

# Transformation of RTD Tea Positioning in Key European Markets

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RTD tea set to post a 3% retail volume CAGR over 2020-2025

RTD tea will continue to grow in Western Europe over the next five years

Category transformation: Pricing strategy evolution

### MAJOR TRENDS AND NPDS

Sugar reduction set to be the most influential trend in soft drinks
Brands use sugar reduction to reposition RTD tea as a healthier drink
European consumers are actively seeking natural and organic products
As a result, RTD tea brands emphasise their natural positioning
RTD tea leverages functionality to address consumer need states
Natural energy boost, botanicals and gut health attract new investment
RTD tea moves from a traditional taste profile to new fusions of flavours
Brands introduce new flavours to revamp RTD tea

## **KEY TAKEAWAYS**

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