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"The dishwashing category is in decline. True innovation has continued to slow, suggesting that there is space for brands to reignite the category through development of brand new products and a focus on fragrance innovation."

— Richard Hopping, Brand and Household Analyst

This report looks at the following areas:

- Denting the dominance of Finish and Fairy
- · Encouraging more frequent dishwasher usage
- Adding tangible benefits to washing-up liquids

The rise of the discount grocers and subsequent competitive pricing from supermarkets continues to contribute to a dishwashing products market that is in decline: value sales fell by almost 3% in 2015 to £482 million, with a further drop to £468 million expected for 2016.

Leading brands Fairy and Finish were particularly active in 2015, boosting overall category NPD and advertising spend. However, the category could benefit from increased competition from challenger brands to keep consumers engaged, such as by offering greater focus on fragrance innovation in both machine- and hand dishwashing segments.

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