

Hot Drinks in Belgium

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Value growth reflects premiumisation and price rises

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INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Volume sales remain stable but stagnant, while current value sales register robust increase Local consumers continue to enjoy hot drinks in their daily lives, despite price rises Premiumisation trend continues apace in 2025

WHAT'S NEXT?

Value growth expected to remain steady and robust in the years ahead Focus on personalisation and added value, likely as players vie for share Landscape is one of incremental evolution, rather than transformation

COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

Nestlé continues to lead overall sales thanks to widespread popularity of its key brands Private label benefits from price consciousness in an inflationary environment

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