

Cooking Ingredients and Meals in the United Kingdom

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Growing interest in global cuisine and authentic flavours

KEY DATA FINDINGS

INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Sales increase thanks to increased price stability and the need for convenience Consumers look for innovation and a more authentic experience Focus on UPFs pushes demand towards healthier and more natural options

WHAT'S NEXT?

Sales set to grow despite further price increases

Government regulation and a focus on healthier eating set to influence the market
Innovation will be key to building and retaining interest across the market

COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

Kraft Heinz retains the lead by adapting to evolving market trends

Smaller players seeing dynamic growth through authentic and innovative offerings

CHANNELS

Supermarkets and hypermarkets remain the key distribution channels Competition increases as online and offline retailers compete for share

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Instability in supply chain poses challenges

INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

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WHAT'S NEXT?

Bright outlook for edible oils with improved forecasts for olive harvests

Innovation will be important, yet long-term success will depend on perceived value and practicality

Sustainability commitments and flavour innovation set to inform market growth

COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

Filippo Berio remains the leading brand but private label still dominates Odysea making waves with its premium product line

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KEY DATA FINDINGS

2025 DEVELOPMENTS

Innovative and premium offerings appeal to busy consumers

INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Demand remains stable in an increasing polarised market

Food kits thriving as players tap into the demand for healthy and convenient meal solutions

WHAT'S NEXT?

Innovation and premiumisation expected to fuel sustained gains in meals and soups

Health and nutrition trends set to drive new developments and reshape consumer preferences

International flavours, indulgence and sustainability set to boost consumer interest

COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

Private label continues to dominate despite the rise of branded meal kits Crosta & Mollica focuses on delivering authentic Italian pizza for success

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KEY DATA FINDINGS

2025 DEVELOPMENTS

Growth fuelled by innovation and new flavours

INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Mixed performances seen across the market with younger consumers displaying new preferences

Chilli sauces on the rise as consumers show a growing appetite for spicy food

WHAT'S NEXT?

Focus on home dining and retail innovation set to fuel growth

Consumers likely to demand healthier, cleaner and more natural products

Sauces and condiments thrive on bold innovation and global tastes while authenticity remains key amid rising variety

COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

Heinz retains the lead thanks to ongoing investment in new product development

Provenance and authenticity key factors behind the success of Filippo Berio

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Sweet Spreads in the United Kingdom

KEY DATA FINDINGS

2025 DEVELOPMENTS

Economic uncertainty and health concerns hinder sales

INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Rising ingredient costs and increased health focus reshape sweet spreads Honey and nut and seed based spreads the standout performers in 2025

WHAT'S NEXT?

Sweet spreads set for modest growth as innovation offsets ongoing pressures Pursuit of wellness and indulgence fuelling creative innovation in sweet spreads Wellness driven indulgence, creative versatility and transparency

COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

Ferrero leads but faces growing competition as innovation intensifies

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