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Fresh, by the numbers

The Consumer Perishables Databook is an in-depth analysis of top categories within the fresh departments.

BY SETH MENDELSON

HOW MANY TYPES OF APPLES ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE TO CONSUMERS?

I will play it safe and say more than 20, though I am pretty certain that the answer could actually be quite a bit higher. How about grapes? Cuts of meat? And how many products are in the bakery section?

The answers vary dramatically, but one thing is certain: If a retailer is serious about making a statement that his or her grocery store wants to be everything to almost every consumer, they have to be sure that the fresh section is totally up to speed.

The various fresh sections are in an enviable position at supermarkets across the country. Besides being the cash cow of the store, the fresh departments set the tone for the overall business. Place a lot of emphasis on the section, with a broad array of product, the right fixtures and, most importantly, the correct lighting, and you make a statement with consumers that you are taking the fresh departments very seriously. That statement will spread across the store like wildfire.

So how do retailers know what works? The objective of our annual Consumer Perishables Databook is to help retailers make the decision on what categories to stock and what items that they should carry within those categories. We study 60 different categories across a number of perishables segments with the able assistance of the Nielsen Perishables Group.

Our job, as always, is to give retailers as much information as possible about these categories to help them determine their overall marketing and merchandising strategies, not to mention what products to carry across these segments.

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COOKING TRENDS DRIVE FRESH GROWTH

Global influences and multicultural products contribute to increased sales.

BY CARA AMMON

Consumers continue to place an emphasis on preparing fresh, healthy foods for their families. This can take many different forms, from preparing traditional home-cooked meals, to assembling value-added meal components, to providing healthy, on-the-go snacks. The fresh departments are responding to consumers’ needs with new items and packaging designed for today’s busy lifestyles. Although many consumers want gourmet meals made from quality products, there are still those that have lingering concerns about the economy, maintaining cautious spending habits. According to the most recent Nielsen Global Survey of Consumer Confidence and Spending Intentions, consumer confidence fell four points in the last quarter of 2013, and 71% of consumers believe the U.S. is still in a recession. These attitudes likely contribute to consumers’ desires to create healthy meals with premium ingredients at home. Economic concerns may also be influencing where shoppers spend their food dollars. Traditional grocers still earn the majority of fresh dollars, but consumers are spreading their fresh purchases across a wider variety of retailers. Nielsen projects that by 2016 consumers will spend 15% of their fresh dollars at mass/supercenters and 12% of their fresh dollars at club stores.

No matter which type of retail outlet, fresh is more important to the retail environment than ever before. The five fresh departments: deli, produce, meat, bakery and seafood, are increasing contributions to store sales, now generating...
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30% of total sales. Meat is the largest contributor to the fresh space with 39% of dollar sales, followed closely by produce with 32% of dollar sales. During the 52 weeks ended February 22, the fresh departments continued to grow despite higher average retail prices. Dollar and volume sales increased for all five departments nationally.

Further evidence of fresh foods’ importance is basket size. According to data from Nielsen Homescan, baskets containing fresh foods are up to two times larger than baskets without fresh foods. In recent years, shoppers have been filling their baskets with products that satisfy four key needs. Products with health, convenience, premium indulgence and culturally inspired characteristics are driving growth and sparking innovation across fresh departments.

On a department level, bakery experienced significant growth across all areas, including desserts, breads and rolls and breakfast items. Overall, for the tracked period, bakery dollar sales and volume sales increased by 4.8% and 3.9%, respectively, compared to the previous year, driven by consumers’ needs for convenience, gourmet indulgence and expanding flavor palates.

Many consumers look to the bakery for convenience in the form of take-and-bake breads and rolls and other assemble-at-home items. Consumers who want “homemade” without the work have helped the take-and-bake segment grow by double-digits across the department.

Consumers also want premium indulgence, and where better to fulfill that desire than the bakery? Items with names that suggest decadence by listing or implying three or more flavors, such as cranberry oatmeal walnut, triple chocolate or coconut macadamia white chocolate, had significant growth. In addition to sweets, indulgence can also be in the form of savory items. Baked goods such as herb-infused breads and bagels can also satisfy a craving for a tempting treat.

Shifting demographics, the Internet and restaurants have introduced consumers to a variety of new flavors, and this has impacted what consumers look for in the bakery. Within breads, for example, naan and pita both experienced significant growth, up 13.7% and 5.0%, respectively, compared to the previous year.

The deli department is also experiencing strong growth, primarily driven by consumer demand for quick and easy meals and snacks for their families. Deli-prepared foods now generate 57% of department dollars. Seemingly, in an effort to compete with restaurants and provide an alternative option for take-out, retailers have improved the quality of their prepared food offerings and increased the variety and number of items available. This strategy is working; during the tracked period deli-prepared foods increased dollar and volume sales by 7.3% and 6.1%, respectively, more than any other deli offering. Dollar and volume sales are up in every deli-prepared foods category.

Similar to bakery, consumers are looking for help creating “homemade” meals; they want to be more involved in preparing meals at home but want part of the work done for them. For example, pizza components that allow consumers to assemble a pizza at home have increased in dollars and volume 7.5% and 5.7%, respectively, compared to the previous year.

### Fresh food growth

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Source: Nielsen Perishables Group Fresh Facts, total U.S. 52 weeks ended February 22
2013 was a very good year, apple crop-wise. And 2014? New York Apple Growers are anticipating another strong harvest. Quality, volume, variety: all are looking great, and that’s the kind of “good buzz” everyone likes to hear!

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With consumers’ busier lifestyles, many are skipping traditional meals in favor of on-the-go snacking. While they may not want a full meal, many are looking for healthy options and exotic flavors. Increasingly, the deli is providing options to meet these needs, and consumers are responding. Deli snacking items with a declared health benefit, such as low saturated fat or unsalted, experienced double-digit increases.

The meat department also experienced dollar and volume growth in all areas, despite slight across-the-board increases in average retail price. Total department dollars were up 3.5% and volume was up 1.3%. This growth can be attributed to some of the same trends occurring across fresh.

Consumers want to feel more involved in meal preparation, but in today’s busy world they are looking for quicker and easier options. As seen in other fresh departments, consumers want help in creating a “homemade” meal. Despite higher prices, the desire for easier meal solutions has led to increased sales in convenience items across beef, pork and chicken, including value-added meats, such as seasoned or marinated meats, and fully cooked meats.

Global influences are also evident within the meat department; consumers are trying new types and cuts of meat in a wide variety of multicultural flavors, including buffalo and goat or prepared meats with international seasonings such as sesame ginger or masala.

Traditional proteins and cuts of meat still generate the majority of sales; however higher retail prices are spurring new uses and more trading among the different proteins. For example, versatile cuts such as ground beef and chicken breasts can be used in any number of ways, and consumers can easily use these cuts as substitutes. The produce department has also gained from greater demand for health benefits as consumers move toward including more fresh fruits and vegetables into their diets. Even with a 4.0% increase in average retail price, dollars increased 7.3%, and volume increased 3.2% for the tracked period.

Another contributing growth factor is the increasing popularity of value-added produce for meals and snacking. Both the value-added fruit and the value-added vegetable categories posted double-digit increases in dollars and volume during the latest 52 weeks. Though consumers are busier than ever—and snacking is becoming more important—they still want healthy options. Produce sales have benefited from this trend as produce companies are providing consumers with portion-controlled, healthy snacking options, such as single-serve, pre-cut vegetables with dip.

Value-added produce also allows for more convenient meal preparation. Value added vegetables for meal preparation and side dishes have experienced significant increases, with meal preparation dollars and volume up 8.7% and 8.0%, respectively, and side dish dollars and volume up 17.0 and 15.6%, respectively. Moving beyond just pre-cut vegetables, many of these items may be seasoned or packaged in microwavable bags. Like the meat department, consumers are seeking value-added components to help them create “homemade” meals.

The increasing demand for global flavors is present within the produce department as well. Consumers are discovering “new” fruits such as mango, papaya and pomegranate, and driving growth in the specialty fruit category. Additionally, while still small in terms of sales, there has been significant growth in exotic fruits and vegetables such as star fruit, sapote and sun chokes.

The seafood department’s dollar growth can be attributed in part to higher retail prices. For the 52 weeks ended February 22, volume remained steady and dollars increased 5.7%. The seafood department is the smallest of the fresh departments in terms of dollar sales; however, seafood shoppers are important to retailers. On average, seafood shoppers spend more than $75 per trip.

Similar to trends for fresh meat, seafood shoppers are looking for convenient meal solutions. During the past year, value-added seafood dollar sales increased 4.4% as consumers look for easier ways to prepare meals at home. Items such as stuffed or marinated salmon and seasoned shrimp contributed to growth in the value-added segment.

The seafood department also caters to shoppers seeking indulgence. Many consumers are turning to the seafood department for premium items for dinners at home; dollar and volume sales for products including lobster, crab and other higher-priced seafood items increased, along with the number of households purchasing these premium items.
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About the data in this Consumer Perishables Databook

WHAT STATE PRODUCES THE BEST POTATOES?
Source: Grocery Headquarters survey of 800 consumers taken April 27 to May 11.

- Idaho: 87%
- Oregon: 3%
- Washington: 2%
- Maine: 5%
- Other: 3%

The Nielsen Perishables Group provides point-of-sale scan data from the U.S. Fresh Coverage Area (FCA). The FCA universe includes key retailers from food, mass/supercenter and club chains, or more than 18,000 stores. The data set does not include alternative channels such as convenience or natural foods stores. The data is an aggregate of both UPC and random-weight (PLU and system 2) items. Data is aggregated from a store, item, weekly feed.

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Through a partnership with Spire, the Nielsen Perishables Group develops insights around shopper dynamics and switching behaviors by accessing shopper loyalty card data. The loyalty card data includes every product purchased in the store, including all fresh department items, both UPC and random-weight. Data is from approximately five million static U.S. households covering a cross-section of regional food retailers. The Spire panel closely matches U.S. census demographic profile.

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Although often viewed as an occasion-based department, the bakery is a diverse and growing space. Bakery offerings are evolving to meet a range of shopper needs—from convenient breakfast solutions and meal components for lunch and dinner, to decadent desserts for personal treats and special occasions.

In 2012, rising everyday prices and decreased shopper trips slowed bakery department growth, however conditions rebounded in 2013. Dollar and volume sales increased 5% and 4% for the 52 week period ended February 22, and sales were up across the majority of bakery categories as pricing stabilized.

Shifting sales among complementary products was a notable bakery trend. For example, the rolls category outpaced bread dollar growth and gained volume share as a result of new and varied offerings. On average, retailers expanded offerings by 8% to include products primarily found in restaurants such as chocolate-filled croissants, cheese rolls and pretzel buns. A similar story is shaping up with cakes and cookies, which together account for 40% of department sales. Although a heavily shopped category, cake dollar and volume sales have slowed over the past year, but cookies are picking up the slack. Cookies—like chocolate chip and snickerdoodle—offer shoppers a convenient, portion-controlled alternative to cakes.

Nearly 45% of in-store bakery shoppers are seeking products that fulfill three primary needs: premium, convenience and health. These shoppers tend to be couples and families looking for quick meal solutions. It is important to understand and innovate around these needs and consider the type of consumer demanding them. To target these shoppers effectively, bakery products should be suitable for small households and families and meet at least one of the key needs.

Naturally, the bakery is known for premium, indulgence offerings. Shoppers seek out fudge, dipped treats and tres leches or tiramisu cake for their gourmet qualities. However, gourmet indulgence in the bakery is not limited to sweet flavors. Savory specialty rolls experienced double-digit growth with the introduction of new products such as cheese rolls and ciabatta/panini rolls.

Convenience at the in-store bakery takes many forms. Many U.S. households consist of one or two members and accommodating this demographic in the bakery translates to smaller package sizes, especially with desserts. With a 7% increase in dollar sales, another convenience craze in the bread segment is take-and-bake, which allows consumers to serve hot, fresh bread at their convenience.

Health is also priority for many consumers, even in a department commonly associated with indulgence. For example, consumers use mini desserts to manage portions; with additional mini dessert offerings in the bakery dollar and volume sales increased 7% and 5%, respectively. Gluten-free products also increased bakery presence, up 50% in dollar sales. Breads have the highest number of gluten-free products followed by dessert items like cakes and cookies.

By targeting key households, innovating to meet consumers’ needs and implementing an effective promotional strategy retailers can continue to win sales.

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Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- 4-count muffins: 43.1%
- Mini muffins: 13.8%
- All other muffins: 14.3%
- 1-count/bulk muffins: 18.1%
- 2- to 3-count muffins: 0.1%
- 6-count muffins: 10.2%

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**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- TOTAL: $649.3
- CENTRAL: $600.0
- EAST: $800.0
- SOUTH: $500.0
- WEST: $400.0

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**Average Basket Size**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- BAKERY: $57.00
- MUFFINS: $64.93

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**Trend Comparisons**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
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Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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The Meat Department

The meat department can continue to drive success by innovating with alternative cuts, meal solutions and consumer education.

{BY KATE GRITTI, NIELSEN PERISHABLES GROUP}

As the largest of the five fresh departments, the meat department is an important component of both fresh and total store success. During the latest 52 weeks ended February 22, the meat department increased dollar sales 4% and volume 1%. However, this growth was slower in comparison to the other fresh departments, and can be partially attributed to continued consumer concern over rising meat prices.

During the tracked period, shoppers spent $14.47 per trip in the meat department, the most of any fresh department. The average shopper basket containing meat was $62.83.

Fresh meat is the main driver of department sales, comprising 62.2% of dollars. Fresh beef represents more than half of fresh meat dollars. Despite high sales, beef grew at a slower-than-average rate. As consumers become wary of rising beef prices, many have begun to stray from traditional cuts to more affordable and flavorful alternatives. This trend is evident when looking at category growth. During the latest 52 weeks, shank, brisket, plate and flank had the strongest dollar growth, up 6.8% compared to the prior year. Although chicken breasts made up the majority of fresh chicken sales, consumers have increasingly become attracted to lower-priced options. Chicken thighs and chicken combo-packs were among the fastest growing varieties, with thighs ($1.80 per pound) growing dollars 12.2% and combo packs ($1.45 per pound) gaining 21.5%. In comparison, chicken breasts sold for $2.82 per pound.

While most fresh meat categories maintained steady volume sales due to price increases, lamb and pork decreased prices, helping to grow volume. Lamb posted the strongest volume growth among fresh meat, up 4.6%. With a low price per pound compared to other cuts, shoulder butt drove volume growth for the pork category, far outpacing growth of the largest sub-category, loin.

Representing 27.1% of department dollars, processed meat is an important component of meat department sales. Processed meat increased dollars 2.6%, led by bacon, the largest sub-category. Bacon grew 13.1% in dollars compared to the previous year; however, growth was driven by steep price increases of 12.3%.

Fully cooked meat, a smaller contributor to the meat department, posted strong growth, increasing dollars by 5%, with all varieties growing except fully cooked turkey. Fully cooked chicken represented the majority of sales, but fully cooked beef and stir fry/fajita strips had the strongest growth, increasing 8% and 11.9%, respectively.

While still a small part of total meat sales, natural and organic products have seen strong growth in the meat department. Despite the lack of clarity over natural labeling, natural meat has grown 9.8% in dollars. Organic also continues to grow, up 26.7% in dollar sales. Other health claims seeing growth in the meat department are grass-fed, antibiotic free and vegetarian fed.

The Meat Department can continue to drive success by innovating with alternative cuts, meal solutions and consumer education.
**Share of Category Dollars**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Turkey: 31.5%
- Ham: 27.9%
- Salami: 16.1%
- Bologna: 10.5%
- Beef: 4.8%
- Chicken breast/roll: 4.5%
- Combination packs: 3.6%
- Loaves: 3.2%

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
- Distribution Points
- Selling Growth

**Household Penetration**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- HH penetration YAGO: 73.7%
- HH penetration: 72.8%

**Trend Comparisons**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
- Distribution Points
- Selling Growth

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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Dollars Growth Volume Growth Average Retail Growth Distribution Points Selling Growth

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Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Natural 3.4%

Average Basket Size
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Shepherd’s Pride lambs are raised on family ranches on a high-nutrient, 100% vegetarian diet, without added hormones or antibiotics. To give consumers total peace of mind, Mountain States Rosen has partnered with Where Food Comes From, Inc., a trusted third-party that verifies the source of origin of all Shepherd’s Pride lambs. Shoppers can scan the QR code on the package to learn about the hard-working, ethical producer families raising this fine, pure, American USDA Choice Lamb.

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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Loin: 63.6%
- Shoulder butt: 11.0%
- Side: 8.5%
- Offal: 4.5%
- Loin: 63.6%
- Ham/leg: 0.1%
- Picnic shoulder: 2.0%
- Fresh ground: 1.9%
- Other: 2.5%
- Value-added: 6.0%

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
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Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- HH penetration YAGO: 75.8%
- HH penetration: 76.3%

Trend Comparisons
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- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
- Distribution Points Selling Growth
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The Deli Department

Retailers have the opportunity to leverage the in-store deli as a point of differentiation, and attract shoppers from other retailers and from the foodservice industry.

{BY JADE BLACK, NIELSEN PERISHABLES GROUP}

The deli department is becoming increasingly valuable to shoppers, both in prepared and non-prepared categories. This evolution of the in-store deli continued to drive department growth. Many retailers are overhauling their formats to more closely resemble foodservice and are improving product quality, often placing grocers in direct competition with foodservice. While foodservice-type offerings continue to drive deli sales upward, established categories are also contributing to department growth.

During the 52 weeks ended February 22, deli department dollar and volume sales increased 5% and 4%, respectively. This was the highest volume growth among the five fresh departments nationally. Dollar growth in the deli was third behind seafood and produce, and everyday pricing in the deli experienced minimal increases. The department also continued to expand offerings, increasing unique items selling on store shelves 3% compared to the previous year.

The deli department maintains a wide reach across the U.S. with 94% of households purchasing deli products throughout the year. Deli shoppers spend an average of $8.58 per trip on deli products and make 15 trips to the deli per year. These shoppers are valuable across the store—shoppers spend $61.29 when a deli product is in the basket. This basket ring is second only to the seafood basket.

Deli meat and deli cheese are two established categories that experienced dollar gains during the latest 52 weeks, up 3% each. Consumers are using deli meat and cheese to supplement gourmet foodservice in the comfort of their homes, demonstrated by growth in deli specialty meat and deli specialty cheese. Deli specialty meat increased dollar and volume sales 10% and 9%, respectively.

The major source of department innovation and convenience trends is deli prepared, where sales of products like deli prepared chicken, deli entrées and deli sides continue to climb. In fact, each of the 15 deli prepared categories increased dollars and volume during the latest 52 weeks. Overall, deli prepared foods increased dollar and volume sales 7.3% and 6.1%, respectively.

Deli prepared chicken, despite being an established category, continues to experience dollar growth, up 9% versus the previous year. Retailers are expanding offerings beyond the basic rotisserie chicken to include flavor options like Italian and barbecue-flavored chicken. It is not just main-dish products posting growth in deli-prepared. Deli sides increased dollar sales 12% compared to the previous year, as consumers seek quick options to complete their meals. Retailers have responded to this demand—the number of unique deli side items selling on store shelves also increased compared to the previous year.

Retailers are also catering to multiple eating occasions throughout the day. Deli breakfast food dollar sales grew 8% as shoppers look to the deli for quick, quality morning meals. Breakfast sandwiches, French toast, pancakes, waffles and omelets are among the fastest growing breakfast foods.

Retailers have the opportunity to leverage the in-store deli as a point of differentiation, and attract shoppers from other retailers and from the foodservice industry.
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**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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**Trend Comparisons**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Dollars Growth
Volume Growth
Average Retail Growth
Distribution Points
Selling Growth
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Seafood Department Dollar Sales continued to climb largely due to an uptick in pricing and decreased promotional activity. The seafood department contributed 4.8% to total fresh sales for the 52 weeks ended February 22. Among the five fresh departments, seafood posted the second-largest dollar sales growth behind produce with a 5.7% increase. The department maintained volume sales compared to the previous year.

Fresh seafood accounted for 79% of department dollar sales, with $5 billion in total sales for the tracked period. A 5.4% average retail price increase helped fresh seafood drive dollar sales up 5.7% while also contributing to flat volume sales.

Shrimp, which accounted for 30% of fresh seafood sales, was a major driver of dollar growth during the period, due largely to a 12.3% increase in average retail price. This increase contributed to a 6.8% volume decline.

Fin fish accounts for the largest segment of fresh seafood with 56.3% of total sales. During the latest 52 weeks, fin fish dollar sales grew 6% while average retail price increased 2.9%. However, fin fish shoppers were not deterred by price increases; volume increased 3.6% compared to the prior year. Unlike other fresh seafood categories, promotions on fin fish did not drive dollar and volume increases, likely due to already low average retail pricing compared to other fresh seafood categories.

Within the fin fish segment, salmon and tilapia were the highest contributors to overall sales with 37.9% and 25.2% of category dollar sales, respectively. Salmon saw a large increase in average retail price with a 7.9% jump, which contributed to a 5.5% gain in total dollar sales compared to the prior year. However, the large spike in retail price did adversely impact volume, which was down 2.3%. Two years ago, the abundant salmon supply drove the retail price down 8% for the category. The data shows a natural market reaction to the supply leveling out and the industry returning to previous average retail price levels.

Tilapia continues to grow in popularity as a more affordable option relative to other fresh fish segments. The average retail price of tilapia was $3.82 per pound compared to salmon at $7.69. The average retail pricing remained steady, and dollars and volume increased 5.3% and 4.6%, respectively.

While a smaller segment than fin fish and shrimp, crustaceans showed strong growth as dollars were up 8.9% versus the prior year. Crustacean volume increased 9.6% as average retail prices declined 0.7%. Overall, promotional activity played a large part in total crustacean sales, with 41.4% of the category's volume attributed to promotional activity. In comparison, the shrimp category only had 24.8% of promotional volume that contributed to total volume sales.

Looking beyond fresh seafood, consumer engagement with prepared seafood continues to grow. Prepared seafood dollar sales increased 4.4%, due largely to an increase in average retail price. Prepared seafood volume remained steady compared to the prior year.

Prepared fish posted increases in both dollars and volume, up 12.2% and 8.8%, respectively. In contrast, the prepared crustacean category was flat in dollar sales and down 2.9% in volume sales.
Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Basket Size
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### Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
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![Graph showing average weekly dollar sales by region](image)

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### Trend Comparisons
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- **TOTAL FIN FISH**
- **COD**

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
- Distribution Points
- Selling Growth

From the unspoiled waters of Alaska comes the finest cod on the market today.

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(Nelson Perishables Group Data – Point-of-sale charts; Nielsen Perishables Group FreshFacts®; Purchase Frequency and Basket Size charts: Nielsen Perishables Group FreshFacts® Shopper Insights powered by Spins, a Datalogix company.)
Wild, sustainable, and fully-cooked, Alaska snow crab is easy to enjoy as cocktail claws, whole legs, split legs, or lightly scored ‘Snap ’n Eat’ sections. Low in fat and calories but high in protein, our snow crab shines as an appetizer, all-you-can-eat entrée, and in gourmet salads, soups, and seafood platters. Time-starved customers appreciate this convenient and delicious option that comes straight from the pure waters of Alaska – that’s why 8 out of 10 look for our logo when buying seafood.

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Lean and tender, low calorie and delicious, wild Alaska sole is a healthy and economical option for seafood lovers. As with all Alaska Seafood, our sole is wild-caught and environmentally sustainable. It’s quick and easy to prepare, with mild flavors that are ideal for health-minded consumers on the go and many popular ethnic dishes. Just make sure you buy the right brand – 8 out of 10 consumers say they look for our logo when buying seafood.

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Delicately delicious, with a firm and flaky texture, Alaska halibut is extremely versatile and easy to prepare. Consumers can enjoy it grilled, roasted, sautéed, or poached in healthy salads, hearty soups, exquisite entrées, or the best fish and chips they’ve ever had. Our halibut is wild-caught in the pristine waters of Alaska, where we’ve set the international standard for environmental sustainability. That’s why 80% of consumers say seeing our logo increases their likelihood to purchase.

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51% of consumers demand wild Alaska salmon for its unmatched versatility, unparalleled flavor, and proven health benefits. They know it is amazing smoked, grilled, roasted, sautéed, and poached, and they know it's environmentally sustainable. An excellent source of high-quality protein and omega-3 fatty acids, Alaska salmon is the smart choice for the most important species in your seafood case. Just ask your customers!

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Scallops
The world’s best scallops call the Gulf of Alaska home.

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**Share of Category Dollars**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Cooked: 46.8%
- Raw: 53.2%

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Average Basket Size**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- SEAFOOD: $76.52
- SHRIMP: $82.47

**Trend Comparisons**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
- Distribution Points Selling Growth
It’s as clear as the waters of Alaska: Your customers are looking for the Alaska Seafood Brand. For years, we’ve worked hard to maintain our position as the clear consumer choice by offering delicious and nutritious wild seafood that’s available year-round.

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For more information or free in-store merchandising materials, contact Mark Jones toll free at 855-288-8841 or mjones@alaskaseafood.org

• 80% of consumers say that seeing the Alaska Seafood logo increases their likelihood to purchase.
Share of Category Dollars
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- Imitation crab: 95.4%
- Imitation lobster: 4.6%

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Average Basket Size
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- SEAFOOD: $76.52
- SURIMI: $80.85

Trend Comparisons
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- Dollars Growth
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Surimi seafood can be made from many different fish species. The highest quality surimi seafood is made with genuine Alaska Pollock harvested in the icy, pristine waters of Alaska. Our surimi is always succulent and sweet and a great source of protein and omega-3 fatty acids, and is naturally low in fat, cholesterol and calories. Pre-cooked and ready-to-use, there’s no shell to remove and no waste. Ideal for any recipes that call for the flavor of lobster, shrimp, scallops and crab, Alaska surimi is available year-round. We think that’s why 8 out of 10 shoppers look for our logo when buying seafood.

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The Produce Department

By staying in tune with shifts in shopper behaviors and trends, retailers can provide consumers with the right products and maximize growth potential.

{By Juliette King, Nielsen Perishables Group}

The Produce Department led dollar growth in the perimeter of the store, increasing sales at a faster rate than the meat, deli, bakery and seafood departments. During the 52 weeks ended February 22, fresh produce dollar sales increased 7.3%. A 4.0% increase in average retail prices contributed to the strong dollar growth. A 3.2% increase in volume demonstrates that despite rising retail prices, consumers are willing to pay more for products that meet certain needs, like health and wellness or convenience. With 32.5% of total perishables dollar sales and a 99.7% household penetration, the produce department should be a vital part of any retailer’s winning strategy.

For the tracked period, the average ring of baskets containing produce was $56.29, the smallest of the five perishables departments. However, the average spend per trip increased 2.9% to $8.91, driven in part by higher pricing across the department. With the exception of bananas and grapes, each of the 10 top selling produce categories posted price increases from the previous year. For most categories, increased pricing did not deter shopper purchases. However, berries, which is the number one produce category in terms of dollar sales and has posted consistent growth for many years, had a slight decrease in volume sales as a cold spring limited production for the 2013 crop.

When looking at the produce categories with the highest dollar growth, a few consumer trends are brought to light. Fueled by cooking blogs and recipe websites the “foodies” movement continues to drive consumer engagement with food and cooking. Health and wellness is also a growing trend, especially in the produce department. Cooking greens led the entire department with the largest dollar growth from the prior year (24%), driven by kale with an astounding 102% increase from the prior year. Cooking vegetables grew nearly 11%, driven by Brussels sprouts, root vegetables and cauliflower, all of which had double-digit dollar growth. Ensuring a consistent offering of these traditional cooking-focused categories can attract that “gourmet at home” consumer and a larger basket ring.

Consumer demand for convenience is another trend impacting the produce department. Products that provide additional value to consumers continue to increase item count. For example, value-added vegetables—which includes meal prep, snacking and trays—increased 8.5% while value-added fruits (fresh-cut fruit, overwrap and jar and cups) increased 4.1%. Both categories posted dollar increases, 13.2% and 10.9%, respectively, compared to the previous year. Organic produce, while still less than 7% dollar share of the department, increased sales 21.6% from the prior year, outpacing conventional items’ 6.8% growth. While retailers should not miss out on the growth of organics, the importance does vary by category. At least one organic offering in the following categories is a must, as more than 20% of their sales come from organics: cooking greens, healthy alternatives, carrots, herbs/spices/seasonings and packaged salad.
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Ralph faithfully tends to his orchards.

Ralph, an orchard manager and loyal Rainier employee for over 35 years, oversees a complicated yet highly productive block of Honeycrisp apples. Even the hilly terrain and windy conditions are no match for his strong faith and proven farming techniques which ensure the finest quality fruit.

That’s the spirit Ralph!

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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Conventional: 92.3%
- Organic: 7.7%

Average Basket Size
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Produce
- Organic Apples

Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Total Apples
- Organic Apples

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth

#1 Selling Branded Organic Apples*

Shoppers Trust Daisy Girl Organics™

### Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

### Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

### Average Basket Size
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

### Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Nelson Perishables Group Data – Point-of-sale charts; Nelson Perishables Group FreshFacts®, Purchase Frequency and Basket Size charts; Nielsen Perishables Group FreshFacts® Shopper Insights powered by Spins, a Datalogix company.

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Some would call it an obsession... we call it category leadership.

Asparagus from Southern Specialties
Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Basket Size
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Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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The Industry Standard
**Share of Category Dollars**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **Regular**: 97.5%
- **Specialty**: 2.5%

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **Total**: $0, $500, $1,000, $1,500, $2,000, $2,500, $3,000, $3,500
- **Central**: $0, $500, $1,000, $1,500, $2,000, $2,500, $3,000, $3,500
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- **West**: $0, $500, $1,000, $1,500, $2,000, $2,500, $3,000, $3,500

**Household Penetration**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **HH penetration YAGO**: 89.1%
- **HH penetration**: 89.2%

**Trend Comparisons**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **Dollars Growth**
- **Volume Growth**
- **Average Retail Growth**
- **Distribution Points Selling Growth**

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**Share of Category Dollars**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Organic: 3.8%
- Conventional: 96.2%

**Average Basket Size**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Produce
- Organic Bananas

**Household Penetration**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

HH penetration YAGO: 6.2%
HH penetration: 6.0%

**Trend Comparisons**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth

The **Freshest** bananas are the ones that you can eat soon after they are harvested, not after they have spent weeks on an ocean freighter. At Organics Unlimited, we grow our bananas in Mexico, harvest them, and deliver them to the US within four days. They’re fresher, tastier and more sustainable than any organic banana on the market.

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**Share of Category Dollars**  
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Fruit juices: 46.6%
- Smoothies: 38.6%
- Ciders: 7.7%
- Waters: 6.0%
- Other beverages: 5.4%
- Teas: 2.9%
- Coffee: 0.9%

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**  
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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**HH penetration YAGO**  
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- HH penetration: 23.2%
- HH penetration: 25.2%

**Trend Comparisons**  
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Fruit Juices: 15%
- Smoothies: 20%
- Ciders: -5%
- Waters: 5%
- Other Beverages: 0%

We include only the most authentic, natural ingredients in our juices. That's how we stay true to you and the honest goodness nature intended. After all, it's our mission, our purpose.

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Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Basket Size
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14
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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Organic: 6.0%
- Conventional: 94.0%

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth

Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- HH penetration YAGO: 1.6%
- HH penetration: 1.8%

Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
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**Share of Category Dollars**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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**Average Basket Size**

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**Trend Comparisons**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **Dollars Growth**
- **Volume Growth**
- **Average Retail Growth**
- **Distribution Points Selling Growth**
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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Organic: 12.5%
- Conventional: 87.5%

Average Basket Size
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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**Household Penetration**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Average Basket Size**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Trend Comparisons**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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**HH PENETRATION YAGO**

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**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**

- **CENTRAL**
- **EAST**
- **SOUTH**
- **WEST**

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**Trend Comparisons**

- **Dollars Growth**
- **Volume Growth**
- **Average Retail Growth**
- **Distribution Points**
- **Selling Growth**

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**Share of Category Dollars**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Oranges: 34.4%
- Lemons: 14.3%
- Limes: 9.0%
- Specialty fruits: 0.1%
- Grapefruit: 6.5%
- Tangerines: 2.8%
- Mandarins: 32.9%

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **Total**
- **Central**
- **East**
- **South**
- **West**

**Average Basket Size**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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**Trend Comparisons**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
- Distribution Points
- Selling Growth
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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Vegetable: 79.8%
- Fruit: 17.6%
- Other: 2.6%

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
- Distribution Points
- Selling Growth
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**Produce Dried Fruit & Snack Mixes**

### Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **Cranberries** 31.4%
- **Snack mixes** 21.5%
- **Prunes** 6.2%
- **Apples** 3.4%
- **Apricots** 5.6%
- **Mixed** 3.7%
- **Cherries** 6.4%
- **Raisins** 8.1%
- **All other** 14.1%
- **Bananas** 2.8%

### Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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### Average Basket Size
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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### Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **Dollars Growth**
- **Volume Growth**
- **Average Retail Growth**
- **Distribution Points Selling Growth**
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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Figs 1.7%
- All other specialty fruit 98.3%

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Average Basket Size**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Trend Comparisons**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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**Share of Category Dollars**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Spinach: 49.3%
- Collard greens: 9.2%
- Kale: 24.8%
- Rapini/broccoli raab: 4.5%
- Other cooking greens: 3.8%
- Chard: 2.4%
- Dandelion greens: 0.6%
- All other: 0.1%

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- TOTAL
- CENTRAL
- EAST
- SOUTH
- WEST

**Household Penetration**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- HH penetration YAGO: 21.5%
- HH penetration: 21.8%

**Trend Comparisons**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
- Distribution Points Selling Growth

OUR BUSINESS IS GROWING
**Share of Category Dollars**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **Iceberg**: 41.6%
- **Romaine**: 39.8%
- **Green leaf**: 6.0%
- **Red leaf**: 3.6%
- **Prepared**: 3.4%
- **Boston**: 2.0%
- **Other**: 1.7%
- **Bibb**: 0.8%
- **Escarole**: 0.5%
- **Endive**: 0.5%
- **Escarole**: 0.2%

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **Central**
- **East**
- **South**
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**Average Basket Size**: Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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**Average Weekly Dollar Sales**

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**Trend Comparisons**: Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **Dollars Growth**
- **Volume Growth**
- **Average Retail Growth**
- **Distribution Points Selling Growth**
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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
- Distribution Points Selling Growth

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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Trend Comparisons
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**Share of Category Dollars**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Herbs, spices, seasonings: 97.4%
- Sun-dried tomatoes: 2.6%

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- CENTRAL: $25,000
- EAST: $30,000
- SOUTH: $20,000
- WEST: $15,000

**Household Penetration**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- HH penetration YAGO: 2.1%
- HH penetration: 1.9%

**Trend Comparisons**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Total Herbs, Spices, Seasonings: 0% Growth
- Sun-Dried Tomatoes: 2% Growth
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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Sweet onions: 32.3%
- All other onions: 67.8%

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Dollars Growth: 4%
Volume Growth: 5%
Average Retail Growth: 6%

Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- HH penetration YAGO: 59.0%
- HH penetration: 57.5%

Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Basket Size
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

HH penetration YAGO
HH penetration

0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%

14.3%
13.1%

Dollars Growth
Volume Growth
Average Retail Growth
Distribution Points
Selling Growth
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**Share of Category Dollars**
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- **Russet**: 57.4%
- **Yellow**: 10.8%
- **Red**: 22.3%
- **White**: 7.5%
- **Specialty**: 0.9%
- **Other**: 0.8%
- **Boniatos**: 0.2%
- **Purple**: 0.1%

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **TOTAL**: $3,000
- **CENTRAL**: $2,500
- **EAST**: $2,200
- **SOUTH**: $1,900
- **WEST**: $1,700

- **$ sales per store per week a year ago**
- **$ sales per store per week**

**Average Basket Size**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **PRODUCE**: $56.39
- **POTATOES**: $83.90

**Trend Comparisons**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- **Dollars Growth**
- **Volume Growth**
- **Average Retail Growth**
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Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Basket Size
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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**Household Penetration**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Average Basket Size**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Trend Comparisons**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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**Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14**

**Dollars Growth**

**Volume Growth**

**Average Retail Growth**

**Distribution Points Selling Growth**

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Household Penetration
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Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

Average Basket Size
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Organic: 5.2%
- Natural: 1.9%
- Conventional: 92.9%

Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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Total Tomatoes
- Conventional: 92.9%
- Organic: 5.2%
- Natural: 1.9%

Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

HH penetration YAGO

- 0% HH penetration: 7.6%
- 10% HH penetration: 8.7%

Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
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**Share of Category Dollars**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Meal prep: 15.2%
- Snacking: 10.8%
- Trays: 17.2%
- Side dish: 56.8%

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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**Household Penetration**

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**Trend Comparisons**

Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14
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Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Average Weekly Dollar Sales by Region**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Average Basket Size**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

**Trend Comparisons**
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

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### Share of Category Dollars
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Organic: 20.8%
- Conventional: 78.2%
- Natural: 1.0%

### Average Basket Size
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Produce
- Organic Packaged Salad

### Household Penetration
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- HH penetration YAGO: 19.4%
- HH penetration: 21.2%

### Trend Comparisons
Total U.S. for the 52 weeks ended 2/22/14

- Dollars Growth
- Volume Growth
- Average Retail Growth
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