HW Dairy Products and Alternatives in New Zealand

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KEY DATA FINDINGS

2024 DEVELOPMENTS

Sugar reduction and gut health claims reshape what “healthy dairy” means

INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Health-led scrutiny pushes brands towards lower sugar recipes and functional positioning

Good source of minerals remains a core dairy reassurance cue, especially through calcium messaging

Low fat stays relevant but increasingly competes with newer health priorities

WHAT’S NEXT

Low sugar and digestive health will remain the most important engines of future dairy wellness growth

Good source of minerals is expected to stay resilient as bone health concerns and everyday nutrition needs grow

Low fat is likely to soften as “naturalness” and sugar reduction become more persuasive health cues

CATEGORY DATA

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Health and Wellness in New Zealand - Industry Overview

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Wellness becomes more “everyday” as consumers balance clean choices with cost pressures

INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Sugar reduction becomes the default, driven by weight management and long-term health priorities

“Better for you” evolves beyond avoidance into functional, natural and free-from choices

WHAT’S NEXT

More targeted wellness will drive growth, led by functional segmentation and clean-label credibility

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