Driving Innovation in Tortillas through "Better for You" Offerings



Bay State Milling knows Tortillas



Supplying Flours, Whole Grains & Seeds since 1899





What Benefits are Consumers Seeking?

Very interested

Not sure

Council

Health Benefits Sought from Food



50% 60% 30% 40%

Interest in Learning About the Role that Foods and Nutrients Play in Immune Health



71% of consumers with an income of \$35k+ say they are very/somewhat interested (vs. 55% of consumers with an income of less than \$35k)

74% of parents with children under 18 say that they are very/somewhat interested (vs. 64% of those without children under 18)

71% of people who grocery shop online at least once a month say that they are very/somewhat interested (vs. 60% of people who never grocery shop online)





How are they going about it?

40% of consumers followed a specific diet last year:



One in 4 consumers say they are eating more protein from plants vs. a year ago!





Low carb and "keto" diets have grown in popularity. These diets emphasize protein, fiber and fat as a way to efficiently burn fat and promote weight loss.

20%



They want all that "clean" & "simple"



Importance of the Ingredients List to...







"Better for You" is where the growth is!



The **Better For You** (BFY) segment has experienced disproportionate growth within the entire tortilla market – now nearly 25% of total category

BFY subsegments are still shaking out (5-year CAGRs), ordered by value:

- Low Carb: +16.6%
- Whole Wheat: -8.9%
- No Preservative: +12.3%
- Gluten Free: +27.2%
- Organic: +33.3%
- No/Low Fat: -15.1%
- All Other: -7.0%



"Better for You" is where the Profit is!

Due to their purchase frequency and relatively high register ring, tortillas represent a value-enhancing opportunity for branded manufacturers and retailers alike.



PRICE PER OZ.



Source: Bay State Milling proprietary research (2b updated)



Low Carb Lingo

- Low Carb: Lower amount of carbohydrates per serving than a standard food-not defined by FDA.
- Can't make label claim except factual grams of carbs per serving
 Low "Net" Carb: Fiber and sugar alcohols are subtracted from total carbohydrates.
 - Can't make label claim except factual grams of carbs per serving
 - Can't add a line to nutrition facts panel
 - Be realistic-don't go for zero!
- "Keto" or "Atkins" friendly
 - Can be consumed as part of a low carb/high protein diet (~<5g/serving)





How to formulate a Low Carb Tortilla?

Fiber

Fat

Protein





Formulating with Fiber

Fiber is technically a carbohydrate but is not digested and does not contribute to a glycemic response, therefore it does not count towards total carbohydrates in a formulation.

Challenges

- Water absorption management
- Gritty mouthfeel
- Dry or brittle texture

Opportunities

- Reduce total calories
- Make a fiber label claim
- Make a prebiotic benefit claim





Frequent Fibers for Tortillas

	Fiber Type	Source	Content	Labeling/Claim	Sensory	Benefits
· · · · · · · ·	Oat Fiber	Oat Hulls	• 85% TDF	Oat Fiber	Neutral	Clean labelGluten FreeProcess Tolerant
	Modified Wheat Starch	 Wheat flour or starch 	• 85% TDF	 Modified wheat starch 	Neutral	 Process Tolerant Gluten Free*
and the second s	High amylose (fiber) wheat flour HEALTHSENSE [®]	 Proprietary variety of Wheat 	• 35-40% TDF	 Wheat flour High fiber wheat flour 	• Neutral	 Functional flour Whole food or unprocessed Clean label Identity Preserved





Formulating with Protein

Challenges

- Water absorption management
- Flavor
- Shelf Life
- Make a protein claim

Opportunities

- Further reduce carbs
- Consumers love protein
- Make a protein label claim





Popular Proteins for Tortillas

Protein Type	Source	Content	Labeling/Claim	Sensory	Benefits
Pea Protein	Yellow Peas	• 70-90%	 Pea Protein or Pea Protein Isolate 	 Pale yellow color, pea flavor 	No carb contributionGrain & Gluten free
Chickpea Flour	 Whole or dehulled chickpeas 	• 25-30%	 Chickpea or Garbanzo flour 	 Pale yellow color, chickpea flavor 	Whole food flourGrain & Gluten free
High Protein Oat Flour SOWNAKED MINDFULLY FARMED OATS	 Proprietary variety of Naked (hull-less) oats 	• 20%	• Oat flour	 Tan color, toasted oat flavor 	 Whole food flour Heart health claim 50% fewer carbon emissions vs. oats < 5ppm Gluten free Identity Preserved





Protein Claims

Grains and Pulses have complementary amino acids and higher quality together

- Protein content claims are 10-20% of the daily value of 50g/serving
 - 5-10 grams/serving
- Must be <u>high quality</u> protein
 - PDCAAS=Protein Digestibility Corrected Amino Acid Score
 - Amount of limiting essential amino acid vs. reference protein (egg/whey)
- Amount of crude protein X PDCAAS = actual protein per serving for claims



PDCAAS = mg of limiting amino acid in 1 gram of test protein

 $G = \frac{1}{mg \ of \ the \ same \ amino \ acid \ in \ 1 \ gram \ of \ reference \ protein} * Faecal \ digestibility$



Size Matters!

- All claims are based on nutrients contained in the RACC or Reference Amount Commonly Consumed
- RACC for Tortillas is 55 grams
 - Actual sizes range from 45 to 70 grams



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Formulating with Fats

Pros

• Fat can benefit texture, rollability, and shelf life

Cons

- More than 2X calories than carbs or protein
- Additional opportunity for rancidity
- Too much may preclude health claims

Consider using ground oilseeds as a source of fat (and flavor, texture and protein) to enhance your Better for You Tortillas!





Better for You Watch Outs

✓ Manage competition for water between fiber and protein
 ✓ Keep "clean" in mind when specifying ingredients
 ✓ Remember calories still count, even in Keto
 ✓ Remember size matters so formulate around a RACC
 ✓ Zero net carbs doesn't benefit anyone





Conclusions

- There is a growing and changing market for BFY tortillas
- These products are taking share of traditional tortilla's-jump in or lose out!
- Determine the consumer you want to please most and formulate against their needs
- Strike a balance around carbs, protein and fat to win
- Calories and clean label count
- Consult your ingredient supplier to help you scale the curve







Q&A

Appendix-HealthSense Flour

Breakthrough Fiber Source, Directly From the Farm!

HEALTHSENSE®

A proprietary variety of specialty wheat unique to Bay State Milling that offers distinctive value for innovative brands

HIGH FIBER WHEAT FLOUR

Delivers up to **10x the** amount of fiber in a finished product compared to traditional wheat flour

CLEAN LABEL & WHOLE FOOD

Labels simply as wheat, allowing a reduction or replacement of fiber additives

PREBIOTIC POWER

Naturally occurring resistant starch fiber to **nourish gut health**

SENSORY & FUNCTIONALITY

Same great taste, texture and performance of white refined flour with nutritional profile of whole wheat flour







Product Concept: BFY Tortillas

Capitalize on the \$1.9bn tortilla market with a differentiated wheat-based version

6x the FIBER -----• of a traditional tortilla

Promote same -----• GREAT TASTE & FLEXIBLE TEXTURE





TRADITIONAL

	50g	% daily value
Calories	120	
Total Carbohydrate	21g	8%
Dietary Fiber	1g	4%
Protein	3g	
Net Carbs	20g	

IMPROVED NUTRITIONALS *

IMPROVED ROLLABILITY

evaluations

CLEAN LABEL

"wheat flour"

HealthSense labels as

•----- based on internal BSM

	50g	% daily value
Calories	100	
Total Carbohydrate	20g	8%
Dietary Fiber	6g	43%
Protein	4g	
Net Carbs	1 4 g	

*] Based on 100% HealthSens



Nutritional Advantages

Substituting HealthSense Flour for traditional wheat flour in a standard tortilla formula can yield 2-6X more dietary fiber than a traditional flour tortilla, equating to either a "Good Source" (3g/svg) or "Excellent Source of Fiber" (6g/svg) claim.





Processing Advantages

Traditional wheat flour delivers optimal functionality when used in tortilla manufacturing but does not deliver adequate amounts of dietary fiber in the finished product.

In addition to delivering more dietary fiber, HealthSense flour also provides **enhanced functionality**:

- Dough-making characteristics
 - Improves dough **extensibility** (i.e., minimizes dough springback)
 - Improves dough machinability
 - Optimal water absorption to avoid sticking to the tortilla press
- Finished product characteristics
 - Enhanced **rollability** and **foldability** over shelf life
 - No differences in **color** compared to a traditional tortilla
 - No differences in **flavor** or overall eating quality compared to a traditional tortilla
- Better cost-in-use
 - Typical isolated fiber ingredients cost more than \$2/lb, and are not compatible with clean label

Appendix-SowNaked Oats



A Unique Oat Offers Differentiation In Various Applications







- ✓ Whole food protein source
- ✓ Free of Top 8 allergens
- ✓ Available in Sprouted
- ✓ Unique flavor profile, texture
- ✓ Purity Protocol gluten-free





Breakfast foods (granola, oatmeal)

Snacks and convenience (bars, clusters)

Baked goods (inclusions, flours)

Dairy alternatives (milks, yogurts, frozen desserts)



What Are Naked Oats?



Naked Oats, or Avena Nuda, are unique oat cultivars that shed themselves of their hulls during harvest.



Grown from conventionally bred oat varieties that are 40% higher in protein (20% dwb) than standard oats.



Grown in a closed system and identity preserved to each individual farm, then minimally processed.



30% LESS MASS (hull) than traditional oat

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Naked Oats reduce farm storage needs, transportation & fuel, and provide substantially higher returns to growers.



Because Naked Oats are harvested without the hull, energy-intensive steps of hulling and steaming are eliminated, equating to 48% fewer carbon emissions.





CO2e Emissions SowNaked vs. Hulled Oats

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PROCESSING	Steam CO2e		0 miles 0 lbs		618,000 miles 67,000 lbs		



SowNaked Oats CO2e Reduction





