

Strike a healthy-indulgent balance in snacking

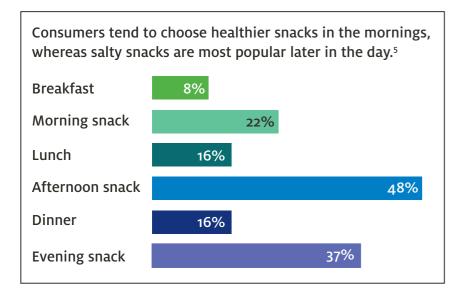
Explore the latest snacking insights

Consumers are scrutinising labels for healthy ingredients/claims and they are eating more snacks throughout the day.¹ Increased snack consumption has led to consumers looking for more nutritious snacks that taste delicious. As a result, manufacturers must deliver a healthy-indulgent balance — without compromise on taste and texture — while proactively providing front-of-pack labels like Nutri-Scores² and tackling the high in fat, sugar and salt (HFSS) initiative (UK only).³

Shifts to healthier snacking

50%

of European consumers look for healthier snacks all or most of the time.⁴



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consumers are replacing a main meal in the afternoon with snacks.⁶

Innovative solutions for balancing snacking complexities

Challenge		Ingredion solution
- <u></u>	Nutritional balance: creating 'healthy indulgence' requires innovative ingredients	Innovative proteins, pulse-based flours, fibres and sugar reduction solutions for boosting nutritional profile
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	Boosting taste: it can be difficult to create healthy products that taste as good as 'not healthy' ones	Portfolio of flavour modifiers build back the taste of sugar/salt-reduced and protein-enriched snacks



63%

of European consumers still regularly like to enjoy an indulgent treat, despite the new focus on health and wellness (H&W).⁷



H&W and indulgent claims lead snack NPLs in Europe.8

The ultimate formulation challenge: Consumers want bite-size, healthy yet delicious snacks that they can sometimes indulge in, but there can be no compromise on taste and texture.

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Access innovative ingredients, research-based insights and culinary expertise to help you formulate balanced healthy, indulgent snacks — whether you're looking to innovate, renovate your portfolio, manage costs or comply with regulations.

Create snacks that balance healthy and indulgent to meet consumer demand.

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^{1, 6, 7} FMCG Gurus Fresh Bakery Europe 2020

² https://www.foodnavigator.com/Article/2021/02/12/7-European-countries-team-up-to-propel-Nutri-Score-rollout

³ https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/restricting-promotions-of-products-high-in-fat-sugar-or-salt-by-location-and-by-volume-price/

⁴ Mintel/Lightspeed research Base: per country, c. 1,600 internet users aged 16+ who snack between meals

⁵ Innova Category Survey 2020

⁸ Innova Market Research, own analysis, 2017-2022