

Unilever in Beauty and Personal Care

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Unilever retains position as the number three manufacturer globally
Unilever maintains a strong presence across all regions
Unilever's diverse portfolio delivers strong growth across key categories
Market momentum remains key growth driver for Unilever's BPC business

EXPOSURE TO FUTURE GROWTH

Emerging markets projected to drive future growth for Unilever
Unilever Prestige remains key to Unilever's future growth opportunities
Potential restructuring of Unilever Prestige amid weaker growth in H1 2024
Unilever Ventures sees a spate of investment in 2024 across emerging spaces

COMPETITIVE POSITIONING

L'Oréal Groupe increases its value share as Procter & Gamble and Unilever lose ground Unilever is the leading company across a range of categories and regions Dove improves competitive position to become leading US brand

COMPANY STRATEGY

Unilever introduces Growth Action Plan to encourage rapid growth
Focus on "Power Brands" indicates BPC market key for Unilever's future growth
Dove already reaping the "Power Brand" benefits following innovative launch
Unilever scales back sustainability commitments amid shareholder pressure

DEODORANTS

Unilever maintains clear deodorant leadership thanks to strong portfolio of brands
Deodorant sprays remain most popular format but sticks gaining modest share
Premiumisation evident across regions, presenting value opportunities for Unilever
Prevalence of 72-hour protection deodorants growing following Unilever's rolled out

HAIR CARE

Hair care remains Unilever's largest category following strong upturns across regions Shampoos account for bulk of Unilever's hair care portfolio Hair care innovations caters to most desirable product features among consumers

SUN CARE AND SKIN CARE

Unilever presence in sun care limited but growing demand presents future opportunities

Sun care outperforms skin care across Unilever's key Asia Pacific markets

Unilever looks to leverage its strong skin care portfolio to break sun care barriers

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