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Vending - US

In the coming years, growth in the U.S. vending industry will likely depend on manufacturers' and retailers' ability to develop technologically innovative machines and expand product offerings to include more novelty foods, as well as non-consumables. Cold beverages, candy and snacks continue to drive sales in the food and ...

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Furniture Retailing - US

Total retail sales of furniture reached \$67.5 billion in 2011 and are expected to reach \$68.8 billion in 2012. The furniture market saw sales decline in 2008-10 as a result of the recession yet is expected to rebound in the near future, growing by 22% between 2012 and ...

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Holiday Shopping - US

The U.S. holiday shopping market has recovered from recessionary declines, and increases in anticipated spending across all major holidays throughout the year are likely a result increasing consumer confidence. Winter holiday sales are not as quick to increase as some other less prominent holidays, yet at more than half ...

Watches and Jewelry - US

Total retail sales of watches and jewelry reached \$68.2 billion in 2011 and are expected to reach \$71.5 billion in 2012. While jewelry continues to remain the larger of the two sectors, there are some interesting innovations in the watch category that are likely to help support growth ...

Convenience Stores - US

Mintel's proprietary research finds that overall usage of convenience stores is far-reaching, and frequency of visits is high. However, challenges exist for industry players to establish brand loyalty. A highly fragmented retail landscape and a potluck-style product mix contribute to the common consumer perception that convenience stores are "all pretty ...

Shopping for Groceries - US

Total retail sales of groceries sold through supermarkets and drug stores reached \$337.7 billion in 2011 and are expected to reach \$347 billion in 2012. The grocery market saw a slight slowdown in 2009 and 2010 as a result of the recession, yet is positioned to grow annually through ...