

BRAND REPORT



FOR THE 6 MONTH PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 2019

No attempt has been made to rank the information contained in this report in order of importance, since BPA Worldwide believes this is a judgment which must be made by the user of the report.

MTG Media Group 1415 N. Dayton St. Chicago, IL 60622 Tel. No.: (312) 274-2200 Fax No.: (312) 266-3363 www.plateonline.com PLATE targets chefs, restaurant owners and executives in all segments of the foodservice industry, including independent restaurants and restaurant chains, hotels, resorts, casinos, clubs, caterers, contract feeders, colleges and universities, business and industry, and healthcare. The mission of Plate is to take food further. Plate magazine features chef interviews, recipes and original food photography focused around select culinary themes or trends. The website, PlateOnline.com, features a searchable database of professional chef recipes as well as chef demos, videos, and news. Two e-newsletters, Plats du Jour and On the Fly, feature recipes of the week and chef and food news. Digital editions feature all the content of the magazine plus additional interactive content available only electronically. Plate also hosts a national event, PlateNight, during the National Restaurant Association Show in Chicago.

BRAND REPORT PURPOSE

The Brand Report provides a deeper understanding and identification of all audited touch points with customers that have interest in the brand. It is designed to present analysis of all communication channels, including a brand's unique users within each channel of, but not across, multiple media platforms. This non-integrated report contains data for each separate media channel as indicated in the Executive Summary. No attempt has been made to identify or eliminate duplication that may exist across media channels.

CHANNELS

PLATE MAGAZINE



3 issues in the period 48,503 average circulation

PLATE E-NEWSLETTERS



4 E-Newsletters in the period 100 total issued in the period See below for average per

PLATE WEBSITE



15,800 average users

PLATE SOCIAL MEDIA





7,191 Twitter followers 6,343 Facebook likes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Below are the average contacts per occurrence, including frequency per period reported.

	Non-Paid	Paid	Average
PLATE MAGAZINE Unique Total* (3 issues in the period)	48,503	-	48,503
a. Print	35,525	-	35,525
b. Digital	18,610	-	18,610
1. Requested	2,601	-	2,601
2. Non-Requested	16,009	-	16,009
PLATE E-NEWSLETTERS			
a. Plate Newsletter (49 issued in the period)	25,470	-	25,470
b. Plate Recipes (22 issued in the period)	11,359	-	11,359
a. Plate Chefs on the Move (25 issued in the period)	16,534	-	16,534
b. Plate Spotlight (4 issued in the period)	30,248	-	30,248
PLATE WEBSITE (Monthly Users with 67,699 average Pageviews)	15,800	-	15,800
PLATE SOCIAL MEDIA			
a. Twitter followers	**7,191	-	**7,191
b. Facebook likes	**6,343	-	**6,343

^{*}Unique Total represents unique recipients, not the sum of Print and Digital.

^{**}Social Media claims are cumulative figures, not averages.

FIELD SERVED

PLATE serves the following types of establishments: Upscale Restaurant, Casual Restaurant, Midscale Restaurant, Fast Casual/Fast Food/Quick Service Restaurant, Hotel/Resort/Casino/Country Club, Caterer/Catering Firm, College/University Foodservice, Business & Industry/Corporate Dining/Foodservice Management Firm, Culinary Schools, Other Foodservice (Health Care, C-Stores, Supermarkets, Cruise Lines, etc.), and others allied to the field.

DEFINITION OF RECIPIENT QUALIFICATION

Qualified recipients include Chef/owners, Executive Chefs, Pastry Chef, Sommelier/Bartender/Mixologist, Other Chefs, Food & Beverage Management, Research & Development, Menu Development, Senior Management (Owner/Partner, Not Chef), Executive Management (President/VP/CEO), General Management, Marketing, Purchasing, other functions and functions unknown.

Non-Qualified Not Included Elsewhere Other Paid Circulation 62 Advertiser and Agency 1,066

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2,127

AVERAGE NON-QUALIFIED CIRCULATION

Allocated for Trade Shows and Conventions

TOTAL

All Other

- ua	Total Q	ualified	Qualified	Non-Paid	Qualifi	ed Paid
Qualified Circulation	Copies	Percent	Copies	Percent	Copies	Percent
Individual	48,503	100.0	48,503	100.0	-	-
Sponsored Individually Addressed	-	-	-	-	-	-
Membership Benefit	-	-	-	-	-	-
Multi-Copy Same Addressee	-	-	-	-	-	-
Single Copy Sales	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL QUALIFIED CIRCULATION	48,503	100.0	48,503	100.0	-	-

1. AVERAGE QUALIFIED CIRCULATION BREAKOUT FOR THE PERIOD

2. QUALIFIED CIRCULATION BY ISSUES FO	R PERIOD		
2019 Issue	Print	Digital	Unique Total Qualified*
July/August	34,987	19,293	48,509
September/October	34,983	19,309	48,500
November/December	36,604	17,230	48,500
*Unique Total Qualified represents unique rec	ipients, not the sum of Print and Digital.		

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This issue is -% or 5 copies below the average of the other 2 issues reported in Paragraph 2.

Classification by Job Function Chef/Owners, Executive Chefs, Pastry Chef, Sommelier/ Bartender/ Mixologist, Other Chefs, F&B Senior Mgmt, (Owner/Partner, Director/ Not Chef), Management, R&D. Executive Mgmt, Unique Other Functions (President/VP/ Menu/Concept and Functions CEO). General Marketing. Total Percent Qualified* Development Unknown Type of Establishment of Total Print Digital Management Purchasing Upscale/Casual Restaurant 22,995 28.679 59.1 8,407 14,160 12,050 914 1.555 Upscale Restaurant 8.843 18.2 7.887 2.022 4.958 3.161 197 527 Casual Restaurant 19,836 40.9 15,108 6,385 9,202 8,889 717 1,028 Midscale Restaurant 2,342 4.8 1,845 759 1,036 1,107 102 97 Fast Casual/Fast Food/Quick Service 4,204 5,636 11.6 2,078 3,788 699 623 110 Restaurant 2,049 Hotel/Resort/Casino/Country Club 5,884 12.1 4,634 3,677 1,628 302 277 Caterer/Catering Firm 1,795 3.7 1.508 735 1,507 226 16 46 College/University Foodservice 1,002 2.1 878 329 671 207 38 86 Business & Industry/Corporate 1,058 441 603 381 49 25 2.2 795 Dining/Foodservice Management Firm Culinary Schools 419 0.9 373 191 243 25 7 144 Other Foodservice (Health Care, C-Stores, 1,178 2.4 1,019 439 847 211 43 77 Supermarkets, Cruise Lines, Etc.) Others Allied to the Field 507 1.1 479 92 197 202 17 91 **UNIQUE TOTAL QUALIFIED** 48,500 100.0 36,604 17,230 23,640 20,241 2,111 2,508 **CIRCULATION***

*Unique Total Qualified represents unique recipients, not the sum of Print and Digital.

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PERCENT

Classification by Annual Sales Volume	Total Qualified	Percent
\$100,000,000 or More	3,089	6.4
\$50,000,000 to \$99,999,999	1,121	2.3
\$10,000,000 to \$49,999,999	4,024	8.3
\$5,000,000 to \$9,999,999	3,128	6.5
\$3,000,000 to \$4,999,999	3,242	6.7
\$1,000,000 to \$2,999,999	7,578	15.6
Under \$1 Million	8,170	16.8
No Answer	18,148	37.4
TOTAL QUALIFIED CIRCULATION	48,500	100.0

75.5

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Classification	by Number of Units	Total Qualified	Percent	
100 or More Units		3,714	7.7	
50-99 Units		1,378	2.8	
20-49 Units		2,613	5.4	
10-19 Units		2,657	5.5	
2-9 Units		12,430	25.6	
Single Units		19,640	40.5	
No Answer		6,068	12.5	
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Qualification Source	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	Print	Digital	Unique Total Qualified*	Percent
Direct Request:	15,292	12,656	7,294	33,075	7,375	35,242	72.7
Request from recipient's company:	-	-	-	-	-	-	
. Membership Benefit:	-	-	-	-		-	-
. Communication from recipient or recipient's company (other than request):	372	452	-	734	216	824	1.7
TOTAL - Sources other than above (listed alphabetically):	9,641	2,793	-	2,795	9,639	12,434	25.6
Association rosters and directories	-	-	-	-	-	-	
**Business directories	7,425	1,935	-	1,301	8,059	9,360	19.3
Manufacturer's, distributor's, and wholesaler's lists	-	-	-	-	-	-	
**Other sources	2,216	858	-	1,494	1,580	3,074	6.3
. Single Copy Sales:	-	-	-	-	-	-	
UNIQUE TOTAL QUALIFIED CIRCULATION*	25,305	15,901	7,294	36,604	17,230	48,500	100.0
PERCENT	52.2	32.8	15.0	75.5	35.5	100.0	

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AVERAGE ANNUAL AUDITED QUALIFIED CIRCULATION AND CURRENT UNAUDITED BRAND REPORTS

	Audited Data	Audited Data	Audited Data	Audited Data	Audited Data	Circulation Claim
6-Month Period Ended:	January – June 2017	July – December 2017	January – June 2018	July – December 2018	January - June 2019	July – December 2019*
Unique Total Audit Average Qualified***:	48,506	48,502	48,507	48,505	45,191	48,503
Unique Qualified Non-Paid Total***:	48,506	48,502	48,507	48,505	45,191	48,503
Print:	39,324	39,360	40,959	39,976	36,893	35,525
Digital:	10,962	12,969	12,180	12,950	11,774	18,610
Unique Qualified Paid Total***:	-	-	-	-	-	-
Print:	-	-	-	-	-	-
Digital:	-	-	-	-	-	-
Post Expire Copies included in Total Qualified Circulation:	**NC	**NC	**NC	**NC	**NC	**NC
Average Annual Order Price:	**NC	**NC	**NC	**NC	**NC	**NC

^{*}NOTE: July - December 2019 data is unaudited. With each successive period, new data will be added until six 6-month periods are displayed.

**NC = None Claimed.

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_			Unique Total	_				Unique Total	
State	Print	Digital	Qualified*	Percent	State	Print	Digital	Qualified*	Percent
Maine	248	78	294		Kentucky	215	202	387	
New Hampshire	239	78	277		Tennessee	521	328	773	
Vermont	161	48	187		Alabama	308	122	376	
Massachusetts	1,543	578	1,921		Mississippi	123	74	178	
Rhode Island	262	82	308		EAST SO. CENTRAL	1,167	726	1,714	3.5
Connecticut	546	208	670		Arkansas	149	62	193	
NEW ENGLAND	2,999	1,072	3,657	7.5	Louisiana	523	183	647	
New York	2,839	1,201	3,624		Oklahoma	258	142	359	
New Jersey	1,168	415	1,388		Texas	2,489	1,285	3,423	
Pennsylvania	1,890	612	2,296		WEST SO. CENTRAL	3,419	1,672	4,622	9.5
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	5,897	2,228	7,308	15.1	Montana	150	52	173	
Ohio	814	496	1,199		Idaho	196	60	221	
Indiana	354	225	519		Wyoming	76	23	94	
Illinois	2,819	918	3,331		Colorado	1,105	500	1,451	
Michigan	566	367	842		New Mexico	207	68	243	
Wisconsin	811	238	942		Arizona	1,098	369	1,306	
EAST NO. CENTRAL	5,364	2,244	6,833	14.1	Utah	214	110	290	
Minnesota	1,052	304	1,244		Nevada	830	310	1,044	
lowa	197	83	253		MOUNTAIN	3,876	1,492	4,822	9.9
Missouri	574	269	762		Alaska	47	31	61	
North Dakota	56	18	65		Washington	704	613	1,208	
South Dakota	92	32	112		Oregon	382	199	516	
Nebraska	157	101	228		California	4,314	2,094	5,741	
Kansas	227	129	322		Hawaii	408	136	465	
WEST NO. CENTRAL	2,355	936	2,986	6.2	PACIFIC	5,855	3,073	7,991	16.5
Delaware	158	73	206		UNITED STATES	36,591	16,857	48,121	99.2
Maryland	744	312	966		U.S. Territories	10	37	41	
Washington, DC	353	138	454		Canada	2	330	332	
Virginia	716	419	1,021		Mexico	-	1	1	
West Virginia	72	35	97		Other International	-	4	4	
North Carolina	730	443	1,059		APO/FPO	1	1	1	
South Carolina	364	209	515						
Georgia	678	610	1,203		UNIQUE TOTAL	00.004	47.000	40 500	400.0
Florida	1,844	1,175	2,667		QUALIFIED CIRCULATION*	36,604	17,230	48,500	100.0
SOUTH ATLANTIC	5.659	3.414	8.188	16.9	CIRCULATION *				

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**See Additional Data

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E-NEWSLETTER CHANNEL

2019	Plate Newsletter	Plate Recipes	Plate Chefs on the Move	Plate Spotlight
JULY				
July 1	25,931	10,732	16,564	-
July 8	25,883	10,737	16,570	-
July 15	25,929	10,855	16,709	31,010
July 22	25,844	-	16,695	30,893
July 29	25,831	11,133	16,689	-
AUGUST				
August 5	25,788	11,156	16,656	-
August 12	25,745	11,181	16,508	-
August 19	25,690	11,210	16,635	-
August 26	25,650	11,242	16,615	-
SEPTEMBER				
September 2	25,570	11,282	16,588	-
September 9	25,542	11,315	16,604	-
September 16	25,283	-	16,585	33,581
September 23	25,482	11,442	16,583	-
September 30	25,449	11,480	16,579	-
OCTOBER				
October 7	25,410	11,516	16,570	-
October 14	25,359	11,523	16,455	-
October 21	25,315	11,532	16,518	-
October 28	25,270	11,553	16,489	-
NOVEMBER				
November 4	25,261	11,617	16,499	-
November 11	25,193	11,647	16,477	-
November 18	25,158	11,663	16,445	-
November 25	25,085	11,660	16,416	-
DECEMBER				
December 2	25,045	11,670	16,393	-
December 9	24,884	-	16,185	25,506
December 16	24,977	11,744	16,332	_

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Plate Recipes (22 issued in the period)
Plate Chefs on the Move (25 issued in the period)

Plate Spotlight (4 issued in the period)

WEBSITE CHANNEL

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2019	Pageviews	Sessions	Users	Average Session Duration
July	58,940	25,524	14,767	2:30
August	73,685	31,123	20,240	2:07
September	89,836	32,299	20,580	2:20
October	59,327	23,983	14,259	2:24
November	48,492	19,301	10,936	2:31
December	75,918	23,208	14,018	2:29
AVERAGE:	67,699	25,906	15,800	2:23

 $\textbf{July - December 2019 data was provided by Google Analytics. All website activity is audited by \textbf{BPA Worldwide.}}$

WEBSITE GLOSSARY

Pageviews: A Pageview is recorded each time a page implanted with the JavaScript code (tag) is displayed in a browser window. This will occur whether the page is served directly from the web server, from a proxy, or from the browser's cache.

Sessions: A single continuous set of activity attributable to a cookied browser resulting in one or more pulled text and/or graphics downloads from a site. A period of 30 minutes of inactivity will terminate the session.

Users: An identified and unduplicated Cookied Browser that accesses Internet content or advertising during a measurement period.

Average Session Duration: The time visitors remain on a site per session.

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SOCIAL MEDIA CHANNEL

Plate S	ocial Media
Twitter followers http://twitter.com/platemagazine	Facebook likes http://www.facebook.com/platemagazine
7,084	6,075
7,104	6,111
7,143	6,188
7,166	6,270
7,179	6,288
7,186	6,297
7,191	6,343
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ADDITIONAL DATA

MAGAZINE:

METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION:

All qualified circulation conforms to the field served and definition of recipient qualification, as reported. Print copies are distributed via postal services or other carriers. Recipients of the digital version are notified via email when the version is available.

STATEMENT OF CONTENT PLATFORM:

Editorial Replica - If a print edition exists, editorial and design are unchanged from the original print edition. Each issue's content and design are identical to the original edition. Apart from minor updates, the content cannot change once the issue is made available.

Effective in 2019, PLATE is changing its frequency from 7 to 6 issues per year. The issues to be released are: January/February, March/April, May/June, July/August, September/October and November/December.

Business directories include 1 source of circulation for a quantity of 9,360 copies or 19.3%, including Chain Store. Other sources include 2 sources of circulation for quantities of 858 copies or 1.8% to 2,216 copies or 4.5%.

GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION:

Geographic data for E-Newsletters, Website, and Social Media are not reported at the media owner's option.

PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT

We hereby make oath and say that all data set forth in this statement are true.

Jim Franklin, Chariman

Ed Wachholder, Circulation Manager

(At least one of the above signatures must be that of an officer of the publishing company or its authorized representative.)

IMPORTANT NOTE:

This unaudited brand report has been checked against the previous audit report. It will be included in the annual audit made by BPA Worldwide.

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