

# Aerospace and Defense Materials Market Study

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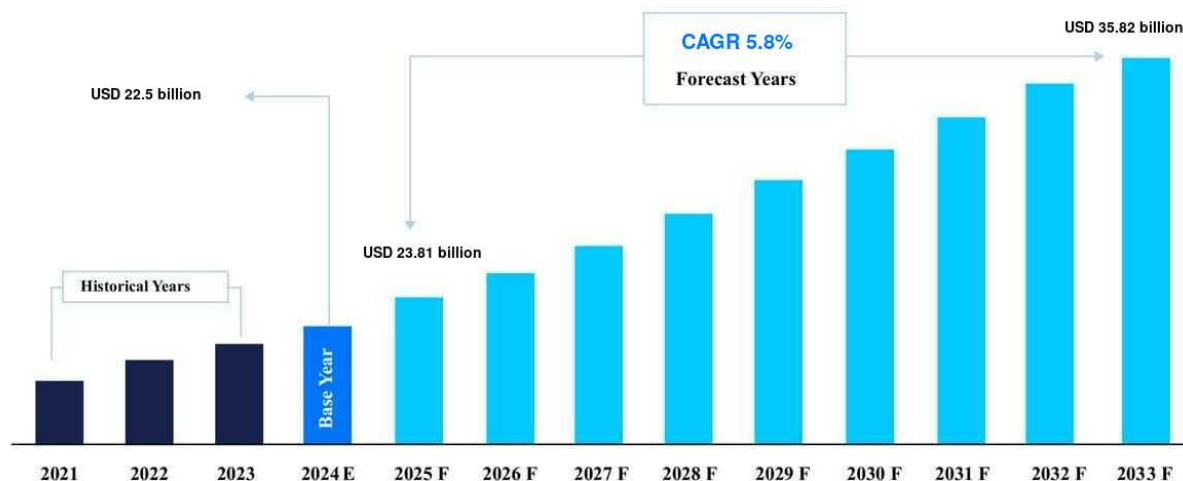
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## Top 5 Company Market Share



**Total**  
**44%**

Top 5 company market share



Source: Straits Research

## Emerging Countries

United States

Germany

China

## Emerging Companies

Alcoa Corporation

Hexcel Corporation

Toray Industries Inc

# Market Trends

## Growth Trends

- Increased spending on defense systems due to geopolitical instability.
- Innovation and technological advancements in the aerospace industry.
- Growing demand for lightweight and durable materials in the aerospace sector for fuel efficiency.
- Incline in commercial aircraft orders due to the growth of global air travel.
- The trend of recycling and reuse of aerospace and defense materials.
- Adoption of composites and alloys for aircraft construction.

## Factors considered while calculating market size and share

- Current and future demand for aerospace and defense materials.
- Global production and consumption rates of these materials.
- The number of key players in the market and their market shares.
- The impact of technological advancements on the need for specific materials.
- Market trends, including changes in consumer behavior or industry developments.
- The impact of government regulations on the production and use of these materials.
- Global socio-economic and political conditions influencing the defense and aerospace sectors.

## Key Market Indicators

- Average selling prices of aerospace and defense materials.
- The volume of sales and consumption of these materials in different regions.
- Value chain and supply chain analysis for these materials.
- Changes in raw material prices.
- The aerospace and defense industry's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) contribution in major markets.
- Trade statistics: imports, exports, tariffs, and trade balance for these materials.

## Supply chain disruptions

Given the complexity and global nature of its operations, the aerospace and defense industry faces significant challenges from supply chain disruptions. The reliance on specialized materials, components, and suppliers sourced from various parts of the world makes the supply chain highly susceptible to disruptions. Geopolitical tensions, natural disasters, or unexpected events such as the COVID-19 pandemic can create cascading effects, leading to production delays, escalating costs, and shortages of critical materials.

Even minor disruptions in the supply chain can significantly impact production timelines, operational efficiency, and profitability. Therefore, manufacturers must navigate these challenges by diversifying supplier networks, investing in local sourcing, and adopting advanced logistics strategies to mitigate risks and ensure stability in material availability.



# Market Trends

## Rising demand for fuel-efficient aircraft

The growing emphasis on fuel efficiency is driving the adoption of lightweight composite materials in the aerospace and defense industry. These materials reduce aircraft weight, enhance aerodynamics, and improve fuel economy. Modern airplanes featuring composite wings achieve greater aerodynamic efficiency, leading to significant cost and environmental benefits.

- According to the Air Transport Action Group, each new generation of aircraft is up to 20% more fuel-efficient than its predecessor. This has resulted in modern aircraft producing 80% less CO2 per seat compared to the first-generation jets.

The industry's commitment to sustainability is evident as manufacturers integrate advanced materials to address environmental concerns while maintaining cost-effectiveness. Such innovations are pivotal in meeting rising demands for eco-friendly and efficient aviation solutions.

## Expansion of defense budgets globally

The global increase in defense budgets presents a significant opportunity for the aerospace and defense materials market. As nations prioritize upgrading their military capabilities, the demand for advanced materials, such as lightweight alloys, composites, and specialized coatings, continues to grow. These materials play a crucial role in enhancing the performance, durability, and efficiency of defense equipment.

- For instance, The U.S. Department of Defense increased its budget for missile and munitions procurement and R&D by 340% over the past decade, rising from \$9 billion in fiscal 2015 to \$30.6 billion in fiscal 2024.

Similarly, the European Commission has allocated €7.3 billion for military and defense technology investments from 2021 to 2027. These developments not only drive innovation in materials manufacturing but also expand contracts for aerospace companies, fostering industry growth and technological advancement.

# Market Segments

## By Material Type

Aluminum alloys, holding the largest sub-segment with a 36-38% share, are preferred for lightweight, corrosion-resistant aircraft structures and fuel efficiency demands.



36-38%

Aluminum Alloys

## By Applications

Commercial aviation dominates with a 48-51% share, fueled by rising passenger demand, fleet upgrades, and fuel-efficient designs, relying heavily on composites and aluminum for cost-effective, lightweight solutions.



48-51%

Commercial Aviation

# Regional Overview

## North America

North America leads with a 40% share, anchored by the U.S. (80-85% of region), home to aerospace giants, robust defense budgets, and innovation hubs driving material demand.



80-82%

United States Market Share

## Europe

Europe holds a 25% share, with Germany (28-30% of region) at the forefront, supported by Airbus, advanced manufacturing, and collaborative defense projects across the continent.



28-30%

Germany Market Share

## APAC

Asia Pacific captures 20%, led by China (XX% of region), with booming aviation, state-backed space programs, and increasing demand for lightweight, high-performance materials.



XX%

China Market Share

# Regional Overview

## Middle East and Africa

Middle East and Africa hold 10%, with Saudi Arabia (XX% of region) driving demand through defense spending and emerging aviation hubs like Dubai and Riyadh.



Saudi Arabia Market Share

## LATAM

LATAM accounts for 5%, with Brazil (XX% of region) spearheading growth via Embraer’s commercial aviation success and modest defense material requirements.



Brazil Market Share



# Company Profiles

Companies	Websites	Headquarters	Establisheds	Key Executives	Revenues
Alcoa Corporation	<a href="https://www.alcoa.com/global/en/home/">https://www.alcoa.com/global/en/home/</a>	Pittsburgh, PA, USA	1888	Roy Harvey (CEO)	~USD 10.6 Billion
Hexcel Corporation	<a href="https://www.hexcel.com/">https://www.hexcel.com/</a>	Stamford, CT, USA	1948	Nick Stanage (CEO)	~USD 1.9 Billion
Toray Industries, Inc.	<a href="https://www.toray.com/global/">https://www.toray.com/global/</a>	Tokyo, Japan	1926	Akihiro Nikkaku (President)	~USD 18 Billion
Arconic Corporation	<a href="https://www.arconic.com/">https://www.arconic.com/</a>	Pittsburgh, PA, USA	2016	Tim Myers (CEO)	~USD 7.5 Billion
Cytec Solvay Group	<a href="https://www.solvay.com/en/">https://www.solvay.com/en/</a>	Brussels, Belgium	1863 (Solvay); Cytec acquired 2015	Ilham Kadri (CEO, Solvay)	~USD 12 Billion

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