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Abstracts

The Global Cold Chain Logistics Market was valued at USD 341 billion in 2024 and is projected to grow at a CAGR of 15.3% between 2025 and 2034. The integration of IoT, AI, and blockchain is driving a significant transformation in this industry by enabling real-time tracking, optimizing inventory and routes, and ensuring secure, transparent transactions. The rise of e-commerce has further fueled demand for efficient logistics services, prompting businesses to strengthen their logistics networks to manage increased order volumes. As a result, logistics companies are investing heavily in warehousing, last-mile delivery, and automated systems. The refrigerated warehousing segment, which generated USD 191.9 billion in 2024, is expected to grow at a CAGR of around 15% through 2034 due to increasing demand for storage solutions that ensure temperature control for perishable goods like food, pharmaceuticals, and biotechnology products.

Refrigerated warehousing, a critical part of the service economy, involves advanced refrigeration systems and precise controls to maintain optimal temperatures for stored goods. The growth of this segment is being driven by rising demand for frozen and chilled products, coupled with the need for reliable storage solutions that prevent spoilage. Innovative IT solutions are gaining traction in refrigerated storage, where unmanned, cloud-based systems can integrate seamlessly with existing infrastructure, reducing costs and enhancing operational efficiency.

By temperature range, the market is categorized into chilled (0°C to 8°C), frozen (-18°C to -25°C), and deep frozen (-25°C to -60°C). In 2024, the frozen segment dominated the market with a 46% share and is expected to grow at a CAGR of over 15.5% between 2025 and 2034. This growth is driven by increasing demand for pre-cooked frozen meals, dairy products, and processed meat that require strict temperature regulation to preserve freshness and safety. Additionally, the global trade

of meat and fish relies heavily on deep freezing technology to maintain quality during transport and storage.

The market is also segmented by application into fruits and vegetables, dairy and frozen desserts, bakery and confectionery, meat, fish, and seafood, pharmaceuticals, and others. The pharmaceutical segment is expected to maintain its dominance due to advancements in drug development, manufacturing, and supply chain management. The growth of biopharmaceuticals and personalized medicine has significantly increased the need for temperature-sensitive logistics to ensure the safety and efficacy of drugs. Moreover, the global distribution of vaccines has led to increased investment in cold chain systems to support pharmaceutical and healthcare supply chains effectively.

Asia-Pacific leads the cold chain logistics market, holding a 35% market share in 2024, with China generating USD 51.1 billion in revenue. The region's dominance is fueled by rapid economic growth, technological advancements, and expanding industrial bases in countries such as China, India, and Japan. Significant investments in manufacturing, infrastructure, and digital industries are further propelling the growth of cold chain logistics in the region.

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