

Meals and Soups in Croatia

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2025 DEVELOPMENTS

Demand for convenient products with a long shelf-life benefits sales

INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Broader convenience trend and upgraded formulations drive category expansion Shelf-stable ready meals set the pace for value growth

WHAT'S NEXT?

Stable expansion expected as convenience, health and tourism continue to reinforce demand Health and wellness continue to shape product innovation and consumer preferences Digitalisation and smart manufacturing to accelerate innovation cycles

COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

Podravka strengthens leadership through breadth, innovation and digital engagement Lidl Hrvatska gains share through price leadership and tourist familiarity

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Sales benefit from unit price stabilisation

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INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Trade dynamics and input volatility shape the competitive landscape Tourism boosts shelf-stable meals and convenience lines Quality control and provenance gain importance

WHAT'S NEXT?

Steady growth outlook led by sauces, meals and convenience innovation Domestic production investments reinforce competitiveness Modern retail and digital fulfilment drive future channel dynamics

COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

Podravka consolidates leadership through investment and innovation

Fortenova Grupa drives fastest growth through pricing strategy and brand agility

Private label performance remains mixed but strategically important

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