

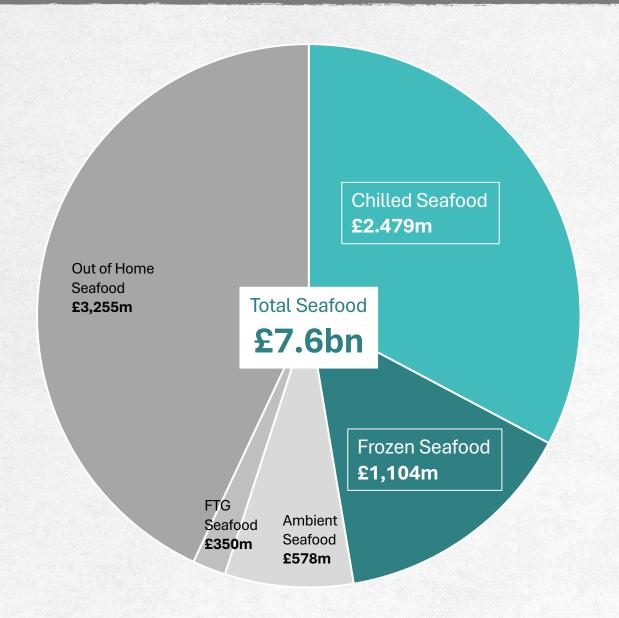
# Facing into the reality of stagnant seafood consumption

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## Today, we will be talking about Chilled & Frozen Seafood



Value Sales

£3.6bn



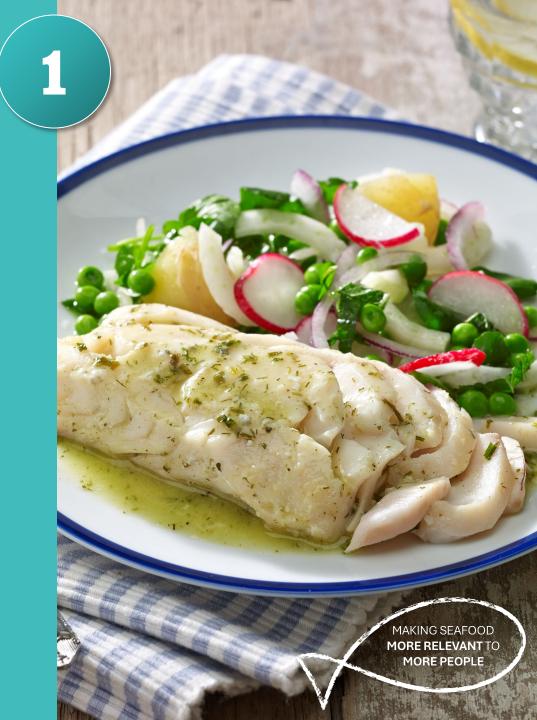
Volume Sales

295kt

Source: Numerator, August 2025 (Latest 52wks)



## Why Focus on Seafood?







# Chilled & Frozen Seafood is a **Top 10** Food Category

Rank	Category	Value
1	Fresh & Frozen Vegetables	£7.7bn
2	Fresh & Frozen Fruit	£7.3bn
3	Chilled & Frozen Poultry	£5.9bn
4	Bread & Morning Goods	£6.0bn
5	Chilled & Frozen Ready Meals	£5.2bn
6	Chocolate Confectionary	£4.7bn
7	Milk	£4.6bn
8	Cheese	£4.6bn
9	Biscuits	£3.9bn
10	Chilled & Frozen Seafood	£3.6bn
11	Chilled & Frozen Beef	£3.4bn
12	Cooked Meats	£2.7bn
13	Ambient Cakes	£2.5bn
14	Packet Breakfast & Cereals	£2.5bn
15	Pork, Gammon & Bacon	£2.5bn

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# A seafood shopper is **one of the most valuable shoppers** you can have in your store



+£1,000



+80%



5x more likely to have wine4x more likely to have desert3x more likely to haveprepared veg with their meal





## Inspiring our shoppers to create a **seafood occasion at home benefits the entire store**, not just the seafood category







£2.31

£0.39

£1.51

Value of Accompaniments



## **Facing Reality**









As a collective industry,
we have failed to grow
seafood consumption\*
over the last 20 years





# Despite growing by more than £2bn in value, annual volumes are lower now than they were in 2005

	20yr CAGR	5yr CAGR	2025 vs 2005
Value	+3.3%	+3.3%	+£2bn
Volume	-0.0%	-0.8%	-60t





#### Seafood consumption per capita is -13% lower than it was in 2005







## And in the medium term, we will continue to face further pressures on consumption







#### There is a risk that some households will drop out of seafood altogether



Struggling Families

129 Pollock Index



Under-28s

163 Pollock Index



**Growing Seafood Consumption** 







#### We have three major issues



OLDER SHOPPERS ARE DROPPING OUT OF SEAFOOD



SEAFOOD IS STILL NOT ENGAGING WITH THE YOUNGER GENERATION



SEAFOOD HAS NOT CAPITALISED ON THE MACRO FOOD & CONSUMER TRENDS





#### Ultimately, it is about making seafood more top of mind



Regaining & Retaining the Core



Drive Conversion with New shoppers



Expanding Repertoires







## Regaining & Retaining the Core



## The needs and aspirations of the older generation have evolved









Most Valuable Shopper

Tastes have developed

Vitality & Wellbeing

Personalisation





## Drive Conversion with New shoppers



## It's about leaning towards more flexible, nutrition focussed eating that build lifelong habits



Start Early



Inspiration



Out of Home



Perform Better

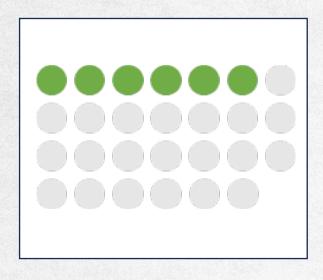




## Expanding Repertoires



## The future of consumption is predicated on making seafood more relevant more often









Focus on what we already have

**Bowl Food** 

Global

Make it achievable



## **Final Thoughts**















- We have an amazing protein that most people want to eat more of
- A seafood shopper is the one of the most valuable shoppers there is
- However, seafood consumption has not grown over the last 20 years

- 1. Regain & Retain our core older shoppers
- 2. Drive conversion with babies, children and Gen Zs
- 3. Expand repertoires by making seafood more relevant to more people



## Thank you.

