Several factors will benefit US demand growth for alternative sweeteners through 2020, including:

- Concerns surrounding the health impact of excess sugar in the average American diet
- Increasing numbers of individuals with diabetes and obesity, who must reduce the amount of sugar in their diets
- Wider trends in the food and beverage markets, including “all natural” and “clean label” preferences

High intensity sweeteners to remain leading type

High intensity sweeteners are projected to account for 45% of alternative sweetener sales in the US in 2020, benefiting from the widespread use of aspartame, ace-K, and sucralose in carbonated soft drinks (CSD). However, declining CSD production and consumer concerns with regards to the health impact of some high intensity sweeteners will restrain growth through 2020. Ace-K is forecast to register strong growth, as manufacturers exploit its heat stability and synergistic sweetening characteristics in sweetener blends. Sucralose will post growth, supported by continued development of new applications and a modest recovery in pricing.

Natural sweetener demand to rise

Growing consumer interest in “all natural” and “clean label” foods and beverages will drive demand for natural alternative sweeteners such as stevia and monk fruit, which are forecast to register double-digit gains through 2020. These two products will also benefit from the continued popularity of organic and non-GMO products.

Food applications to retain market dominance

Food is expected to account for over half of the US alternative sweeteners market in 2020. This leading position results from maturity in several large applications, such as tabletop uses and candy and confections. Beverages will continue to lose share to other applications, with strong growth in other beverages not quite offsetting weakness in CSD.

Study coverage

This Freedonia industry study presents historical demand data for 2005, 2010 and 2015 plus forecasts for 2020 by product class, such as high intensity sweeteners (aspartame, sucralose, acesulfame potassium, neotame, saccharin), polyols (sorbitol, mannitol, xylitol, maltitol, erythritol, other polyols), and natural alternative types (stevia, agave nectar, monk fruit, other). Data is also provided for market segments such as food (candy and confections, tabletop sweeteners, dairy products, baked goods, snack foods, othe), beverages (CSD, others), personal care products, and pharmaceuticals. The study also analyzes company market share and provides strategic analysis on industry competitors, including Roquette America, Ingredion, Tate & Lyle, and Niutang.
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Global Sweetener Sales Trends

The world market for alternative sweeteners is estimated at about $5 billion. Historically, the US accounted for a significant portion of the global market due to the popularity of CSD. However, declining production of CSD has impacted the share the US holds of the global market.

As of 2015, the US high intensity sweetener market was limited to five products: aspartame, sucralose, saccharin, ace-K, and neotame. Additionally, an array of polyols (such as sorbitol and mannitol) and natural sweeteners (such as reb-A) are used in the US.

Around the world, the product mix varies considerably:

- Japan, the high intensity sweetener segment is divided among saccharin, aspartame, glycyrrhizin (derived from licorice root), stevia, and ace-K
- Western Europe’s sweetener product mix is fairly similar to that of the US, although it includes cyclamate
- In many developing countries, saccharin holds a much stronger position than it does in the US or Western Europe

A major consideration faced by ingredient manufacturers marketing to international consumers is the difference in regulatory climates. As a result, even US-based developers will often first seek approval for their products outside the US. Later, when offshore sales have helped them recoup development costs and establish a product’s safety record, they will attempt to penetrate the lucrative US market. Especially in globalized industries like soft drinks, this approach also expedites the commercialization of new sweeteners once they have gained FDA approval. Along these same lines, patents for a product or blend may expire at different times in different countries, influencing a firm’s international marketing plans. In other instances, major producers simply adapt to

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