

# The GLP-1 Revolution: Insights for Food and Beverages

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Why read this report?

Key Findings

GLP-1s are reshaping the global food and beverage industry

#### THE MEANING OF THE GLP-1 REVOLUTION

GLP-1 drugs are going to change how millions of people eat and drink

Basic truths about GLP-1s the food and beverages industry will need to accept

Trends that will be accelerated by rising GLP-1 usage

Trying to size the user base is less helpful than you would think

A wave of patent expirations in 2026 will massively expand global usage

Weight loss is splintering into two directions: GLP-1s and holistic approaches

GLP-1s mean the end of the fad (weight loss) diet

GLP-1s are one driver towards "Peak Calorie" in developed markets

Weight loss is not the only thing GLP-1s are going to be used for

Side effects: Important to bear in mind but will not stop the growth in usage

### FOOD AND BEVERAGE CATEGORY IMPACTS

Most categories are going to see volume hits

Alcoholic drinks faces significant negative impact from GLP-1 drugs

Non-alcoholic drinks sales will fall, though not dramatically so

Snacks are in trouble right now but could be long-term winners

The rest of packaged food will need to accelerate a wellness shift

Impact of GLP-1 agonists on foods and ingredients: Euromonitor's experts speak

#### **GLP-1-FRIENDLY INNOVATION**

GLP-1-friendly innovation will need to speak to non-users as well

Case study: Bob's Red Mill aligns to GLP-1 users without marketing to them

'GLP-1-friendly' on the pack vs positioning

Complementary options and "fauxzempic"

A new boost to already surging protein demand

Case study: Fairlife shows specific GLP-1 claims are optional

Rising hydration needs are the main positive story for the drinks industry

Case study: SoWell creates a functional concentrate for GLP-1-specific hydration

## CONCLUSIONS

Key takeaways

GLP-1 impacts ultimately go far beyond just food and drinks

GLP-1 usage and its future expansion

#### **CONCLUSIONS**

Questions we are asking

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