

# INDEPENDENT SUPERMARKETS IMPACT AMERICA

Independent retail supermarkets and the wholesalers that supply them play a vital role in the communities they serve and are a major contributor to the economy of the **United States and Arkansas**. Defined as a privately held, or family-owned entrepreneurial business, independent supermarket operators run businesses of all formats and sizes, and are dedicated to their customers, associates and communities.















# **STORES AND SALES**

In Arkansas, the independent supermarket channel includes 270 stores and generates \$1.15 billion in

annual sales.



## **JOBS AND WAGES**

In Arkansas, independent supermarket operators are responsible for creating 9,560 stable, reliable jobs and

\$254.12 million in wages paid.



#### TAXES

In **Arkansas**, independent supermarkets and the wholesalers that serve them are a major source of tax revenue for federal, state and

local governments. Together the independent channel and their employees generate about \$108.73 million in state and local tax and \$93.15 million in federal taxes. The combined total in the State of Arkansas is \$201.88 million.



## NATIONAL IMPACT

The economic impact of the independent supermarket industry reaches all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

Nationally there are **21,000** independently owned supermarkets that generate **\$131 billion** in annual sales, representing nearly **25%** of the total domestic market.

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