PLMA 2021 Live From Chicago!



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PLMA's Private Label Trade Show November 14-16

Presented by the Private Label Manufacturers Association

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PRIVATE LABEL IS STRONGER THAN EVER

In the face of the most extreme shifts in grocery purchasing ever seen in the U.S., store brands grew by double digits in 2020 and maintained their dollar and unit market shares across all outlets.

In figures provided exclusively to PLMA by NielsenIQ, during 2020, private label dollar sales in supermarkets increased by 13.2%, or \$8.5 billion; and in the mass channel, which consists of mass merchandisers, discounters and club stores, among other formats, sales grew by 11.7%, or \$8.1 billion. The improvement for unit volume in the two channels was also robust: in supermarkets, units sold were ahead 7.1%, and in mass, units moved up 8.2%.

Kara Sheesley of NielsenlQ, added that as "proof that purchase of private label was ingrained in U.S. consumer behavior, fully 99% of households bought private label last year. And compared to 2016, there are 13% more private label items on shelves now across all grocery retailing."

She said 23% of all grocery dollar sales in 2020 landed in the private label column, including 78% of sales in the value channel. When all channels are counted, it's estimated last year's record store brand sales totalled \$200 billion.

PLMA is back!

The PLMA private label trade show will return to its traditional in-person format in November. The dynamism and vitality of our in-person show enables all participants — retailers, exhibitors and visitors — to see, taste, smell, feel and experience products first-hand; and engage in the treasure hunt aspect that is such a big part of our annual Chicago event.



Attendees can also build their professional teams and networks in a familiar and natural setting. The opportunities to create new, one-on-one relationships will be vast. We are expecting more than 2,000 exhibit booths and some 5,000 visitors overall. So welcome back! Live from Chicago: It's PLMA's 2021 trade show.

A trade show that offers an in-person experience and a lot to learn

Much has happened since the last time we saw each other face-to-face. While we all coped with the pandemic, the American grocery industry was challenged and revolutionized. It more than stepped up to meet the unprecedented consumer demand for essential goods and services.

Private label was a big part of the solution, too, expanding its manufacturing capacity and recasting the supply chain in collaboration with its retail partners. The double-digit sales increases for store brands during 2020, as reported to PLMA by NielsenIQ, is testimony to the products' popularity and key role during the period.

Learn about changes important to your business

Information is power and a competitive advantage. Year after year, the PLMA trade show floor is the best place to learn first-hand about important industry news. Talking informally with fellow attendees is often the most effective way to make sure you are always up to date on developments in retailing in general and the store brands business in particular.

And, as usual, PLMA will also offer formal programs and presentations on a wide range of emerging trends and developments you need to know more about. Among the areas where important trends occurred were a new generation of innovative food and nonfood products, inventive ingredients and formulations, consumer demographics and changing shopping behaviors, advancements in packaging and materials, state-of-the-art home delivery systems and formats, creative and productive digital merchandising and marketing, and a faster and more responsive supply chain, among other key facets of the grocery industry.

SAFETY FIRST The Convention Center in

The Convention Center, in collaboration with the Rosemont Department of Public Safety, health professionals and PLMA, will be implementing best practices at the venue to provide a safe and secure environment for trade show participants.

All state regulations and trade show mandates must be followed and will be updated as needed. Be assured that PLMA will provide essential updates in regard to safety protocols and all related concerns on a timely basis as the show approaches.





Live From Chicago!

So, as we look beyond the pandemic, opportunities lay ahead for all players in the American grocery space. Come to PLMA's trade show in Chicago this November and learn where you and your company stand right now and how you can compete and prosper in this everchanging environment.

SPOTLIGHT ON HOT PRODUCT TRENDS

Healthy Lifestyle

Plant-based, free-from, and CBD, among other better-for-you product attributes, continue to be areas building a loyal following among health-conscious shoppers in all demographics who are seeking wellness solutions. Those suppliers who can deliver private label in these categories are in high demand by retailers of all sizes throughout the country.

Beauty & Cosmetics

Retailers want products that cater to younger shoppers, the Instagram and Tik Tok generation. Private label cosmetics and self-care are burgeoning



categories where retailers can differentiate themselves with innovative product offerings and experiences.

Kitchenware

Families and school children are now spending more time at home cooking and entertaining together. Cookware and bakeware are an integral part of that changing domestic lifestyle, and retailers in grocery and other channels are adding

store brand SKUs for a wide array of kitchen essentials, tools and gadgets to meet the growing demand.

Foodservice

Over the past year, consumers who were largely locked out of the restaurant sector discovered the value and even fun of creating their own high-end cuisine at home with products from their supermarkets and other food stores. Grocery and convenience channels are now doubling down on investments in foodservice in order to provide those restaurant-quality meals and meal parts, appealing to consumers' newfound appetites as well as holding on to 2020 sales gains.

Sustainable Packaging

Shoppers love packaging convenience and portable packaging for food on-thego, but they also want what's good for the environment, including source reduction, fewer plastics, more recycled materials and newer sustainable technologies. Suppliers operating in this realm are bound to be popular stops for retailers at the PLMA Show.

Flavors and Ingredients

New flavors and exotic ingredients, once trendy, have gone mainstream. Whether it's in ethnic tastes, superfoods or functional beverages, good private label starts with good ingredients.

Pet Care

An estimated \$110 billion will be spent on pets this year, and pet food premiumization is capturing consumers wallets. Retailers are expanding their store brand lines to leverage this market.



International products from far and near

Products with international flair are booming across the U.S., bringing greater excitement and color to retail shelves.
Retailers are seeking sources - whether domestic or import - for authentic-style international foods, and even non foods.
They are sure to find them throughout the vibrant show floor as well as the numerous national pavilions.

Announcing PLMA Global: Our exclusive online trade show option

Complementing the in-person private label trade show in November, PLMA will offer PLMA Global, an online event to be held in January 2022. PLMA Global will permit buyers from around the world who could not travel to Chicago to connect with

exhibitors through video calls, business card exchanges, and other communications tools.

Buyers who visit the November 2021 show will also be able to use PLMA Global, enabling them to follow up with exhibitors they met or planned to meet. Plus: PLMA Global will remain fully accessible to all retailers and wholesalers through April 2022. See back cover for more details.

REGISTER NOW! E-mail exhibit@plma.com or telephone (212) 972-3131.

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PLMA's Who's Who of **Retailers and Wholesalers**



Here is a sample of the buyers you can meet at the show.

Supermarkets and Food Retailers

AHOLD DELHAIZE USA ALBERTSONS COMPANIES ALDI, INC. ANGELO CAPUTO'S FRESH MARKETS BASHAS' BERKOT'S SUPER FOODS BIG Y FOODS **BRISTOL FARMS BROOKSHIRE BROTHERS BROOKSHIRE GROCERY BUTERA MARKET** DOROTHY LANE MARKETS FAIRWAY MARKET FIESTA MART FOOD BAZAAR SUPERMARKETS THE FRESH MARKET FRESH THYME FARMERS MARKET **GIANT EAGLE GROCERY OUTLET** HARMON'S GROCERY HARRIS TEETER H-E-B GROCERY COMPANY HEINEN'S FINE FOODS **HMART** HY-VEE **INGLES MARKETS** JETRO CASH & CARRY K-VA-T FOOD STORES KEY FOOD STORES KINGS/BALDUCCI'S KOWALSKI'S MARKETS THE KROGER CO. LIDL US LOWES FOODS LUND FOOD HOLDINGS METROPOLITAN MARKET MOM'S ORGANIC MARKET NATURAL GROCERS NORTHGATE GONZALEZ MARKET PLAZA LOIZA SUPERMARKETS PRICE CHOPPER **PUBLIX** RALEY'S RIDLEY'S FAMILY MARKETS ROCHE BROS. ROUNDY'S **ROUSES MARKETS** SAVE MART SUPERMARKETS SAVE A LOT **SCHNUCKS** SOUTHEASTERN GROCERS SULLIVAN FAMILY OF COMPANIES SUPERMERCADOS SELECTOS TOPS MARKETS TRADER JOE'S WEGMANS FOOD MARKETS WEIS MARKETS WESTERN BEEF WHOLE FOODS MARKETS

WINCO FOODS **Club Stores**

BJ'S WHOLESALE CLUB COSTCO WHOLESALE SAM'S CLUB

Drug Chains

CVS HEALTH DISCOUNT DRUG MART HARMON FACE VALUES MARC GLASSMAN RITE AID CORP. WALGREENS CO.

Mass Merchandisers

MEIJER SMART & FINAL STORES TARGET VARIETY WHOLESALERS WALMART, INC. WALMART PUERTO RICO

Internet Retailers

ALIBABA GROUP AMAZON.COM **BLUE APRON BOXED WHOLESALE** CHEWY.COM **FRESHDIRECT FSA STORE** HELLO FRESH JD.COM PEAPOD DIGITAL LABS SHOP.COM THRIVE MARKET

Dollar Stores & Discounters

BIG LOTS STORES DOLLAR GENERAL CORP. **DOLLAR POWER** DOLLAR TREE STORES FAMILY DOLLAR STORES 99¢ ONLY STORES R. H. RENY

Convenience Stores

CEFCO CIRCLE K CUMBERLAND FARMS FAMILY EXPRESS KUM & GO KWIK TRIP 7-ELEVEN JACKSONS FOOD STORES **SPEEDWAY**

Specialty RetailersACE HARDWARE
BED BATH & BEYOND CHRISTMAS TREE SHOPS COST PLUS WORLD MARKETS CRATE & BARREL EARTH FARE HICKORY FARMS **HOMEGOODS** IKEA MACY'S PETLAND PET'S BARN **PETSMART** SALLY BEAUTY SUPPLY STAPLES **STARBUCKS** TRUE VALUE ULTA BEAUTY WILD BIRDS UNLIMITED

Co-ops & Wholesalers

ALABAMA MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION ASSOCIATED SUPERMARKET GROUP ASSOCIATED WHOLESALE GROCERS BOZZUTO'S C & S WHOLESALE GROCERS CARDINAL HEALTH CERTCO CHAIN DRUG MARKETING ASSOC. GREAT LAKES WHOLESALE **GREATER AUSTIN MERCHANTS** ASSOCIATION GREATER HOUSTON RETAILERS ASSOCIATION **GROCERS SUPPLY**



INTERNATIONAL WHOLESALE **KINRAY** KRASDALE FOODS MCKESSON CORP.
MCLANE COMPANY MERCHANT DISTRIBUTORS PIGGLY WIGGLY ALABAMA PIGGLY WIGGLY MIDWEST SOUTH TEXAS MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION **SPARTANNASH** TOPCO UNFI VALU MERCHANDISERS WAKEFERN FOOD CORP.

International Retailers AEON TOPVALU CO. ALDI AUSTRALIA ALKOSTO AL RAYA SUPERMARKETS BIGGIE EXPRESS **BRAVO SUPERMARKETS BUDGET FOOD STORES** CALIMAX CANADIAN TIRE CARREFOUR BRAZIL CARREFOUR TAIWAN CITY CLUB **CLICKS** COMERCIAL MEXICANA COPSERVIR COSTCO WHOLESALE CANADA **COST RIGHT LIMITED** DELI K MARKET DOLLARAMA DUKAN **EMART EUROMARKET** FEDERATED CO-OPERATIVES FLYING TIGER COPENHAGEN **GRUPO EXITO** GRUPO PAO DE ACUCAR HAPPY FAMILY SUPERMARKET CO. H-E-B MEXICO **HELEKANG** HIPERMERCADOS OLE HIPERMERCADOS TOTTUS **HOMEPLUS** JERONIMO MARTINS COLUMBIA JIATAILE RETAIL STORES GROUP **LOBLAWS** LONGO BROTHERS LOTTE MART LULU HIPERMARKETS MASSY STORES MEGA MART MERCATODO S.A.

METRO RETAIL STORES GROUP

METRO RICHELIEU

MITSUI & CO. MM MEGA MARKET VIETNAM MONDOU LTEE. OXXO PHARMACHOICE PHARMASAVE DRUGS NATIONAL **PRICESMART** PURE GOLD PRICE CLUB REDE SMART DE SUPERMERCADOS REXALL SAM'S CLUB MEXICO SAVE ON FOODS SHINSEGAE CO. SHOPPERS DRUG MART SHUFERSAL SIGO SA SOBEYS SORIANA SUPER 99 SUPERMARCHE PA SUPERMERCADO RICOY SUPERMERCADOS ECONO SUPERTIENDAS Y DROGUERIA **OLIMPICA** TIENDAS D1 TOKYU STORE CHAIN CO. UNIPRIX WALDO'S DOLAR MART MEXICO WALGREENS BOOTS ALLIANCE WALMART ARGENTINA WALMART/ASDA WALMART ASIA WALMART CANADA WALMART CHILE WALMART JAPAN WALMART MEXICO WALMART MEXICO Y CENTRO AMERICA

Military ARMY AIR FORCE EXCHANGE SERVICE (AAFES) DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY MARINE CORPS EXCHANGE (MCX) NAVY EXCHANGE (NEXCOM)

Food Service

WILSON GO STORES

GORDON FOOD SERVICE **HMSHOST** SYSCO US FOODS

*PLMA's retail and wholesale list is based on attendance at past PLMA trade shows.

Exhibiting-at-a-Glance



Show Location

PLMA's 2021 Private Label Trade Show will be held at the Rosemont Convention Center, only 10 minutes from Chicago's O'Hare International Airport. Conveniently located within walking distance or short shuttle bus rides from major hotels, the convention center provides exhibitors with an easy-to-reach, efficient venue for trade shows.



Promoting Exhibitor Products

Exhibitors can announce new products on PLMA's Online Show Preview, which is sent to all registered retailers and wholesalers 30 days prior to the show. Exhibitors can also submit new products for display in PLMA's New Product Expo, which will be prominently featured at the Show.

PLMA Matchmaker™

PLMA Matchmaker helps retailers

and wholesalers arrange appointments with exhibitors prior to the show. Exhibitors receive secure access codes prior to the show in order to participate.

Seminar Program

To help show attendees get the latest industry trends, PLMA offers a special seminar and speakers program.

This includes Sunday seminars and workshops, the Monday Keynote Breakfast and the Tuesday Retail Trends Breakfast. Consult the Official Program Guide or Online Show Preview for this year's presentations.

Exhibit Rates

The cost of exhibiting at PLMA's 2021 Private Label Trade Show is low, too. Choose from a variety of in-line or island configurations.

This year's member rates are:

1 booth	(10' x 10')	\$ 3,000*
2 booths	(20' x 10')	\$ 4,500
3 booths	(30' x 10')	\$ 6,000
4 booths	(40' x 10')	\$ 7,500
4-unit island	(20' x 20')	\$ 8,000
6-unit island	(30' x 20')	\$ 10,000
8-unit island	(40' x 20')	\$ 12,000
10-unit island	(50' x 20')	\$ 15,000
12-unit island	(30' x 40')	\$ 18,000
16-unit island	(40' x 40')	\$ 21,000
20-unit island	(50' x 40')	\$ 25,000

*Single unit price increases to \$3,500 after Sept. 10. †Non-members add surcharge based on maximum membership dues.

PLMA Global

Opt-in now for your virtual booth in this online worldwide event taking place in January 2022. Early bird rate is \$850 prior to June 18. \$1,250 regular rate.

Companies that are unable to participate in PLMA 2021, may participate in PLMA Global. The digital-only booth fee is \$1,650.

Trade Show Schedule

Friday, November 12	2
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Booth Set-Up 8:00am - 6:00pm

Saturday, November 13

Booth Set-Up 8:00am - 6:00pm

Sunday, November 14

Booth Set-Up 8:00am - 6:00pm Seminars & Workshops 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Monday, November 15

Keynote Breakfast 8:00am - 9:00am Trade Show Floor Open 9:00am - 6:00pm

Tuesday, November 16

Retail Trends Breakfast 8:00am - 9:00am Trade Show Floor Open 9:00am - 4:00pm

Wednesday, November 17

Booth Breakdown 8:00am - 1:00pm

Booth Assignments

The trade show floor is divided into separate halls for food and beverage, and home and health. All booth assignments are on a first-come, first-served basis in order of receipt of application and payment, product eligibility and availability of space. Show floor halls and configuration are subject to modifications as needed.

Official Program Guide

PLMA exhibitors get a free listing in the Official Program Guide which includes company name, address, phone, website, email, product lines and exhibitor personnel. Advertising space is also available for companies who wish to promote their booth location or products.

PLMA Live! Coverage

The show is also broadcast over the internet to retailers across the country on www.plmalive.com as well as to TV monitors in hotels and exhibition halls.

Preliminary Retail and Wholesale Registration List

Exhibitors receive a preliminary retailer and wholesaler list 30 days prior to the show to help arrange appointments in advance.

Welcome to the PLMA Family

A Unique Organization for a Unique Industry

With more than 4,500 member companies worldwide, PLMA is the only industry organization devoted entirely to promoting the interests of store brands. Through its year-round programs and publications, PLMA gives members the contacts and services they need to compete effectively in today's marketplace.

Membership Profile

Founded in 1979, PLMA's membership ranges from multinational corporations to small family-owned suppliers. Their products include food, beverages, snacks, health and beauty, household, kitchen, housewares, DIY, leisure and general merchandise. Many member manufacturers only supply private label. Others are well-known brand makers who also have private label capacity. Together, they form PLMA's Active Membership. For brokers and trade suppliers, there is PLMA's Associate Membership. For international companies, there is PLMA International Council.

Trade Shows

In addition to PLMA's annual show in Chicago, PLMA provides member manufacturers with international selling opportunities. PLMA presents the "World of Private Label" International Trade Show in May in Europe.

Conferences and Seminars

PLMA also presents conferences and events throughout the year that deal with current issues from marketing and consumer trends to trade practices and legislative and regulatory concerns. These include PLMA's Annual Meeting & Leadership Conference and PLMA's Washington Conference.

Worldwide Online Event

Members are invited to participate in PLMA Global with an online booth that showcases their products, promotional videos, downloadable files, company details, and more. This one-of-a kind event in January 2022 will bring

together the largest label suppliers and retail buvers from around the



world. Video conferencing tools, a meeting scheduler, and other digital features, will enable exhibitors to fully engage in a virtual environment.

Executive Education

Members can enroll in PLMA's Executive Education program, developed with St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia. Nearly 2,000 manufacturing and retailing executives have completed the course since 2001. The program is held in June and offers courses covering private label history, retail marketing and merchandising, new product development

> and promotion. Lunch & Learn, an online education series, launched this year.

Research and Publications

In cooperation with NielsenIQ, PLMA publishes the online Private Label Yearbook with market share data from supermarkets, drug chains and mass merchandisers. PLMA also regularly reports on trends in consumer shopping behavior in conjunction with SurveyLab. To keep members informed throughout the year, PLMA

provides a monthly news magazine, PLMA Live!, and online E-Scanner newsletter.



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