

# **GEN Z'S RELATIONSHIP WITH FOOD?** IT'S COMPLICATED.

They feel pressure to show their values through food.

#### "SAY/EAT GAP"

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ANIMAL WELFARE HAVE CAPTURED GEN Z'S CONCERN, BUT NOT THEIR WALLET

WHAT THEY SAY WHAT THEY EAT OF GEN Z SAY THAT **SAY THEY LOOK FOR** SUSTAINABLY SOURCED **SUSTAINABILITY IS AN** IMPORTANT FACTOR WHEN **INGREDIENTS** ON LABELS MAKING A FOOD PURCHASE. OF A FOOD THEY'RE CONSIDERING PURCHASING.



#### **UNDER PRESSURE**

FEEL TOO MUCH FRESSOR.

CHANGE THE WORLD THROUGH
THEIR BEHAVIORS.

THEY FEEL SCRUTINIZED TO EAT A CERTAIN WAY TO SHOW THAT THEY:



A POLITICAL



FEEL PRESSURE FROM SOCIAL MEDIA **USERS THEY DON'T KNOW** ABOUT THEIR FOOD CHOICES.

## **MOODY FOODIES**

**EATING PATTERNS** 



MORE LIKELY THAN OTHER GENERATIONS TO SAY THAT FOOD MAKES THEM FEEL **GUILTY, ANXIOUS, UNCOMFORTABLE,** AND STRESSED.



THE LEAST LIKELY GENERATION TO SAY THAT THEY HAVE A **POSITIVE RELATIONSHIP** WITH FOOD.



MORE LIKELY TO SAY THAT COOKING MAKES THEM FEEL TIRED AND STRESSED.

# **BATTLE OF THE SEXES**

GEN Z WOMEN FEEL MORE PRESSURE THAN MEN TO:

1. EAT AND LOOK A CERTAIN WAY 2. MAKE HEALTHY FOOD CHOICES 3. NOT GAIN WEIGHT

CAUSING THEM TO FEEL LESS COMFORTABLE IN THEIR BODIES

76% OF GEN Z MEN CONSIDER THEMSELVES GOOD AT COOKING VS. 60% OF WOMEN

72% OF GEN Z MEN ARE CONFIDENT MAKING **HEALTHY FOOD CHOICES** VS. 63% OF WOMEN

## **ENGRAINED SINCE CHILDHOOD**

61% **PRESSURES OR JUDGED BY** ON THEM SINCE THEIR MOM FOR THEIR CHILDHOOD. FOOD CHOICES.

## SOCIAL MEDIA IS INSPIRING AND ANXIETY-INDUCING

WORRY THEY SPEND TOO MUCH TIME ON SOCIAL MEDIA.

**BELIEVE SOCIAL MEDIA** CONTRIBUTES TO A NEGATIVE BODY IMAGE.

#### SOURCES OF RECIPE IDEAS & INSPIRATION:







37% YOUTUBE

#### CONSUMED WITH PURSUIT OF FOOD



#### THEY DO THINGS THEIR OWN WAY





**LOVE A #GIRLDINNER** AND PIECE TOGETHER SNACKS INTO A MEAL ON A WEEKLY BASIS.

(THE NAME DOESN'T HOLD UP BECAUSE GEN Z MEN AND WOMEN "SNACKIFY" MEALS EQUALLY)

## **DON'T STICK TO A BUDGET**

**REGULARLY SPEND MORE THAN** THEY INTEND TO WHEN DINING OUT.

40% DON'T HAVE A STRICT BUDGET FOR GROCERIES.

**SOMETIMES WORRY THAT THEY** WON'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY FOR FOOD FOR THE WEEK.

## INFLUENCED AND INFLUENCING

70% FOLLOW INFLUENCERS FOR THEIR FOOD CONTENT. 70%

ARE MORE WILLING TO TRUST A FOOD TREND THAT HAS GONE VIRAL.









**SEE THEMSELVES** AS A LEADER, NOT A FOLLOWER.

**TELL FRIENDS AND FAMILY** ABOUT NEW PRODUCTS.

## FEELINGS ABOUT THE FOOD SYSTEM

73%

72%

66%

42%

THINK FOOD COMPANIES ARE GREEDY AND ONLY CARE ABOUT PROFITS.

THINK THE FOOD SYSTEM IS BROKEN. **CAN'T FIND INFORMATION** ABOUT HOW THEIR FOOD IS RAISED.

**DON'T FEEL THAT FOOD COMPANIES UNDERSTAND** THEM.