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The cookware market has continued to grow modestly due to consumers' continued need for cookware and bakeware to facilitate meal preparation tasks. Accelerated category growth can be achieved by focusing on the emotional benefits of cooking as well as positioning cookware ownership as a means to enhance one's skill and confidence in the kitchen."

- Gabriela Elani, Home & Personal Care Analyst

This report looks at the following areas:

- Support consumers in the kitchen
- · Engage with Black and Hispanic consumers
- · Help older consumers rediscover their enthusiasm for cooking

Cookware sales continue to grow steadily in 2014. While consumers demonstrate enthusiasm for cooking and frequent experimentation with new dishes and recipes, this has not translated to accelerated sales for the category, as most purchases are driven by replacement needs.

To accelerate sales growth cookware companies should continue to align cookware with the emotional benefits that come from cooking at home. Cookware manufacturers and marketers have the opportunity to encourage consumers to upgrade to higher quality cookware or add to their product repertoires as a means to feel more confident in the kitchen as well as improve their cooking skills.

This report builds on the analysis presented in Mintel's *Cookware – US, July 2013* and previous reports with this same title in August 2011 and September 2009.

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