Oppportunities in Lubricants: China Market Analysis

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Forecasts to 2023

Lubricant demand hit rock bottom back in 2015, due to the economic slowdown and capacity reduction. Since then, recovery has been aided by the anti-overloading regulation and increasingly stringent emission regulation covering commercial vehicles, infrastructure development, implementation of the “One Belt One Road” policy, and a reduction in the purchase tax on small-sized passenger cars. However, volume growth continues to be challenged by such factors as the growth of electric vehicles, an unstable export market, and the increasing use of long drain interval lubricants. Besides declining growth, automotive lubricant markets are being transformed by the growth of e-commerce platforms. This study provides a comprehensive analysis of the Chinese lubricants market, focusing on key trends, developments, challenges, business opportunities, and major suppliers.

This Report Will Help Subscribers to:

- Understand the current and future Chinese lubricants market
- Understand the impact of emerging regulations on the lubricants market
- Understand the impact of changes in lubricant distribution channels
- Evaluate the impact of electric vehicles
- Understand customer expectations and purchasing criteria and how they will change over the next five to 10 years
- Identify end-use segments and product categories with the most opportunities
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Suppliers
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- Chevron
- ExxonMobil
- Fuchs Petrolub
- PetroChina
- Shell
- Sinopec
- Tongyi
- Total
- Valvoline
- Other suppliers
Scope

Opportunities in Lubricants: China Market Analysis provides a detailed and independent appraisal of the complex and fast-growing lubricant market in China. The study identifies market opportunities and challenges for lubricant blenders and marketers in China. Key insights provided in the report include the following:

- Lubricant demand by market segment and product category
- Analysis of different end-use markets, sales channels, and fleet types
- Analysis of different product categories
- Commentary on government regulations and impact on product quality
- Profile of leading lubricant marketers
- Analysis of demand drivers and market outlook
- Evaluation of market opportunities and challenges

Key Benefits

This report assists lubricant blenders, marketers, and other market participants in identifying opportunities and challenges within the industry. It also serves as an invaluable tool in the strategic planning process. Specifically, the report helps subscribers:

- Develop business strategies by understanding the trends and developments that are shaping the Chinese lubricant market
- Understand market trends, regulations, and quality evolution in the Chinese lubricants market
- Understand economic and other market drivers and the impact on demand outlook
- Design and develop products and marketing strategies for key end-use industries by assessing unmet needs and barriers to entry
- Identify end-use markets and applications with high potential for growth and the challenges and barriers for catering these opportunities
- Understand the competitive landscape
- Evaluate key market opportunities and challenges
Methodology

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- Government agencies
- Retailers
- Suppliers
- Trade organizations

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