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Each month Mintel's UK Retail Briefing concentrates on a particular sector or market. This month's provides analysis of the DIY and furniture retail sector.

### This report looks at the following areas:

- An analysis of the latest UK retail sales trends
- · Growth of the food retail sector tracked against inflation
- · Recent performance within the DIY and furniture retail sector.
- · The latest monthly UK retail news and commentary.

We also include an Analyst's Comment looking at Trust and Mintel's brand research which looks at consumer brand perceptions of trust within the grocery retail sector.

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