



# 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 Virginia**. 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 **Virginia**, the independent supermarket channel includes **238** stores and generates **\$1.41 billion** in annual sales.



## JOBS AND WAGES

In **Virginia**, independent supermarket operators are responsible for creating **7,990** stable, reliable jobs and **\$243.44 million** in wages paid.



## TAXES

In **Virginia**, 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 **\$107.56 million** in state and local tax and **\$105.93 million** in federal taxes. The combined total in the **State of Virginia** is **\$213.48 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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