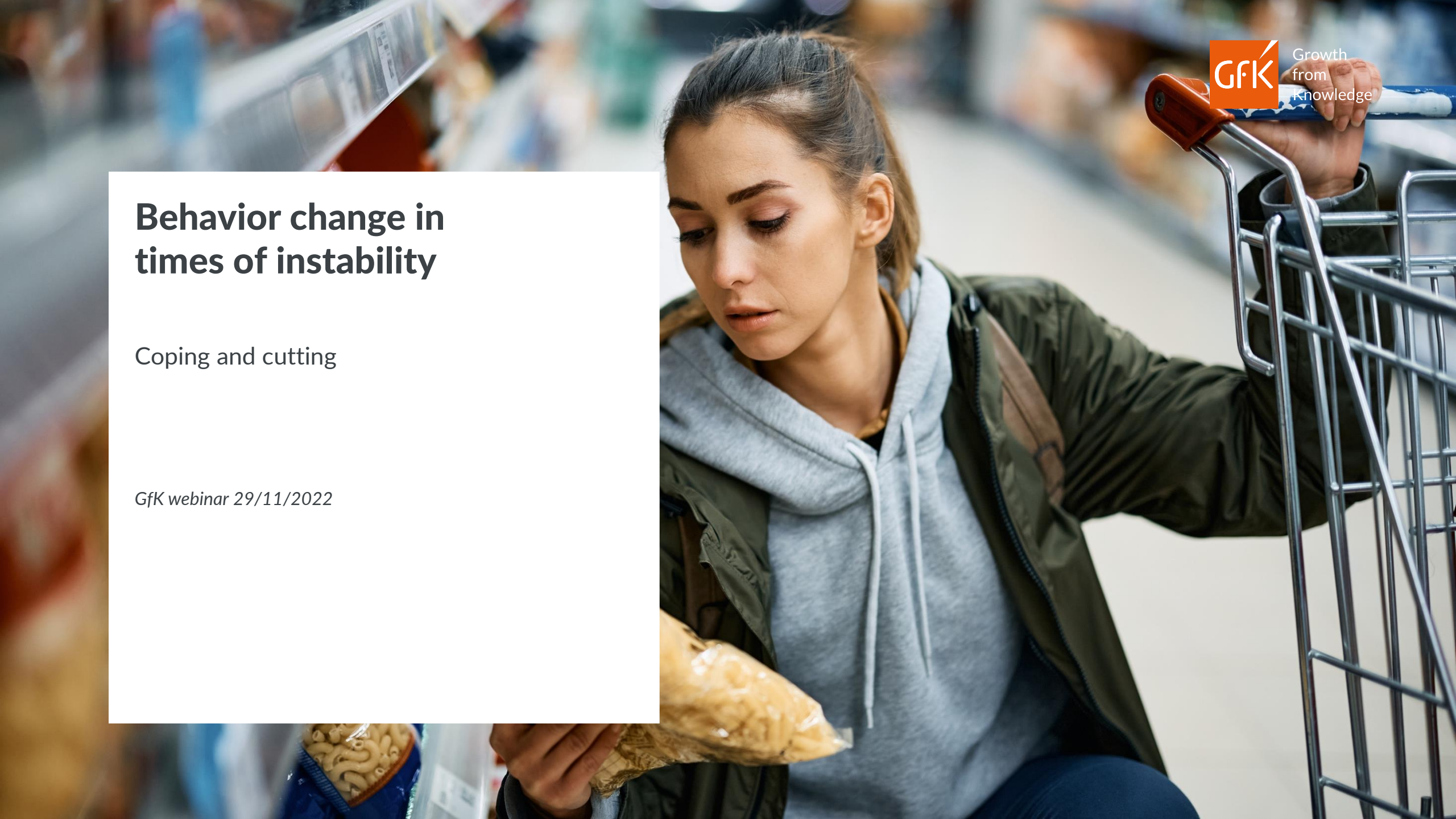


# Behavior change in times of instability

Coping and cutting

*GfK webinar 29/11/2022*



# Agenda

- 1 Rational shopping intensifies
- 2 Critical category conversion
- 3 Being where the shopper is
- 4 Getting your message across
- 5 Lead from the heart



## Nordics

Myriam Martensen

31% struggles financially

Hard Discount share 22%

Sweden



33% struggles financially

Hard Discount share 46%

Denmark

## Romania

Diana Scaunasu

49% struggles financially

Hard Discount share 25%



## Germany

Anna-Katherina Kraus

27% struggles financially

Hard Discount share 36%

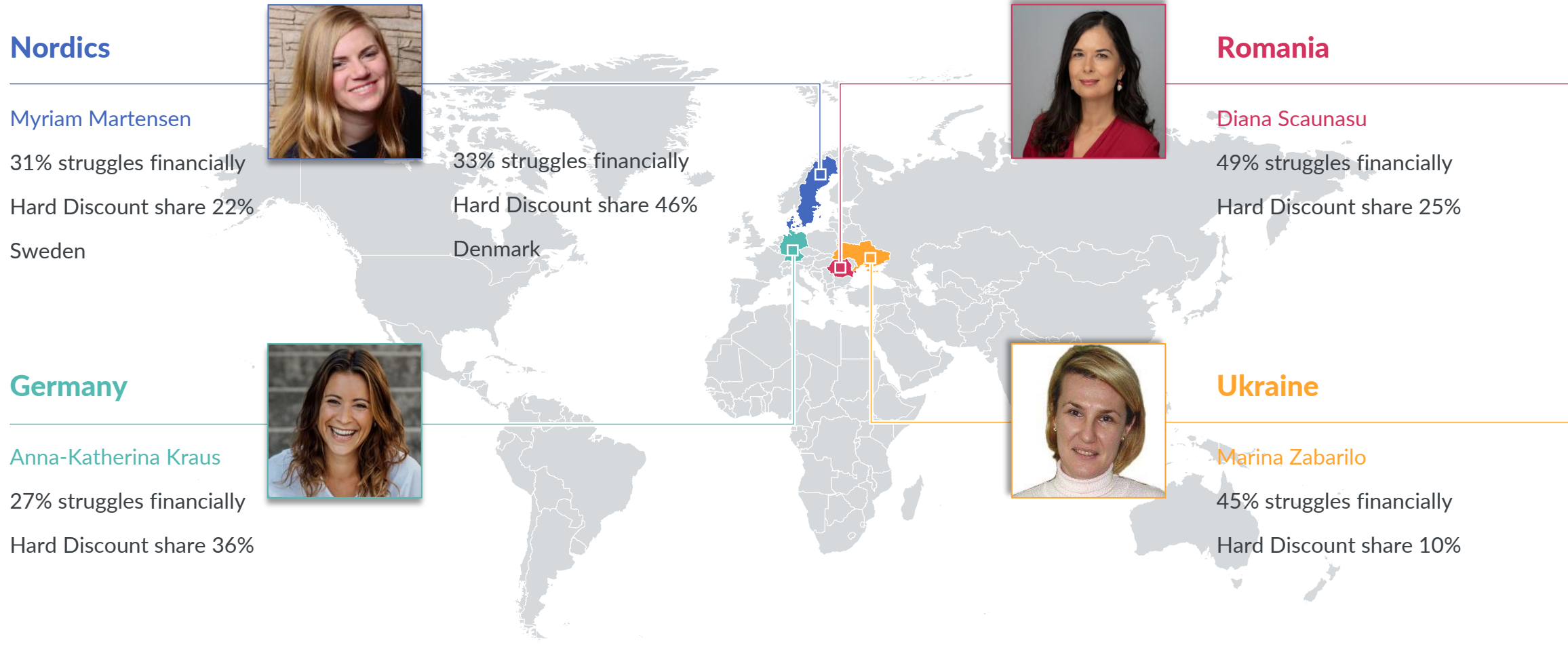


## Ukraine

Marina Zabarilo

45% struggles financially

Hard Discount share 10%



# #BehaviorChange – sources used

## Shopper perspective

### Consumer Panel + Why2Buy

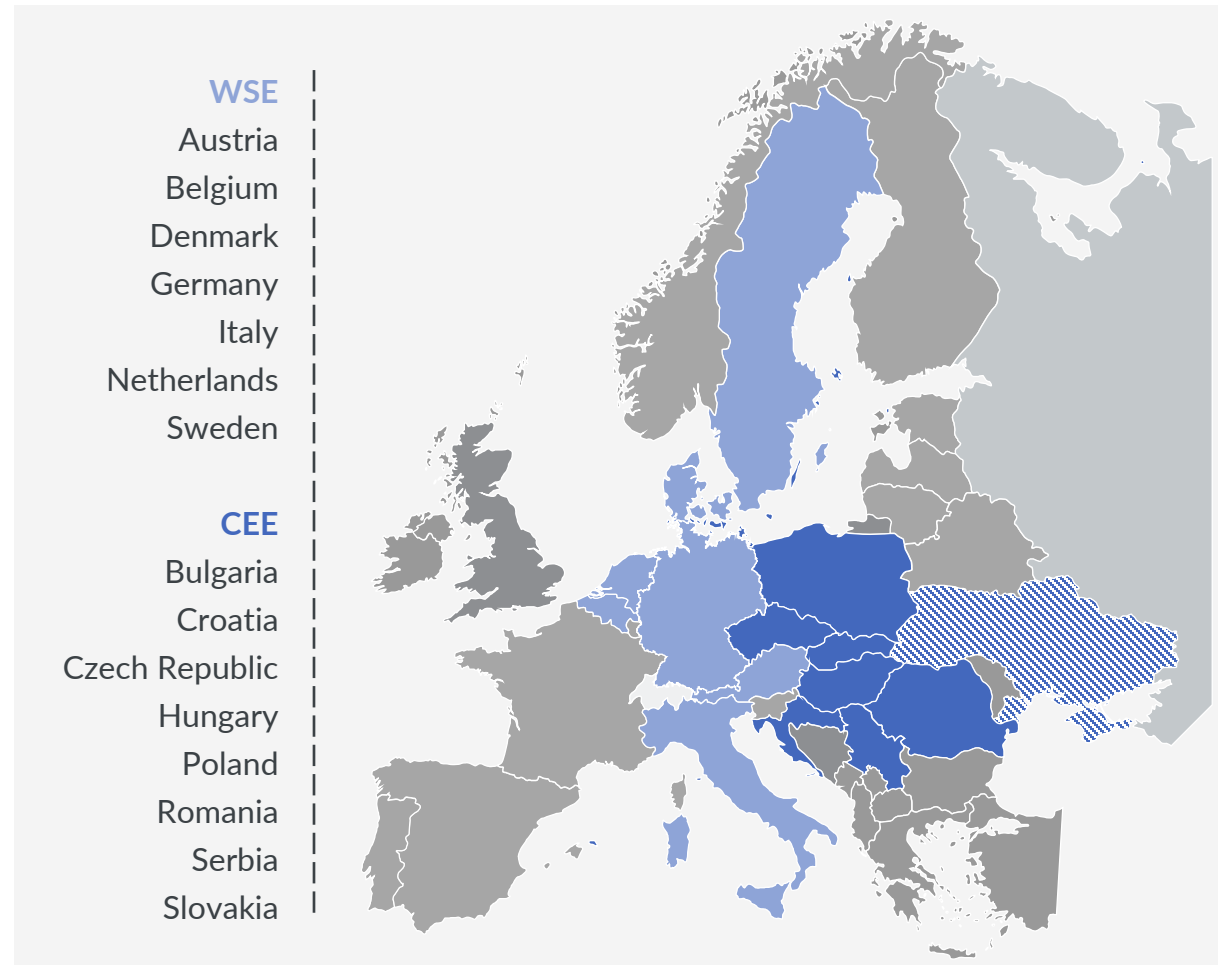
- Registered purchases
- Motivations and lifestyle needs
- 14 countries, 174 million households

AT, BE, CZ, DE, DK, HR, HU, IT, NL, PL, RS, RU, SE, SK

### Behavior Change survey

- November '22 & April '22
- 15 countries, 9,634 + 7,855 main shoppers

AT, BE, BG, CZ, DE, DK, HR, HU, IT, NL, PL, RS, RO, SE, SK, UA, RU





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## Takeaway

Rational shopping intensifies further



## Coping

- Saving energy has become a daily practice in my home



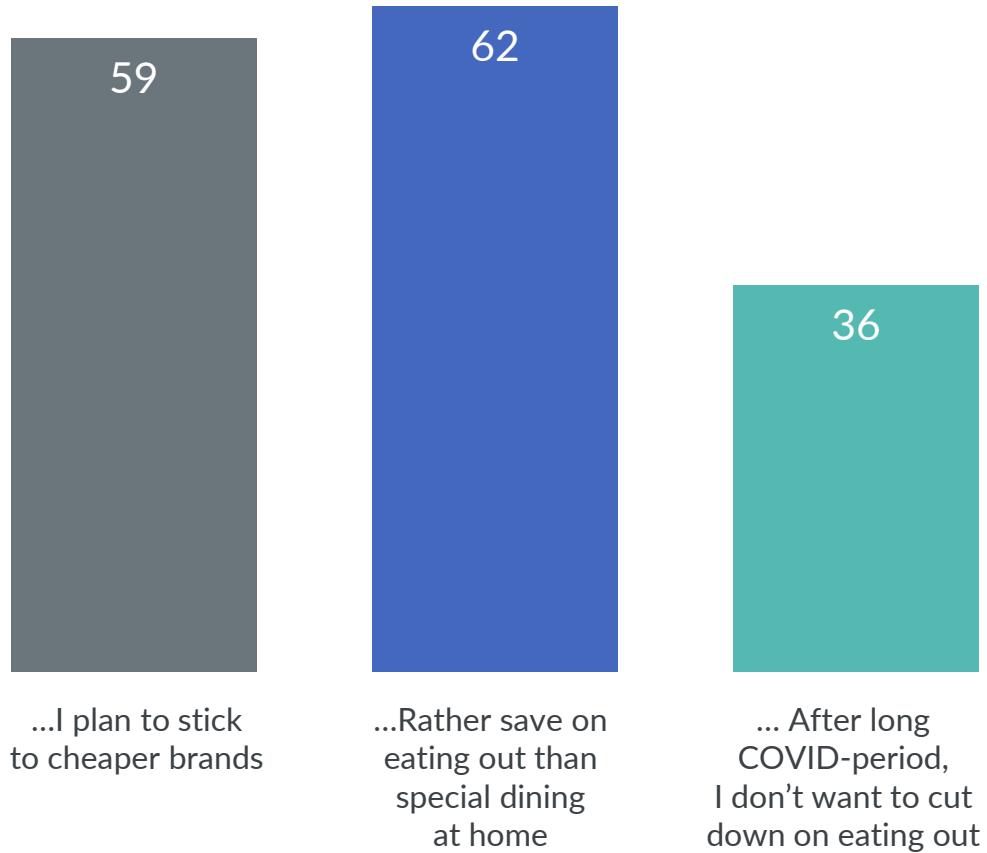
- It's not a choice for me, I must save what I can, including daily needs



- I have switched energy source to a (cheaper) alternative



# Balancing

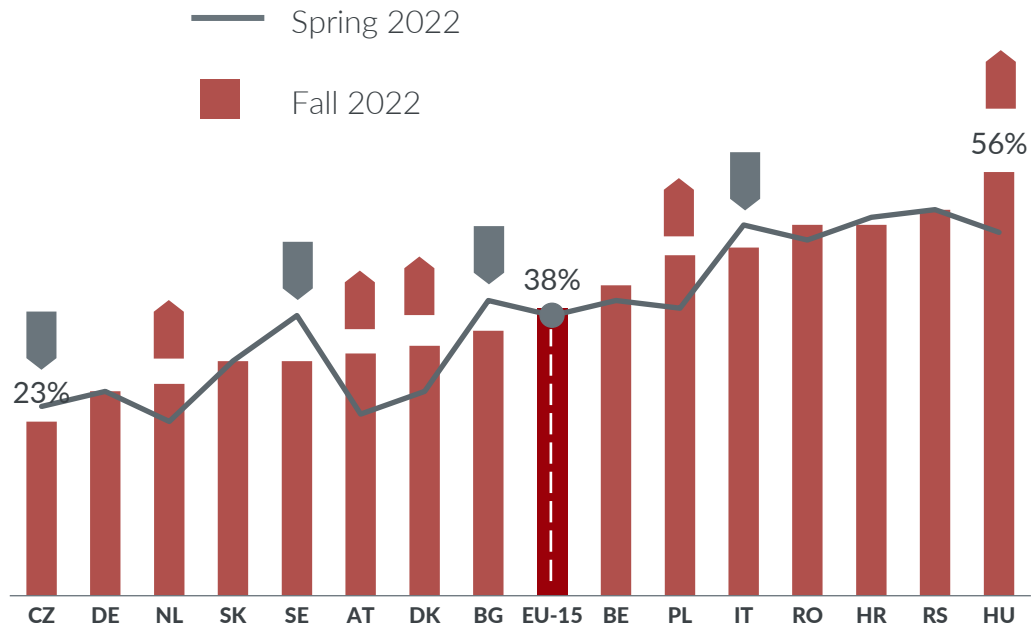


# Slight increase in financial worries

Country dynamics differ

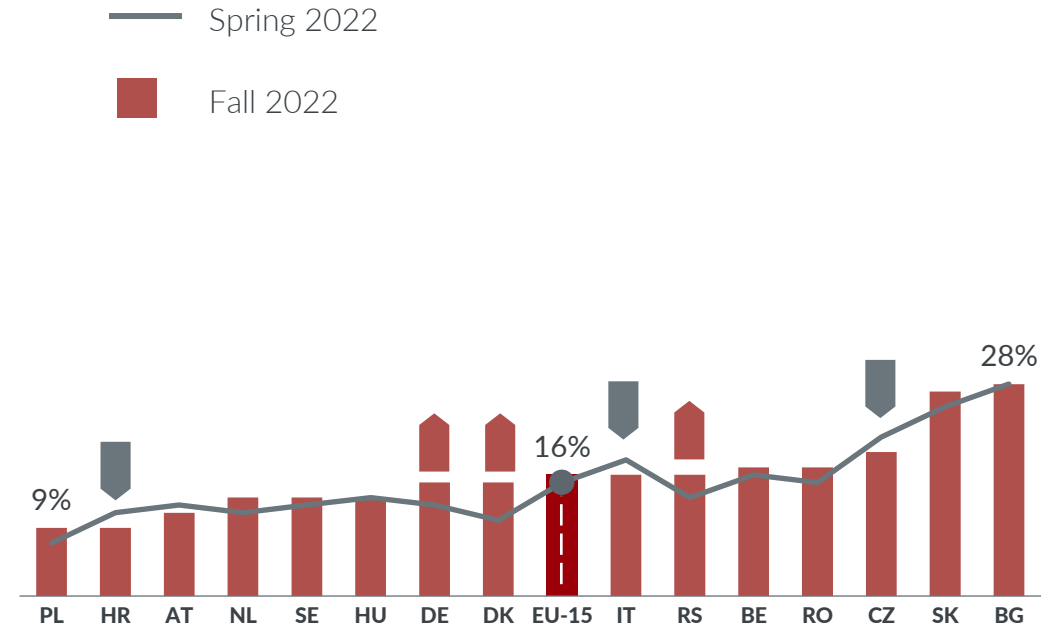


## % struggling



**38% of Europeans are struggling financially (ix 104)**

## % employment at risk



**16% is currently worried their job is at risk (ix 106)**



# Over 60% are in – or closer to – serious budget squeeze

Especially in WSE now more households affected



**Crisis types**



Concerned	CEE	WSE
44%	49%	38%

**Struggling financially**  
**Slight worry about job or not working**



Affected	CEE	WSE
18%	19%	18%

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**Highly afraid of losing job or currently unemployed**



Resistant	CEE	WSE
38%	32%	44%

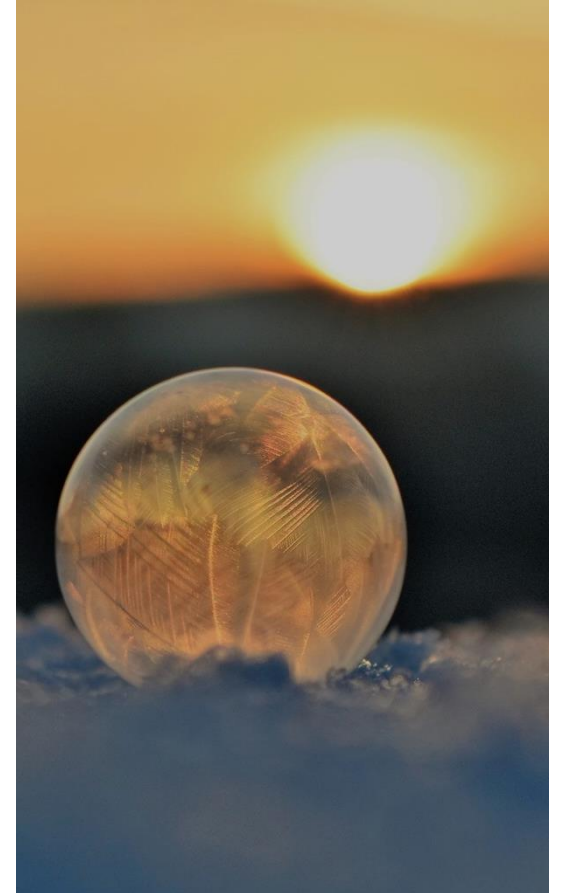
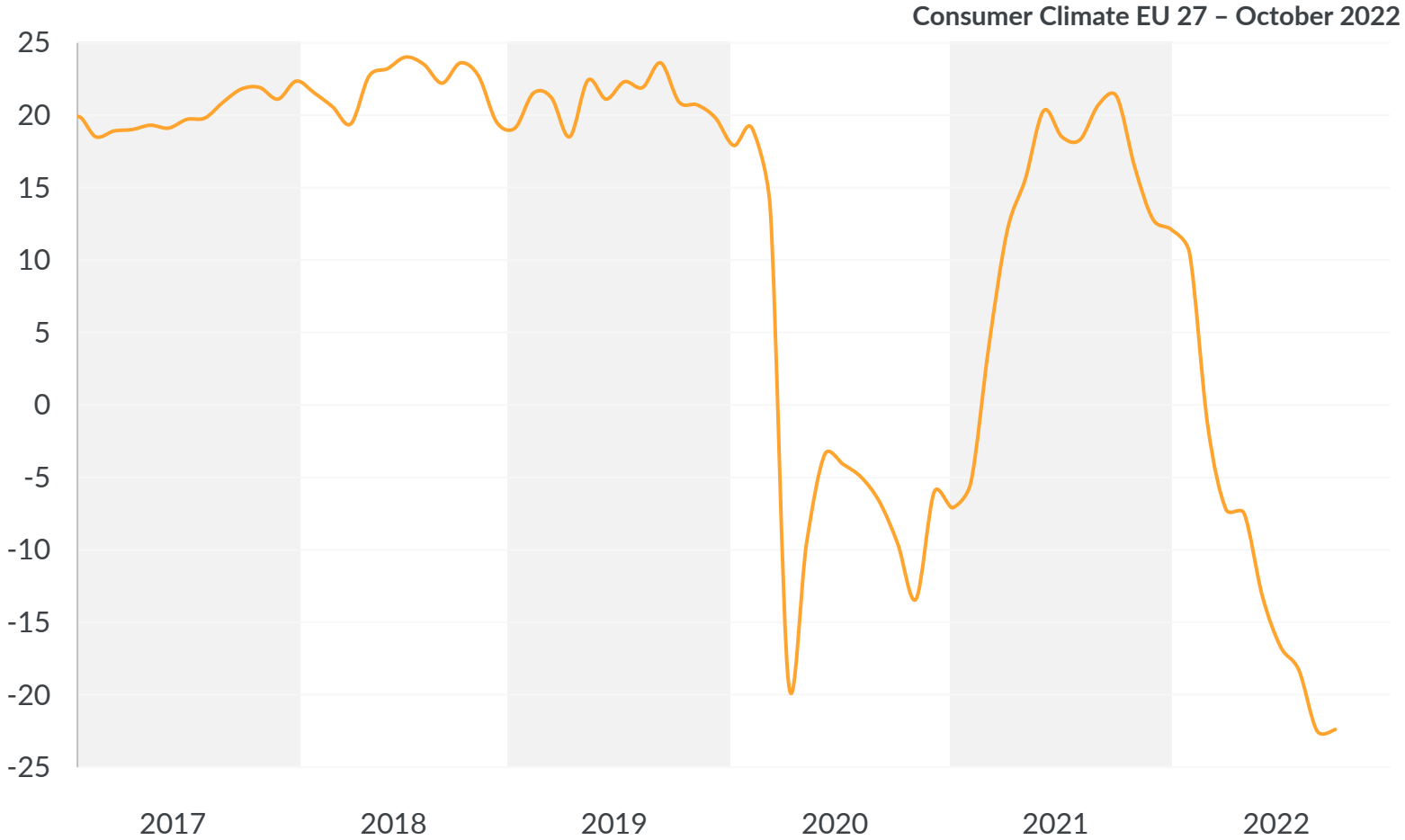
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**Financially comfortable**  
**Not, only slightly worried about job or not working**

Spend per buyer on FMCG up (on average +3%), except in SE, DK, BE. Affected keep flat budgets, but large country differences

# Consumer climate stabilized in October

At least for the time being

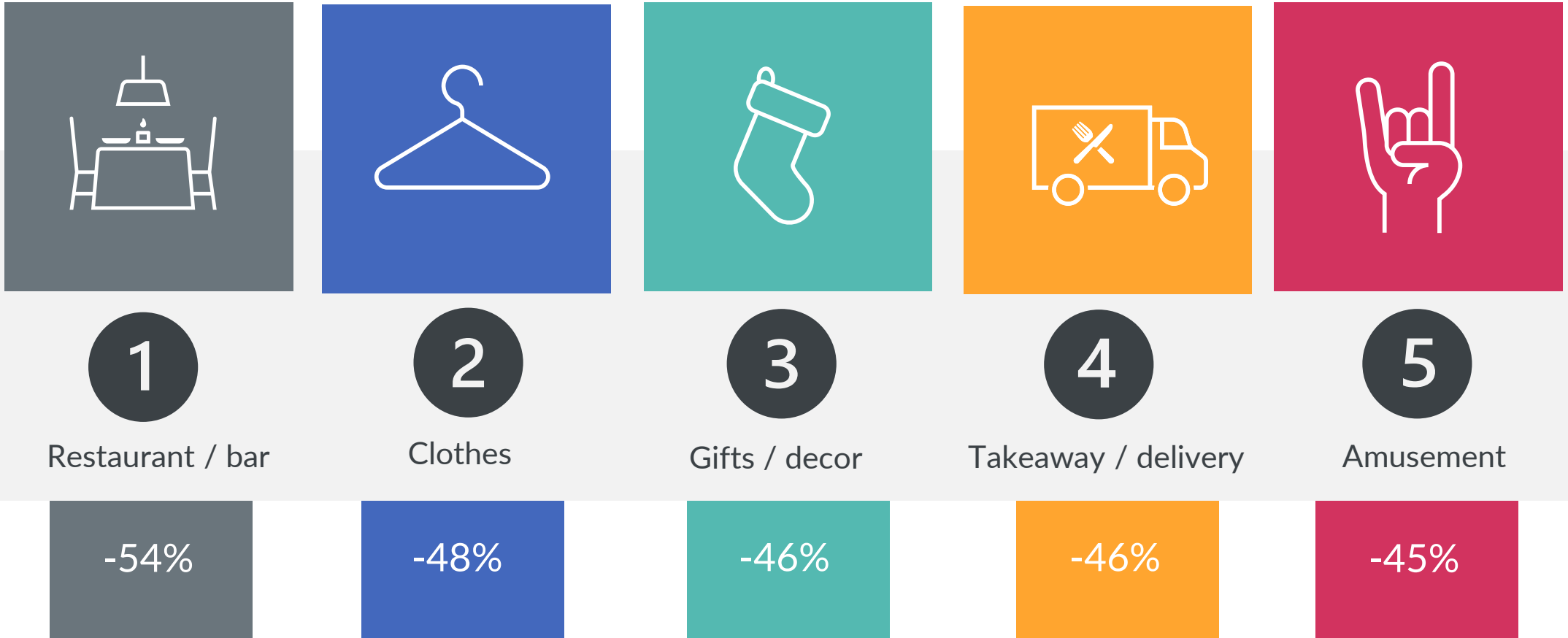


# Out-of-home hit hardest by consumers cutting



Top 5 (out of 14)

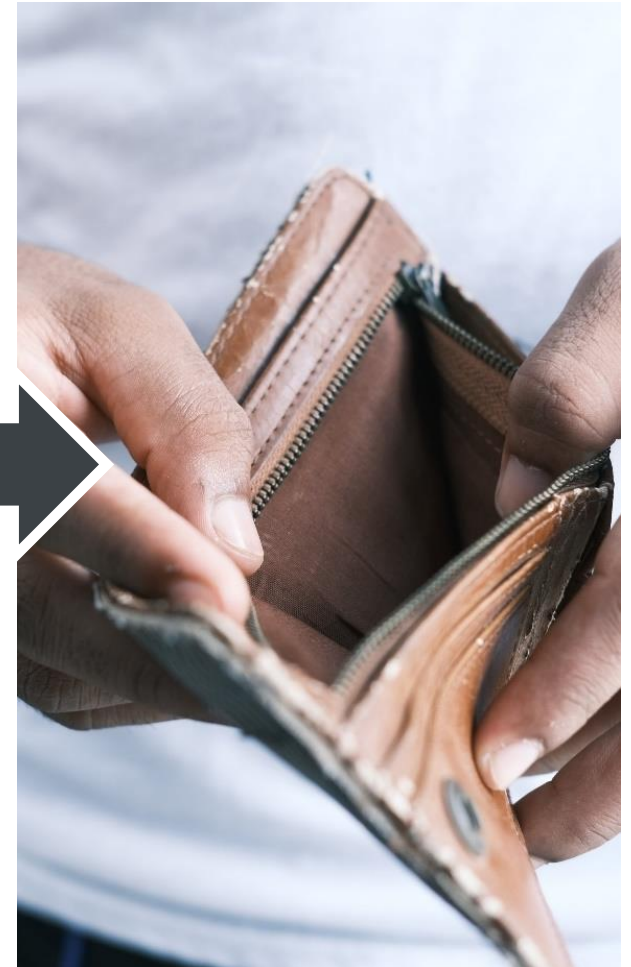
Net intention next 6 months  
% shoppers (much) more -/- (much) less



# Health and beauty forcefully take a back seat

Major differences between struggling and comfortable

- Top 5 biggest gap**
- 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - 4
  - 5



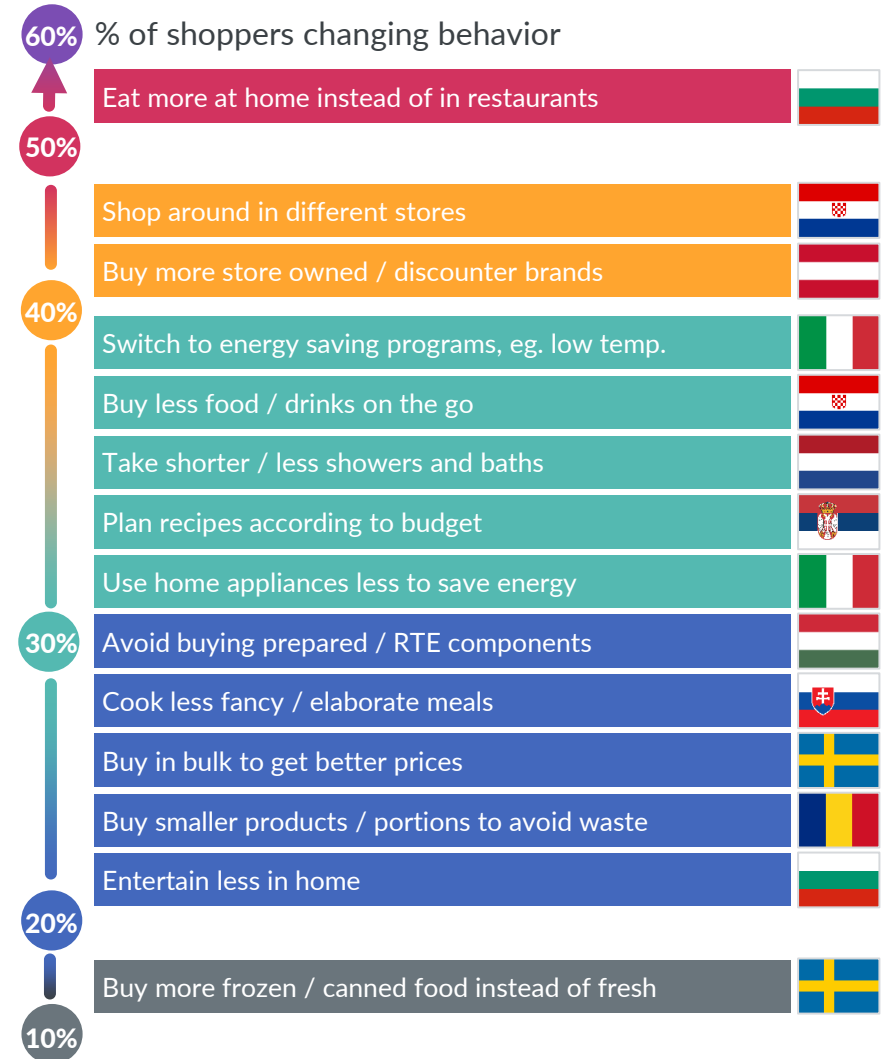
# Homing in, shopping around, turning down



has changed behavior one way or the other in reaction to continued inflation

Source: GfK, Behavior Change Nov. '22 EU-15 n=9,834

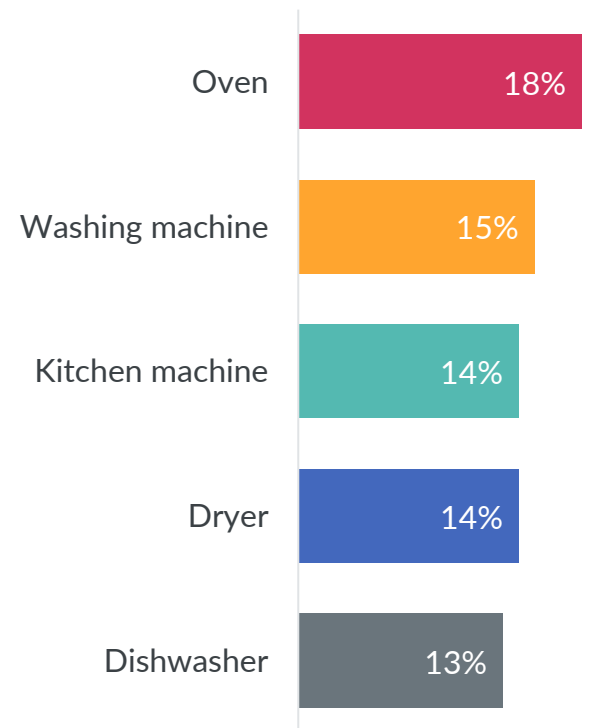
## Most common changes:





## Appliances

Top 5 appliances used less by % of households



# Rationalizing and planning ahead



## The comfortable



## The struggling





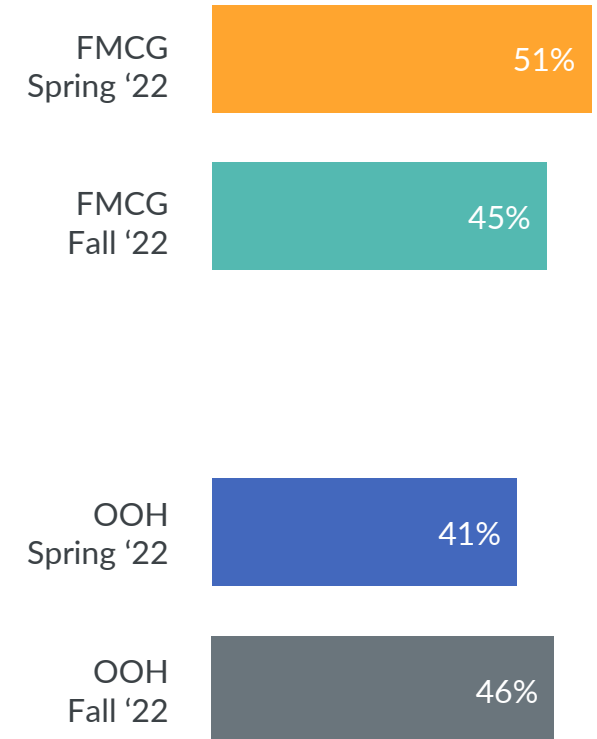
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## Takeaway

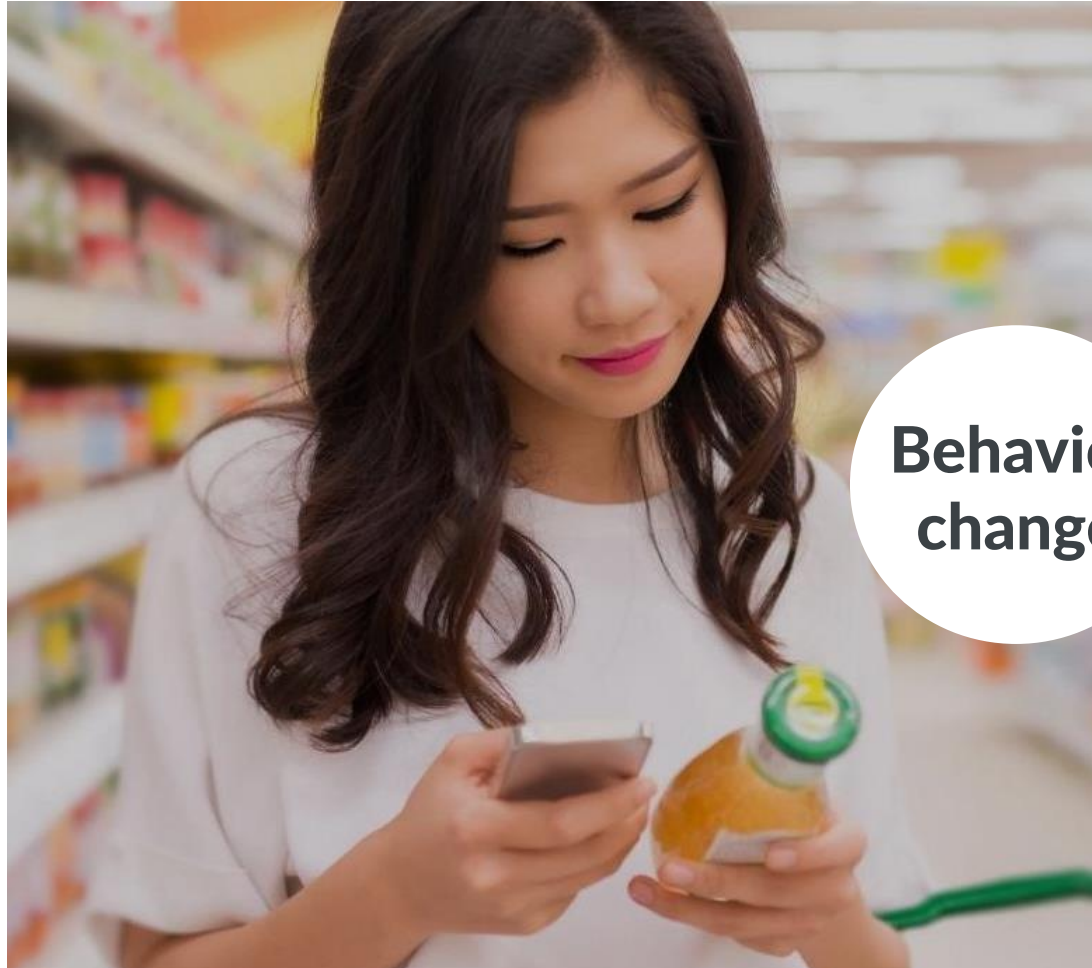
Nurture and grow category entry points



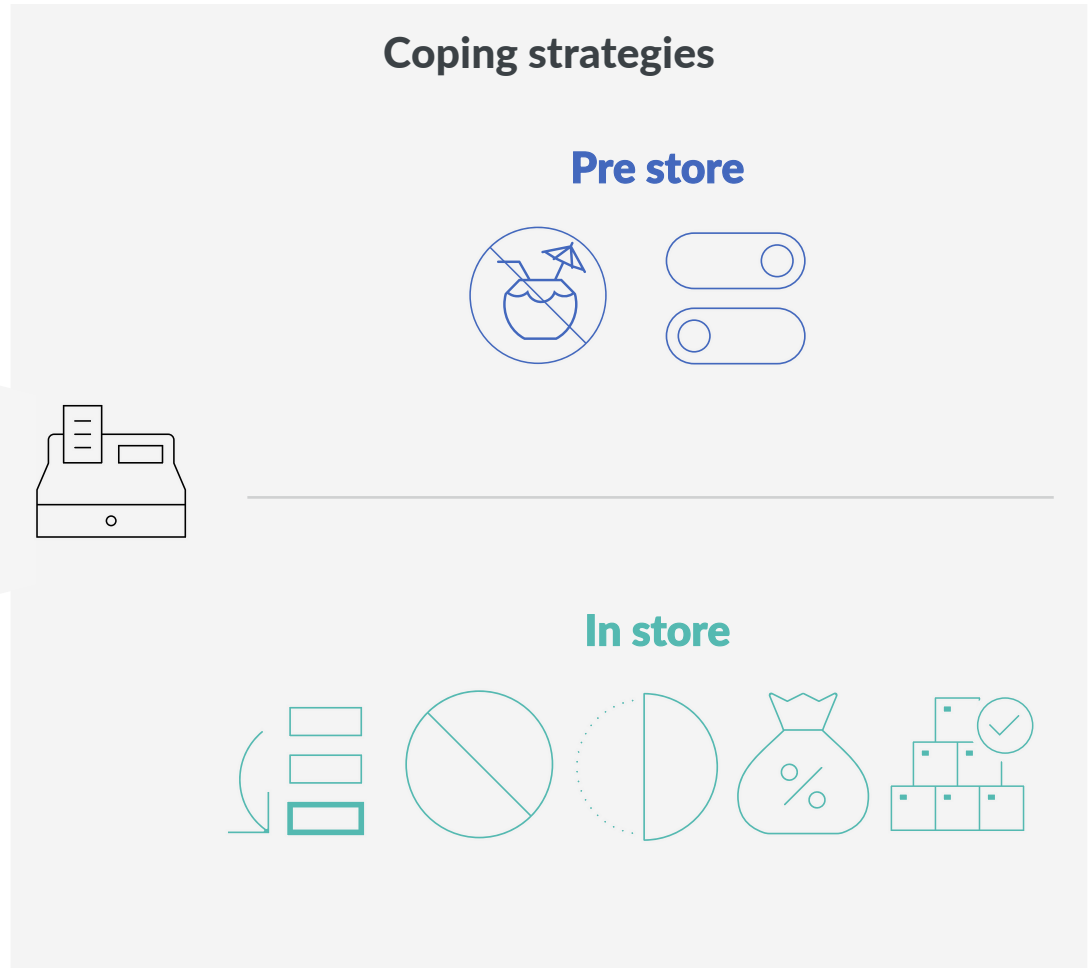
## Yes, I worry and will change my behavior



# Different coping & cutting strategies



**Behavior change**



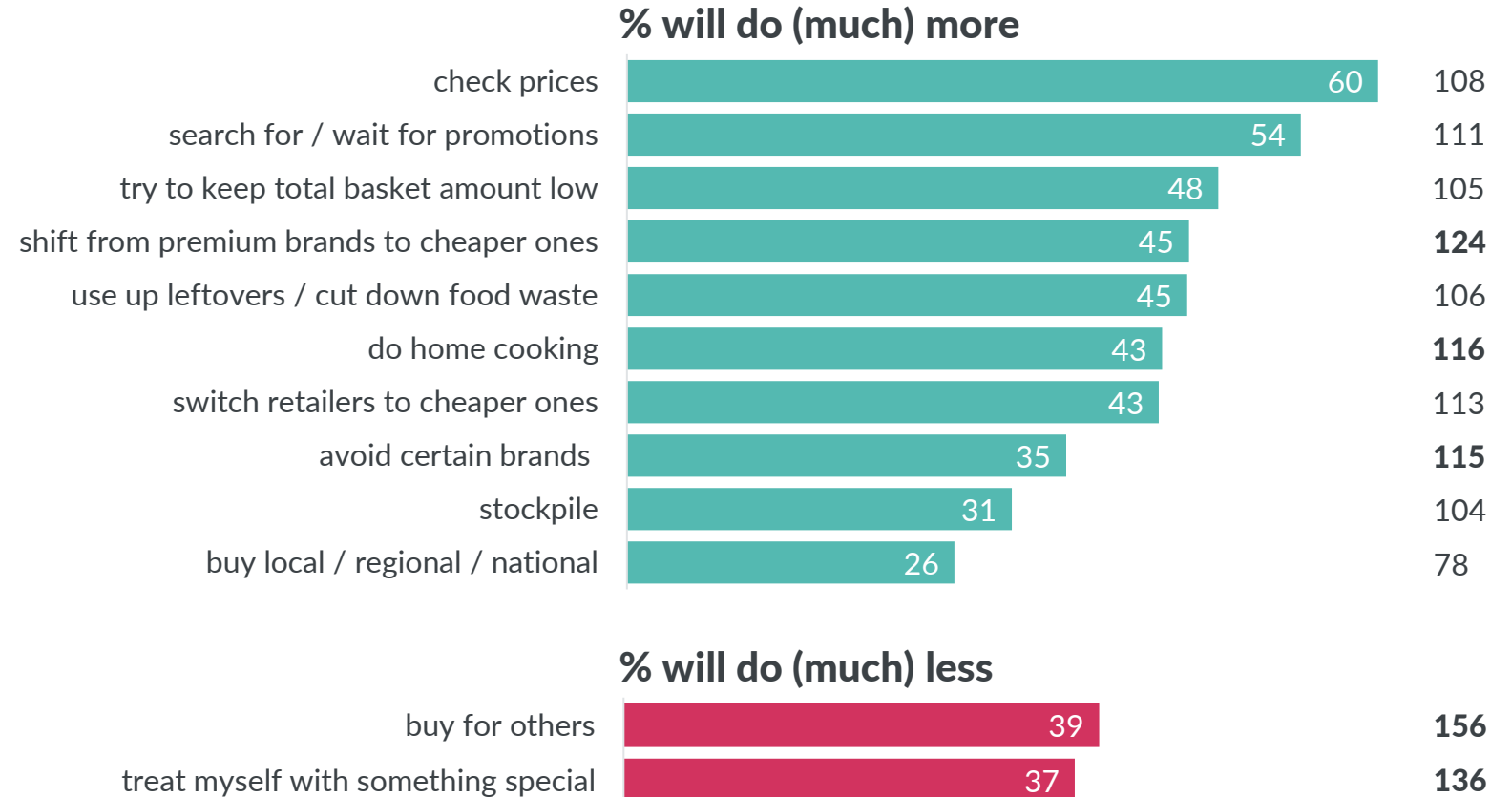
# Coping behaviors further intensify

Growing austerity and switching behavior



Biggest gap between struggling and comfortable:

- Treating oneself
- Keeping basket low



# Coping strategies differ per category

Dairy, personal care and frozen categories highest increase

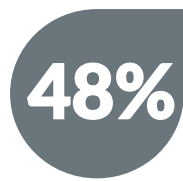


## Top 5 categories: 'I worry about rising prices and will change my behavior'

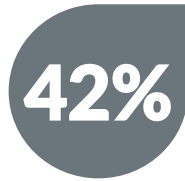
Alcoholic drinks



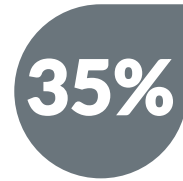
Confectionery



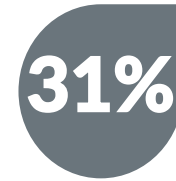
Cosmetics



Frozen food



Meat, fish



## Coping behaviors:



- buy cheaper products
- buy products on offer
- buy fewer
- not buying them any longer
- try to buy elsewhere
- stockpile at lowest price
- other

Across categories, two coping strategies are growing:

**Not buy any longer +26%**

**Buy cheaper products +8%**

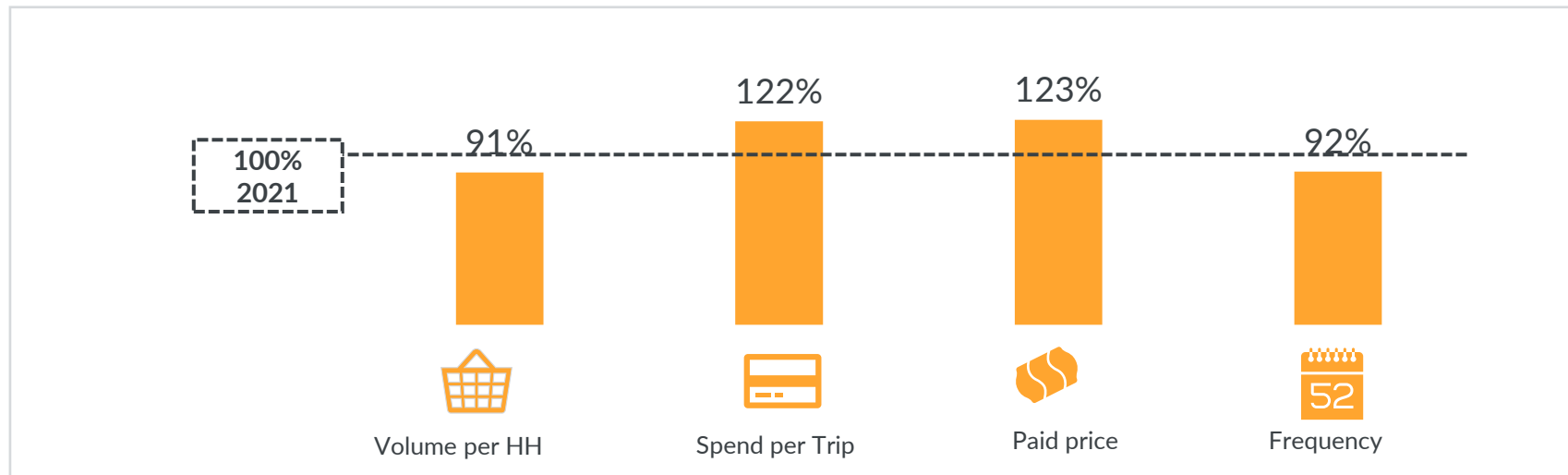
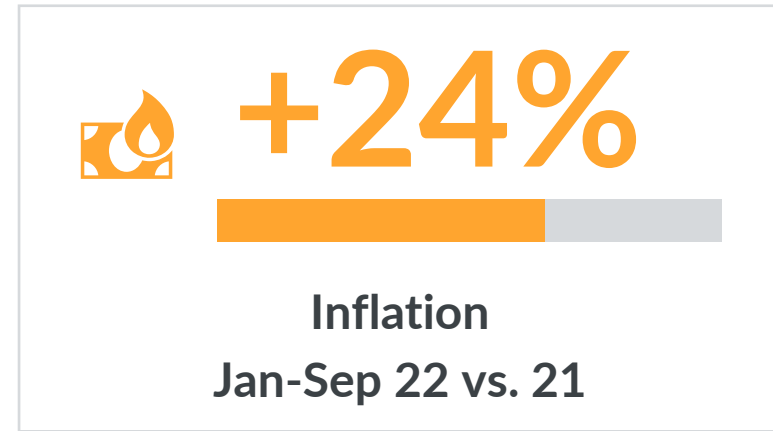
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# FMCG market is growing due to inflation

Real consumption has significantly decreased by 9%



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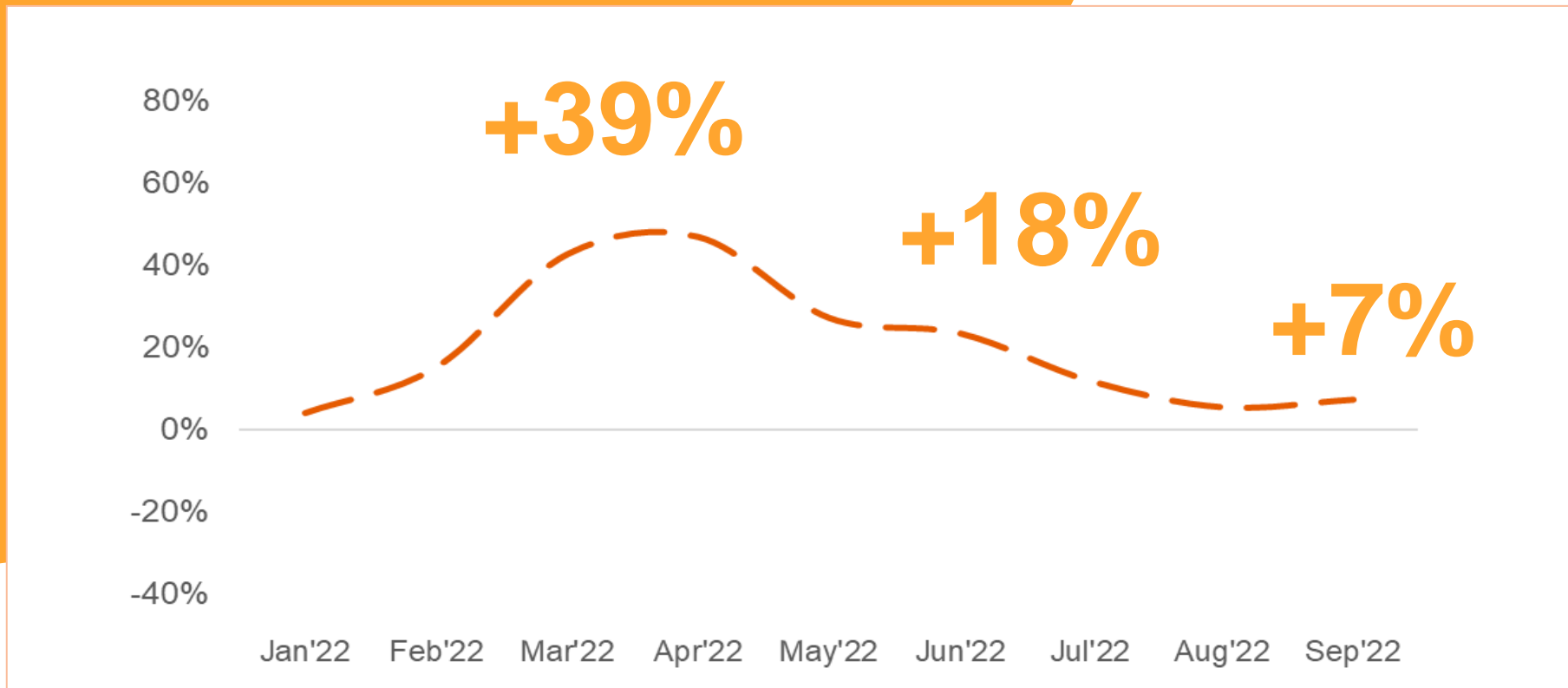
# Brand switching peaked after invasion, today still above 2021 levels

Change of brand leader in nearly half the categories!



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Volatility of shares of the top 50 brands in each category  
(sum of absolute values of positive\negative changes in the share compared to 2021)



# 2022: market polarization

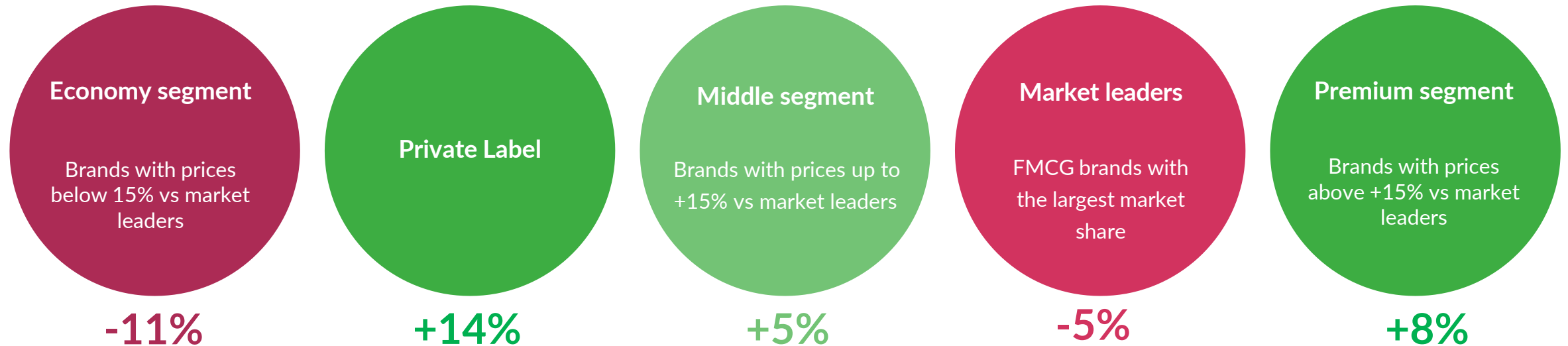
Both private labels and premium benefit



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## FMCG Market

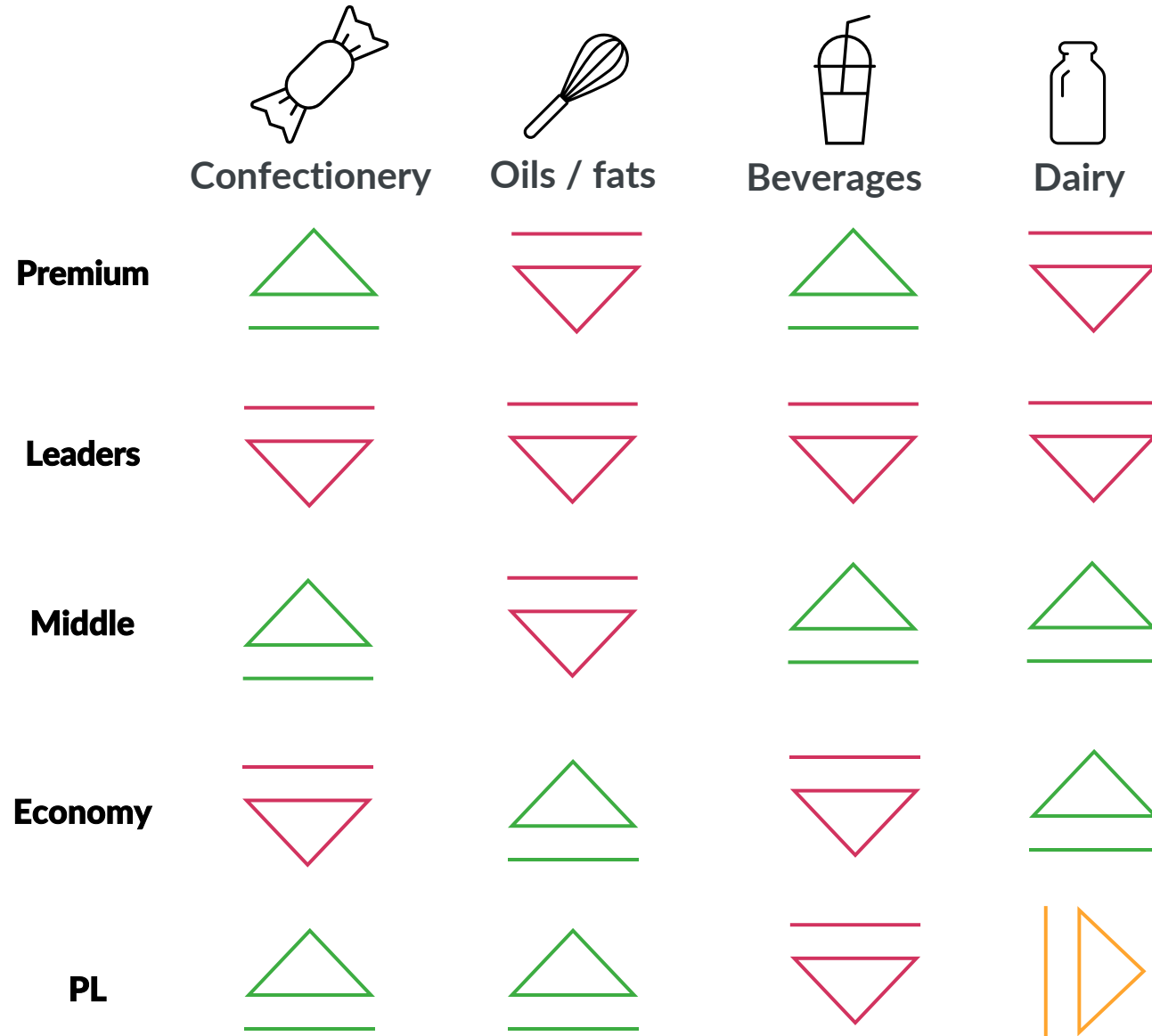
Jan-Sep 2022 vs 2021





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2022 vs 2021 YTD Sept



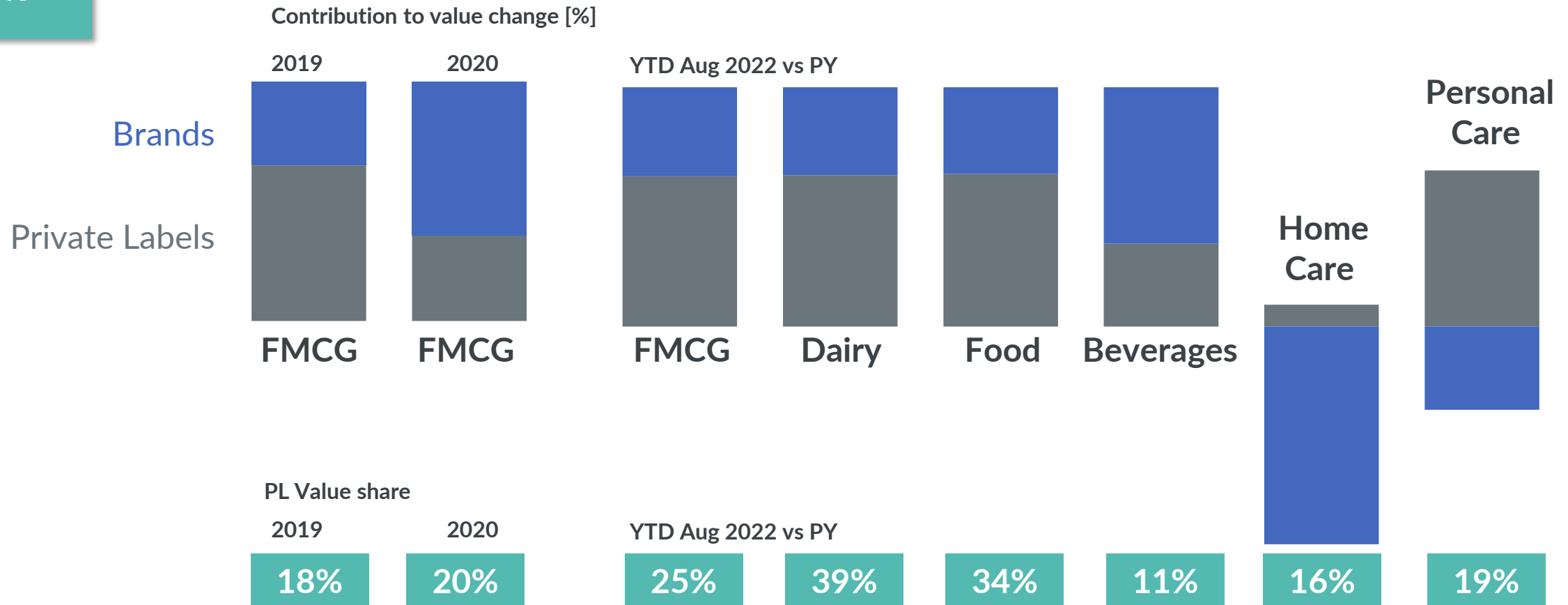
Different situation by category: where buyers see what they pay for, they are ready to pay for more quality, even premium products



# Private label wins recent game



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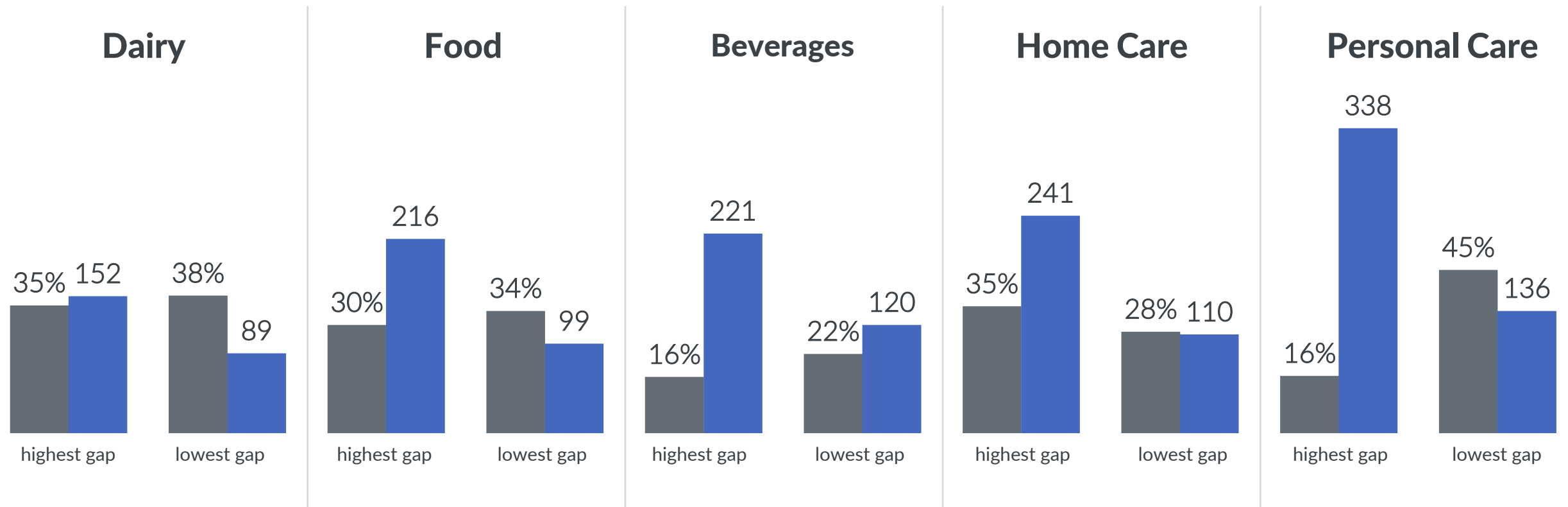
# It's all about price?

Big price gap does not necessarily drive shoppers to PL



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■ Av. Private Label Share      ■ Av. Price Index Branded vs Private Labels



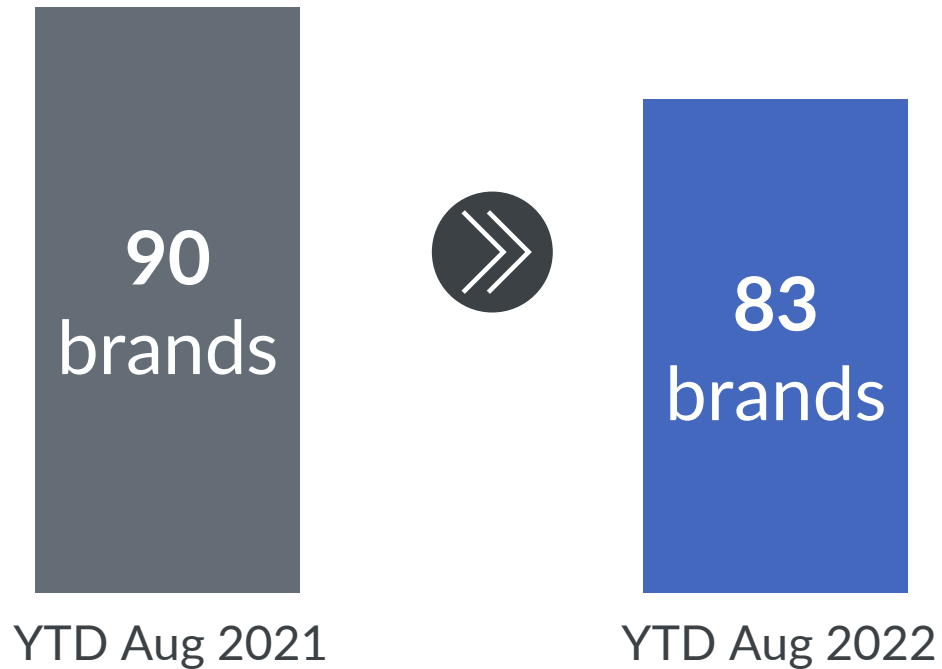
# Where we stand

7 out of 10 brands have decreased loyalty

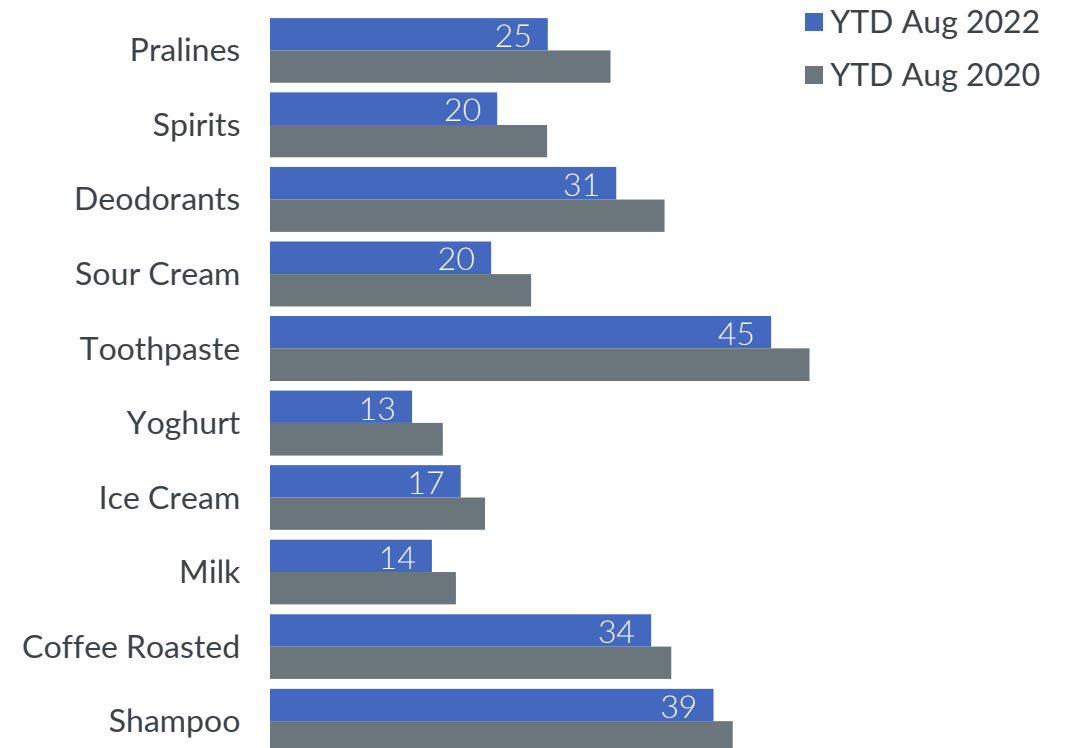


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## Average number of brands purchased



## Average Loyalty Value [%]

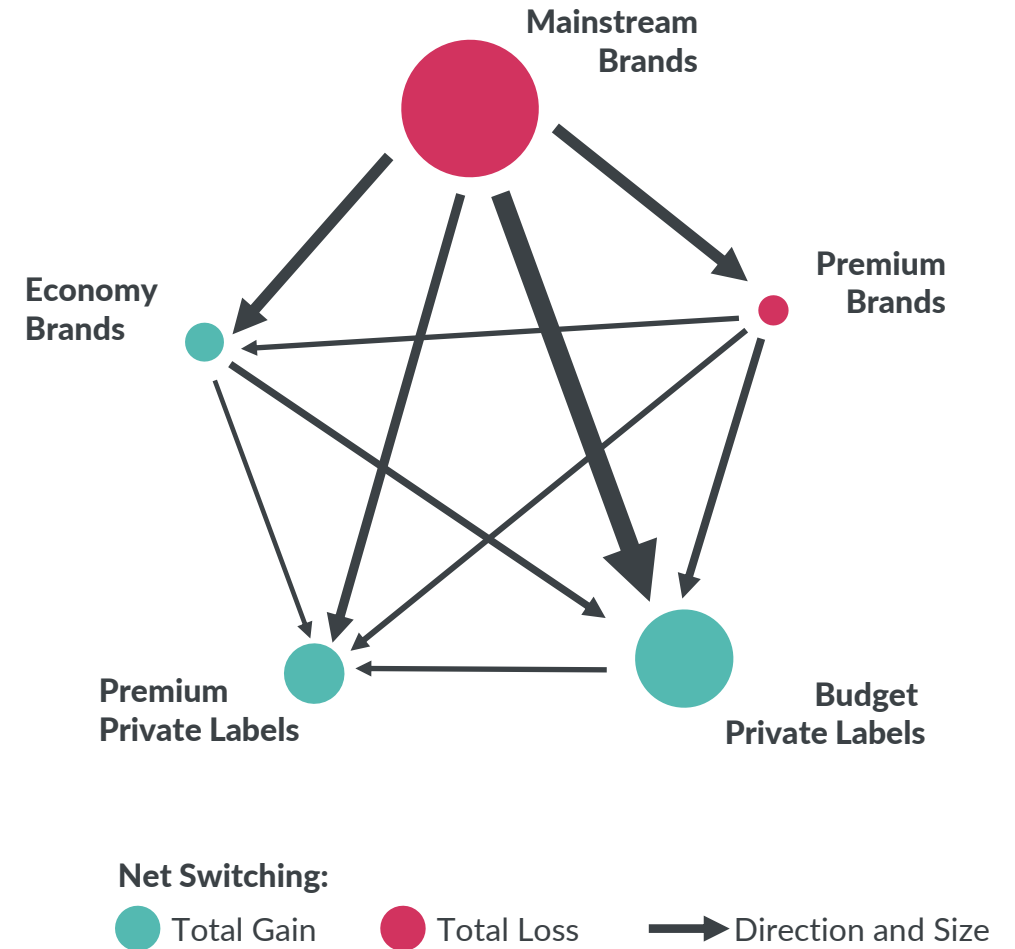
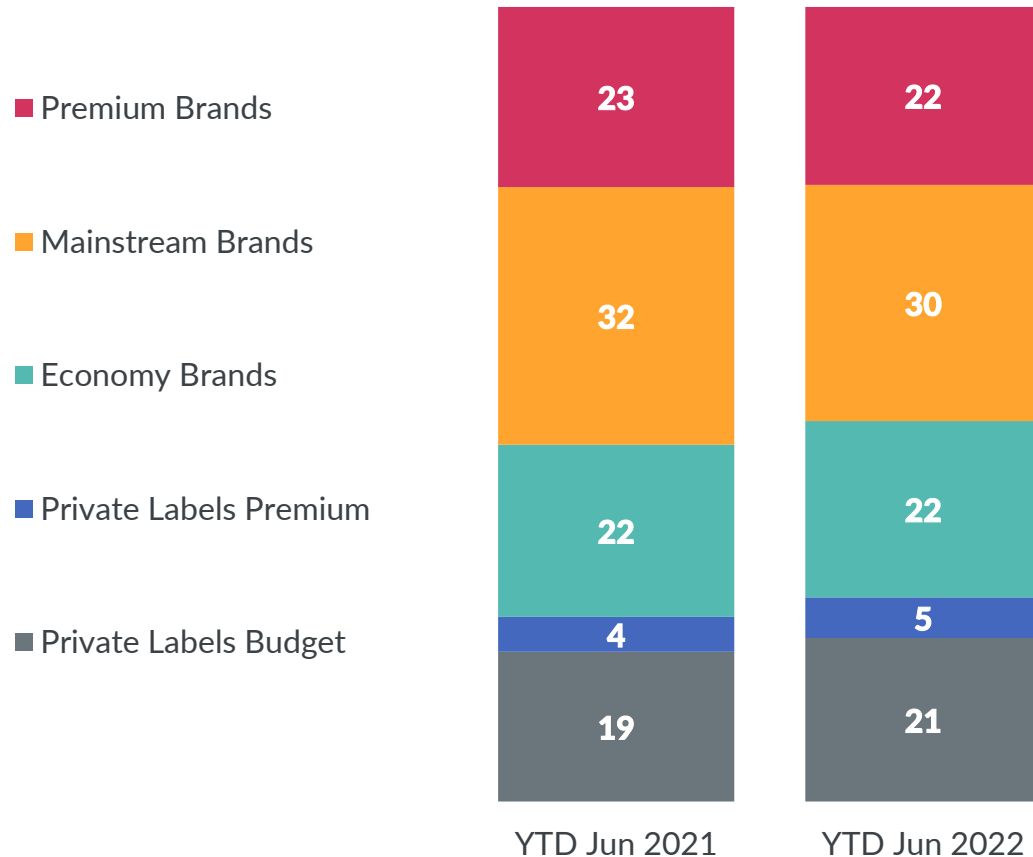


# Downtrading with a twist

Room for premiumization in specific categories, eg. beverages

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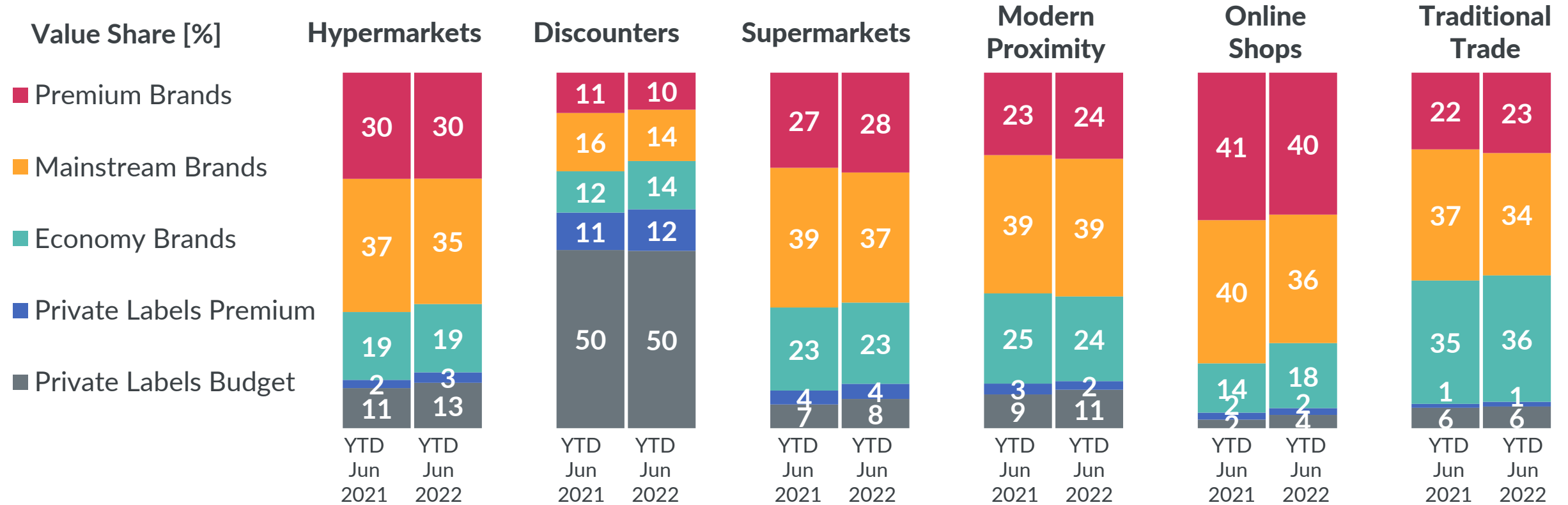
Value Share [%]



# Price polarization by channels



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# Strongly rising prices trump increased trading down

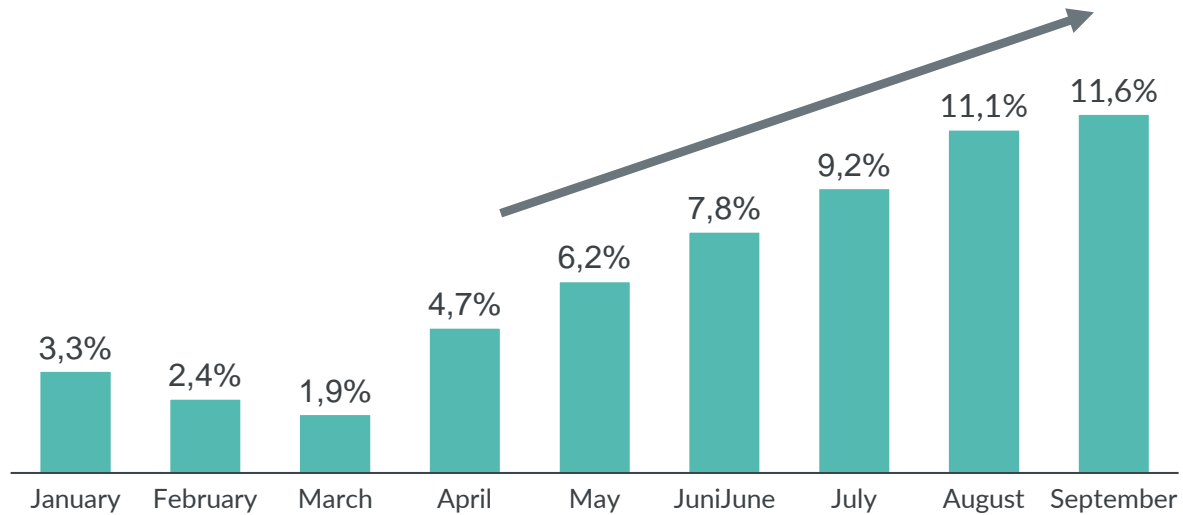
... does the shopper still have to accept (part of) the inflation?



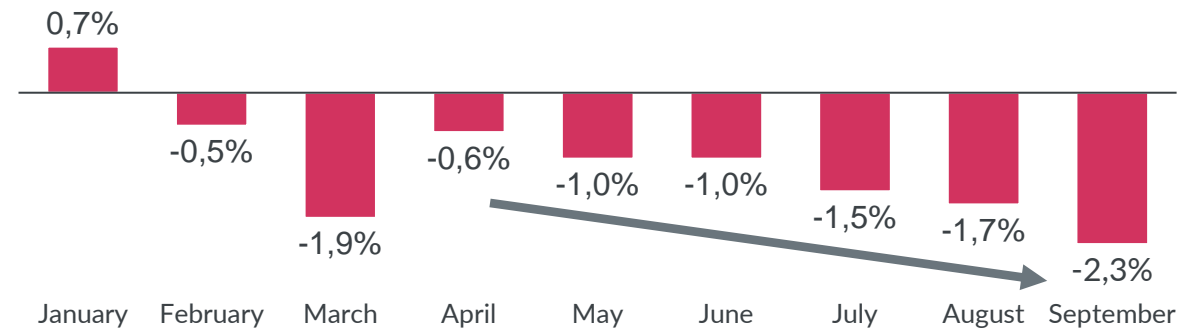
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### Change in prices paid



### Trading up/down Demand shift



# 60% of categories drive trading down (with varying strength)

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FMCG Q3 2022  
Trading up/down demand shifts (inventory) in the categories

Both trading up and trading down takes place

Number of trading down categories is significantly higher



# Significant trading down towards private label, mainly price entry



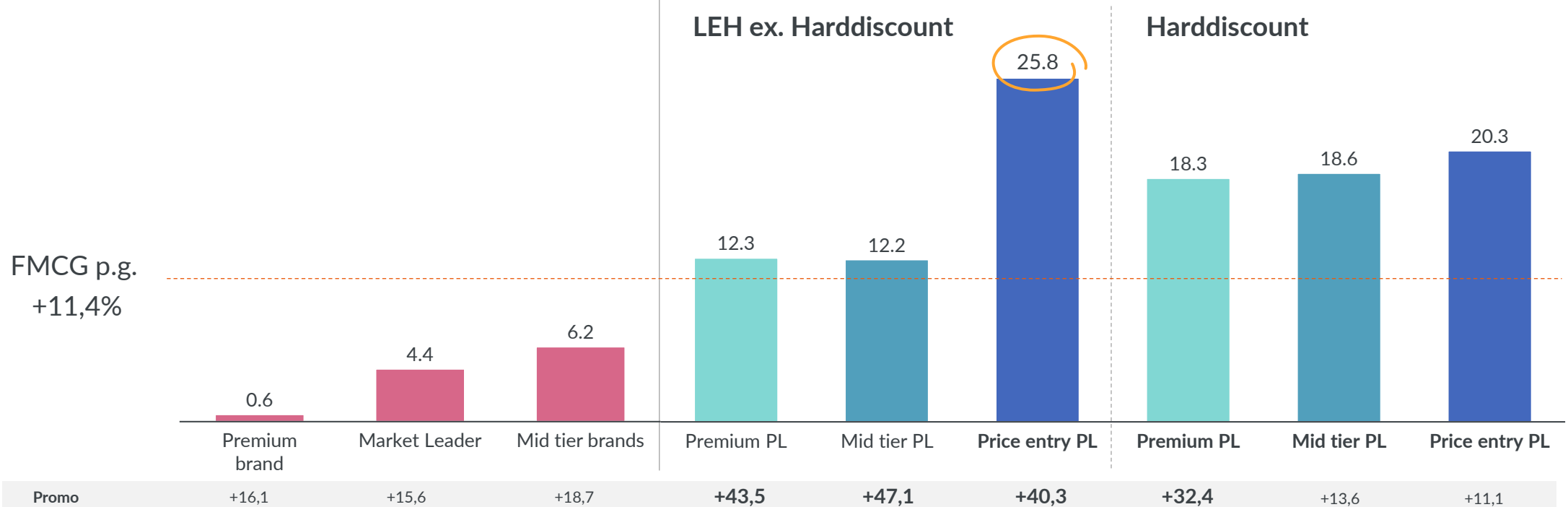
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Change in sales in % | FMCG packed goods, Q3 2022 vs. PY

Significant under-proportional growth on the brand side...



The step towards a private label is made outside of hard discount strongly via the price entry, within HD via all tiers





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## Example for product group with "acceptance" of inflation

Butter / butter preparation

Inflation

+51,5%

Total trading up/down

-1,6%

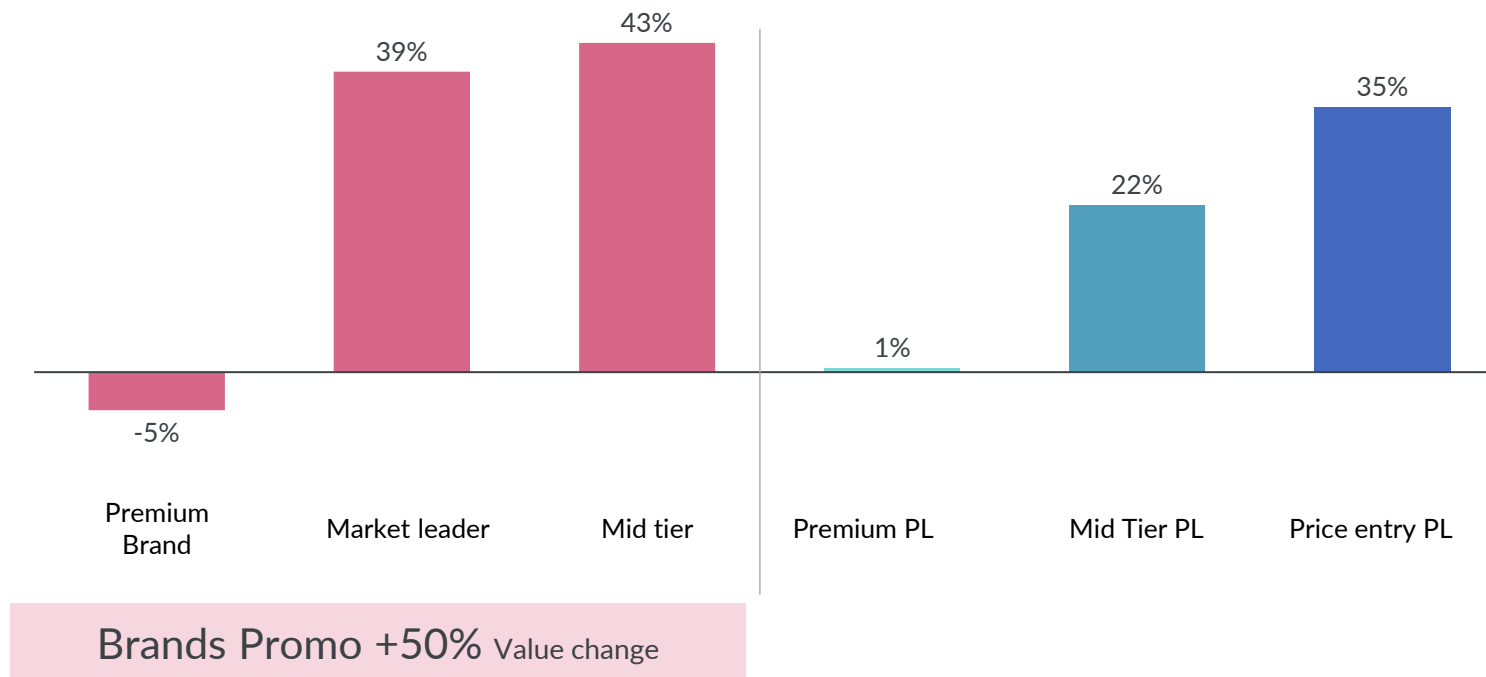
# Mid tier brands and market leaders significantly gain value

Premium brands as well as PL are less in demand



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Change in sales I Q3/22 vs. PY in %





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## Takeaway

Be where the shopper is

# Store choice factors

Rational factors triumph



## Rising top 5

- 1 Self-check out
- 2 Loyalty card
- 3 Private labels
- 4 Attractive promotions
- 5 Proximity

## Declining top 5

- 1 Well-known brands
- 2 Quick service
- 3 Healthy choices
- 4 Friendly staff
- 5 High quality products

Net intention next 6 months | % shoppers (much) more -/- (much) less

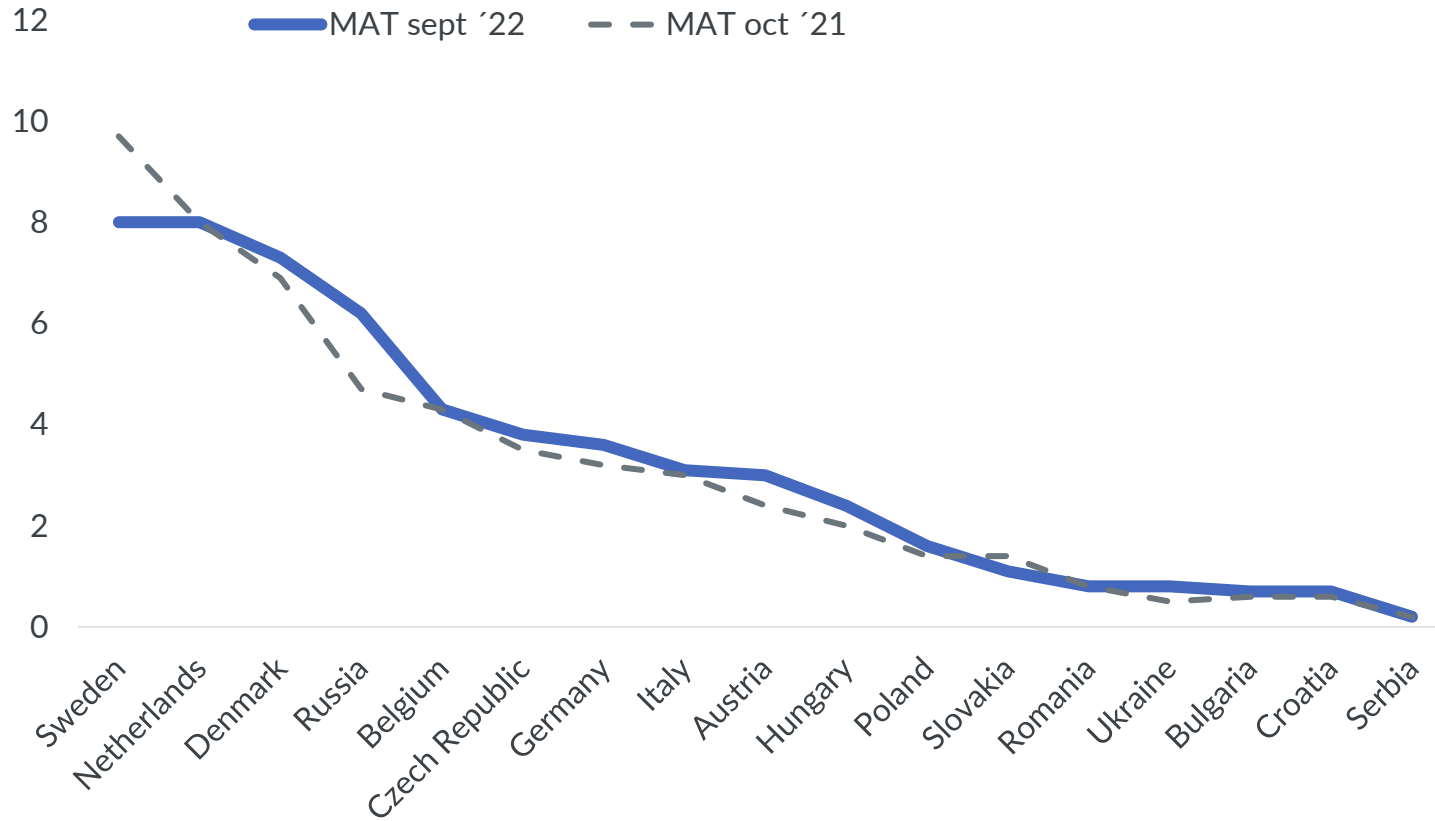


# Online growth has decelerated

Online shoppers positive about savings aspects, but delivery costs are a bottle neck

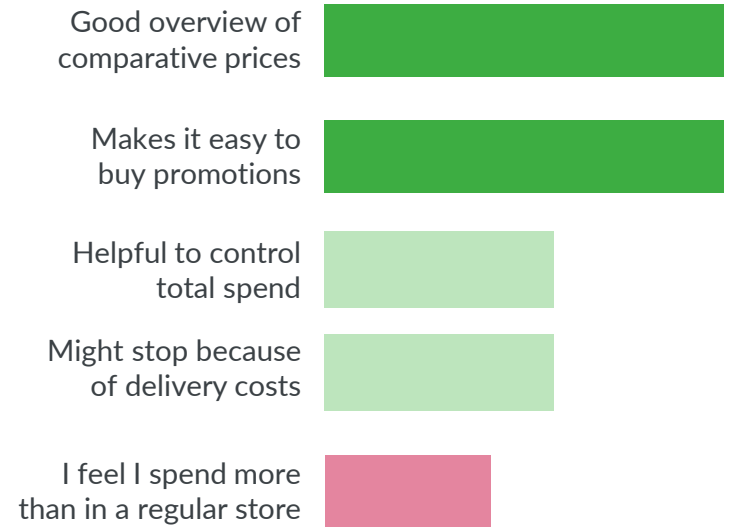


## Online value share FMCG



## Online shoppers' net sentiment

When shopping online.... (top2 -/- bottom2)



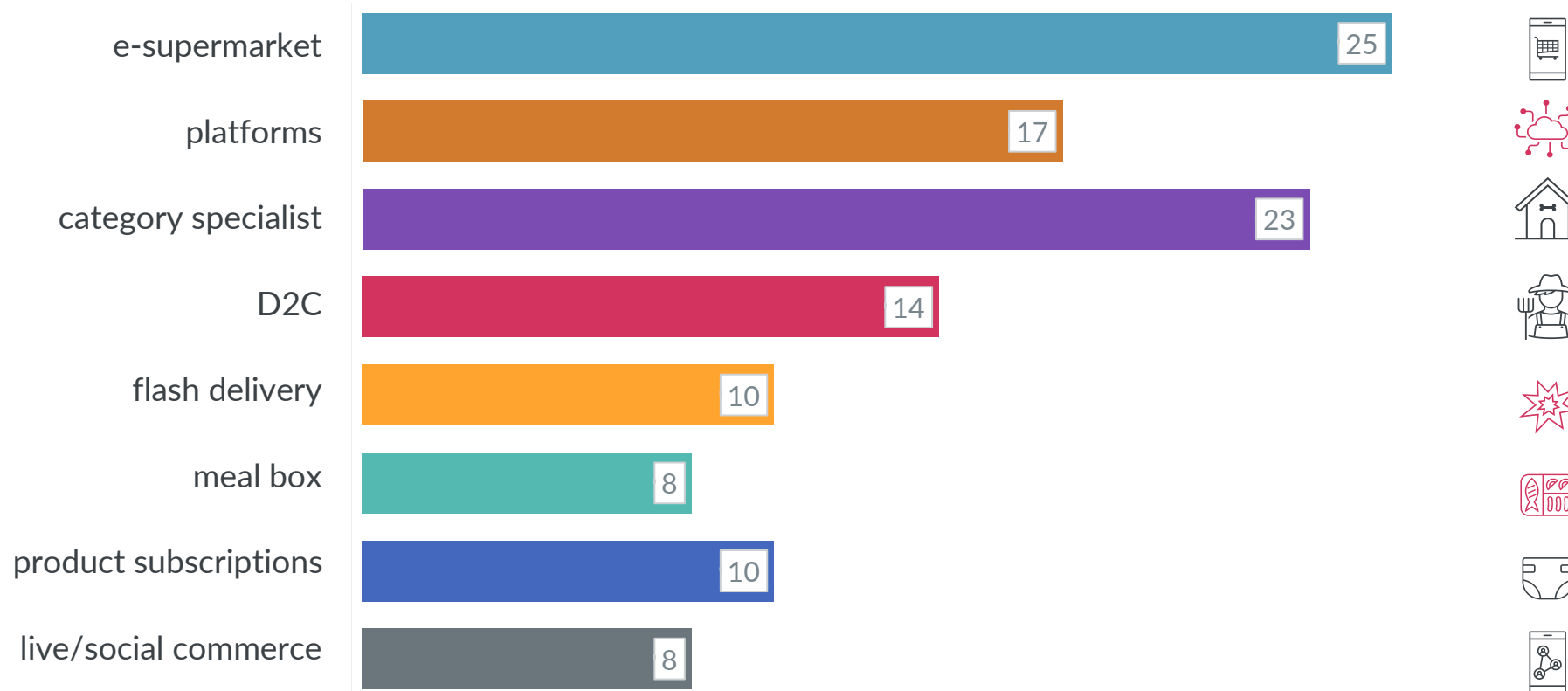
# E-grocery and e-specialists most popular

Willingness decreased all-round. Flash delivery, platforms and meal boxes the most



## E-grocery EU-8. Fall '22 vs. fall '21

Will shop in next year, if available

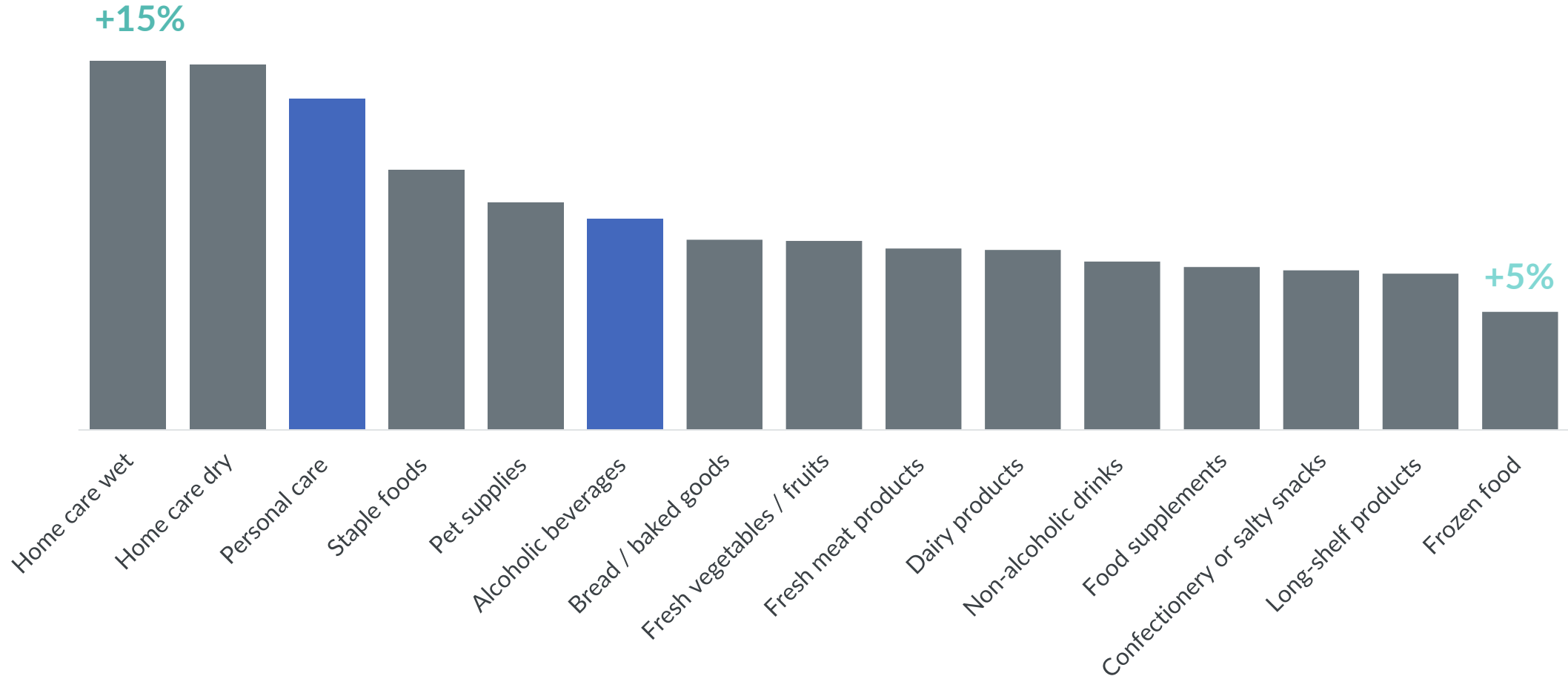


# Online important for a few key coping / cutting categories

Especially personal care and alcoholic beverages



Categories intended next period vs categories already bought





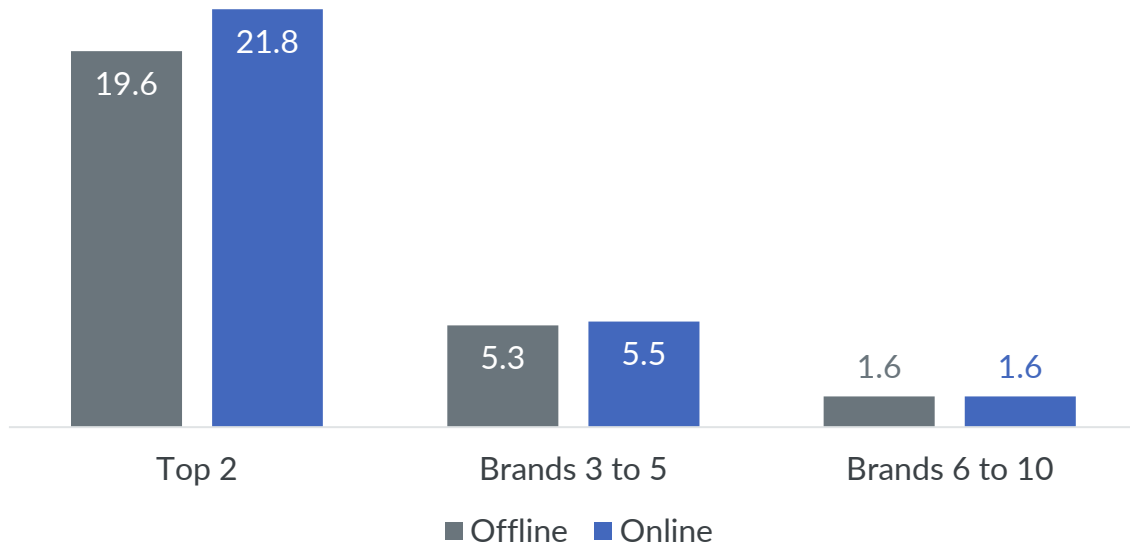
# E-grocery important to build brand preference

Even when growth is plateauing



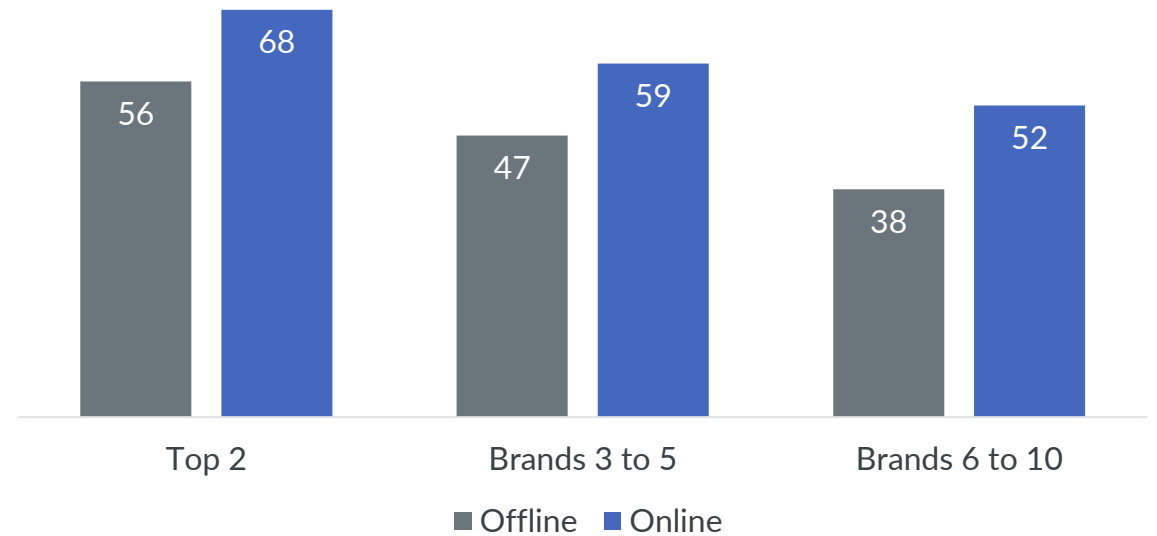
## Big brands do especially well online

Value shares by brand ranking  
Averages for 85 categories



## Shoppers are much more loyal online, especially for smaller brands

% Loyalty by brand ranking  
Averages for 85 categories





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## Takeaway

Getting your message across  
is not a given

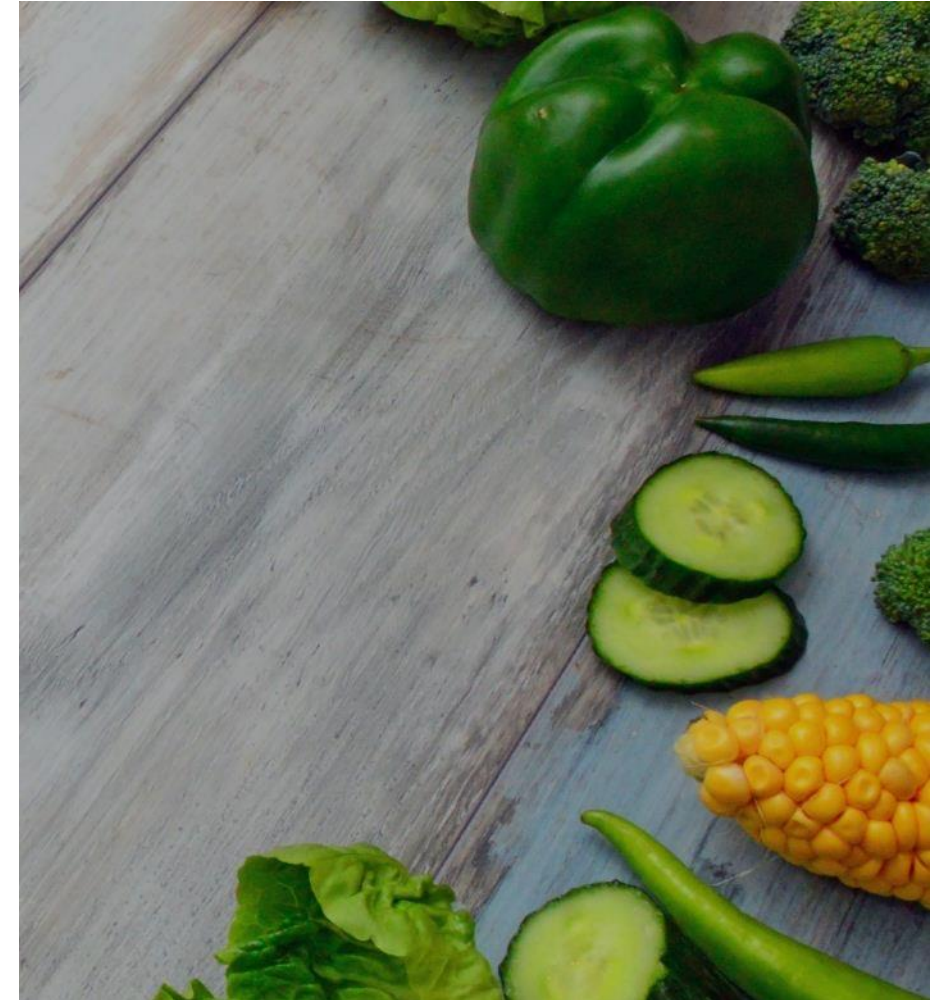
# Naturally healthy still important influencer

More room for personalization, premium and convenience



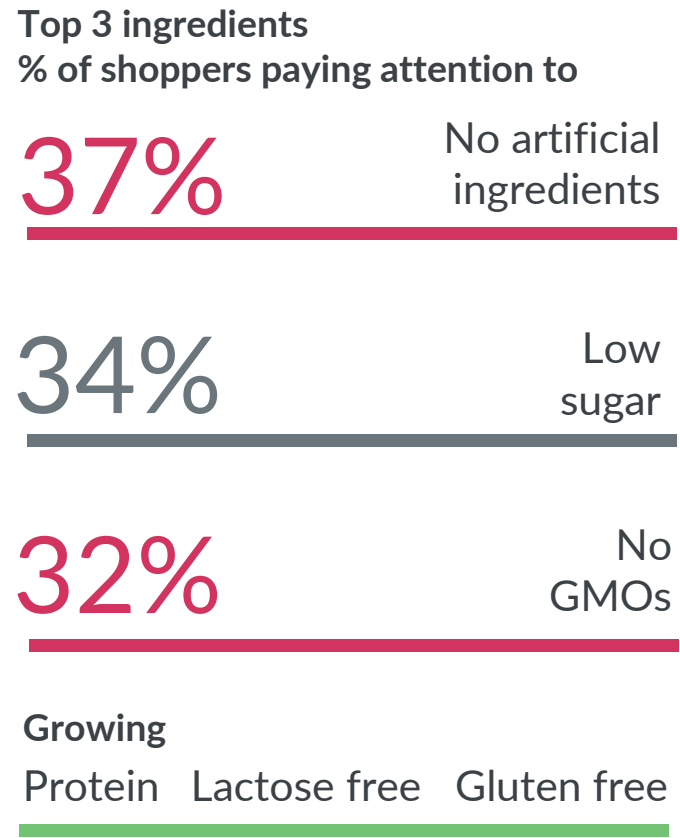
## Top trends to influence purchasing

vs. spring '22

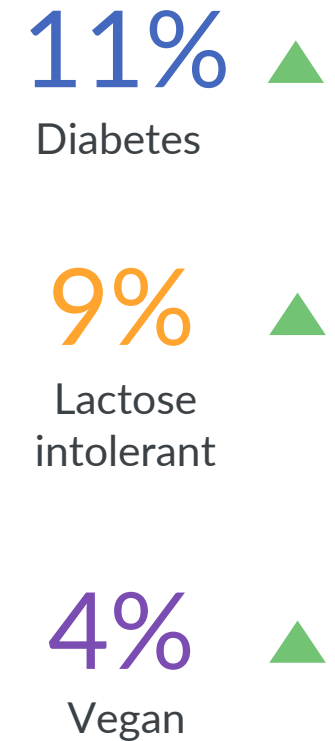


# Healthy living becomes more particular

Micro-level nutrients and “free from” lifestyles



Lifestyle / diet



# Healthy convenience resonates with struggling

Green premium privilege of the financially comfortable

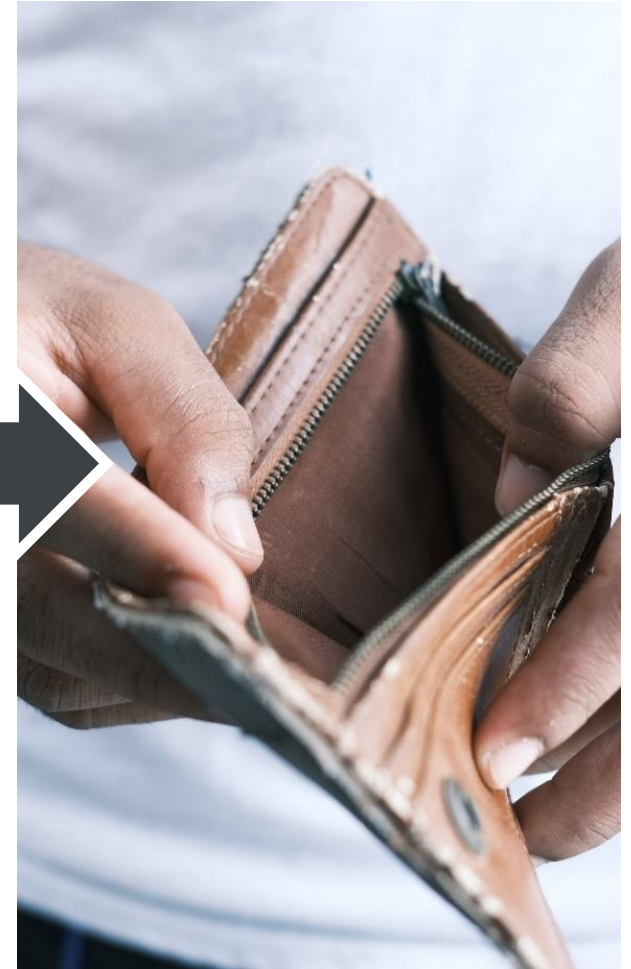


## Comfortable

- ❑ Premium products
- ❑ Corporate responsibility
- ❑ Carbon neutral products
- ❑ Personalized products
- ❑ Organic product

## Struggling

- ❑ Inflation
- ❑ Personalized promotions
- ❑ Natural ingredients
- ❑ Healthy ingredients
- ❑ Time-saving solutions



# Online as a starting point for promo hunters

Reach of online leaflets is growing

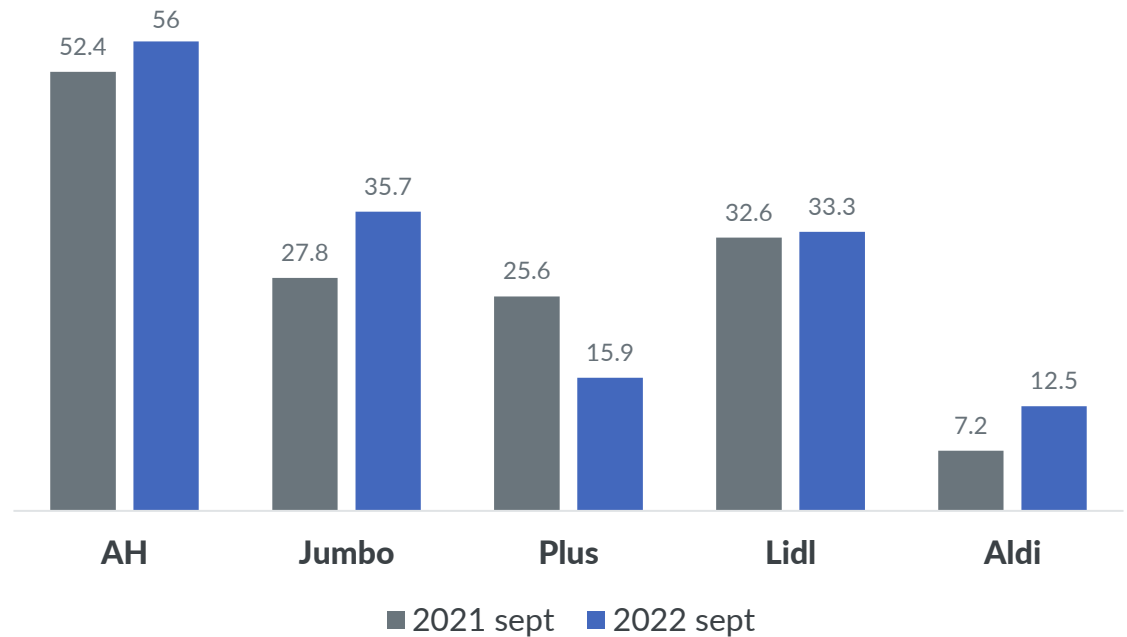


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## Online leaflets thrive

Reach online leaflets NL  
Major retailers



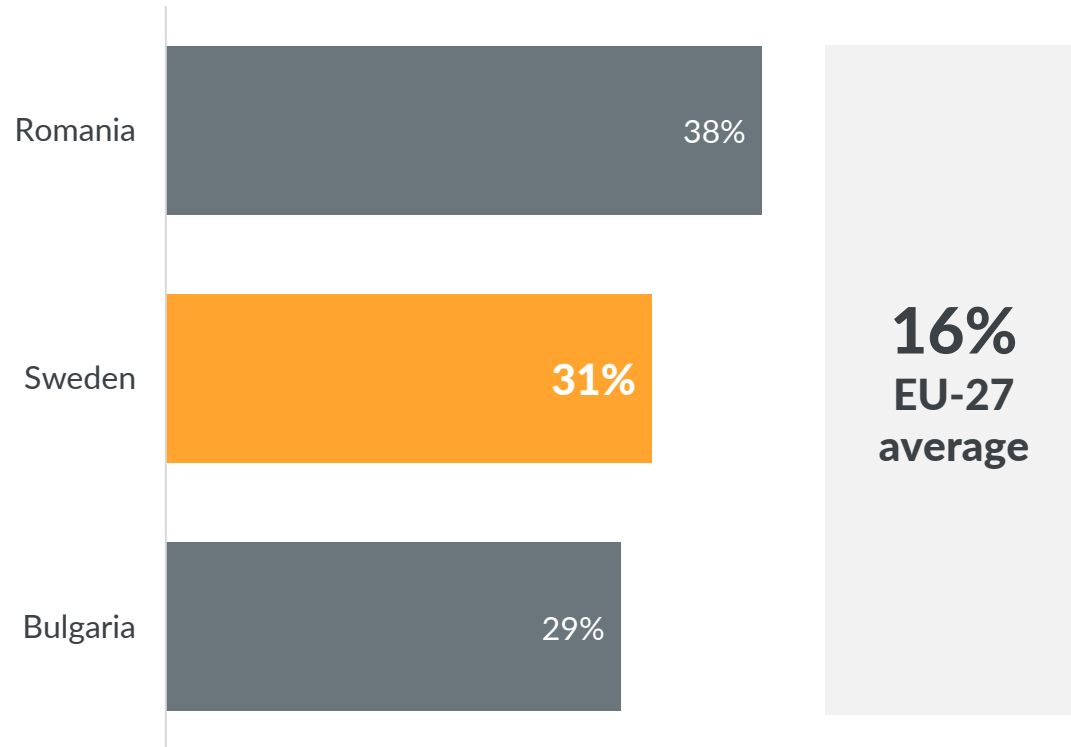
# Swedes among the top to be influenced by personalized promotions

Digitalization enabling retailers to better target their shoppers

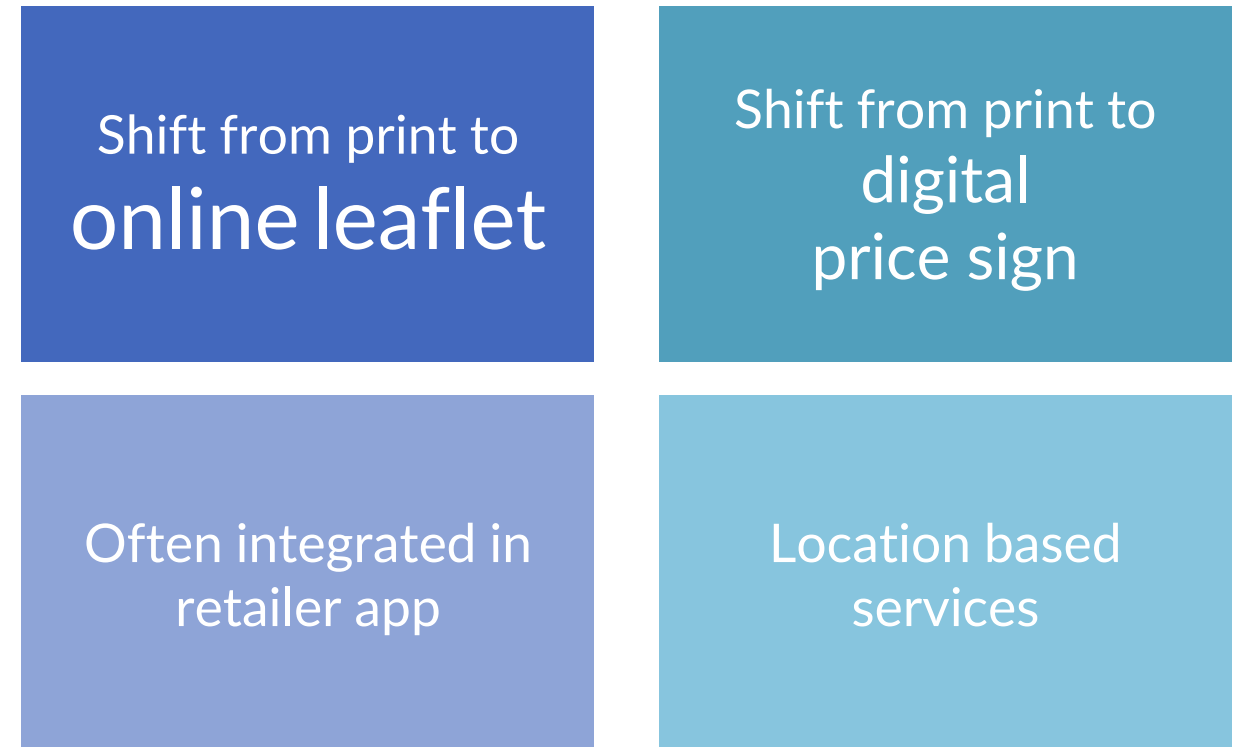


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## Personalized promotions increasingly influencing purchase decision



## Digitalization enabling personalized promotions

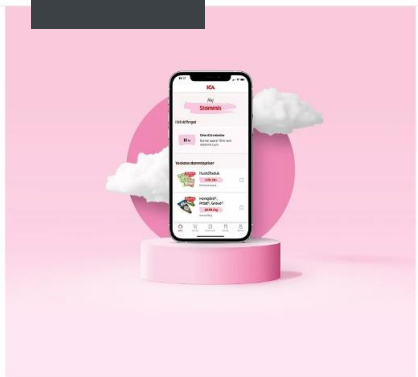


# Personalized promotions are a standard in the Swedish grocery

Special promo prices on items often shopped or personalized product suggestions

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90% ICA



Poängen med livet

## Stammis

Som stammis får du möjlighet till bonus, personligt anpassade erbjudanden och massor av annat härligt. Det här alternativet passar dig som vill fortsätta betala med ditt vanliga kort.

77% COOP

### Som medlem får du:

- ✓ Poäng på allt du handlar. Du byter poängen mot värdecheckar, resor, nöjen och rabatter. Poängen kan du spara i tre år.
- ✓ Personliga erbjudanden och medlemspriser i din butik.
- ✓ Medlemserbjudanden från våra partner.
- ✓ Tidningen Mer Smak\*.



### Personliga erbjudanden och medl...

Som medlem får du personliga erbjudanden på sådant du handlar ofta eller mycket av och varor som vi vill tipsa dig om. Dessutom finns alltid bra medlemspriser i din Coopbutik och här på coop.se varje vecka.

37% Hemköp

### Det här får du som medlem i Klubb Hemköp:

- ✓ Samla poäng och få bonuscheckar
- ✓ 2500 välkomstpöäng = 1 bonuscheck
- ✓ Extrapoäng på Goda handlingar
- ✓ Personliga erbjudanden
- ✓ Inbjudan till Klubb dagar
- ✓ Klubbpriser varje vecka
- ✓ Digitala kvitton
- ✓ Recept & inspiration

% = % of Swedish Households with banner loyalty card



# Promotion shares increasing as consumers go bargain-hunting across banners

Danes shopping around most in Western Europe



SE/DK



**48%**  
shop around more  
in different stores  
to find the best  
prices

**50%+**  
singles,  
couples, large  
families

**65%**  
those  
struggling  
financially

Promotion share  
Sept 2022

**40%**  
**+ 5%pts vs YA**



**37%**  
shop around more  
in different stores  
to find the best  
prices

**50%+**  
families with  
3+ children

**44%**  
those  
struggling  
financially

**38%**  
**+ 2%pts vs YA**

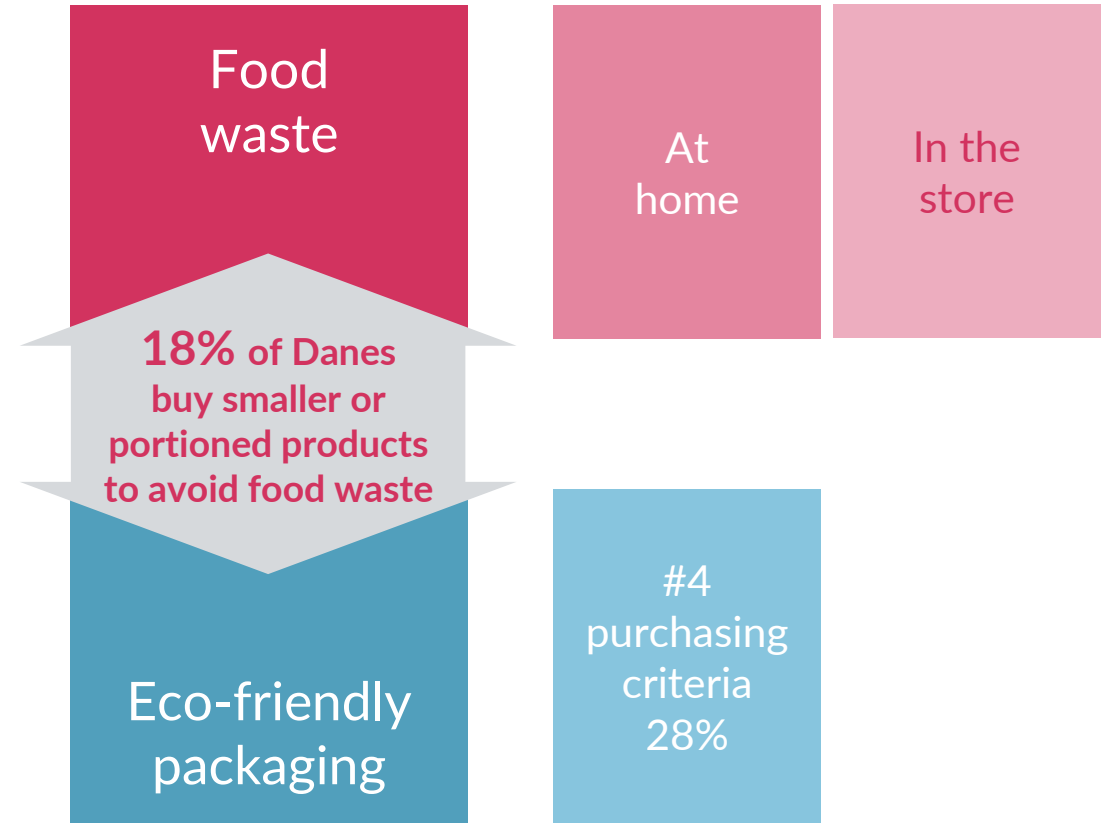
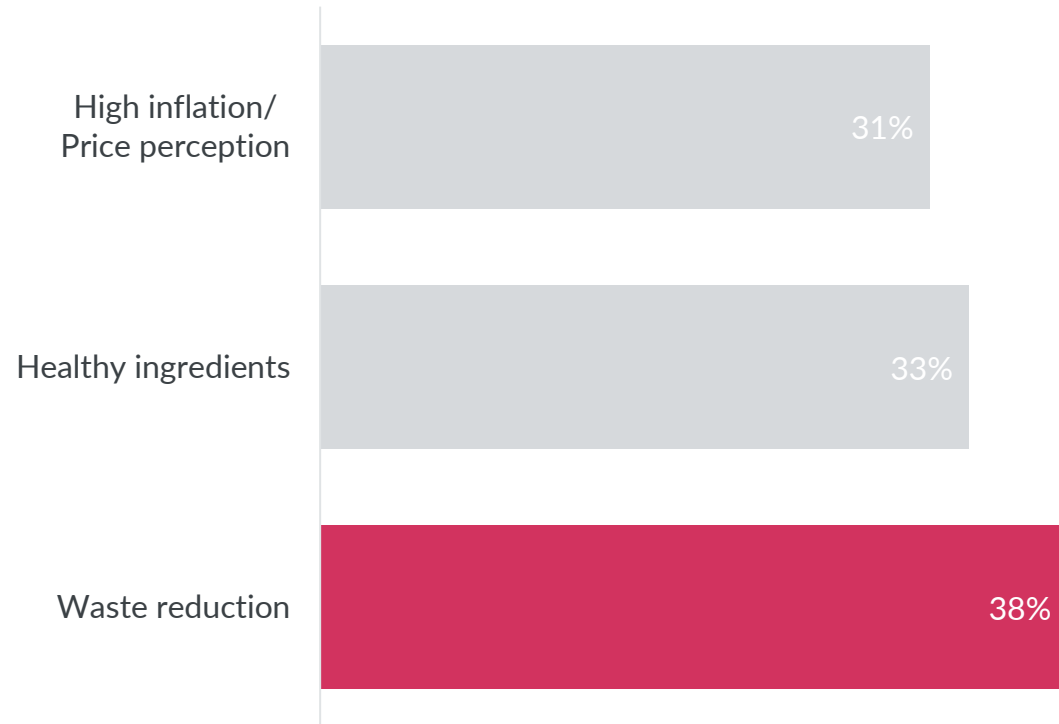
# Waste reduction is another way of economizing

Both in terms of food waste and packaging



DK

## Top 3 criteria increasingly influencing purchase decision



# Danish retailers are jumping on this trend

“Eco-economizing” used as an additional promo mechanism



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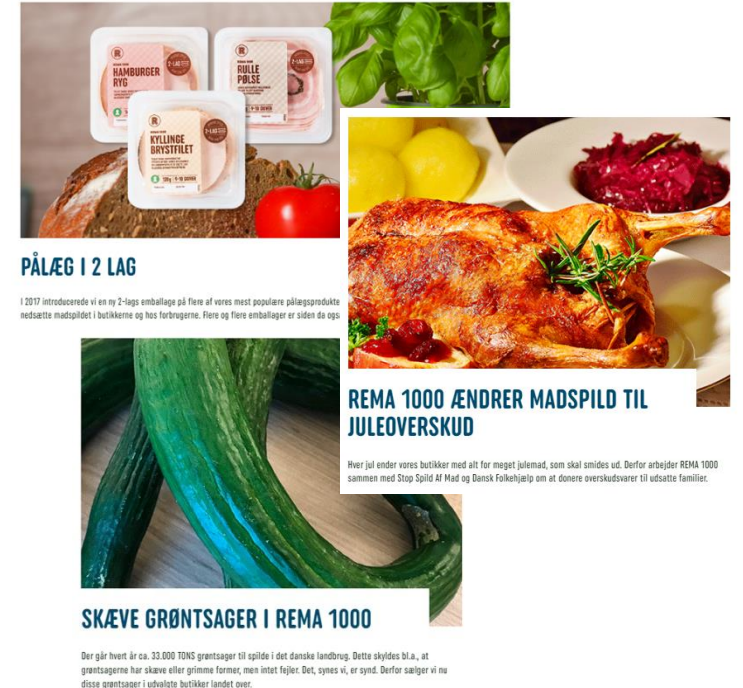
## “Save the Leftovers”



## “Stop Food waste”



## “Fight Food waste”



# General trends put in perspective

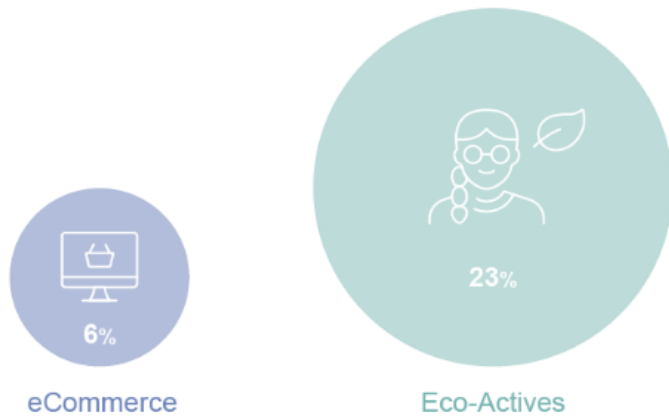
Big bets and small nuances



## E-grocery & Eco-actives

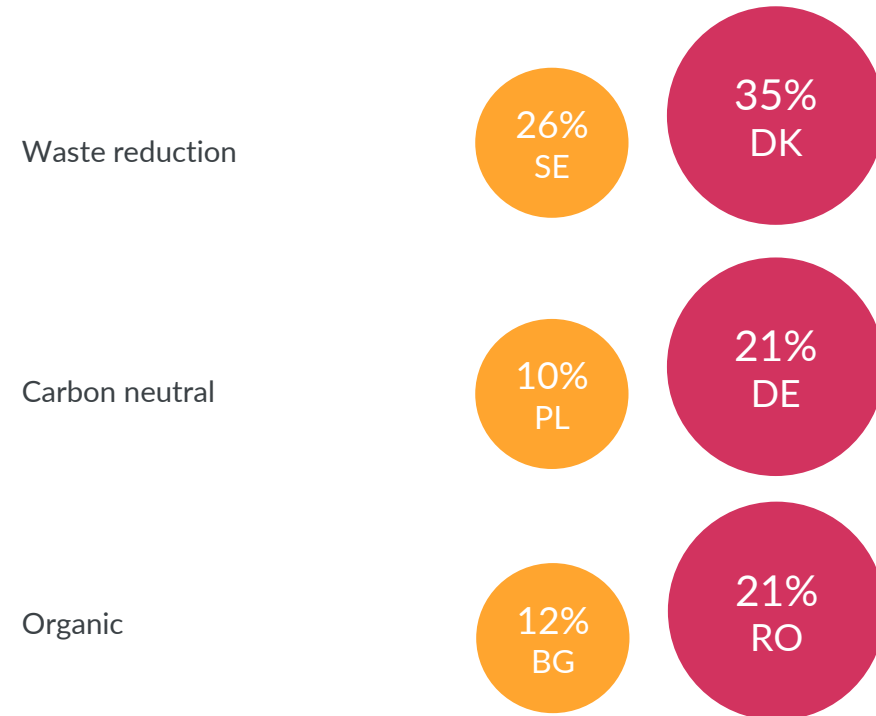
Value shares in perspective

Big 6 countries in Western Europe shares of FMCG



## Selected trends

Population shares in perspective



# Despite declining consumer climate, consumers in Germany are still buying sustainably

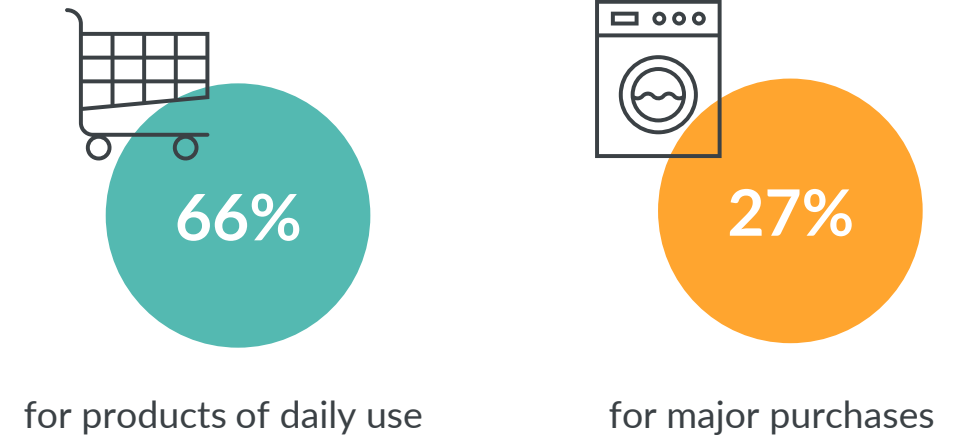


## GfK sustainability index Germany 2022



## FMCG is the 'hot spot' for turning concern into action

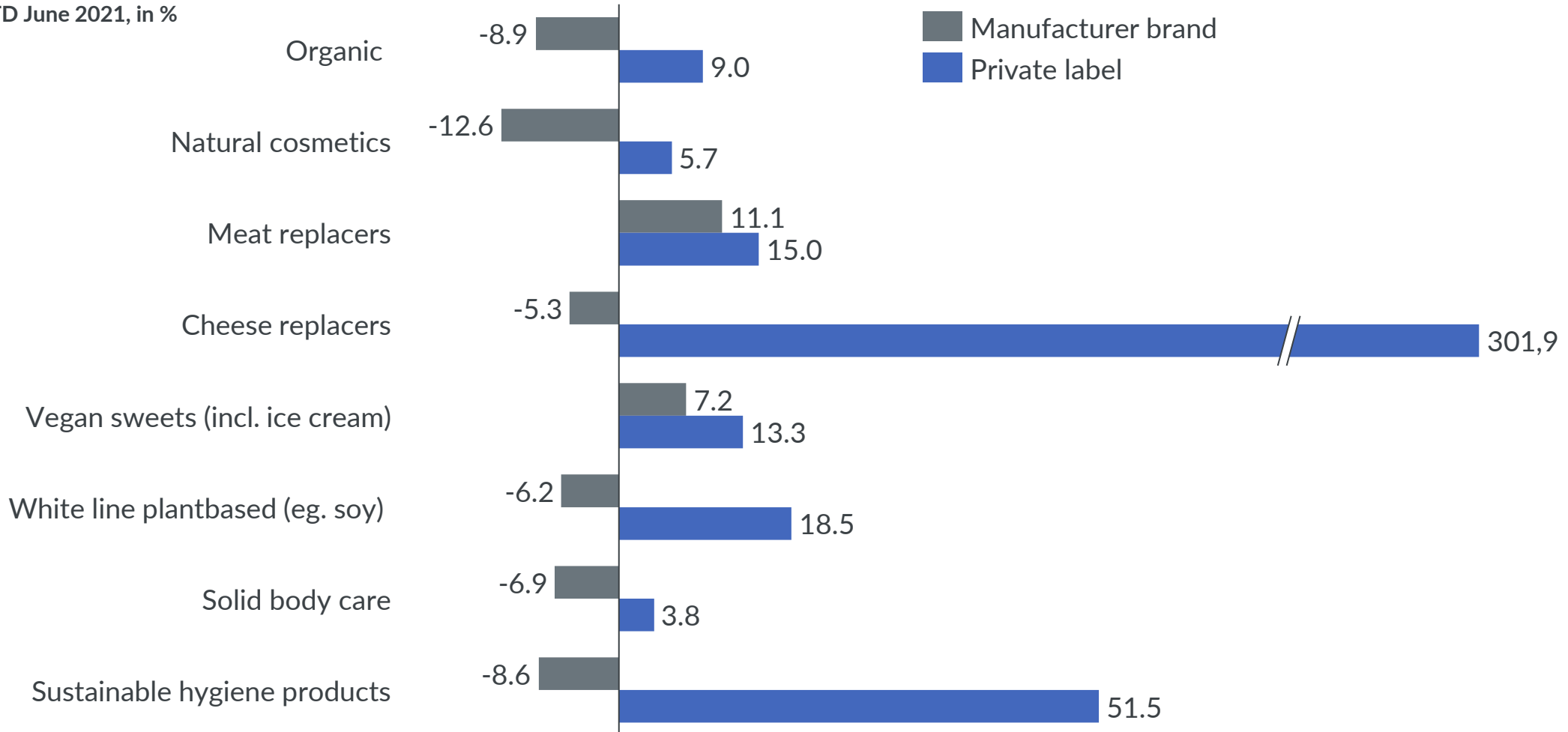
Proportion of consumers who plan to buy sustainably in the future



# Eco-trends driven by private labels. In six out of eight sustainability trends, manufacturer brands develop negatively



Sales development YTD June 2022 to YTD June 2021, in %





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## Takeaway

Lead with the heart

## Cutting through

- I'm suspicious of ads (totally) agree

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- Likelihood of brands keeping won share after 5 years



- Likelihood of PL keeping won share after 5 years





# Belonging

The fastest growing trend in Western Europe in 2022



# Real me

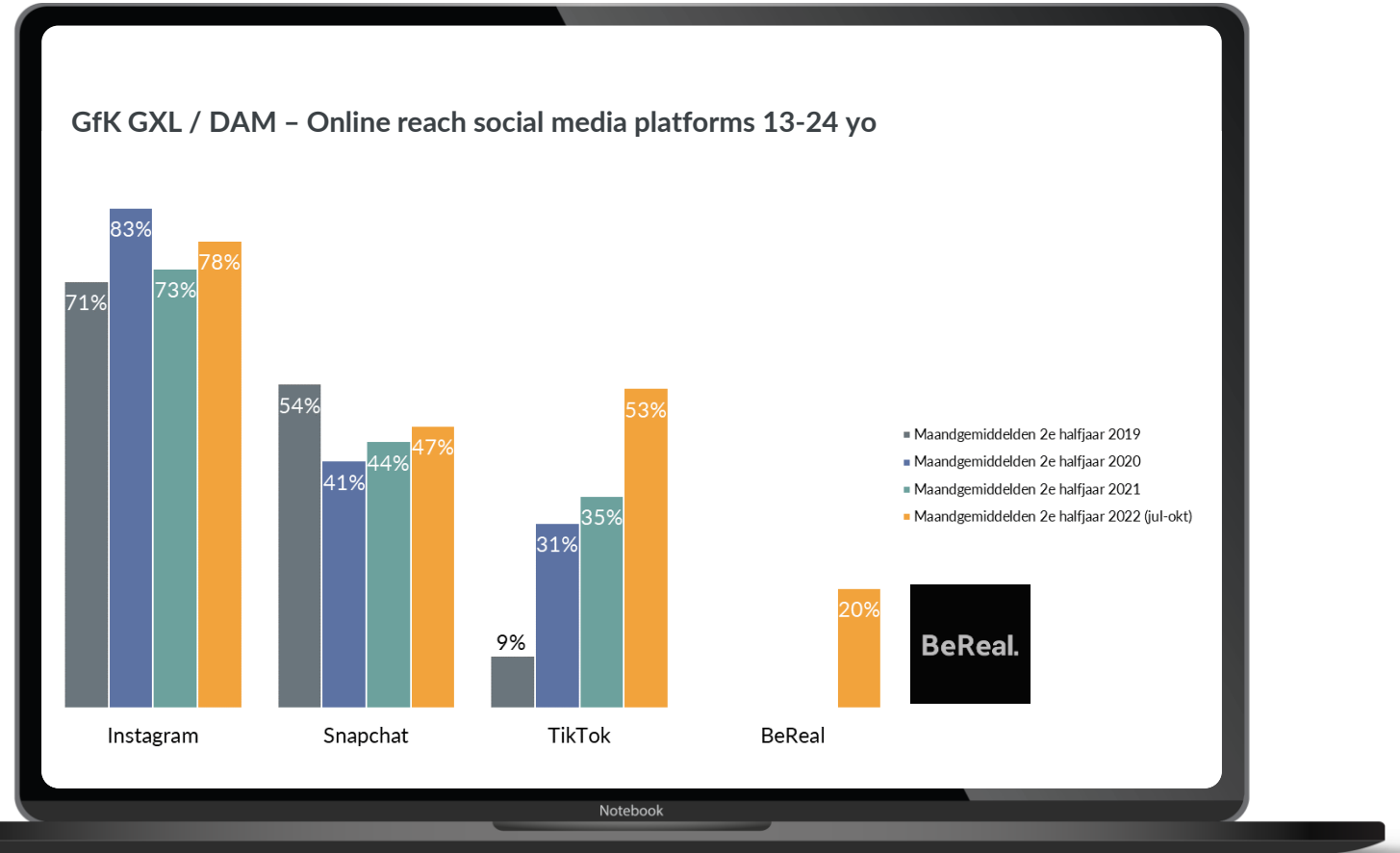
Filtered flawlessness thing of the past

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## BeReal used by 1 in 5 teens / young adults

The platform has a narrow target group with 90% being younger than 35 (eg. TikTok 44%).

User intensity is relatively high, comparable to Snapchat



# Not all just transactions, transformation stands firm

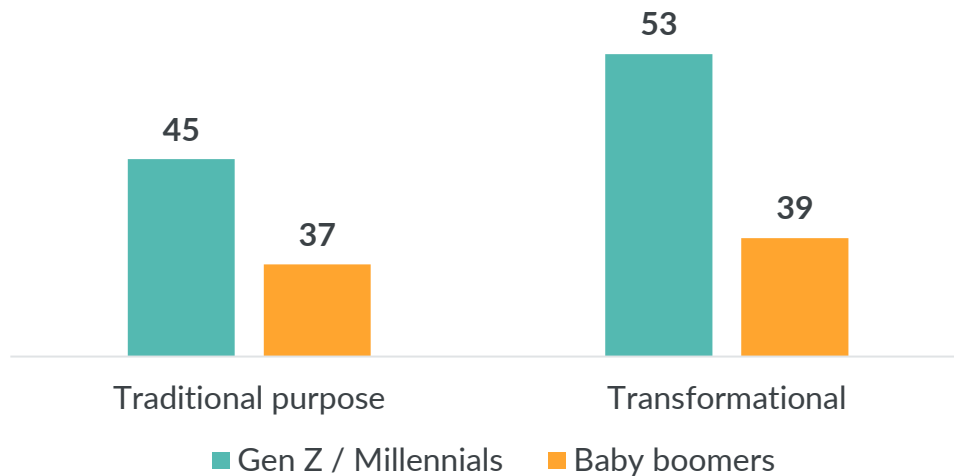
Despite risk of wear-out, transformational creatives differentiate



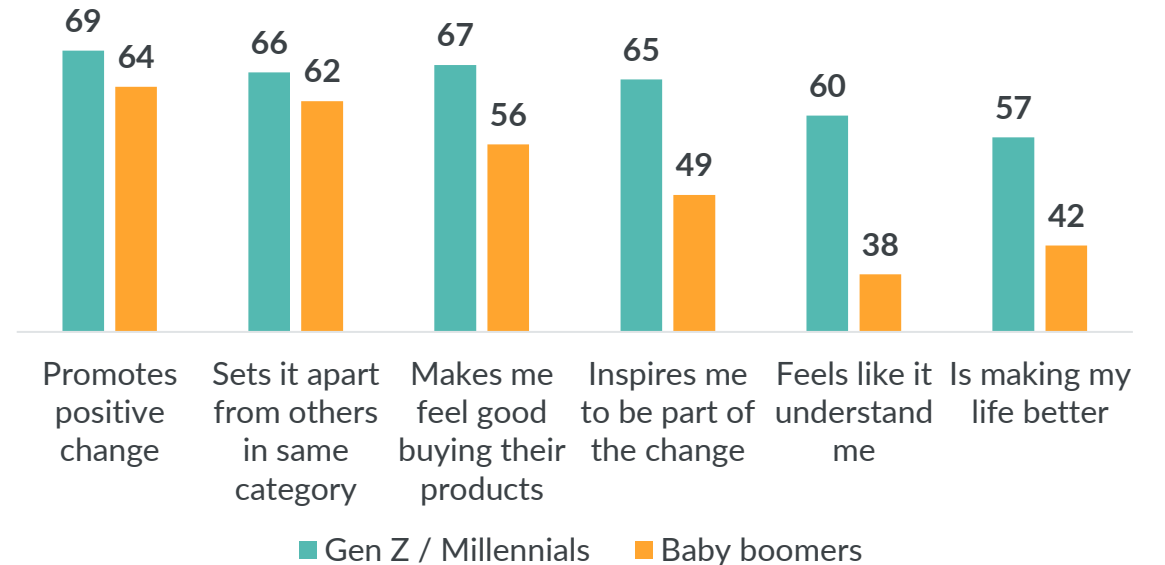
Although younger viewer attention is lower, they find the (transformational) message much clearer

Purpose ads inspire and have an emotional impact on younger audiences

Purpose message clarity, by generation



Emotional reactions to purpose ads, by generation



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# Master Behavior Change





#1

Strategize for the struggling

#2

Be incremental to your category

#3

Saving gets personal(ized)

#4

Be where your shopper is

#5

Lead with the heart

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