

## Aluminum Market Value Set to Reach USD 289.9 Billion by 2032

Aluminum market projected to grow at 5.20% CAGR, driven by demand in construction, automotive, and sustainable packaging.

NEW YORK, NY, UNITED STATES, August 31, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Aluminum Market is undergoing a transformative boom, poised to grow from USD 193.25 billion in 2024 to an estimated USD 289.90 billion by 2032, registering a robust CAGR of 5.20%,



according to the latest Market Research Future (MRFR) insights. Following a valuation of USD 183.7 billion in 2023, this surge is being driven by escalating demand from the construction, automotive, power, and packaging industries, particularly in fast-developing economies across the Asia-Pacific region.



"The aluminum market is witnessing strong growth, fueled by construction, automotive, and packaging industries." – Market Research Future"

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Construction Industry Fuels Aluminum Demand

Aluminum is becoming the cornerstone material in the construction sector, thanks to its lightweight, corrosion-resistant, and durable properties. Its applications span roofing, cladding, HVAC systems, facades, windows, doors, and renewable energy infrastructure.

The global construction sector is projected to reach USD

14.4 trillion by 2030, with explosive growth seen across Sub-Saharan Africa, China, India, Indonesia, and the U.S. Massive infrastructure investments—like India's USD 92.4 billion initiative for road projects and the Asian Development Bank's USD 250 million loan for industrial corridor development—are propelling demand for aluminum-based construction materials. Simultaneously, Canada and other developed nations are pushing infrastructure overhauls, further boosting aluminum use.

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Power Sector Adopts Aluminum as a Strategic Material

The aluminum market is also gaining momentum in the power transmission and distribution sectors. The metal's high strength-to-weight ratio, excellent conductivity, and resistance to corrosion make it an ideal replacement for copper in overhead lines, cables, and other electrical components.

Global electricity demand is increasing rapidly due to urbanization, industrialization, and the electric vehicle revolution. In response, more power grid developers are switching to aluminum conductors like ACSR and AAAC. Regulatory reforms in countries like China and the U.S. are pushing aluminum to the forefront of low-voltage line infrastructure, cutting costs and improving efficiency.

Sustainability Drives Packaging Market Shift Toward Aluminum

Sustainability awareness is radically shifting packaging preferences, with aluminum foil emerging as the go-to solution for eco-conscious consumers and manufacturers. Its properties—like recyclability, barrier protection, and compatibility with other materials—make it ideal for food, beverage, pharmaceutical, and personal care packaging.

Europe leads the way with a 74.5% recycling rate for aluminum <u>beverage cans</u>, inching toward an 80% target by 2030. Meanwhile, India's food processing sector—ranked fifth globally—is amplifying demand for aluminum packaging, supported by innovations like Modified Atmosphere Packaging (MAP) that extends shelf life.

Primary Aluminum Dominates, Flat-Rolled Products Lead Market Share

Primary aluminum, known for its purity and flexibility, accounted for 87.12% of the market in 2021 and is expected to expand at a CAGR of 5.5%. It is widely utilized across aerospace, automotive, and manufacturing industries.

By product type, flat-rolled aluminum—used in everything from construction panels to automotive components—led the market with a 37.91% share in 2021. Forgings and castings are also seeing rising demand as manufacturers diversify use-cases in high-performance sectors.

Automotive & Transportation: A High-Growth Segment

The automotive and transportation sector held the largest application share at 25.73% in 2021, driven by a global pivot toward electric vehicles and fuel-efficient designs. Automakers increasingly use aluminum in engine compartments, doors, chassis, and even full-body frames due to its recyclability and strength-to-weight advantages.

Nearly 90% of automotive aluminum is recycled at the end of a vehicle's life cycle, making it a cornerstone of sustainability initiatives in the automotive sector.

Asia-Pacific Leads Regional Growth, Followed by Europe

With a massive 62.25% market share in 2021, Asia-Pacific is the undisputed leader of the aluminum boom. China and India are spearheading infrastructure and EV expansion, while Southeast Asian countries are accelerating grid modernization and industrial production.

Europe, with its robust automotive sector and stringent sustainability policies, is the second-largest market. The region's active monitoring of the Asia-Pacific market positions it for smart growth as global supply chains evolve.

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Competitive Landscape: Innovation and Localization at the Core

The aluminum market is highly competitive, marked by strategic investments in R&D, acquisitions, sustainability initiatives, and localized production. Key players include:

Alcoa Corporation: Launched EcoSource, the world's first low-carbon smelter-grade alumina with emissions under 0.6 tons of CO2e per ton.

RUSAL: Acquired Aluminum Rheinfelden GmbH, enhancing its product offering and automotive customer base in Europe.

Rio Tinto: Progressed its ELYSIS joint venture, focusing on eliminating GHG emissions from smelting—a groundbreaking step toward carbon-free aluminum.

Other prominent players include Century Aluminum Company, JW Aluminum, Kaiser Aluminum, Novelis, Norsk Hydro ASA, Hindalco Industries, NALCO, and National Aluminum Extrusion LLC.

## Recent Developments in the Market

November 2024: China eliminated aluminum and copper export subsidies, tightening global supply and boosting aluminum prices—providing a significant upside for Indian manufacturers like Vedanta, Hindalco, and NALCO.

January 2025: Rio Tinto advanced its carbon-free aluminum smelting initiative under the ELYSIS partnership, positioning itself as a pioneer in green aluminum production.

Market Outlook and Future Opportunities

Electric Vehicles (EVs): As EV adoption surges globally, lightweight aluminum will be vital for battery casings, frames, and powertrain systems.

Urbanization and Smart Infrastructure: The need for sustainable, efficient building materials is driving long-term demand in construction and smart cities.

Recycling and Circular Economy: With global pushback against single-use plastics, aluminum's recyclability presents a major growth opportunity in packaging and manufacturing.

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