

Staple Foods in Pakistan

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Affordability remains key as local production expands

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Changing lifestyles and retail formalisation will drive growth

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Health-focused cereals will attract consumer interest

Eco-friendly packaging will drive differentiation

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WHAT'S NEXT?

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Health-focused offerings will gain prominence in noodles and pasta

Regional flavours will drive differentiation and enhance customer engagement

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