

Price

Developing pricing strategies and programs

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What can you expect

- 1. Price and its consequences
- 2. Pricing the process, goals, strategies
- 3. Initiating and responding to price changes







Price and its consequences

Price in the marketing mix

Price and strategy

Difficulties of setting the price

Psychological aspects

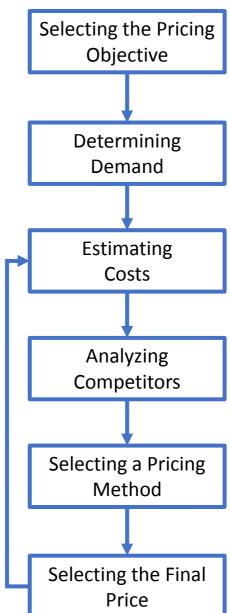
Influence of technologies





Setting a price







Setting a price: Objectives

Price has to follow positioning

strategy (objectives)

Major objectives

survival
maximum current profit
maximum market share
maximum market skimming
product-quality leadership



Setting a price: Determining Demand

How: past data

surveys (but distorted answers)

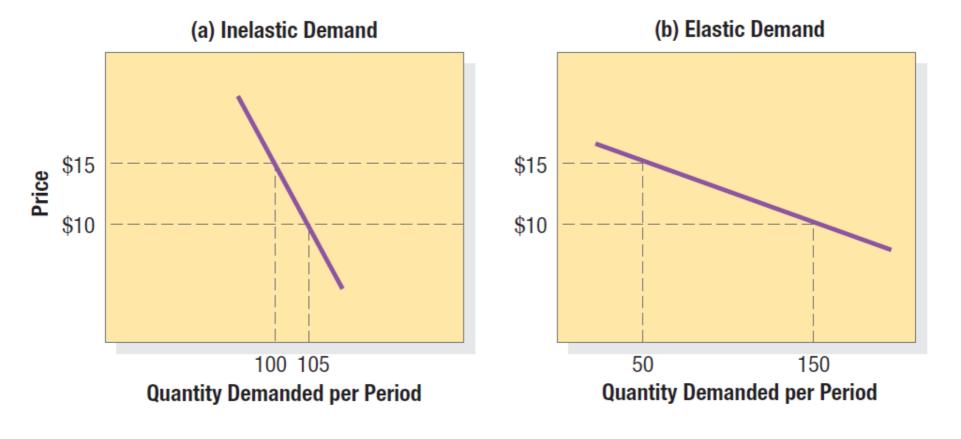
price experiments

= a need for statistical analyses

We need to estimate both the position of the demand curve and its curve, e.g. the price elasticity = sensitivity to price changes.



Demand elasticity





Inelastic demand

TABLE 14.3



Factors Leading to Less Price Sensitivity

- The product is more distinctive.
- Buyers are less aware of substitutes.
- Buyers cannot easily compare the quality of substitutes.
- The expenditure is a smaller part of the buyer's total income.
- The expenditure is small compared to the total cost of the end product.
- Part of the cost is borne by another party.
- The product is used in conjunction with assets previously bought.
- The product is assumed to have more quality, prestige, or exclusiveness.
- Buyers cannot store the product.

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Setting a price: Estimating Costs

Fixed (overhead), variable, total, average, marginal, long-term, short-term, learning curve...

Does not have to be met

costs determine price

but can also happen

price determines costs (target costing)



Setting a price: Analyzing Competitors

Competitors' costs, prices, offers

Will the competitor react? How?



Setting a price: Which Method?

Which pricing method to select?

- Markup pricing
- Target-return pricing
- Perceived value pricing
- Value pricing
- Going-rate pricing
- Auction-type pricing



Setting a price: Which Method?

Kotler and Keller, Marketing Management.

High Price

(No possible demand at this price)

Ceiling price

Customers' assessment of unique product features

Orienting point

Competitors' prices and prices of substitutes

Costs

Floor

Low Price

(No possible profit at this price)



Setting a price: the Final Price

- How will our customers perceive the price?
- Is it in concord with positioning and other elements of the marketing mix?
- What will be the impact on other companies on the market?
- How about to give it for free?



Setting a price: Adapting the Price

Geographical pricing

Promotional pricing

Price discounts and allowances

Differentiated pricing

Initiating and responding to price changes





Where to study from

Obligatory:

Chapter 14 Developing Pricing Strategies and Programs in Kotler and Keller, Marketing Management, 14th ed. from p. 382.

or

Chapter 16 Developing Pricing Strategies and Programs in Kotler and Keller, Marketing Management, 15th ed. from p. 482.

or

Kapitola 14 Příprava cenových strategií a programů v Kotler a Keller, Marketing Management, přeloženo z anj., 14. vyd., 2013, od s. 149. [MAR 543] - dostupné v Bookportu

Rozšiřující: Kapitola 9 v Zamazalová a kol., Marketing, 2. vyd., 2010.



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