

# Innovation and the New Core: Recreating Eating Occasions

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#### INTRODUCTION

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Key findings

What will constitute the new "core" in innovation?

### **NEW CONSUMER NEEDS**

Pre-pandemic themes evolve, and so will innovation strategies
The path to successful innovation is enabled by several drivers
Digital acceleration: stickiness differs greatly between age groups
Changes in mobility: regulations still strict a year into COVID-19

New value equation: rises in prices still occurring

Categories where innovation is likely to fulfil pent-up demand

### HOME AS THE FOCAL POINT

Continued remote working will retain some at-home consumption

UCook focuses on working women to secure growth

Value: engagement is evolving to remain relevant

Values: opportunities to appeal to various household members Reinvention: global cuisine a window to alleviate a hunger to travel

Reinvention: retailers highlight international products

Resurrection: stagnant categories grow via at-home consumption

#### REBUILDING AWAY FROM HOME

Foodservice freefall has forced innovation for businesses to survive The blurring between retail and foodservice is set to accelerate Hot fresh bread at home is possible with a new business model Loss in foodservice inspires portfolio growth in retail Resurgence in meal kits is an opportunity for foodservice Boba: from specialist store drinks to popsicles at home

## CHANNEL INNOVATION

Manufacturers must prepare for continued take-home consumption Food products fit for grocery and e-commerce channels
A convenience store's immediate response to new challenges
Remote sales of premium options to be expected
In emerging markets, affordability and localisation remain imperative
The rise of contactless experiences

## LONG-TERM GROWTH

What will be the new "core" in innovation?
Greater focus on self-care increases demand for healthy products
Value-led choices will also be applicable to the entire household
Positioning as a brand for the home and community
The on-demand delivery market will affect food more intensely
Pre-pandemic themes evolve, and so will innovation strategies

## **APPENDIX**

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