



Energy Drinks in South Korea

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Reduced sugar energy drinks reshapes consumption but regular still dominates

WHAT'S NEXT?

Health consciousness will continue to reshape energy drinks in South Korea

Affordability and authenticity will be important, as seen from the success of Eolbaksa

Diversifying energy drinks to cater to consumers' evolving lifestyles

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Health-conscious consumers fuel premiumisation in soft drinks

Soft drinks embraces cultural trends for growth in South Korea

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Players will move towards premiumisation, eco-packaging, and digital channels

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