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About This Report

Scope & Method

This report forecasts to 2021 bulk packaging demand in nominal US dollars at the manufacturer level in Canada. Total demand is segmented by product in terms of:

- film wrap
- shipping sacks
- other flexible bulk packaging such as flexible intermediate bulk containers
- pails
- drums
- other rigid bulk packaging such as rigid intermediate bulk containers

Total demand is also segmented by market as follows:

- food and beverages
- chemicals and pharmaceuticals
- other nondurable goods such as agricultural and horticultural products
- durable goods and other markets such as hazardous waste management

To illustrate historical trends, total demand is provided in annual series from 2006 to 2016; the various segments are reported at five-year intervals for 2006, 2011, and 2016.

Excluded from the scope of this report are nonpackaging applications for textile sacks, such as money bags and sand bags for flood control; pallets and wood containers; and corrugated and solid fiberboard containers other than bulk boxes and corrugated rigid intermediate bulk containers. The report also excludes cans, bottles, jars, and tubs used for the retail packaging of bulk sizes of foods and other consumer goods.

This report quantifies trends in various measures of growth and volatility. Growth (or decline) expressed as an average annual growth rate (AAGR) is the least squares growth rate, which takes into account all available datapoints over a period. The volatility of datapoints around a least squares growth trend over time is expressed via the coefficient of determination, or r^2 . The most stable data series relative to the trend carries an r^2 value of 1.0; the most volatile – 0.0. Growth calculated as a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) employs, by definition, only the first and last datapoints over a period. The CAGR is used to describe forecast growth, defined as the expected trend beginning in the base year and ending in the forecast year. Readers are encouraged to consider historical volatility when assessing particular annual values along the forecast trend, including in the forecast year.

For any given historical year, US dollar amounts are obtained from values expressed in the applicable local currency. These local currency values are converted to US dollars at the

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average annual exchange rate for that year. For forecast years, the US dollar amounts assume the same annual exchange rate at that prevailing in 2016. All value figures cited are in US dollars unless otherwise specified. Key macroeconomic indicators are also provided with quantified trends. Other various topics, including profiles of pertinent leading suppliers, are covered in this report. A full outline of report items by page is available in the Table of Contents.

Sources

Bulk Packaging: Canada (FA30052) is based on *Global Bulk Packaging*, a comprehensive industry study published by The Freedonia Group. Reported findings represent the synthesis and analysis of data from various primary, secondary, macroeconomic, and demographic sources including:

- firms participating in the industry, and their suppliers and customers
- government/public agencies
- national, regional, and international non-governmental organizations
- trade associations and their publications
- the business and trade press
- indicator forecasts by The Freedonia Group
- the findings of other reports and studies by The Freedonia Group

Specific sources and additional resources are listed in the Resources section of this publication for reference and to facilitate further research.

Industry Codes

Table 5 | Industry Codes Related to Bulk Packaging

NAICS/SCIAN 2007		SIC	
North American Industry Classification System		Standard Industrial Classification	
314911	Textile Bag Mills	2393	Textile Bags
322211	Corrugated and Solid Fiber Box Mfg	2653	Corrugated and Solid Fiber Boxes
322214	Fiber Can, Tube, Drum, and Similar Products Mfg	2655	Fiber Cans, Tubes, Drums, and Similar Products
326112	Plastics Packaging Film and Sheet Mfg	2671	Packaging Paper and Plastics Film, Coated and Laminated
326199	All Other Plastics Product Mfg	3089	Plastics Products, NEC
332439	Other Metal Container Mfg	3412	Metal Shipping Barrels, Drums, Kegs, and Pails

Source: US Census Bureau

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Global Bulk Packaging, March 2018

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Global Pharmaceutical Packaging, January 2018

Protective Packaging Market in the US, November 2017

Stretch & Shrink Film Market in the US, September 2017

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