

Evolution of natural colors in the world

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Who is NATCOL?

- **NAT**ural Food **COL**ours Association
- Founded in 1979 in Basel (Switzerland), since 2018 based in Brussels (Belgium)
- Promotes the use of natural colours and Colouring Foods
- Based in Europe, worldwide scope
- 38 members, 3 associate members from around the globe

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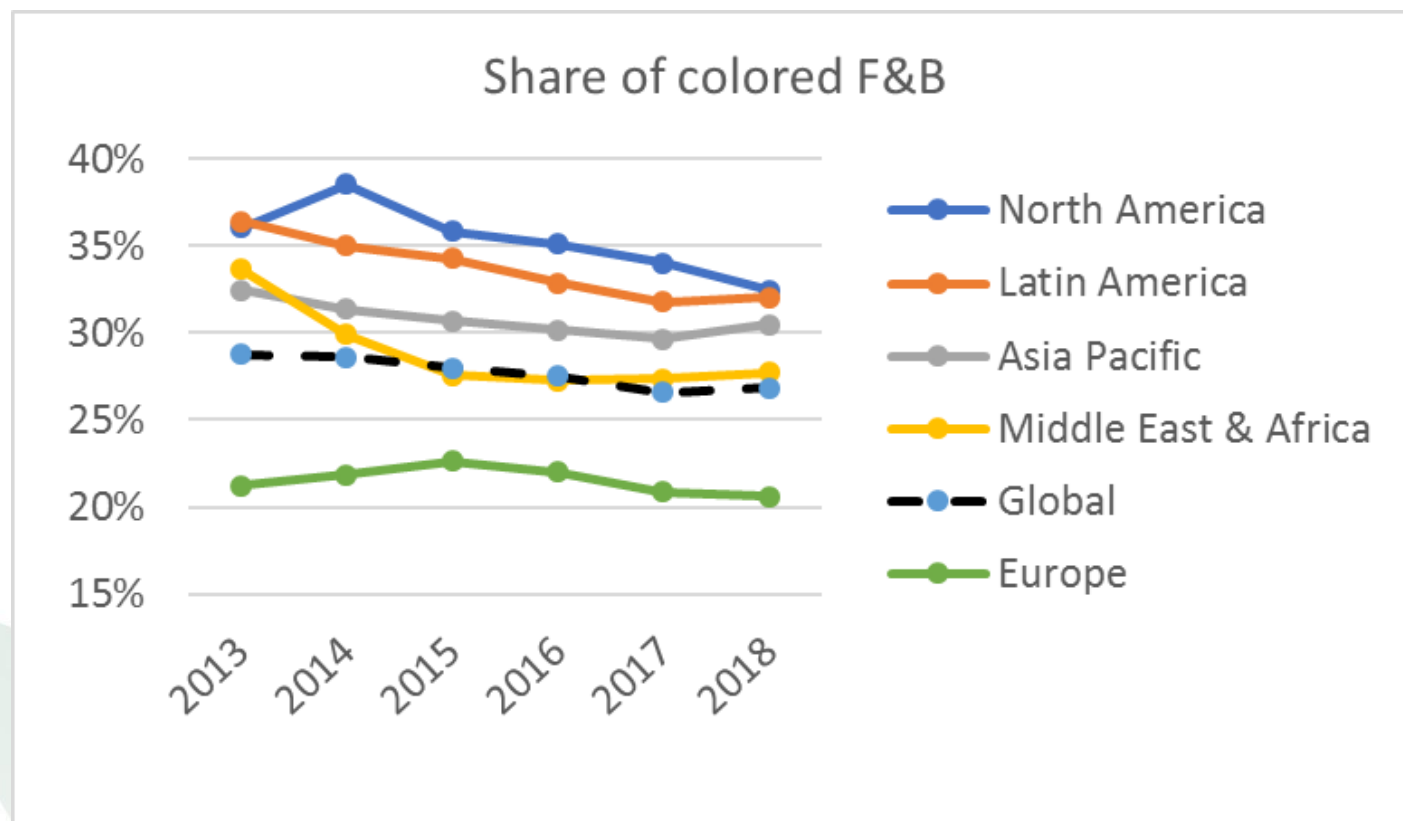
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Use of color in new F&B launches is declining – an industry issue

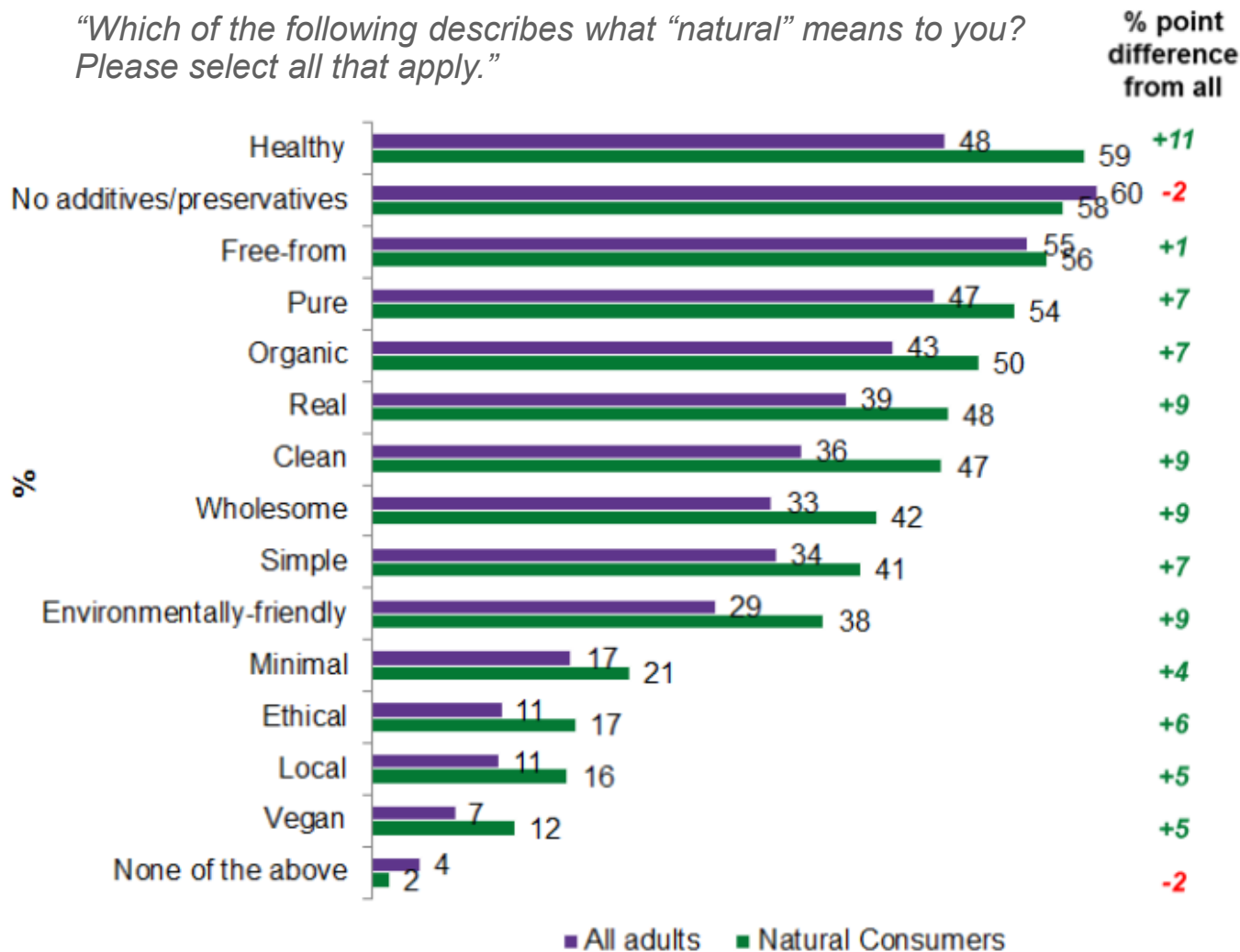


Main changes vs. 2013:

- Colombia: -27%
- Brazil: -21%
- Australia: -17%
- Indonesia: -14%
- Argentina: -14%
- China: -12%

Naturalness is key trend in F&B: driver is manifold – a.o. no additives, free from, healthy

*“Which of the following describes what “natural” means to you?
Please select all that apply.”*

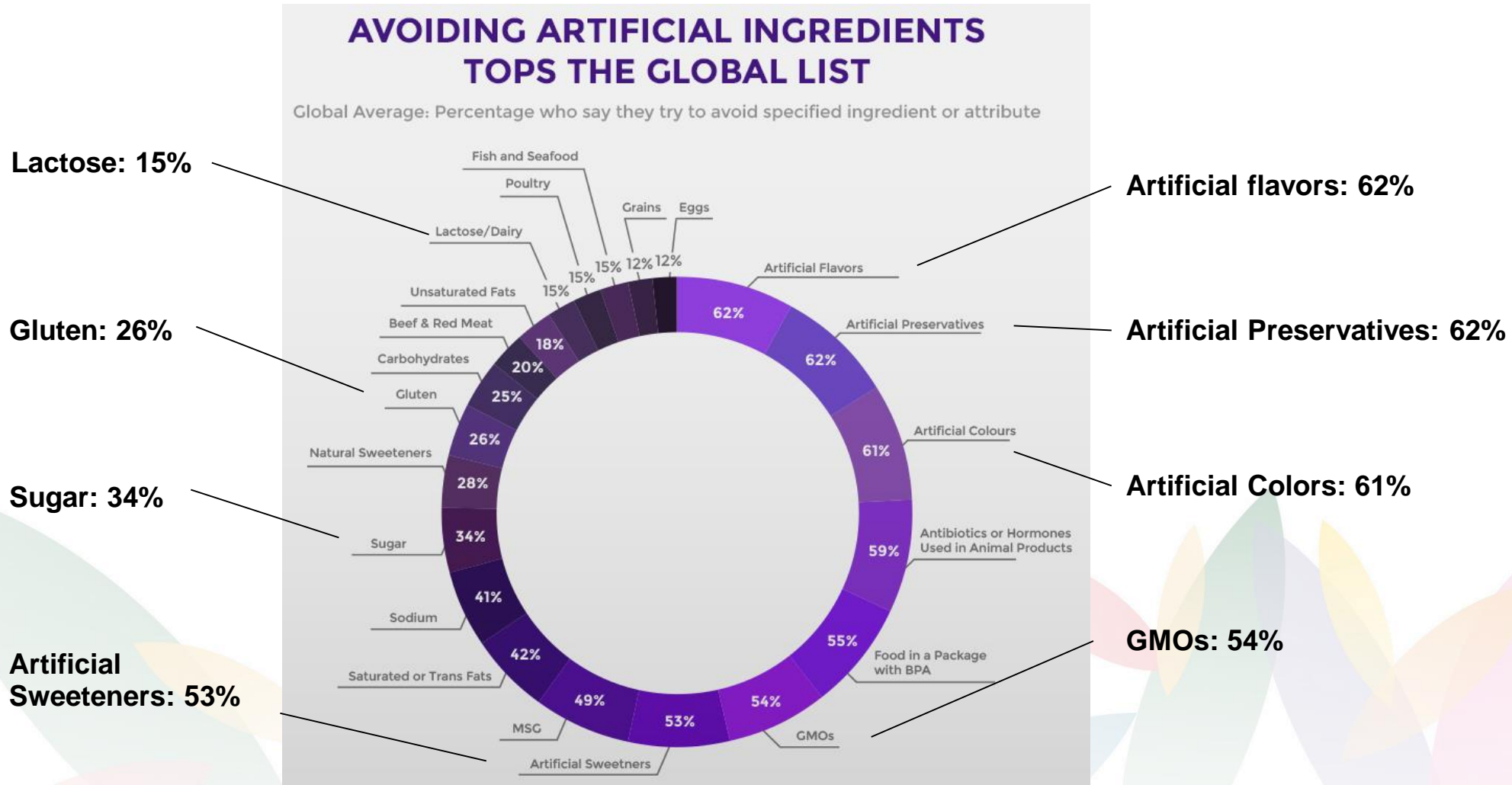


Consumers are looking for F&B products that are

- less processed
- and as pure as possible

to positively impact their health & wellbeing.

When its about “free from” artificial colors take center stage



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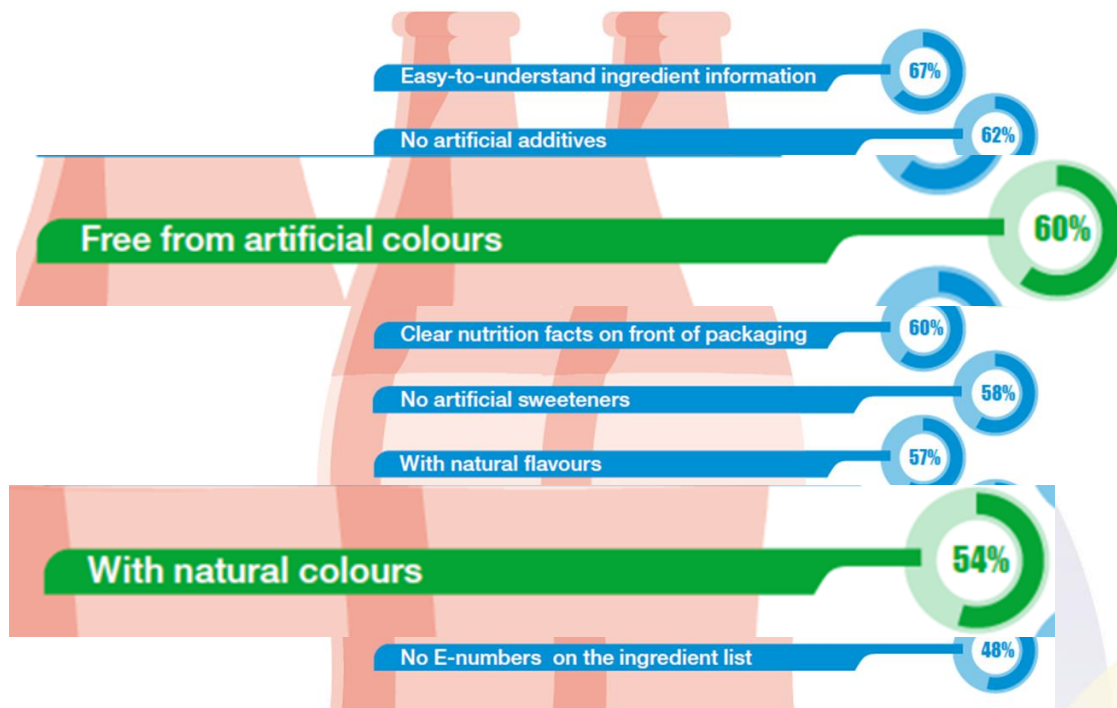
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Consumers are concerned about additives: the higher the “artificial” perception the lower the preference

What consumers want to see on the label

Proportion of consumers whose purchasing decision is influenced by certain characteristics



Source: TNS White Paper for GNT

For each food type of ingredient how often do you seek out or try and avoid the following?: **Natural colors**

Those that said “**Try to consume**” or “**Actively consume**”

Arg.	Brazil	China	France	Germany	Indon.
40%	53%	53%	42%	45%	57%
Italy	Japan	Kenya	Malaysia	Mexico	Neth.
39%	25%	51%	53%	59%	N/A
Nigeria	Poland	Russia	S. Africa	Spain	Thailand
41%	40%	35%	52%	39%	25%
	Turkey	UK	US	Vietnam	
	N/A	41%	50%	47%	

Source: FMCG Gurus – Understanding global consumer attitudes in 2018



Meet “natural” needs of consumers in a colorful way: it’s possible

Beverage shelf in Japanese retailer



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Private label retailers started to react and use F&B ingredient policies to differentiate

Aldi supermarket removes artificial colours from food in Australian first

WHILE Coles and Woolworths fight over the price of spilt milk, discount store Aldi is the first supermarket to ban artificial colouring.

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No Artificial Colours

ALDI was the first – and only – retailer to abolish all artificial colours from all our products.

We are incredibly proud that ALDI was the first – and only – retailer to abolish all artificial colours from all our products. That's right – there's not a single one, in any of our products, anywhere in Australia. We worked closely with all of our suppliers so that only natural colour alternatives are used, not artificial nasties. And the best bit? We didn't compromise on taste or quality, and it won't cost you more at the checkout, so our customers can enjoy No Artificial Colours with no artificial compromises!

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Retailers are intensifying communication around ingredients

Carrefour wants to lead 'food transition' to tackle global challenges

By Katy Askew 

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In France the group detailed nine commitments under the programme:

- Guarantee 100% French organic for its fresh products under the Carrefour Bio brand
- Ban 100 "controversial substances" from all Carrefour food products
- Reduce or completely end the use of chemical pesticides with its plant product lines
- Reduce or completely end the use of antibiotics in livestock farming
- Guarantee transparency in relation to product traceability using blockchain technology
- Feed the livestock used for its product lines on GMO-free animal feeds
- Double the number of products in its vegetarian range
- Promote biodiversity by selling fruit and vegetables grown from farmers' seeds
- Guarantee a selection of fish sourced using responsible fishing methods and aquaculture

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With colors taking center stage

Walmart
Sustainability
Hub

Health & Nutrition

Our New Commitments

Looking forward, we want to continue to work with our suppliers to become our customers' first and trusted choice for more affordable, healthier foods by working to achieve the following goals by 2025:

- Work with suppliers to reduce sodium by 20% and added sugars and saturated fats to be less than 10% of calories in key categories, taking into consideration regulatory guidance to balance nutrition, taste and experience
- Work with suppliers to remove certified synthetic colors, artificial colors and other food additives in products where customers do not expect to find them
- Expand programs to make finding a healthier choice easier, such as the Great For You program in the U.S.

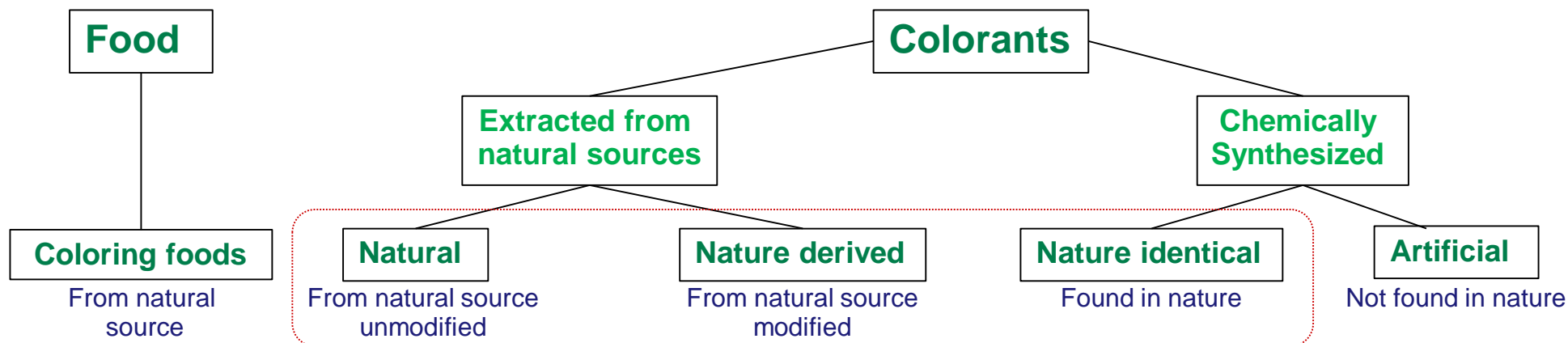
Additionally, Walmart and the Walmart Foundation committed to support nutrition education programs for 4 million people from 2015 through 2020.

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Color categories by NATCOL: occurrence in nature, source used, manufacturing process



E100 Curcumin
 E101(i) Riboflavin
 E120 Cochineal, Carminic acid
 E140(i) Chlorophylls
 E150a Plain caramel
 E153 Vegetable carbon
 E160a(ii) Plant Carotenes
 E160a(iii) b-carotene from *Blakeslea trispora*
 E160(iv) Algal Carotenes
 E160b(i) Annatto, bixin fraction only
 E160b(iii) Annatto, oil extracted, i.e bixin
 E160c Paprika extract
 E160d(ii) Lycopene from red tomatos
 E160d(iii) Lycopene from *Blakeslea trispora*
 E161b Lutein (esterified fraction)
 E162 Beetroot red
 E163 Anthocyanins
 E170 Calcium carbonate from limestone

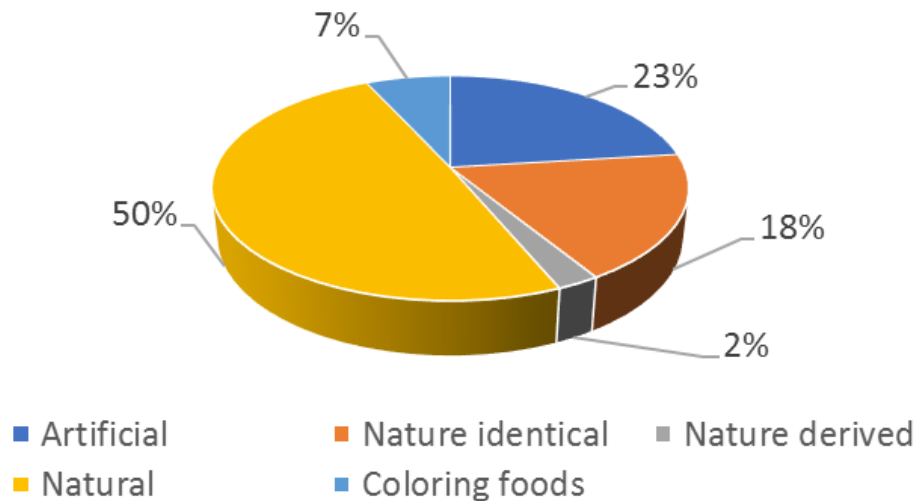
E101(ii) Riboflavin-5'-phosphate
 E140(ii) Chlorophyllins
 E141(i) Copper complexes of chlorophylls
 E150b Caustic sulphite caramel
 E150c Ammonia caramel
 E150d Sulphite ammonia caramel
 E160b(ii) Annatto, alkali extract (Norbixin)
 E160b(i) Annatto, Norbixin fraction
 E120 Carmines, Carminic acid
 Aluminium lake
 E161b Lutein, free lutein after saponification

E160a(i) Beta-carotene
 E160d(i) Lycopene
 E160e Beta-apo -8'-carotenal
 E161g Canthaxanthin
 E170 Calcium carbonate by precipitation
 E171 Titanium dioxide
 E172 Iron oxide
 E173 Aluminium
 E174 Silver
 E175 Gold

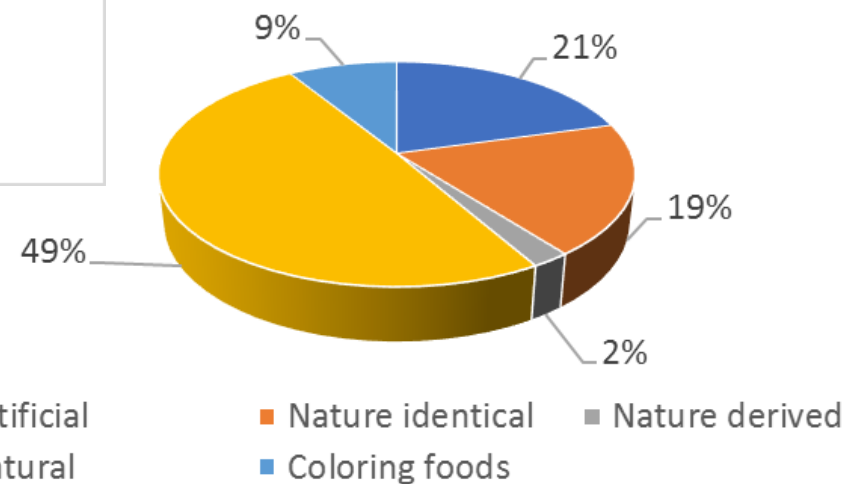
E102 Tartazine
 E104 Quinoline Yellow
 E110 Sunset Yellow
 E122 Azorubine
 E123 Amaranth
 E124 Ponceau 4R
 E127 Erythrosine
 E129 Allura Red AC
 E131 Patent Blue
 E132 Indigotine
 E133 Brilliant Blue FCF
 E142 Green S
 E151 Brilliant Black BN
 E155 Brown HT
 E180 litholrubine BK

Not dramatic, but product developers @ FMCGs have been adapting their choice - globally

Colored F&B - launches by NATCOL color category in 2013

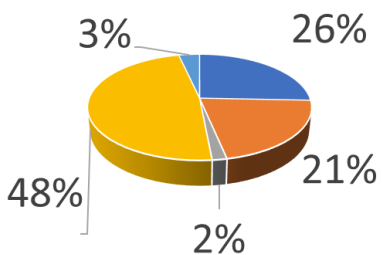


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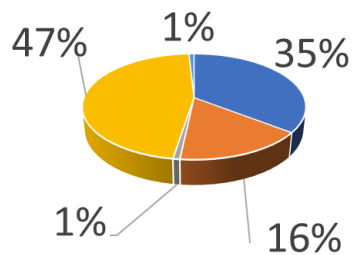


Regional differences & growth opportunities through premiumization

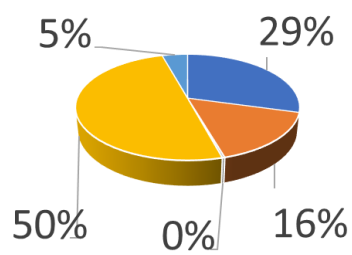
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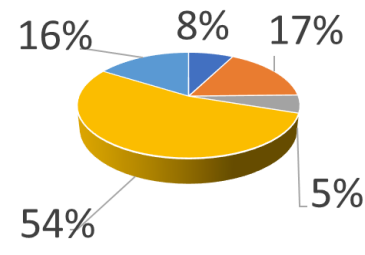
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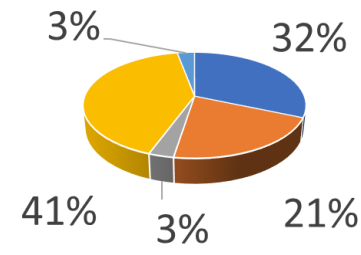
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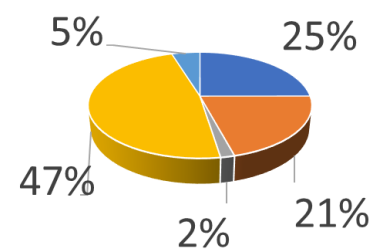
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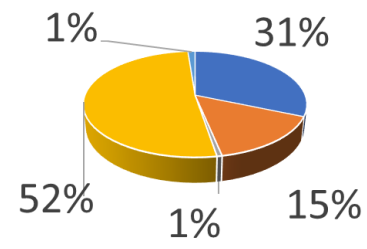
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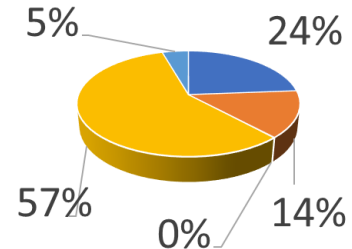
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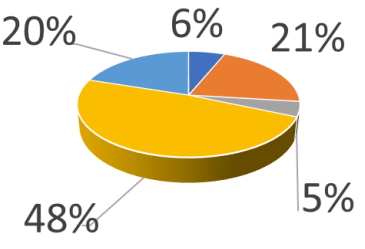
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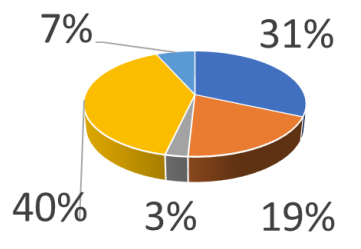
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■ Artificial

■ Natural

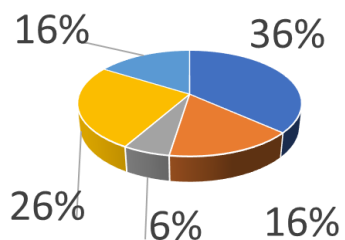
■ Nature identical

■ Coloring foods

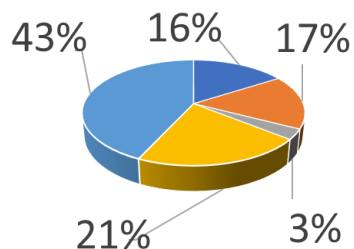
■ Nature derived

Application dependent preference for color categories: consumer but also application driven

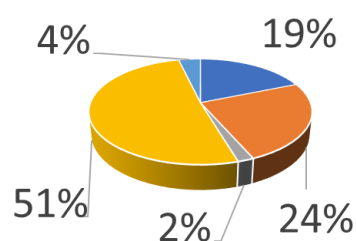
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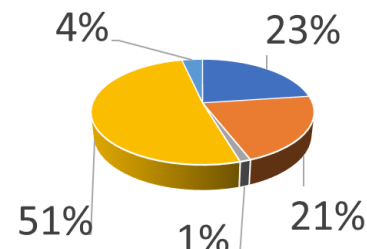
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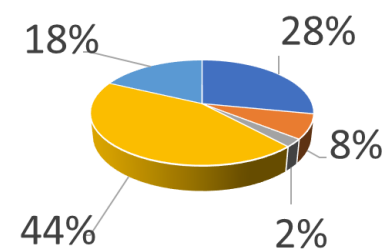
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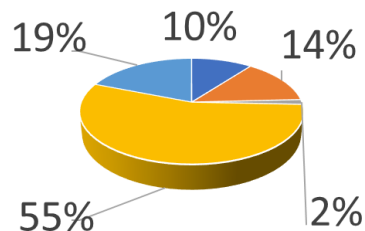
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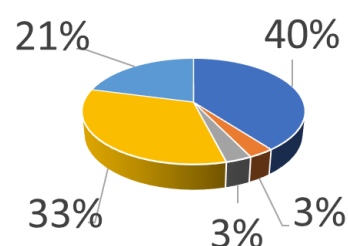
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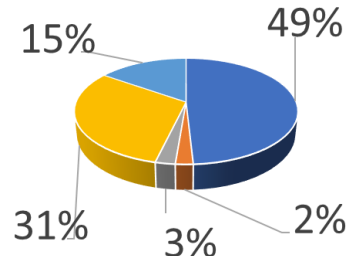
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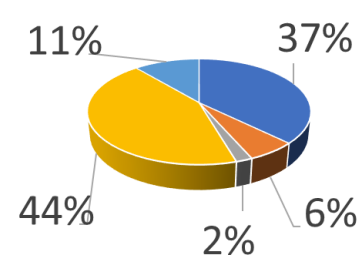
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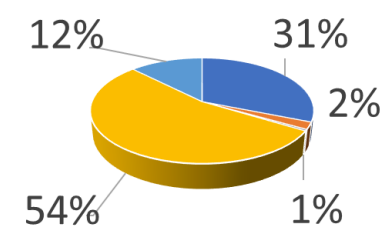
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Market dynamics - summary

- Share of colored F&B is declining
- Main driver is consumer demand for less processed food
- Negative messages around colors hurt the industry as total
- Retailers play a key role
- There are business opportunities for all types of colors

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Financial, social and sustainable investments to meet increasing demand

Increase of raw material base



Source: Sensient

CAPEX



Source: DSM

Globalize production base

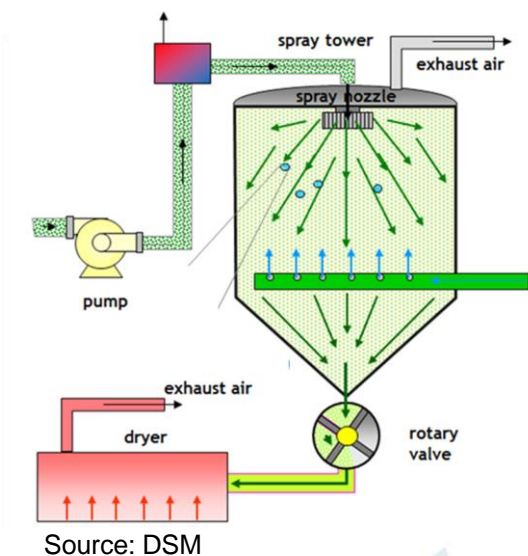
Engaging with suppliers



Source: Ch. Hansen

R&D efforts to optimize product performance

Color processing



Application



Source: DSM

Breeding

“Breeding for color concentration is remarkable, as significant improvements are achievable, while other parameters, such as crop yield, are typically improved by less than 5–10 per cent”

Bjarne Joernsgaard
Crop Science Manager, Natural Colors – New Tech

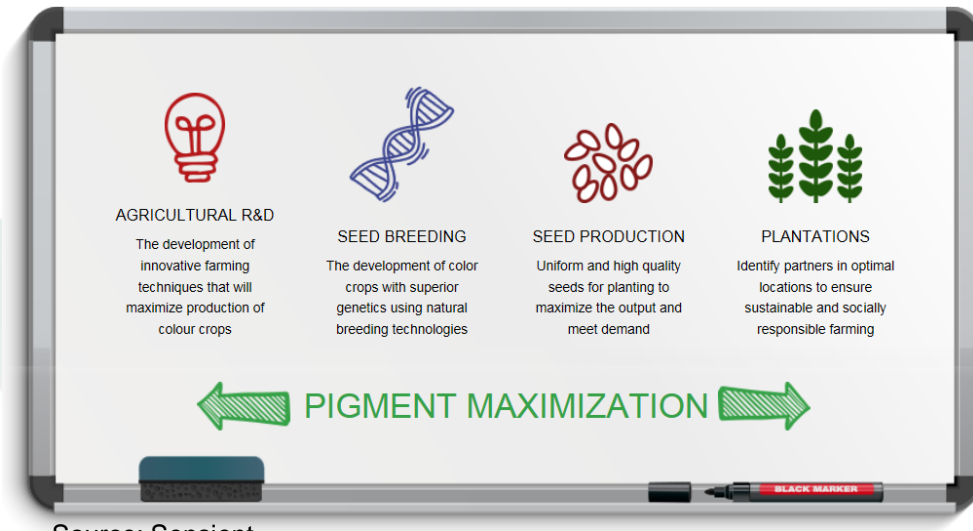
Significant strides to reduce cost-in-use

Sources



Source: Ch. Hansen

Breeding/agronomy



Source: Sensient

Production technology



Source: Allied Biotech

Natural color supplier summary

- Significant investments done to address customer needs
- Despite essential role of colors for F&B consumption, cost-in-use still very low
- Lower cost-in-use means less premiumization

Closing remarks

- Consumers want tasty & healthy foods & beverages
 - Colors are in the spot light for both attributes
 - Negative messages around colors hurt the industry as total
 - Lots of efforts are being invested
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- ➔ Let's make sure that colors are safe
 - ➔ Let's focus on positive messaging
 - ➔ Let's offer options to our customers
 - ➔ Let's make sure our efforts are rewarded



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