

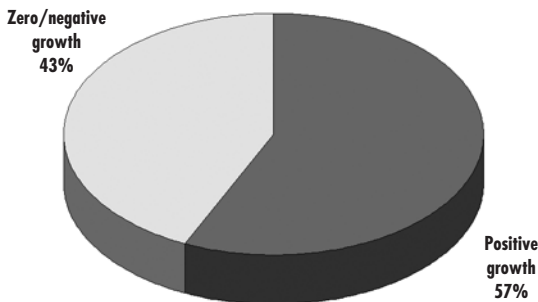
An up-to-date report on the changing dynamics of industrial blow molding and prospects for future growth

# INDUSTRIAL BLOW MOLDING:

## *Changing Industry Structure And Growth Dynamics*

Challenged by sliding volumes in the automotive sector and rampant industry concentration, industrial blow molders have been forced to face change and seek new opportunities – including those in packaging. While industry volume growth has remained flat at 3 percent annually from 2000-2005, new prospects are spurring optimism for the years ahead.

### ***Expectations of Growth Among the Industrial Blow Molders, 2006***



This telling new study, *Industrial Blow Molding: Changing Industry Structure & Growth Dynamics*, captures the many challenges and opportunities facing this diverse industry segment. Researched and written by economist Peter Mooney and Plastics Custom Research Services, the report provides a timely and cogent update to Mooney's 2001 analysis that accurately predicted an industry entering a difficult period.

Today, that market still faces challenges from legislative mandates, shifting resin costs, inter-process competition, imports, and a struggling automotive market, all expertly detailed by Mooney with supporting charts and forecast validation. New market opportunities in non-automotive applications and new investments in machinery and automation could spur future growth.

This comprehensive, 168-page report provides both analysis and forecasts of pressing issues facing industrial blow molders through the end of the decade.

- How consolidation has shifted a major share of North American business to the top five players
- Federal and state fuel regulations and their continued market influence
- Inter-process competition from rotomolding and injection molding
- Industry globalization and the need to remain competitive
- The drop in unit value for industrial blow molded output
- Pricing trends for commodity and engineered resins
- Technological changes in equipment, molds, and automation

This up-to-the-minute report provides the most current industry statistics in chart and table format to help readers be aware of and ahead of coming trends in industrial blow molding.

- In-depth profiles of 86 North American industrial blow molders, many based on survey information furnished by the companies
- Statistical data on the top 100 North American industrial blow molders that includes sales, number of plants, machinery, and employees
- Overall size of the industrial blow molding business in North America and historical growth rates through 2005
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