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Toilet and Hard Surface Care - UK

"The toilet and hard surface care markets are at a crossroads, with brands seeking to arrest a long-term decline in value sales. The rise of multipurpose cleaners may have actually been bad news for brands in the long run, with consumers seeing them as commoditised and interchangeable. However, eco-friendly products ...

Women's Haircare - UK

"Growth in the women's haircare market has been driven by a continued focus on caring needs, especially driven by conditioning treatments. However, as mass brands develop their own versions of salon regimens, prestige brands will need to prove their worth to remain relevant. Regardless of price point, winning brands have ...

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Children's Healthcare - UK

"The children's OTC healthcare market has benefited somewhat in recent years from the baby boom of 2010-12, but value is now slipping into decline. Growing pressures on the NHS could help provide some respite, with parents looking to the category to fill the gap left by a limiting of its ...

Household Cleaning Equipment - UK

"The continued development of more functional kitchen rolls is a threat to household essentials like cloths and sponges. Adding extra benefits, such as antibacterial properties or the ability to use without chemical detergents, as well as replicating the convenience of kitchen rolls, is likely to be key to the success ...

Air Care - US

Sales in the air care industry remain nearly flat from 2016-17, contracting 0.3% to reach just more than \$6 billion. While the need to eliminate temporary smells and create a pleasant ambiance drive demand,

Consumers and the Economic Outlook - Quarterly Update - UK

"People are still wary about the potential impact of Brexit – particularly when it comes to the cost of living. But people seem able to separate these macro-economic concerns from their own personal financial situation. Unemployment remains at record lows, and while average wages are still increasingly more slowly than ...

Disposable Baby Products - US

"Declining birthrates and budget conscious parents have challenged growth in the disposable baby products market. Parents are unified in their views that safe product ingredients come first – or at least the safest option within their budget. Looking forward, parents' need for durable products is not expected to change, and ...

Drug Store Retailing - US

"A combination of an aging population and favorable market factors is expected to result in positive growth for the drug store market. However, a number of issues, such as consumers' low loyalty and desire for deals, combined with an increasingly competitive landscape will continue to pose challenges for traditional drug ...

Children and Health - US

"Illness is prevalent among children, as 97% of children younger than 12 experienced some type of illness symptom in the past year. Their weaker immune system combined with opportunities for interaction and germ spreading makes them especially susceptible to illness. The OTC (over-the-counter) children's health products market has continued to ...

Soap, Bath and Shower Products - US

"The soap, bath, and shower products market continues to experience slow, yet steady growth, benefiting from strong liquid body wash sales that are compensating for

competition from other industries, disengagement with the category, and a lack of major innovation are ...

Major Household Appliances - US

"The multibillion-dollar major household appliance market reached \$38.2 billion in 2017, and is forecast to keep growing at a steady pace through 2022. While current growth has mainly stemmed from an overall positive economy and housing market, as well as continued category innovation, future growth could be stimulated by ...

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Consumers and the Economic Outlook - US

"Economic improvement continued at a relatively steady clip as a new presidential administration took office at the beginning of the year. While there have been natural catastrophes and tragedies throughout the US, the economy has generally remained stable and any expert predictions continue to be optimistic."

- Jennifer White Boehm, Associate ...

Beauty and Personal Care Retailing - UK

"The UK beauty and personal care market remains challenging, as weak growth in personal care continues to hinder growth in the wider market. Meanwhile, the beauty segment is driving the market, boosted by make-up and skincare trends. Many of the health and beauty specialists have reacted to these trends and ...

Air Treatment - US

"Household penetration of air treatment devices has experienced minimal fluctuation over recent years, showing signs of a stable market. There are some non-owners of these products who report interest in owning, however a larger percentage of non-owners are not interested, primarily due to lack of need. Positioning these products as ...

Household and Personal Care - International

struggles in the bar soap segment. The inclusion of premium and therapeutic benefits has also helped boost sales of liquid body wash and bath products ...

Babies' and Children's Personal Care Products, Nappies and Wipes - UK

"Market decline continues to show the need for brands to differentiate versus own-label. This is easier in some sectors where parents seek specific claims, but mass disposable nappy brands will either need to premiumise further or devolve and compete on price. The overarching need for convenience in all sectors remains ...

Brand Overview: BPC - UK

"The advancement of technology in the BPC sector means that brands are under more pressure to help consumers test, design and buy products on their own terms. Soon, the prospect of buying an off-the-shelf, one-size-fits-all product may become unpalatable to the most heavily engaged consumers, while even mainstream shoppers will ...

Gifts in Beauty and Personal Care - UK

"New product development in BPC gift sets has declined in recent years, with consumers showing a preference for individual products. This may be partly driven by a desire to reduce waste, which extends to packaging. Mintel's research shows high consumer interest in functional as well as reduced packaging. Women remain ...

Managing Your Health - US

Consumers and brands alike are talking about wellness in the face of an uncertain healthcare market and growing health issues. To bring down healthcare expenses, health management is increasingly placed in the hands of consumers who are turning to a variety of sources to improve their wellbeing and receive guidance ...



Household and Personal Care - International

Feminine Hygiene and Sanitary Protection Products - UK

“There is a quiet revolution ongoing in the incontinence products segment. The stigma around incontinence appears to be fading, products are advertised on primetime TV, and brands are creating new designs that are more stylish and sophisticated. As the population ages, incontinence products are only going to go even more ...

Household Paper Products - US

“The US household paper market has shown only modest growth since 2012, due to limited usage among younger generations of discretionary products, more premium private label offerings, and challenges in differentiation in a highly functional category. Expanding appeal to younger, dynamic consumer groups, including parents and Hispanics, will hinge on ...