

# The World Market for Hot Drinks

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A spike in value sales in 2024 hides increasingly concerning volume challenges
Spending growth is positive outside of a handful of mature European markets
Coffee dominates hot drinks spending although tea has the edge in consumption
Asia Pacific is the largest region, but Latin America leads growth
Premium products face challenges admit a high cost of living

## COMPANIES AND PRODUCTS

Nestlé retains a wide lead in a largely stable market landscape

Argentine and Turkish companies grow the fastest due to inflationary distortions

Fragmented tea; consolidated coffee

Innovation slows down as consumers pull back and interest rates stay high

Sustainability challenges will confront the industry in 2025 (and beyond)

#### **CHANNELS**

E-commerce gradually taking market share from bricks-and-mortar channels Asia Pacific and North America drive global e-commerce gains

## **FUTURE OUTLOOK**

Fresh coffee is the key to growth in most of the world's regions

Brazil leads as developing markets become significantly more important

Volume growth is nearly exclusively now from developing countries

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China and India are the largest sources of unmet potential for the industry

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