## Ideas Ripe for the Picking

Inspiration and best-in-class examples from grocery retailers around the world

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## In a tough environment, both shoppers and retailers are adjusting their strategies

#### **MACRO ECONOMY**



#### Inflation

Record debt vs. lowest savings Layoffs though labor gaps Elimination of SNAP EA Financial crises; recession?

#### **SHOPPER REACTIONS**



Money-saving measures
Channel choices
Unit basket pressure
Brand switching
Value forward

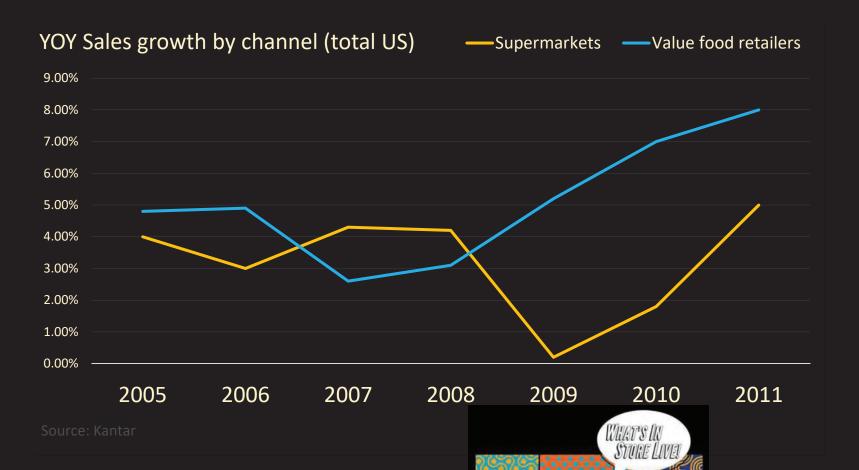
#### **RETAIL STRATEGIES**



Shopper loyalty/acquisition
Basket optimization
Merchandising excellence
Value and premiumization



## Value retailers are leading all growth Both during the 2008 recession and in recent years



#### **2008** recession learnings:

- Supermarket growth slowed significantly whereas value chain growth accelerated
- While supermarkets started rebounding, value retailers continued to track ahead

#### **Hyper inflation learnings:**

Across categories,
 supermarkets have given up 3 5 share points to supercenters,
 clubs and online (Source: Circana)



### Affordability is top of mind for 8 in 10 shoppers

Money-well-saved vs. money-well-spent

#### **Grocery money-saving measures (% of shoppers):**



77%
Where you purchase your groceries



**79%**What groceries
you buy



**81% How much** you buy (items and pack size)



**81%**What **brands** of groceries you buy





### Answer with promotional creativity: Time variations











76%

of shoppers are interested in daily specials, such a Taco Tuesday



### Answer with promotional creativity: Type variations













#### Answer with promotional creativity: Comparisons















## Answer with promotional creativity: digitalization and personalization







53%

of shoppers like the idea of personalized discounts based on their shopping history





#### Personalization works

#### PERSONALIZED AD FLYER EMAIL:

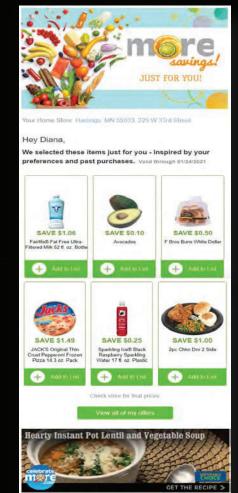
- Personalized items relevant to the customer
- Emailed to guests after ad break date each week
- Matches ALL sale items with customer past purchases
- Avg. open rate: 13.7%

#### PERSONALIZED DIGITAL COUPONS EMAIL:

- Matches customer purchase history with internal offers + 3<sup>rd</sup> party (coupons.com) offers
- Avg. open rate: 13.9%
- Challenge: fewer food-oriented offers by CPGs

Source: Coborn's, in partnership with Birdz

#### Personalized weekly ad and digital coupons





### Answer with promotional creativity: loyalty



Salad club, buy 10 get one free



10 donuts, get one free

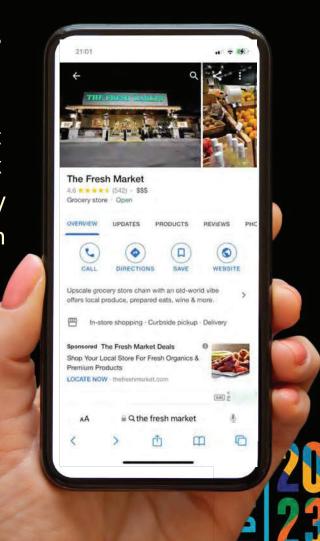


Driving sales and trial

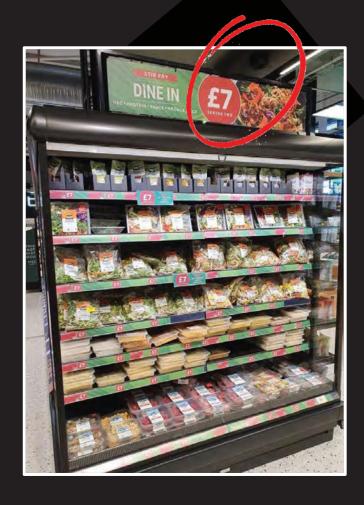
With video engagement increased 5x

Better open/ click through rates

Doubledigit increase in ad recall

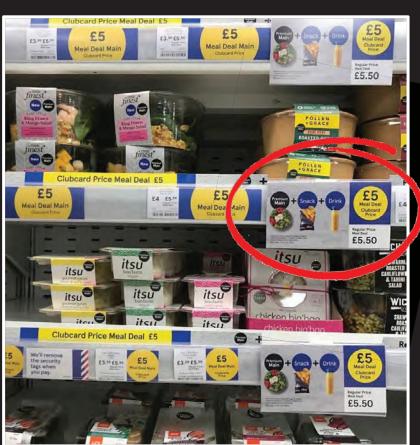


#### Underscore the value of home-cooked meals











## While value rules, there are still plenty of reasons to splurge a little

7%

Of consumers don't see any reasons to splurge a little

Reasons to splurge a little (% of all shoppers):	
<b>51</b> %	A special occasion/holiday
45%	A brand I like
43%	To do something nice for myself/my family/friends
42%	Convenience/to save time
34%	Healthier/more nutritious
27%	If out of time to prepare something from scratch
26%	Replacing a restaurant meal
17%	More sustainably, humanely or ethically produced

Share of the population that celebrates:

93%



Thanksgiving

92%



Winter Holidays

91%



Special occasions (b-day, anniversary)

90%



Father's Day

89%



Easter

89%



**Summer Holidays** 

82%



Mother's Day

81%



**Get-togethers** 

**78%** 



**Valentine's Day** 

74%



The Super Bowl

67%



Tailgating/
sporting events
20
23

Optimize primary and secondary holidays







#### Optimize celebrations











Create your own holidays: www.nationaldaycalendar.com













### Creating new occasions around life's many moments













### Creating new occasions with unexpected partnerships











## Reasons to splurge a little: **Branding**

Private brands are outgrowing national brands, but at the same time, national, regional and local brands can help drive a premium purchase









#### Deli units vs. year ago

- -1.5% Private brands
- -3.6% Manufacturer brands

#### Bakery units vs. year ago

- -0.6% Private brands
- -4.2% Manufacturer brands

#### Dairy units vs. year ago

- -1.0% Private brands
- -4.4% Manufacturer brands

Source: Circana, Integrated Fresh, Total US, MULO, 52 w.e. 4/23/23

## Reasons to splurge a little: Convenience/saving time



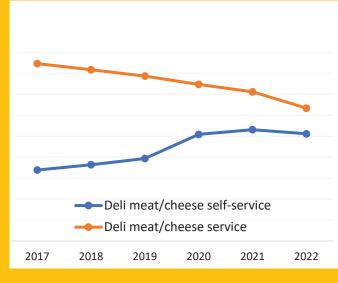




Grab & go & pre-sliced deli meat/cheese \$ share

28.6% 2017 share of \$

44.7% 2022 share of \$



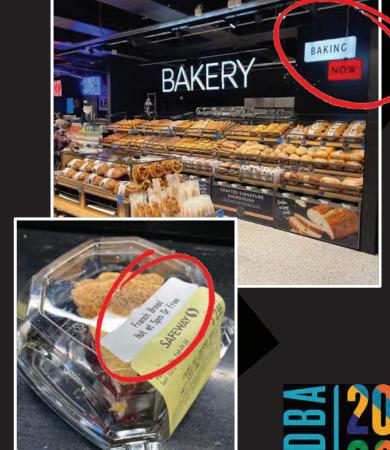
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## In packaged, the *when* is 2-3x as important as the *where*









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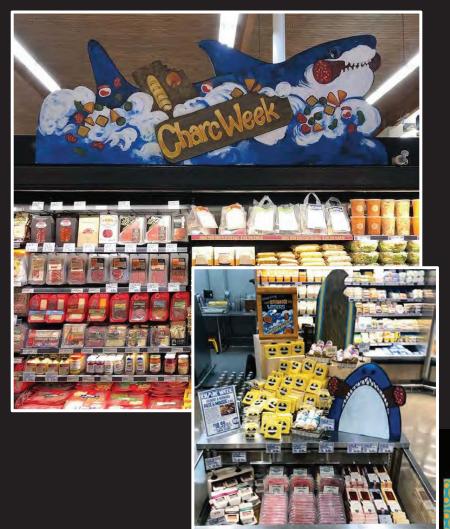








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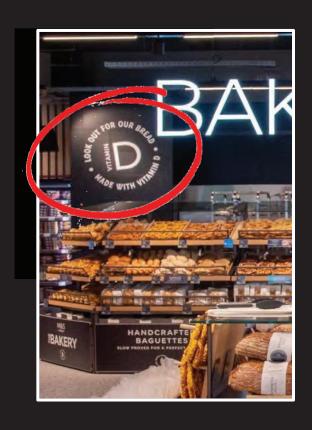








### Reasons to splurge a little: better-for-me







At the same time...

**78%** 

Of consumers believe physical health and emotional wellbeing are interwoven





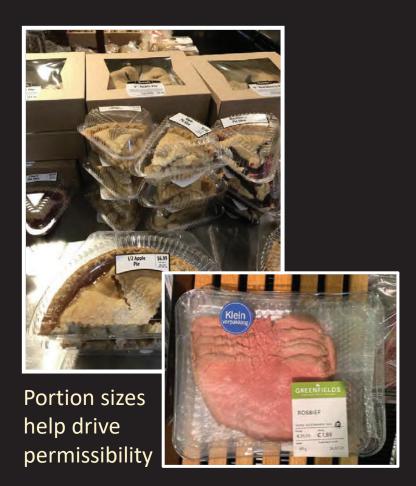
### Reasons to splurge a little: better-for-me













## Innovate and communicate around betterfor-me, the competition certainly is...















## Reasons to splurge a little: Replacing a restaurant meal









**63%** Beverages

55% Dessert

**52%** Sides (rice, pasta, potatoes, etc.)

**45%** Fruit/vegetables

44% Extra toppings (pizza, salad, sandwiches)

43% Bread/rolls

43% Chips/crackers/snacks

35% Alcohol/beer/wine

### Leverage LTOs to create variety and engagement









### Follow what's hot in foodservice

For beverages, treats, breakfast, lunch and dinner









































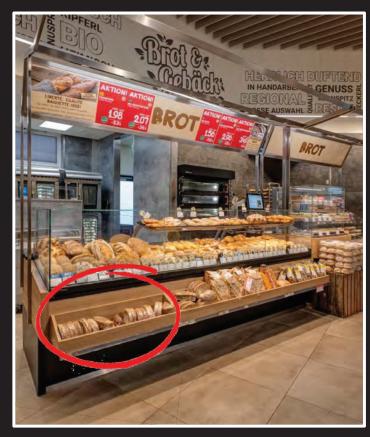












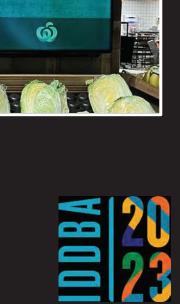












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