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2022 Trends Forecast

What We Expect To See In 2022 & Beyond



The trends we are keeping an eye on that will impact foodservice in 2022 & beyond



90%

of consumers say they are interested in "functional foods"

78%

Restaurants want to offer more food and beverage with functional benefits

BETTER FOR YOU







REDUCED SUGAR



HYDRATION



IMMUNITY



ENERGY

BETTER FOR YOU



TOP CONSUMER INTEREST IN BEVERAGE

While all of this is important, consumers also say that taste is still the most important thing when choosing a functional beverage.

53%

of consumers
are actively
avoiding or reducing
sugar consumption.

GLOBAL INSPIRATION

NEED A GETAWAY?

While some travel
has resumed, it's
not back to normal
and people are using
food and beverage
to transport
themselves to those
far off, care-free
destinations, if only
for a little while.

LATIN FLAVORS ON THE RISE

Latin flavors are a part of the American flavor norm. Flavors like hibiscus, various chilis, lime and more will continue to be woven into the fabric of every segment and category.

ASIAN FLAVORS GET REGIONAL

Millennials & Gen Z
are pushing more
Asian flavors to the
forefront. Korean,
Japanese & Southeast
Asian flavors are
everywhere, from
snacks to beverages
and everything in
between.

COMFORT IS STILL KING

Consumers are looking to strike a balance in what makes us feel good, both mentally and physically, which means presenting old favorites in new ways. Nostalgia is not going away.





Global Inspiration

There is a world of flavor out there, here's how we expect to see it expressed this year:

- Global Sauces and Spices
- Street Food
- Indigenous Cuisine
- Floral/Botanical
- Spicy
- Fusion
- Heirloom
- Healthful



Eco-Nomics

Consumers and operators are getting serious about sustainability and weighing short and long term costs. We expect this to be only the beginning of turning awareness into action. Here are some of the ways we expect you will see that begin to manifest.



Packaging



Sourcing



Restaurant Design & Operations



Eco-Nomics

Recycling

Programs will begin to take shape as more focus is put upon what is and is not recyclable. This will allow operators an opportunity to stand out amongst their competitors.

Two Out of Three

consumer products
executives believe a
sustainable supply chain
is a competitive
differentiator.

Other Things We'll Be Keeping An Eye On:

Zero Waste Root to Stem Food as Activism Traceable Animal Welfare Green Manufacturing

Design

Operators are going to look for footprints that allow them to be efficient and highlight sustainability.





Want To Learn More?

We could talk all day about food, beverage, flavor, product development, marketing strategy and operations.

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