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Current plastics products are composed of biobased synthetic polymers, fossil-based synthetic polymers, natural polymers and additives that can include biobased materials.

“Biobased plastics” refer to plastics that contain materials wholly or partly of biogenic origin.

In the ISO 16620 series, the “biobased content” of biobased plastics refers to the amount of the biobased carbon content, the amount of the biobased synthetic polymer content or the amount of the biobased mass content only.