

World Market for Soft Drinks

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STATE OF THE INDUSTRY

Price-led growth in global soft drinks, with slower volume and ongoing on-trade recovery

Due to price rises, soft drinks leads other CPG industries in 2023 retail value growth

Prices and premium functional categories drive per capita drinks spending higher in 2023

Middle East, Africa and Asia gradually replacing North America and Europe as growth engine

Asia and MEA driving volume growth, as higher prices offset flat volume in Europe and NA

Reduced sugar drives off-trade growth in carbonates and energy drinks; 100% juice declines

Hydration demand lifts powder concentrates, while RTD coffee struggles with higher prices

Affordability grows consumption in Nigeria and India; US driven by higher value transactions

Major global soft drinks markets split between volume or price-led growth

Limited-service, QSR and street stalls lead on-premise soft drinks recovery

LEADING COMPANIES AND BRANDS

Value-seeking reflected in discounter share and local B-brands rather than private label surge Functional categories and regional value brands fragment global soft drinks share Celsius, Genki Forest and regional economy brands were standout performers in 2023 Soft drinks through e-commerce remain strong, despite price inflation

TOP FIVE TRENDS SHAPING THE INDUSTRY

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Global soft drinks industry reaches a volume tipping point after price rises

Consumers maximise affordability and value across categories and channels

Social media and digital marketing are reshaping innovation within beverages

RTDs, co-branding and mixers, as alcohol forms a bigger slice of "soft" drinks strategy

New formats across functional beverages, particularly in energy and hydration

MARKET SNAPSHOTS

Global snapshot of carbonates

Global snapshot of bottled water

Global snapshot of juice

Global snapshot of energy drinks

Global snapshot of RTD tea

Global snapshot of sports drinks

Global snapshot of RTD coffee

Global snapshot of concentrates

Global snapshot of Asian speciality drinks

Regional snapshot: Asia Pacific Regional snapshot: North America

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