

# **Price Increases in Fiber Optic Cables in Europe and the United States**





## Overview

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China's benchmark fiber optic price has surged over 400% since May 2025, hitting a new all-time high. This executive briefing on trade (EBOT) will examine the relationship between fiber optic cable input costs, specifically silica tetrachloride, helium, and energy, and the demand forces that have increased the price of fiber optic cable. From late 2025 into 2026, global fibre optic prices have increased sharply and across the board — standard single-mode, bend-insensitive grades, and in turn pre-terminated assemblies, patch leads, and bulk cable. The causes are structural, they are not going away quickly, and understanding what is. The price rally has expanded to Europe and the US, with prices for some fiber types rising over 130%. At the FTTH Council Conference in Madrid in 2023, operators and investors focused on their new reality of the high number of small alternative networks rolling out fiber as investors become more selective and funding costs grow.



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### Why Fibre Optic Prices Have Increased in 2026

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### Corning and Meta Announce Multiyear, up to \$6 Billion Agreement to

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Corning Incorporated (NYSE: GLW) and Meta Platforms, Inc. (Nasdaq: META) today announced a multiyear, up to \$6 billion agreement to accelerate the buildout of the most advanced



## **US & European Fiber Optic Cable Market Report: Size, Growth,**

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US & European Fiber Optic Cable Market size was valued at \$3.15 Bn in 2024 and is expected to reach \$6.59 Bn by 2032, growing at a CAGR of 9.66% 2026 to 2032 The report provides key trends,

## **Global Fiber Price Trends 2026: What FTTH Buyers**

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Global fiber optic prices are rising again in 2026 as AI data centers, FTTH rollouts and new applications consume capacity. Learn what is driving G.652D / G657A2

## **Fiber Optic Prices Jump Over 400% on Surging Data Center Demand**

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A UBS report, using CRU data from March 2026, details a global surge in fiber optic cable prices, driven by strong data center demand and tight upstream supply.

## United States And European Fiber Optic Cable

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United States And European Fiber Optic Cable Market size is estimated at USD 3.40 billion in 2025, and is expected to reach USD 5.39 billion by 2030, at a CAGR of

## Global shortage of fiber-optic cable threatens digital growth

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A worldwide shortage of fiber-optic cable has driven up prices and lengthened lead times, endangering companies' ambitious plans to roll out state-of-the-art telecommunications infrastructure



## **Fiber in Europe Top5: Germany and the UK are lagging**

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Fiber is increasingly taking root in the five largest European markets. Since the first quarter of 2021, 1.8 million broadband FTTx subscriptions have been taken on

## **Global shortage of fiber optic cables leads to delays,**

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Fiber optic cable prices are ballooning and lead times are increasing amid a global supply shortage. According to market research firm Cru Group, and

## **Sky-High Prices Contribute to Rising Fiber Optic Cable Costs**

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## **Why Fiber Optic Prices Exploded from Early 2026**

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From late 2025 through the first quarter of 2026, the global fiber optic cable market experienced one of the sharpest and most unexpected price surges in its history. Standard single

## **Fiber Optic Cable Price in 2026: Real Market Data for March**

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This article summarizes the latest fiber optic price data as of March 9, 2026, along with the recent timeline of price changes and the factors behind the surge.



## Euro Area

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Historically, Euro Area - Producer prices in industry: Manufacture of fibre optic cables reached a record high of 124.60 points in May of 2002 and a record low of 93.70 points in July of 2011.

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## Investors forced to be selective as fiber network costs surge in Europe

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year, putting a strain on the attractiveness and profit margins of new network build-outs.

## **Europe Fibre Optic Cables Industry Report 2026 , Market Size, Share**

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The Europe Fibre Optic Cables market size is USD 8.8 billion in 2023 and will expand at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 8.2% from 2023 to 2030.

## **United States and European Fiber Optic Cable Market Size, Share**

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One primary factor propelling growth of the United States and European fiber optic cable market is the growing proliferation of 5G networks as it creates a need for robust fiber optic cable infrastructure. As



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The United States and European fiber optic cable market value reached approximately USD 3.14 Billion in 2024. The market is projected to grow at a CAGR of 9.80% between 2025 and 2034, reaching a

## Euro Area

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TradingEconomics provides the current actual value, an historical data chart and related indicators for Euro Area - Producer prices in industry: Manufacture of fibre optic cables - last updated from the

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## **US and European Fiber Optic Cable Market Size, Share 2035**

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United States: The United States and European Fiber Optic Cable Market, a key segment of the global economy, is experiencing a complex operating environment in Q1 2026 as a direct

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## Wire & Cable Prices

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CRU provides comprehensive, accurate and up-to-date price assessments and research reports for bare optical fibre across various key regional markets, combined with insights into the

## US & European Fiber Optic Cable Market Forecasts 2031

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The United States And European Fiber Optic Cable Market worth USD 4.56 billion in 2026 is growing at a CAGR of 9.05% to reach USD 7.03

## Fiber Optic Cable Market Size

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The Fiber Optic Cable Market worth USD 14.22 billion in 2026 is growing at a CAGR of 9.84% to reach USD 22.74 billion by 2031. Corning Inc.,

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