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An Asian grocery store chain in Queensland, required the support of RGIS. With years of expertise in Asian food, the grocery store chain has taken 5,000 years of delicious Asian food history and updated it for today's modern lifestyle. They have years of experience with 22+ stores located across Queensland, Australia.



#### **REQUIREMENT**

The Asian grocery store chain conducted inventories using internal staff and technology, however were struggling to complete them in a timely manner, so came to RGIS for assistance. The grocery store chain needed RGIS to complete an **inventory of all grocery stores** throughout Queensland, and provide the following:

- · Reliable auditors with experience within a retail environment
- · All stock to be counted in 22 grocery stores within a specified time frame
- · Provide variance reports for checking after initial counts
- · Provide accurate data to update stock on hand quantities



### **SOLUTION**

The grocery store chain partnered with RGIS to complete the **after-hours grocery inventory project**, and RGIS provided the following:

- Following a pilot inventory, RGIS was able to determine count rates that they were able to achieve in the customer's store layout, and assigned teams based on store size to achieve a successful outcome
- Scheduled a team of approximately eight experienced RGIS auditors per store
- Scanned all stock both on the shop floor and in the back stock rooms



## **RESULTS**

The grocery store chain found by outsourcing the **after-hours grocery inventory project** to RGIS, the following results were achieved:

- Accurately counted all stock in 22 grocery stores, averaging 6,000 SKUs in 370 locations per site
- The grocery store chain's goals were achieved by completing inventories in one
  evening, without keeping store staff on-site into early hours of the morning as with
  previous in-house counts
- RGIS identified errors in the customer's storage of case codes and pack size
  quantities on the master file, so RGIS was able to successfully rectify the issues
  for the customer
- The customer had **up-to-date accurate reporting** of all stock in each grocery store
- The grocery store chain was happy with the service received from RGIS
- The customer's IT team found the **RGIS** import process simple and more efficient than receiving store handheld data files

By partnering with RGIS, the grocery store chain were able to achieve the goal of completing all store inventories more accurately and efficiently than using internal staff



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22 Stores Visited



Stock Count



**Identified Issues** 



**Accurate Reporting** 



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