

DOMESTIC PRODUCTION

Mexico is practically self sufficient in polyvinyl chloride but imports all its consumption of polypropylene and most of the special application and engineering resins. Total installed capacity of plastic resins in Mexico is presently set at 1.6 million tons. Other important resins produced locally include polystyrene, high-density polypropylene, vinyl resins and urea resins.

STRUCTURE OF THE MEXICAN MARKET FOR
LOW DENSITY POLYETHELENE

<u>Market</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>	<u>Process used</u>
- Cable Covering	0.5	Telephone	Extrusion
- Flexible Hermetic Packaging	0.5	Medicines/Cosmetics	Lamination
- Tubing	4.5	Conduit	Extrusion
- Inner Coatings of Containers	4.5	For liquids (principally milk)	Lamination
- Domestic appliances	6.0	Toys, ornaments, containers	Injection
- Industrial film	8.0	Ind. containers bags	Extrusion
- Transparent film	76.0	Commercial packaging liners	Extrusion and blown

STRUCTURE OF MEXICAN MARKET FOR
HIGH-DENSITY POLYETHELENE

<u>Market</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>	<u>Process used</u>
- Home appliances	36.5	Dishes, pails etc.	Injection
- Industrial containers high capacity	18.6	Drums and similar	Blown
- Boxes	12.0	Soft drink cases and similar	Injection
- Games	8.0	Toys	Injection
- Food Packaging	6.2	Home kitchen containers and milk containers	Injection and Blown
- Industrial	6.0	Cables, Profiles, Filaments	Extrusion
- Pharmaceutical	5.0	Containers and Packaging of Medicines	Blown
- Medium capacity containers	4.0	Bottles for bleaches and similar	Blown
- Irrigation	2.0	High pressure piping	Extrusion
- Other	1.7		