

Global Plastic Caps and Closures Market 2026

Market size, segmentation, competitive landscape and outlook

2021-2031

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Indicator	Value
Market size (2025)	USD 47.8 bn
Forecast (2031)	USD 62.7 bn
CAGR (2021-2031)	4.6%
Study period	2021-2031
Largest region	Asia-Pacific · 38.7%
Fastest-growing region	Asia-Pacific · 5.7%
Market concentration	Moderate
Licence	Individual / Company

The global plastic caps and closures market reached USD XXX billion in 2025 and will expand to USD XXX billion by 2031, advancing at a XX% CAGR. Beverage packaging remains the principal demand pool, while dispensing, child-resistant and high-barrier closures generate the strongest value growth. Asia-Pacific accounts for XX% of global revenue and combines large beverage volumes with rapid expansion in packaged food, personal care and pharmaceutical production. Tethered-cap mandates, lightweight neck finishes, mono-material designs and post-consumer recycled resin are reshaping closure specifications and capital spending.

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Executive summary

The global plastic caps and closures market reached USD XXX billion in 2025 and will expand to USD XXX billion by 2031, advancing at a XX% CAGR. Beverage packaging remains the principal demand pool, while dispensing, child-resistant and high-barrier closures generate the strongest value growth. Asia-Pacific accounts for XX% of global revenue and combines large beverage volumes with rapid expansion in packaged food, personal care and pharmaceutical production. Tethered-cap mandates, lightweight neck finishes, mono-material designs and post-consumer recycled resin are reshaping closure specifications and capital spending.

Indicator	Value
Market size 2025	XXX
Forecast 2031	XXX
CAGR	XXX
Largest region	XXX
Fastest region	XXX

Key findings

- The global market generated USD XXX billion in 2025 and will reach USD XXX billion in 2031.
- Asia-Pacific represented XX% of 2025 market value and will expand at a XX% CAGR through 2031.
- Screw-on caps accounted for XX% of market value in 2025, supported by bottled water, carbonated beverages, edible oils and household liquids.
- Beverage applications generated XX% of 2025 revenue, making beverage-filling investment the largest single determinant of closure demand.
- Polypropylene held XX% of market value, reflecting its hinge performance, dimensional stability and suitability for flip-top and dispensing designs.
- Dispensing closures will grow at a XX% CAGR as personal-care, condiments and concentrated household products adopt controlled-dose packaging.
- Plastics Europe recorded XXX tonnes of global plastics production in 2023, of which XXX tonnes came from mechanically or chemically recycled post-consumer plastics.
- The OECD recorded XXX tonnes of global plastic waste in 2019, with packaging responsible for approximately XX% of the total.

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Market size and forecast

Market value by year, USD bn

Indicator	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	CAGR
Market value, USD bn	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Market volume	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Production	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Imports	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Exports	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Apparent consumption	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

Source: XXX

Year-over-year value change

Indicator	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	CAGR
Market value	X%	X%	X%	X%	X%	X%
Production	X%	X%	X%	X%	X%	X%
Imports	X%	X%	X%	X%	X%	X%
Exports	X%	X%	X%	X%	X%	X%

Source: XXX

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Global Plastic Caps and Closures Market Trends and Growth Drivers

Plastic closures sit at the intersection of packaged-goods volume, polymer economics and brand functionality. The underlying unit base is defensive because food, beverages, medicines and household essentials require secure resealing, but the value mix changes quickly as brand owners alter neck finishes, dispensing features and sustainability specifications.

Regulation is accelerating technical renewal. European tethering rules have already changed beverage-cap architecture, while recyclability and recycled-content requirements are directing development toward mono-material structures, removable liners and qualified recycled polyolefins. The result is a larger engineering opportunity even as grams of resin per closure continue to decline.

Competitive advantage increasingly comes from system capability rather than molding capacity alone. Suppliers must coordinate closure geometry, bottle neck, seal performance, application torque, filling-line speed and consumer opening behavior. Global designs still require local production, making regional plants, mold support and customer-site technical teams central to contract retention.

Growth drivers

Packaged beverage volume expansion

Bottled water, ready-to-drink tea, dairy beverages and carbonated soft drinks create exceptionally high closure throughput because every retail unit requires a separate sealing component. Incremental filling capacity in India, China, Southeast Asia and Africa supports demand for lightweight HDPE caps and high-cavitation molding systems.

Tethered-cap conversion

European requirements have accelerated replacement of conventional tamper bands with tethered architectures that remain attached during use. The transition supports mold conversions, patented hinge and slit-band designs, premium engineering services and wider adoption by global beverage platforms.

Premium dispensing functionality

Brand owners are adopting flip-top, disc-top, directional-pour and controlled-dose closures to improve cleanliness and product differentiation. These systems use more complex tooling and command higher unit revenue than standard screw caps, particularly in sauces, beauty products and concentrated detergents.

Pharmaceutical packaging growth

Expanding prescription, over-the-counter and nutraceutical consumption increases demand for child-resistant, senior-friendly and tamper-evident closures. Clean-room capability, validated opening torque and regulatory testing raise qualification barriers and sustain pricing.

Lightweight conversion economics

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Shorter neck finishes and lower closure gram weights reduce resin use, freight costs and packaging emissions across very large beverage runs. Suppliers that combine closure design, mold manufacturing and filling-line validation can capture conversion programs while protecting margins through proprietary designs.

Convenience-led packaging differentiation

One-handed opening, clean pouring, resealability and visible tamper evidence directly influence consumer experience. Food, sports beverage and personal-care brands increasingly use closure functionality to distinguish products without changing the primary container.

Restraints

Resin and energy cost volatility

Polypropylene and polyethylene costs remain linked to petrochemical operating rates, feedstock pricing and regional energy markets. Contract pass-through mechanisms protect large suppliers over time, but rapid movements compress margins and complicate bidding for smaller converters.

Packaging prevention and reuse rules

Waste-prevention targets, refill initiatives and reusable-container systems reduce the number of single-use packaging units required in selected beverage and household categories. The effect is strongest where deposit-return infrastructure and standardized refill formats achieve high consumer participation.

Food-contact recycled resin constraints

Closures require consistent torque, organoleptic performance, migration compliance and stress-crack resistance. Limited supplies of qualified recycled polyolefins and demanding regulatory authorization slow adoption in direct food-contact applications and raise material costs.

Accelerating down-gauging

Closure lightweighting increases units produced per tonne of resin and lowers selling value per thousand closures. Volume growth offsets part of this effect, but mature commodity beverage formats face persistent price and material-efficiency pressure.

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Plastic Caps and Closures Driver and Restraint Impact on the Forecast

Drivers — impact on forecast

Driver	Impact on CAGR	Geography	Horizon
Packaged beverage volume expansion	XXX	XXX	XXX
Tethered-cap conversion	XXX	XXX	XXX
Premium dispensing functionality	XXX	XXX	XXX
Pharmaceutical packaging growth	XXX	XXX	XXX
Lightweight conversion economics	XXX	XXX	XXX
Convenience-led packaging differentiation	XXX	XXX	XXX

Source: XXX

Restraints — impact on forecast

Restraint	Impact on CAGR	Geography	Horizon
Resin and energy cost volatility	XXX	XXX	XXX
Packaging prevention and reuse rules	XXX	XXX	XXX
Food-contact recycled resin constraints	XXX	XXX	XXX
Accelerating down-gauging	XXX	XXX	XXX

Source: XXX

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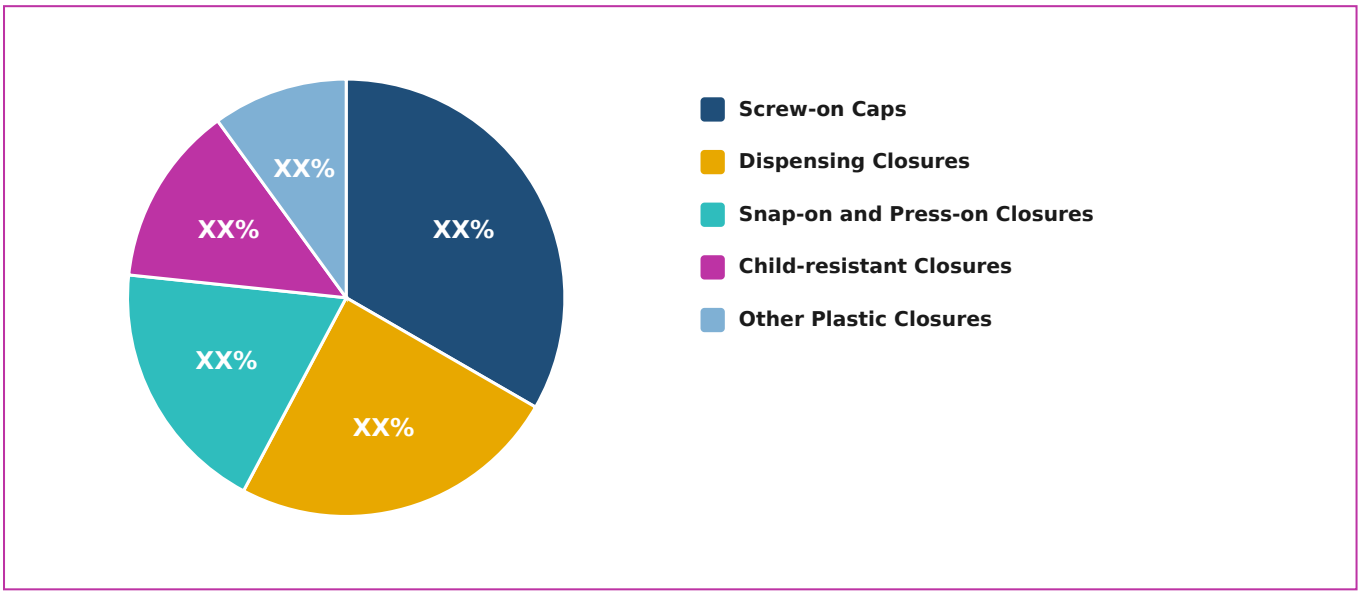
Plastic Caps and Closures Market Segmentation Analysis

By Closure Type

Screw-on caps dominate because they combine high-speed application, reliable resealing and low unit cost across beverages, edible oils and household liquids. Dispensing closures are gaining value share as brands adopt flip-top, disc-top and directional-pour features. Child-resistant closures also outperform the market as pharmaceutical, nutraceutical and household-chemical regulations expand.

Value share by closure Type, 2025



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Value by closure Type, USD bn

Segment	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	Share 2025	CAGR
Screw-on Caps	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Dispensing Closures	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Snap-on and Press-on Closures	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Child-resistant Closures	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Other Plastic Closures	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

Source: XXX

By Material

Polypropylene leads value because its stiffness, fatigue resistance and molding performance suit flip-top and dispensing closures. HDPE remains essential in beverage caps because it provides favorable stress-crack resistance and efficient compression molding. Recycled and bio-attributed materials grow fastest

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from a smaller base as regulatory targets and brand commitments improve commercial qualification.

Value by material, USD bn

Segment	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	Share 2025	CAGR
Polypropylene	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
High-density Polyethylene	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Low-density Polyethylene	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Polyethylene Terephthalate	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Recycled, Bio-attributed and Other Polymers	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

Source: XXX

By Manufacturing Technology

Injection molding supports the broadest range of closure geometries, resins and multi-part features and therefore leads total value. Compression molding is highly competitive for lightweight beverage caps because it offers continuous production, lower processing temperatures and rapid color changes. Slitting, folding, lining and assembly technologies remain critical secondary operations for tamper evidence and sealing performance.

Value by manufacturing Technology, USD bn

Segment	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	Share 2025	CAGR
Injection Molding	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Compression Molding	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Thermoforming and Other Processes	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

Source: XXX

By End-use Industry

Beverage demand is driven by enormous unit volumes and continuous investment in water, carbonated drinks, dairy and ready-to-drink products. Personal care and household products contribute a richer product mix through flip-top and controlled-dose systems. Pharmaceutical and healthcare applications grow fastest because of medicine consumption, nutraceutical demand and stringent child-resistant and tamper-evident requirements.

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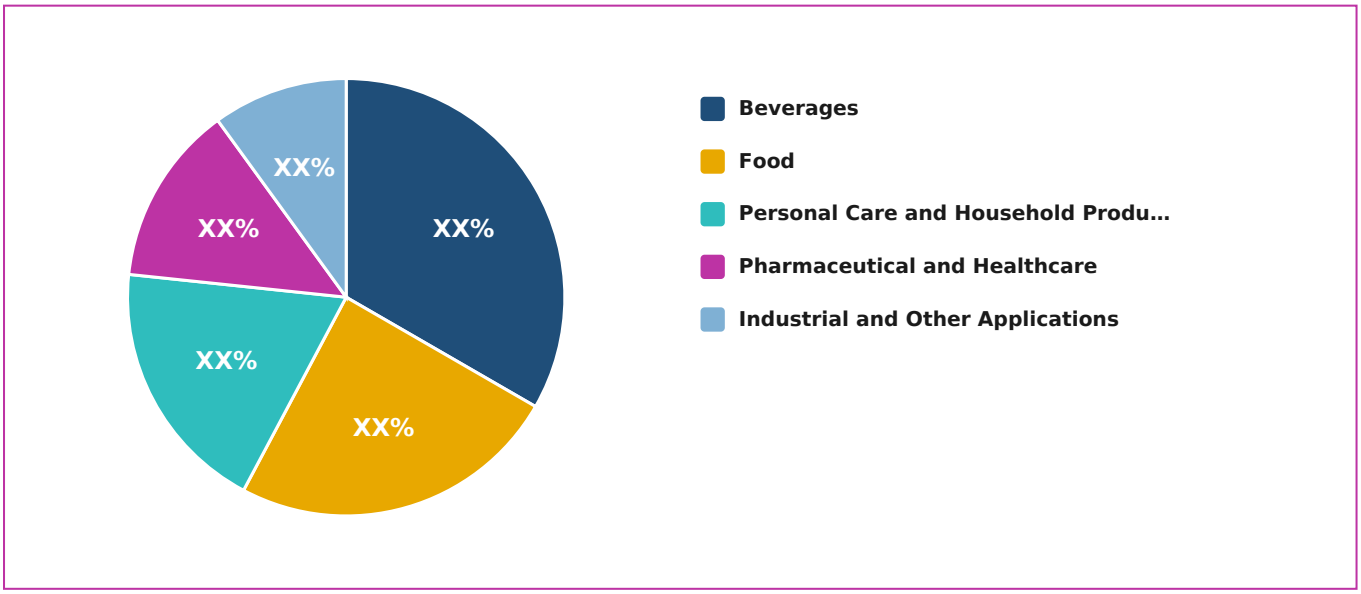
Value share by end-use Industry, 2025



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Value by end-use Industry, USD bn

Segment	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	Share 2025	CAGR
Beverages	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Food	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Personal Care and Household Products	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Pharmaceutical and Healthcare	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Industrial and Other Applications	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

Source: XXX

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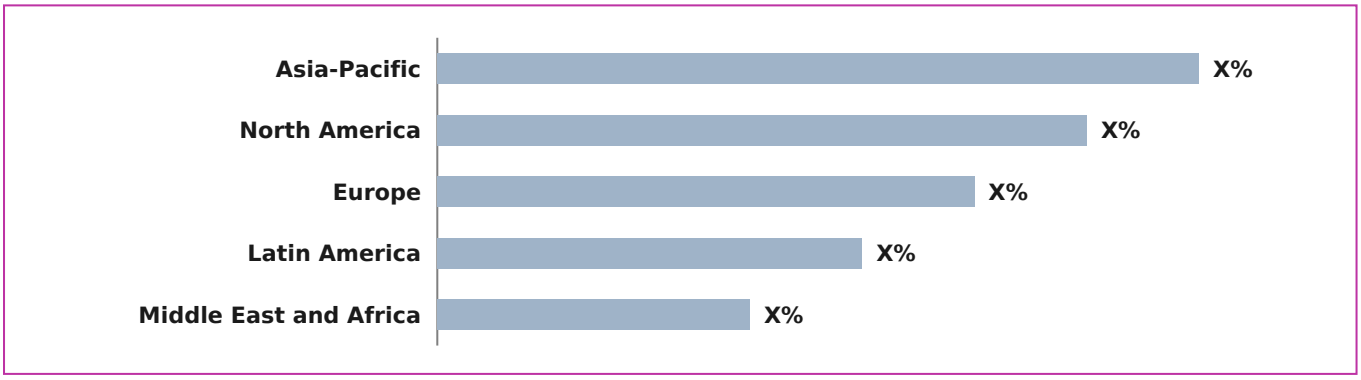
Plastic Caps and Closures Market Regional Analysis and Country Outlook

Asia-Pacific generated XX% of global revenue in 2025 and will remain both the largest and fastest-growing region. China combines extensive resin, mold and closure manufacturing with the world's largest regional base of packaged-food and beverage production, while India and Southeast Asia supply the strongest incremental unit demand. Multinational suppliers are adding local tooling, technical service and in-plant production to compete with regional converters on cost and lead time.

North America and Europe together represented XX% of market value in 2025. North America benefits from high closure value per unit, large carbonated beverage and bottled-water systems, and premium dispensing demand in personal care and household products. Europe is the principal regulatory innovation market: tethered caps are established across sub-three-litre beverage containers, and Regulation (EU) 2025/40 is directing investment toward recyclability, recycled content, packaging minimization and standardized labeling.

Latin America and the Middle East and Africa remain smaller value pools but offer substantial unit growth. Brazil and Mexico anchor Latin American beverage and food demand, while Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and South Africa support investment in water, dairy and household-product packaging. Regional success depends on localized production because caps are freight-sensitive and beverage customers require rapid technical support.

Growth rate by region, 2025-2031



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Market value by region, USD bn

Region	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	Share 2025	CAGR
Asia-Pacific	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
North America	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Europe	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Latin America	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Middle East and Africa	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

Source: XXX

Market value by leading country, USD bn

Country	2025	2031	Share 2025	CAGR
United States	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Germany	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
United Kingdom	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Belgium	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Netherlands	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Japan	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
China	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Mexico	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

Source: XXX

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Plastic Caps and Closures Market Competitive Landscape and Company Share

The market is moderately concentrated at the global level and fragmented within individual countries. Amcor, Silgan Holdings, AptarGroup, ALPLA, BERICAP and Closure Systems International combine multi-region production with proprietary designs, while hundreds of regional injection molders compete in standard screw caps and industrial closures. Scale advantages arise from high-cavitation tooling, resin procurement, quality systems and the ability to locate manufacturing inside or adjacent to customer filling plants.

Consolidation has strengthened the leading packaging groups. Amcor completed its combination with Berry Global in April 2025, creating a broader rigid-packaging and closures platform, while Silgan acquired Weener Packaging to expand dispensing and specialty closures. ALPLA has built a dedicated ALPLAinject platform and added Heinlein Plastik-Technik and KM Packaging, extending its reach in pharmaceutical, tube and dispensing closures.

Competitive differentiation is moving toward tethered systems, mono-material dispensing, liner elimination, lightweight neck finishes and food-contact recycled polymers. Leading suppliers increasingly sell a complete conversion package covering closure design, mold modification, filling-line trials, torque validation and regulatory documentation. Producers unable to fund platform tooling or regional technical support face increasing exposure to commodity pricing.

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Leading companies

Company	HQ	Est. revenue 2025	Market share 2025	YoY
Amcor plc	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Silgan Holdings Inc.	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
AptarGroup, Inc.	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
ALPLA Group	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
BERICAP Holding GmbH	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Closure Systems International	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
UNITED CAPS	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Guala Closures S.p.A.	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Weener Plastics	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Mold-Rite Plastics LLC	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Phoenix Closures, Inc.	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
Georg MENSHEN GmbH & Co. KG	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

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Plastic Caps and Closures Market Forecast and Strategic Opportunities

Through 2031, market growth will be led by packaged-beverage units in Asia-Pacific and higher-value functionality across healthcare, personal care and food. Standard screw caps will retain the majority of revenue, but dispensing and child-resistant formats will outpace the market as brands prioritize dosing accuracy, safety and premium shelf presentation.

The central forecast assumes steady packaged-goods volumes, continued lightweighting and orderly pass-through of polymer costs. Faster adoption of qualified recycled polyolefins and connected tamper-evidence systems provides upside, while aggressive refill penetration and packaging-prevention rules create the principal downside to single-use unit demand.

Winning suppliers will combine local manufacturing economics with global platform designs. Investment will concentrate on high-cavitation compression and injection molding, vision inspection, digital quality control, clean-room production and design-for-recycling expertise. Partnerships with bottle, preform, resin and filling-equipment suppliers will become more important as closure performance is optimized at complete-package level.

Opportunities

- Food-contact recycled polypropylene and recycled HDPE closures
- Mono-material dispensing systems without silicone valves or foil liners
- Child-resistant closures for nutraceuticals, cannabis and household chemicals
- Digital tamper evidence and connected anti-counterfeit closures
- Local production hubs serving African and Southeast Asian filling capacity
- Closures optimized for reusable, refillable and concentrated-product packaging

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