

Sonoco's sustainability showcase

Ever wondered what makes many of Sonoco's products sustainable? It's a good question, and for each product, there is a different answer. Here's a glance at some of Sonoco's products that offer sustainable qualities. For more detailed information, visit the sustainability section of sonoco.com.



Composite cans for powdered milk beverages and infant formula

Our composite cans are as strong as steel cans, but they are much lighter. We make them with fewer materials, using less energy and producing fewer pollutants.



Preen® Garden Weed Preventer container

The Dompok® rigid paper container is made entirely from recycled paperboard, and contains an average 55 percent recycled material by weight.



Rice Now® microwaveable pouch

Compared with the product's previous package, we make this non-foil retort pouch using less energy and material, and producing far fewer harmful emissions.



Suave® personal care containers

To reduce material waste and cost, we reduced plastic resin use by 16 percent and used a curved design to improve overall strength.

In-store corrugated display trays for Halls® cough drops

For every 100,000 trays Sonoco makes, we use 368 less trees than used in the previous design. Our design reduced



the number of tray parts from nine to two, and these displays are now 100 percent recyclable.

Sonopop® in-store pallet display for Gerber® baby food

We removed the excess materials, adhesives and metal parts traditionally found on display units. These durable yet lightweight displays are made entirely from recycled cardboard. They can be stacked during shipping, reducing energy needs. They are 100 percent recyclable.



Protective packaging for Whirlpool® appliances

We make paper corner posts and cross braces to protect these machines during transport. These packaging products are produced from recycled paper, and they ultimately reduce energy by allowing the manufacturer to use lower gauge steel.



Ends and closures for steel and composite cans

Sonoco has reduced the amount of metal (steel and aluminum) used in container ends by 10 percent in recent years, and has been a leader in the use of water-based compounds instead of petroleum-based solvents and compounds.