

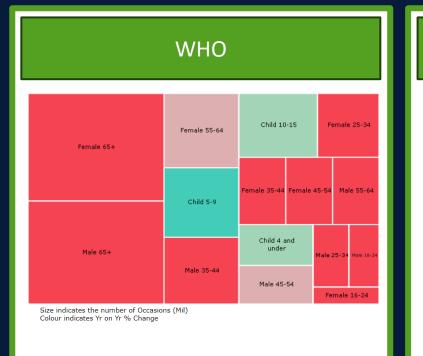
### Category Insight – DESSERTS





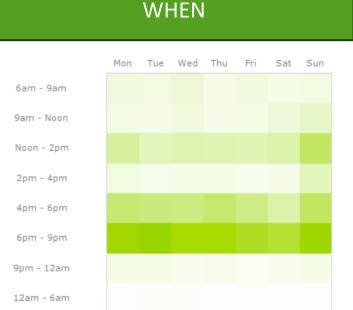


### Ambient Desserts are part of 1 Billion occasions every year

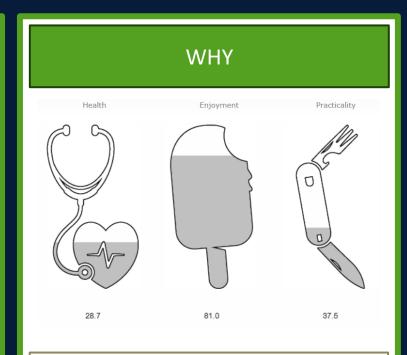


Whilst Ambient Desserts still attract an older demographic, Children are the only group growing in occasions YoY

young families make up 26% of total ambient desserts category spend



Ambient Desserts are consistently consumed in the evening, however lunchtime occasions are growing



The top 3 reasons for consumption are; 1. Enjoy the taste 62% 2. Makes the meal complete 25% 3. Fancied something sweet/savoury 23%

Source: Kantar Worldpanel Online, GB - Usage - Ambient Desserts, All Consumers | Total In Home / Carried Out | 09-Jul-23 | Servings (Mil) | Share | 52 w/e

### The category is worth over £342m Split into 3 sub-categories, each with a diverse range of shoppers



Source: Kantar, Ambient Desserts, Total Small Stores, 52 w/e July 2024

## AMBIENT DESSERTS 🚄





THE AMBIENT DESSERTS CATEGORY IS WORTH OVER £46M IN THE CONVENIENCE CHANNEL AND IS IN BROWTH

### **Desserts is a seasonal category** with sales peaking at Christmas

58% of dessert consumers in the UK say desserts are a lowcost way to boost their mood

Sponge puddings are out performing the total desserts category

**81%** of conv shoppers would find desserts in food

to go appealing

84% of

convenience

shoppers buy

ambient desserts

throughout the

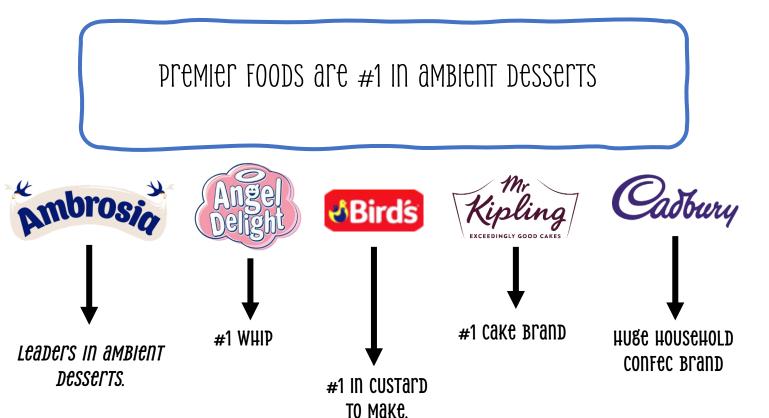
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Treat mission has grown 20% YoY

30% of people are eating their small pies with custard

> Treat mission has a 12% share in convenience

Shelf stable products which don't require refrigeration and are fresher for longer, reducing energy and waste



Circana – Value Sales/share 2025 Mintel desserts & home baking report Kantar WPO – Jan 2025





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Mr Kipling are #1 in **Sponge Puddings** 

Consumers want desserts in individual servings. Individual Custard is the best selling individual pudding

**Desserts occasions are** 

evolving later in the

evening

Desserts are forecast to reach £2.1bn by 2028

Indulgency is the most important attribute for desserts

18% of adults in the UK say that when they are purchasing a treat they look for one with added nutritional benefits

68% of consumers said a wider range of seasonal desserts would appeal to them

> Premier Foods have 70% contribution to the growth of the desserts category

58% of consumers in the UK say that desserts are a low cost way to boost their mood

> DIY dessert kits appeal to consumers



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43% of dessert buyers and



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WE KNOW THAT DESSERTS IS A SEASONAL CATEGORY, WITH DESSERT SALES SOARING OVER CHRISTMAS & EASTER.





SHOPPERS WANT MORE INDULGENT TREATS AT CHRISTMAS. INDULGENT TREATS WERE THE #1 ITEM IN BASKETS FOR CHRISTMAS 2024

AMBIENT BROCERY SALES AT EASTER TOPPED £8BN CONSUMERS TRADE UP TO MORE PREMIUM OPTIONS FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS LIKE CHRISTMAS & EASTER,

> 42% of shoppers complete smaller shops in the convenience channel at christmas.

CUSTAPD SAW BOOD BROWTH IN THE CONVENIENCE CHANNEL IN CHRISTMAS 2024 VS 2023 AT +2.2%

CUSTARD LEADS CATEBORY BROWTH DURING BOTH EASTER AND CHRISTMAS PERIODS

AMBROSIA CUSTARD +3.0% OVER CHRISTMAS SHAFING DESSEFT OCCASIONS BAIN +217K SHOPPERS AT EASTER

INDIVIDUAL SPONGE PUDDINGS SEE UPLIFT AT EASTER

Kantar & Circana Christmas review 2024 IGD Christmas 2024 Circana Value sales – Xmas 2024 Circana value sales – Easter 2024 Kantar WPO – Easter 2024







## *SO HOW CAN WE SUPPORT?*

### DESSERTS

Our range of ambient desserts is made up of some of the UK's best-known brands, including Ambrosia, Angel Delight and Bird's. Found in households across the country, our products are a popular staple in the convenience channel and smaller formats are helping make the brand relevant for the growing on the go occasion.

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Available in price-marked packs







Cadbury Milk Chocolate Sponge 2ct 190g **Planogram support** 

- Strong portfolio of insights and data, including our own internal AAA surveys.
- Internal planogram support
- MCR & Core range leaflets and documents

Core range advice from leaders in the category

Category analysis & Seasonal analysis

## GROW YOUR SALES

Dessert sales are at their highest during colder months and at ley seasonal occasions such as Easter and Christmas. Especially in winter, stock up on Ambrosis custard and site this alongside desserts such as sponge puddings

✓ Stock the best-selling range

Stocking as many best-selling lines as possible gives your shoppers a varied range to choose from, featuring brands they know and trust, as 1/5 of converience shoppers are looking for variety and 1/4 quality.

#### ✓ Create a meal for tonight solution instore

Consider creating a "meal for tonight" space in store ( that includes desserts. After location, speed and ease of shopping are the biggest reasons people visit a convenience store, and "sweet options" are the No.1 impulse purchase category for convenience shoppers

✓ Target impulse purchases

Desserts are a treat and with the treat mission growing +20% YOY to a share of 12%, make sure you stock up on individual Ambrosia pots (singles and 4 packs



