





# The Power of Bakery 2019

An in-depth look at retail bakery through the shoppers' eyes

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- Deli/In-store, fresh prepared foods and assortments
- Bakery
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#### The Power of Bakery 2019

- First annual study
  - Commissioned by the ABA in partnership with FMI
  - Conducted by 210 Analytics and ToddHale, LLC
  - Made possible by Corbion
- 360° view of bakery sales
  - Understanding habits and preferences to pinpoint opportunities
    - For the industry, by the industry
    - Our world through the shoppers' eyes
    - Nielsen retail measurement and panel overlay













Source: The Power of Bakery 2019

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## Today's agenda

SALES AND CONSUMPTION



CHANNEL CHOICES



AISLE & IN-STORE BAKERY



**PRODUCTION** 



CUSTOMER SERVICE



PRICE & PROMOTIONS



HEALTH & WELL-BEING



FOOD FOR THOUGHT



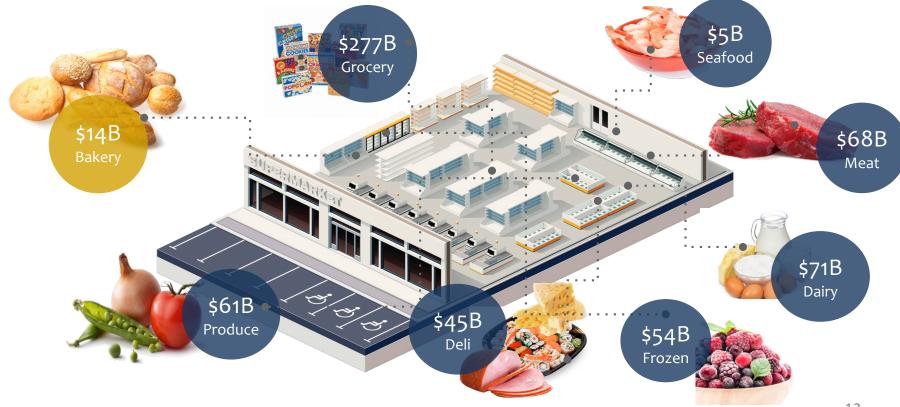




Bakery retail sales trends
Household engagement
Consumption

## **SALES AND CONSUMPTION**

## Bakery sales... more than meets the eye



## Talk about a lot of dough

Between produce and frozen if bakery items were counted as one department

\$59.7B

2018 Bread and baked goods sales

\$39.8B Grocery

**\$13.8B** Bakery

\$3.6B Frozen

**\$2.4B** Dairy

**\$8.2M** Deli

## With accelerating sales growth

The in-store bakery has both the highest near- and longer-term growth

+0.8%

3-year CAGR

+1.5%

Growth vs. YAGO

**YOY Growth** 

+1.3% Grocery

**+2.2%** Bakery

+0.9% Frozen

**+1.4%** Dairy

**+1.8%** Deli



#### High household engagement

But opportunities to leverage buying frequency and enhance per trip spend

#### Broad reach



99.9%
HH penetration

#### Trip magnet



**46.2** Trips per year

# Assortment matters



\$6.46 Per trip spend Leverage aisle trips to drive instore bakery trips

Consider product placement outside of in-store bakery



#### A consumer framework

Switching from the industry view to the consumers' perspective

#### 1. Defining the in-store bakery vs. bakery aisle

#### 2. Organization by type

#### **Functional**



#### Indulgent items/desserts



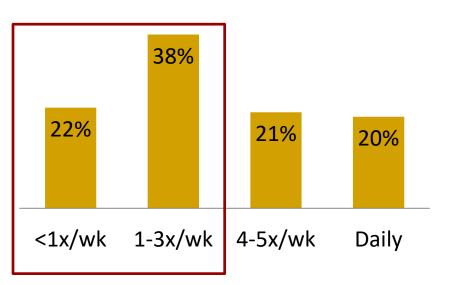
#### Special occasion



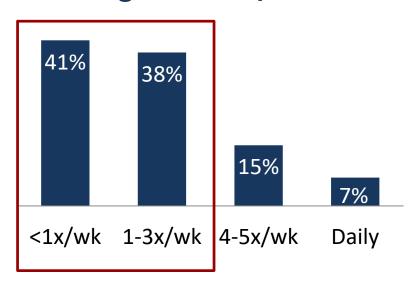
## Consumption frequency shows room for growth

Many people buy bakery, but not everyone eats bakery items all the time

#### **Functional items**



#### **Indulgent items/desserts**



#### Connect the dots to capitalize on trips & engagement

By thinking backwards from the occasion



In the meat case



In deli-prepared



In meal kits



## Cross-merchandise for higher ring



Candles/party paper goods



Herbs/olive oil with breads



Do you have everything for the BBQ? In-store sign series



## And to inspire a trip down the aisle



Back-of-cart "what can you do with bread" ideas



Signature items no one else has





Conversion
Occasional purchases

## **CHANNEL CHOICES**

## Supermarkets lead primary store choice

But miss out on the Millennial purchase, captured by supercenters and others

#### **Primary store**

**51%** Supermarket

**32%** Supercenter

8% Limited assortment

6% Club

3% Organic/specialty



#### Primary store vs. primary bakery destination

Competition mostly comes from bakeries and in-home baking

#### Conversion % (bakery bought at primary grocery store)

**Functional** 

**74%** 

17% A bakery

5% Bake myself

**4%** Different store

Indulgence/desserts

63%

**23%** Bakery/cupcake store

**11%** Bake myself

**3%** Different store

Special occasion

40%

36% Bakery/cupcake store

14% Bake myself

**4%** Different store

6% Don't buy



#### Follow the bread crumbs

Many channels nibble at the bakery dollar as occasional bakery purchases

At least occasionally shopped for bakery items in any given month

67%

Bakeries/ cupcake stores 44%

Convenience stores

38%

Farmers' markets

38%

Bakery outlet stores

23%

Online ordering

22%

Drug stores



#### Be a destination to compete with bakeries

Top-of-mind awareness with a strong reputation and a personal touch







Consumers look for recommendations. Are you on the list?

Remind shoppers of your image and reputation

Show off your expertise

## Don't count yourself out on in-home baking

Aisle and in-store bakery "helping hand" solutions with high margins



Bake-off items



Decorate your own, with our easy setup



Apple pie meal kit

Pictures: 210 Analytics Our Easy Setup



### Ideate to generate demand



Cookie walk



Bell for hot bread



Publix/school program. \$9 cake kids can decorate for mom

Pictures: 210 Analytics

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What's selling in the aisle & in-store bakery?
Shopping patterns
Aisle and in-store bakery strengths
Designing the bakery department
Role of brands vs. private brands

## **AISLE & IN-STORE BAKERY**

## Most shop both the aisle and in-store bakery

Millennials are more likely to only shop the bakery for indulgent items (30%)

	Functional items	Indulgent items/desserts
Only in-store bakery	20%	29%
Only bakery aisle	20%	19%
Both	60%	53%

## Aisle and bakery strengths in the eyes of shoppers

Perceptions can serve as starting points to strengthen or change opinions

#### Aisle strengths



Price

Nutritional information

Shopping convenience

#### In-store bakery strengths

**Product consistency** 

Selection

Healthfulness

Service

**Freshness** 

Quality of ingredients

**Taste** 

## Shoppers desire a more integrated world

Smallest share prefers the split setup common in most grocery stores

Ideal location for packaged bakery goods, according to shoppers:

34%

Near the instore bakery but still separate 28%

Aisle and bakery items mixed together, sorted by type

27%

Together in one area, but not mixed in

11%

Separate aisle in center-store vs. bakery in perimeter

Boomer-driven

Millennial-driven

# Which some retailers are starting to move towards



Bakery flowing into deli



Dairy bakery solutions mix in w/pre-packaged indulgent items



Bakery with deli cheese





Production claims

Defining freshness

Scratch vs. partially-prepared/baked

## **PRODUCTION**



## Fresh is the universal winner in production claims

Millennials underindex for fresh but overindex for organic and all natural

#### Top 8 production traits people look for

70% Fresh

**56%** Baked today

40% Made-in-store

33% All natural

29% Hot/warm 2-way tie with Artisan

20% Non-GMO

**17%** Organic





#### Deliver on top production claims

In both functional and indulgent items/desserts







#### Price differentials weakens interest

16 percentage point jump in conventional when price differences are introduced

		Artisan 7 Premium	ORGANIC NON-GNO
Scenario 1: No price difference	Regular	Artisan/premium	Organic/Non-GMO
	37%	46%	17%
Scenario 2: Price difference	\$1.50	\$2.50	\$3.00
	53%	36%	11%

#### Defining freshness, according to shoppers

The when is 2x more important than the where

#### Top 5 freshness definition elements

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66% When it is baked (date/time)
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52% Use-by date
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**49%** Enjoyable taste

**33%** Where it is baked (in-store vs. elsewhere)

**26%** Minimally-processed ingredients



# Many different when and where references















#### Many see scratch-baking as superior

However, partially-prepared/baked solutions are widely accepted

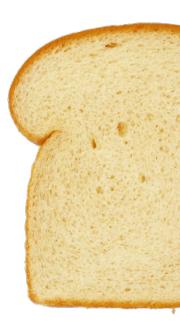
Thinking about in-store bakery items...

81%

Scratch baking is superior

**57%** 

Are indifferent to the store using partially-prepared/baked items



#### If you do bake from scratch, make it known!



"Everything we bake starts with pure, healthy ingredients and ends with pure enjoyment"





The importance of customer service Personalization vs. made-to-order Packaged vs. select-your-own Packaging properties that matter

#### **CUSTOMER SERVICE**

### Customer service is more important in indulgence

Much more important among Millennials, particularly Younger Millennials

#### Customer service is important (4+5 on 5-point scale) in...

Functional Indulgence/desserts

Special occasion

25%

29%

**52%** 

Younger Millennials 40%

42%

62%



#### Move beyond order fulfillment

Answer questions and educate to drive sales and loyalty







Introduce staff members

Do you have a question on allergens? We gladly help



#### Personalization > made-to-order

Even shoppers with kids are more likely to prefer personalization

Preference when purchasing special occasion items

42%

Packaged, but ability to personalize

24%

Packaged, no personalization needed

34%

Made from scratch to personal preferences



#### Continuum of choice in a divided market







# Split opinion in pre-packaged vs. pick-your-own

Even split between self-serve and clerk assistance for unpackaged

Preference when buying from the in-store bakery

43%

Pre-packaged

24%

Not packaged, w/clerk assistance

27%

Pre-packaged with self-serve



#### Self-serve is making its way into bakery more and more

While reminding shoppers of freshness, when and where





#### Shoppers want to be able to see items

Packaging aimed at enhanced shelf life could be another important hook

Packaging properties | % Very important

66% Ability to see items through packaging

**52%** Helps extends shelf-life

36% Various amounts/items per package

34% Multi-use packaging

29% Environmentally-friendly packaging



#### Leverage packaging to reinforce the brand

Match look/material to production attributes









The influence of sales specials/promotions % sold on deal in grocery vs. in-store bakery Driving impulse outside of sales promotions Impulse items

# PRICE AND PROMOTIONS

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# Specials affect brand switching, impulse and trial

Strive to increase spending, not just substitute brands or items

Can sales specials prompt you to ...?



Switch brands



Impulse purchase

Try a new item



Stock up

Purchase a different type of item



Visit a different store

#### Sample and wow to drive impulse

Shoppers with high promotional sensitivity have higher impulse tendency overall

#### Top 5 ways to prompt impulse beyond sales specials

58% Sampling

**51%** Coupons

**46%** Eye-catching displays

29% Attractive packaging/labels

**21%** Talking to a bakery associate





#### Donuts, cookies and cupcakes drive impulse

Chocolate, cinnamon and fruit are the top flavors to prompt unplanned purchases

That one item you just have to have when you see it....

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blueberry muffin Lemon poppyseed muffins
                                                    apple fritter German chocolate cake
                                                                                                                                                               coconut cake fruit tart
                                                                  Twinkies chocolate chip cookies honey buns cheesecake
strawberry rhubarb pie
                          chocolate donuts cherry turnover baklava pretzel bread apple cider donuts bake Hohos Cupcakes

orange cupcakes Horns eclairs biscuit chocolate cake
                                                                                                                   bread cakes Hostess scones pumpkin roll
                                                                                                                                                             donut
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     Italian bread
                  Bearclaw fresh bread roll blueberry pie Ca cream puff 1 eclair cherry pie
             carrot cake wheat Sweet sweet apple turnover brownies glazed donuts chocolate covered donuts coffee cake black and white cookies rolls big control of the cookies of the co
                                   corn muffins apple pie Freshly Little Debbies sugar cookies rolls big cookie
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          Key lime pie
                                                                                                    danish fudge
                                                                                                                                                                                            croissant chocolate cupcakes
                                                                                                              sweets banana bread
                                                                                                                 strawberry shortcake sourdough bread
                                                      chocolate long john
                                                                                                                                                                                 Cream baked cinnamon buns/rolls
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                                                                                                                Whole chocolate chip muffins French bread
                                                           chocolate muffins
                                                                                                                                    cheese danish
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The role of health, nutrition and better choices
Natural vs. artificial colors
Impact of calorie callouts

# HEALTH & WELL-BEING — INDULGENT ITEMS/DESSERTS

### Shoppers downplay nutrition's role in indulgence

But it may matter a lot more depending on who shops your store

Role of health, nutrition and better-for-you choices in indulgent items/desserts

**36%** No influence

**37%** A little influence

27% A lot of influence



#### "Real" is big, along with smaller portion sizes

Many consumers want to avoid "artificial" and tie it to health/nutrition

Top 5 ways heath/nutrition/better-choice strategies in indulgent items/desserts

48% Made with "real" ingredients (cheese, chocolate, milk, etc)

**42%** Smaller portion sizes

**41%** Avoid artificial flavors

**39%** Avoid artificial colors

**36%** Choose lower-calorie alternative



#### Tout real and offer portion size variety

Minis are selling like hotcakes









#### Shoppers lean toward natural colors

Educate consumers to manage color expectations in novelty, themed or seasonal

#### Preference for indulgent items/desserts

41%



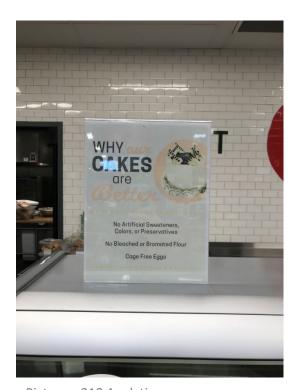
Bright and/or seasonal colors, even if they can only be created with artificial colors

**59%** 



Natural colors, even if I can't get the same bright and full range of colors

# Choice along with education



"Why our cakes are better:
No artificial sweeteners,
colors or preservatives.
No bleached or bromated
flour and cage-free eggs"

"Indulge in flavor, not certified synthetic colors"









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# HEALTH & WELL-BEING — FUNCTIONAL ITEMS

# Whole/multi-grain are top ingredients

But interest is heavily Boomer driven; Millennials focus on minimal processing

**74%** 

Of consumers seek out one or more ingredients when buying functional bakery items

Top 5 ingredients shoppers pay attention to

43% Whole-grain

37% Multi-grain

33% No artificial ingredients

**26%** Minimally-processed ingredients

25% Sweetener type used



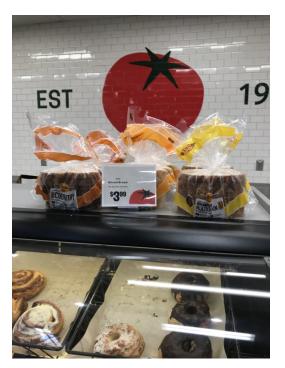
#### Prominently highlight desirable features

And portion size can also work in functional









#### Calories, fiber and sugar are high on the radar

Carbs, protein and gluten pop higher among Millennials

**72%** 

Of consumers pay attention to 1 or more nutrition related claims

Top 5 claims shoppers pay attention to

**32%** Calories

31% Fiber

27% Sugar

25% Carbs

24% Sodium



#### Meet ingredient, health and nutrition needs

But always remember the power of emotion





#### Emotional connections drive loyalty

#### Bakery word association

- Dominated by positives, such as delicious, good/great, the wonderful smell/aroma, memories, childhood, yummy, tasty, love and like
- Not one person mentioned carbs, one mentioned sugar, one mentioned calories



#### And emotional connections build strong brands

Of items and stores alike

#### Emotionally engaged customers are:

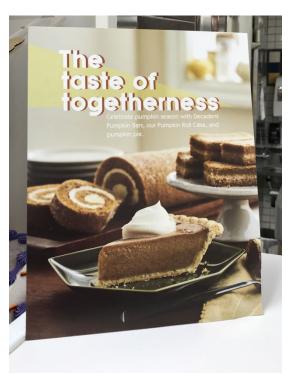
- 3x more likely to recommend
- 3x more likely to re-purchase
- Less likely to shop around
- Much less price sensitive





# From happiness sold here to









# From a "love & passion line" to having some fun









#### And the story of the community table









A quick introduction to ABA

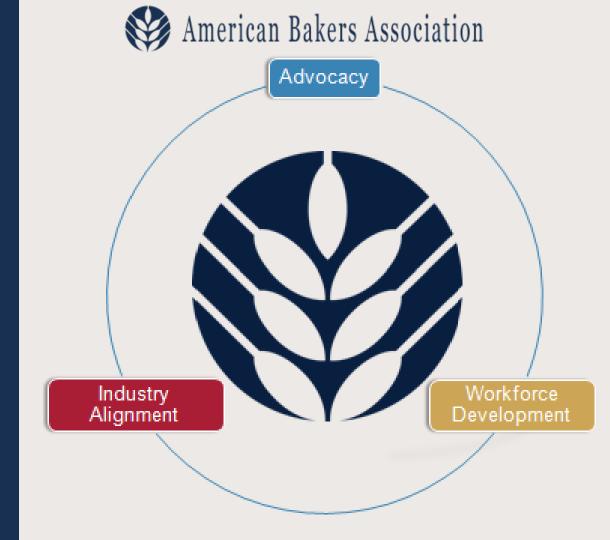
Key takeaways

Ordering your copy of the report

Contact information

#### **FOOD FOR THOUGHT**

Working for more than 1,000 baking facilities and baking company suppliers which employ nearly 800,000 workers.





#### Key takeaways

- 1. Cross-department bakery item sales shows the true power of bakery
  - Growth is fueled by smaller subcategories
- 2. Conversion rates leave ample room for improvement
  - Be a destination with strong brand differentiation
- 3. Three in four shoppers look for specific ingredients and nutrition callouts
  - Consider the size of the prize given the wide variation
- 4. Meet consumer needs in ingredients and claims, but always remember the power of emotion in driving (impulse) sales
- 5. By offering education and choice, the bakery industry can keep shoppers engaged indulgent items/desserts



#### Key takeaways (continued)

- 6. Fresh is king, with shoppers focusing more on the when than the where
- 7. While consumers see scratch baking as superior, the use of partially-prepared/baked items is widely accepted
- 8. Use the bakery aisle and in-store bakery's unique strengths and weaknesses to reinforce or change consumer perception
- 9. Bread and baked goods bring shoppers to stores nearly once per week. Capitalizing on category/store basket size remains an opportunity
- 10. Sales promotions can prompt brand switching, impulse purchases and new item trial among three-quarters of shoppers. Focus on incrementality.



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