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Consumers and the Economic Outlook - Quarterly Update - UK

“The increase in confidence that we discussed in Consumers and the Economic Outlook – UK – March 2018 clearly wasn’t a one-off. Our confidence data has been running for almost a decade now, and people’s assessments, both of their current financial situation and how they expect their finances to shape ...

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DIY Retailing - UK

“Pressure is mounting on the DIY sector, with spending becoming increasingly fragmented and shifting from specialists to non-specialists. The pressure comes from external sources, including the shift away from home ownership, slowing activity in the housing market and increasing competition, but also internal ones such as the disruptions caused by ...

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Convenience Stores - UK

“Growth in the convenience sector accelerated for the third consecutive year, in part driven by inflation. However, it was the structural changes, both through acquisitions and failures, which made it a defining year for the sector. The increased power of the multiples in the market is likely to be both ...

Department Stores - UK

“The UK department store sector remains challenging, with a number of the leading players struggling to carve out their niche in a crowded retail market. Innovation has been centred on creating a compelling in-store environment and whilst this is important, research suggests that department store retailers should be doing more ...