

# Concentrates in South Korea

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Navigating the shift to RTD products through innovation and e-commerce

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Liquid concentrates sees the better performance in 2025 thanks to apple cider vinegar beverages

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Navigating decline with healthier variants and customisation

Players will continue to adapt as traditional kombucha faces challenges

Brands innovate traditional favourites for health-conscious Koreans

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Teazen faces double-digit volume decline amidst shifting consumer preferences

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Health trends and channel shifts are reshaping soft drinks

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Health trends drive polarisation amidst static volumes Inflation fuels shift to private label and varied pack sizes Health-conscious consumers fuel premiumisation in soft drinks Soft drinks embraces cultural trends for growth in South Korea

# WHAT'S NEXT?

Health awareness and regulation to reshape soft drinks in South Korea Players will move towards premiumisation, eco-packaging, and digital channels

#### COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

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