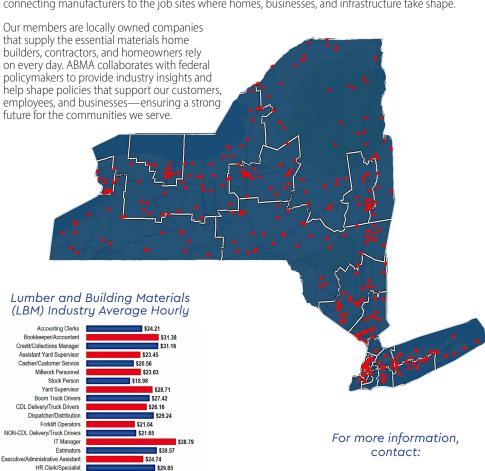


## ABMA members sustain hundreds of thousands of good-paying jobs, often serving as a gateway to lifelong careers for their local communities.

The American Building Materials Alliance (ABMA), established in August 2021, is a volunteer-driven committee of industry leaders advocating for independent lumber and building materials (LBM) dealers—small and medium-sized businesses that play a vital role in the construction supply chain, connecting manufacturers to the job sites where homes, businesses, and infrastructure take shape.



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## **Main Street Tax Issues**

ABMA supports tax policies that help locally owned, family-run businesses reinvest in their people and communities. We are focused on:

- **Preserving bonus depreciation** to allow immediate expensing of equipment and property improvements.
- Protecting the Section 199A deduction for S-Corporations and pass-through entities.
- Repealing the \$10,000 SALT deduction cap, which disproportionately harms business owners in high-tax Northeastern states.
- **Estate Tax Reform & Preservation of Stepped-Up Basis:** Protecting family-owned businesses from excessive capital gains taxes that could force them to sell rather than continue operations.

## **Credit Card Competition Act**

Independent building supply dealers face skyrocketing swipe fees that eat into tight margins. ABMA supports the Credit Card Competition Act to:

- Introduce real competition into the credit card market
- **Promote transparency and choice** for small businesses when routing credit card transactions.
- Free up capital for investments in hiring, inventory, and customer service improvements.

## **Workforce Development**

The building materials industry faces a growing shortage of CDL drivers and qualified equipment operators. ABMA is working to:

- **Expand employer-led training programs** that reflect the real-world demands of local delivery and yard operations.
- Advocate for **industry-specific CDL** and crane certification alternatives that reduce costs and remove barriers to entry. Build a sustainable pipeline of talent to meet long-term workforce needs.



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