

Baked Goods in New Zealand

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Growing focus on health, affordability and cleaner formulations shapes overall market momentum

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Health-aligned bread innovation supports steady category expansion despite muted volumes Cocoa-driven cost inflation and reduced discretionary spending accelerate decline in cakes

WHAT'S NEXT?

Functional evolution and rising nutritional scrutiny reshape future category dynamics
Wellness preferences drive premiumisation and artisanal growth as eating-out declines persist
Private label expansion reinforces competition and shapes value-driven purchasing habits

COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

Goodman Fielder strengthens its leadership through health-driven innovation and HSR alignment Breadcraft expands influence through functional flat bread and artisanal sourdough innovation

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Economic pressures, shifting dietary priorities and evolving retail strategies shape performance in 2025

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INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Health, naturalness and sustainability reshape expectations of everyday staples

Retailers expand curated free-from and plant-forward assortments to support conscious shopping

Reassessment of plant-based credentials shifts focus from hype to authenticity and quality

WHAT'S NEXT?

Steady growth outlook supported by economic recovery, home-cooking habits and value-seeking behaviour Innovation will centre on wellness, functionality and credible sustainability

Private label expansion and evolving retail strategies will reshape competition and channel dynamics

COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

Goodman Fielder reinforces leadership through portfolio breadth, health positioning and brand revitalisation Foodstuffs capitalises on private label strength and value positioning amid cost-of-living pressures

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