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2023 key trends

Brick liquid cartons gain popularity for nutritious baby food options

Small hot drink packs are popular for their convenience, affordability and single servings

Glass bottles are the preferred choice for brandy and cognac

HDPE bottles are favoured for affordable skin care products

Plastic pouches rise in popularity for cost-effective detergent packaging

PACKAGING LEGISLATION

Waste Act 2008 promotes sustainable packaging waste management

EPR holds producers accountable for the full lifecycle of packaging

Producers must report waste management to ensure regulatory compliance

RECYCLING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Community initiatives boost recycling awareness and accessibility

Recycling reduces waste and aligns with national sustainability goals

Infrastructure challenges persist, but innovation offers improvement opportunities

Table 1 - Overview of Packaging Recycling and Recovery in South Africa: 2021/2022 and Targets for 2023

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