# The White Space for Peanuts

× 20 %





Peanuts are still the most consumed nut in the U.S., but research showed that we're at risk of losing coming generations.

## Millennials By The Numbers



22–39 years old (birth years: 1978-1995)



77.5 million people

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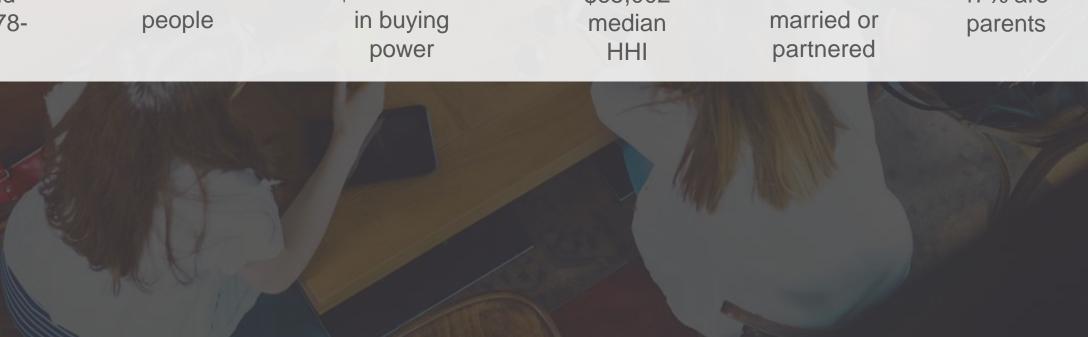
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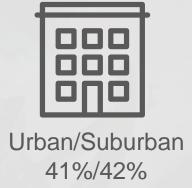
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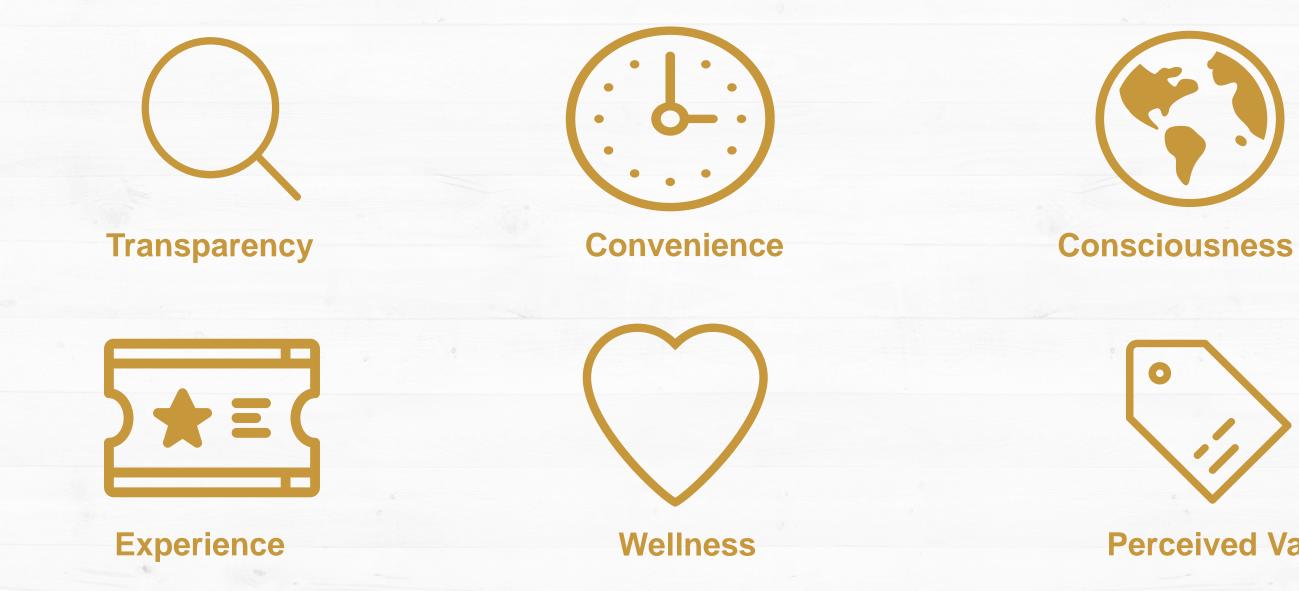
Source: Iconoculture







## **Millennial Attitudes Toward Food**



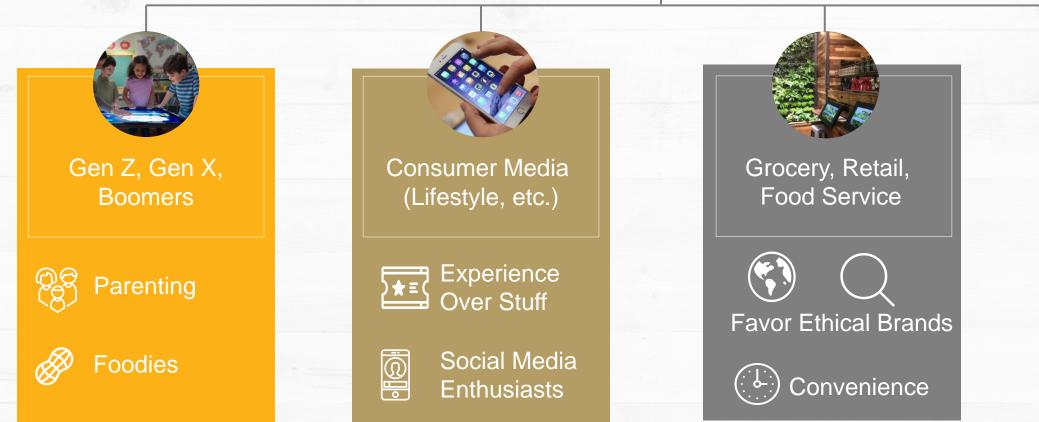
Source: Watershed, Food Dive, IRI Worldwide, Label Insight, Iconoculture, Forbes, Stylus, International Food Information Council, Retale, Progressive Grocer, Acosta

### **Perceived Value**

## **Millennials Have Tremendous Influence**

### Millennials









Health & Nutrition Professionals

> Wellness Explorers

Perceived Value

"When businesses want to attract the masses, they make sure what they're doing makes their millennial customers happy.

And good, healthy food makes millennials happy."

- Forbes

## What's Driving Food Innovation



Their busy, on-the-go lifestyles hinder them from subscribing to conventional mealtimes

Their definition of "healthy food" is determined by more than calories and weight loss benefits



They view eating as an experience so they seek out adventurous flavors and unique adaptations on classic items



They are **digital natives** who utilize their smartphones to inform purchase decisions

## Busy, On-The-Go LIFESTYLES

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Young people today are shunning the idea of three square meals a day in favor of snacking...for nutrition and energy, to de-stress and for social reasons."

– Fine Dining Lovers

## **Brands have started to address Millennials'** unconventional mealtimes and snacking needs

### **Smaller Portion Size**

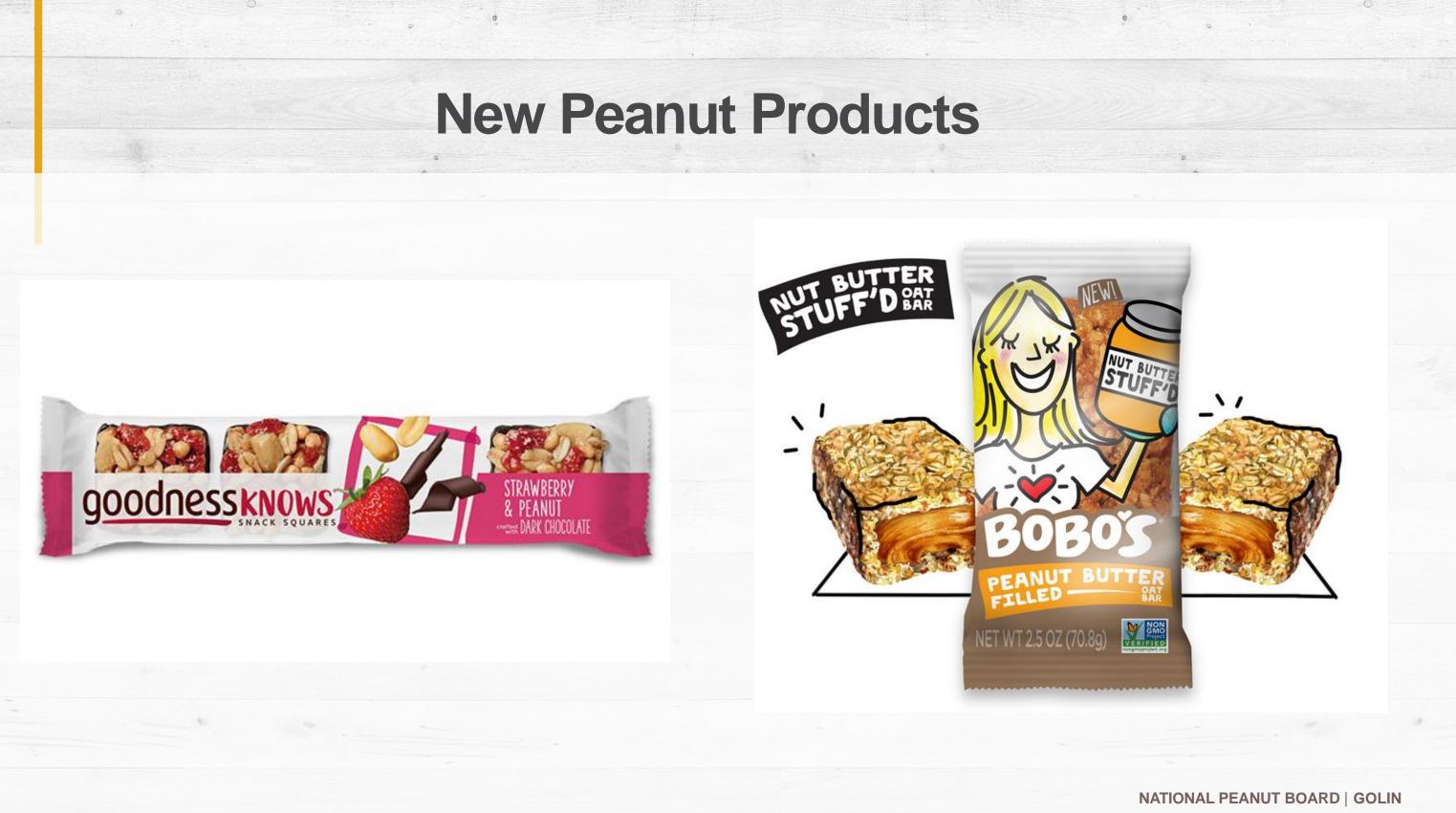
### **Anytime Offerings**



Source: The Guardian, Hartman Group, Ypulse, Fortune, Food Institute

## **On-The-Go Packaging**







"Millennials and the next generation will continue to take the whole "you are what you eat" to an entirely new level.

That is, food isn't just about good nutrition but that what you eat says a lot about your identity."

– Wanda Pogue, Chief Strategy Officer at Saatchi & Saatchi New York

## Millennials want to feel good about what they're eating, and have various ways of achieving that

### **Lifestyle Dieting**

### **Comeback of Frozen Food**

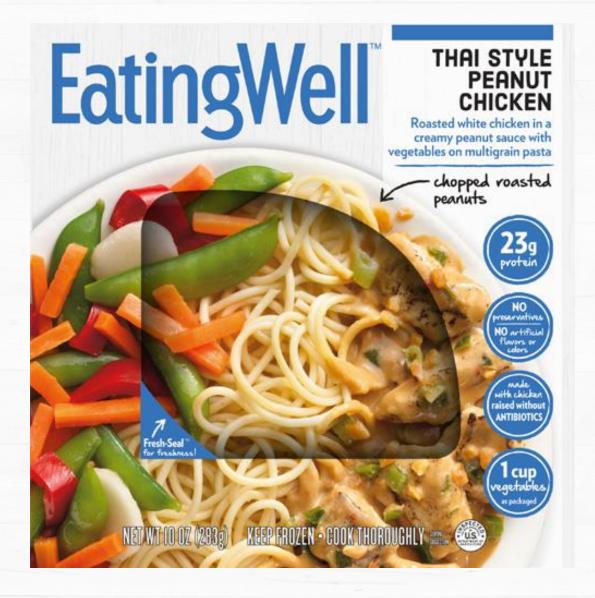


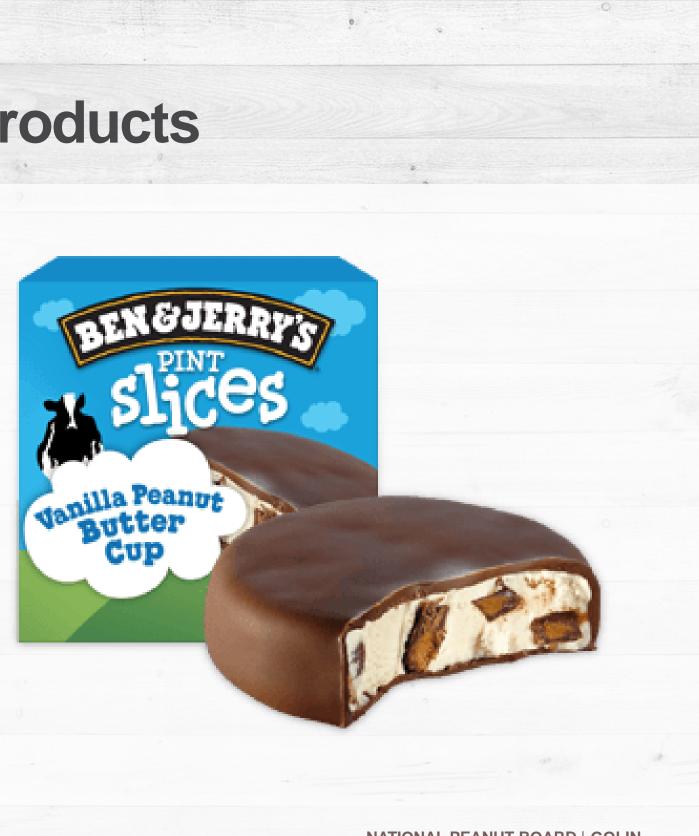
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### **Imperfect Products**

## Walmart ><

## **New Peanut Products**







## ADVENTEROUS PALETTES





"It's time to de-mystify the stereotype of the starving college student living on ramen noodles. If Millennials are eating ramen, it is sure to be spiced up and customized.

Millennials are the most ethnically diverse generation in US History, and their palettes reflect it."

– Millennial Marketing

# Millennials want their flavors to be as unique and diverse as them

### Swavory

### **Ancient Superfoods**

### **Willingness to Experiment**



Source: The Independent, Mintel, Thrillist, Food Network

## **New Peanut Products**







## UNLIMITED ACCESS TO INFORMATION



70% of Millennials use their mobile devices while shopping to consult a shopping list, call, text or email someone in the household, search for coupons, find recipes or research price, products and brands.

– The Hartman Group

## Millennials expect information about every aspect of the food journey to be readily available

### **Origin Stories**

### **Recognizable Ingredients**



Source: Mintel, Stylus, Boston Consulting Group, Fortune, IRI Worldwide, Millennial Marketing, Stylus, Goldman Sachs

### **Functional Nutrition**

## **New Peanut Products**







12 G. PROTEIN BAR

## 3 Egg Whites 14 Peanuts 2 Dates No B.S.

Peanut Butter

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## What else can peanuts do?

- Pre-portioned Recipe or Snack Packs: Explore different packaging forms and sizes so peanuts can be easily incorporated into recipes or used for snacking without consumers having to purchase an entire bag (i.e. crushed peanut topping, smaller portion sizes)
- **Celebrate Naturalness:** Better showcase the fact that peanuts are most often available in their natural state in which no two peanuts are alike
- **Reconsider Frozen Foods:** Knowing that frozen foods are perceived as closer to their natural state, be open to partnerships and integration opportunities with frozen food products

## What else can peanuts do?

- **Functional Health Benefits:** Highlight the functional benefits of peanuts through informative social content, even comparing it to other nuts for added proof points
- Tell a Story on the Packaging: Consider altering peanuts' packaging/labelling to communicate the story behind the nut in a simple, meaningful way (e.g. the origin story of peanuts grown by local, multigenerational farmers)

# Thank You