

# Staple Foods in Latin America

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Bread an important product for Brazilians and Mexicans

Meat and seafood substitutes seeing strong growth in Chile

Baked goods dominate the new sales added over 2019-2024

Brazil has the third highest sales of baked goods globally, with bread a popular staple

Retail volume sales declining sharply in Argentina in 2024

Small local grocers and food/drink/tobacco specialists the main distribution channels

Warehouse clubs now the biggest channel in Brazil, and still gaining share

#### LEADING COMPANIES AND BRANDS

Fragmented staple foods competitive landscapes in Latin America

Artisanal products account for 100% of unpackaged bread sales in Mexico

Private label holds the leading share in breakfast cereals in Argentina

Nissin moves up to second place in the rankings

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Positive value and volume growth expected for most of the forecast period

Private label could benefit from ending of the Precios Justos programme in Argentina

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