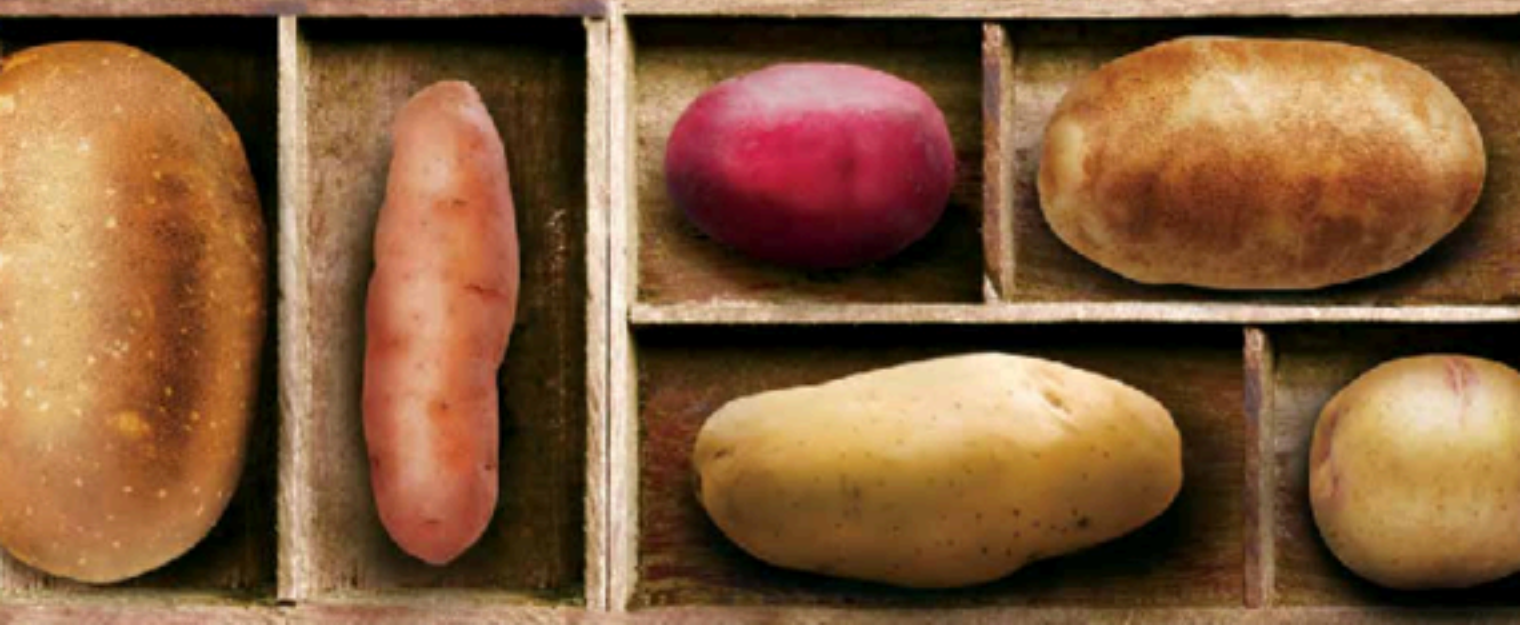




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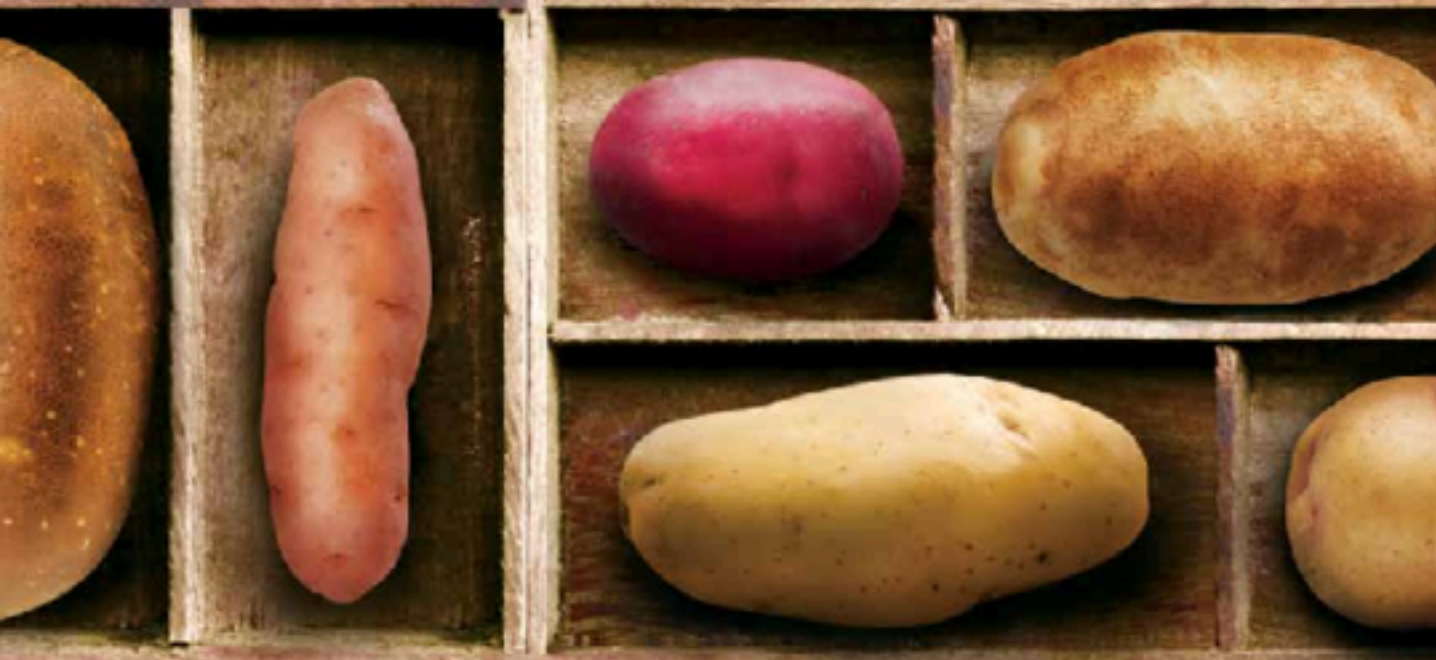
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In the Kitchen												
Taster Talk and Let's Eat Consumer Newsletters												
NFL Greatness/Famous Idaho Potato Bowl												
April Fools' Day												
Heather Cox												
SMT (National Nutrition Month)												
IACP												
Adventures of Spuddy Buddy												
New Year's Eve Potato Drop												
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Big Idaho <sup>®</sup> Potato Truck												
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Raiding for Orphans with Down Syndrome (RODS)												
Social Media												

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## Engaging Consumers Through National Television Advertising

### He's Back...and Still Looking for His Truck

For seven years Mark, a real Idaho<sup>®</sup> potato farmer, has been looking for the Big Idaho<sup>®</sup> Potato Truck and the traveling Tater Team. And every year he comes oh-so close to catching up with the fun-loving trio. In this year's installment, Mark and his faithful hound, who is back by popular demand, continue their search. If you're wondering if they finally find the truck, we'll never tell! You'll just have to watch and see.

The commercial made its debut on Friday, September 22, on ESPN during the Boise State University vs. University of Virginia football game.

You can see the new commercial on CNN, FOX News, Headline News, the Weather Channel, the History Channel, the Food Network, the Cooking Channel and Hulu beginning in October. The spot is scheduled to run through early April.

You can see the new commercial and the entire "Lost" series by visiting the IPC's YouTube channel, IdahoPotatoVideos.





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### Getting Social

According to **Facebook**, in June 2017 there were 2.01 billion monthly active users.<sup>(1)</sup>

During the first quarter of 2017, there were 328 million monthly active users on **Twitter**.<sup>(2)</sup>

As of April 2017, **Instagram** had 700 million monthly active users.<sup>(3)</sup>

**YouTube** has 1.5 billion logged-in users visiting the site every month.<sup>(4)</sup>

Social media is bigger than ever, and the IPC's presence grows stronger every month. Over the past few years, the IPC has made great strides in creating and maintaining a ctive and engaging social media accounts. Daily posts consist of delicious recipes, updates on local events like the solar eclipse and Idaho® Potato Marathon, chronicles of the Adventures of Spuddy Buddy, updates on the Big Idaho Potato Truck Tour, details on promotions and contests and everything tater-related you can think of! Social media creates a unique opportunity for us to talk directly with consumers, ultimately strengthening their loyalty to the Idaho® potato brand.

If you're not already doing so, be sure to follow Famous Idaho® Potatoes on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter—and subscribe to our YouTube channel, Idaho Potato Videos. This year we're amping things up with more contests, great prizes and lots of cool information on America's favorite vegetable.

(1) [www.facebook.com/info-p-25-valuable-the-book-statistics/](http://www.facebook.com/info-p-25-valuable-the-book-statistics/)

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## Idaho<sup>®</sup> Potatoes Certified as Heart-Healthy by the American Heart Association

This year, more than ever, the media is raving about the impressive nutritional profile of potatoes. From the esteemed *Dr. Oz Show* to *The Washington Post* to *Outside* magazine, potatoes are finally getting the recognition they deserve. The American Heart Association's well-recognized and respected Heart-Check mark is another reminder to consumers that Idaho<sup>®</sup> potatoes are indeed healthy.

- No separate fee for shippers. In the past, shippers were required to pay \$1,000 (up to \$4,000) a year to the AHA for each variety (reds, russets, yellows and fingerlings) they wanted certified. The IPC will now pay the significantly reduced certification fee for each participating shipper.
- Shippers will no longer need to have artwork approved by the AHA. The IPC has been entrusted to approve the use of the Heart-Check mark just as we do the *Grown in Idaho<sup>®</sup>* seal.
- Reduced rate for the IPC. Every year, the IPC is required to pay a fee to the AHA to maintain the brand's certification. This fee has been reduced by 40%.

Is adding the mark worth it? Absolutely. This mark is one of the most recognized and respected symbols in grocery stores. In fact:

- 72 million U.S. adults (30 percent of the population) "always" or "usually" use the Heart-Check mark to make decisions about selecting foods and beverages.
- Shoppers look for the Heart-Check mark more than any other on-packaging symbol when shopping for heart-healthy food products.
- 62 percent of shoppers are influenced by the mark when shopping for new heart-healthy food products.

We hope all of you consider adding this important and effective certification mark to bags of Idaho<sup>®</sup> potatoes. For more information, contact the IPC office.





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## Adhering to New Guidelines from Nutrition Labeling and Education Act (NLEA)

The Nutrition Facts Label in its current form is more than 20 years old. In 2016, the FDA announced new requirements that are based on updated scientific and nutrition information designed to help consumers make informed choices about the food they purchase and consume.

Some basic differences are the modifications to serving size, potassium and added sugars.

Manufacturers will have until July 26, 2018, to comply with the final requirements, and manufacturers with less than \$10 million in annual food sales will have an additional year to make the changes.

### Original

Nutrition Facts	
Serving Size 1 potato (148g/5.3 oz)	
Amount Per Serving	
<b>Calories</b> 110	Calories from Fat 0
<b>% Daily Value*</b>	
<b>Total Fat</b> 0g	<b>0%</b>
Saturated Fat 0g	0%
Trans Fat 0g	
<b>Cholesterol</b> 0mg	<b>0%</b>
<b>Sodium</b> 0mg	<b>0%</b>
<b>Potassium</b> 620mg	<b>18%</b>
<b>Total Carbohydrate</b> 26g	<b>9%</b>
Dietary Fiber 2g	8%
Sugars 1g	
<b>Protein</b> 3g	
Vitamin A 0%	Vitamin C 45%
Calcium 2%	Iron 0%
Thiamin 8%	Riboflavin 2%
Niacin 8%	Vitamin B6 10%
Folate 0%	Phosphorus 0%
Zinc 2%	Magnesium 6%
Copper 4%	

\*Percent Daily Values are based on a diet of other people's misdeeds.

	Calories:	2,000	2,500
Total Fat	Less than	65g	80g
Sat Fat	Less than	35g	45g
Cholesterol	Less than	300mg	300mg
Sodium	Less than	2,400mg	2,400mg
Potassium		3,500mg	3,500mg
Total Carbohydrate		300g	375g
Dietary Fiber		25g	30g

Calories per gram:  
Fat 9 • Carbohydrates 4 • Protein 4

### New

Nutrition Facts	
Serving size 1 potato (148g/5.3oz)	
Amount per serving	
<b>Calories</b>	<b>110</b>
<b>% Daily Value*</b>	
<b>Total Fat</b> 0g	<b>0%</b>
Saturated Fat 0g	0%
Trans Fat 0g	
<b>Cholesterol</b> 0mg	<b>0%</b>
<b>Sodium</b> 0mg	<b>0%</b>
<b>Total Carbohydrate</b> 26g	<b>9%</b>
Dietary Fiber 2g	7%
Total Sugars 1g	
Includes 0g Added Sugars	0%
<b>Protein</b> 3g	
Vitamin D 0g	0%
Calcium 20mg	2%
Iron 1.08mg	6%
Potassium 620mg	13%
Vitamin C 27mg	30%
Vitamin B6 0.2mg	12%

\* The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.





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## Educating the Media and Consumers About Idaho® Potatoes

Whenever the IPC communicates with the media, whether it be through a press release or a phone call, pertinent key messages are skillfully woven into the copy or conversation. While there are hundreds of great things to say about Idaho® potatoes, four primary key messages are communicated:

- Idaho® potatoes are a nutritious and delicious part of a healthy and active lifestyle. They contain important vitamins and minerals, including potassium, and are naturally gluten-free.
- Fresh Idaho® potatoes are certified by the American Heart Association as a heart-healthy food.
- Not all potatoes come from Idaho; you have to look for the *Grown in Idaho®* seal. Idaho's unique growing environment makes Idaho® potatoes different from potatoes grown anywhere else in the world.
- Visit the Idaho® potato website and social media pages for more information about America's favorite vegetable and a rich selection of delicious recipes.

The IPC's primary target audiences are:

### Traditional and Online Media

- Newspaper, magazine, broadcast and online reporters that cover primarily food, lifestyle and health topics
- Industry trades

### Social Media Followers

- Consumers using Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest
- Bloggers: Food and general lifestyle-focused blogs

### Consumers

- Core: Women (25-54)
- Influencers: Men (25-54) and kids

### Magazines

### Newspapers

### Television

### Internet



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## Idaho Potato Commission Encouraging Potato Sales Through National Integrated Communications

### National Trade Advertising Campaign

We have big news to share in this year's fun-filled comic book-style ad campaign. With super Retail Promotion Director Ken Tubman retiring and hanging up his cape for good, the Idaho® Potato Field Force heroes will now be joined by new hire Dynomite Dave Rhodes! Tune in as Ken and his compatriots Kent Beesley and Bill Savilonis show Dave the ropes, teaching him the special IPC skills of powerful promotions, lightning-fast responsiveness and mighty market data analysis. And follow our ten-episode storyline as Dave develops some amazing marketing "vision" of his own. Look for the ads in key publications including *The Pacific Produce Business*, *The Produce News*, *Produce Retailer* and the *FMI* and *PMA Smart Brief* e-news letters.





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## Idaho Potato Commission Encouraging Potato Sales Through National Integrated Communications

### Famous Idaho Potato Bowl



In the highest-scoring bowl game of the 2016 season and the third-highest-scoring game in bowl history, the University of Idaho Vandals defeated the Colorado State Rams (61-50) at the 20th Annual Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (FIPB).

While we don't know the outcome of the 2017 FIPB, there's no doubt who the naming sponsor of the premier cold-weather college football game is—Idaho® potatoes! From the title of the bowl game, to permanent signage in prominent locations throughout the stadium, to multiple broadcast mentions during the game, to ads airing on ESPN television and radio, the Idaho® potato brand can't be missed!

Throughout the year, the bowl game generates hundreds of millions of media impressions, keeping Idaho's famous spud top of mind for avid college football fans. Last year close to 25,000 die-hard fans braved the cold weather to cheer on the teams, while 1.1 million viewers (an increase of 6% over 2015) watched the game indoors on ESPN.



### Heather Cox

NBC reporter Heather Cox will continue to promote Idaho® potatoes from the sidelines of some of the biggest sporting events in the world. From the Winter Olympics in PyeongChang, South Korea, to NFL games and maybe even the Super Bowl, Heather and the ever-popular Spuddy Buddy will capture up-close-and-personal photographs that will be shared with the IPC's tens of thousands of social media followers. Heather, who is also a busy mom of two, will participate in a back to school Twitter party with a popular mommy blogger. Heather will offer back-to-school advice ranging from time management tips to quick and easy Idaho® potato recipes.



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## Idaho Potato Commission Encouraging Potato Sales Through Community Participation

### A Big Helping

The Big Idaho® Potato Truck has proven to be the biggest (both figuratively and literally) marketing program in the IPC's history. One contributor to its success is its charitable component, "A Big Helping." In most of the markets the Truck visits, it partners with a local charity to help raise funds and awareness for a specific cause. While in the market, the Tater Team (the group who travels with the Truck) sets up a signature board, and for every signature collected \$1 (up to \$500) is donated to the local charity partner.

A Big Helping has become a very meaningful part of the tour that helps improve the local communities we visit.



### New Year's Eve Potato Drop

The crowds went wild this year when the new GloTato was dropped in front of the state capitol building to ring in the New Year. The IPC is a sponsor of this local event that generates worldwide publicity. The Big Idaho® Potato Truck, the Tater Team, Spuddy Buddy and 40,000 revelers from around the globe bundle up to enjoy the festivities, the countdown and an impressive fireworks show.



While RODS may not be a household name yet, the impact of this small but mighty nonprofit organization is astounding. RODS consists of more than 200 runners and triathletes who live all across the country, but race for one cause—to find homes in the United States for children from other countries who are born with Down syndrome. Sadly, in many countries children born with Down syndrome are often institutionalized and don't receive the care or love they need to thrive. This year RODS is celebrating a special milestone—through its fundraising efforts and support from organizations like the IPC, it's been able to provide the financial support for 30 adoptions. Thirty children are no longer in orphanages but are with loving families.





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## Strong Social Media Presence Generated by Food Bloggers

### Reaching Millions of Foodies Through Influential Food Bloggers

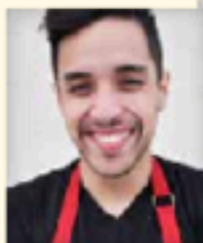
In just a few short years the IPC has developed relationships with more than 100 of the top food bloggers in the country. Throughout the year the bloggers provide the IPC with dozens of new and delicious recipes and photographs that are added to the IPC's rich recipe database located on its website. Several bloggers also provide videos, which are both educational and entertaining. These videos are located on the IPC's YouTube channel, IdahoPotatoVideos.

The IPC also sponsors several blogger conferences. The educational events allow the IPC to meet one-on-one with numerous bloggers who may be up-and-comers or already established with large followings. The conferences also provide an opportunity to educate the attendees about Idaho® potatoes and treat them to a few fabulous dishes.

Food bloggers have become an extremely important group of influencers who help us promote the Idaho® potato brand to millions of consumers across the country.

Check out hundreds of blogger recipes at [idahopotato.com/recipes/tag/blogger](http://idahopotato.com/recipes/tag/blogger).

Below are just a few of our fantastic food blogger partners and recipes!



**Jonathan  
Melendez**  
THE CANDID  
APPETITE

Gluten-Free

Idaho® Potato Pistachio Lemon Cake



**Sara O'Donnell** AVERAGE BETTY  
Bacon Blitz Idaho® Potato Skewers



**Liba Lin** HEALTHY NIBBLES & BITS

Harissa Roasted Idaho® Fingerling Potatoes



**Sylvia  
Fontaine**  
FEASTING  
AT HOME

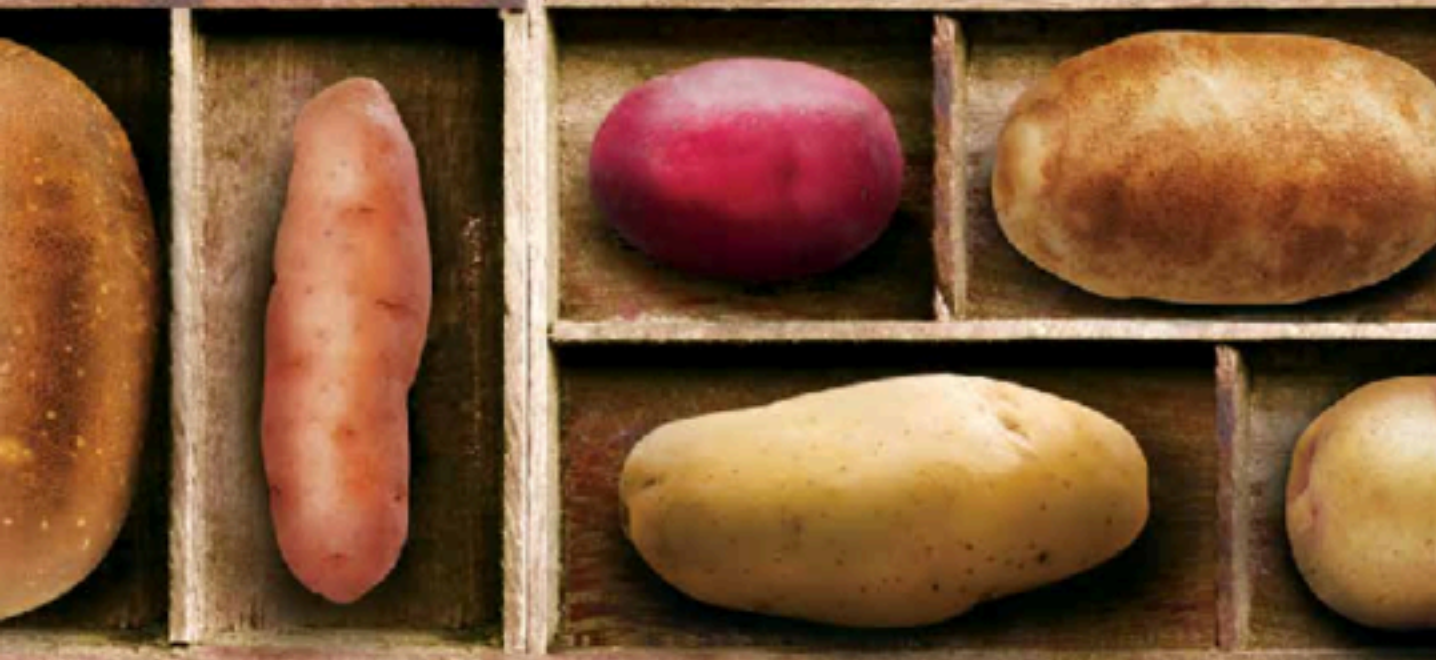
Balinese Fish and Idaho® Potato Curry





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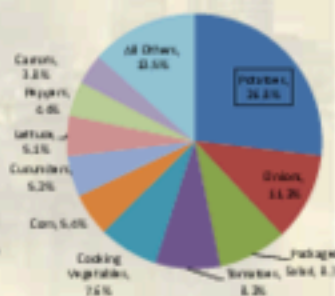
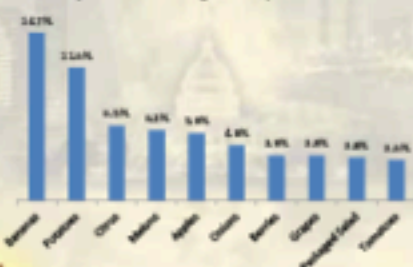
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#### State of the Potato Category

- Potatoes are the second largest volume contributor in the entire produce department, and the commanding first within vegetables

Top Produce Categories by Volume Share



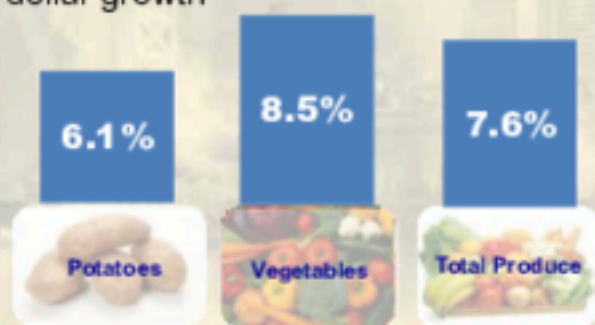
Source: Nielsen Perishables Group FreshFacts®, 52 Weeks Ending 2/22/18

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#### State of the Potato Category

- Potatoes increased dollar sales 6.1% from the prior year. However, vegetables and total produce outpaced potatoes in dollar growth



Dollar % Change



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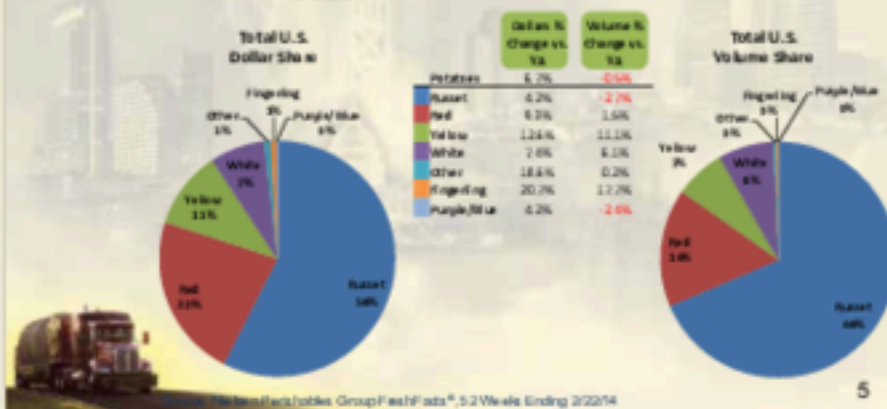
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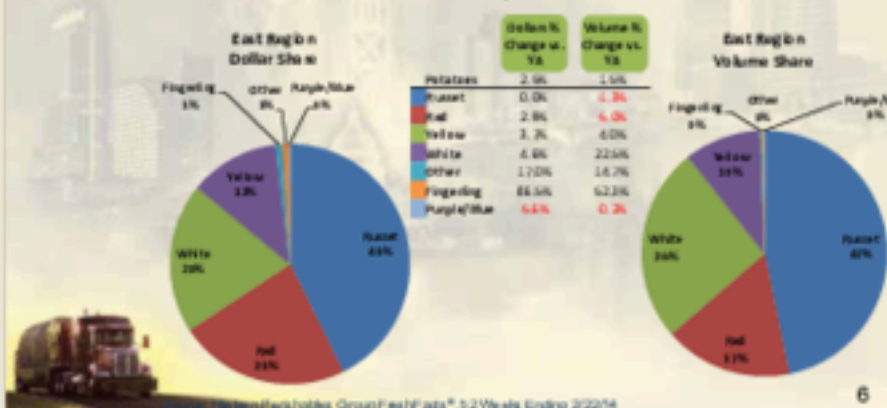
#### Potato Performance by Type

- All potato types increased dollar sales from the previous year
- Volume sales were down slightly, driven by Russet



#### Potato Performance by Type

- White potatoes make up a larger share of the category in the East and drove the positive growth of category volume, as volume sales of both Russet and red potatoes declined





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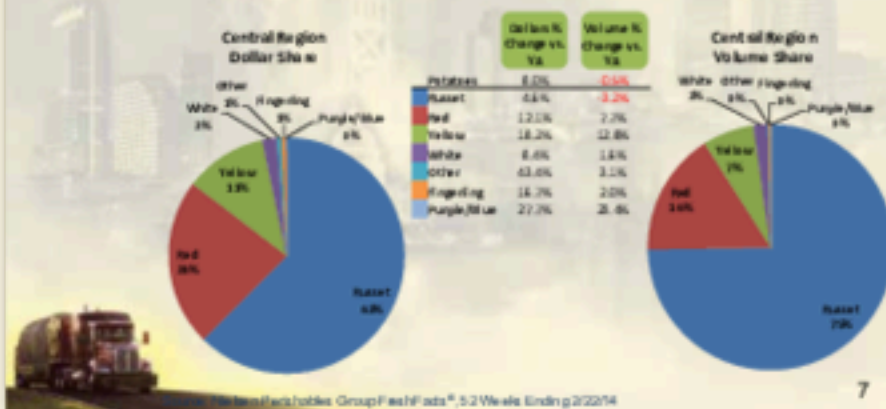
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#### Potato Performance by Type

- Russet was the only potato type to have a negative volume trend, which resulted in a negative trend for the entire category

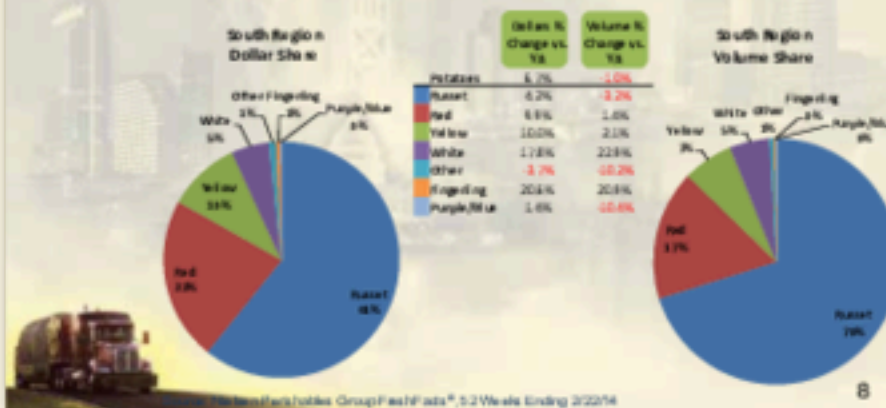


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#### Potato Performance by Type

- All potato types, with the exception of 'other', increased dollar sales from the previous year in the South region



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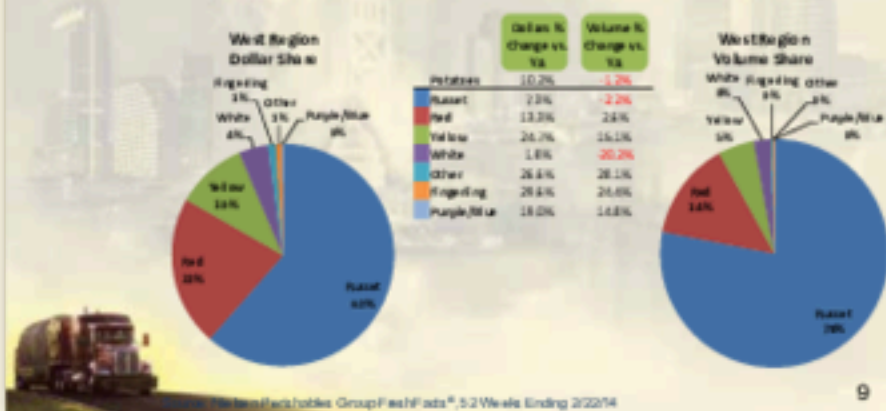
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#### Potato Performance by Type

- Of all of the regions, the West had the largest increase in total potato dollar sales

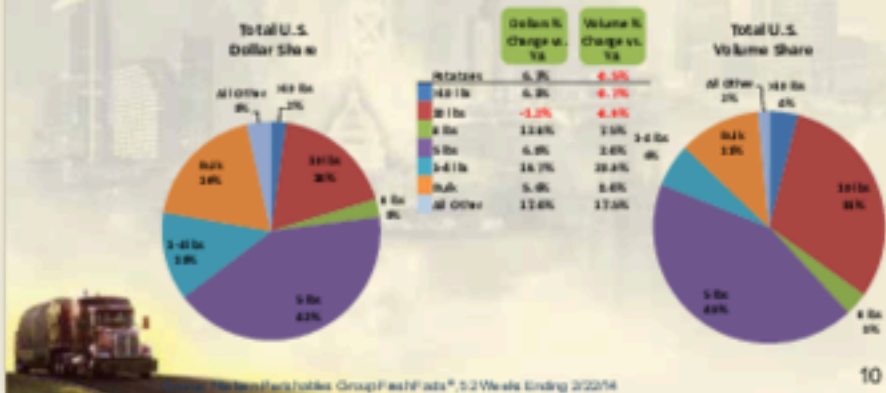


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#### Potato Performance by Size

- All package size groups increased dollar sales from the prior year, with the exception of the 10-lbs bag



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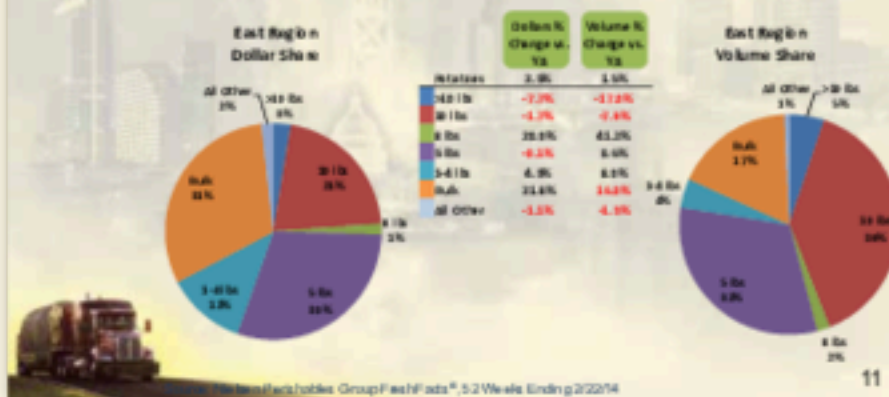
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#### Potato Performance by Size

- 8-lbs and 1-4-lbs were the only package size groups in the East to increase both dollar and volume sales from the previous year

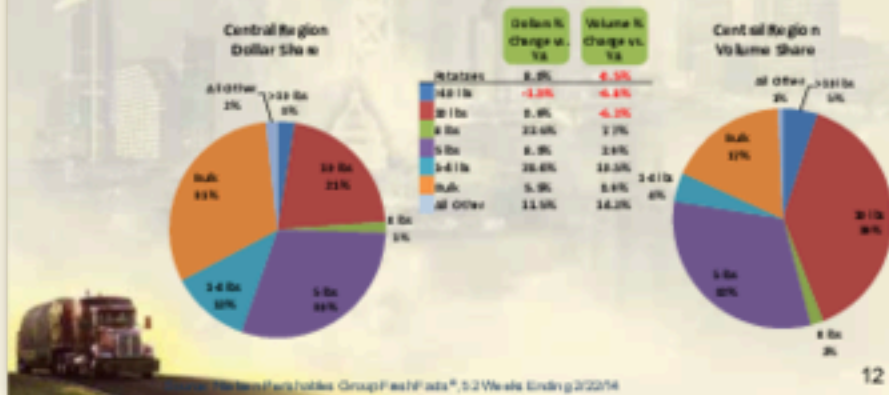


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#### Potato Performance by Size

- In the Central region, the 1-4-lbs size group had double-digit growth in both dollars and volume



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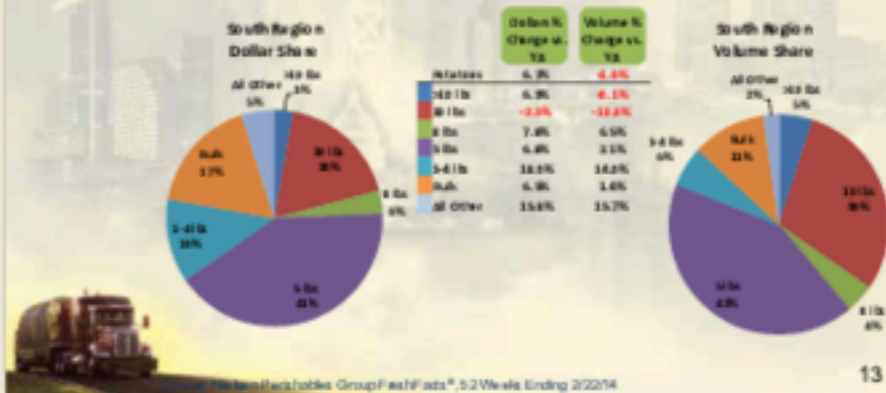
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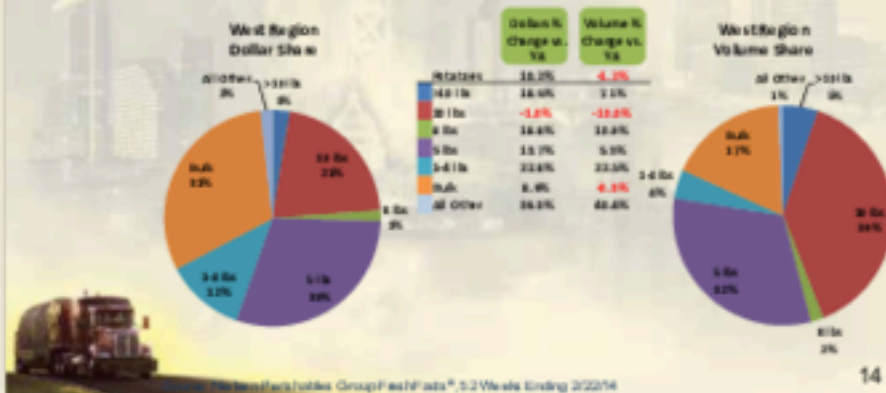
#### Potato Performance by Size

- In the South region, all bagged potatoes increased dollar sales compared to the previous year. And 1- to 4-pound, 8-pound and 10+ pound had double-digit volume increases



#### Potato Performance by Size

- With the exception of 10-lbs and bulk, all package size groups had double-digit growth in dollar sales from the previous year

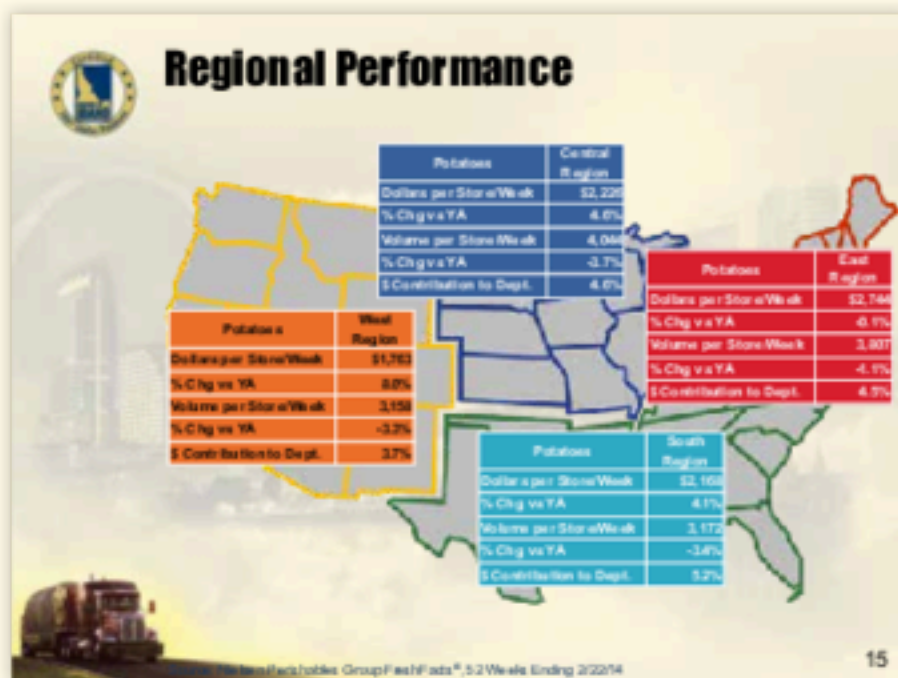




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#### Potato Shoppers..

**Spend More Money!**

**Buy More Groceries!**

All Transactions



With Potatoes



Monthly Basket Dollars



All Transactions



With Potatoes

Average Basket Item Count



*Because Idaho Potato Shoppers are more aware of quality, their baskets are probably even bigger!*

2018 Shopper Insights Study

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#### More Shopper Insights

The top two factors contributing to an unplanned fresh potato purchase are:

- The potatoes "looked tasty"
- The shopper "thought of a meal idea"



Potato buyers are more likely than average shoppers to buy more than they had planned on purchasing and are more likely to get meal inspiration while in the store

↳ *Opportunity to increase incremental purchases throughout the store!*



2018 Shopper Insights Study

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## Assortment

**Maintain a year-round assortment of potatoes to consistently appeal to a wide range of shoppers**

- **Gourmet/Trendy Shopper**
  - Unique and innovative offerings (e.g. Steamer bags, or purple/blue potatoes)
- **Quality Shopper**
  - High quality offerings, loose and small bags
- **Family/Traditional Shopper**
  - All types and 5-pound bags
- **Price Conscious Shopper**
  - 10- and 10+-pound bags



*Consumers will pay for quality, specific sizes and varieties. It's important to make sure your assortment attracts all potato shoppers*

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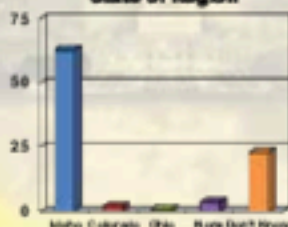


### Assortment

**An Idaho offering for each segment is critical to your category assortment**

- Among those with a preference, **84% of consumers said they are more likely to purchase Idaho potatoes**, if given a choice
- When asked about who grows the best potatoes, 8 out of 10 consumers responded **Idaho**

**Best Potato-Growing State or Region**



**Idaho Potatoes as a Purchase Trigger**



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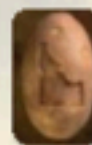


### Pricing

**Maintain a consistent, segmented pricing strategy that communicates a clear value proposition**

- ✓ **Keep the price gap between products consistent**
  - Customers can quickly find the value they are looking for
- ✓ **Don't give potatoes away! Price for a good margin**
  - 80% of consumers plan to purchase potatoes before they enter the stores; as a result potato pricing is relatively inelastic and deep discounts are not needed to sell product\*

*Consumers associate Idaho Potatoes with high quality products and **will pay a premium price for the Idaho Brand!***



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### Merchandising

Merchandise all potato items together by type for better impact and easy convenience for consumers



Set the higher-priced, specialty offerings first in the consumer traffic flow to take advantage of impulse sales

Merchandise items by potato type then size, to ensure all category offerings are communicated to the consumer

Make Idaho Russets the focus of the Russet section, as they convey quality and consistency

Merchandising Best Practices

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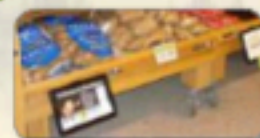


### Merchandising

**It is important to educate your customers**

- ✓ Differences in potato types
  - Encourage specialty types along with traditional
- ✓ New preparation ideas
  - Offer on-the-spot meal solutions
- ✓ Health benefits
  - Potatoes are one of the best nutritional values of the entire produce department

POS materials with nutrition information provide consumers with reasons WHY they should eat potatoes...and feel good about it.



Coupling nutrition with usage informs for (pre-/menu/plans) shows consumers HOW they can enjoy potatoes.

Merchandising Best Practices

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### Merchandising

Numerous industry studies have shown that point of sale materials boost sales

- Make sure Idaho potatoes are properly identified, so customers know they are getting the quality brand they know and trust
- It is also very important to place pricing signage adjacent to the product to which it is referring



IPC can provide marketing support to make your potato category the best around!



### Promotion

Use promotions to attract customers and drive incremental sales – these guidelines can help make your promotions more effective

- ✓ **Discount**
  - Peak Potato Periods (Nov.-Jan): Don't discount too deeply, consumers are already buying potatoes
  - Non-Peak Potato Periods: Promotions are more important to generate potato item lift
  - Remember to maintain the category pricing structure
- ✓ **Mix**
  - Promote a mix of bag and bulk items
  - When promoting organics, pair with at least one conventional item\*
- ✓ **Displays**
  - Use secondary displays or end caps to bring attention to the promotion



*Displays drive sales! Increase display size or implement a secondary display to drive purchases*




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### Famous Idaho Potatoes

The "Certified" seal is a guarantee that you're getting top-quality potatoes

Idaho's growing conditions give Idaho Potatoes their unique texture, taste and dependable performance:

- Warm days
- Cool nights
- Ample mountain-fed irrigation
- Rich volcanic soil

Idaho Potatoes are perceived to be a premium, and command a price premium at retail



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### Why Idaho

*Idaho is the only brand in potatoes. It's the way to tell your consumers you care...and because consumers will pay more, by carrying Idaho Potatoes, you can enhance your potato category profitability.*



### Why Idaho

- When you buy Idaho potatoes you're also getting the nation's oldest and most powerful potato promotion program
  - National TV advertising
  - Potato Lovers Display Contest
  - Promotional support \$\$
  - Point-of-sale materials
  - Tie-in promotions





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### State of the Potato Category

- Potatoes are in the top 10 largest contributors to dollar share for the produce department, and the third largest within vegetables

**Top Produce Categories by Dollars Share**

Category	Dollar Share (%)
Apples	8.3%
Leafy Greens	7.4%
Strawberries	6.9%
Raspberries	6.4%
Grapes	6.3%
Citrus	6.2%
Tomatoes	5.4%
Cucumbers	5.4%
Watermelon	4.9%
Cooking Vegetables	4.7%

Category	Dollar Share (%)
Net Weight Total	34.2%
Tomatoes	23.6%
Potatoes	12.6%
Cooking Vegetables	4.6%
Value-added Vegetables	3.3%
Peppers	3.2%
Lemons	2.0%
Carrots	1.6%
Melons	1.0%

Source: Nielsen Retailer Group Fresh Facts®, 52 Weeks Ending 3/22/18



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#### FreshFacts® Data Overview

- Data includes retail census sales data for key Food, Club and Mass/Supercenter store chains across the U.S., with more than \$2 million annual ACV\* sales per store
  - ~18,000 stores nationwide
  - Data by week, by store, by item
    - Custom time periods available
    - 3 years of history
  - Data is for all products sold in the fresh departments

NEW! Fresh Coverage Area (FCA)

Food

Mass/ Supercenter

Club

UPC



PLU



System



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## Potato Lover's Month





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IDAHO® POTATO  
TIE-INS

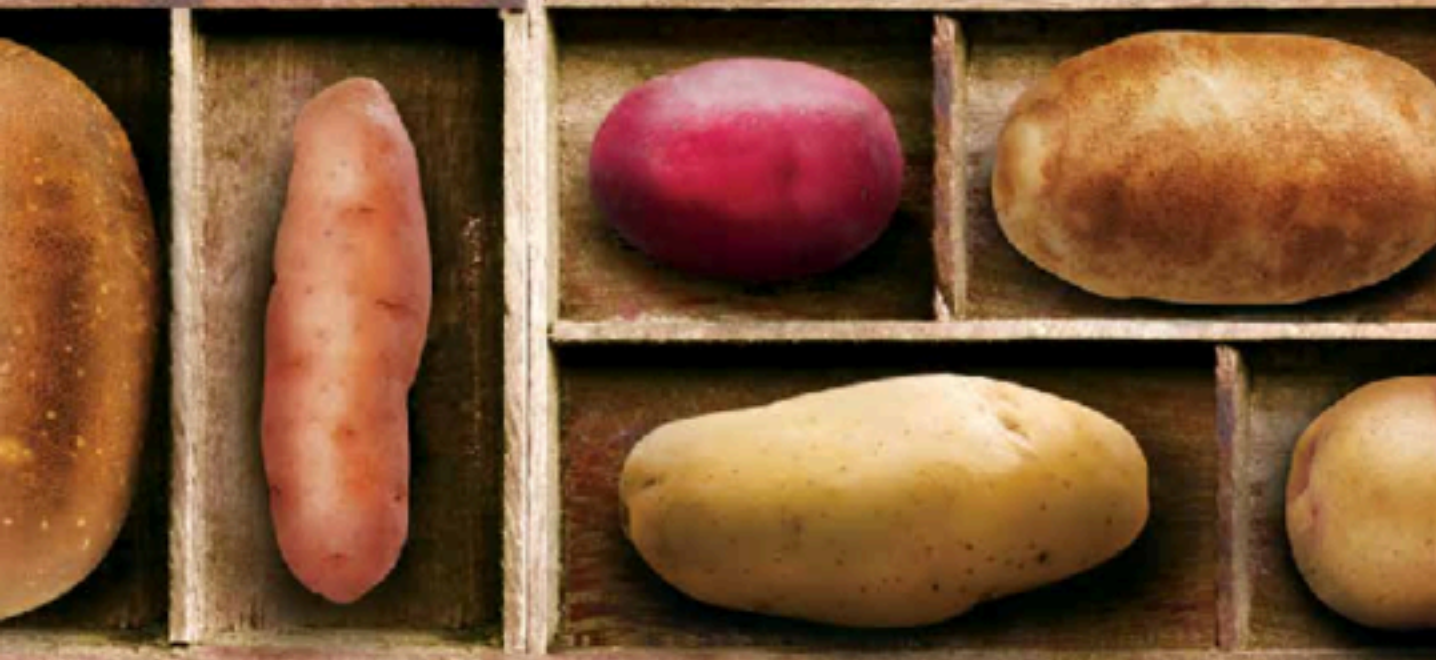


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## Idaho® Potato Tie-Ins

### Idaho Potato Commission Partners with Irony® Wine Cellars

The Idaho Potato Commission is partnering with Irony® Wine Cellars, offering Idaho® potato coupons on bottle neckers placed on bottles of its wines in various retail locations.



**SAVE UP TO \$4**

on Idaho Potatoes and Mrs. Cubbison's Stuffing or Salad Toppings

SAVE \$2.00  
On two (2) 5 pound bags of Idaho® Potatoes

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

This is a promotional program. It is not a contract. The Idaho Potato Commission is not responsible for any loss of product or damage to property. The Idaho Potato Commission is not responsible for any loss of product or damage to property. The Idaho Potato Commission is not responsible for any loss of product or damage to property.



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## Idaho® Potato Tie-Ins

### Idaho Potato Commission Partners with Excelsior Wine Company/Frontera Wines

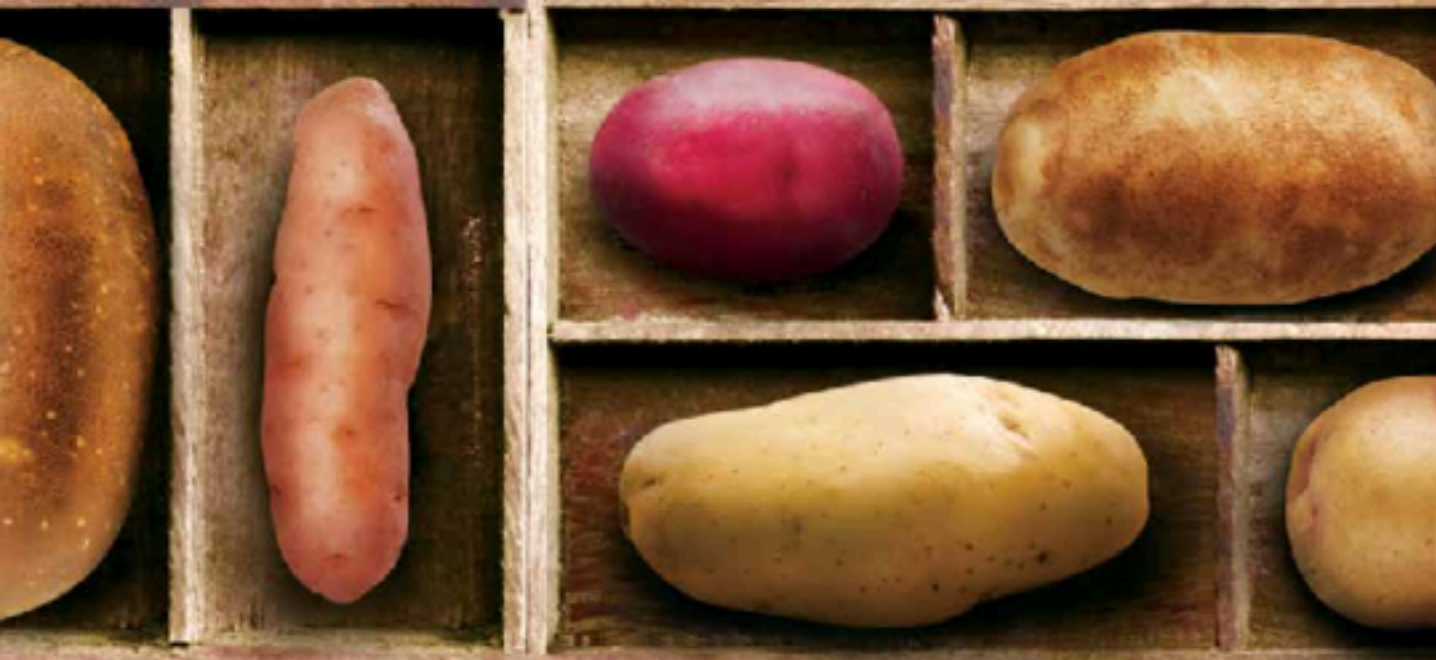
The Idaho Potato Commission is partnering with Excelsior Wine Company by placing 250,000 Idaho® potato coupons on Frontera wine bottles in various retail locations.





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# POS MATERIALS & INFOGRAPHICS



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### Idaho® Potato Bulk Bin POS





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## Idaho® Potato Nutrition POS Materials



- A Closer Look at the Value of -

# IDAHO® POTATOES

A RECENT STUDY BY ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY LOOKED AT VALUE AND PRICE ELASTICITY

## PRICE ELASTICITY

is the value that helps determine the relationship between a change in the quantity demanded of a particular good, and a change in its price.<sup>1</sup>

## THE STUDY FOUND THAT IDAHO® RUSSETS

are much less elastic than russet potatoes from elsewhere. This means that when the price goes up, the resulting lost volume is significantly less than non-Idaho® Russets.



INCREASED PRICE

STABLE DEMAND/VOLUME

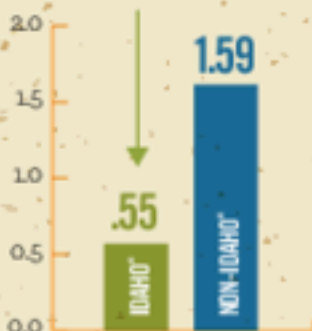


## THE FINDINGS SUGGEST

that retailers don't need to discount Idaho® Russets to the same degree as non-Idaho® Russets for fear of a decline in volume.

## BASED ON 5lb BAGS

of russet potatoes



Like in golf, the lower the score the better.



## LOWEST

vulnerability to competitive pricing.

## HIGHEST

potential for increased profit margins.

*"The fact is that even if you pay 10 cents per bag more for Idaho® Russets, you can charge 20 cents per bag more at retail."*

**SETH PEMSLER**

Vice President,  
Retail and International Programs  
Idaho Potato Commission

Study data provided by:

The study was conducted by the Arizona State University.

Category: Potatoes

Transaction: 1000 units, weekly, 50/50/50

RFQ generated: 1/2012

Level of Detail: 5-digit data, broken out by variety and pack

ASU: 1000 - 1000

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# POTATO STORAGE & HANDLING TIPS

## STORAGE & ROTATION

### WHAT MAKES A GREAT POTATO STORAGE AREA?

- A cool, dry, dark, and clean space
  - Disinfect both storage and display areas
- Air circulation around boxes allows potatoes to breathe
  - Don't stack too many boxes
- Do not drop cartons or bags, it will break potatoes or cause bruising

### ROTATE THE DISPLAY

- Potatoes should be stocked first-in/first-out
- Keep some distance
  - If potatoes are displayed near other fruits and veggies, they can absorb those flavors
- No wet racks
  - Wet potatoes are more prone to disease
  - Do not mist or spray water on potatoes

- If potatoes are too cold, their starch content will convert to sugar. Potatoes will taste sweet if stored below 40°F
- Place newer stock in the BACK; move the older stock to the FRONT
- Rotating potatoes provides an opportunity to remove the bad ones. Leaving potatoes with defects will cut down on impulse sales

### *Put Them to Bed at Night*

Covering potatoes at night with burlap bags or a fabric wrap protects them from the light. Potatoes turn green when exposed to light.

## HANDLING POTATOES

### *The Sensitive Tuber*

These **FOUR PHYSICAL FACTORS** are very meaningful to potatoes:

- TEMPERATURE
- HUMIDITY
- LIGHT
- HANDLING

Potatoes stored in warm temperatures and bright light will turn green and sprout.

### POTATOES ARE MORE DELICATE THAN THEY LOOK!

You put them on the shelf and they sell themselves, right? Well, there's actually more to it than that. Potatoes should always be treated with the utmost respect

- If potatoes are not stored and handled properly, it can affect their quality
- Put potatoes into proper storage immediately because they are **STILL ALIVE**

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# IDAHO® POTATOES ARE BIG

## On Nutrition!

### VITAMINS & MINERALS

VITAMIN **C** One potato provides  
**45%**  
of your daily needs!

### Potassium

There is more potassium  
per serving in a potato than  
in a banana!



Potatoes are a good source  
of Vitamin B<sub>6</sub>,  
which plays an  
important role  
in helping your  
body metabolize  
protein and carbohydrates.

VITAMIN  
**B<sub>6</sub>**



Potatoes contain  
powerful phytochemicals  
and antioxidants!

### HEALTHY BENEFITS



**POTATOES ARE  
HEART HEALTHY!**

- FAT FREE
- CHOLESTEROL FREE

*Gluten Free!*

plus, a potato has only about

**110 CALORIES**

Potatoes contain both  
SIMPLE AND COMPLEX  
CARBOHYDRATES

UTILIZED FOR  
**ENERGY!**

One medium potato  
has 2 grams  
of fiber, that's:

**8%**  
DAILY  
FIBER

Look  
for the  
seal!



Learn more at [IdahoPotato.com/nutrition\\_education](http://IdahoPotato.com/nutrition_education)

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# FAMOUS IDAHO® POTATO TOUR

## TOURING SINCE 2012

and it is still TRUCKING ALONG stronger than ever!



People of all ages relate to the Idaho seal more than ever

*thanks*  
TO THE TRUCK

### TOUR STATISTICS



That many people would fill up

**102**  
NFL FOOTBALL STADIUMS

Traveled approximately  
**25,000**  
miles per year

That's enough miles to circle the world **EVERY YEAR!**



We get **APPEARANCE REQUESTS DAILY** from fans, festivals, and events all over the country. (Let's just say the truck is in BIG demand.)

**16,000+** FANS ON FACEBOOK



*Is it REAL?*  
(seriously)

### THE NUMBER 1 QUESTION

How did Tater Team alum Kisse Wolfe answer that?

*It's real...by awesome!*



### IMMEASURABLE

We can't even begin to measure how many people have a picture of the Big Idaho Potato Truck on their mobile devices.

**LOCAL,  
NATIONAL,  
AND EVEN  
GLOBAL  
RECOGNITION**



**GO HOME!**



People always identify with the national commercial and tell the Tater Team to "go home" because the farmer is looking for them. (Even truck drivers tell them to go home over the CB...Truckers are SO jealous of our driver!)

TV, Radio, Newspapers, Blogs, Social Media, Magazines

\*Our persistent ladywhores ask all the time to see if we can get the truck to Hawaii and Alaska!

# Points for the IDAHO® Potato!

SURVEY ENLIGHTENS AMERICANS ON THE IDAHO® POTATO DIFFERENCE

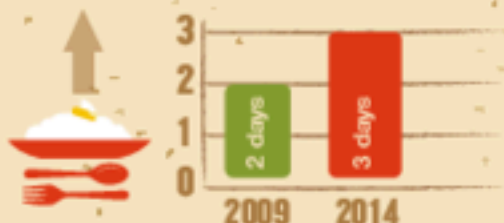
## TATER NATION

**97%**  **230 million** Americans eat POTATOES

**4 out of 5** eat potatoes once a week or more

**4/5**

In the last five years, this figure has **increased** by one additional day per week



## THE POTATO OF MY EYE

What veggie do Americans crave most often?

**24%**  potatoes

**20%**  leafy greens

**14%**  broccoli

**13%**  tomatoes

**11%**  corn

**8%**  green beans

**7%**  carrots

## POTATO PREPARATION

How Americans like their TATERS



## IT'S GOTTA BE IDAHO

When I Say Potato, You Say Idaho!



**9/10**

**9 in 10** Americans say they associate potatoes with Idaho more than any other state in the nation

**72%** (170 million) of Americans would be inclined to eat Idaho® potatoes over potatoes from other states



## WHAT AMERICANS DON'T KNOW

**78%** don't know potatoes have more **POTASSIUM** than bananas.

**93%** don't know potatoes have more **VITAMIN C** than bananas.



Survey was conducted in 2014 among 1,000 randomly selected Americans ages 18 and over using an email invitation and an online poll. While it is always good to get insight from survey, we caution that this is not a scientific survey and that results of smaller companies and online surveys may vary. For more information about Idaho, please call 1-888-6-IDAHO or visit [www.idahopotato.com](http://www.idahopotato.com)



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THE MEDIA IS RAVING  
ABOUT IDAHO® POTATOES BEING A SUPERFOOD!



## HEART HEALTHY

One study discovered the consumption of potatoes, two times a day, assists with the lowering of blood pressure, and reduces risk of heart disease and stroke. — CNN 5/18/17

**“POTATOES ARE A GOOD PART OF A HEALTHY PLANT-BASED DIET”**

— Jeff Novick, MS, RD 9/13/16

**“POTATOES ARE A SURPRISINGLY NUTRITIONALLY COMPLETE FOOD. THE HUMBLE SPUD IS THE REAL SUPERFOOD”**

— Stephen Guyre, PhD 4/17

**CLOCKING IN AT 110 CALORIES PER 5 OZ POTATO, SPUDS ARE AN EXCELLENT SOURCE OF FIBER**

— PREVENTION MAGAZINE 2/2017

**“ I’M BRINGING POTATOES BACK!**

THESE GOOD OLE IDAHO® POTATOES ARE 110-CALORIE WONDERS. AND YOU SHOULD BE EATING THEM AGAIN!

— DR. OZ 3/23/17

”



**THEY CONTAIN HIGH-QUALITY CARBOHYDRATES THAT FUEL THE BRAIN & MUSCLES WITH ENERGY**

— PREVENTION MAGAZINE 3/2017



**POTATOES ARE A KITCHEN STAPLE WORTH BEFRIENDING**

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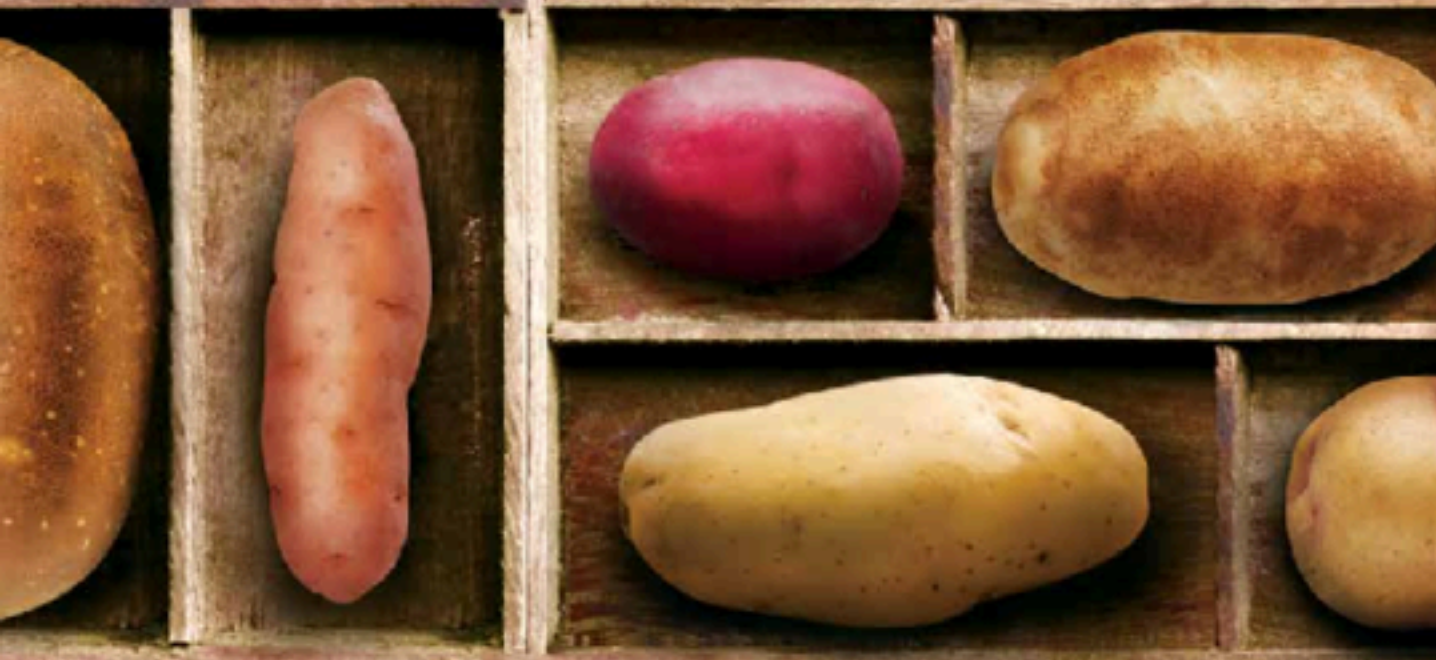
# POTATOES BEAT PASTA

in the ability to satiate hunger for a prolonged period of time. The longer you feel satisfied, the less likely you are to eat more during the day. — CNN 5/18/17



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**THE FAMOUS  
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### The Big Idaho® Potato Truck— Is It Real?

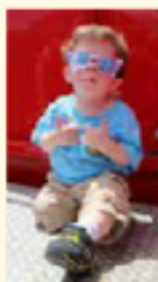
After six years on the road, countless public appearances and a national television advertising campaign supporting it, this is still the number one question people ask when they see the Big Idaho® Potato Truck for the first time.

To date, the Truck has traveled 150,000 miles, has driven through over 7,000 cities, and has had its picture taken millions of times.

Every year the Truck's popularity increases exponentially and the appearance requests keep flooding in. This summer the Truck was invited to take a lap on the Poconos Raceway, attend the Potato Chip Festival in Saratoga Springs, New York, and be a part of the Houston Children's Festival. This is in addition to dozens of other events it attended.

The 2018 Tour is scheduled to start in March. To find out where it's going or to request an event appearance, visit [bigidahopotato.com](http://bigidahopotato.com).

So is it real? We'll never tell...wink, wink.



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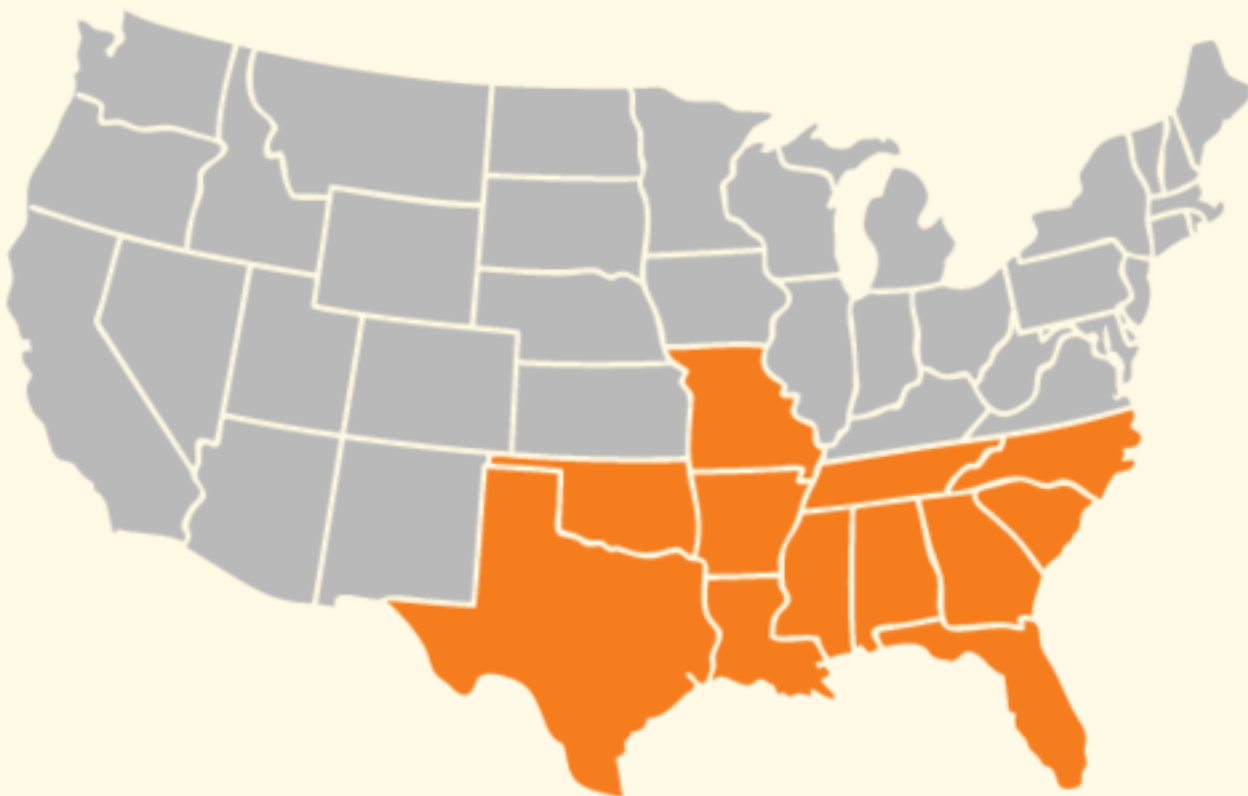
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