

#### A USSEC webinar event

## Global Sustainability Trends in Consumer Behavior



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### Topics for today's discussion...



A Current look at Sustainability



Sustainable themes in soybased products



Key Takeaways

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### Macro forces impacting consumer needs and behavior



More focus on health and maintaining a healthy lifestyle



Looking for easy ways to access good nutrition.



The increase in cost-of-living



Balancing enjoyment with necessities.



Potential political and global threats



Need to feel safe and guarding of resources. Relief from anxiety.



The health of the planet



Doing what you can, to manage environmental impact.

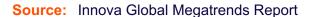


Technology transformations in the way we shop and live



Not getting left behind vs actively engaging with new opportunities.

Sustainability issues remain top of mind as the effects of climate change become more pronounced







#### The health of the planet remains a primary concern for consumers



37%

of consumers globally

state that the **health of the planet** (climate change, deforestation etc) concerns them the most

And these concerns translate into direct action...

Almost 1 in 5 consumers globally have...



"cared for the wellbeing of the environment in order to live healthily in the last 12 months."

"chosen more
sustainably
grown/produced
products to support
the environment in the
past 12 months."

Sources: Innova Lifestyle & Attitudes Survey 2024 (Average of Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Mexico, Spain, UK and US)

Q: Which of these global issues concern you most? (Select up to 3)

Q: What aspects have you engaged in most to live healthily in the last 12 months? (Select up to 3)

Q: In which of the following ways do you seek to eat healthily? (Select all that apply)

### It is all about values: honesty and transparency are key



of consumers globally say honesty and transparency (ingredients sourcing) are the most important values related to food\*

### Our Footprint On The Planet

We're on a mission...

Reduced our emissions in scopes 1 & 2 by 84% compared to 2012



UK, Mar 2024

"Marinated tofu chunks made from sustainable soy.."

### Our Amazing Beans

We love our plants and we love the fact that we only use sustainable soya ingredients in our plant packed products, so you can rest assured that our supply supports zero deforestation practices.

The soya beans we use in our product range are certified against one of these standards:

- Proterra Foundation
- Basel Criteria for Responsible Soy Production
- Europe Soya standard



In the past year, which of these actions have you taken to be more socially/ethically responsible in your food choices?

**17%** 

Of consumers globally have chosen products that support traceability: chosen

products of traceable origin

Source: Innova Database, Innova Trends Survey 2024 and Innova Lifestyles & Attitudes Survey 2024 (Average of Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Mexico, Spain, UK and US), Cauldron

Note: Q: "To what extent are the following values important to you in your diet?" (Sum of extremely important and very important)



### Sustainability driver: 1 in 3 consumers globally value on-pack environmental claims

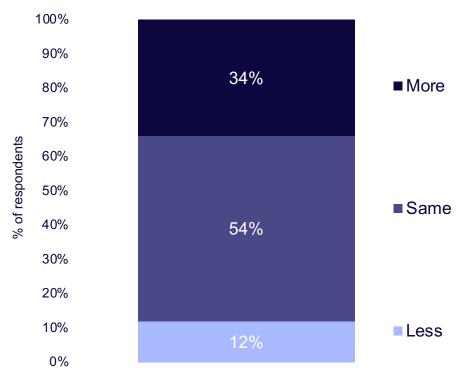


25%

of consumers globally state that sustainability (being kind to the environment) is the most important value related to eating











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Sources: Innova Packaging Survey 2023 and Innova Lifestyle & Attitudes Survey 2024 (Average of Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Mexico, Spain, UK and US), Pulmone



### Top & growing claims are linked to sustainability, diets & lifestyles

Top 5 positionings of F&B launches with soy and soy ingredients (% share)

(Global, Q2 2023 - Q1 2024)



Diving into the fastest-growing positionings

CAGR Q2 2019 - Q1 2024

Plant-based	+25%
Ethical - environment	+17%
Vegan	+14%
Palm oil free	+13%
Lactose free	+8%

Source: Innova Database

Notes:

\*Top positionings (ethical, health & lifestyle claims) as % of F&B launches with soy and soy ingredients tracked (Global, Q2 2023- Q1 2024) Fastest growing positionings as % of F&B launches with soy and soy ingredients tracked (Global, CAGR Q2 2019 – Q1 2024)





### Innovation landscape of sustainability in food and beverage (F&B) with soy ingredients



Nurturing nature: Brands strive towards the health of planet





Demand for localization and ethical/social responsibilities





New farming technologies unlocked



### Nature Protection: One concept, multiple definitions





"When talking about **nature protection**, what comes up in your mind?"\*





### Beyond sustainability: Manufacturers take actions to make a positive difference around nature protection





The Natural Chip Co Potato Chips With Honey Soy Chicken Flavor

+23%

Biodiversity-related claims\* in F&B with soy Global, CAGR (Q2 21 - Q1 24)



Cereal Bio Batonnets Moelleux: Lemon And Algae Sticks

Forest protection-related claims\* in F&B with soy
Global, CAGR (Q2 21 - Q1 24)



**Love Cocoa Peppermint White Chocolate** 

United Kingdom, Dec 2023

Hong Kong (import from Australia), Nov 2023

France, Dec 2023

Source: Innova Database, Innova Lifestyle & Attitude Survey 2024 (average of Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Mexico,

Spain, UK, US); Cereal Bio; Love Coco

Note: \*Refer to slide notes for specific free text search claims.



### Unlocking sustainability: Claims about carbon emissions as a key sustainability metric



**Carbon emissions** associated with a product are the most important factor to determine how sustainable a product is

**59%** 

of consumers globally agree



average annual growth in F&B tracked with soy & soy products with carbon footprint related claims (Global, CAGR Q2 2019-Q1 2024)





### Minimizing food waste takes precedence for consumers to be more environmentally responsible

Which actions have you taken to support the environment or social situation in the past 12 months?



#1 Minimized food waste

#2 Recycled/ upcycled items



#3 Products with environmentally friendly/less packaging

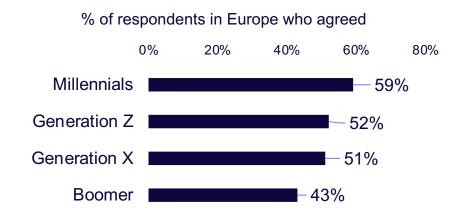


**#4** Chosen local products & services



### Younger consumers are driving the upcycling movement

"A product that contains upcycled ingredients is more appealing to me than other products"



49% of Millennial & Gen Z consumers globally

agree that upcycled ingredients are better in quality compared to regular ingredients

Taking a stance against food waste.
Reusing soy pulp.



Philippines (import from Singapore), Nov 2023

### MADE FROM UPCYCLED SOY PULP

"Soy Pulp, also known as Okara, is produced during the making of your favourite soy milk. Through this upcycling, we reduce wastage and do our part to save the environment."





### Growing consumer preference towards 'local' and 'localizing'; An opportunity for the environment and local community





1 in 3

consumers have noticed more "locally produced products" when buying food and beverages in the last 12 months

+16.4%

average annual growth in F&B tracked with soy & soy products with locally sourced claim\*

(Global, CAGR Q2 2019-Q1 2024)





South Africa, Apr 2024 Homegrown: proudly local.

Contains: hydrolyzed vegetable protein soy

Every ingredient is handpicked and locally sourced



### Consumers care about brands' commitment to supporting social causes

What actions have consumers taken to be more socially/ethically responsible in food choices?

#1 "Supported local grower/ producers/ merchants."

#2 Chosen fair-trade products

#3 Chosen brands/ products that consider animal welfare



Indonesia, Jan 2024





Cacao trace certified: supports local farmers by paying more per kilo.

Canada, Jan 2024





Best Aquaculture **Practices** 



Canada (imported from China), Jan 2024

Sources: Innova Lifestyle & Attitude Survey 2024 (Average of Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Mexico, Spain, UK and US), Innova Database

Note:

Q: In the past year, which of these actions have you taken to be more socially/ethically responsible in your food choices? (Select all that apply); BAP – Best Aquaculture Practices



### Pledges and partnerships: Efforts to improve the livelihoods of people and emphasizing positive social impact



22%

of consumers globally

would like to see
brands/companies Respecting
Human Rights to help the
environmental/social causes



Indonesia, Sep 2023



Guatemala, Mar 2024





hearts and lives. So

we are committed

to trading fairly and

organic farming.
Through our Food to
Thrive Foundation
we provide education
and empowerment to
communities in the
developing world to

farm sustainably and

to prosper.



### **Environment-minded consumers show positive attitudes** toward innovative agriculture practices





United States, Feb 2024

## Positive perceptions on innovative farming practices

- I. Regenerative farming
- 2. Weather tracking
- 3. Precision farming



"We're helping almond farmers implement regenerative agriculture culture practices."

Sources: Innova Trends Survey 2024 (average of Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Mexico, Spain, UK, US), Innova

Database

Note: Q: "Which of the following innovative farming practices do you have the most positive perception of? Select up to five



### Developing unique solutions by leveraging cutting-edge science





"We researched many plant options, but came to the understanding that for our targeted result, soy plants are the best host to start with,"

Molecular Farming Startup
NewMoo Debuts Liquid Casein from
Soybeans for Animal-Free Cheese

green queen

28 May 2024





"Prefer sources surplus ingredients from local businesses, including day-old bread from Gardenia, soybean pulp from Mr. Bean, and leftover barley grains from breweries like The 1925 Brewing Co. and Brewerkz. Through this, Prefer is able to upcycle and revolutionize a sustainable and alternative coffee source, served at major chains catering to the masses."

Startup future-proofs coffee with bean-free alternative amidst climate crisis



### **Key Takeaways**



Health of the planet remains the top concern according to consumers globally. Consumers are seeking products that value key themes around sustainability.

#### **Opportunity**

Companies should engage more to tackle the world's environmental problems. Environmental labels and storytelling on packaging will inform and educate consumers about sustainability.



F&B launches tracked with soy ingredients saw increased growth in environmental claims, due to increased demand for nature protection.

#### **Opportunity**

Consumers' demand for F&B launches focusing on specific nature-related claims remains high, which is an area that companies should still target.



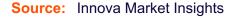
Localization is a growing trend.

Consumers look for brands that support local communities and other social and ethical responsibilities.

**Technology continues to advance**, which results in new farming technologies coming to the market.

#### **Opportunity**

Companies supporting local communities, social responsibilities, and farming innovation showcase their sustainable missions to consumers.





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