



BRC

Global Standard for Food Safety

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GFSI Update



- BRC Food issue 6 benchmarking underway
- BRC Packaging issue 4 benchmarking underway – expected October 2012
- BRC Storage and Distribution ready for benchmarking



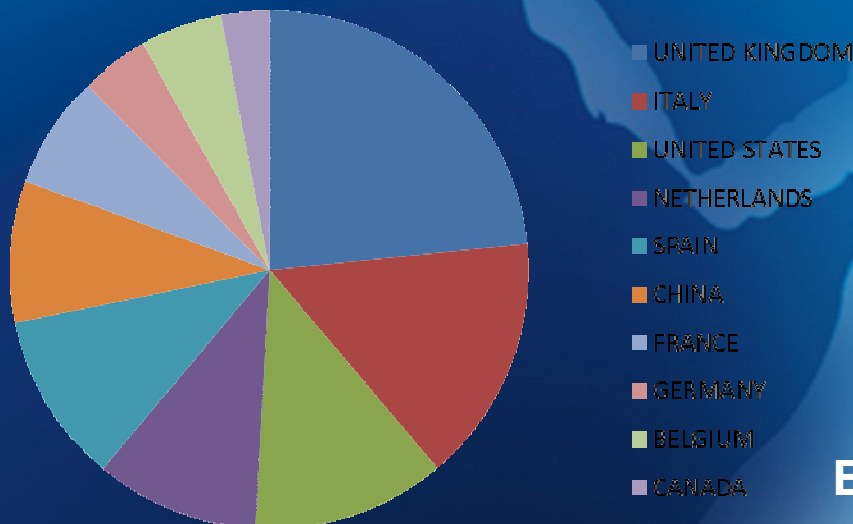
- GFSI benchmarking document issue 6.2

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BRC Position

- Largest and most recognized, over 18,000 certified sites globally
- Over 1,300 auditors
- Leading auditor and certification body calibration and collaboration program

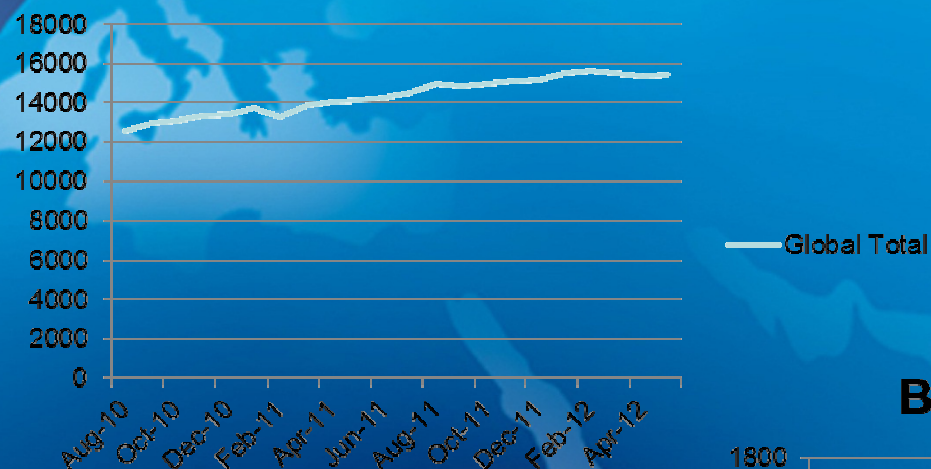


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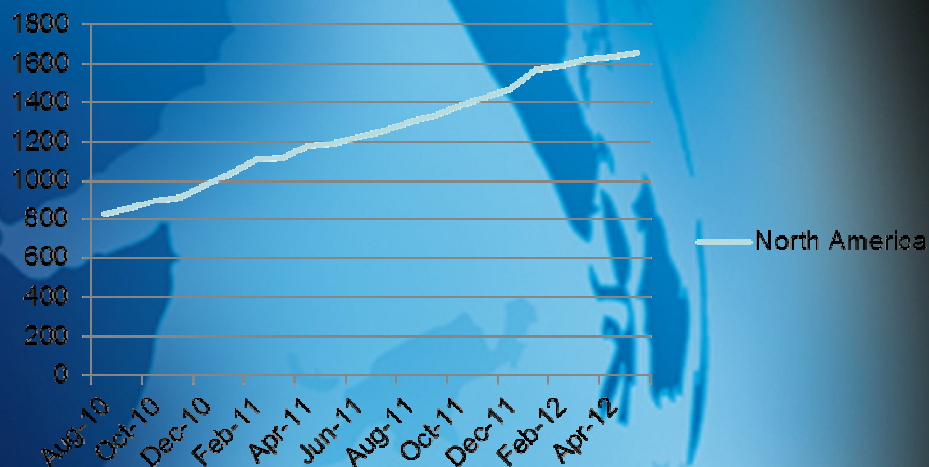


Where BRC is Headed

• BRC Food Globally



BRC Food North America



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BRC Survey

- 91% of BRC certified sites saw improvements and value in certification
- 67% BRC sites saw an increase in business due to certification
- Consistently: fewer overall number of audits, fewer problems, higher quality

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BRC Issue 6 Drivers

- Research into global causes of food safety problems
- Data analysis from BRC Directory
- Technical Advisory Committees
- User feedback (manufacturers, retailers, CB's food service, auditors...)

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Target Areas of Change

- Undeclared allergen and ingredients
- Pathogen contamination
- Foreign material contamination



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Focus for Change

- Allergen management
- Label control
- Vectors of contamination
- Supplier approval and management
- Foreign body detection and removal
- Product and identity claims

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Changing the Audit

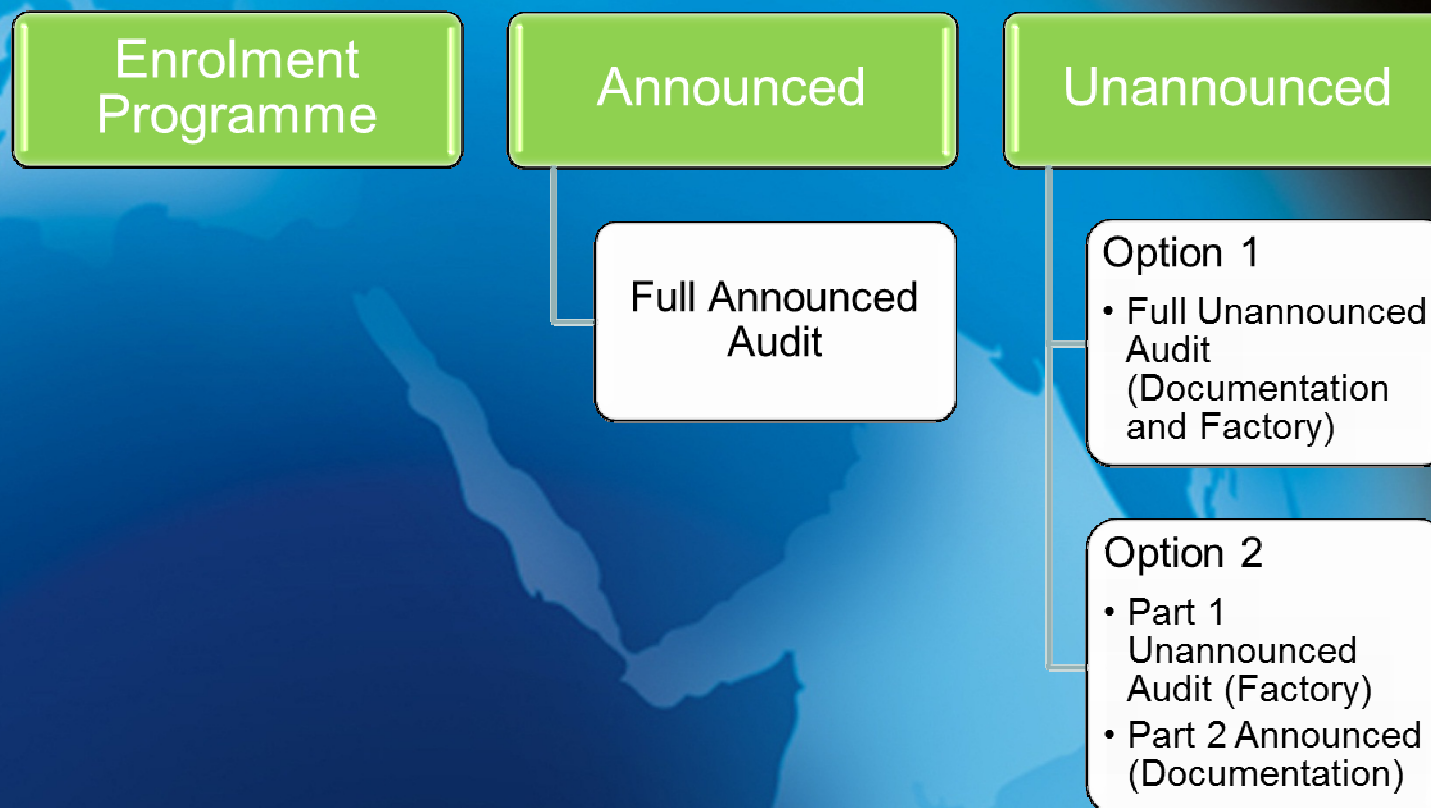
- Interview, observation and challenge
- Increased use of risk analysis
- Emphasis on validation
- Root cause analysis
- Changeovers



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BRC Audit Options



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BRC i6 Changes

- Senior Management Expectations
 - Policy and intent
 - Objectives and targets
 - Root cause analysis

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BRC i6 Changes

- HACCP
 - Prerequisites an HACCP system design
 - Verification of programs
 - Validation of systems n controls

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Supplier Management



Supplier Raw Material & Performance Monitoring

Clause 3.5.1 Management of Suppliers of Raw Materials and Packaging

Clause 3.5.2 Raw Material and Packaging Acceptance and Monitoring Procedure

Clause 3.5.3 Management of Supplier of Services

Clause 3.5.4 Management of Out-sourced Processing

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BRC i6 Changes

- Production risk zones
- Focus on high risk foods
 - RTE, susceptible to pathogen growth
 - Traditionally lower risk foods
 - Prepared raw foods, chocolate, sprouts...

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BRC i6 Changes

- Foreign material prevention
 - internal audits, sensible glass programs
- Foreign material detection
 - Best practice, verification



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Emphasis on Cleaning

- Validation – special focus on allergens
- Defining and measuring “clean”
- Product, process and label change over
- Verification practices

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BRC i6 Changes

Allergens

- Segregation, changeovers, R&D, ingredient controls

Assured Status

- Segregation, changeovers, ingredient controls

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BRC i6 Results

- More rigorous audit
- More sensible audit
- More focused audit
- Risk based expectations
- Improved site performance
- Lower risk throughout the chain
- Increased customer engagement

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Implementation Strategies

- Obtain a copy of the Requirements and Standard
 - Familiarize with expectations
 - Understand evidence required to conform
 - N/A clauses?
 - Training on the Standard and supporting requirements

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Implementation Strategies

- Perform a Gap Analysis
 - Form the implementation team
 - Define resources
 - Obtain commitment from management
 - Outside resources
 - Consultants
 - www.brcdirectory.com

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Implementation Strategies



- Contact your Certification Body
 - Tentative audit date
 - Additional resources
 - Arrange a pre-assessment if needed

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Implementation Strategies



- Build internal systems
- Complete a full internal audit
- Additional site training for employees
- Dispersal of responsibilities
- Improve!

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Implementation Strategies



- Prepare for a successful, efficient audit
- Close non-conformances
- Begin the improvement cycle

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Need Help?



Self-Assessment Tool

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Understanding High Risk and High Care

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Understanding Root Cause Analysis

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Position Statements

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Questions

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