



Soft Drinks Packaging in China

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KEY DATA INSIGHTS

2025 DEVELOPMENTS

Further growth, as the absence of an approved food-contact recycled-PET standard shapes the sustainability agenda

INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Rigid plastic deepens its lead as total soft drinks packaging volumes extend steady growth in 2025

Liquid cartons lead growth while design-for-recycling reshapes PET against a persistent food-contact rPET barrier

The pending recycled-PET food-contact standard and the plastic-pollution framework define the regulatory horizon

WHAT'S NEXT?

Soft drinks packaging volumes set to rise steadily to 2029, led by PET and resilient liquid cartons

Strategic priorities: food-contact-ready recycled PET, lightweight bottles and design-for-recycling

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