# OPTIMIZING PCMO PORTFOLIO IN THE RAPIDLY CHANGING CHINA MARKET

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The study is a comprehensive analysis of how PCMO performance levels and grades will evolve in the future in Mainland China. While the market has been adopting low-viscosity products for some time, tracking their penetration over time is not straightforward.

This analysis uses recommendations from over 150 OEMs across 2,500 models for the past 12 years in China to accurately forecast the performance level and viscosity grade mix of the PCMO market over the next five years.

#### Scope

- Analyzing trends in OEM engine oil recommendations
  - Trends over time
  - Trends by OEM heritage (Chinese, Japanese, Korean, European, and North American)
  - Trends by vehicle type (sedan, SUV, and MPV)
- Analyzing current and future engine oil consumption by performance level and viscosity grade at an overall level
- Analyzing current and future engine oil by viscosity grade and by channel
- Evaluating competitive landscape to understand market share at an overall level and by major viscosity grade in the OEM and aftermarket channels
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- Overall demand by performance level and viscosity grade
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  - OEM (factory fill and franchised workshop)
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Geographic market analysis:

- Current demand and growth by city and region
- OEM trends and market share by city and region
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- Market outlook by geography

#### **Market Evaluation**

- Market evolution by quality level and viscosity grade
- Volume- versus value-driven portfolio
- Target channels for specific viscosity grades
  - OEMs
  - Aftermarket
    - IWS
    - 020
    - Other



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# **SUBSCRIBER BENEFITS**

This report serves as an excellent resource for understanding how OEM engine oil recommendation are changing and how they will impact the overall PCMO market in terms of viscosity grades and quality levels, and which viscosity grades will lead in which channel.

Understand trends in OEM engine oil recommendations and how they change in terms of OEM geographic heritage and type of vehicle

Understand how the penetration of viscosity grades will change over time in the overall market and among different channels

Evaluate your market position, and modify your portfolio by targeting highmargin or high-volume

products

#### Methodology

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