



HW Cooking Ingredients and Meals in New Zealand

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HW Cooking Ingredients and Meals in New Zealand - Category analysis

KEY DATA FINDINGS

2024 DEVELOPMENTS

Health-led convenience supports everyday cooking decisions

INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Health-conscious choices remain strong despite ongoing price pressure

Vegetarian cooking ingredients and meals gains relevance through flexitarian lifestyles and inclusivity

Natural, low sugar and functional positioning expand beyond niche products

WHAT'S NEXT

Functional health, local sourcing and “fake-away” flavours will shape innovation

Vegetarian is expected to grow as plant-based solutions become more mainstream

Natural and functional claims will keep growing, especially in spreads and meal enhancers

CATEGORY DATA

Table 1 - Sales of Cooking Ingredients and Meals by Health and Wellness Type: Value 2020-2024

Table 2 - Sales of Cooking Ingredients and Meals by Health and Wellness Type: % Value Growth 2020-2024

Table 3 - Company Shares of Organic Cooking Ingredients and Meals (Biggest HW Type in Global Cooking Ingredients and Meals): % Value 2020-2024

Table 4 - Company Shares of Gluten Free Cooking Ingredients and Meals (2nd Biggest HW Type in Global Cooking Ingredients and Meals): % Value 2020-2024

Table 5 - Company Shares of Vegetarian Cooking Ingredients and Meals (3rd Biggest HW Type in Global Cooking Ingredients and Meals): % Value 2020-2024

Table 6 - Company Shares of Vegan Cooking Ingredients and Meals (4th Biggest HW Type in Global Cooking Ingredients and Meals): % Value 2020-2024

Table 7 - Company Shares of Natural Cooking Ingredients and Meals (5th Biggest HW Type in Global Cooking Ingredients and Meals): % Value 2020-2024

Table 8 - Forecast Sales of Cooking Ingredients and Meals by Health and Wellness Type: Value 2024-2029

Table 9 - Forecast Sales of Cooking Ingredients and Meals by Health and Wellness Type: % Value Growth 2024-2029

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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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