



Hot Drinks Packaging in China

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KEY DATA FINDINGS

2024 DEVELOPMENTS

Composite containers witnesses growth in hot drinks due to balance between durability and affordability

Packaging innovations for fresh coffee beans and tea drive growth

Smaller pack sizes such as 50g gain share due to affordability and convenience

PROSPECTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Growing popularity of single-serve and eco-friendly packaging in hot drinks in China

Continued high fragmentation, with numerous international and local brands competing to capture share

Hot Drinks Packaging in China - Company Profiles

Packaging Industry in China - Industry Overview

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Packaging in 2024: The big picture

2024 key trends

China's food packaging saw a unified shift towards sustainability and convenience

Portable packaging is trending in non-alcoholic drinks for on-the-go and environmental reasons

PET bottles gain ground in alcoholic drinks packaging driven by portability and sustainability

Rise of e-commerce and eco-consciousness are reshaping beauty packaging

Blister packs boom due to visibility and protection in home care packaging

Premiumisation and convenience drive evolution in dog and cat food packaging in China

PACKAGING LEGISLATION

Anti-excess packaging rules for leaner designs and reduced hidden costs

Advancing safe and sustainable packaging through China's 2024 draft amendments

RECYCLING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Recyclable packaging as part of Mars China's corporate sustainability drive

Table 1 - Overview of Packaging Recycling and Recovery in China: 2023/2024 and Targets for 2025

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