

Expo West Updates and Highlights

Show Floor Hours:

- Wed | 10 a.m.- 6 p.m.
- Thursday | 10 a.m.- 6 p.m.
- Friday | 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Buyer-Only Hours:

- Thursday | 9 a.m. -10 a.m. ACC Level 3 & North Halls
- Friday | 9 a.m.-10 a.m. ACC Halls A-E & Arena

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- Conscious Beauty Pavilion
- Hall C

Wellness Beverage Pavilion

- Hall D

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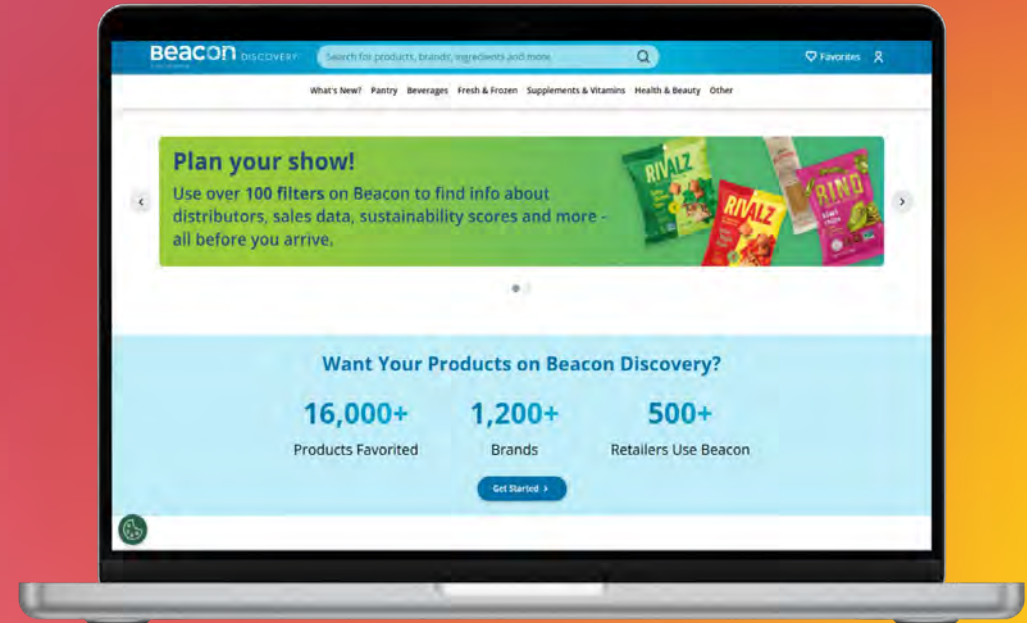


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July 28-31st, 2025

NBJ Summit is the premier event for nutrition executives, innovators and visionaries to exchange ideas and shape the future of health and wellness. NBJ Summit's goal is to provide an immersive educational experience that empowers attendees with the knowledge and strategies needed to navigate the nutrition industry.



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August 20-22nd, 2025

Scan the QR code to be entered to win a trip to Newtopia Now 2025 in Denver!



Newtopia Now is where conscious products grow. Now in its second year, this groundbreaking event is transforming the way our industry connects and does business. Featuring three distinct neighborhoods on the trade show floor, where product discovery is seamless, along with immersive community experiences and thoughtfully curated one-on-one meetings.

Join our Newtopia Now Pop-Ups at the New Hope Network Café Wednesday and Thursday at 4:30 p.m.



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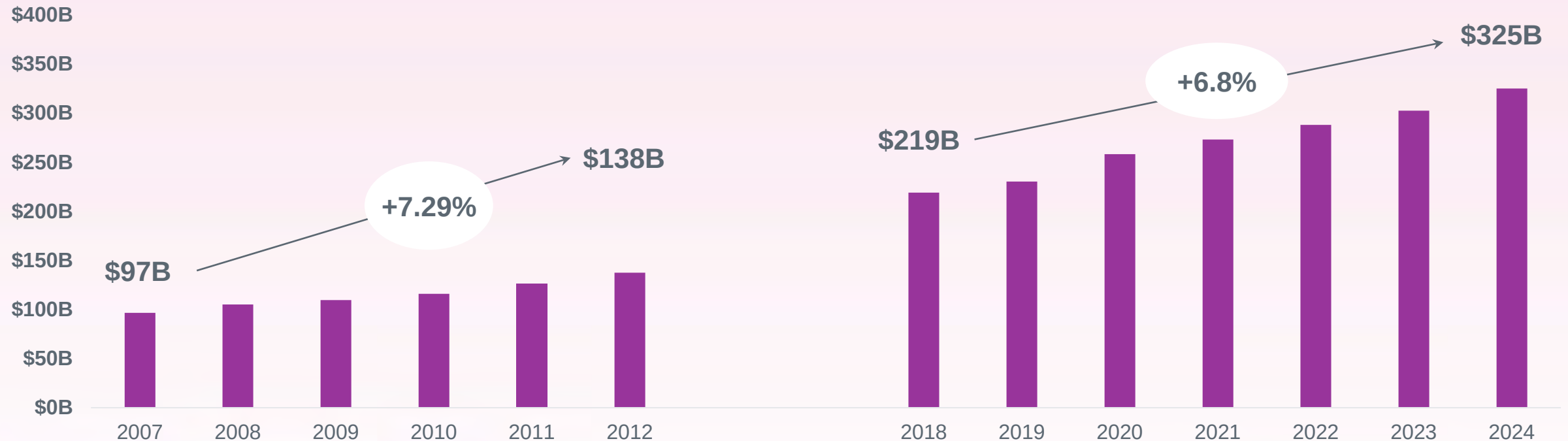
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Polling Q: What Is Most Impacting Your Business Today?



The U.S. natural products industry is a force

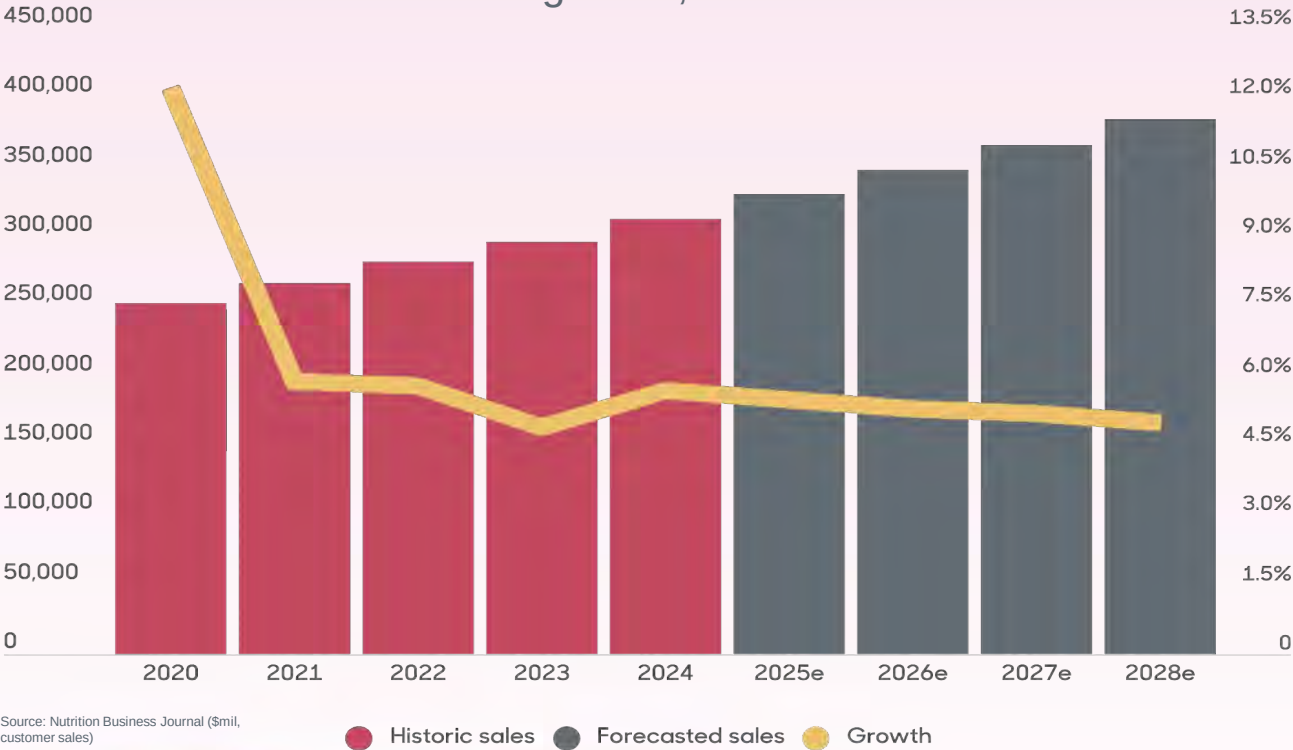
This industry has **more than tripled in size since 2007** growing from **\$97B** to over **\$325B** in 2024 with volume growth every year. Our scale is accelerating, and this momentum can amplify our voice **and impact**.



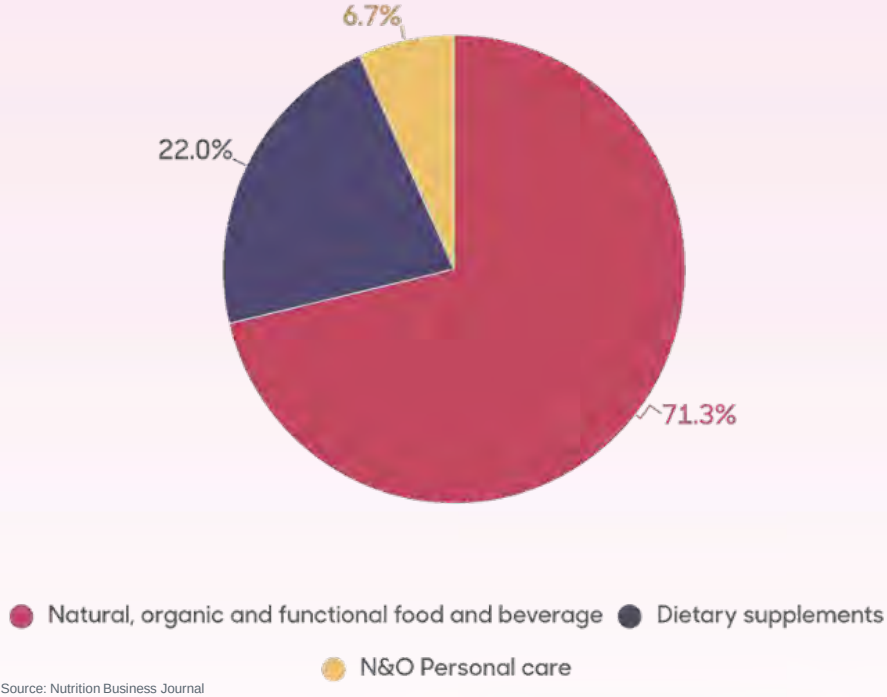
Source: Nutrition Business Journal (\$mil, customer sales)

Natural & organic industry grew 5.7% in 2024, exceeding expectations

Natural and organic product industry sales and growth, 2020-2028e

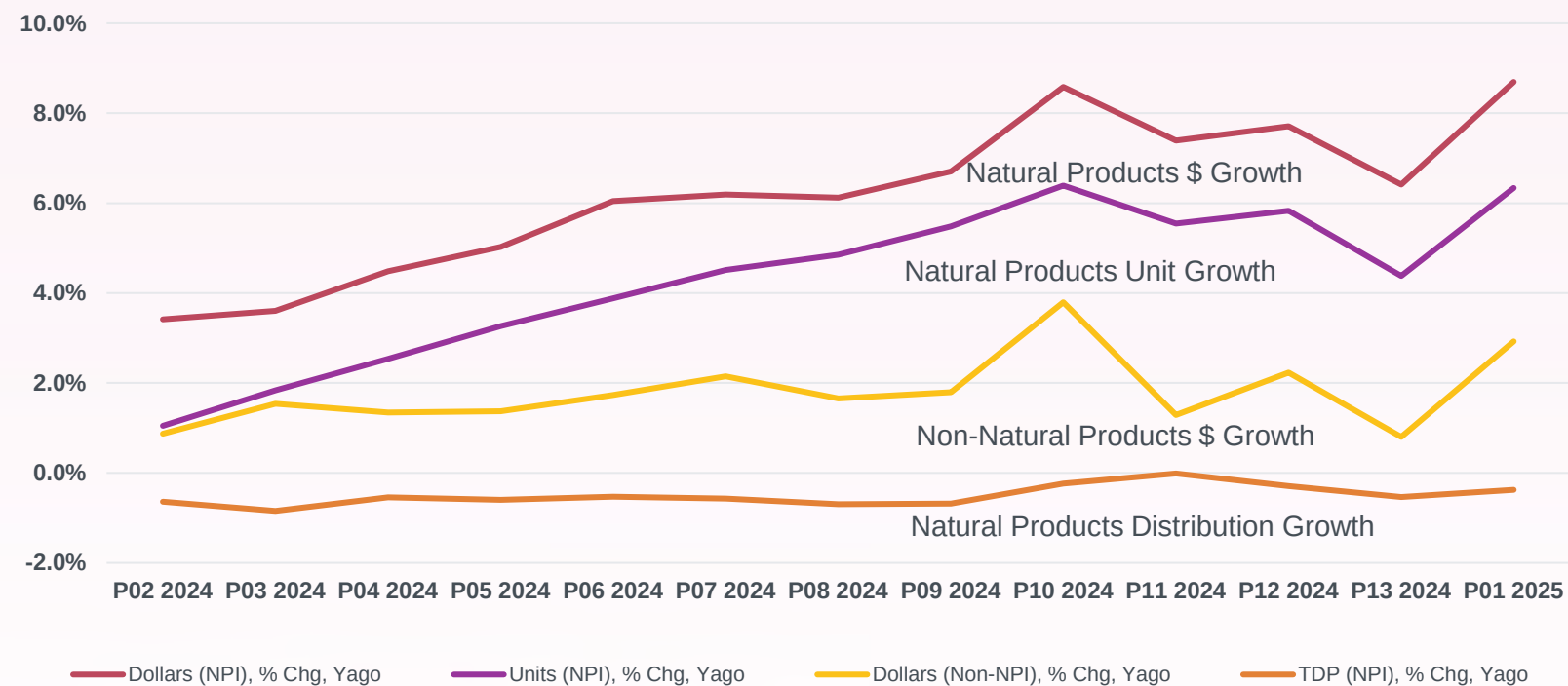


Natural and organic product industry sales by category, 2024



Natural products' pace of growth continues to accelerate and attract new shoppers

Year over Year growth for combined Natural Supermarkets and Mainstream Outlets



+1%
MORE NPI
BUYERS

+4%
INCREASE IN
TRIPS
PER BUYER

95.7% of HHs buying NPI in the last 12 wks; Avg is over a trip a week

Latest 12 weeks versus year ago

Refrigerated
Grocery
Vitamins/Supplements
Top Departments bringing in
new NPI buyers



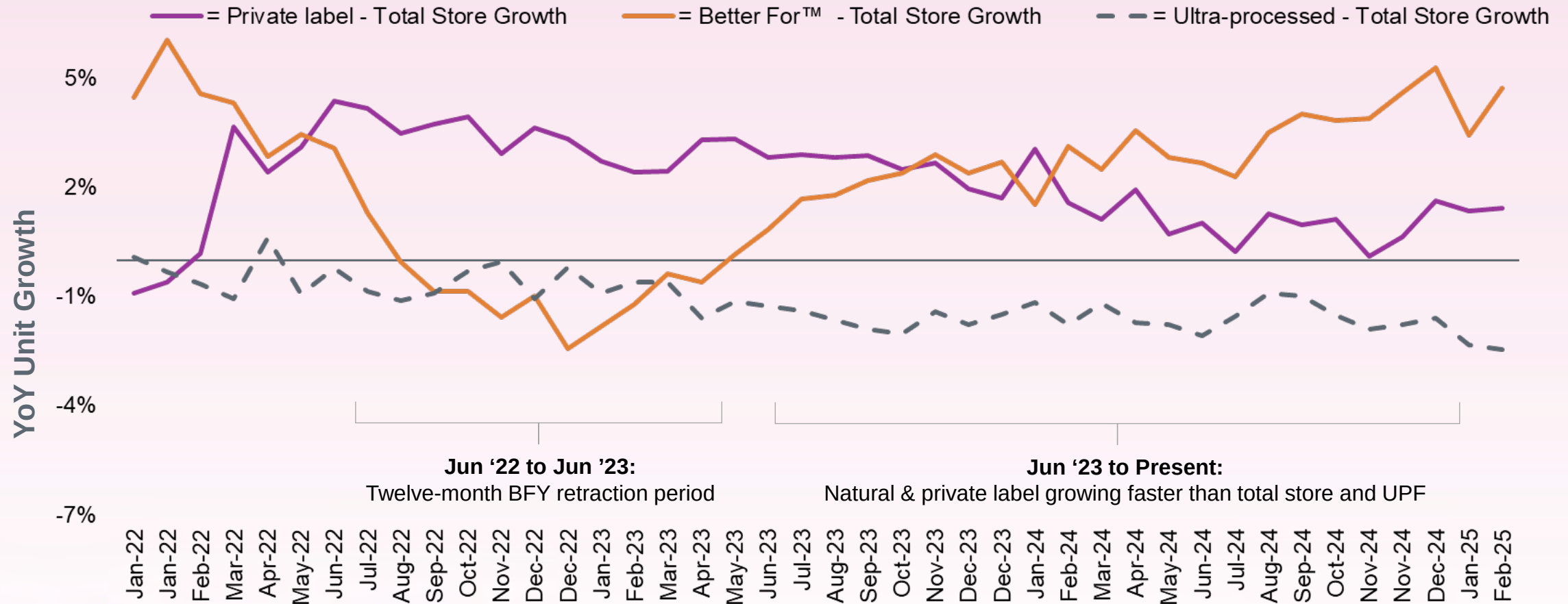
Source: SPINS Natural Channel and MultiOutlet (powered by Circana) and TriLens Consumer Panel (powered by Circana), week ending 1/26/25



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Natural product growth solidly on track as consumers return to BFY products



Source: NielsenIQ Product Insight; Total US xAOC; Total Food & Beverage vs Better For™ segment versus ultra-processed foods; \$ % Change vs year ago; 4-week trended through week ending January 25, 2025

Overall, shoppers are buying more natural products

Across all Outlets combined, shoppers are spending over 6% more on natural products and buying those products in generally the same places as last year.

Overall, where are natural consumers spending?	Share of NPI Wallet	Index to non-NPI
Supermarkets (including natural)	39%	105
Club Stores	15%	138
Walmart	13%	61
Internet (buying online)	11%	161
All Other	15%	88

- **Natural supermarkets are growing** in overall household penetration and in the number of trips/buyer
- **Club stores have the largest share of wallet for VMS** followed by Walmart and buying online. All are growing.
- **Gen Z** is gaining in purchase power and already has **considerably more Internet trips and HH penetration** than other generations

Natural products (the NPI) are leading growth

Natural products are outpacing other products across all SPINS tracked channels. The Natural Channel continues to lead growth and has throughout the past year as consumers look for new inspiration and solutions for health.

Natural Expanded Channel +4.6% Sales Growth	Regional & Independent Grocery Channel -1.2% Sales Growth	Conventional MultiOutlet +2.1% Sales Growth	Convenience Channel +0.0% Sales Growth
+7.9% NATURAL PRODUCTS	+1.9% NATURAL PRODUCTS	+5.5% NATURAL PRODUCTS	+4.9% NATURAL PRODUCTS
+2.7% SPECIALTY & WELLNESS PRODUCTS	+1.3% SPECIALTY & WELLNESS PRODUCTS	+3.1% SPECIALTY & WELLNESS PRODUCTS	+2.5% SPECIALTY & WELLNESS PRODUCTS
-0.7% CONVENTIONAL PRODUCTS	-2.3% CONVENTIONAL PRODUCTS	+1.4% CONVENTIONAL PRODUCTS	-2.2% CONVENTIONAL PRODUCTS



Source: SPINS Total store US Natural Enhanced Channel, Regional Grocery, Conventional Multioutlet + Convenience Channels (powered by Circana), 52 Weeks ending 12/29/2024

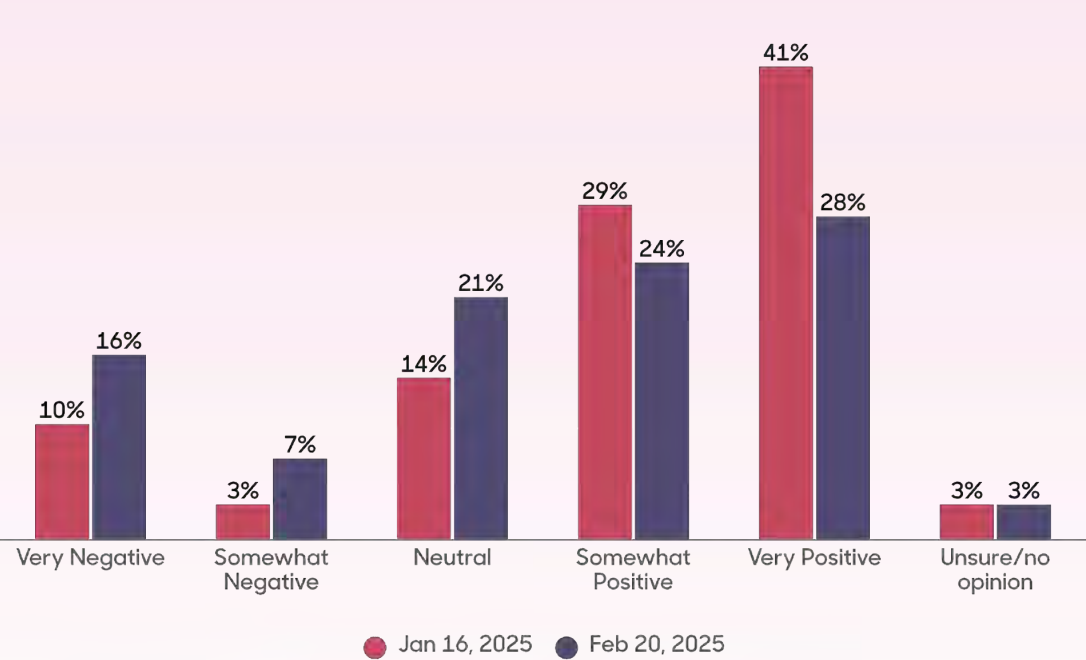


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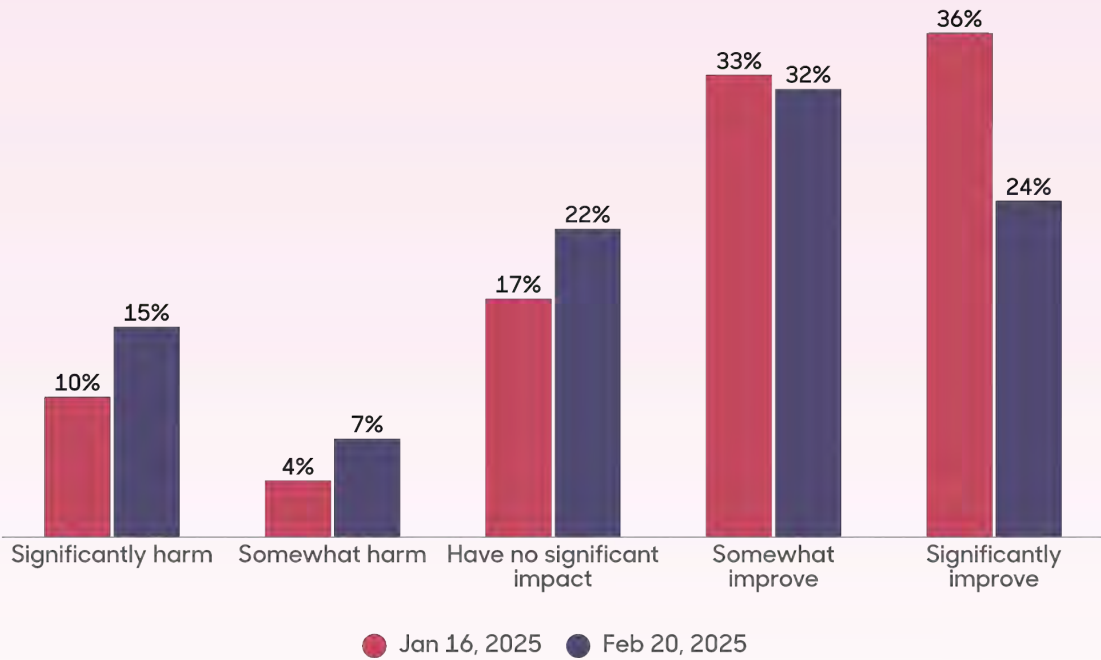
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Consumer perceptions on health policy and economy under new administration are fluctuating

How U.S. consumers feel President Trump’s priorities will impact the economy



Consumer sentiment on RFK Jr. confirmation and impacts on health and wellness policy



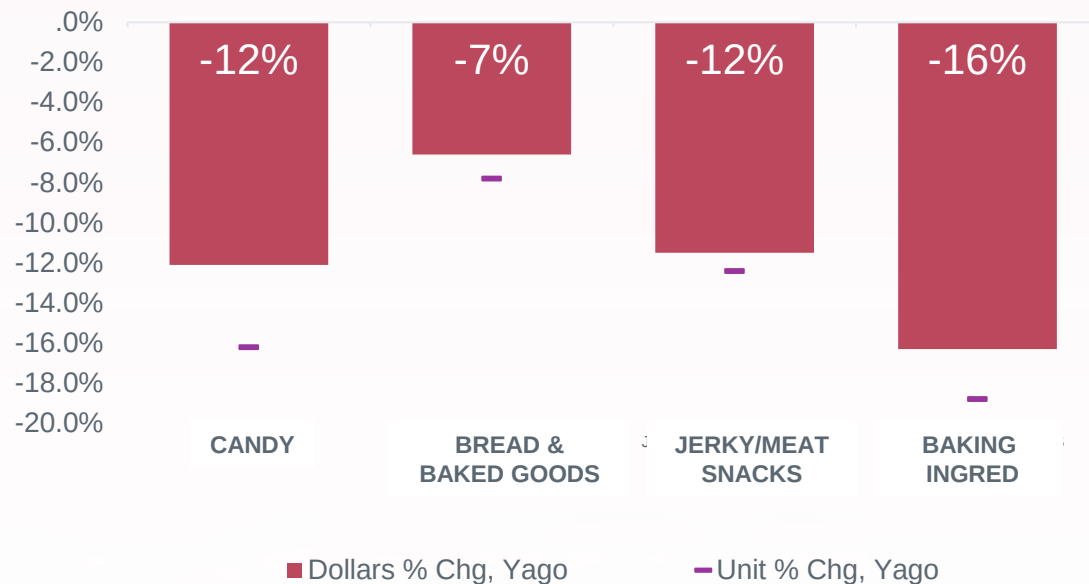
Source: Nutrition Business Journal survey targeting average consumers, aged 19-75. February 2025; n=3,109; powered by the Suzy online platform. Question: "What impact do you believe the Trump administration's priorities will have on the U.S. economy?"

Source: Nutrition Business Journal survey targeting average consumers, aged 19-75. February 2025; n=2,785; powered by the Suzy online platform. Question: "How do you feel the confirmation of RFK Jr. as Dept. of Health and Human Services will impact health and wellness policy in the U.S.?"

There is opportunity to make positive change

Regardless of perception, policy has the potential to make broad impact on our food supply through building awareness long before action. Red #3 example:

52-week sales change of products with Red #3



- Household penetration of products with Red #3 dropped to the lowest level in over a year immediately following the Jan 15, 2025 announcement
- Retail sales of Red #3 dropped more than Artificial Colors overall

The Industry continues to evolve

- The retailer landscape is challenging amidst competition and external forces
- Retailers are turning to their brand partners for support. CPGs often have to cut costs to stay on shelf when they need to be investing in innovation: digital capabilities and R&D.

Retail Media \$100B

In the next 2–3 years.

3x from 2021

1/2 of CPG Execs

“Retailer pressures significantly impacted 2023 performance”

Private Label

Growth continues

~20% \$ Share | 25%+ Unit Share

The diversification of eCommerce and education platforms requires agility and creativity from brands

Omnichannel Foundation

- Direct to Consumer
- Amazon
- Brick and Mortar

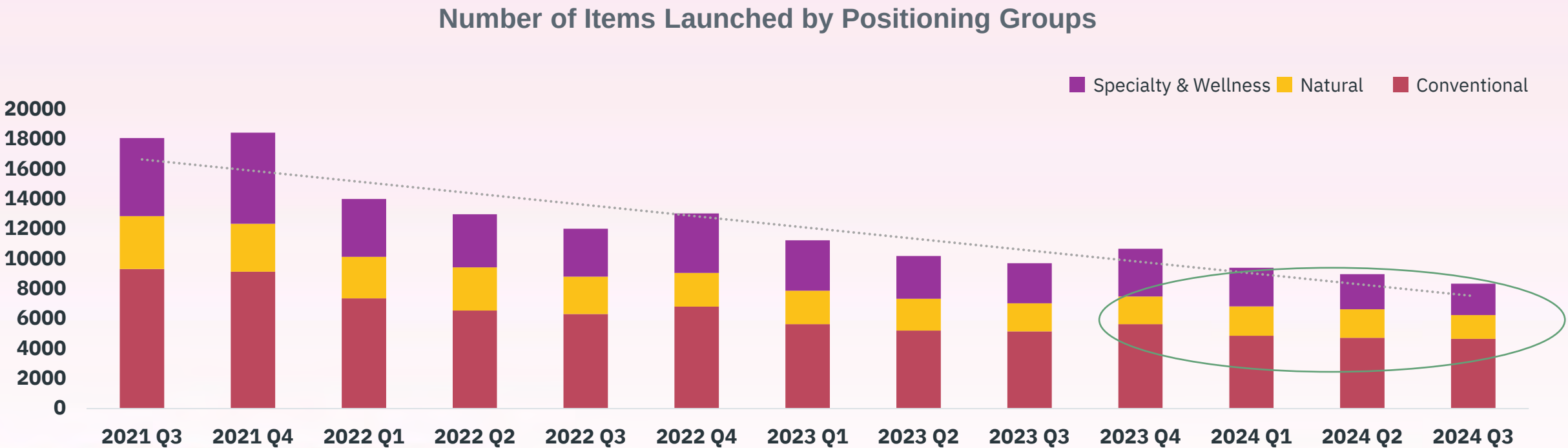


Omnichannel Future

- Social Commerce
- Livestream Shopping
- Mobile-First Shopping
- Voice Commerce
- Augmented and Virtual Reality
- Pop-Up Stores
- Evolving Category Review cycles

Investment in Innovation

The slowdown of new items has stabilized and is showing early indication of a return to growth. Smart new item launches focused on profitable growth continue to be critical for enterprise success.



Brands must innovate and stay ahead of consumer and retailer shifts to ensure long-term success

WHY INNOVATION MATTERS



Improve Consumer Relationships

- ✓ Fill Unmet Needs
- ✓ Expand Consumer Base



Elevate Retailer Relationships

- ✓ Category Leadership
- ✓ Support Sales Efforts

SPINS INNOVATION INDEX

Top Innovation Categories of 2024

- ✓ Energy & Sports Drinks
- ✓ Refrigerated Plant-Based Milk
- ✓ Cold Cereal
- ✓ Wellness & Snack Bars
- ✓ Frozen Breakfast Food

The Evolving CPG M&A Market Landscape: Growth Trends, Capital Flow, and the Push for Liquidity

Natural products remain highly-attractive investment targets/assets



Wellness and innovation continue to over index as **consumers flock natural/organic CPG**



Funded brands are showing robust dollar growth, indicating **positive ROI for early investors**



Dollars chase dollars: Growing companies are attractive M&A targets for strategic and financial buyers

CPG investors sitting on large pool of illiquid but attractive assets



Pool of **viable brands growing faster than investor base**



Market forces (interest rates, inflation) **hitting PE fund closings and realization of investments**

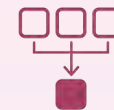


Amount of **illiquid value** locked up in these companies is **growing very rapidly**



Approaching inflection point – too much capital at stake for investors not to seek liquidity

Capital cycle poised to regain momentum as liquidity is unlocked



Multiple outcomes possible for growing brands including **IPO and consolidation**



As liquidity is unlocked, expect capital cycle to accelerate – **funds flow to smaller brands**

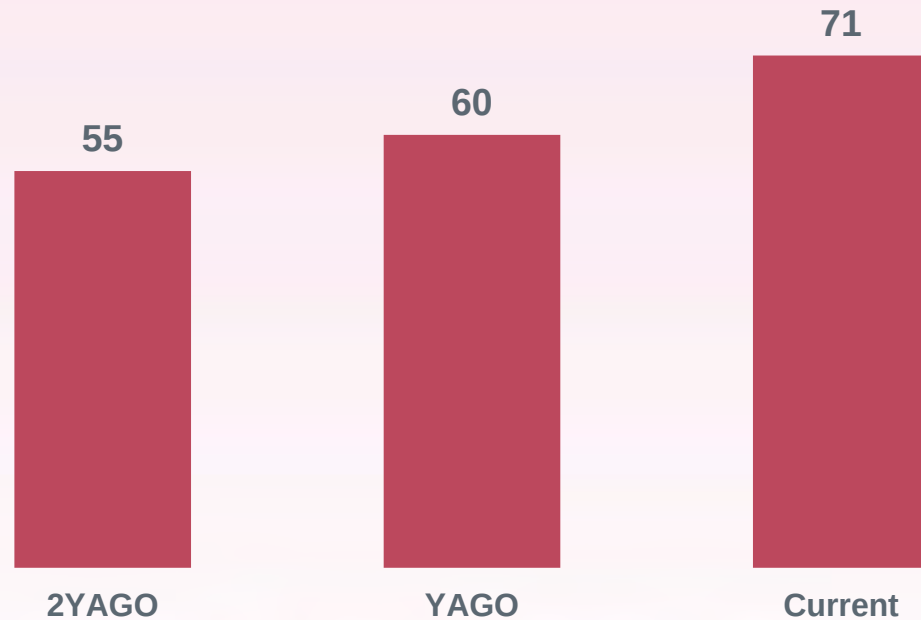


Historical precedent: Liquidity for smaller check sizes slower to recover after Great Recession, but **2010s proved fruitful for investors**

Growing number of large, independent brands indicates growing need for investor liquidity to fund emerging brands

Count of \$100m independent brands growing YoY¹

Number of independent brands at \$100m+ in retail sales²



Inclusion of agricultural brands add to growing list of large independents¹

71

Number of independent CPG brands at \$100m+ in retail sales

27

Number of independent agriculture products at \$100m+ in retail sales (dairy, produce, oils, etc.)

98

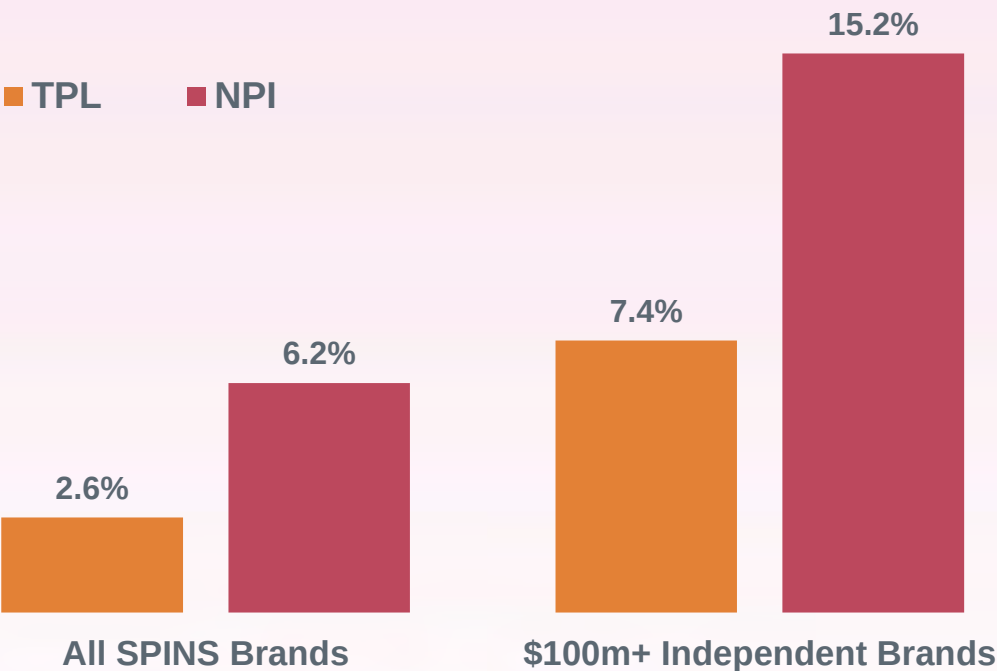
Number of independent brands that have reached \$100m+ in retail sales

→ 58 independent non-agriculture brands between \$100m-\$500m in retail sales today

Independent brands outgrowing total store, natural products primed for acquisition

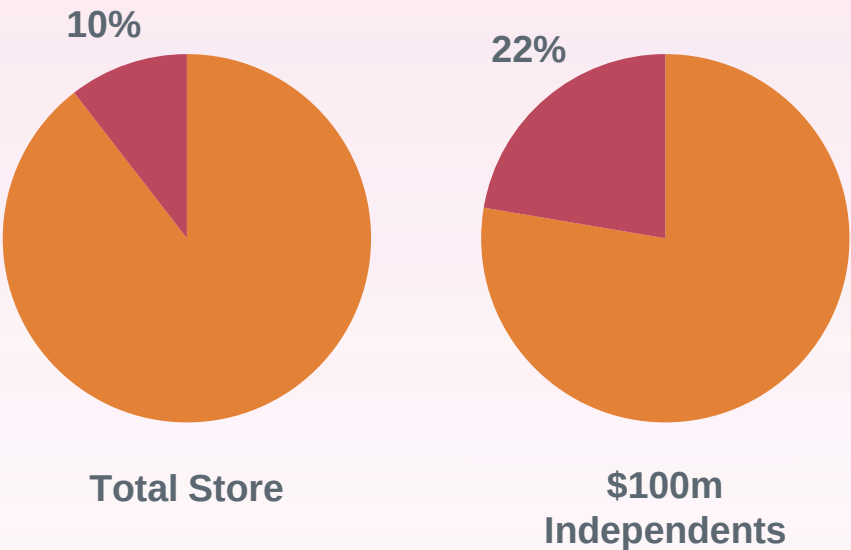
\$100m+ independent brands outgrowing total store¹

YoY \$ growth by brand subset



Natural products represent greater share of \$100m independents than total store¹

% of growth by brand subset



Natural products represent outsized portion of the most attractive acquisition targets in CPG

NPI \$ TPL \$

\$100m-\$300m independent brands represent major M&A and consolidation opportunity

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Number of independent CPG brands at \$100m-\$300m in retail sales, excluding ag-based brands

\$7.5B

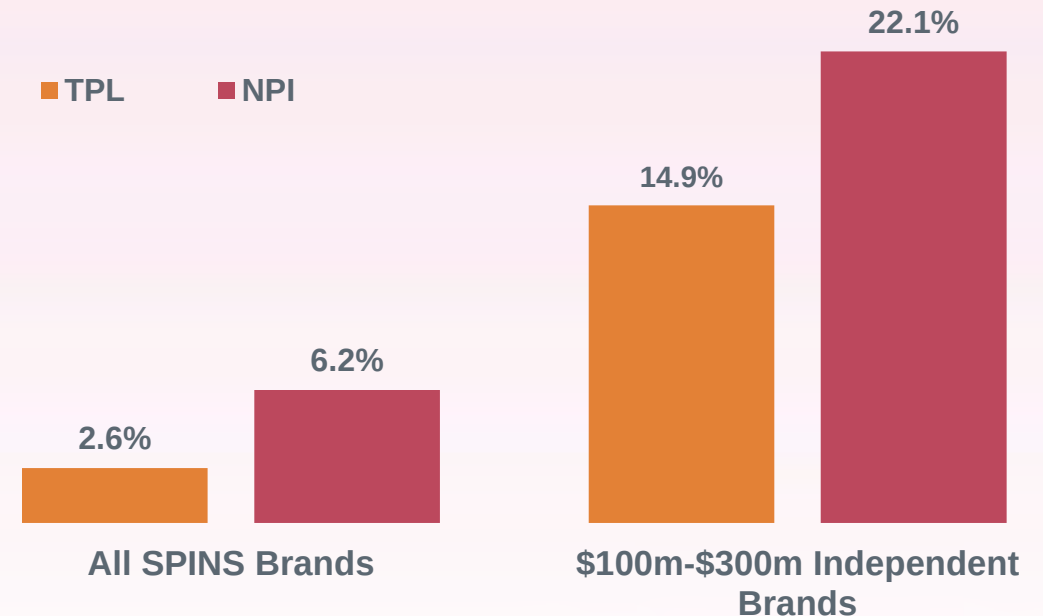
Retail sales of independent CPG brands at \$100m-\$300m, excluding ag-based brands

+15%

Two-year CAGR in retail sales for independent CPG brands at \$100m-\$300m, excluding ag-based brands

Natural/organic \$100m-\$300m independent brands among fastest-growing products in store¹

YoY \$ growth by brand subset

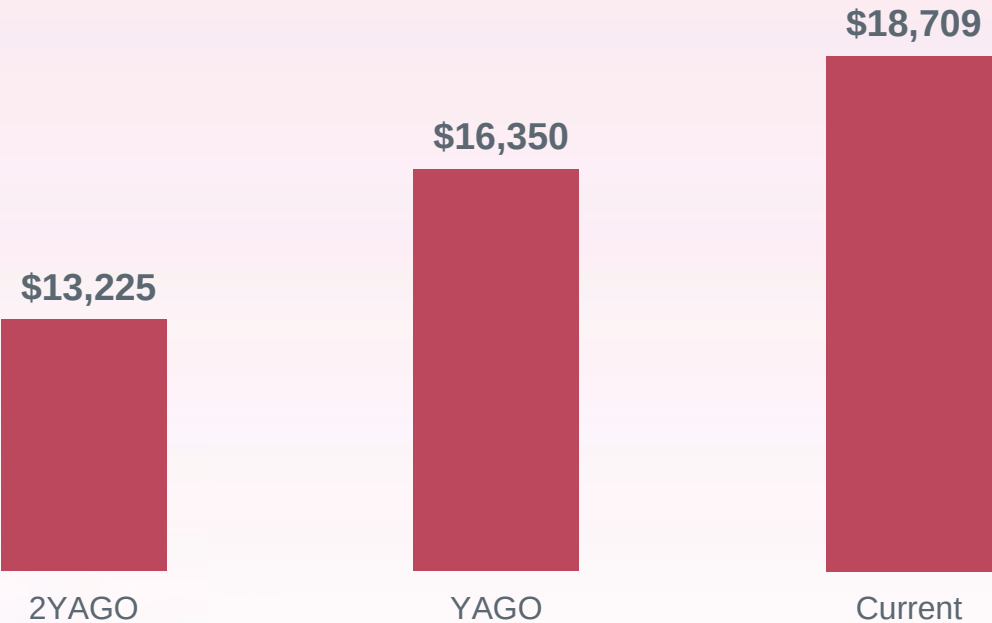


Future growth will be accelerated through release of capital as \$100M+ brands achieve liquidity

Enormous pile of capital ready to be liquidated and reinvested in the industry

SPINS sales of \$100m-\$300m independent brands @ 2.5x sales multiple

Illustrative investment dollars available to natural products industry has grown substantially during last two years



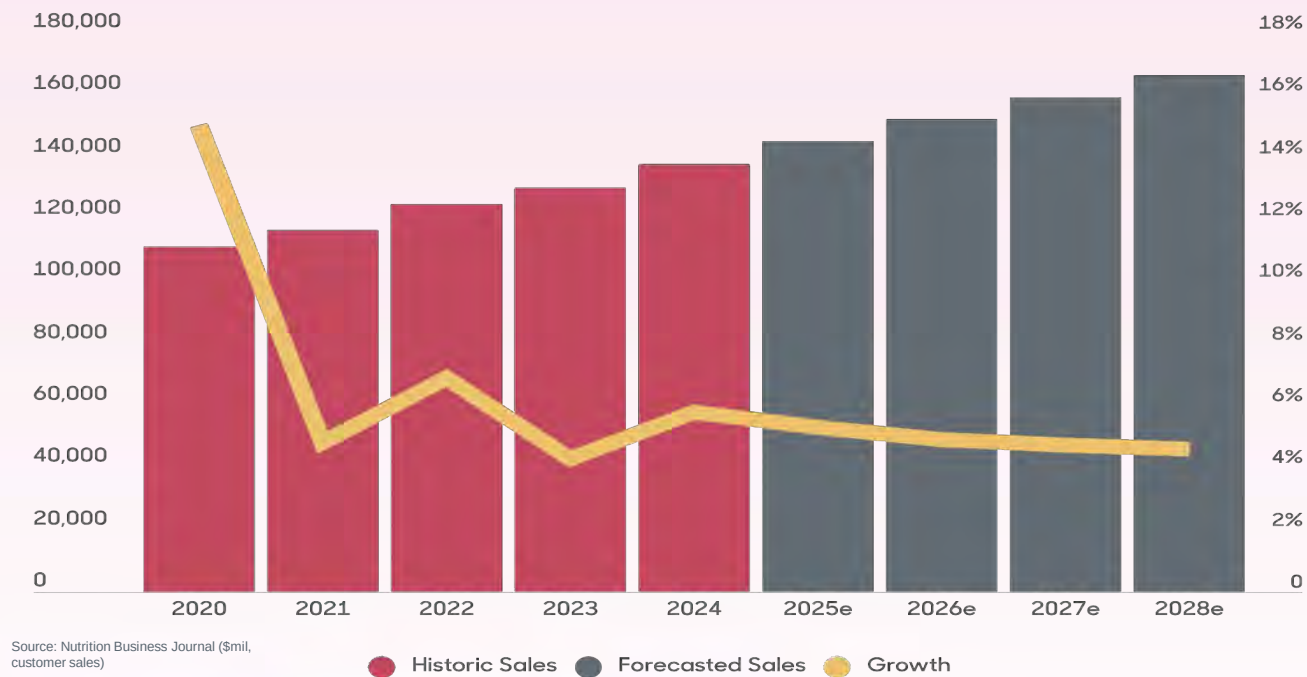
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Number of independent CPG brands at \$100m+ in retail sales with institutional investment¹

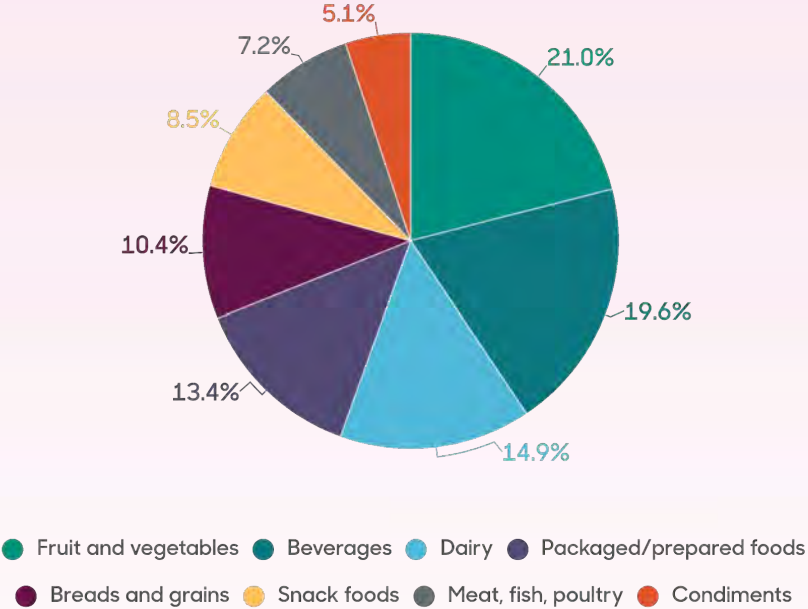
Most immediately-actionable transaction opportunities

Consumer interest in meat, fish, poultry and dairy drove food & beverage growth in 2024 to \$235B

Natural and organic food and beverage sales and growth, 2020-2028e



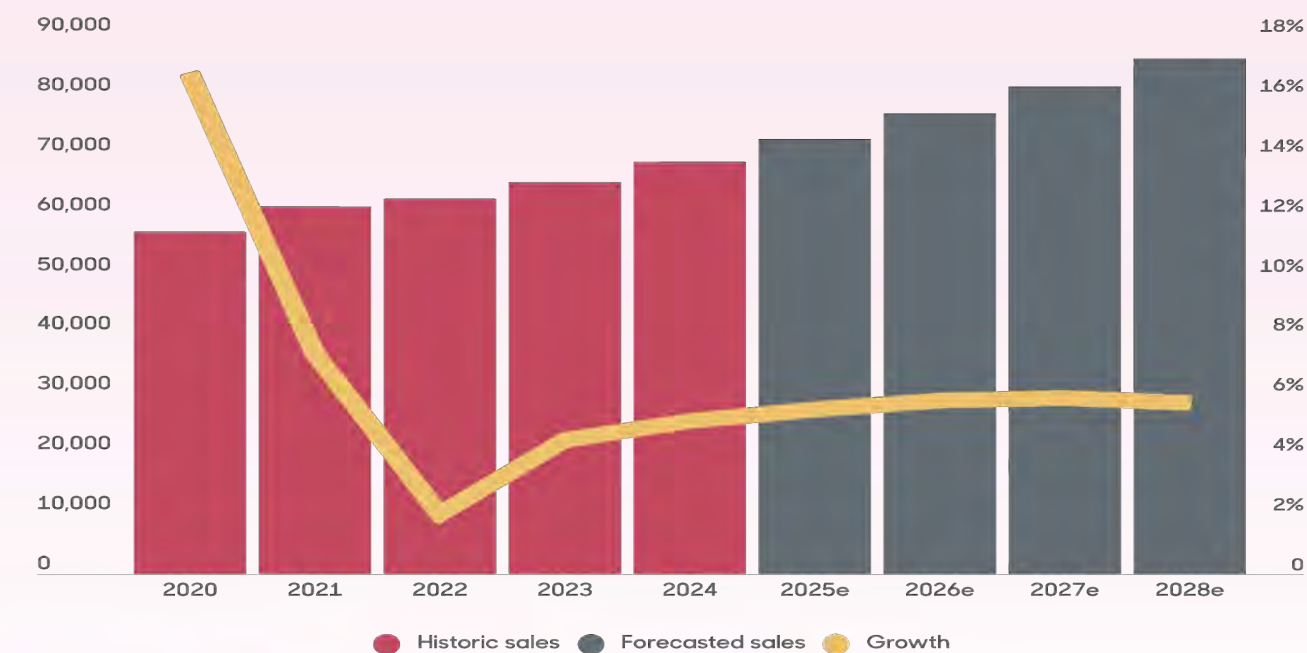
Natural and organic food and beverage sales by category, 2024



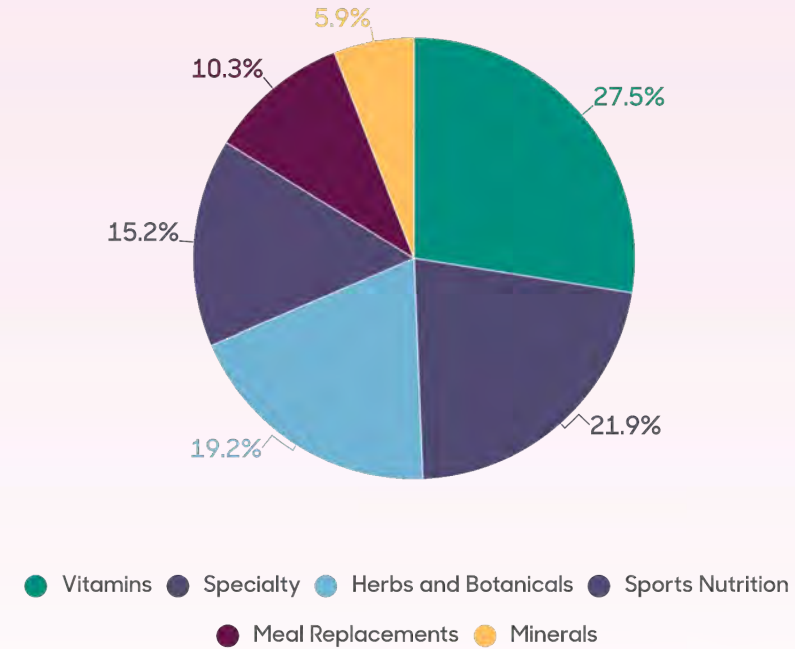
Source: Nutrition Business Journal

Sports nutrition still drives supplement sales growth, and herbs & botanicals set to enter top three in 2025

Supplement industry sales and growth, 2020-2028e

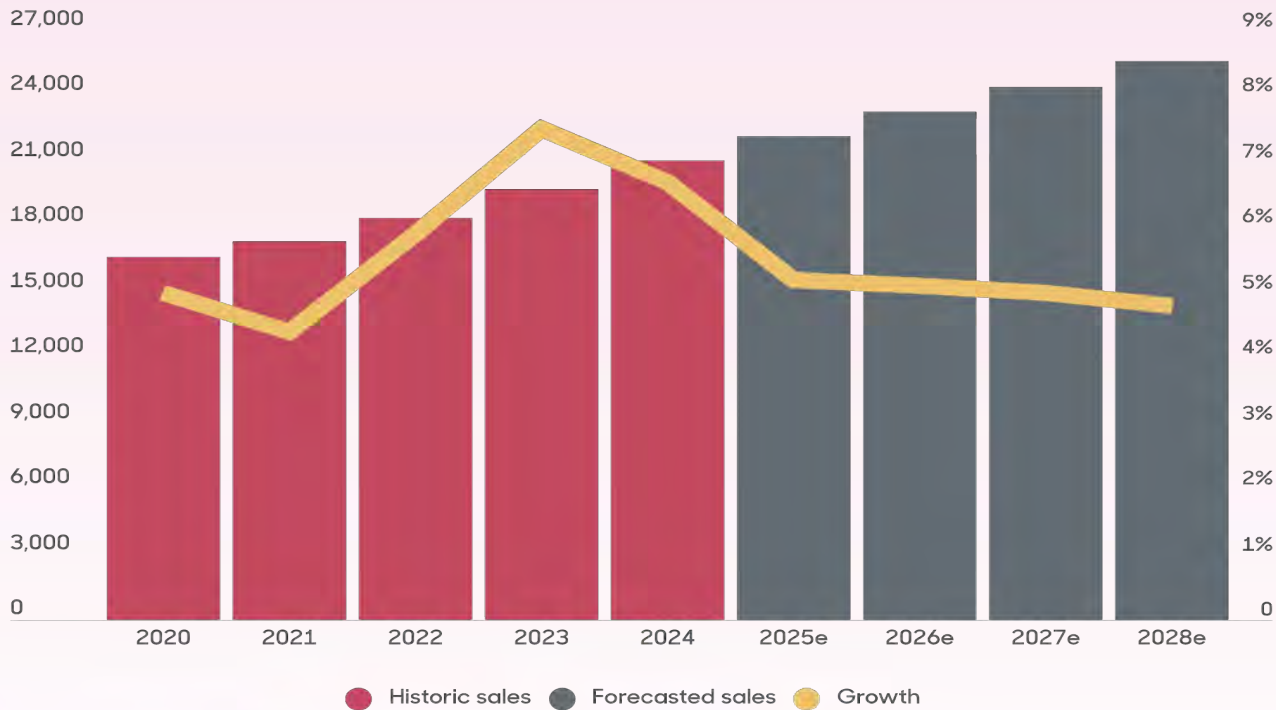


Supplement industry sales by category, 2024 \$69B Total

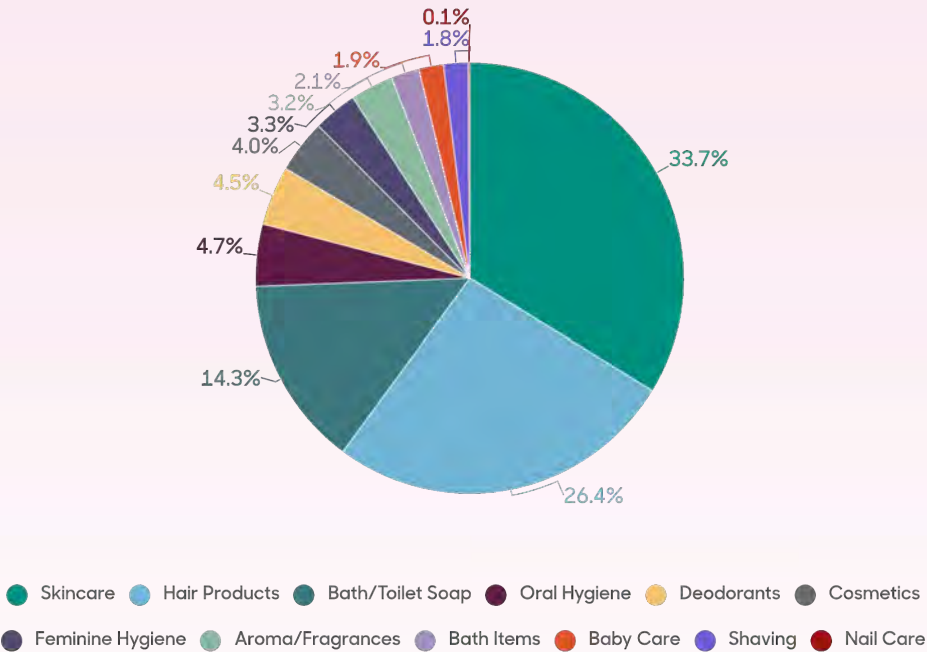


Natural and organic personal care grew 6.7% in 2024 to \$21B, driven by deodorant, oral hygiene and feminine care

Natural and organic personal care sales and growth, 2020-2028e



Natural and organic personal care sales by category, 2024



What's winning?

Looking at the top categories based on absolute dollar growth, it is **clear consumers are increasingly seeking products with high nutrient density, particularly protein.**

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|----------------------------------|--|
| 1. Yogurt & Plant-based Yogurt | 6. Protein Supplements & Meal Replacements |
| 2. Soda | 7. Jerky & Meat Snacks |
| 3. Eggs | 8. Dog Food |
| 4. Fresh Meat, Poultry & Seafood | 9. Deodorants & Antiperspirants |
| 5. Frz Meat, Poultry & Seafood | 10. Creams & Creamers |

9 of 10

categories are at the top for 2 years absolute growth

6 of 10

are in the top 10 for unit growth (including Eggs)

Strength in organic continues as consumers understand and trust the Organic seal

Across the store, **Organic sales outpaced non-Organic** in 2024 in both dollars and unit growth.

Organic Top Food & Bev Growth Categories

Surplus of Unit Growth of Organic over Non-Organic

Soda	+131 pts
Snack Bites & Energy Gels	+49 pts
RF Meat Poultry & Seafood Fresh	+39 pts
RF Pasta & Pizza Sauces	+29 pts
RF Plant-Based Milk	+28 pts
FZ Ice Cream & Novelties	+27 pts
Bacon & RF Breakfast Meats	+23 pts
Infant Formula & Toddler Nutr. Drink	+22 pts
Hot Dogs & Dinner Sausage	+19 pts
Wellness & Snack Bars	+17 pts

6%

Overall dollar growth of Organic products over the last year.

22%

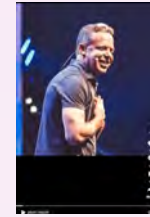
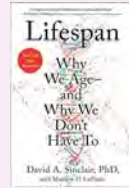
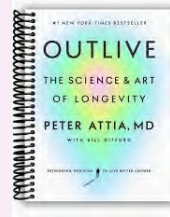
Percentage of Total Organic \$ that is Private Label. Private Label Organic dollar sales are growing at 3%.

79%

- Households buying Organic products as least 2x in the last year.
- On average, Organics are about 10% of the total basket \$ when present

Quality of life and holistic wellness has become integral to our “personal brand”

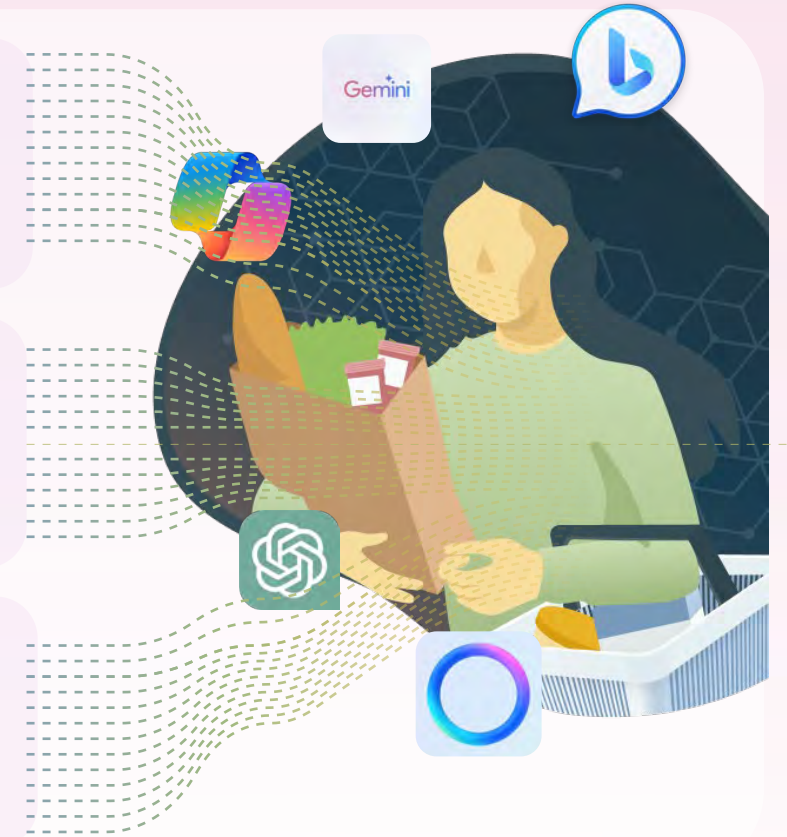
Revolution of the practitioner approach



Practical prevention & proactive planning for long game living



Incorporation of incremental elements



The Evolution of the Brain Health Category

Maria Shriver
Co-Founder
Mosh



State of Supplements

Thursday, March 6

10:30 a.m. PT-12:30 p.m. PT



“We are the first generation in human history to have access to information about our bodies 24/7, 365. Before, health data was locked away, only available when you went to the doctor. Now, we have wearables, AI, and cloud computing personalizing recommendations for each of us in real time. That is a seismic change in how we understand health.”

Biological age and beyond

The logical next step to thinking about healthspan—proteomic clocks etc. can serve as a check engine light for our health

Are you as old as you think you are? Your biological age can tell a different story

Chronological Age

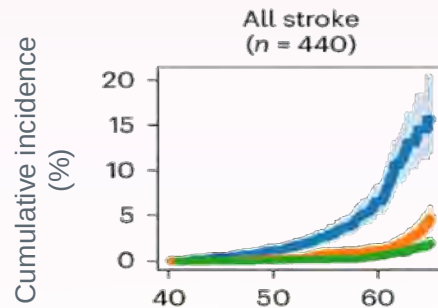
Age in years lived

ProtAge

Age calculated via plasma proteins

ProtAgeGap

Top 5% avg = 6.3 yrs older than chronological age
Bottom 5 % = 6 yrs younger than chronological age



ProtAgeGap

- Top 10%
- Median 10%
- Bottom 10%

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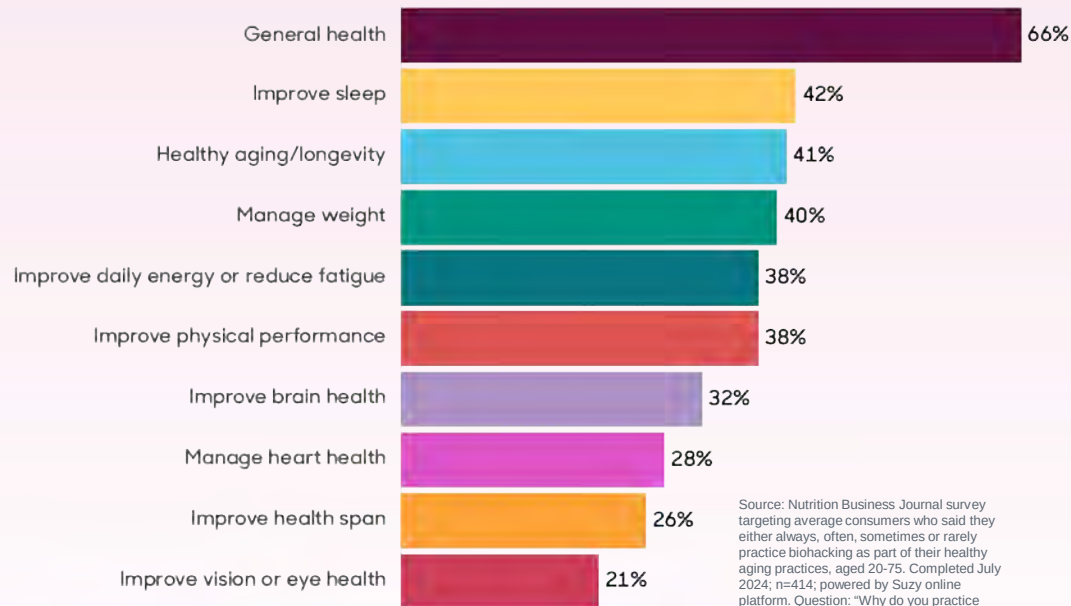
Top 10% of gap (older) had a higher incidence of strokes than bottom 10%

This study shows that for those that were recruited for the study at age 60, in the follow up period those in the Top 10% of ProtAgeGap (where their proteomic age was older than their chronological age) had a higher incidence of stroke vs. those in the Bottom 10%

Consumers Turn To “Biohacking”

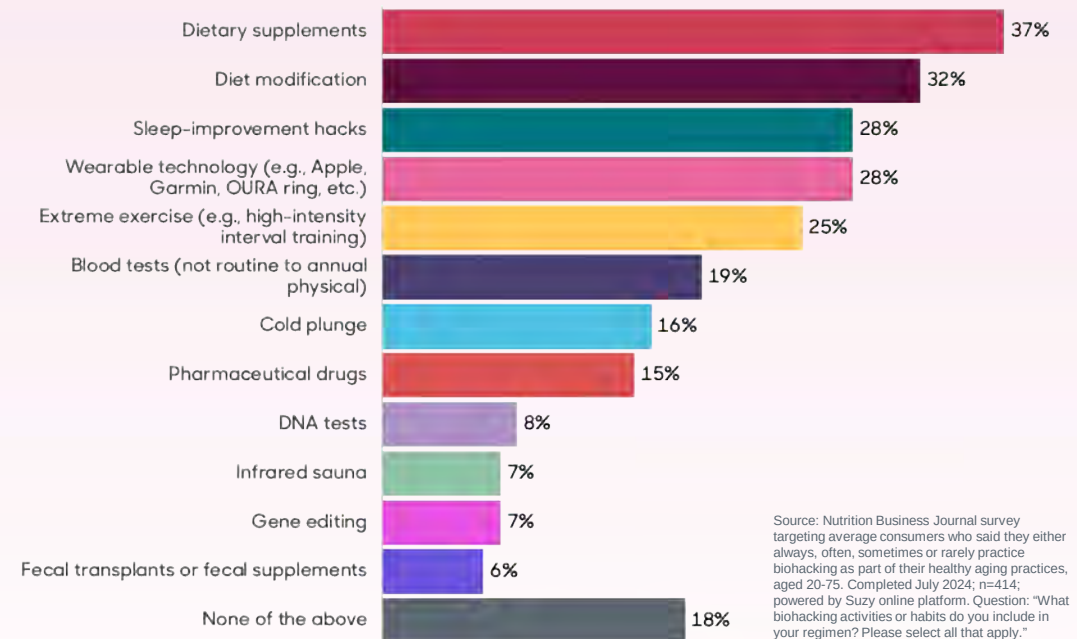
With consumers treating themselves as n=1 studies, routine adjustment happen in practically real time

Why customers practice biohacking as part of their health aging routine



Source: Nutrition Business Journal survey targeting average consumers who said they either always, often, sometimes or rarely practice biohacking as part of their healthy aging practices, aged 20-75. Completed July 2024; n=414; powered by Suzy online platform. Question: "Why do you practice biohacking? Please select all that apply."

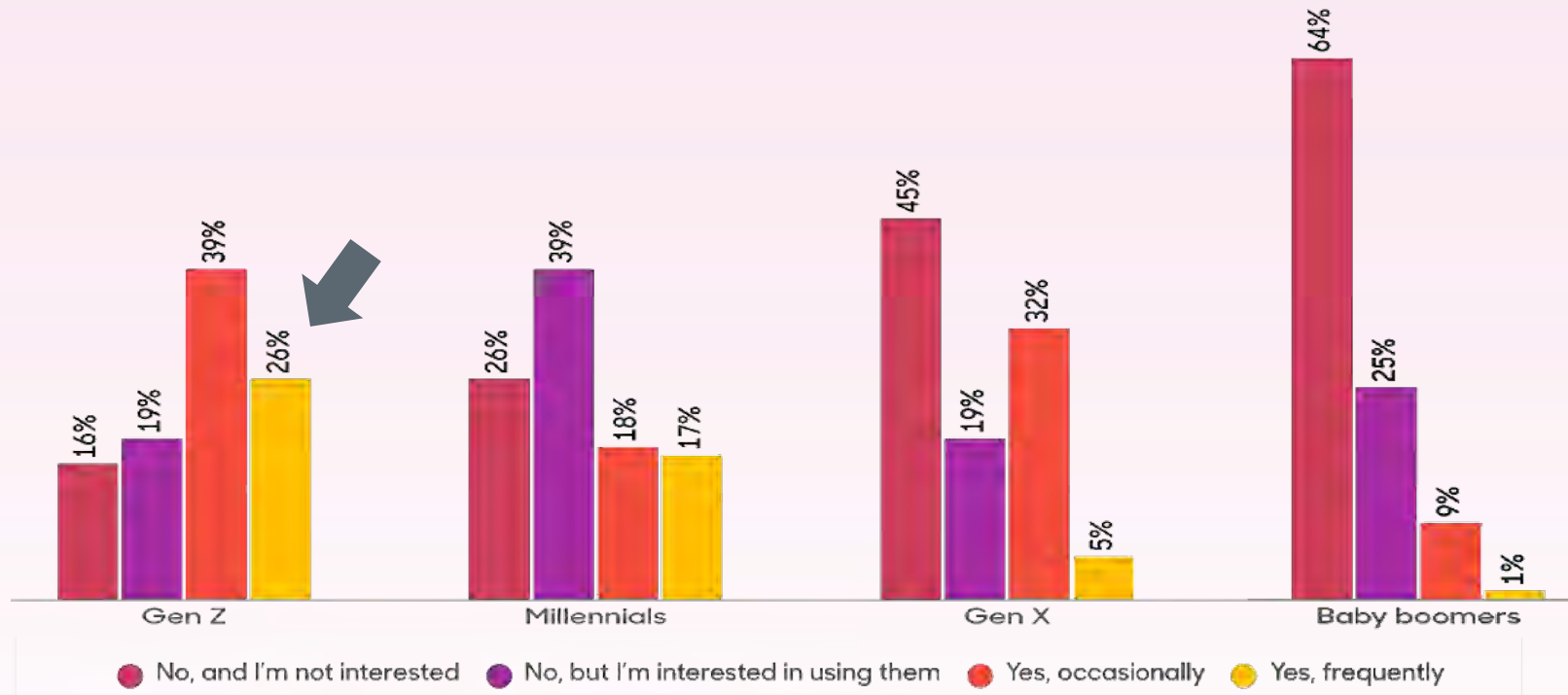
Top biohacking practices



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How consumers get information is changing rapidly

Consumer usage of Ai when making food and beverage purchase decisions, by generation

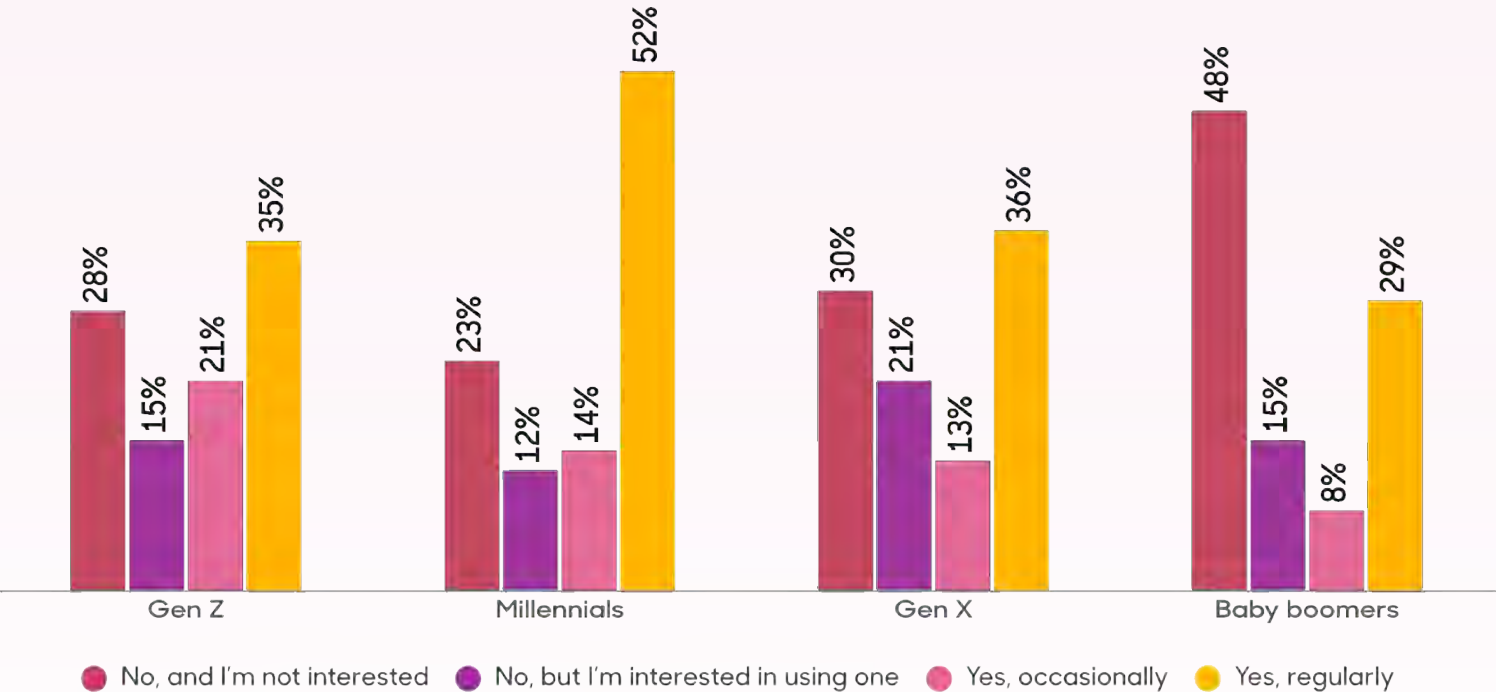


65% of Gen Z use AI for natural and organic food and beverage purchase decisions

We see **similar behavior with supplement consumers**, where 68% of Gen Z and 41% of Millennials are using AI

52% of consumers use wearables; Millennials driving consistent usage

Consumer usage of wearables, by generation



Fastest growing brand on Amazon



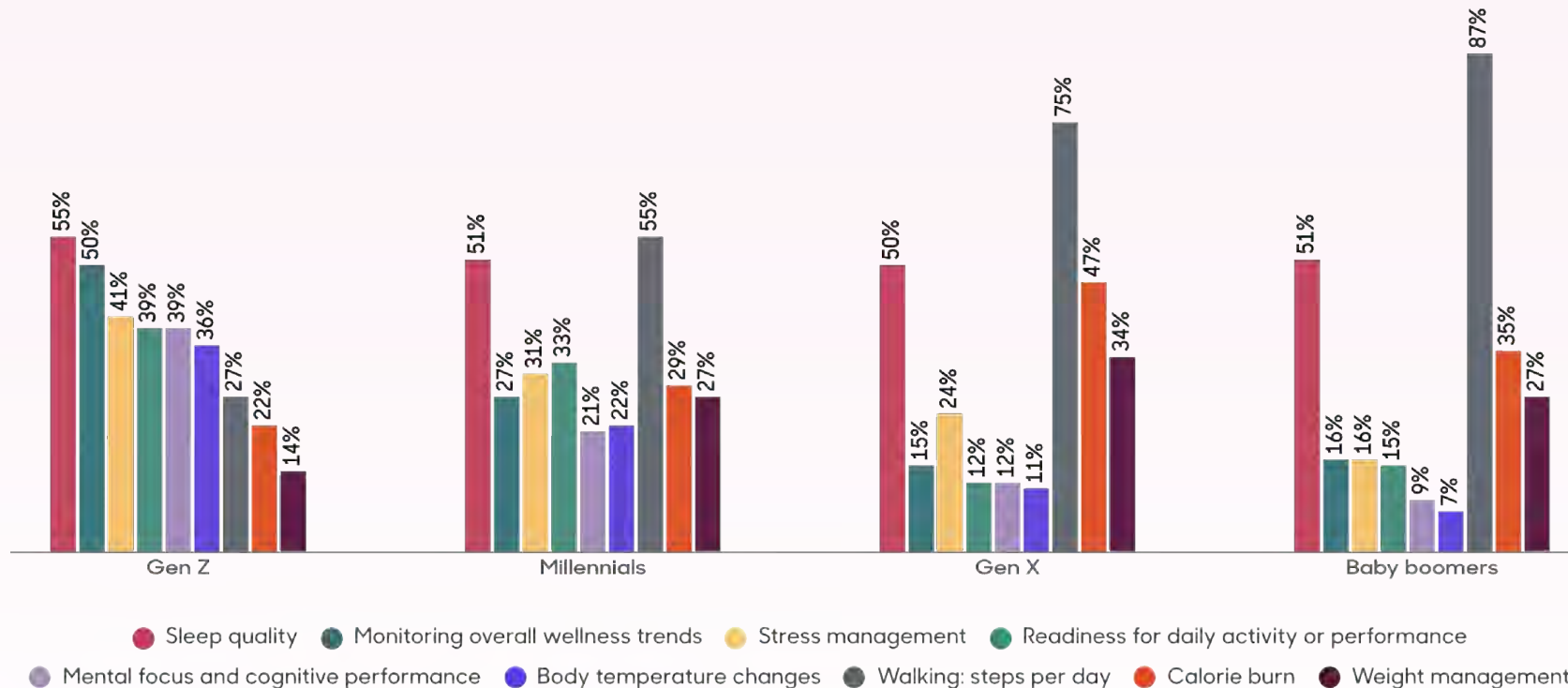
Nearly \$92 million in 2024

>100% Growth

Source: Stackline Amazon market measurement data

Consumer use of wearables is evolving beyond steps towards comprehensive health management

Top health metrics consumers are tracking with wearables, by generation



52% of consumers using wearables for sleep tracking

Gen Z: Using wearables for more biohacking practices than older generations.

Sleep, overall wellness, stress management, readiness and mental/cognitive performance..

Millennials: sleep, steps, readiness, stress, calories burned

The Empowered Consumer: Increased Resources for Consumers to Independently Manage their Own Wellness

Wellness data now widely-available to consumers

Advent of **wearables** and **tracking** technology inform consumers of tailored wellness needs



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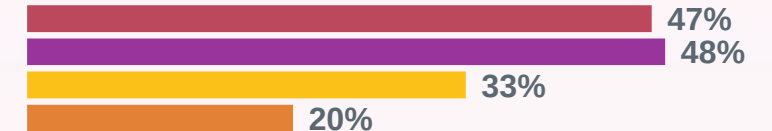


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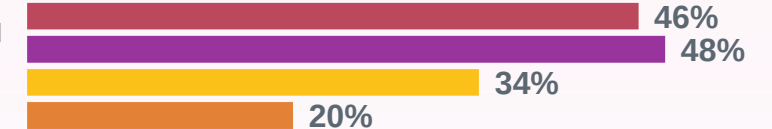
Openness to new tools that allow consumers to make use of available wellness data¹

■ Gen Z ■ Millennials ■ Gen X ■ Boomers

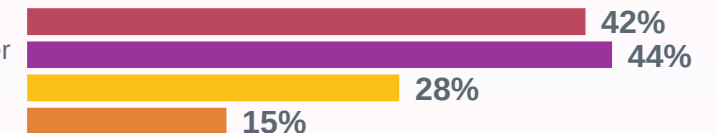
Would accept a product recommendation from their AI assistant (e.g., Siri on iPhone, Amazon Alexa, etc..)



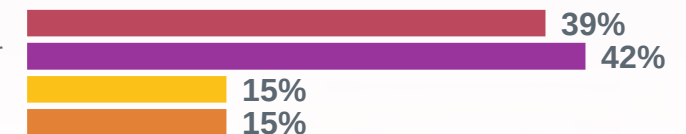
Would leverage AI to automate and speed up their everyday shopping decisions



Would allow 'smart' devices (e.g., fridge sensor) to automatically order new products when required

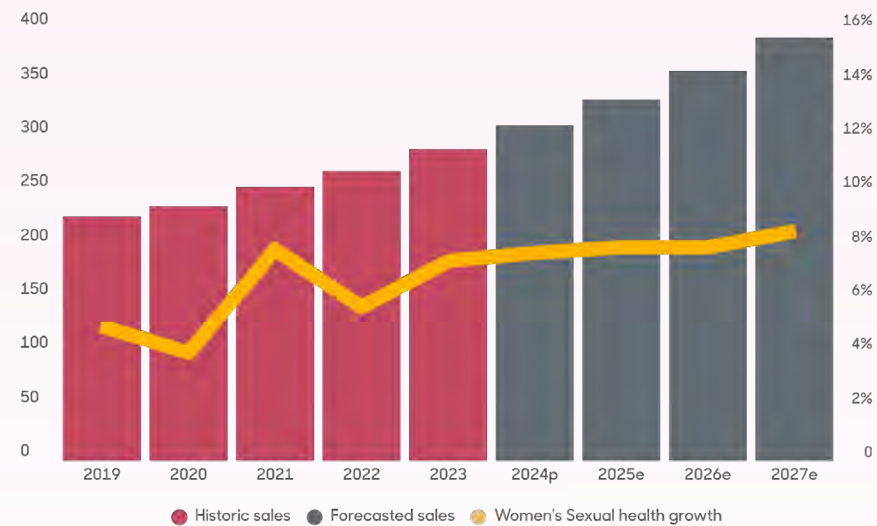


Would purchase a product or service they have only examined or experienced through augmented reality or virtual reality



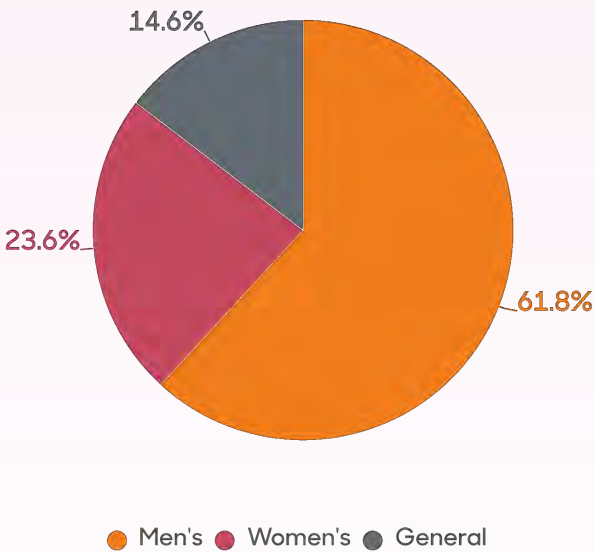
Hormone-related health products remain key growth opportunity for more personalized solutions, as awareness and research catch up

Women's Sexual Health supplement sales and growth, 2019-2027e



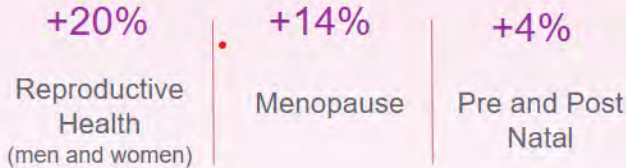
Source: Nutrition Business Journal (\$mil, customer sales)

Sexual Health supplement sales by gender, 2024



Source: Nutrition Business Journal

Sales growth of supplements with specific Health Focus

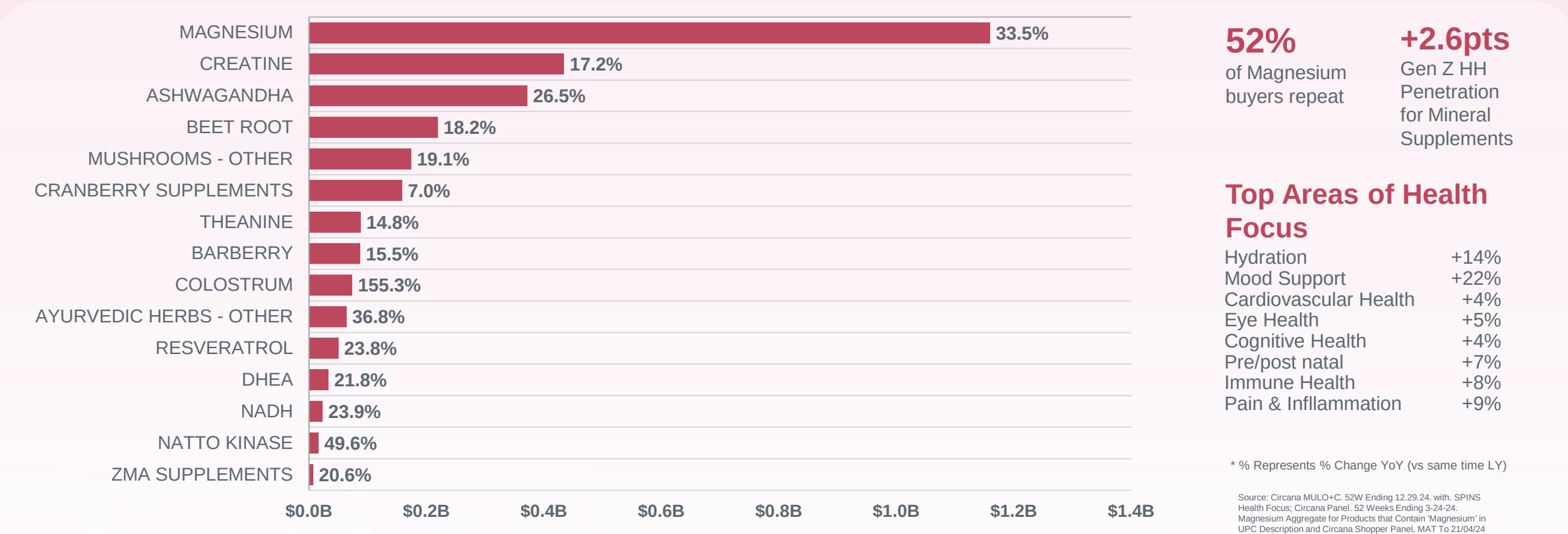


Over 200 new items have been introduced in Reproductive Health over the last year

Source: SPINS Total US Natural Expanded Channel + MultiOutlet (powered by Circana), 52 Weeks Ending 1.26.2025; SPINS Health Focus attribute

Consumers are looking for solutions for their specific needs

Supplements are experiencing growth with consumers looking for particular ingredients for daily regimens



Source for Ingredients: SPINS Natural Channel, Amazon, Convenience & Multi-Outlet (MULO) (Powered by Circana)
Dept: Vitamins & Supplements, Attribute: Functional Ingredients, 52 Weeks Ending 12/29/24



New Hope NETWORK

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Choosing what to eat has personalized meaning grounded in nutrition and lifestyle.

Consumers continue to look to foods to improve health

Total Sugars ←

Sodium ←

Total Carbs ←

Dietary Fiber →

Protein →

Vitamins & Minerals →

30-30-3 is Trending

Protein, Fiber, Probiotics

This diet is just one example of consumers tracking their macros and key nutrients for health.

Consumers are looking for **low and no sugar** options:

18% | \$234M

<0.5g Sugar
Shelf Stable
Cookies

50% | \$615M

<0.5g Sugar
Jerky and Meat
Snacks

+347%
\$13M

>15g Protein in Hot Cereal

+768%
\$15M

Fiber in RTD Tea and Coffee

+150%
\$26M

Probiotics as a Functional Ingredient

Protein reigns as a key to health aging

Consumers are supplementing overall beyond meal occasions for more protein;
GLP-1 users often actively seek protein to support their nutrition needs

Protein Supplements & Meal Replacements

\$9.7B +11% Chg vs Yago
+31% Chg vs 2 Yr Ago

+23% Natural protein supplements driving growth

+46% Especially natural liquid protein supplements



Animal and plant protein products in each of these categories have **gained over a full point in household penetration over the last year**. The majority of households are repeat buyers and growing.

Consumers are shifting to higher levels of protein in their choices

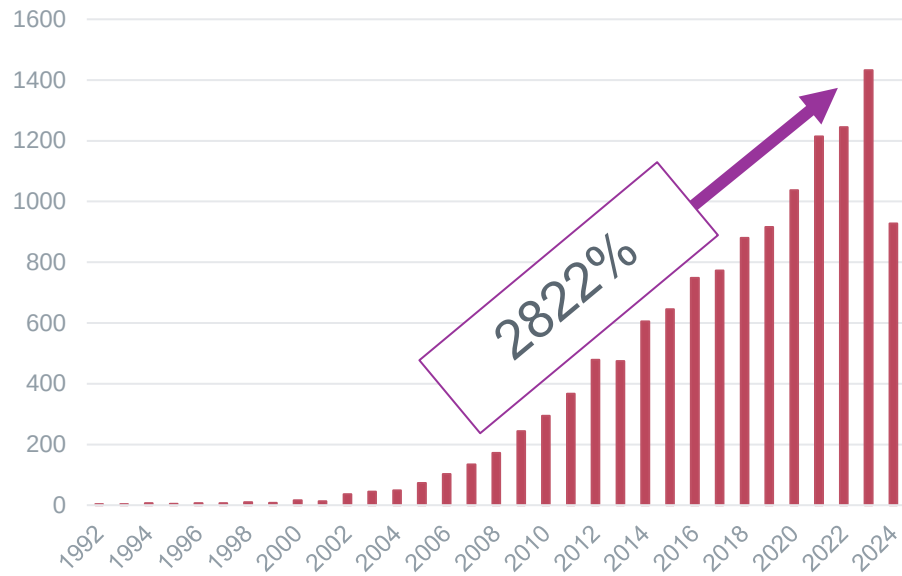
Sales growth over prior year

	< 15g/serving	15g +/serving
Wellness Bars	-8%	-0%
Chips, Pretzels, Snacks	-3%	+35%
Yogurt	5%	+25%

+65%
Growth of 25 -30g
Yogurt & Plant-based Yogurt

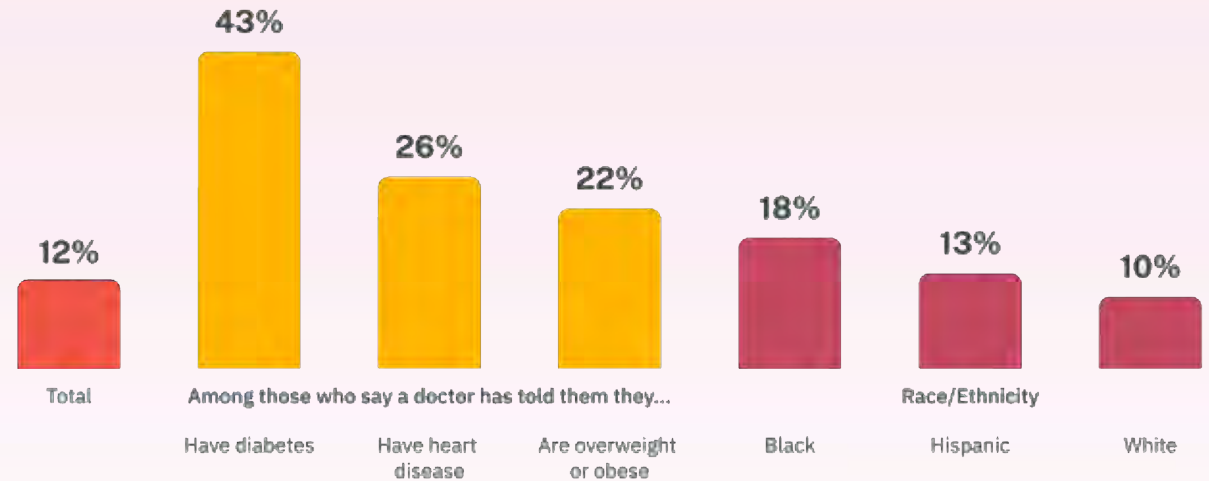
We Cannot Underestimate the Likely Impact of Glp-1s, Particularly With the Likely Approval of Oral Versions

Publications on pubmed*: search term "GLP-1 RA"



*all types of publications, not indicative of results or quality

One in eight adults say they have ever used GLP-1 drugs, rising to four in ten among adults who have been diagnosed with diabetes. This number will continue to increase.



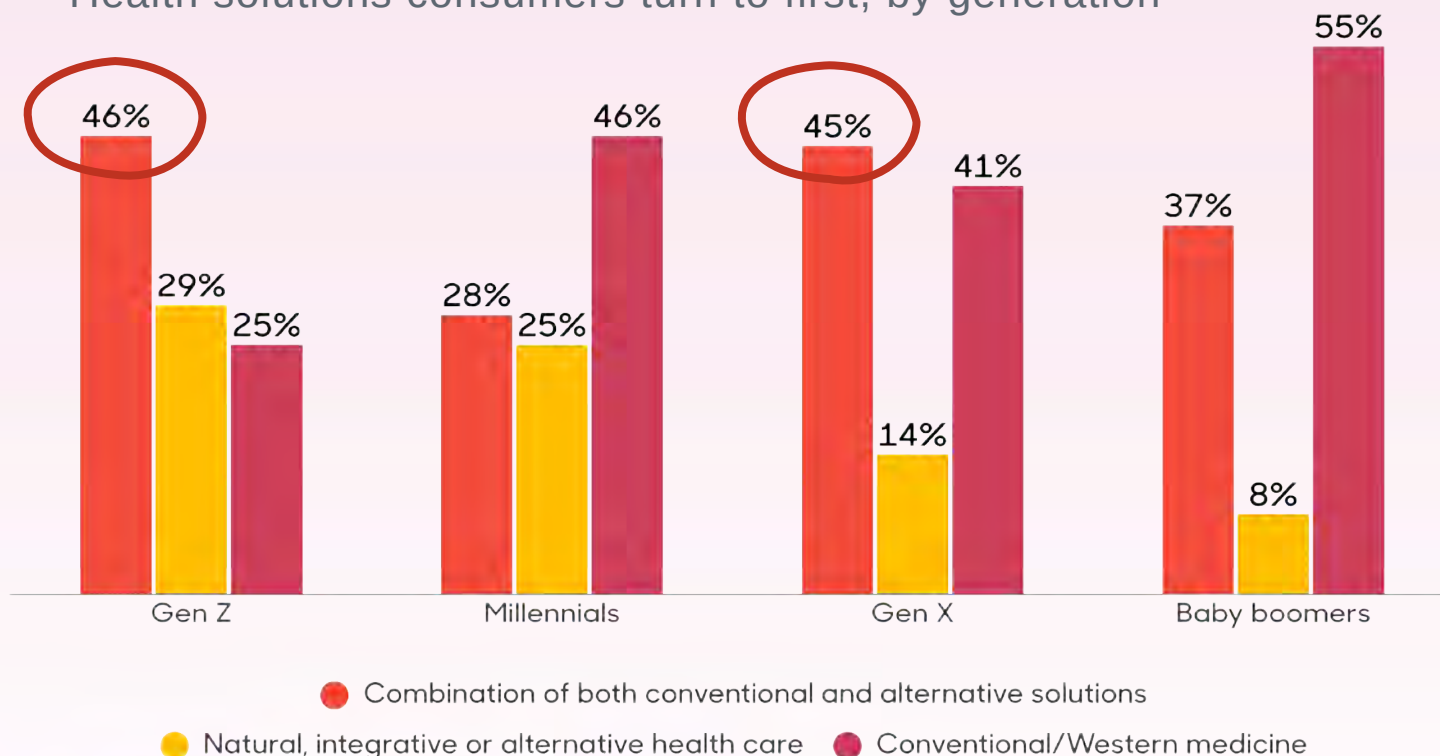
Percent who say they have ever used GLP-1 agonist drugs to lose weight or treat a chronic condition such as diabetes or heart disease:

Source: KFF Health Tracking Poll, May 2024:
The Public's Use and Views of GLP-1 Drugs

Empowerment Through Personalization

Consumers blending conventional and natural solutions based on their specific needs

Health solutions consumers turn to first, by generation



39% of consumers turn to a balance of natural and conventional medicine when seeking health solutions.

Gen Z driving this flexitarian approach.

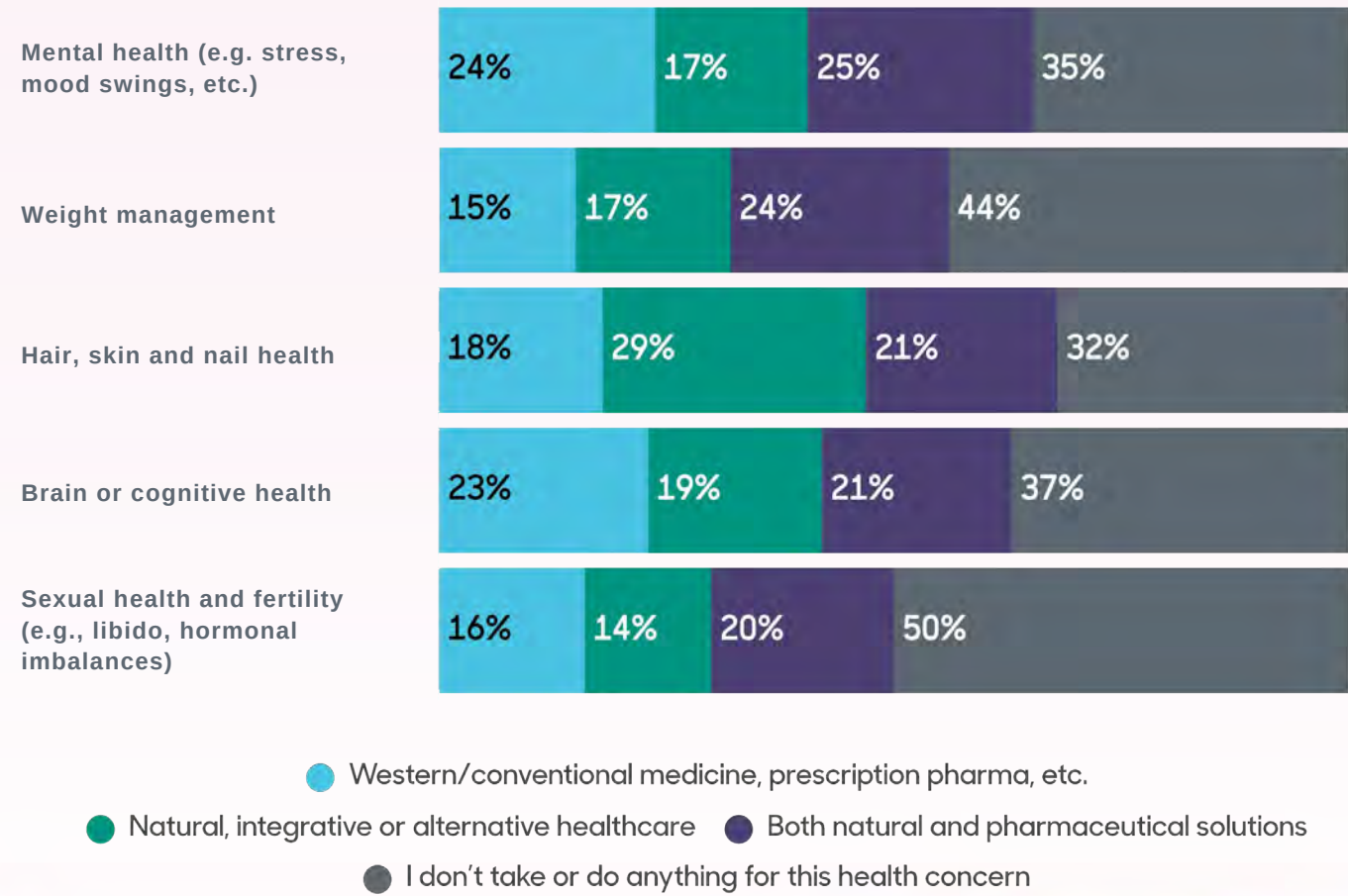
Boomers most likely to only use conventional

Empowerment
Through Personalization

This balance
between
conventional
and natural is
true for most
health concerns

More consumers are choosing both
natural and conventional for mental
health, weight management and
hormonal health.

Types of treatment or medicine supplement
consumers turn to first in trending conditions



Source: Nutrition Business Journal surveys targeting supplement consumers; aged 19-75. Completed July 2024; N=1,015; powered by the Suzy online platform. Question: "Please select the category that best describes which type of medicine or treatment you first turn to when managing the following health concerns."



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Polling question:

Which 'healthspan'-related innovation area represents the greatest opportunity for the CPG industry?

- a. Biohacking and personalization
- b. Protein-packed everything
- c. Non-alcoholic beverages
- d. Metabolic health support

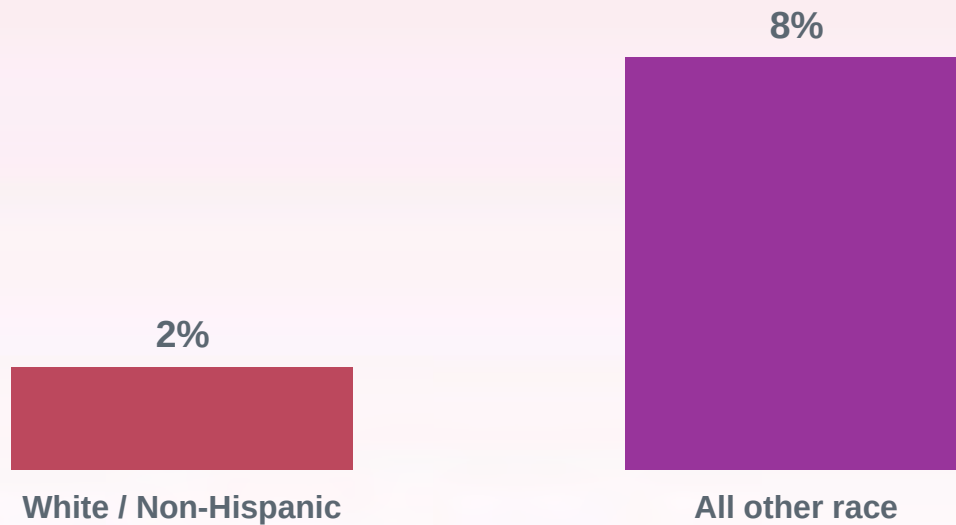


Consumer Population Growth Fueled by Diverse Segments

Non-white consumer population outgrowing white among retail shoppers¹

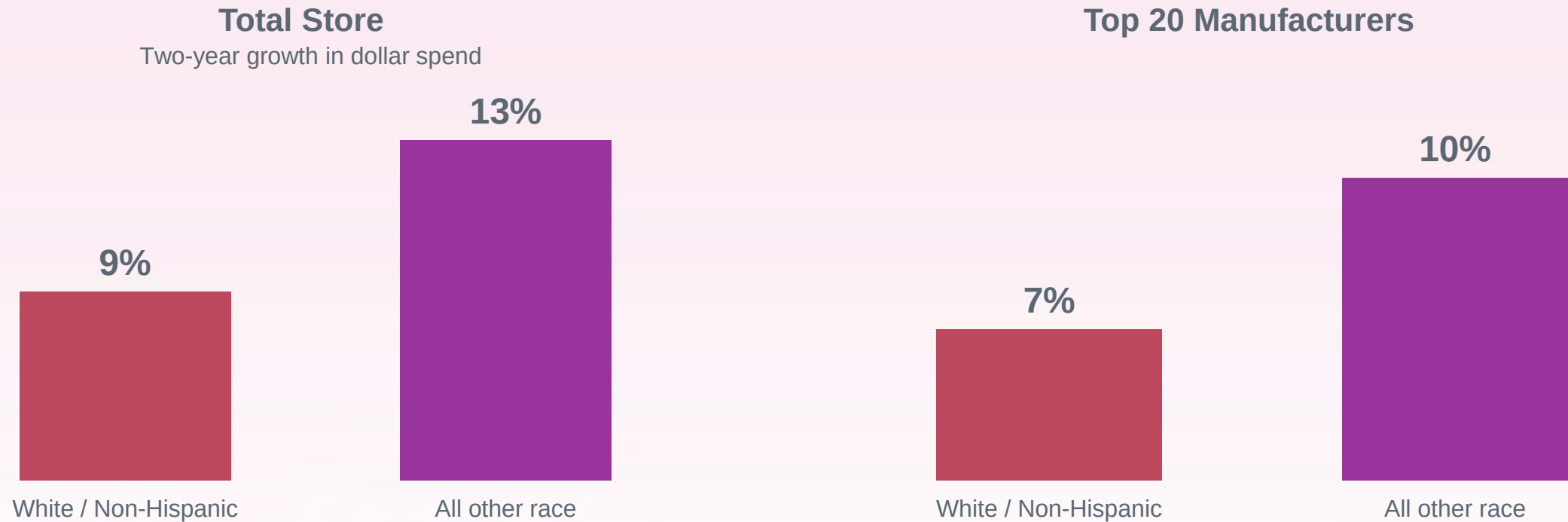
Two-year growth in buyer population

Total Store



Largest Dollar Growth Coming from Non-White Consumers

Brands targeting diverse customer sets showing outsized growth¹



Food as an experiment and experience

TikTok trending:

Viral recipes in 2024 teasing food as an experience are highlighting non-traditional textures bring a spirit of fun and experimentation

Tanghulu



Tanghulu in 5 minutes using the microwave ...

createwit... 180.3K

Rice Paper Croissant



this is a 10/10 #ricepapercroissant...

misojenki... 131.2K

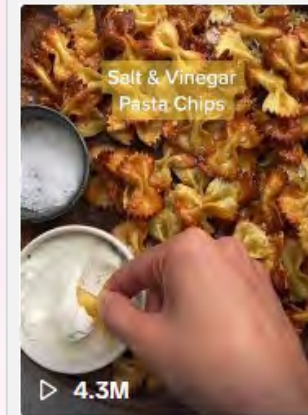
Cheese Pickle



Has anyone else tried this? Are there any...

handcrew... 68.8K

Pasta Chips



Here's another variation of #pastachips - salt...

feelgoo... 309.1K

Dubai Chocolate



First time trying the viral Dubai chocolate bar ...

jacksdi... 333.7K

Flavor and texture experiences create adventure and connection

New combinations, eliminating the ethnic aisle and redefining the notion of fusion

Who Can Take More Heat

Create unique snacking occasions

Serrano Peppers:	Banana Pepper:	Chipotle Peppers:
+14%	+10%	+17%
		

Bringing Unexpected Adventure

New textures are shaking up categories with a novel experience

What's on the texture horizon?



Peel-able Gummies



Sour-coated Frozen Grapes



Crunchy Take on Beef Jerky



Crunchy Snack with Creamy Filling

Source: SPINS Satori. Select Savory Flavor Attributes across Rf & Grocery. 52 Weeks ending 8.11.2024Total US- Natural Channel and MULO powered by IRI.

New Salinity Sources

Sodium as rehydration mechanism in sweet flavors along with spicy salinity will accelerate

Farmstand Favorites

Sun-Dried Tomato: +14%
Heirloom Tomato will be the next popular flavor variation

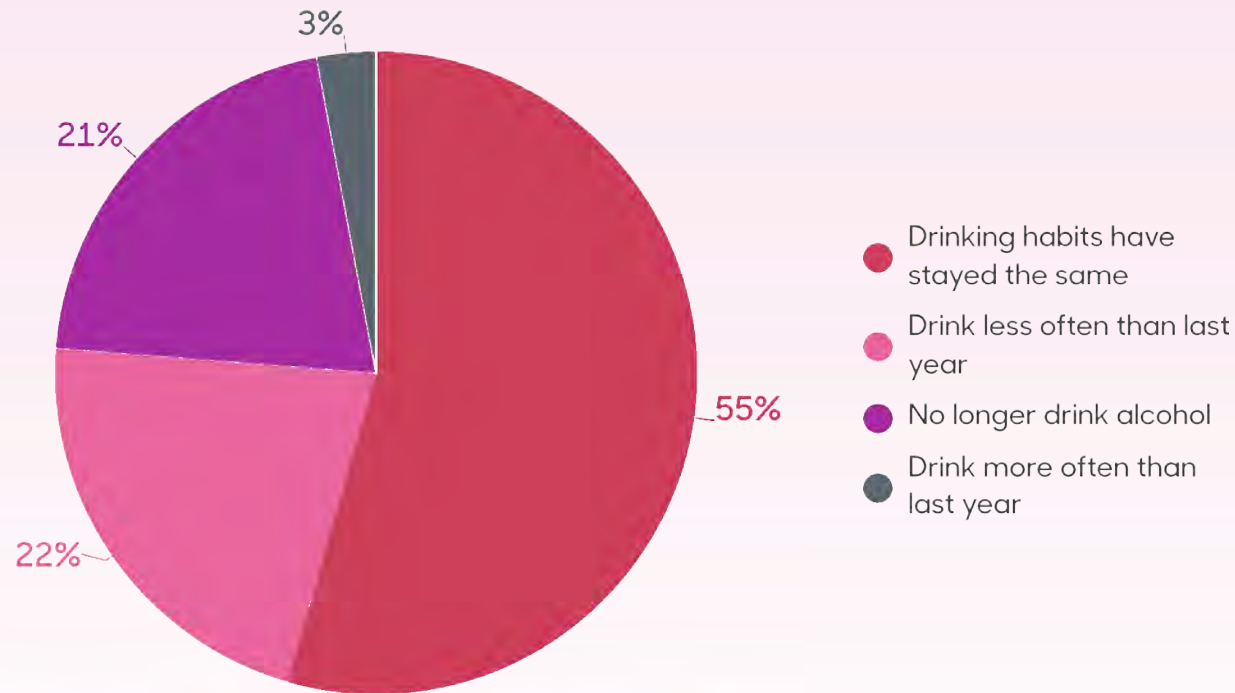
More Umami

Parmesan: +5%
A familiar way to amp up the flavor

Source: SPINS Satori. Attribute Growth Across Categories. 52 Weeks ending 01.24.2025 .Total US- Natural Channel and MULO powered by IRI.

Non-alcoholic products are delivering novel flavors and aligning with healthy, vibrant lifestyles

How alcohol consumption has changed compared to last year



43% of consumers drink less often or not at all compared to this time last year

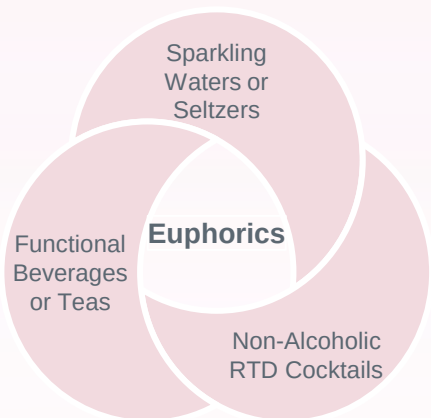
Driven by more female consumers than men. 28% of women claim they no longer drink alcohol, doubling the amount of male respondents (14%).

Both Millennials (24%) and Gen X (28%) over-index on drinking less often. 69% of Gen Z habits have stayed the same.

A new wave of beverages helps buyers lift their spirits, without any spirits

Consumers are looking outside of alcohol for ways to elevate their mood, enhance their mind, or achieve a temporary buzz; Relying on natural ingredients to lift or relax, without the hangover.

What makes these beverages euphoric?



Top Ingredient:
Ashwagandha



Top
Ingredient:
Theanine

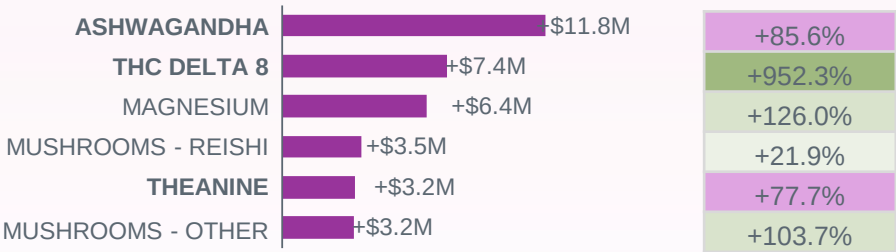


Top Ingredient:
THC Delta 8

Largest Growing Functional Ingredients Across Euphoric Beverage Brands

By Absolute \$ Growth

\$ % Change vs YA



Sodas that target gut health continue to grow >125% and euphoric brands are entering the category

Definition of “Euphoric Beverages” includes any items in Functional Beverages Other or Sparkling Waters that contain one of 20 specified functional ingredients with calming benefits, nootropics, adaptogenic properties, etc/ Source: SPINS Natural, MULO & Convenience (Powered by Circana) 52 WE 01.26.25

Non-Alcoholic Analogs in the Alcohol Category

With every single subcategory reporting an increase in sales, the non-alcoholic choices in Alcohol are experiencing stellar growth

Ranked by volume

CATEGORY – Non-Alc	\$, % CHG	UNITS, % CHG
Beer	+24%	+21%
Flavored Malt Bev. & Other	+119%	+83%
White Wine	+47%	+39%
RTD Cocktails	+73%	+64%
Sparkling Wine	+36%	+27%
Red Wine	+112%	+105%
Spirits & Liquor	+67%	+79%
Blush & Rose Wine	+70%	+68%
Hard Cider	+484%	+480%
Fortified & Other Spec. Wine	+55%	+58%

Non-Alc Total in Alcohol:

+32% in dollars from year ago

<1% of Alcohol sales is non-alcohol

Total Alcohol is declining:

-0.5% in dollars from year ago

Consumer-Driven Innovation In Action



Dax Shepard
Co-Founder
Ted Segers



Aaron Weakley
Co-Founder
Ted Segers



Daniel Scharff
Founder
Startup CPG

Polling question:

Which beverage trend will experience the most growth in 2025?

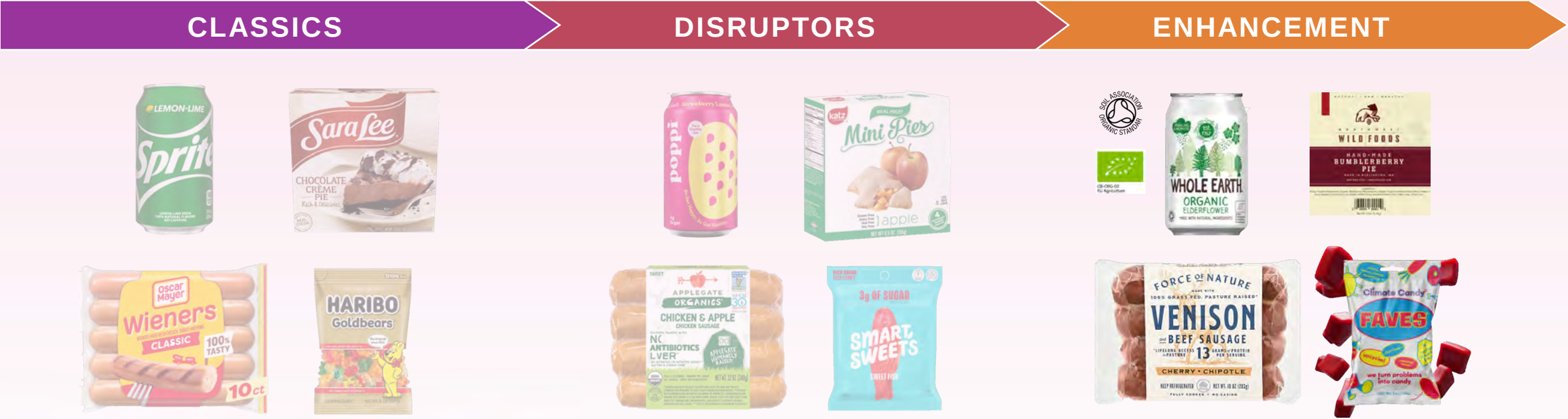
- a. Energy beverages
- b. Non-alcoholic beer, wine and spirits
- c. Low-sugar/whole food sweeteners
- d. Relaxation beverages



Leading with purpose:

The Evolution of CPG: Sustainably Driven Innovation

From conventional classics to natural disruptors, **companies are now setting a new bar with sustainable products** as the next level of enhancing how we eat.



More product formulations and novel ingredients are emerging across the store that promote health and nutrition while curbing climate change.



+44.8%

Kernza
Pantry



+12.1%

Controlled Environment
Agriculture Produce



+8.0%

Vital Clean Body Care
Oral Care



+20.0%

Certified Regenerative
Food & Bev & Supps

Purpose-driven brands are looking to the future with a commitment towards sustainability and future generations even if the consumer isn't yet demanding it



Sustainable Fruit, Seeds, & Grains



Kid-Positioned Product Growth



Packaging Reinvented



When it comes to sustainability, retailers are already making commitments and getting ready

Areas of focus and commitment

- ✓ Waste Diversion
- ✓ Emissions Reduction
- ✓ Sustainable packaging
- ✓ Sustainable sourcing
- ✓ Pesticide use
- ✓ Efficient refrigeration

meijer

- ✓ Hit its 2025 sustainability goal of cutting carbon emissions by 50% one year ahead of schedule!

- ✓ Private Label pledge
- ✓ 100% recyclable, reusable or compostable

Kroger

giant eagle

Ahold Delhaize

- ✓ Reducing Waste and Increasing Food Recovery

meijer

Kroger

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- ✓ Strong produce requirements for pesticide avoidance.

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WHOLE FOODS MARKET

- ✓ Carbon-negative store operations.
- ✓ Regenerative Agriculture & Supply Chain

PCC COMMUNITY MARKETS

Ahold Delhaize

- ✓ Transition to natural refrigerants across all locations
- ✓ Carbon reduction and climate neutrality

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Introducing the Purpose Pledge



David Bronner



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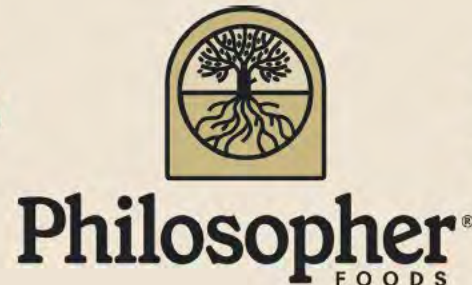
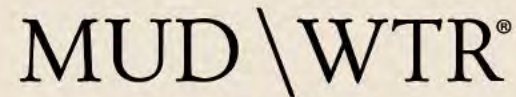
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Pilot Companies



10 Commitments

1. Product Quality
2. Independent Governance
3. Supply Web Integrity
4. Fair & Balanced Compensation
5. Living Wage
6. Inclusion
7. Community Engagement
8. Climate Positive
9. Circularity for Zero Waste
10. Capability Building





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Ask the Experts

Thursday, March 6

9:30am-11:00am

Hilton Pacific Ballroom A

Polling question:

In which of the 10 purpose pledge commitment areas do you believe your company has the most room to improve ?

- a. Product quality
- b. Independent governance
- c. Supply web integrity
- d. Fair and balanced compensation
- e. Living wage
- f. Inclusion
- g. Community engagement
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