NGA | NATIONAL GROCERS ASSOCIATION

SNAP Cuts = Job Cuts

The National Grocers Association (NGA) represents 21,000 independent community grocers and wholesalers across the United States. Independent community grocers account for 33 percent of all grocery sales, exceeding $250 billion, and more than 1 million American jobs.

Core Values

NGA members know the following to be true:

- ✦ **No American should go hungry.**
- ✦ **Healthy food should be accessible.**
- ✦ **SNAP has a positive economic impact on communities and improves health.**
- ✦ **Federal food policy should never favor Wall Street over Main Street.**

For decades, independent grocers have been dedicated stewards of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). They have fought to prevent fraud, create efficiencies, and create a welcoming experience for families that are going through a difficult time.

By the numbers[1] ...

243K Jobs — SNAP supports nearly **198,000** jobs in community grocery stores and over **45,000** additional jobs in related sectors like agriculture, manufacturing, transportation, and municipal services.

$16B in Wages — Grocery store employees who help implement SNAP in their stores earn about **$6.7 billion** in pay. Workers in supporting industries earn about **$9.4 billion**.

$1B Federal Taxes — Sales tax isn't applied to SNAP purchases, but SNAP sales generate additional economic activity that brought in over **$1 billion** in federal tax revenue in 2020.

$975M State and Local Taxes — SNAP associated sales and administration at the grocery store level contributed to more than **$975 million** in state and local tax revenue in 2020.

[1] John Dunham & Associates, The National Grocers Association Economic Impact Study 2021, https://grocers.guerrillaeconomics.net/res/Methodology.pdf.

Asks for Congress

- ✦ Ensure SNAP benefits are efficient and sufficient to purchase healthy foods.
- ✦ Protect SNAP participants and grocers from skimming and fraud by modernizing EBT cards.
- ✦ Direct the USDA to work with law enforcement remove bad actors from the program.

At the HEART of the community.