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Safe Haven Savings Products - UK

Queues of worried savers looking to withdraw their money from troubled bank Northern Rock dominated media headlines in September 2007. The crisis placed the savings market in the spotlight and has led to a renewed emphasis on the term 'safe haven'. Mintel's consumer research reveals that a quarter of adults ...

Collective Investments - UK

The collective investments market continues to experience strong growth on the back of financial markets that are performing well. The public has a long memory when it comes to events in the financial world, though, and recovery from the dotcom bubble that burst in the early part of the decade ...

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Saving Products for Children - UK

During the last few years, the children's savings market has become an increasingly prominent sector of the financial services industry. The advent of the Child Trust Fund (CTF) has undoubtedly been the catalyst that has raised the profile of children's savings, both across the consumer base in general and within ...

Shareholding and Online Investors - UK

As of 2007, active participation in stocks and shares based investments in the UK remains largely a minority pursuit, with alternative investments, such as property, being a much more popular destination for potential retail investor money – despite strong performance in the stock market. At the same time, however, the ...

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ISAs - UK

The ISA market has seen strong sales growth over the past two years, which has boosted balances. Some 17 million UK adults hold cash or investments in ISAs – assets, which are collectively worth over £180 billion. However, a much larger number have savings held outside the ISA wrapper, indicating ...

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Equity Release Schemes - UK

In recent years the industry has experienced a number of challenges. These include a slowdown in growth, the impact of regulation, which has subsequently led to increased scrutiny for the sector and concern over a shortage of advisors able to provide equity release services. This report looks at all of ...

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Buy-to-let Property Market (The) - UK

What is the potential for future innovation in the 'buy-to-let' property market and is there room for new entrants still to emerge? Currently the market is dominated by a number of established, mostly specialist players, but will more high street names make a move to join them? And what will ...

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Deposit and Savings Accounts - UK

Over half of consumers held a deposit or savings account in October 2006. However, in spite of savings accounts already being popular among consumers, banks and building societies continue to grow the total number of account using innovative marketing techniques. For example, in the last 12 months banks have advertised ...