

# North America Monthly Distribution Tracker

IDC's *North America Monthly Distribution Tracker*®, powered by the GTDC, is an IDC service that reports model-level sales data from the largest distributors in North America, covering all types of IT products, peripherals, and accessories categorized into IDC's tracker taxonomy. The GTDC (Global Technology Distribution Council) is an association comprised of the tech industry's top distributors. Sales through GTDC members represent almost 90% of the total revenues through the two-tier channel. This is the IT industry's only view of actual sales through the two-tier distribution channel in North America and provides timely actionable data around product and pricing trends.

## TECHNOLOGY COVERAGE

The *North America Monthly Distribution Tracker*®, powered by the GTDC, aggregates sales data from GTDC members on a monthly basis across over 200 product detail categories organized into larger product groupings, including personal computing, enterprise infrastructure, imaging, network infrastructure, audio/video, consumer electronics, peripherals & accessories, components & semiconductors, cables/connectors/adapters, power, security, services and software.

### Core Coverage

- Company/brand (over 1,800 brands covered internally, with over 500 published externally)
- Product group (13 technology categories)
- Product category (over 45 technology subcategories)
- Product (over 100)
- Product detail (over 230 across hardware, software, and services)
- Measurements (units, distributor revenue, and ASP)
- Channel detail (dealer, VAR, retail, systems integrator, retailer, service provider, and distributor)
- MPN (manufacturer part number) (over 1.5 million covered)
- Model attribute segmentation customized to each product group (over 200 different attributes in total)
- Historical data back to 2018

## DISTRIBUTOR COVERAGE

- Arrow, ASI, D&H, Essendant, Exclusive Networks, Exertis Almo, HM Cragg, Ingram Micro, and TD SYNEX

## GEOGRAPHIC SCOPE

- United States
- Canada

## DATA DELIVERABLES

This tracker is delivered on a monthly basis via a web-based interface. Historical data is published in calendar months on the second or third Thursday after the month ends. Forecast data is published on a quarterly basis, four weeks after historical data for the quarter has been published. Specific deliverables for this tracker are as follows:

- Historical data
- Forecast data

## IDC NORTH AMERICA DISTRIBUTION TRACKER METHODOLOGY

This tracker reports actual sales data with no changes or estimations made by IDC analysts. Sales data at the Manufacturer Part Number level is collected weekly from the largest distributors in North America. The data is consolidated, cleaned, and categorized into 14 different product groups each with their own additional detailed segmentation. This process is managed using a proprietary advanced data consolidation and analysis platform and by leveraging other data sources and data enrichment approaches such as:

- IDC taxonomy definitions
- Third-party product catalogs of model attributes
- IDC Tracker model lists
- Machine learning algorithms
- Webscraping
- Feedback from technology analyst experts