

## December 2018

### Contract Catering - UK

“The contract catering market successfully navigated Brexit headwinds for a second year in 2018. Growth was underpinned by robust consumer expenditure and strong demand in business and industry and education, tied in part to record employment and pupil numbers.

However, margins remain pressured by mounting price competition, while the industry ...

### Coffee Shops - UK

“With four in five coffee drinkers wanting to customise their drink, shops that offer create-your-own options will thrive in today’s challenging high street conditions. But it’s not just customisation that’s important. Whether it’s becoming destinations for work, socialising and convenience, focusing on sustainable schemes or meeting health goals, coffee shops ...

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### Consumers and the Economic Outlook - Quarterly Update - UK

“Financial well-being and confidence was lower in each of the three months to October than we reported throughout the summer months. This matches the stagnant economic performance in August and September. Overall though, most consumers are still getting by, and remain relatively optimistic about their financial future.”

– Rich ...

### The Leisure Outlook - Quarterly Update - UK

“The leisure industry continues to benefit from consumer drive towards experiences. As winter temperatures settle in, consumers are turning to indoor activities, especially visiting museums and art galleries. While pubs and nightclubs remain key to the night economy, operators need to find ways of holding up demand as consumers are ...

### Pizza and Italian Restaurants - UK

"Consumers' desire to cook pizza or Italian food at home as well as the rise of "more adventurous cuisines" is forcing operators to innovate with menu choices and retail formats in order to maintain demand. While the spate of emerging pizza or Italian fads looks to have potential to retain ...