

**Fresh Thyme Market** is a midwestern grocer with 75 locations across 11 states. The company is backed by an investment from Meijer Companies, Ltd. Meijer is a privately-owned and family operated company with 245 stores throughout MN, MI, MO, NE, OH, PA, IN, IA, IL, KY, and WI. Meijer was ranked by Forbes as one of America's largest private companies, with more than 80,000 employees and approximately \$19.5 billion in sales for the year ending January 30, 2021.

Fresh Thyme Market is a natural food marketplace, and is committed to providing organic and natural foods as well as clean label foods. The markets are laid out to provide an easy shopping experience. Each Fresh Thyme Market store provides a dedicated produce, bakery, and meats section. Each market is committed to providing quality authentic foods, and doing so at affordable prices.

DRESS FOR LESS

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LOCATIONS	75	
FOUNDED	2012	
EMPLOYEES	80,000	
REVENUE	\$19.5 Billion	
PARENT	Meijer Companies	
HEADQUARTERS	Chicago, IL	
WEBSITE	<u>freshthyme.com</u>	

	ROSS FOR LESS	
LOCATIONS		1,630
FOUNDED		1957
EMPLOYEES		88,100
REVENUE		\$18.2 Billion
STOCK TICKER		ROST (NASDAQ)
SUBSIDIARIES		dd's Discounts
HEADQUARTERS		Dublin, CA
WEBSITE		rossstores.com



**Total Wine & More** is a large, family-owned, privately held American alcohol retailer founded and led by brothers David Trone and Robert Trone in 1991. Total Wine & More was named Retailer of the Year by Market Watch in 2006, Beverage Dynamics in 2008, and Wine Enthusiast Magazine in 2004 and 2014. Total Wine & More is America's Wine Superstore® — the country's largest independent retailer of fine wine. Today, Total Wine & More operates 232 superstores across 27 states and continue to grow.

Total Wine		
LOCATIONS	232	
FOUNDED	1961	
EMPLOYEES	7,000+	
HEADQUARTERS	North Bethesda, MD	
WEBSITE	totalwine.com	



**Five Below, Inc.** (NASDAQ: FIVE), is a leading high-growth value retailer offering trendright, high-quality products for teens and beyond. With most items priced between \$1 and \$5, plus a small assortment of products from \$6 to \$25. Items ranging from, style, room, sports, tech, party and candy. Founded in 2002 and headquartered in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Five Below today has nearly 1,200 stores in 40 states.

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LOCATIONS	1,200
FOUNDED	2002
EMPLOYEES	14,000+
REVENUE	\$2.848 Billion
STOCK TICKER	FIVE (NASDAQ)
HEADQUARTERS	Philadelphia, PA
WEBSITE	<u>fivebelow.com</u>



**Big Blue Swim School** was founded in 2009 by competitive swimmers Chris DeJong and John Lonergan to provide a measurable curriculum for students to learn an essential life skill in a comfortable and fun environment.

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LOCATIONS	122
FOUNDED	2009
HEADQUARTERS	Chicago, IL
WEBSITE	<u>bigblueswimschool.com</u>



**Cyclebar** is the largest indoor cycling brand and offers a variety of low-impact, high-intensity indoor cycling workouts that are inclusive of all fitness levels. CycleBar offers an immersive, multi-sensory, community-focused experience in state-of-the-art "CycleTheaters," led by specially trained instructors, enhanced with pumping "CycleBeats" playlists and tracked using rider-specific "CycleStat" performance metrics. With more than 250 studios open across the globe and ranked on Entrepreneur Magazine's Franchise 500 four years running, Fastest-Growing Franchises in 2021, and Inc. Magazine's Inc. 5000 in 2020, CycleBar is 3 x larger than its largest competitor and leading the thriving indoorcycling industry.

	C Y C L E B A R
LOCATIONS	250+
FOUNDED	2004
EMPLOYEES	1,500
REVENUE	\$575 Million
HEADQUARTERS	Costa Mesa, CA
WEBSITE	<u>cyclebar.com</u>



**Kirklands** (NASDAQ: KIRK), is a specialty retailer of home furnishings in the United States, currently operating 359 stores in 35 states as well as an e-commerce website, www. kirklands.com, under the Kirkland's Home brand. The Company provides its customers an engaging shopping experience characterized by a curated, affordable selection of home furnishings along with inspirational design ideas. This combination of quality and stylish merchandise, value pricing and a stimulating online and store experience allows the Company's customers to furnish their home at a great value.

	KIRKLAND'S	
LOCATIONS		361
FOUNDED		1966
EMPLOYEES		7,900+
REVENUE		\$634 Million
STOCK TICKER		KIRK (NASDAQ)
HEADQUARTERS		Brentwood, TN
WEBSITE		<u>kirklands.com</u>



**Gamestop** (NYSE: GME), is an American video game, consumer electronics, and gaming merchandise retailer. The company is headquartered in Grapevine, Texas (a suburb of Dallas), and is the largest video game retailer worldwide. As of 29 January 2022, the company operated 4,573 stores including 3,018 in the United States, 231 in Canada, 417 in Australia and 907 in Europe under the GameStop, EB Games, EB Games Australia, Micromania-Zing, ThinkGeek and Zing Pop Culture brands. The company was founded in Dallas in 1984 as Babbage's, and took on its current name in 1999.

	GameStop POWER TO THE PLAYERS'	
LOCATIONS		4,573
FOUNDED		1984
EMPLOYEES		30,000
REVENUE		\$6 Billion
STOCK TICKER		GME (NYSE)
HEADQUARTERS		Grapevine, TX
WEBSITE		gamestop.com







**The Kroger Co.** (NYSE: KR), founded in 1883 and headquartered in Cincinnati, OH, is the #1 grocer in Georgia and the United States' largest supermarket chain by revenue, the second-largest general retailer and the twenty-third largest company within the Fortune 500 companies. Kroger is also the fifth largest retailer in the world and the fourth largest American-owned private employer in the United States.

As of January 2021, Kroger has 2,742 supermarkets under a variety of local banner names, of which 2,255 had pharmacies and 1,596 had fuel centers. Kroger's total sales in 2020 increased 8.4% to a record \$122.1 Billion while the Company's gross margin improved by 125 bps. Kroger maintains investment grade credit ratings of BBB (S&P) / Baa1 (Moody's).

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**Harbor Freight Tools,** commonly referred to as Harbor Freight, is a privately held tool and equipment retailer, headquartered in Calabasas, California, which operates a chain of retail stores, as well as a mail-order and e-commerce business. The company employs over 20,000 people in the United States and has over 1,200 locations in 48 states

	Kroger
LOCATIONS	2,742
FOUNDED	1883
EMPLOYEES	650,000
STOCK TICKER	NYSE: KR
REVENUE	\$122.1 Billion
SUBSIDIARIES	Harris Teeter, Fred Meyer, Ralphs, King Soopers, Pick 'n Save, Home Chef, Dillions, QFC & More
HEADQUARTERS	Cincinnati, OH
WEBSITE	kroger.com

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LOCATIONS		1,200
FOUNDED		1977
EMPLOYEES		24,000
REVENUE		\$5 Billion
HEADQUARTERS	Cal	abasas, CA
WEBSITE	<u>harbor</u>	freight.com







**Qdoba** is a chain of fast casual restaurants in the United States and Canada serving Mexican-style cuisine. After spending 15 years as a wholly owned subsidiary of Jack in the Box, the company was sold to a consortium of funds led by Apollo Global Management in March 2018. At the time of the sale in 2018, Qdoba had more than 700 locations in 47 states, the District of Columbia and Canada.

	QDOBA MEXICAN EATS	
LOCATIONS		750+
FOUNDED		1995
EMPLOYEES		16,000+
REVENUE		\$437.2 Million
HEADQUARTERS		San Diego, CA
WEBSITE		Qdoba.com



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Oak Street Health centers provide personalized  $\vartheta$  accessible care for adults on Medicare. Founded in 2012, Oak Street Health specializes in helping older adults stay healthy and live life more fully. The Oak Street Health model goes beyond typical primary care to provide patients with comprehensive preventive care, including personalized wellness plans, integrated health services, and educational and social activities to support overall health and well-being.





Rent-A-Center (NASDAQ: RCII), is an American public furniture and electronics rent-to-own company based in Plano, Texas. The company was incorporated in 1986 and as of 2021 operates approximately 2,972 company-owned stores in the United States, Puerto Rico and Mexico, accounting for approximately 35% of the rent-to-own market in the United States based on store count. Rent-A-Center is a rent-to-own industry leader with a mission to improve the quality of life for it's customers. Offering name-brand items such as, Ashley Furniture, Whirlpool appliances and Samsung electronics.

LOCATIONS	3000
FOUNDED	1973
EMPLOYEES	14,500
REVENUE	\$2.6 Billion
STOCK TICKER	RCII (NASDAQ)
HEADQUARTERS	Plano, TX
WEBSITE	<u>rentacenter.com</u>

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