

Glass packaging market to witness enhanced F&B till 2020

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The key market players operating the market include Saint-Gobain, Owens Illinois Inc., Vetropack, Gerresheimer, and Ardagh were found to dominate the sector in 2015 and accounted for more than 33%. Few more participants include Tamron Co., Ltd., Piramal Glass Limited. Hindusthan National Glass & Industries Ltd., Amcor, Bormioli Rocco SpA, Stölzle-Oberglas GmbH, Nihon Yamamura, Koa Glass Co. Ltd., Wiegand-Glas, and Vidrala SA. The global industry is vastly fragmented in light of the existence of various medium and small sized companies. Numerous participants have to abide by the EU, the U.S. EPA and FDA regulations concerning to usage, disposal of glass and manufacturing.