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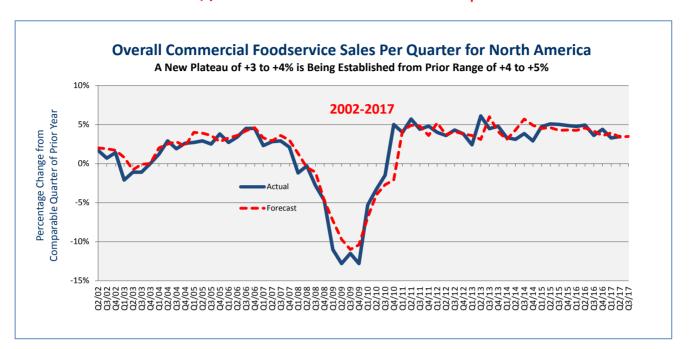
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A New Plateau of +3 to +4% is Being Established from Prior Range of +4 to +5%

The MAFSI Business Barometer for the second quarter of 2017 advanced to +3.5% vs. a forecast of +3.4% and the previous quarter (Q1/17) result of +3.3%. Whereas the MBB had been advancing at the rate of +4 to +5% over the past 3 years, it now has settled into a less vibrant range of +3% to +4%. A new plateau is being established with a Q3/17 forecast of +3.5%. Nevertheless, this still exceeds the general measures of US economic growth of about +2% to +2.6%.

By product type, the Q2/17 overall growth broke down as follows: Equipment and Tabletop +3.6%, Furniture +2.7%, and Supply +2.6%. By region, the gains varied from +6.4% Canada (WOW!), +4.1% South, +3.8% Northeast, +2.6% Midwest, and +1.8% in the West.

This geographic ranking is similar to last quarter's results. Jan/San tracking which was added to our reporting last quarter, showed slower results at +2.4% Equipment, +1.9% Supplies, and -1.1% Disposables. Quoting Activity held its ground at 46% More and only 16% Less while Consultant Activity slowed to 33% from 37% last quarter.

Overall, a slightly downward adjustment is occurring in the marketplace. Positive factors include raising employment to near full, steadily lower gasoline prices, and low interest rates. One negative is a softening of chain restaurant sales, perhaps impacted by retail store closings in shopping centers as a result of soaring ecommerce transactions.

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Qtrly Sales Forecast for North America Q3/17 vs. Q3/16

3.5%

Yearly Sales Forecast for North America 2017 vs. 2016 2016 vs. 2015 4.4% 4.5%

Quoting Activity for Q2/17 vs. Q1/17

More Less No Change
46% 16% 39%

Consultant Activity for Q2/17 vs. Q1/17
More Less No Change
33% 9% 58%

Janitorial & Sanitation for Q2/17 vs. Q2/16
Equipment Supplies Disposables
2.4% 1.9% -1.1%

2nd Quarter 2017 **Overall Sales for North America** Q2/2017 vs. Q2/2016 (Apr 1 - Jun 30) 6% 5% Percentage Change 4% 3.6% 3.6% 3.5% 2.7% 3% 2.6% 2% 1% Equipment Supply **Tabletop Furniture** Overall

*The overall industry sales growth is calculated using a weighted average based on the percentage of the total sales volume for the overall industry represented by the various sales categories: Equipment (77%), Supplies (6%), Tabletop (11%), and Furnishings (6%). Market numbers are based on the North American Association of Food Equipment Manufacturers (NAFEM) biennial "Size & Shape of the Industry" study.



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Q3/17 vs. Q3/16 Sales Percentage Change Forecast by Region

3rd Quarter 2017 compared to 3rd Quarter 2016 (Jul 1 - Sep 30)

Northeast 3.1%

South 4.2% Midwest 2.5%

West 2.9%

Canada 5.4%

2017 vs. 2016 Overall Sales Forecast by Region

Compared to Overall Sales for 2016

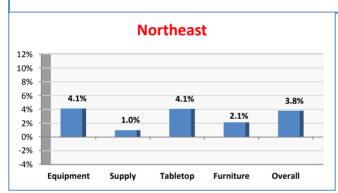
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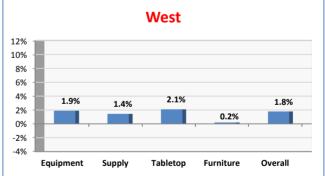
2nd Quarter 2017 Sales Percentage Change by Region

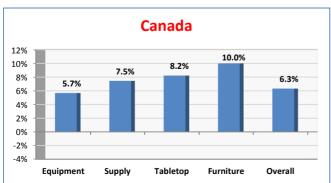
2nd Quarter 2017 compared to 2nd Quarter 2016 (Apr 1 - Jun 30)











NORTHEAST includes the states:

CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VA, VT

SOUTH includes the states:

AL, AR, FL, GA, LA, MS, NC, OK, SC, TN, TX

MIDWEST includes the states:

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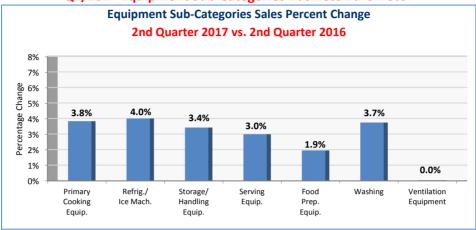
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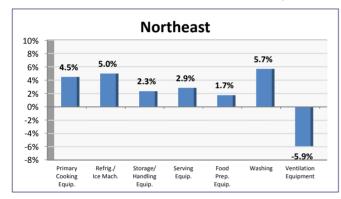
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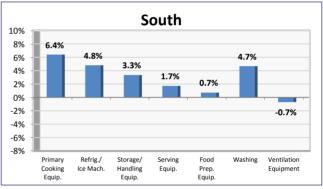
Q2/2017 Equipment Sub-Categories Business Barometer

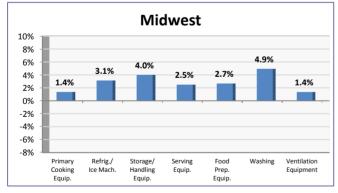


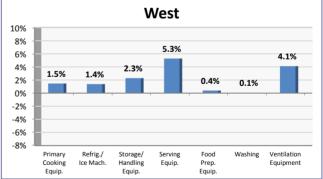
Equipment Sub-Categories Sales Percent Change by Region

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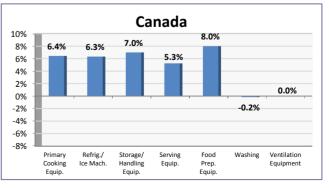
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*The equipment sub-category sales growth is calculated using a weighted average based on the percentage of the equipment sub-category sales volume represented by the various sales categories: Primary Cooking (26%), Refrigeration/ice Machines (32%), Storage/Handling (9%), Serving (16%), Food Prep (7%), Warewashing (10%) from the (NAFEM) biennial "Size & Shape of the Industry" study. Ventilation not weighted.



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Business Barometer Category Product List

Please note: As of q3, 2015, "Menu and Message Boards" (previously calculated in Supplies) are now in Tabletop, and "Thermometers and Temperature Monitoring Devices" (previously in Food Preparation Equipment) are now in Supplies.

MAIN CATEGORIES	
Equipment	Food Preparation Equipment, Primary Cooking Equipment, Refrigeration & Ice Machines, Serving Equipment, Storage & Handling Equipment, Ventilation, Warewashing & Sanitation Equipment
Supplies	Bar Supplies, Buffetware, Can Openers, Cleaning Tools, Colanders, Cookware, Cutting Boards, Knives/Cutlery Blocks/Sharpeners, Mixing Bowls, Pans, Storage, Thermometers/Temperature Monitoring, Textiles (Kitchen), Utensils (Kitchen)
Tabletop	Baskets, Beverage Pitchers/Servers, Buckets (Ice & Wine), Candle Holders/Lamps, Candle & Chafing Fuel, Carafes/Decanters, Chafers, Covers, Dinnerware, Flatware, Glassware/Stemware, Menu Covers, Menu/Message Boards, Salt & Pepper Shakers, Serving Bowls/Plates, Servingware, Trays, Tray Stands
Furniture	Baby-Changing Stations, Bars (Stationary & Mobile), Benches, Booths, Cabinets, Chairs, Coat Racks, Drive Through Windows, Lamps (Dining/Table), Signs, Patio/Outdoor Heaters, Railings & Railings Fittings, Stools, Tables, Table Bases, Table Cloths, Umbrellas
SUB-CATEGORIES	
Primary Cooking Equipment	Braising Pans, Broilers, Charbroilers, Cook-Chill Systems, Fryers, Griddles, Grills, Oil Filtration Systems, Ovens, Panini Grills, Pasta Cookers, Ranges, Rice Cookers, Smokers, Steamers, Tilting Skillets, Toasters
Refrigeration & Ice Machines	Air Curtains, Blast Chillers, Coolers, Doors, Drop-In Pan Chillers, Freezers, Ice Cream Cabinets, Ice Machines, Refrigeration, Refrigeration Compressors, Condensers & Evaporators, Slush/Smoothie Machines, Soft-Serve Ice Cream/Yogurt Machines, Water Filter Systems
Storage & Handling Equipment	Bins, Bus/Tote Boxes, Cabinets, Carts, Conveyor Systems, Covers, Dispensers (non-food), Dollies, Food & Ingredient Canisters & Containers, Hand Trucks/Utility Trucks, Racks, Receiving Scales, Shelving, Tables (Standard Work Tables not Custom Fabricated) (Bakers, Cooks, Makeup, Prep, Etc.)
Serving Equipment	Beverage Dispensers, Carving Stations, Coffee Equipment, Food Dispensers, Food Shields, Merchandisers, Salad Bars/Tabletop Food Bars, Serving/Buffet Lines, Serving Carts, Soup Kettles/Servers, Steam Tables/Hot-Food Tables/Bain Marie, Tea Brewers, Warmers
Food Preparation Equipment	Blenders, Breaders, Bread Slicers, Choppers (Dicers, Graters, Peelers, Non-Bread Slicers), Dough Preparation Equipment, Food Processors, Juice Extractors/Juicing Equipment, Meat Saws, Meat Tenderizers/Marinators, Mixers, Mixer Stands & Tables, Popcorn Carts/Machines, Salad/Vegetable Washers & Dryers, Scales, Slicers, Timers
Warewashing Equipment (please note, as of Q416, Sanitation Equipment is included under Janitorial and Sanitation Equipment)	Booster Heaters, Can Washers, Faucets/Spray Units/Washers/Hoses, Flatware-Handling/Recovery Systems, Floor Troughs & Drains, Pulpers & De-Water Equipment, Racks (Warewashing/Dishwashing Racks), Sinks, Tables (Dish), Warewashing/Dishwashing Machines, Waste Compactors, Waste Disposal Systems

tion App	pliance Connectors, Grease/Exhaust Filters, Grease Interceptors, Fire
Sup	ppression Systems/Fire Extinguishers, HVAC - Exhaust Systems, Fans, Utility
Dist	stribution Systems, Ventilation & Hoods

