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- Tamara Sender, Senior Fashion Analyst

This report looks at the following areas:

- How has the childrenswear market been performing?
- What are the opportunities for growth in the sector?
- How can retailers cater to the growing young teen clothing market?

Mintel estimates that the childrenswear market will grow by 1% in 2016 to £6.9 billion, as the sector is seeing slowing sales due to a falling birth rate and high levels of discounting. The childrenswear market is very price-sensitive and supermarkets and value retailers dominate the sector, keeping prices down and impacting value sales.

The growing tween and teen population presents opportunities for the sector, particularly for retailers that offer the latest trends in age-appropriate styles as over half of children aged 10-14 want their clothes to be fashionable.

Shoppers are most interested in clothes that use innovative fabrics when buying childrenswear. As part of the athleisure trend, children's clothes styles are becoming more casual and sporty, with retailers and brands using new fabrics that allow them to look good while also being functional and comfortable.

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