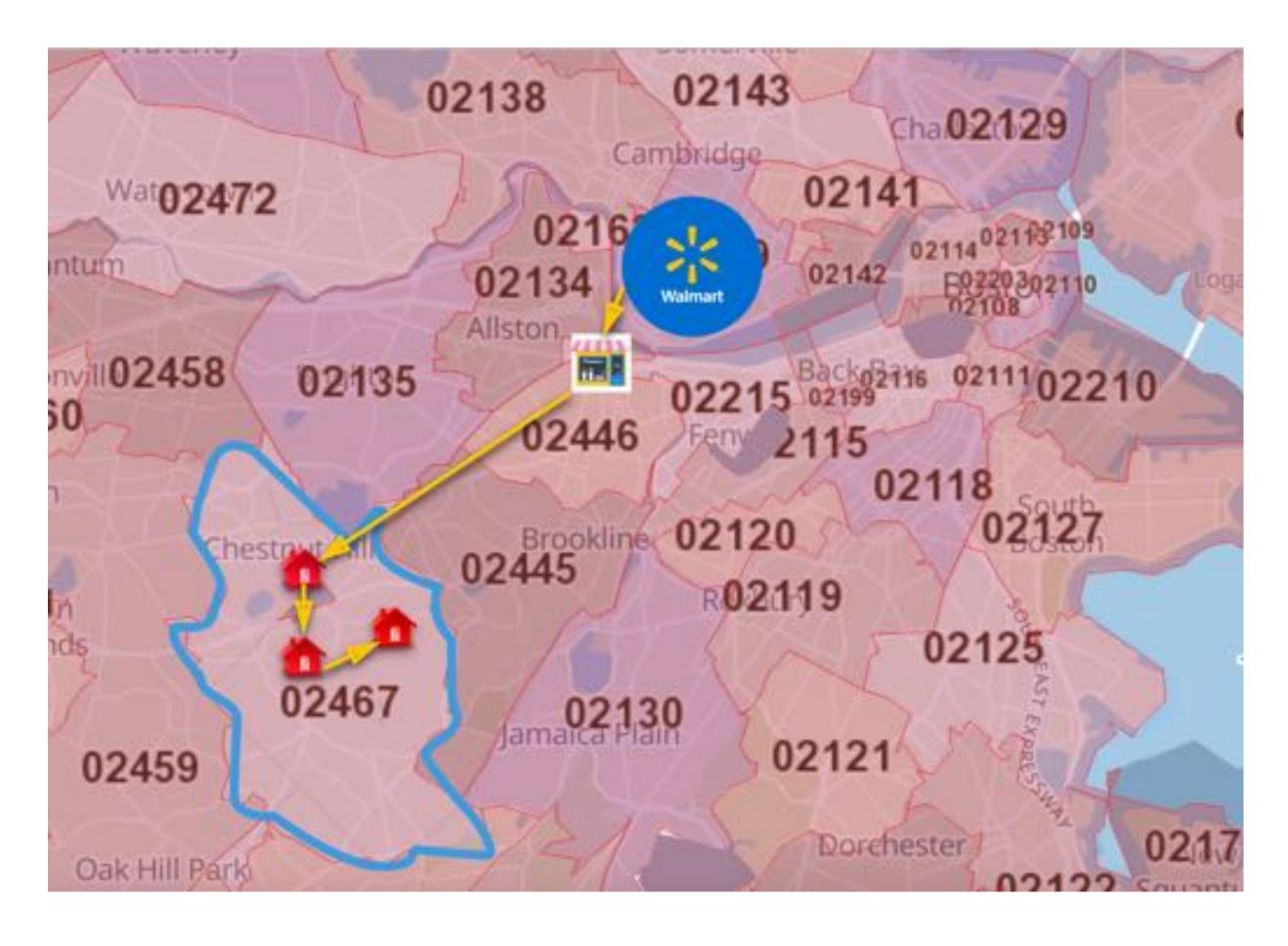
# **STEP 6 : POST-COLLABORATION DELIVERY COST**

- Calculate delivery rates from Walmart & Business partner to the customer locations
- Use VRPTW to solve this as Pickup & Delivery problem with Time Windows
- Convert Delivery Time to Total cost and calculate cost per order

Sample Delivery Cost Post Collaboration:

Total Delivery Time = 53 minutes Total Operating Hours = 53/60 = 1 hour Driver Pay per Hour = \$12 Number of Orders = 3 Total Delivery cost = 12 \* 1 = \$12 Average Delivery Cost per Order = \$12/3 = \$4







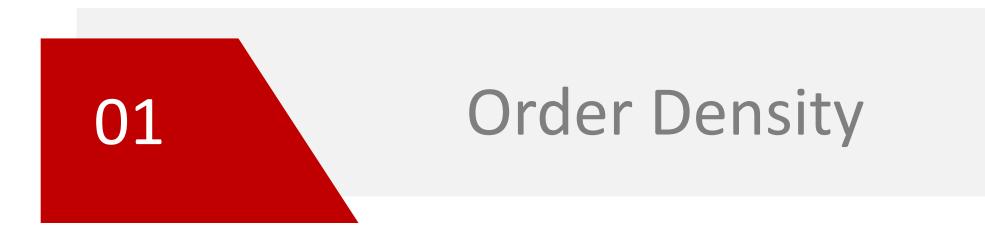
**06** Calculate postcollaboration Delivery cost

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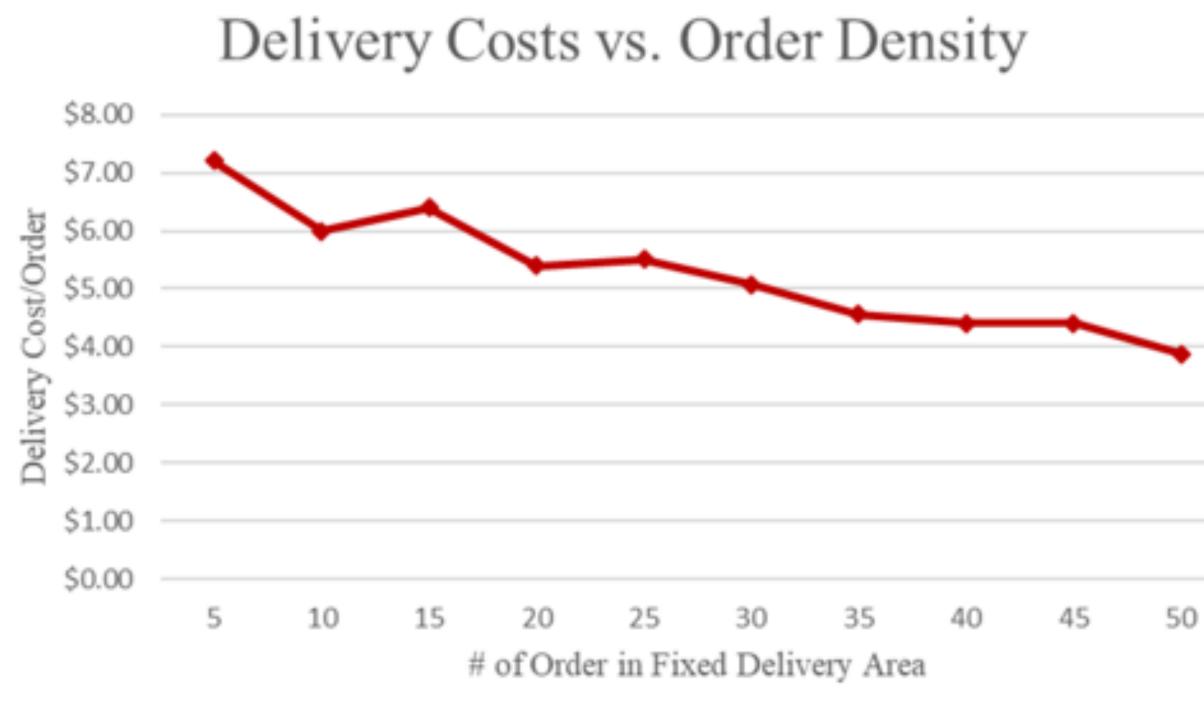
# SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS 1/3



Parameters below are held constant:

- Time Window = 2 *hours*
- Radius = 5 *miles*
- # of Vehicle Available = 5 vehicles





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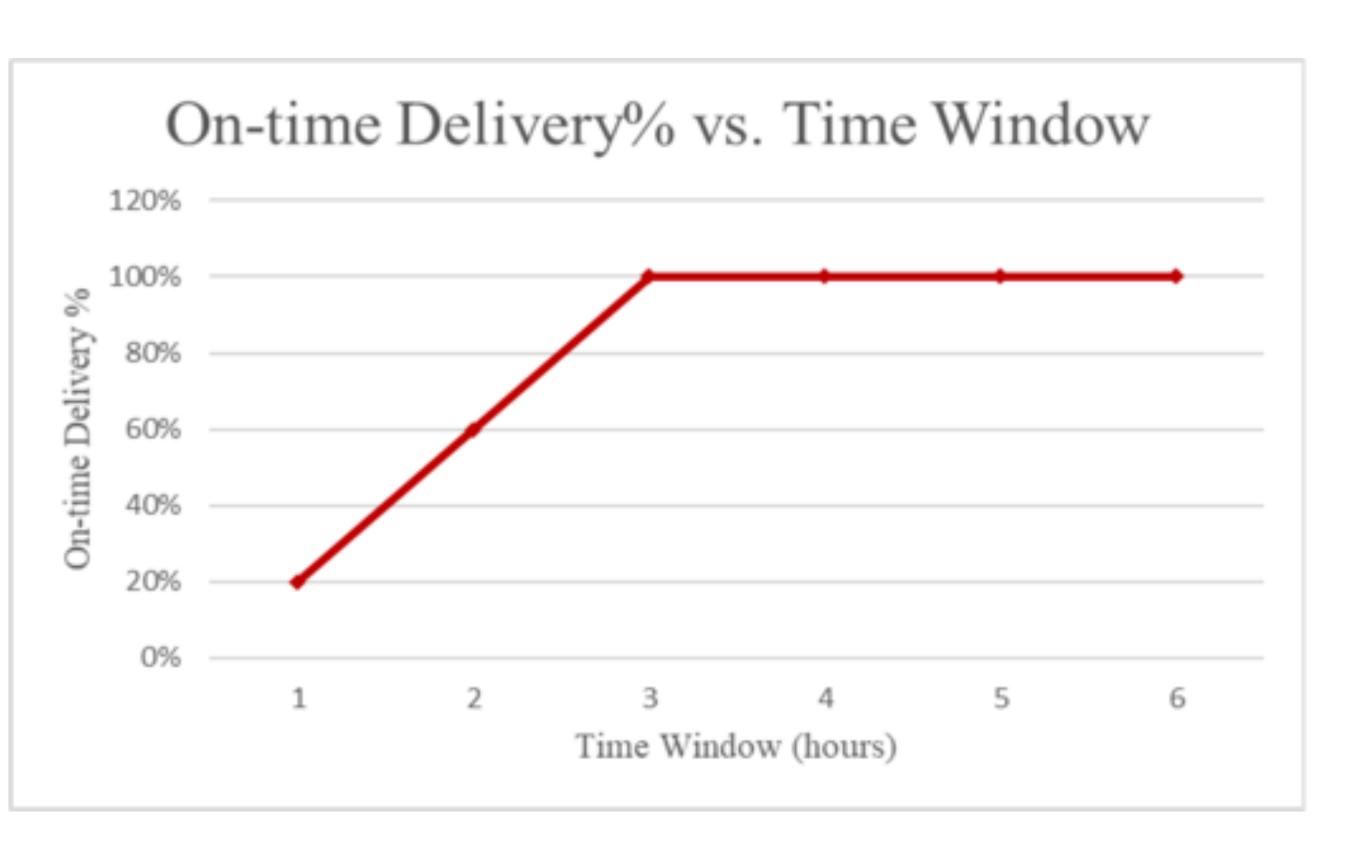


#### **Delivery Flexibility**

Parameters below are held constant:

- Order Quantity = 25 orders
- Radius = 5 *miles*
- # of Vehicle Available = 5 vehicles





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# SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS 3/3



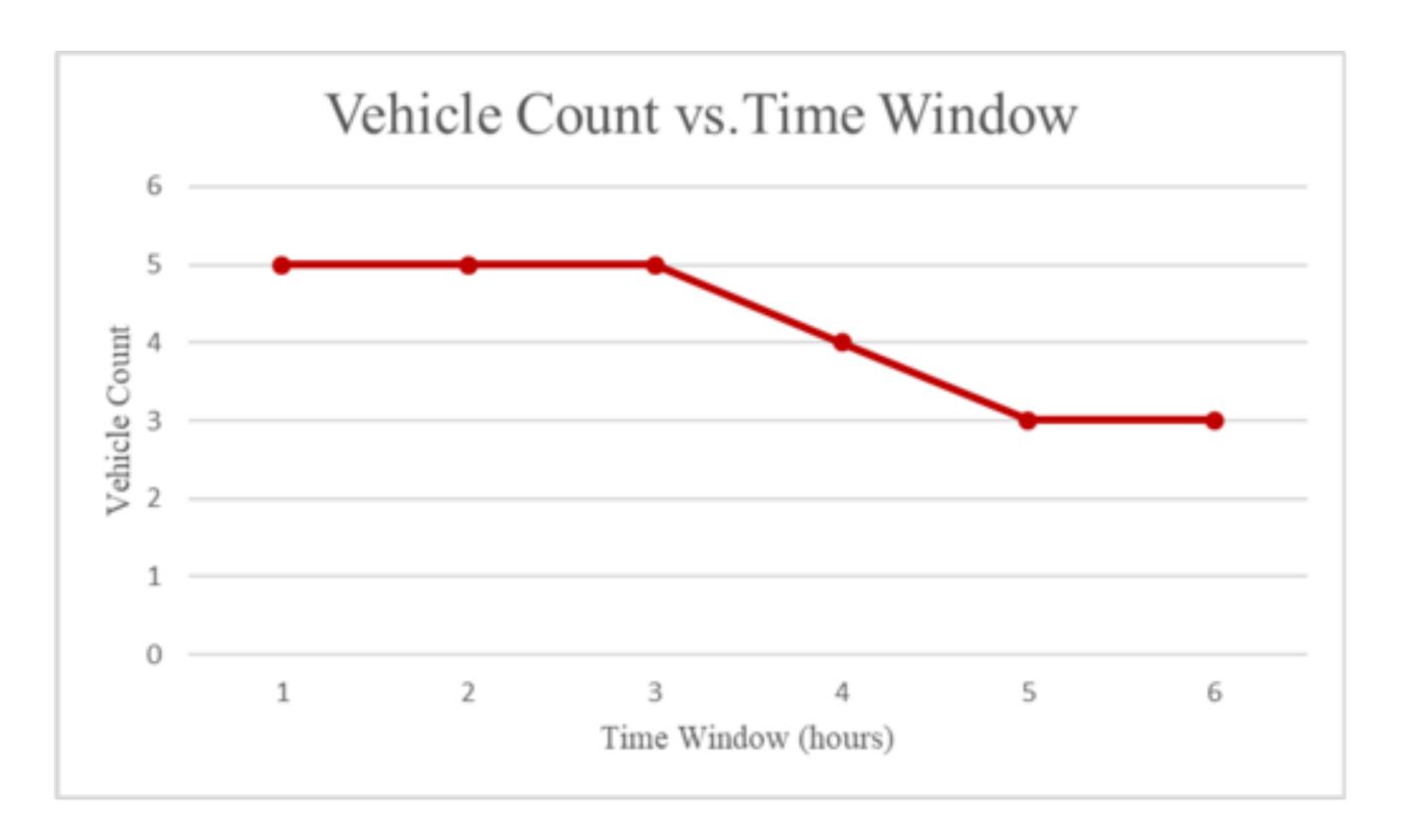
#### **Driver Engagement**

1 driver = 1 vehicle

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#### GAIN SHARING

Derived from sensitivity analysis, the rate card below is used reinforce the collaboration between Walmart and its business partners.

	Silver	Gold	Diamond
# of Order per Day	<25	25 ~ 50	>50
<b>Delivery Time Window</b>	4 hours	2 hours	1 hour
<b>Committed Minimum On-time</b>	90%	95%	98%
Delivery %			
Maximum Orders % Delivered in Peak	15%	25%	50%
Hours			
Delivery Rate	\$\$\$	\$\$	\$



### **CONCLUSION & NEXT STEPS**

- Horizontal Collaboration drives down delivery costs
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- Next Steps  $\bullet$ 
  - Walmart to Pilot



Identified Order Density, Delivery Flexibility and Driver Engagement as key factors for collaboration

# Any Question?

