

## Dairy Milk Review

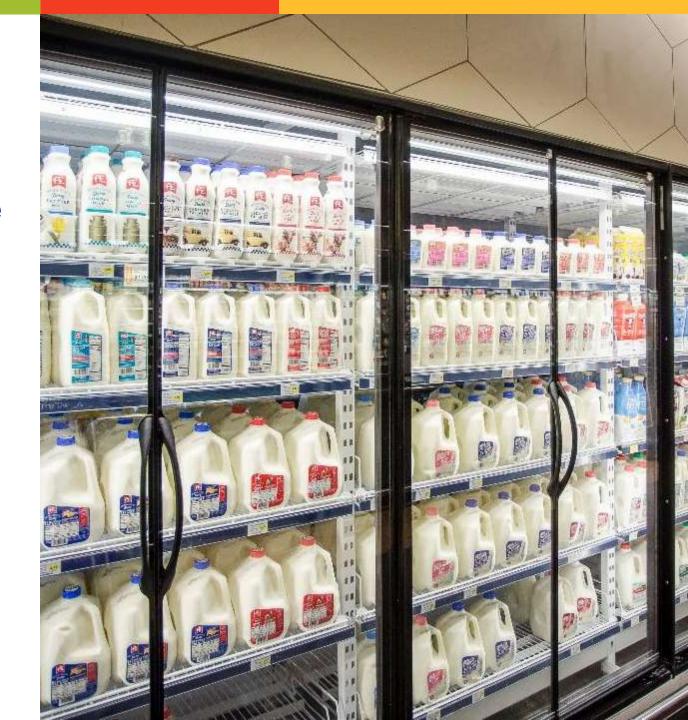
**Understanding Growth Opportunities** 

June 24, 2025

## Today's Agenda

- Consumer Mindset Driving Choice
- Total Milk Trends
- Milk Segment Trends
  - Fat Levels
  - Value Added
  - Size
- Milk vs. Alternative Beverages
- Recommendations

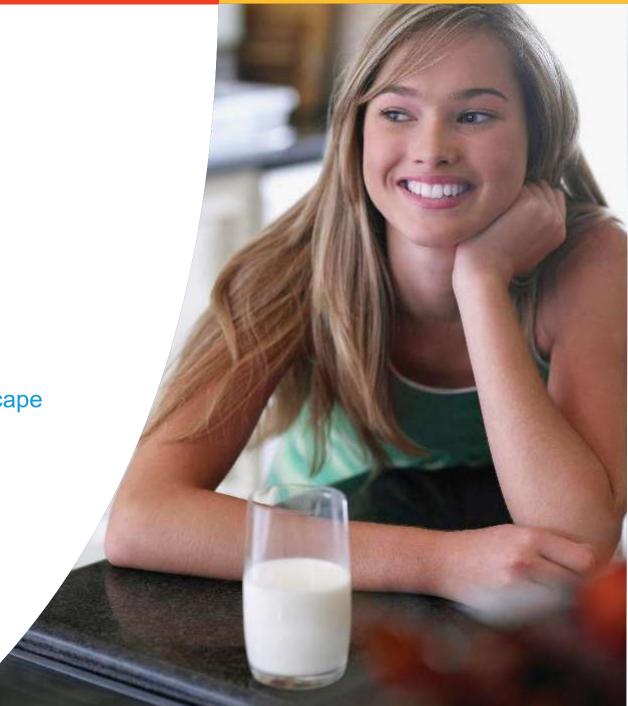




## The Consumer Mindset

Drivers of Consumer Choice: Food & Beverage Landscape





### **Enjoyment**





## Top 10 Drivers of Consumer Choice: Food & Beverages

Which of the following factors are important to you when selecting food and drinks?



### **Top 5 Drivers:**

- 1. Taste
- 2. Price
- 3. Freshness
- 4. Healthfulness
- 5. Convenience

#### **Next 5 Drivers:**

- 6. Natural Ingredients
- 7. Organic
- 8. Local
- 9. Animal Welfare
- 10. Environmental Sustainability

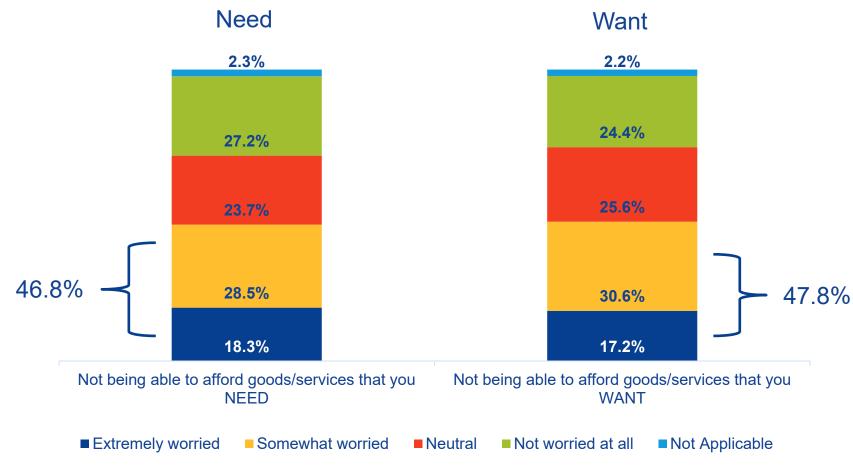
## Consumer Need: Affordability

Milk Connection: Right Sizing Products



# Nearly half of U.S. adults say they are worried about not being able to afford the things they need and want

May 2025: % of U.S. adults saying they are worried of not being able to afford what they...





## Larger sizes help families economize





### Smaller sizes allow trial with lower risk

Smaller sizes also add convenience for today's busy life-styles.



Premium Strawberry



Chocolate Malt



**Chocolate PB** 



**Salted Caramel** 

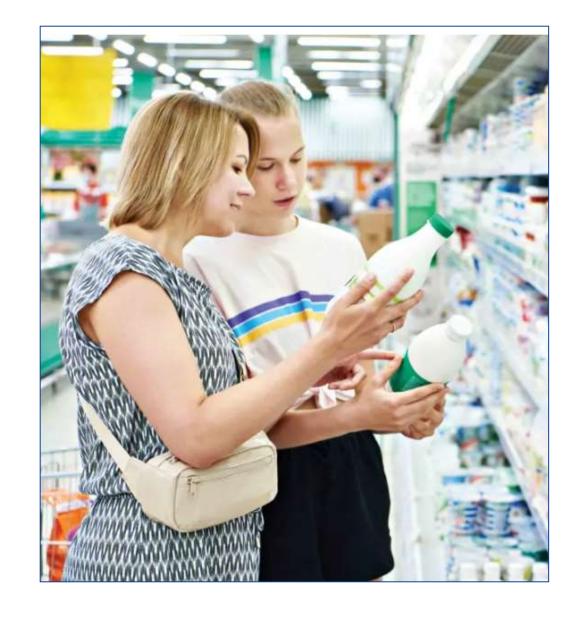


# 72%

of consumers in the Midwest Dairy Region agree that...

"Dairy is affordable for me and my family."

**Driver of Purchase Improve** 





### Consumer Need: Health & Wellness

Milk Connection: High Protein & Low/No Added Sugar



## Top 10 Drivers: Consumer Perceptions of Healthy Food

- 1. Fresh
- 2. Good source of protein
- 🖒 3. Low in sugar
- 4. Good source of nutrients
  - 5. Contains fruits or vegetables

- 6. Low sodium
- 7. Natural
- 8. Limited/no artificial ingredients
- 9. Minimal/no processing
- 10. Good source of fiber





# Across generations, what do consumers say is the most important nutrient in a healthy food or beverage?

Gen Z Millennials Gen X Boomers

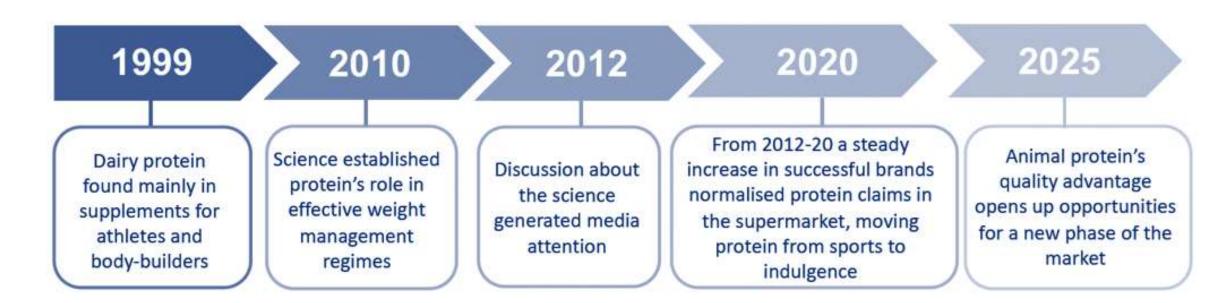
Protein



### **Evolution of Protein**

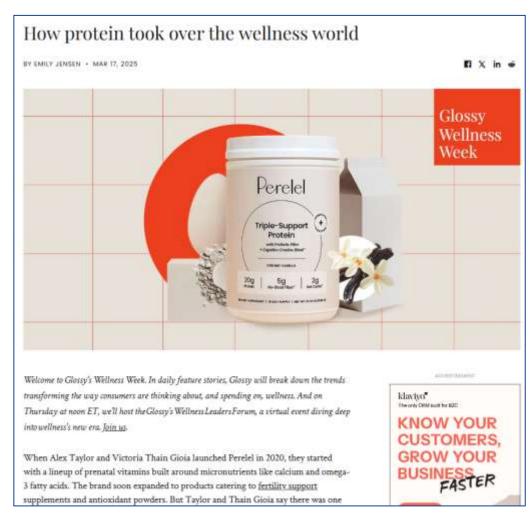
Just about everyone is looking for quality protein options

#### PROTEIN'S JOURNEY FROM SPORTS NICHE TO GOOD FOR ALL





## America is protein obsessed







## 35% of consumer say a healthy food is low in sugar

Weight and blood sugar management is a struggle for many U.S. consumers.



- 82% of American adults are engaged in some form of weight management<sup>1</sup>
- 42% of Americans over 20-years-old live with obesity<sup>2</sup>
  - 15% live with diabetes
  - 45% have hypertension
- By 2035, 7% of individuals and 13.6% households are projected to be using GLP-1<sup>3</sup>

## Key health claims driving dairy growth

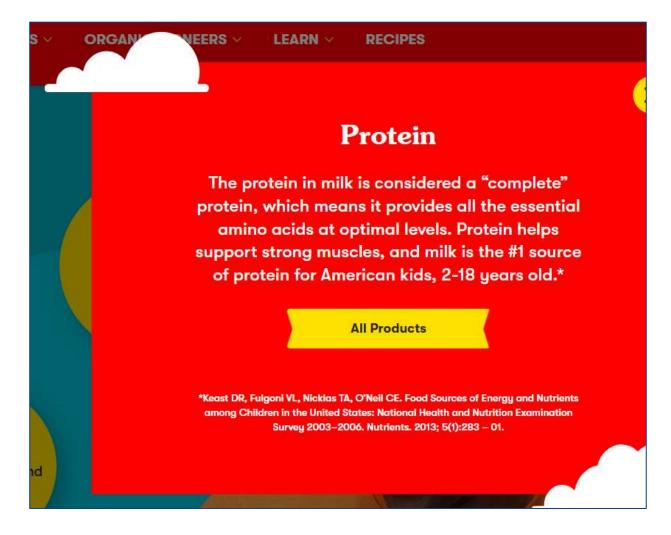
Product labels are an important element of the user experience and play a big role in shaping and influencing consumer perceptions.

	Dairy Claims	\$ Growth	% Growth	
COM	No/less/low sugar	\$392M	10%	
	High/source/more protein	\$276M	10%	
LACTOSE FREE	No/reduced lactose	\$253M	6%	



## Milk brands are telling the protein story







# 34%

of consumers in the Midwest Dairy Region say that they or someone in their household have...

"Dairy Sensitivities."

+3 point vs. Year Ago

**Gen Z reports higher rates** 



LACTAID® products are made from 100% real dairy and are easy to digest, so you can enjoy your favorite foods without the discomfort!



## Consumer Need: Sustainability

Milk Connection: Animal Welfare, Environmental Sustainability & Local

# Growing consumer preference towards "localizing"; an opportunity for environment and local community

"Locally produced/sourced is an important food and beverage claim to me"

51%

of consumers in US







Cub Website June 2025



## Brands keep dairy milk in the consideration set for ethnically conscience consumers

The growing prevalence of environmental and ethical claim signal a continued focus on make dairy product more sustainable.





## **Total Milk Category Trends**

Definitions | Total US | Channels | Gallons vs Half | Buyer Behavior



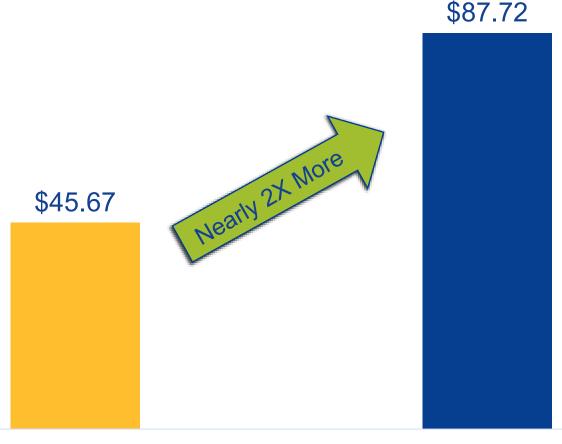
## Milk definitions used throughout...

- Total Milk: Traditional and Value-added Milk
- Value Added Milk: Organic, Lactose Free, A2, Protein, Omega, Pre/Probiotic, extra/added vitamin A, D and Calcium (not mutually exclusive groups)
- Traditional Milk: Total Milk less Value Added
- Alternatives/Beverages: Plant-based substitutes
  - Almond, Cashew, Coconut, Soy, Rice, Goat & Sheep, Horchata, Oat, All Other
- Volume: Expressed in Gallons

### When consumers put milk to their cart, they spend almost twice as much!

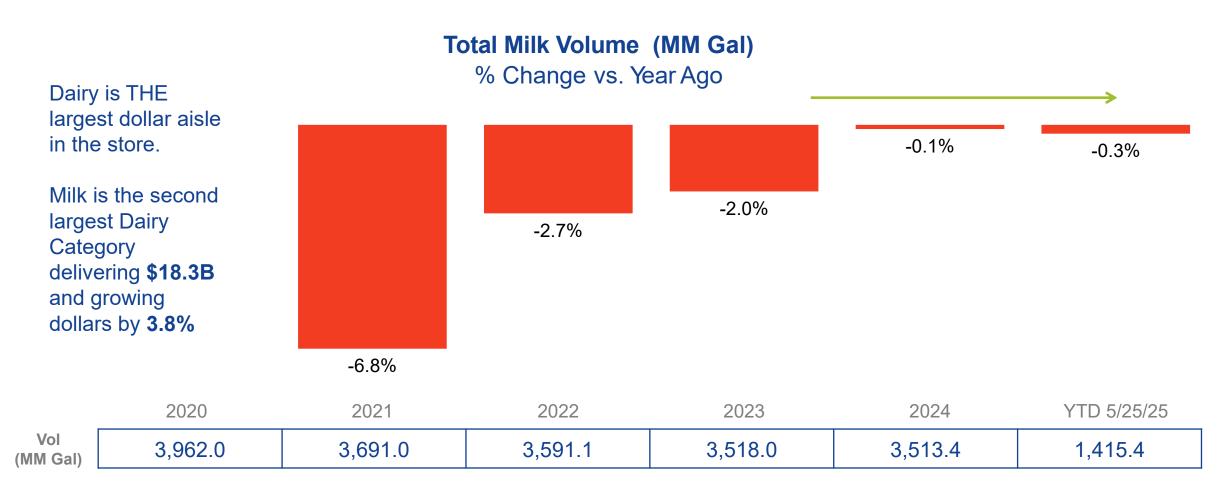
## **Average Spending per Shopping Trip Without Milk in the Cart vs. With Milk**







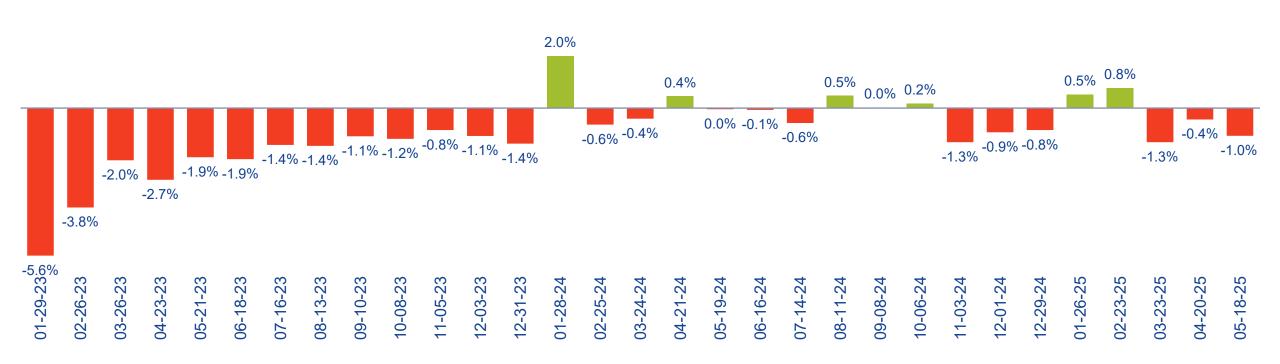
### Total milk volume showing incredible improvement in the last 18 months





## Over the last 18 months, there have been many positive volume periods vs. year ago, signaling a change in buyer behavior

### **Total Milk - Monthly Sales % Change vs. Year Ago**

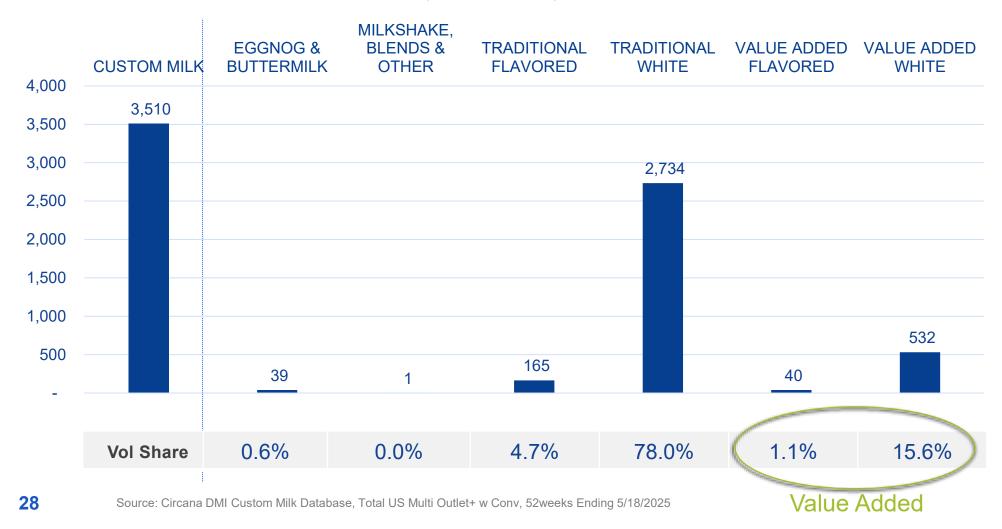




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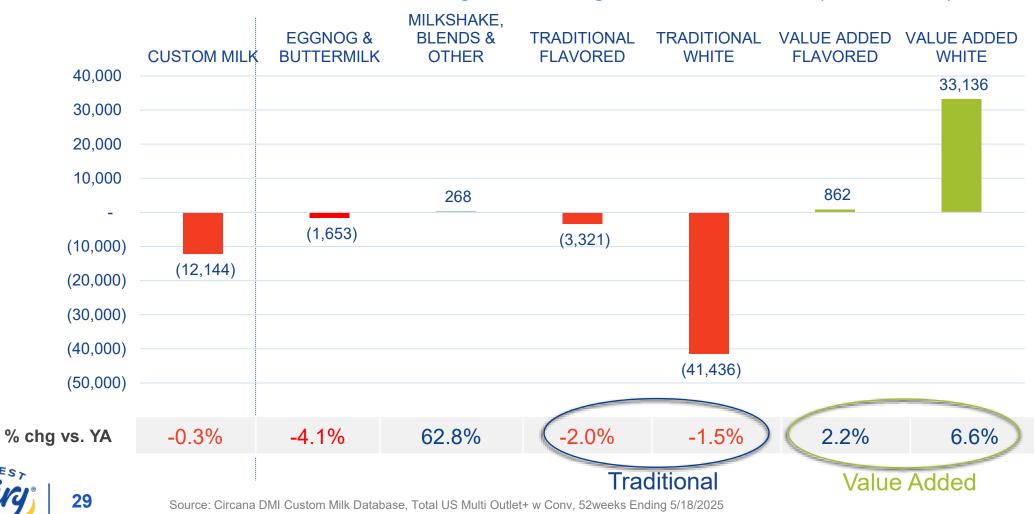
## Value added milks account for 16.7% of total Milk. Traditional flavored is 5.7% of total traditional. Value added flavored is 7.0% of total value added

### Total Milk Volume (MM Gallons) – Latest 52 weeks



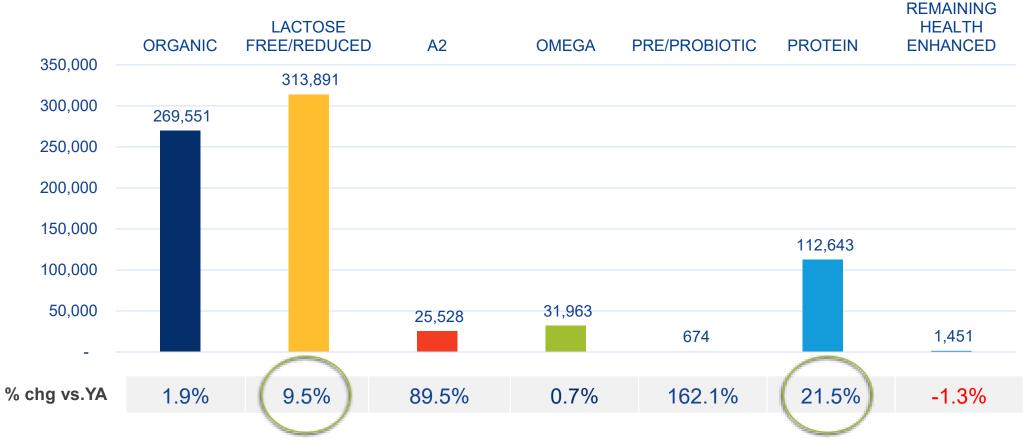
## Value added milk growth is outpacing traditional, but traditional is improved relative to historical trends

Total Milk Volume Change vs. Year Ago – Latest 52 weeks (000 Gallons)



# Organic has rebounded in the last 52 weeks, while lactose free and higher protein continue significant gains

Value Added Milk Volume & % Chg vs YA – Latest 52 weeks (000 Gallons)





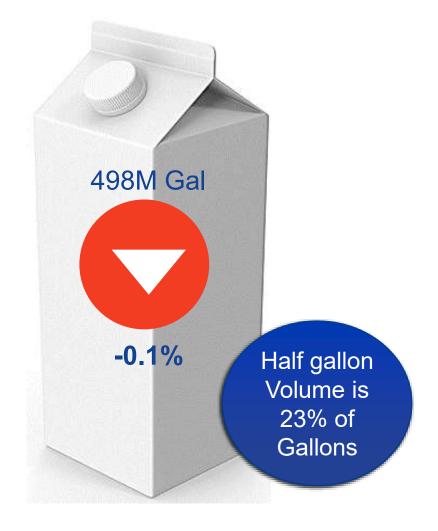
\*Value Added milks are not mutually exclusive (some have multiple benefits)

## In 2022, traditional white half-gallons grew amid inflation, but recent 52-week declines suggest a shift back toward value-focused choices



Traditional White Milk
Gallons & Half Gallons
Latest 52 weeks

Volume Change vs. Year ago





## There are more buyers of traditional white half gallons than full gallons. The 2022 surge in half gallons was driven by more buyers and increasing volume/buyer

### **Traditional White Milk – Size Comparison**

	Access 100	52 weeks 1/2025	CY 2022		
Measures	128OZ GALLON	64OZ HALF GALLON	128OZ GALLON	64OZ HALF GALLON	
Buyers	72,480,271	74,051,719	75,450,301	75,710,696	
Buyers Change vs YA	(1,207,169)	(535,449)	(1,252,422)	(1,749,976)	
Buyers % Change vs YA	-1.6	-0.7	-1.6	2.4	
Volume Sales per Buyer	30.6	6.7	29.8	6.5	
Volume Sales per Buyer % Change vs YA	2.3	1.4	-2.0	0.9	



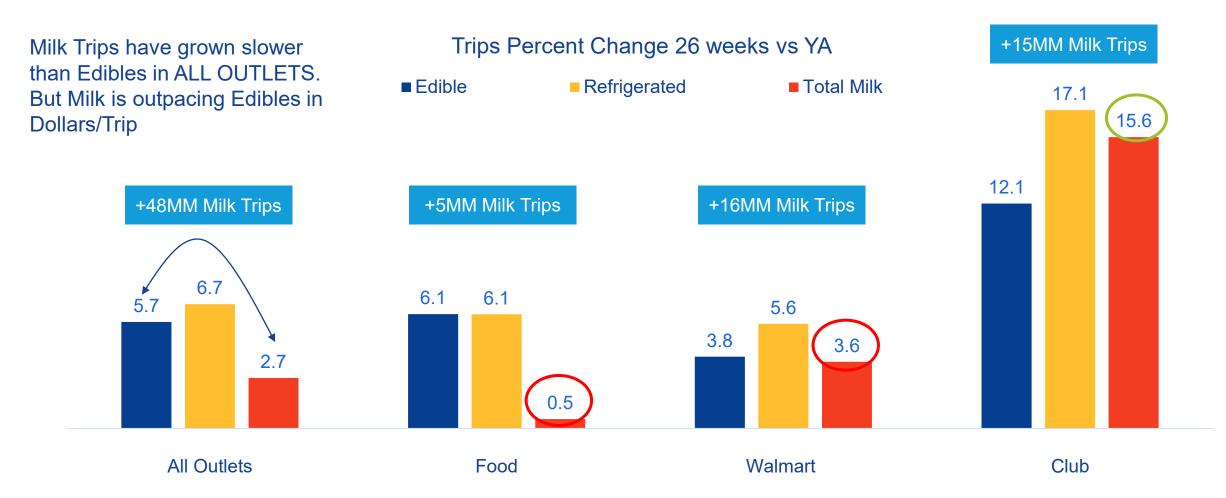
### Boomers drive the most volume with the highest number of Buyers of Traditional White half gallons, while Gen X is growing the fastest

#### Traditional White Milk – Last 52 weeks

	Millennials (Born 1981-1996)		Generation X (Born 1965-1980)		Boomers (Born 1946-1964)		Seniors and Retirees (Born 1925-1945)	
Measures	128OZ GALLON	64OZ HALF GALLON	128OZ GALLON	64OZ HALF GALLON	128OZ GALLON	64OZ HALF GALLON	1280Z GALLON	640Z HALF GALLON
Volume Sales	816,723,770	113,452,744	639,106,520	134,742,950	604,681,183	200,037,443	77,223,097	35,666,902
Buyers	24,682,668	20,761,010	21,467,142	21,706,759	20,741,172	25,280,708	2,813,954	3,858,608
Buyers Change vs YA	(225,845)	(603,128)	(574,900)	(34,484)	(487,876)	(102,010)	(275,651)	(274,755)
Buyers % Change vs YA	-0.9	-2.8	-2.6	-0.2	-2.3	-0.4	-8.9	-6.6
Volume Sales per Buyer	33.1	5.5	29.8	6.2	29.2	7.9	27.4	9.2
Volume Sales per Buyer % Change vs YA	5.3	2.8	-0.9	3.6	1.9	0.2	3.3	-1.6



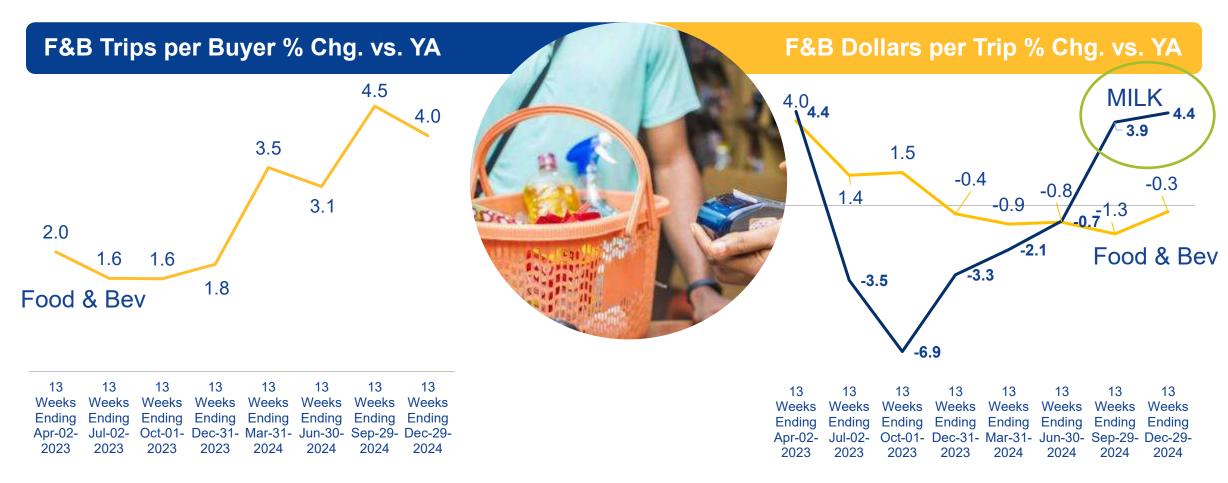
# Trips to club stores for milk increased significantly more than trips to food stores and Walmart for milk





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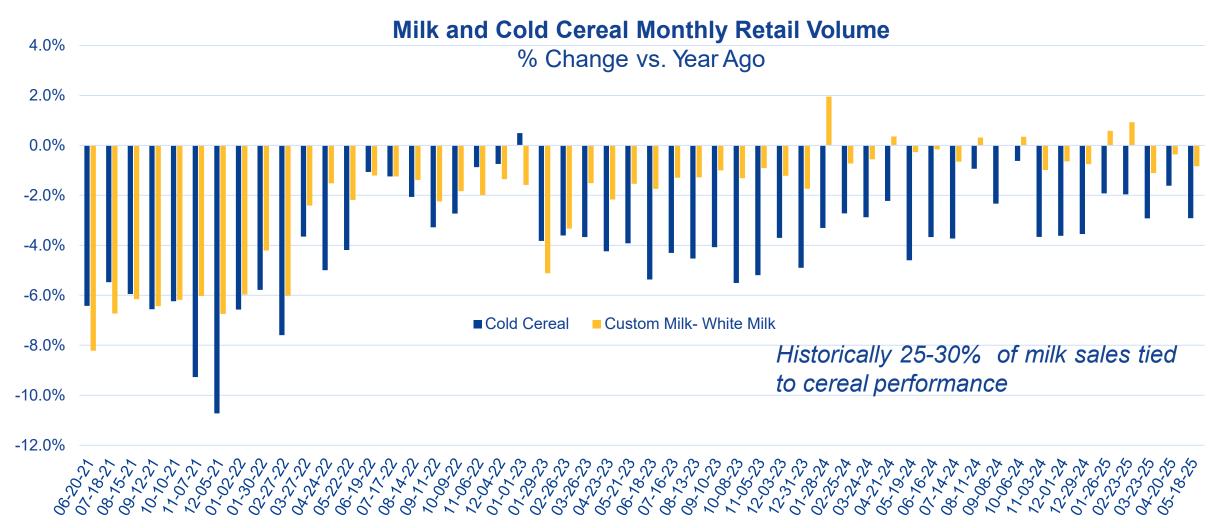
# Consumers are making more trips but are spending less on each trip, except for milk





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### Prior cereal and milk volume correlation becoming less evident





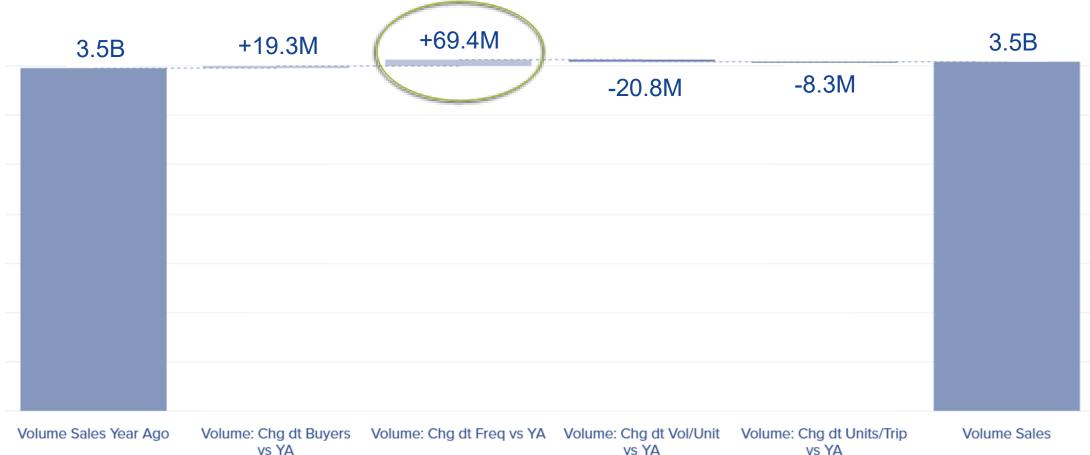
### Total milk key purchase measures all healthy except for volume/trip

	Total Dairy Milk					
	Vol Per Household	% Households Buying	# Buyers (MM)	Trips per Buyer	Volume per Buyer	Volume per Trip
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Current	27.1	91.6	119	30.2	29.6	1.0
YA	26.9	91.7	119	29.6	29.3	1.0
Change vs YA	0.3	0.0	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.0
% Change vs YA	1.1%		0.6%	2.0%	1.2%	-0.8%



### Frequency is the main driver in keeping total milk volume stable

#### **Total Milk Volume Drivers – Change Due To Analysis – Latest 52 weeks**





## The average store sells 57 milk items, down 6.6 items since 2021, with decreases in both traditional and value added, while alternatives continue to add items

Value Added has lost 4 items while producing a 3.0% CAGR

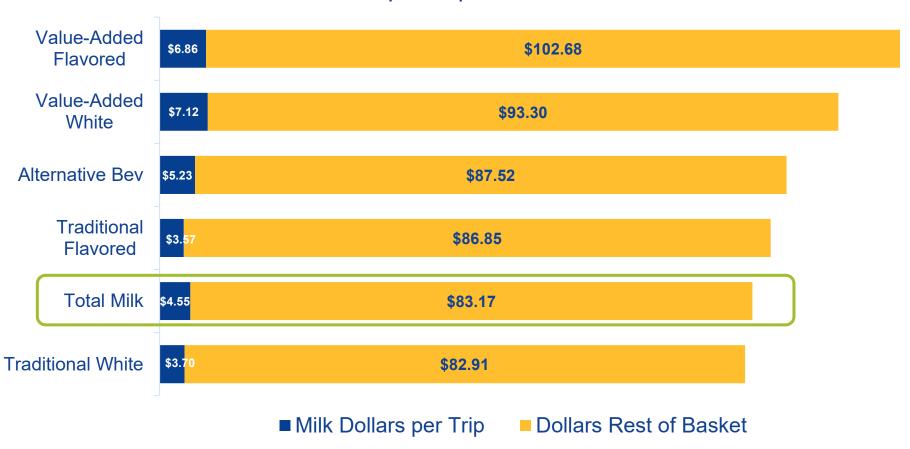
Alternatives gained 3 items with a declining CAGR



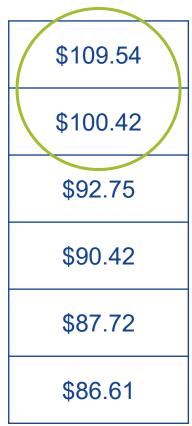


### Value Added milk delivers total basket dollars significantly higher than alternatives

Total Dollars per Trip – Panel – Latest 52 Weeks









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### Milk Segment Trends

Fat | Lactose Free | Flavored | Organic | A2 | Protein | Pre/Pro Biotic | Omega | Size



## Whole milk's 48% volume share and growth rate of 2.8% make it the largest driver of total milk performance

#### Performance of Fat Levels vs. Total Milk – Latest 52 weeks

	TOTAL MILK	Whole	2% Milk	1% Milk	Skim
Volume Share	100	48	35	12	5
% Vol Change vs YA	-0.3%	2.8%	-2.3%	-4.3%	-4.6%
4 Yr Vol CAGR May '21-'25	-2.2%	1.1%	-3.7%	-5.9%	-8.6%
Total Points of Dist.	8,255	3,703	1,996	1,762	792
Total Points of Dist. Chg vs YA	189	264	15	-83	-6



### Whole Milk Buyer Behavior is very healthy. More Buyers, Trips and Volume/Buyer is a terrific combination. Lower Volume/Trip is a pattern across the store

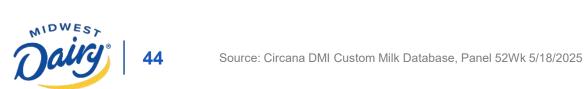
	Whole Fat Milk					
	Vol Per Household	% Households Buying	# Buyers (MM)	Trips per Buyer	Volume per <u>Buyer</u>	Volume per Trip
Current	12.8	70.1	91	20.0	18.3	0.9
YA	12.2	70.1	91	19.0	17.4	0.9
Change vs YA	0.6	0.0	0.6	1.0	0.8	0.0
% Change vs YA	4.8%		0.6%	5.4%	4.8%	-0.5%

## Households (HH) with children clearly gravitate to Whole Fat

- Millennial over indexing follows suite with children
- There is an opportunity to position milk differently to race and ethnicity groups

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Highly Over Index



Fat Level Demographics - Latest 52 weeks

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Vol Index	WHOLE FAT	2% REDUCED FAT	1% LOW FAT	FAT FREE SKIM
All HH Size				
1 Person HH	57	57	56	76
2 Person HH	80	103	91	141
3 Person HH	120	113	100	92
4 Person HH	136	125	151	84
5+ Person HH	185	145	166	71
All HH Race				
Race - White	113	119	122	130
Race - African American	67	49	50	27
Race - Asian	79	56	57	50
Race - Other / Unknown	66	70	47	21
All HH Income				
Income It \$15K	104	60	67	87
Income \$15-24.9K	104	79	108	54
Income \$25-34.9K	113	74	79	76
Income \$35-49.9K	103	91	106	70
Income \$50-69.9K	119	111	95	97
Income \$70-99.9K	111	115	117	115
Income ge \$100K	86	107	101	115
Millennials-Younger (Born 1990-1996)	122	73		
Millennials-Older (Born 1981-1989)	133	110	94	75
Generation X (Born 1965-1980)	85	108	106	94
Boomers-Younger (Born 1956-1964)	90	102	94	124
Boomers-Older (Born 1946-1955)	86	103	104	173
Seniors and Retirees (Born Before 1946)	72	116	115	130
All HH Children Age Groups				
Age of Children 0 to 5 only	186	58	116	
Age of Children 6 to 11 only	121	124	82	
Age of Children 12 to 17 only	117	149	138	79
Age of Children 0 to 5 and 6 to 11	207	127	138	
Age of Children 0 to 5 and 12 to 17	174			
Age of Children 6 to 11 and 12 to 17	171	208	170	
All HH Hispanic Ethnicity				
Acculturated Hispanic	80	69	60	29
Non Hispanic/Unknown	104	106	108	113





### Lactose free milk continues to outperform full lactose. Distribution gains are positive and should continue to the be focus as solid buyer trends continue

#### Performance of Lactose Free vs. Total Milk – Latest 52 weeks

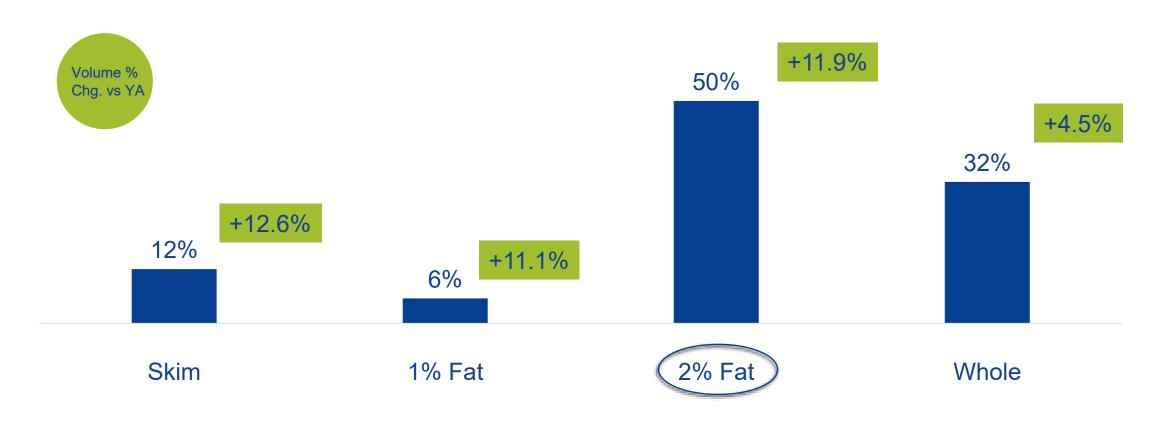
	TOTAL MILK	Total Full Lactose	Total Lactose Free
Volume Share	100.00	91.04	8.96
% Vol Change vs YA	-0.3%	-1.2%	9.5%
4 Yr Vol CAGR '21-'25	-2.2%	-3.0%	8.7%
Total Points of Dist.	8,255	6,495	1,759
Total Points of Dist. Chg vs YA	189	105	84
Source: Circana DMI Custom Milk Database Total I	IS Multi Outlet+ w Conv	52weeks Ending 5/18/2025	

Lactose Free is the second largest driver of **Total Milk** performance



### 2% Milk leads fat types for lactose free in volume share

#### Lactose Free Volume Share by Fat Level – Latest 52 weeks





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### Lactose Free purchase measures are very strong

#### # Buyers **Vol Per** % Households Volume **Trips** Volume Household **Buying** (MM) per Buyer per Buyer per Trip 10.3 2.5 32 14.3 0.7 Current 24.4 YA 2.3 23.2 30 13.6 9.8 0.7 0.2 1.2 1.7 0.4 0.0 **Change vs YA** 0.6 % Change vs YA 9.6% 5.8% 4.7% 4.2% -0.5%

Lactose Free Milk



# There are several clear buyer differences in demographics between Lactose Free and Full Lactose

- Acculturated Hispanic ethnicity clearly leans to Lactose Free
- Volume is somewhat evenly distributed among Asian, African American and White groups





#### **Lactose Free Demographics – Latest 52 weeks**

	FULL	LACTOSE
Vol Index		FREE/REDUCED
All HH Size	LACTUSE	FREE/REDUCED
1 Person HH	59	56
2 Person HH	97	106
3 Person HH	109	
4 Person HH	129	
5+ Person HH	157	
All HH Race		
Race - White	120	105
Race - African American	50	
Race - Asian	61	92
Race - Other / Unknown	58	68
All HH Income		
Income It \$15K	80	56
Income \$15-24.9K	90	94
Income \$25-34.9K	89	65
Income \$35-49.9K	96	85
Income \$50-69.9K	109	104
Income \$70-99.9K	113	132
Income ge \$100K	100	104
All HH Generation	100	100
Millennials-Younger (Born 1990-1996)	94	82
Millennials-Older (Born 1981-1989)	110	128
Generation X (Born 1965-1980)	99	99
Boomers-Younger (Born 1956-1964)	99	103
Boomers-Older (Born 1946-1955)	106	99
Seniors and Retirees (Born Before 1946)	105	69
All HH Children Age Groups	100	100
Age of Children 6 to 11 only	108	149
Age of Children 12 to 17 only	127	154
Age of Children 6 to 11 and 12 to 17	185	
No children under 18	86	86
All HH Hispanic Ethnicity		
Acculturated Hispanic	63	
Non Hispanic/Unknown	107	96

## Flavored milk volume is about 6% of total milk. All flavored milks are underperforming plain white milk

Performance of Flavors vs. Total Milk – Latest 52 weeks  Subset of Choc							
	TOTAL MILK	Plain (White)	Choc	All	Choc	Choc Red/Low /FF	
Volume Share	100.00	94.05	5.40	0.55	1.96	3.44	
% Vol Change vs YA	-0.3%	-0.3%	-0.6%	-6.1%	-0.7%	-0.6%	$\geq$
4 Yr Vol CAGR '21-'25	-2.2%	-2.1%	-3.0%	1.0%	-1.5%	-3.9%	
Total Points of Dist.	8,255	5,826	1,440	988	627	813	
Total Points of Dists Chg vs YA	190	65	63	61	68	-5	

# We are seeing a positive reversal on organic volume supported in part by distribution gains

Performance of Organic vs. Total Milk – Latest 52 weeks

	TOTAL MILK	Total Non- Organic	Total Organic
Volume Share	100.0	92.3	7.7
% Vol Change vs YA	-0.3%	-0.5%	2.0%
4 Yr Vol CAGR '21-'25	-2.2%	-2.3%	-1.0%
Total Points of Dist.	8,255	5,943	2,311
Total Points of Dists Chg vs YA	189	53	136



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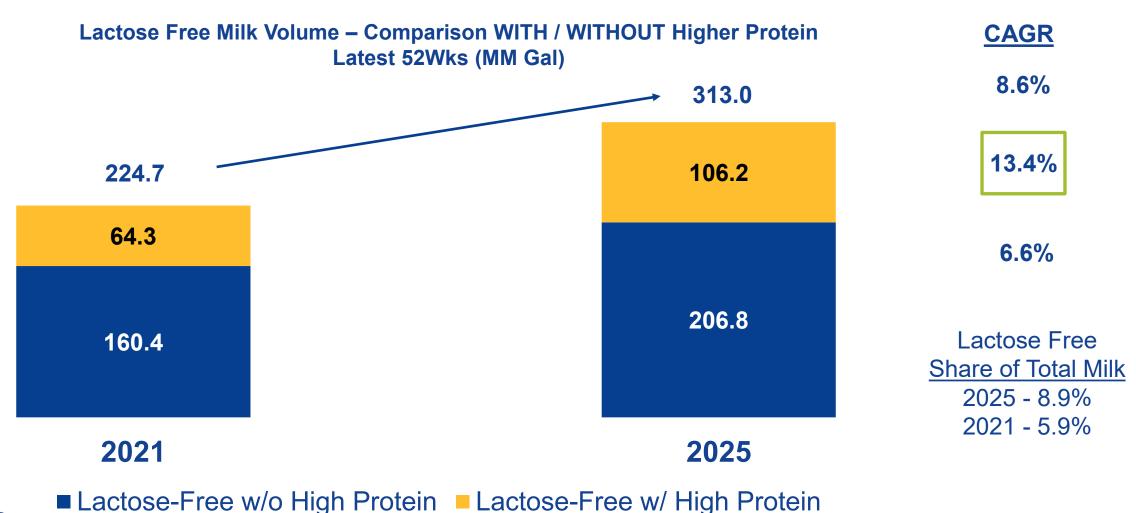
## Although total volume share of enhanced milks is under 5%, most had a positive year. Higher Protein milk leads absolute gains

#### Performance of Enhanced vs. Total Milk – Latest 52 weeks

	TOTAL MILK	A2	Omega	Pre/ Pro	Protein	Calcium/ Vit A
Volume Share	100.00	0.73	0.91	0.02	3.22	0.04
% Vol Change vs YA	-0.3%	89.4%	0.7%	163.4%	21.7%	-1.3%
4 Yr Vol CAGR '21-'25	-2.2%	28.1%	-5.0%	57.4%	10.7%	-5.1%
Total Points of Dist.	8,255	199	363	50	840	22
Total Points of Dists Chg vs YA	189	12	65	25	182	2



# Lactose free with higher protein is driving double the growth (+13.4%) versus without, highlighting the strength of dual benefits





### There are stark profile differences between buyers of lactose free milk with higher protein vs other lactose free buyers

- 3 person HHs
- Millennials
- HHs with older children
- Distinct lifestyle groups from professional to blue collar / craftsman

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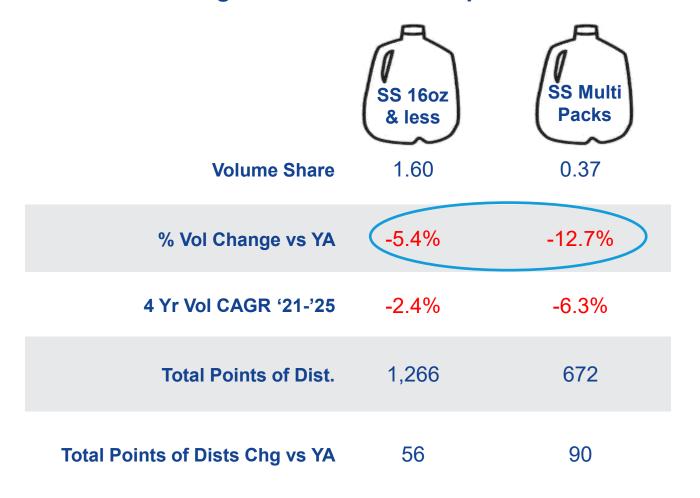


#### Lactose Free – Protein vs W/O – Latest 52 weeks

		CUSTO	OM MILK
	Volume Index	LAC	TOSE
		PROTEIN	W/O Protein
	All HH Size		
	1 Person HH	51	60
_	2 Person HH	111	102
	3 Person HH	204	93
7/	4 Person HH	99	142
•	5+ Person HH	45	146
	All HH Race		
	Race - White	118	98
	Race - African American	62	122
	All HH Income		
	Income \$35-49.9K	57	102
	Income \$50-69.9K	86	116
	Income \$70-99.9K	117	141
	Income ge \$100K	142	80
	All HH Generation		
	Millennials-Older (Born 1981-1989)	175	100
-/	Generation X (Born 1965-1980)	103	97
	Boomers-Younger (Born 1956-1964)	110	99
	Boomers-Older (Born 1946-1955)	68	118
	All HH Children Age Groups		
	Age of Children 12 to 17 only	220	112
-/	All HH Hispanic Ethnicity		
	Acculturated Hispanic	79	155
	Lifestyle		
	Male Graduated College	153	113
	Male Post Graduate School	125	71
	Male Blue Collar	123	103
	Male Craftsmen/Foreman (Skilled)	195	106
	Fem Graduated College	128	95
	Fem Post Graduate School	152	107
	Fem 35-44 years old	174	104
	Fem White Collar	144	95
	Fem Professional	173	98
	Fem Prop/Managers/Officials	125	93
	M10 - 35-44 w/Kids \$70k+	269	99
	M15 - 45-64 No Kids \$100k+	171	76

### Single serve milks have been underperforming in size and volume change, likely due to growth in other single serve functional beverages, and channel shifting

#### Performance of Single Serve and SS Multipacks- Latest 52 weeks



Single serve growth in beverages with functional benefits has been tremendous

Suggests an opportunity with a value-added benefit proposition



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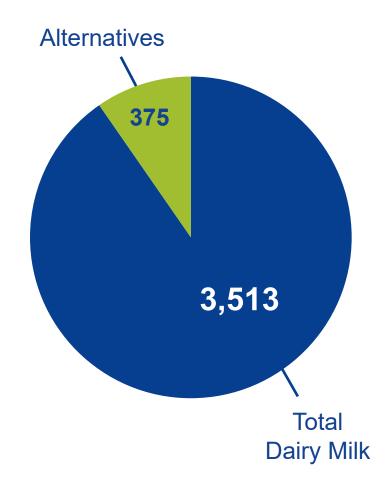
### Milk vs. Alternative Beverages



### Total dairy milk volume is 9 times greater than alternatives

Dairy Milk vs, Alternative Beverage Volume (MM Gal) Latest 52 weeks ending 4/20/2025

Dairy Milk: 90% Vol Share

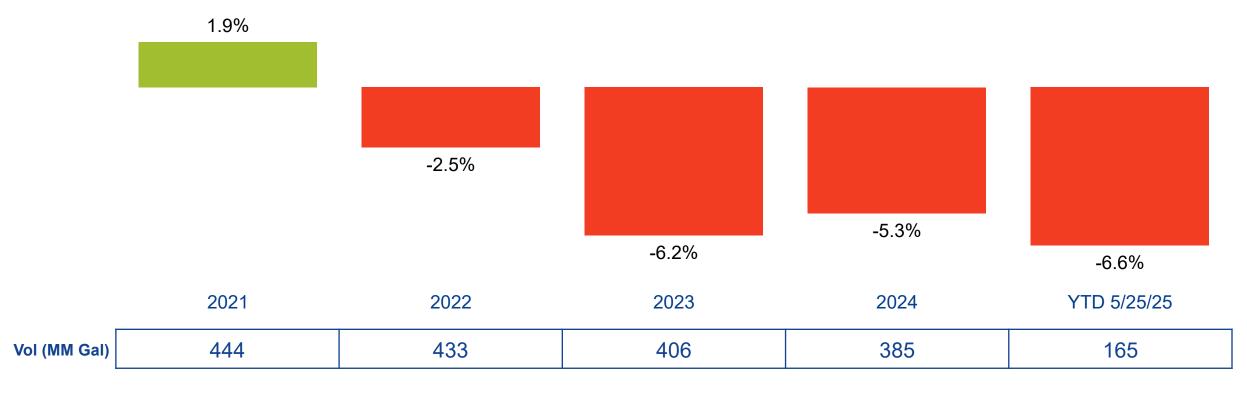




### Alternatives are on a continual volume slide

#### **Alternative Beverage Volume (MM Gal)**

% Change vs. Year Ago





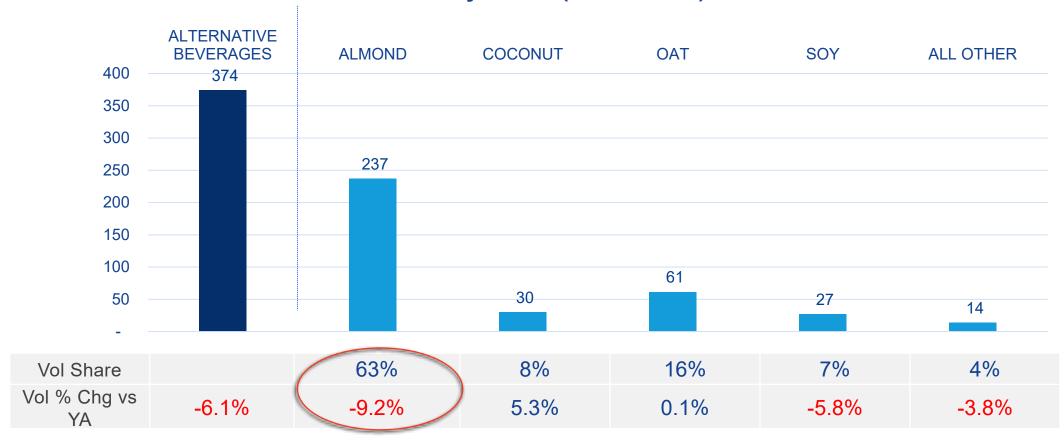
## Huge buyer loss compounded with fewer trips and volume/buyer suggest a major consumer shift in attitudes

			Alternatives			
	Vol Per <u>Household</u>	% Households Buying	s # Buyers (MM)	Trips per Buyer	Volume per <u>Buyer</u>	Volume per Trip
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Current	3.0	47.9	62	9.4	6.3	0.7
YA	3.2	49.3	64	9.5	6.5	0.7
Change vs YA	-0.2	-1.4	-1.5	-0.2	-0.2	0.0
% Change vs YA	-6.0%		-2.3%	-1.7%	-3.3%	-1.6%



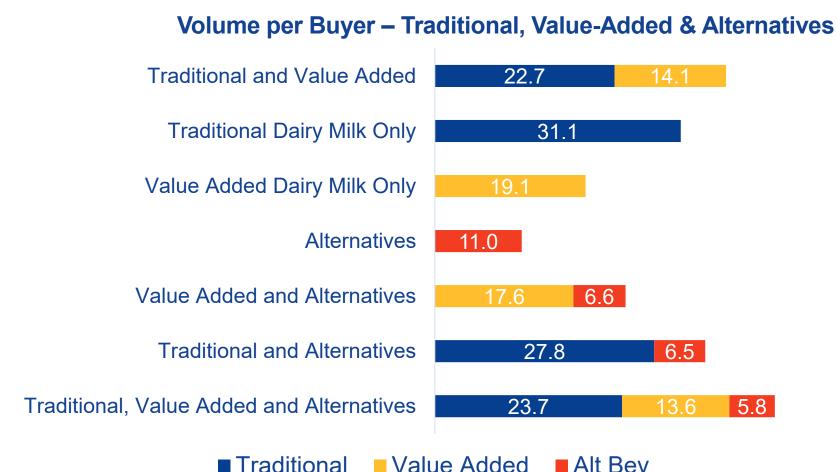
## Almond flavor is driving total decline. Oat growth, while still positive, has significantly declined from prior years

#### Alternative Volume by Flavor (MM Gallons) - Latest 52 weeks





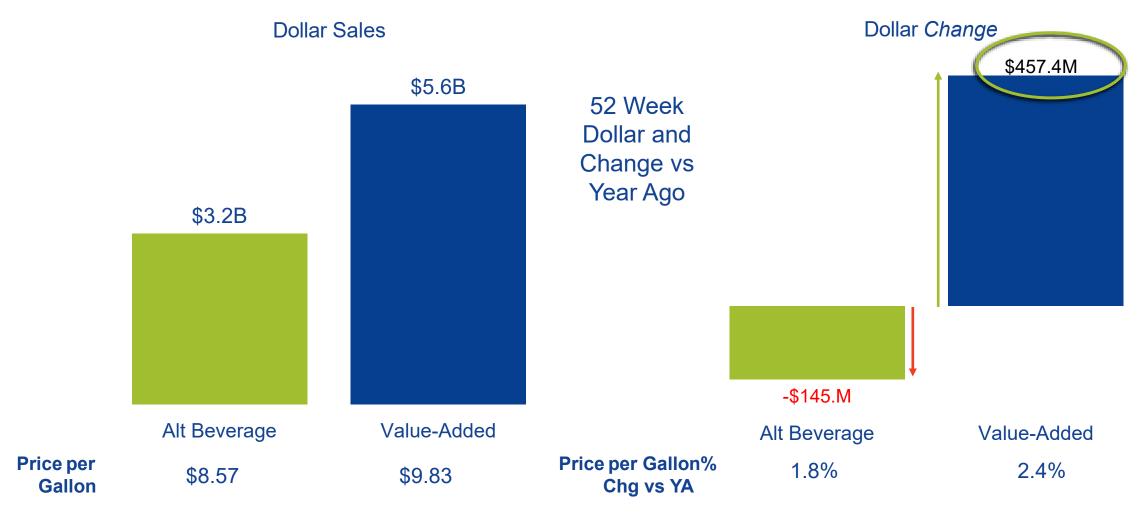
# Buyers of both Traditional and Value-Added buy significantly more milk than other groups, even with some also buying alternatives



% of HHs	Dairy Gal/Yr
11.0%	36.9
35.7%	31.1
3.5%	19.1
6.0%	0.0
3.4%	17.6
21.7%	27.8
12.2%	37.3

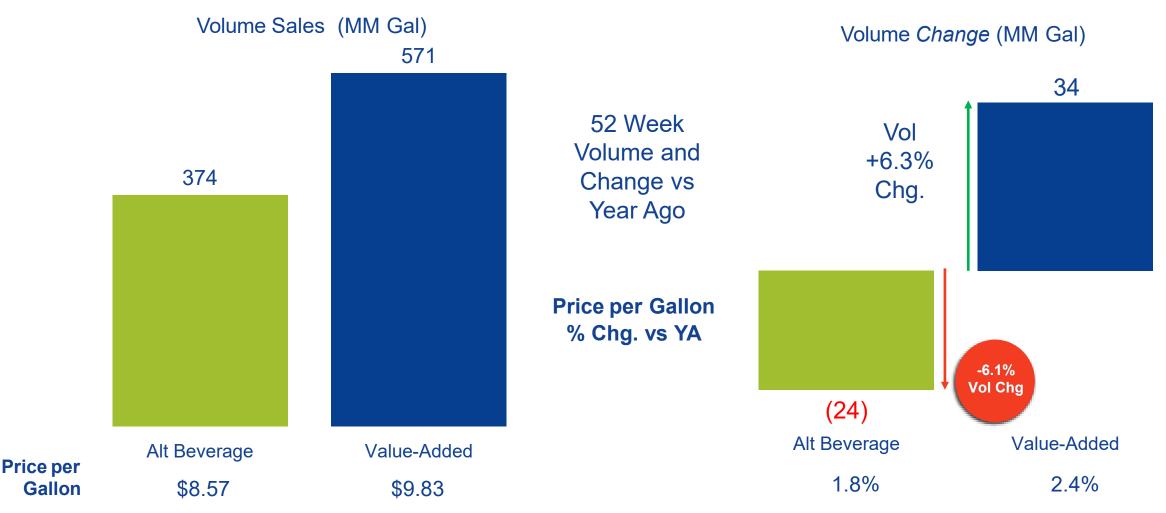


# Value added milk dollars are about 75% greater than alternatives, and are posting close to half a billion in dollar growth vs. alternative declines





# Value-Added milk volume is about 53% greater than alternatives, and are posting solid growth versus alternatives





### Key Findings & Recommendations

- Milk is proving its relevance with consumers
  - Milk continues to drive enormous category dollars
  - · Assess shelving and space opportunities on assortment/mix, space to sales and basket dollars
- Whole Fat and Lactose Free have proven long term success with buyers
  - Messaging will be key to fuel the fire
  - Assess opportunities to position milk to best leverage positive consumer perceptions
- Consumers' view of health continues to evolve
  - Increasingly food is seen as medicine for total well-being
  - Milk has a strong connection to consumers' health & wellness needs
    - Nutritionally dense, high-quality protein, clean ingredients, fresh and minimal processing
- Consumers are seeking the benefits of value-added milk beverages like never before
  - Review and drive innovation platforms in protein, energy, digestion and stress relief
  - Assess how current enhanced milk can fit those needs

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