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This report looks at the following areas:

- Catering to Millennials' demand for customisation
- Consumers are risk-averse

The vast majority of Brits say that they buy takeaways (82%) and a sizeable proportion (22%) do this on a weekly basis. Those buying takeaways are risk averse and rely heavily on past experience when they're ordering directly from restaurants, or online reviews when ordering from third party services. Therefore, it is important that operators give a great first impression to consumers and entice customers to leave a review.



"Gone are the days when consumers 'just accept what they are given'. They're finding their voice to ask for exactly what they want.

Personalisation and customisation is now a prerequisite for many ordering home delivery/takeaway food."

– Zameira Hersi, Leisure Analyst

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- Helping restaurants help themselves
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- Chinese cuisine comes out on top
- · Brits prefer to order directly
- · Just Eat holds the crown
- Price and past experience generates the order
- Brits are creatures of habit

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Eight in 10 order food to their door

Figure 8: Frequency of takeaway/home delivery usage, November 2018

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Chinese cuisine comes out on top

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- · Variety propelling fried chicken searches
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Brits prefer to order directly

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- Past experience is driving orders from restaurants ...
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Just Eat holds the crown

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• Price and past experience generates the order ...

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- Comfort and ease drives orders
- Customisation is key for younger Brits
- · Capitalising on a unique attribute
- · Restaurants hold the power ...
- ... to reduce customers' plastic usage ...
- ... and to help them eat healthier

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