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VIETNAM BUSINESS CONTEXT AND CONSUMER REACTION

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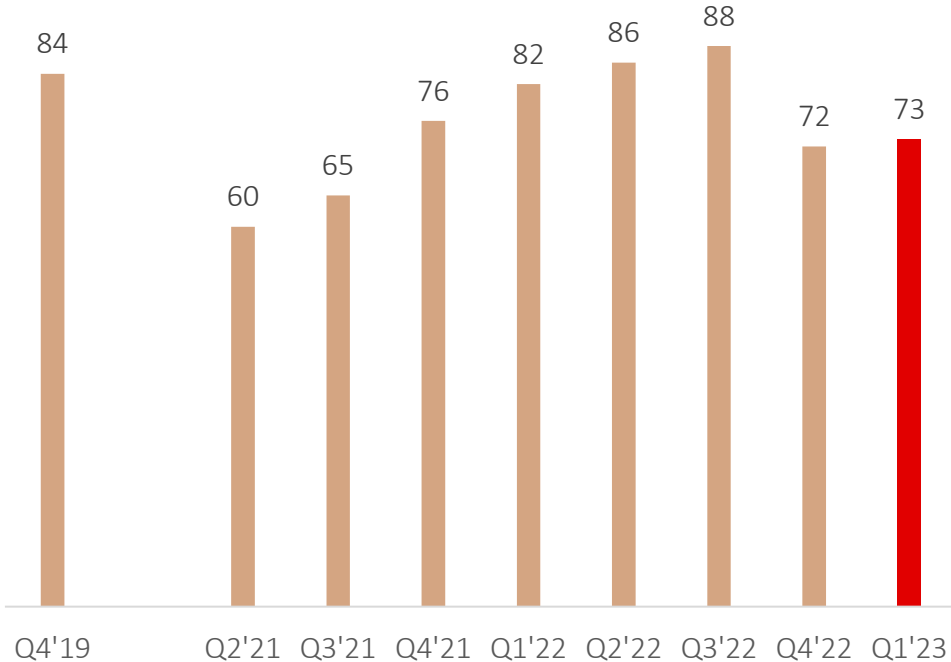
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OPTIMISM IN Q1'23 STAYS LOW

As economic difficulty persists with lack of production orders, concern on Job security rises consecutively in the last 4 quarters.

The economic situation will be better or the same as today in the next 12 months

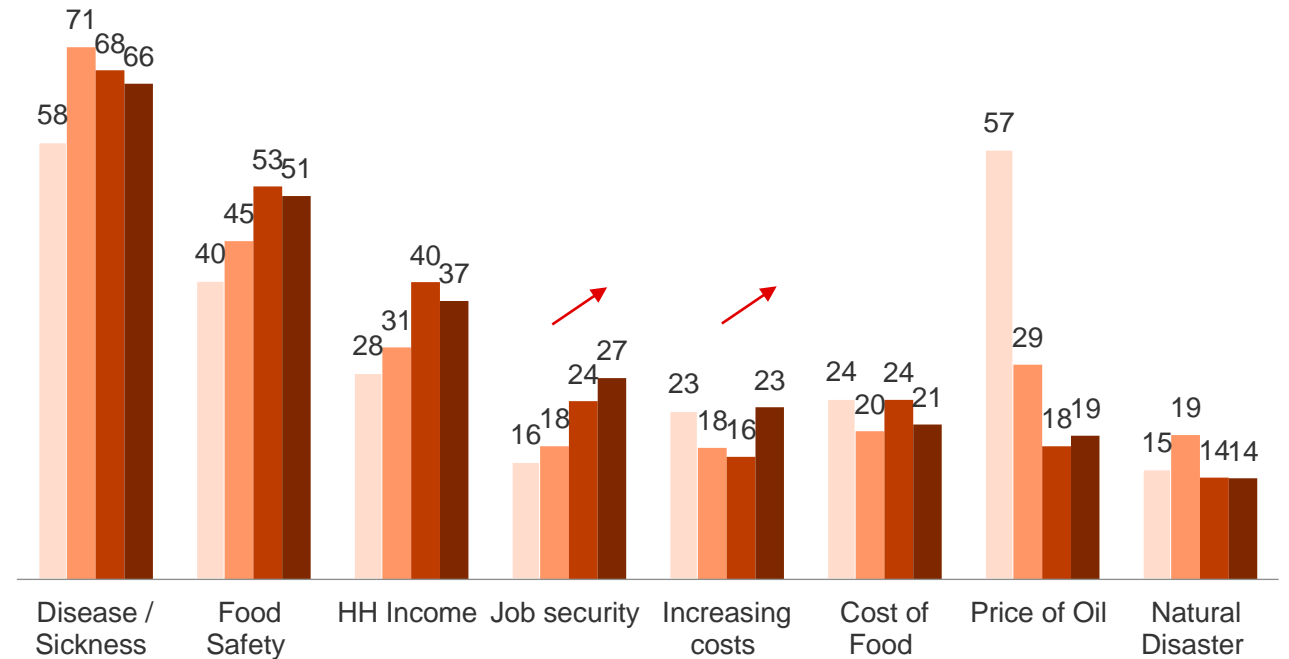
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Currently what do you consider to be the biggest concerns you and your household is likely to face?

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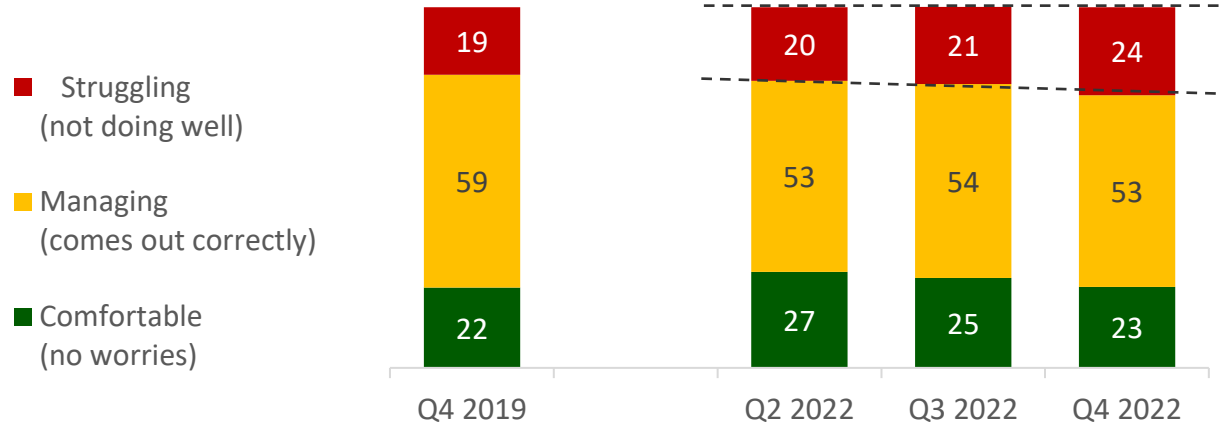


CONSUMER'S BEHAVIORAL SHIFT DUE TO ECONOMIC EXPECTATIONS

Many households are becoming concerned about their financial situations, suggesting more conscious spending. Out-of-home spending will be the first in line for slashing across groups.

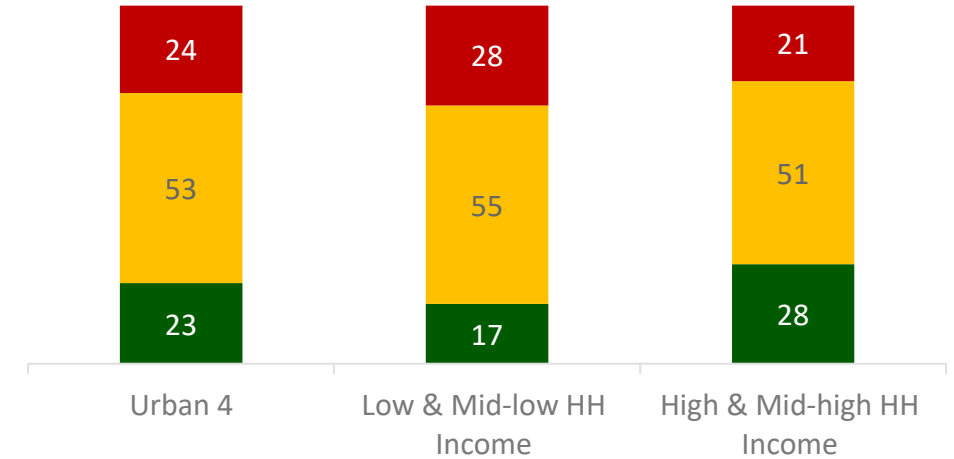
Pressure groups

How do you evaluate the current financial situation of your Household?
% contribution of each group

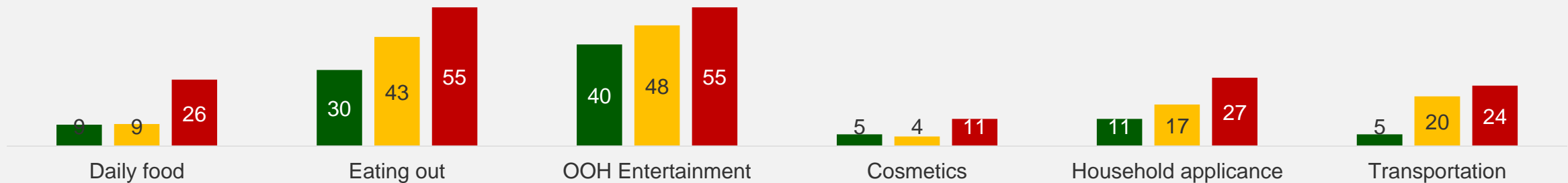


% Pressure groups by income

How do you evaluate the current financial situation of your Household?



Future spend intention – understand the extent to which your category / brand shoppers intend to reduce their spend in the future
% respondent

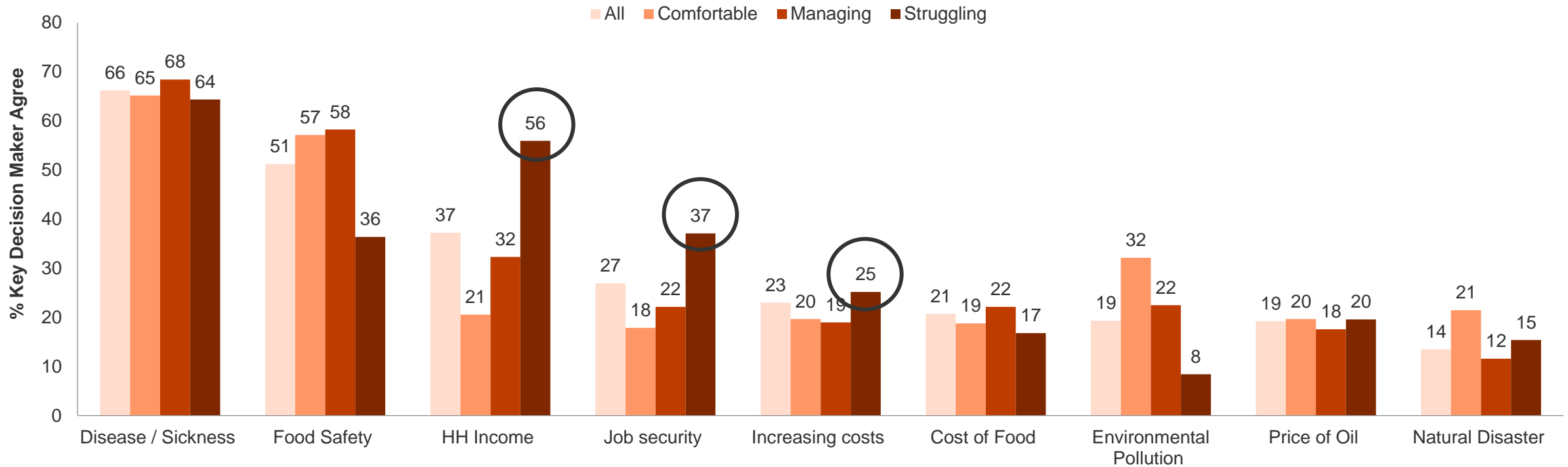


CONCERN BY PRESSURE GROUP

The struggling consumers are most impacted by the economic difficulty, while the comfortable consider Environmental Pollution in their top 3 concern. Brands are required to have different approach to fit their different target buyers' situation.

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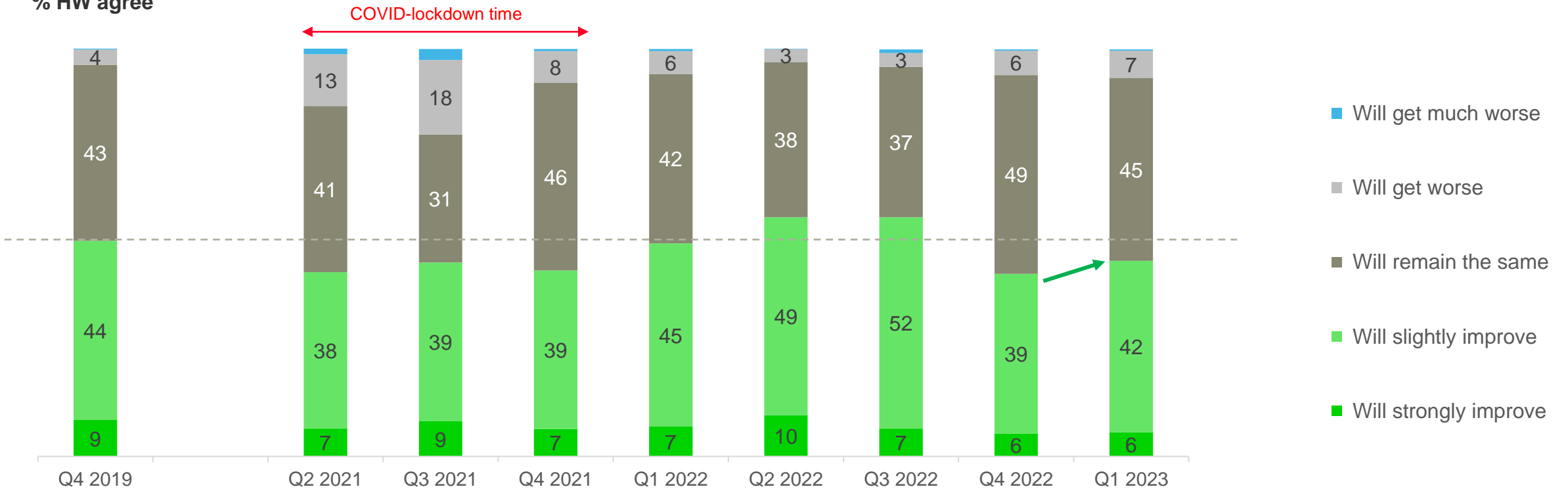


FUTURE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Confidence on future financial situation remains low. However, sign of improvement is witnessed.

In the upcoming 12 months, do you think that the financial situation in your house...

% HW agree



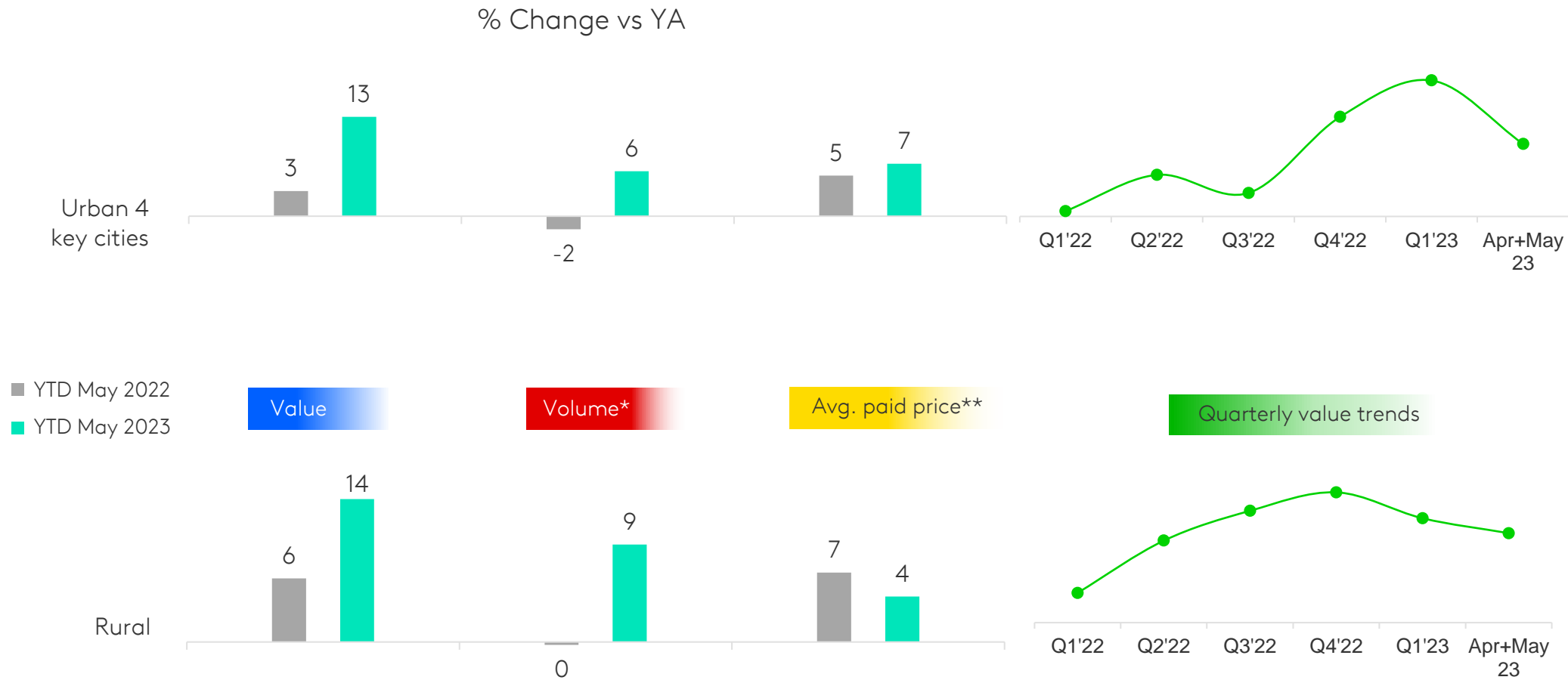


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FMCG overview

In Urban 4 areas, the rise in average price paid is noticeable and has a considerable impact on the overall value increase. On the other hand, Rural consumers show higher consumption levels, suggesting there is room for manufacturers to improve their penetration in Rural areas.

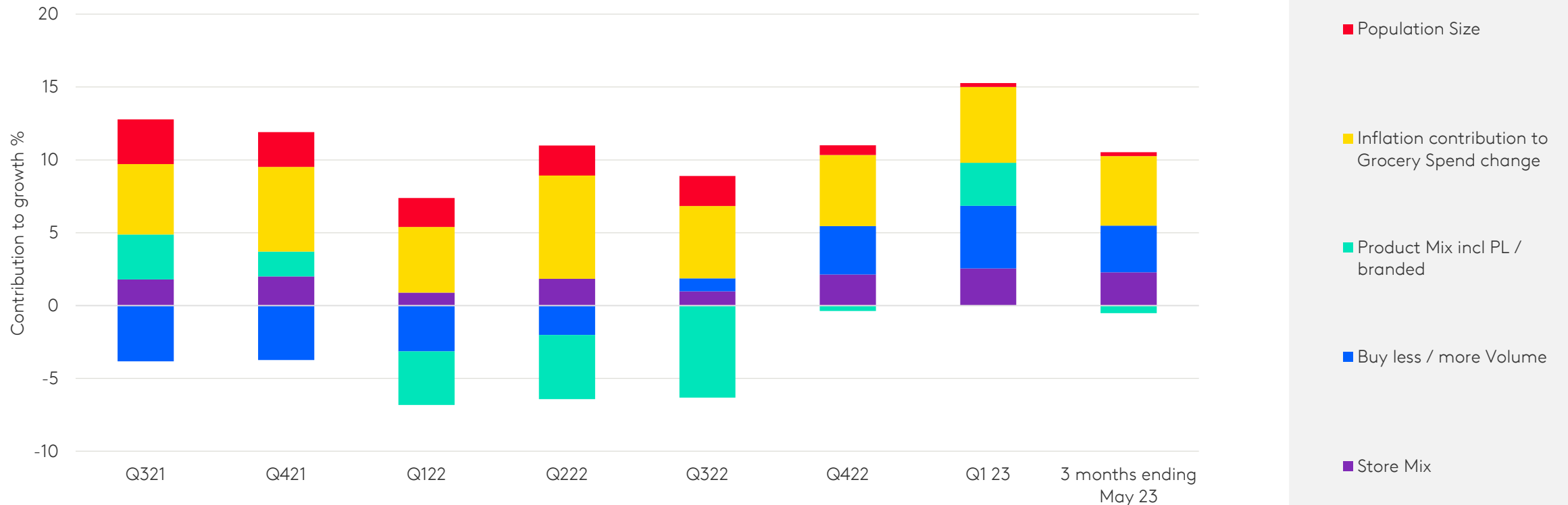


*: To calculate FMCG volume change, we calculate how much volume contributes to the value change for each category, sum up these contributions and relate to value YA (this results in an average category change in volume)
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CONSUMER REACTION: VARIOUS WAYS OF COPING

Inflation contributes half of market growth in Urban. Consumers still buy more volume and visit more stores.

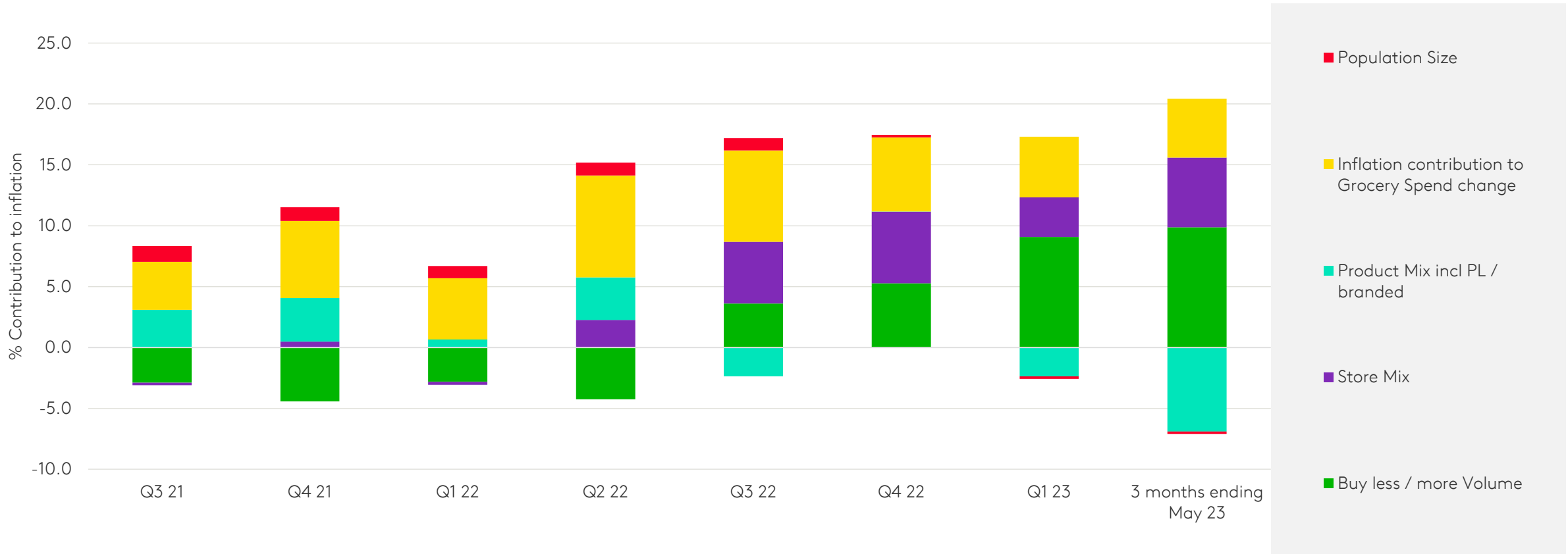
Rolling Contribution to FMCG Grocery Spend Change in urban 4 cities



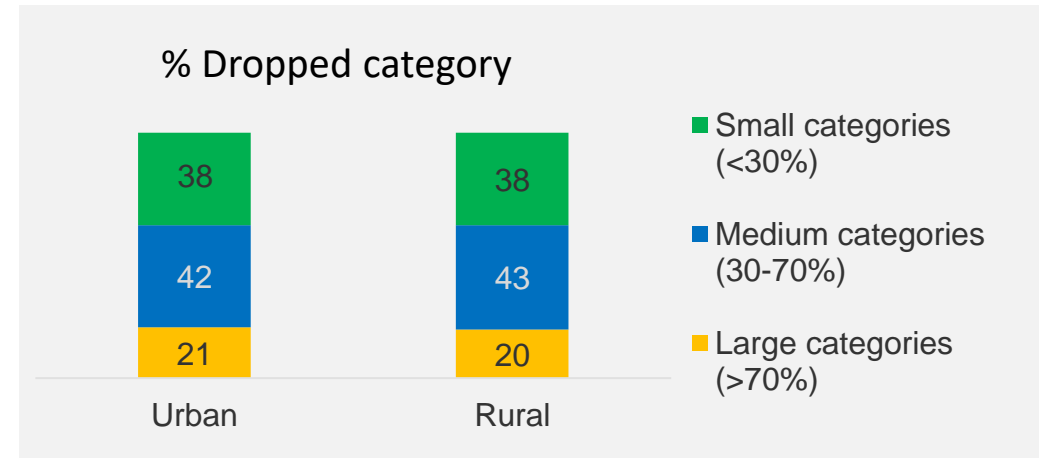
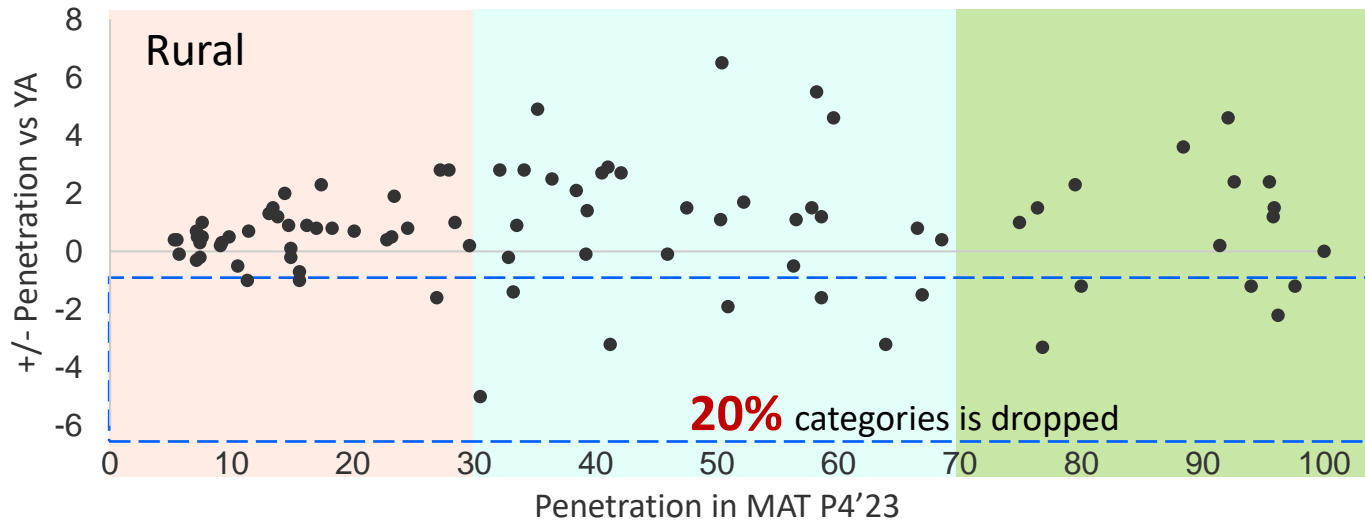
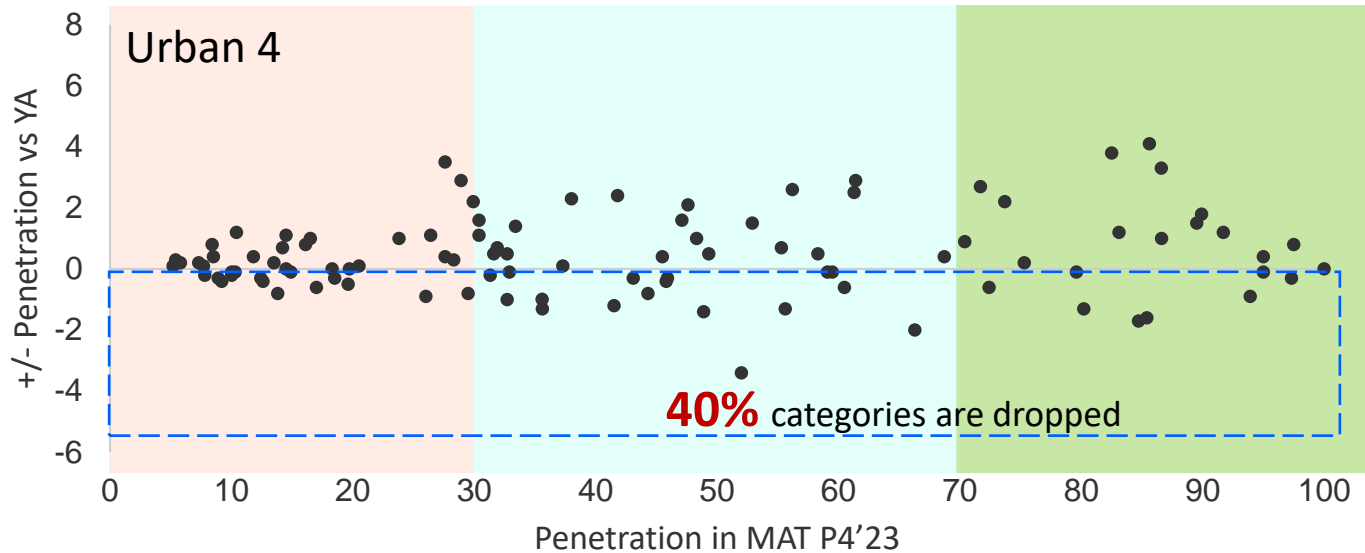
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Meanwhile, downtrading is more significant in Rural area.

Rolling Contribution to FMCG Grocery Spend Change in Rural



CONSUMERS COULD CUT SPENDING ON LESS RELEVANT CATEGORIES



Source: Kantar Worldpanel | Household Panel | Vietnam 4 key urban cities & Rural Vietnam | FMCG

SHOPPERS SEEK FOR THE BEST VALUE

Manufacturers who can offer better value-for-money offer & adjust portfolio to meet consumers' demand are key winners.

Cooking Oil: Downtrading

Top growing brands



#1 Orchid
Price id: 81



#2 Tuong An
Price id: 95

As heavily impacted category by inflation, Cooking Oil price rockets & puts heavy pressure on consumer. In this context, lower tier brands now win heart of consumers & drives market growth.

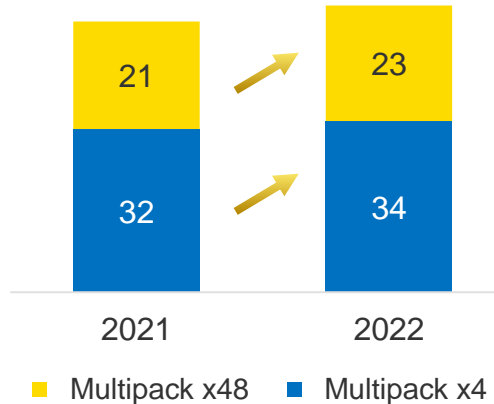
F&B: Bigger Pack Size



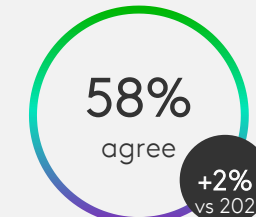
Capturing consumers' need for value-for-money offer & bigger shopping trip size, manufacturers launched big pack size & reaps great success.

Dairy: Multi-pack trip

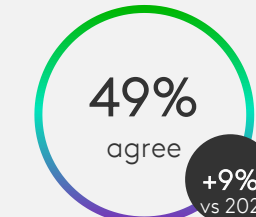
% Occasion



Consumers are now shopping with bigger trip size & large volume, creating chance for multi-pack & carton sales.



Households compare prices between outlets to get the best price (including ecom).



Households refer to many different stores to find attractive promotions.

YET A PORTION OF BUYERS CONTINUE TO TRADE UP

Brands with value highly received & relevant to consumers can still convince buyers to uptrade & grow sustainably.

The rise of sophisticated need

More steps in beauty routine

On average, each year 1 household purchase

7.5 Beauty categories
(+0.4 vs YA)

Sophisticated* HHs adopt more of



Mask



Make-up Remover



Toner



Serum

Leave-on treatment for Hair & Scalp



Hair Spray for dry, damaged hair



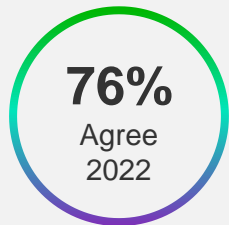
Pomelo spray for hair strengthening, prevent hair fall



Hair Serum recover damaged hair



Hair Mask offering Keratin coat



Households are **willing to buy brands that are of good quality, even more expensive.**

Wining consumers with the authenticity

Lay's: Real potato snacks

+98% volume
2022 vs 2020 in Urban

Emphasize on raw & real ingredients to capture consumers who value natural products.



+37% volume
2022 vs 2020 in Urban



Thuan Phat Fish Sauce

Local fish sauce brand with origin from 3 types of Phu Quoc's fish.



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Demographic Shifts: the rise of affluent class & more nuclear families

Leading to a higher demand for personalization to cater for different demographic groups

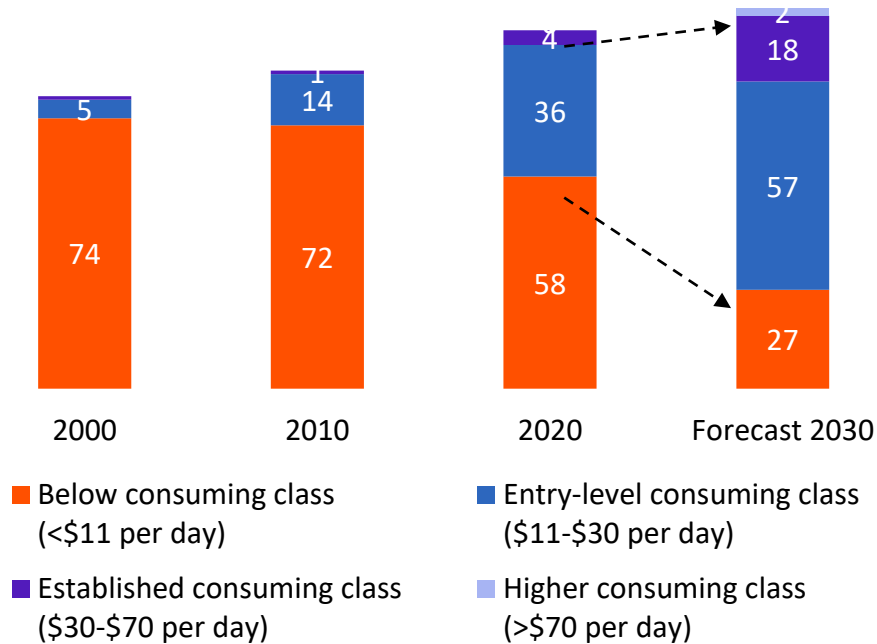
1. Rising Affluent Class



GDP per capita in 2022
4,110 USD
x4 times in 10 years

Source: Mc Kinsey Global Institute analysis & GSO Vietnam

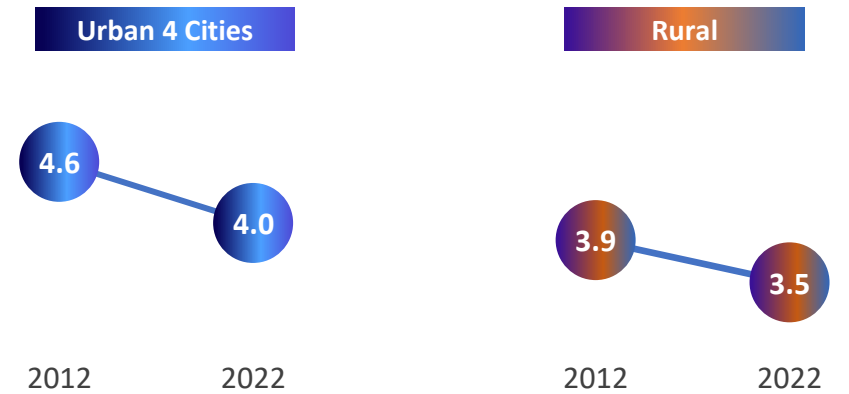
Population by income group (Millions) (daily spending)



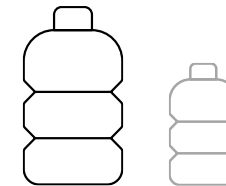
Rising incomes, rising aspirations, greater purchase power in the long term

2. More Nuclear Families

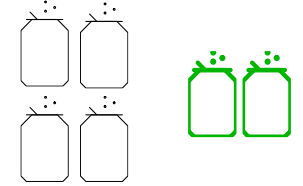
Average HH Size



Leading to a higher demand for small-sized pack offers, especially for Households with < 3 members.



Smaller pack size
(cooking oil, shampoo, dish wash,...)

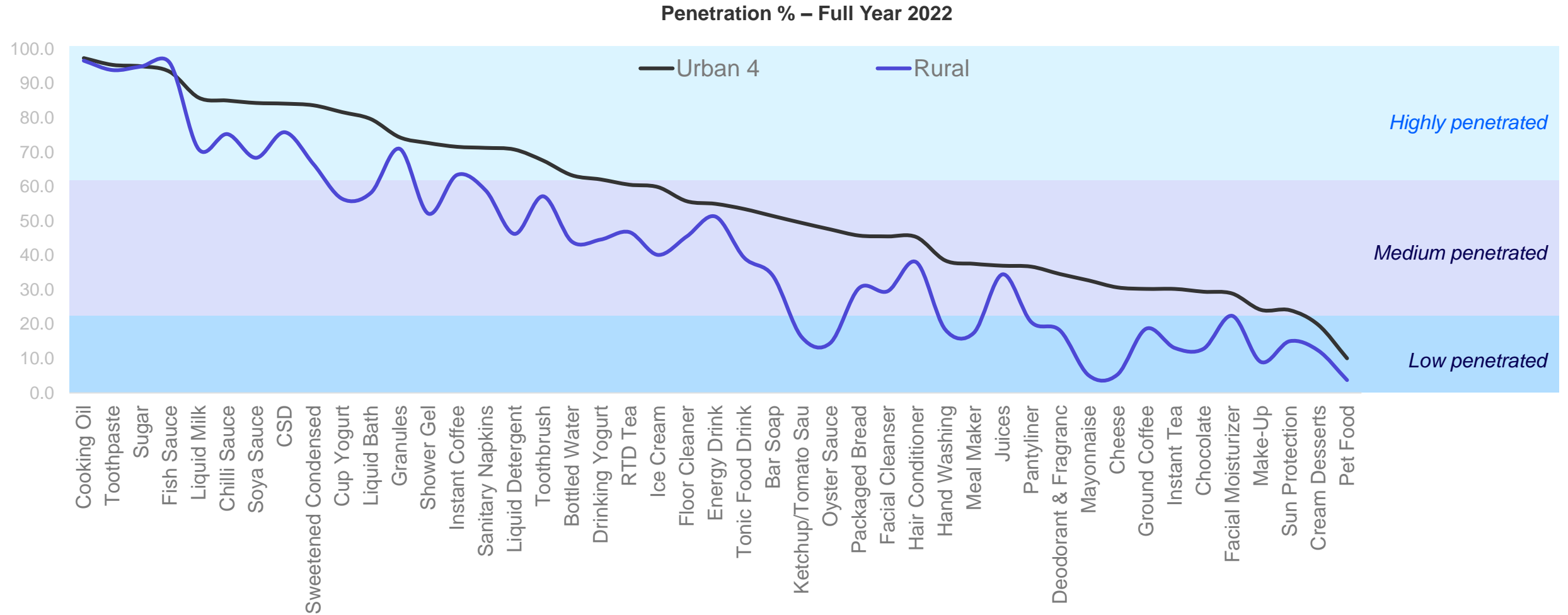


Fewer packs per trip
(beer, instant noodles, liquid milk...)

Source: Kantar | Worldpanel Division - 2022

Demographic Shifts: Rural Vietnam – remains a growth engine

There's a lot of headroom for brands to gain buyers in rural.



Source: Kantar | Worldpanel Division - 2022

Demographic Shifts: Young consumers as the future

As the population ages, Gen Z have emerged to become the future major spenders

Proportion of the population with genes Y and Z in the next 10 years

Vietnam population 2020 - 97 million

Vietnam population 2030 - 105 million

Gen Y/
Millennials

20%
21 mil people



25%
25 mil people

Gen Z

20%
21 mil people



25%
25 mil people

Using media habits of gen Y và Z



Gen Y (millennial)
1980–94



Gen Z
1995–2010

Context

- Globalization
- Economic stability
- Emergence of internet

- Mobility and multiple realities
- Social networks
- Digital natives

Behavior

- Globalist
- Questioning
- Oriented to self

- Undefined ID
- “Communaholic”
- “Dialoguer”
- Realistic

Consumption

- Experience
- Festivals and travel
- Flagships

- Uniqueness
- Unlimited
- Ethical

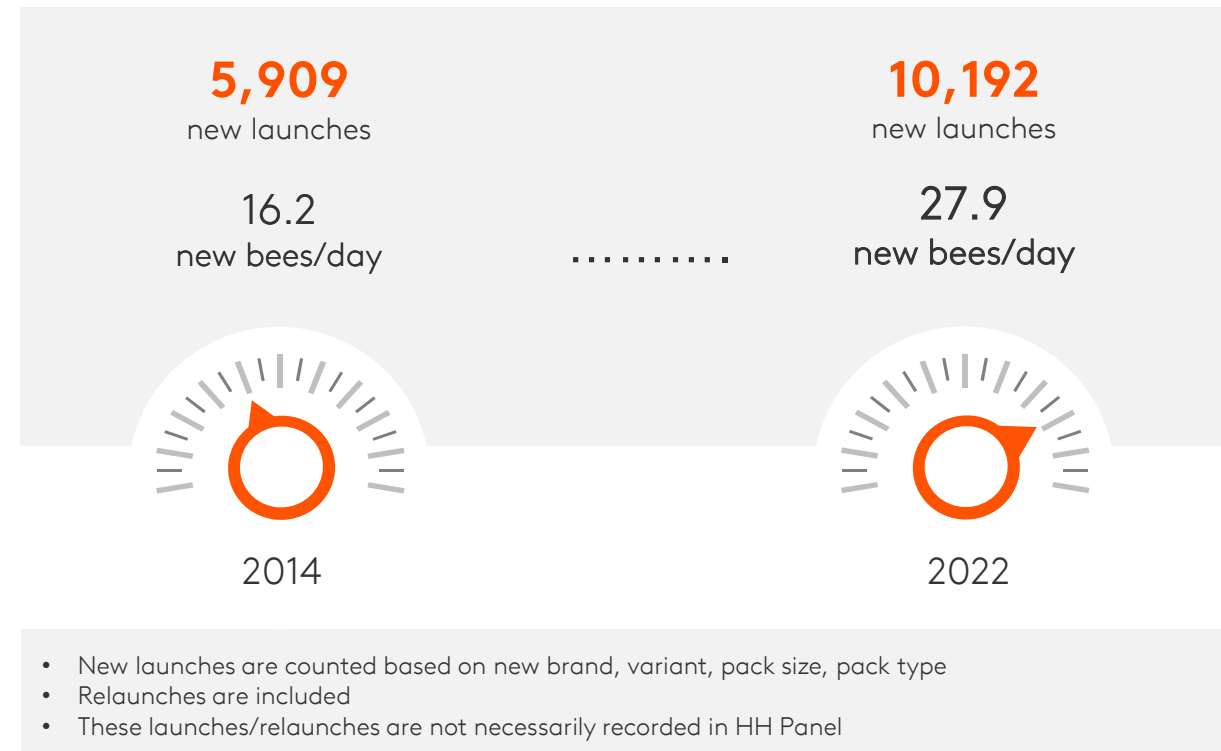
The willingness to expose new experiences

A strong innovation pipeline has been proven to protect and even grow brands in challenging economic times. In Vietnam FMCG, innovation playground is getting fierce with new products being launched every hour.

GLOBAL Winning v. Losing share brands during the last recession



VIETNAM Innovation Landscape



Source: Kantar | Worldpanel Division | Household Panel | Urban 4 key cities

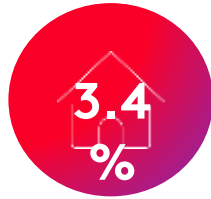
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It is becoming more challenging to recruit and retain shoppers. Yet, brands with strong NPD will have more opportunity to grow

% households a new launch reached after 1 year
(Trial Rate %)



Accumulative 3 years up to **2014**



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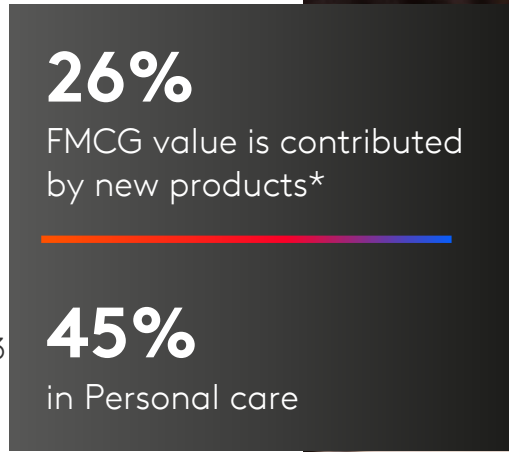
% households repeat purchase in the 1st year
(Repurchase Rate %)



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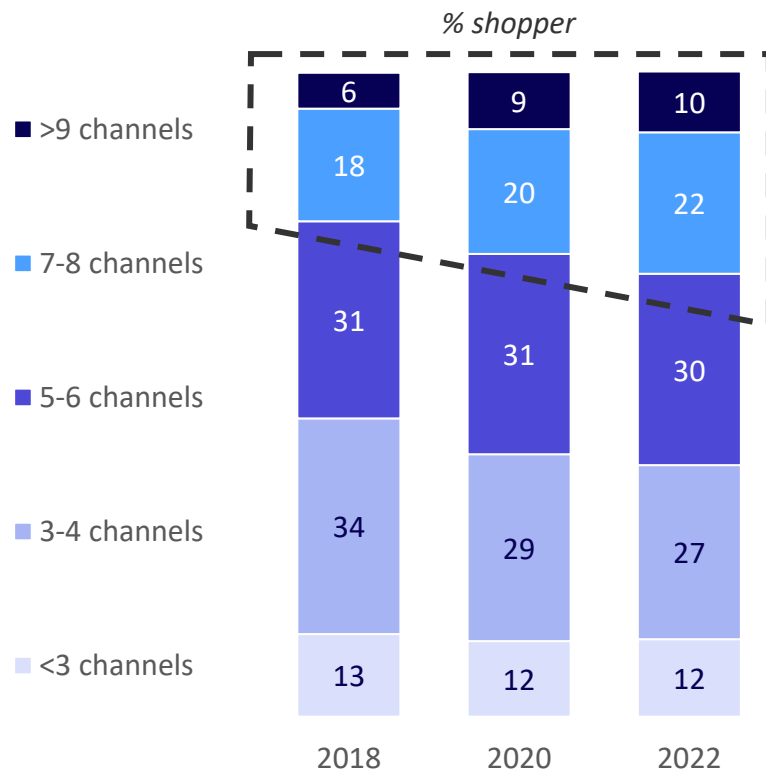
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*new products: in recent 3 years

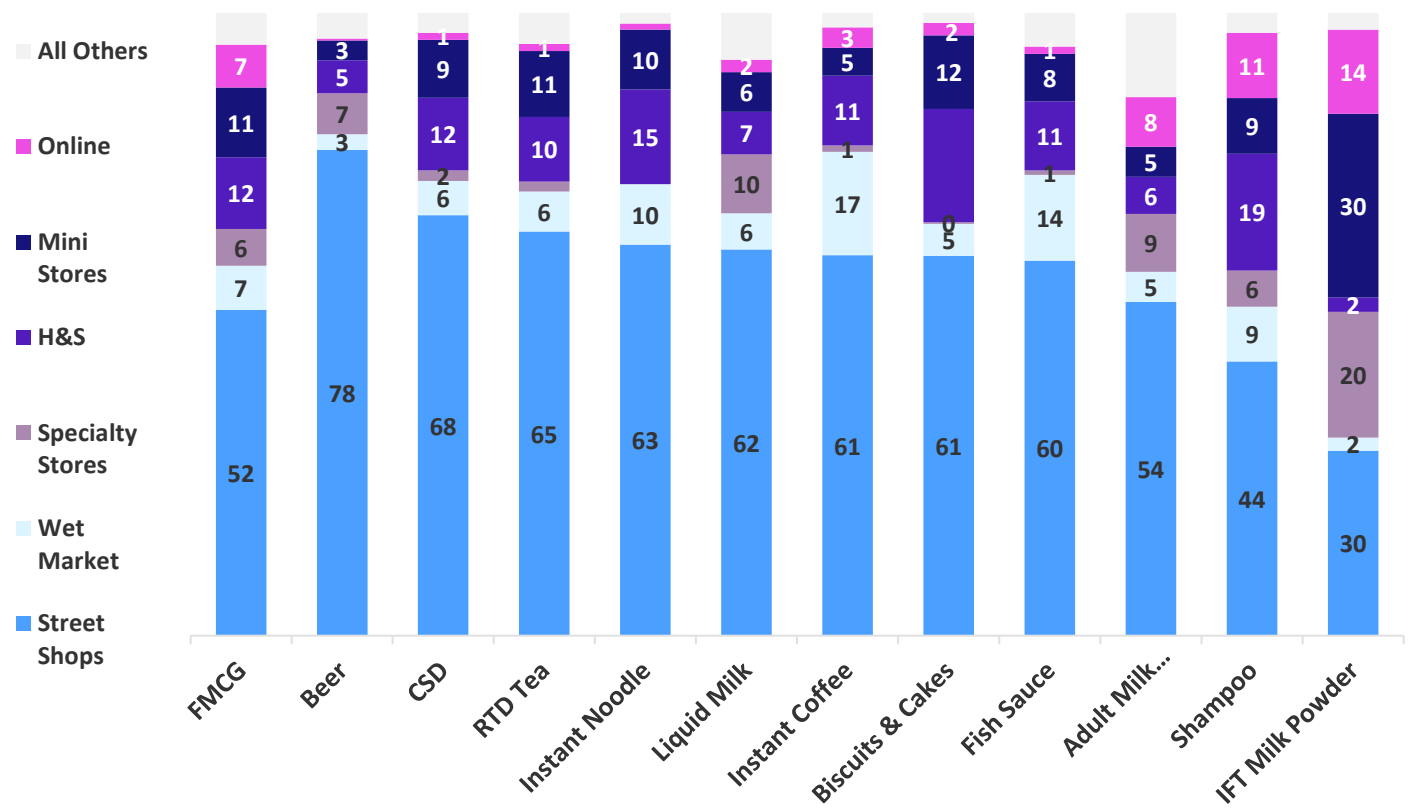
Omnichannel: Convenience & Diversity on the rise

Buyers have a wider range of options for shopping destinations, nearly 1/3 of households shop in at least 7 channels per year, indicating an opportunity for emerging channels to grow and the importance for manufacturers/ brands to be omnipresent.

How has the number of channels/retailers in which shoppers shop changed over time?



% channel value contribution in Full year 2022
By category





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2. *Exposure to new product experiences*
3. *Convenience and Diversity in channel choices*