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"The garden products market was helped by good weather and improved consumer confidence. Spend is expected to grow by helped by a real upturn in personal disposable income which should boost consumer confidence further. The long-term trends are for market growth, but individual years can be volatile, affected by the weather, particularly in the key spring season."

- Jane Westgarth, Senior Retail Analyst

This report looks at the following areas:

- · Is online shopping for garden products growing market share?
- · What are the technical trends that will affect garden shopping?
- · Can garden centres attract more under-45s?

Garden centres are reducing their dependence on seasonal sales by expanding their ranges to include non-garden goods such as clothing, homewares and Christmas merchandise, as well as developing a sophisticated restaurant offer to attract leisure shoppers. There is also more investment in online and multi-channel retailing by the major operators.

There is a very broad definition of gardening used in this report, covering everything from growing stock, gardening tools and sundries to those consumer products bought for the garden such as furniture, barbecues and sheds.

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