



Q2 Report
JULY 2022

Recall Recap

In Q2 2022 there were:

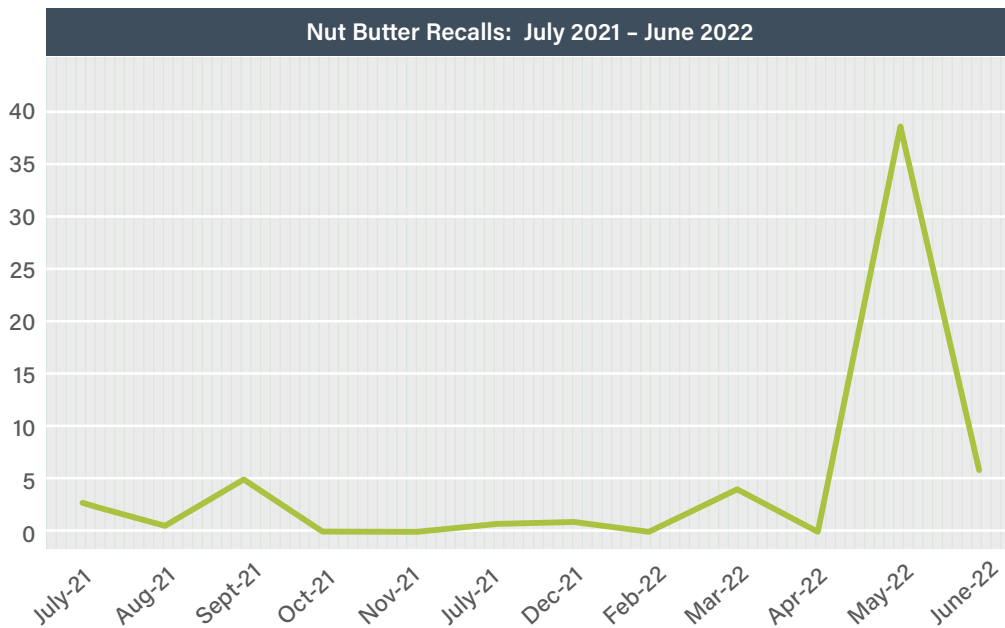
1,561
Food Recalls

116 Class I Recalls
74 Class II Recalls
20 Class III Recalls

254
Non-Food
Recalls

Data Spotlight – Jiff Peanut Butter Recalls Due to *Salmonella*

The number of nut butter recalls have been relatively low over the past year, with an average of two per month since July 2021. We saw a spike in these numbers in May 2022, with 38 recalls related to an outbreak of *Salmonella* in Jiff peanut butter. In addition to jarred peanut butter, Jiff-brand peanut butter was also used as an ingredient in the manufacturing of many other products including fudge, chocolates, and ready-to-eat salads and meals; according to the CDC, there were 16 reported illnesses and two hospitalizations in the U.S. related to this outbreak.



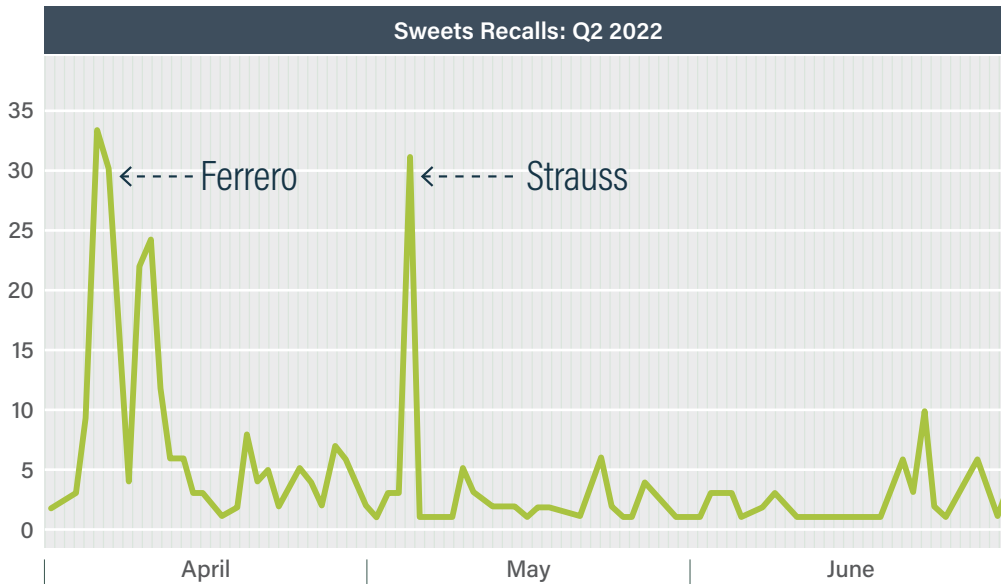
Ethylene Oxide Recalls – Q2 2022:

The presence of Ethylene Oxide in raw ingredients (such as nuts and seeds) as well as processed products (such as bread mixes and crackers) has continued to prompt recalls this year, with FoodTrack reporting more than 46 in Q2. The majority of these reports covered instant noodles, ice cream, and bread products sold across both Europe and Asia.

Sweets Recalled in Large Numbers

Throughout this quarter, we saw multiple recall events impact sweets across the world. In early April, Ferrero U.S.A. Inc voluntarily recalled a number of its Kinder chocolate products due to possible *Salmonella* contamination. While no cases had been reported in the U.S., *Salmonella typhimurium* was found in the Arlon, Belgium facility that manufactured these products, a location already linked to an outbreak of *Salmonella* in Kinder chocolates in multiple European countries. The Belgian Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain (FASFC) suspended production at Ferrero's Arlon factory on April 8, 2022 — as of mid-June, the FASFC gave Ferrero approval to resume production.

Ferrero was not the only sweets manufacturer to experience trouble with a pathogenic outbreak, as Strauss' Elite-brand chocolate products were also recalled in earnest due to a *Salmonella* outbreak in May. Strauss reported that samples with *Salmonella* were found in the factory's production line and in the chocolate being used as a raw material during routine testing. The findings resulted in recalls in Australia, New Zealand, Canada, and multiple European countries in addition to the company's home country of Israel.



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