

## September 2021

### Consumers and the Economic Outlook - UK

“The end of social distancing and the associated boost to retail, leisure and entertainment spend brought about an immediate rebound in economic activity, and GDP grew by 4.8% in Q2 2021. Consumers have also responded positively, with Mintel’s current financial wellbeing and financial confidence trackers reaching new record-highs in ...

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### Financial Lifestages and Financial Priorities - UK

“While the impacts of the COVID-19 outbreak – both societally and economically – have been seismic, the various government protection schemes mean that most households have been able to stay afloat. However, that is not to say that consumers have continued spending as normal, and a combination of inhibitive social ...

### Retirement Planning - UK

“Only 34% of people aged over-45-65 have sought expert advice on a pension or retirement-related matter. Yet many more are interested in doing so. This shows there is good scope to expand the market for retirement planning and advice. The challenge for advisers is to convert this interest into positive ...