Market Study: Food Packaging - Europe
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The study examines the European market for food packaging. Beverages are not considered. The analysis includes packaging made of plastics, paper and cardboard (including corrugated board), metal and glass. The demand for food packaging will be analyzed for 12 applications (Bakery and Pastry, Ready-Made Meals, Fresh Fruits and Vegetables, Chilled and Frozen Food, etc.) and 16 types of packaging (such as films, bags, cans, caps and closures). The market for plastic food packaging for the 8 countries with the largest sales volume will be divided into individual types of plastic (polyethylene, polypropylene, PET, and other plastics). The study also considers secondary and transport packaging which is used as the outer packaging and for transporting food. Ceresana expects the European market for food packaging to reach a volume of 38.2 million tonnes in 2022.

**Complex Trends Determine the Market**

The market for food packaging is determined by a large variety of trends. Materials are replaced by others, for example metal by plastics. In the Plastics segment, individual types of plastics are gaining in importance at the expense of others. At the same time, new and innovative types of packaging and technologies are developed, such as stand-up pouches, modified atmosphere packaging, intelligent packaging, high barrier film, shelf-ready packaging. Dynamics in individual applications vary depending on the sector and country and are influenced by regulations and consumer trends. The consumer behavior and expectations are changing due to new technologies, an improved access to information, social trends as well as new distribution channels. All this is having an impact on the way of packaging food. Manufacturers are confronted with having to find a way of meeting all these requirements.

**Increasing Amount of Packaging Made of Bioplastics**

The market for bioplastics is rapidly growing. Packaging solutions, especially single-use food packaging, will have a great potential for the usage of bioplastics. In Europe, the demand for bioplastics in the packaging industry is expected to increase by more than 15% p.a. As the term sustainability is clearly gaining in importance for evermore consumers, the demand volume of packaging solutions that are considered to be environmentally friendly will experience strong growth rates. This also includes packaging solutions made of recycled plastics. To some degree, paper packaging can profit from this trend as well. However, sustainability alone is not enough. Glass packaging, for example, is considered to be sustainable, but its European demand will fall by more than 1% p.a. over the next years.

**Smart Packaging for Smart Consumers**

Consumers expect lightweight and practical packaging, a long shelf life, complete information about the packaged product and an appealing design. The industry is steadily launching new products and technologies and is on the right track to meet the requirements laid down by consumers. Stand-up pouches are used in more and more areas in order to reduce the packaging weight and resource deployment. The shelf life of food can be extended by modifying the gas composition inside the package. This method is called modified atmosphere packaging (MAP). All in all, consumers are better informed and wish to have as many details about the product as possible.

**Convenience is the Key**

The development of individual food segments is having an influence on the type and demand volume of packaging. Here, the domestic production volume of the particular food product is playing an important role as many of them are packaged right or shortly after they have been manufactured or harvested. The output in turn is often strongly influenced by domestic demand in the respective country. Therefore, both figures are relevant for the market analysis. Packaging demand for chilled and frozen food as well as for ready-made meals is expected to experience the highest growth rates. The reason for this is the growing orientation of consumers towards convenience food. The sales volume of packaging for canned and preserved food, however, is dropping. The dynamic of the packaging market can vary strongly in the individual food segments according to the material and type of packaging.

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In 2014, the segment Packaging Films recorded the largest market share in the area of plastic food packaging. Here, PE and PP were the most important types of plastics accounting for X or X tonnes. The demand for rigid containers made of PP amounted to X tonnes. In the future, rigid containers made of PET will experience the most dynamic growth rate of X% p.a.

Chapter 1: Extensive market data on Europe and 22 countries:
- Market split by 4 materials, 16 types of packaging as well as 12 applications
- Materials split individually by type of packaging and application
- Facts for the 8 largest European markets: types of packaging split by individual types of plastics

Chapter 2: Demand for food packaging for each of the following 12 applications, split by 22 individual countries:
- Spreads
- Bakery and Pastry
- Ready-Made Meals
- Fresh Meat and Fish
- Breakfast Cereals
- Chilled and Frozen Food
- Canned and Preserved Food
- Dairy Products
- Fresh Fruits and Vegetables
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- Confectionery and Snacks
- Dry Food
- Others

Table: Demand for paper and cardboard food packaging in Turkey from 2006 to 2022 - split by type of plastic

Table: Demand for plastic food packaging in Turkey from 2006 to 2022 – split by type of material

Table: European demand for food packaging in the Ready-Made Meals segment from 2006 to 2022 – split by major countries

In the area of Chilled and Frozen Food, more and more different ready-made snacks are being produced. Packaging is to be as lightweight as possible so that the food can

2.3 Ready-Made Meals

This category includes all types of food that are ready for consumption and only have to be heated and/or mixed with water. Instant soups belong to ready-made meals as well. Products of the conventional gastronomy do not count among this category.
3.1. Plastic Food Packaging

During the past eight years, European demand for plastic food packaging rose by an average of X% per year. About X% of the European consumption volume in 2014 were used in Germany. Recording a demand volume of slightly more than X tonnes, Germany ranked first, followed by Italy and France. The highest relative increase at rates of X% p.a. between 2014 and 2022 is forecast for Russia. The least dynamic development is anticipated for Spain. In total, we expect European demand for plastic food packaging to reach a volume of about X tonnes by 2022. This constitutes an average growth rate of X% per year between 2014 and 2022.

Graph: European demand for plastic food packaging from 2006 to 2022 – split by types of packaging

3.1.1 Packaging Film (Primary Packaging)

In 2014, about X million tonnes of primary packaging film was used in the food segment in Europe. In the past eight years, demand rose at an average rate of X% per year. About X% of European demand in 2014 were recorded in Germany that processed X tonnes.

Chapter 3: Demand in 22 countries, split by material and individual types of packaging within the material groups:

- **Plastics**
  - Packaging Film (Primary Packaging)
  - Bags and Sacks
  - Shrink / Stretch Films
  - Rigid Containers
  - Caps & Closures
- **Paper and Cardboard** (including Corrugated Board)
  - Bags and Sacks
  - Labels
  - Other Packaging Papers
  - Corrugated Board Packaging
  - Solid Board Packaging
- **Metal**
  - Cans
  - Tubes
  - Other Containers
  - Caps & Closures
  - Film and Barrier Layers
- **Container Glass**

Table: European demand for plastic packaging film in the food segment from 2006 to 2022 - split by countries

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