

Alpha-lactalbumin Market Size, Share & Trends Analysis Report By Source (Human, Bovine), By End-user (Food & Beverages, Infant Formula, Pharmaceuticals), By Region (North America, Europe, Asia Pacific, Central & South America, MEA), And Segment Forecasts, 2026 - 2033

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Abstracts

The global alpha-lactalbumin market size was valued at USD 519.8 million in 2025 and is projected to grow from USD 551.0 million in 2026 to USD 910.0 million by 2033, growing at a CAGR of 7.4% from 2026 to 2033. Asia Pacific dominated the alpha-lactalbumin industry, accounting for 43.7% of revenue in 2025. The market is primarily driven by the growing demand for infant nutrition products, as alpha-lactalbumin is a key protein that closely resembles human breast milk.

Rising consumer awareness of high-protein and functional foods is further boosting their adoption in nutritional supplements and dairy products. Furthermore, the expanding use of alpha-lactalbumin in clinical and medical nutrition is creating new growth opportunities for manufacturers. Increasing investments in research and development are leading to innovative product formulations with enhanced nutritional benefits. The rising popularity of sports nutrition products is also contributing to demand, particularly among fitness-conscious consumers. Moreover, growth in emerging economies and improving distribution networks are supporting wider market penetration.

In addition, favorable regulatory support for protein-enriched food ingredients is encouraging broader commercialization of alpha-lactalbumin-based products. Manufacturers are increasingly focusing on sustainable sourcing and production practices to meet evolving consumer expectations. The ingredient's excellent amino

acid profile makes it attractive for specialized dietary applications, including elderly nutrition. Strategic collaborations between dairy producers and nutrition companies are also strengthening market expansion efforts. In July 2025, 21st.Bio and Novonesis launched a precision-fermentation program for bovine alpha-lactalbumin. The companies highlighted the need for more sustainable protein production, lower environmental impact, and reduced pressure on traditional dairy supply chains.

Moreover, the increasing incorporation of alpha-lactalbumin into premium nutritional formulations is enhancing its market value across diverse end-use sectors. Growing interest in personalized nutrition is encouraging the development of targeted products containing high-quality dairy proteins. Improvements in purification and separation technologies are enabling the production of higher-purity ingredients with greater functional performance. In addition, expanding e-commerce channels are improving product accessibility and supporting global market reach.

Global Alpha-lactalbumin Market Report Segmentation

This report forecasts revenue growth at the regional and country levels and provides an analysis of the latest industry trends and opportunities in each of the sub-segments from 2021 to 2033. For this study, Grand View Research has segmented the global alpha-lactalbumin market based on source, end-user, and region:

Source Outlook (Revenue, USD Million, 2021 - 2033)

Human

Bovine

End-user Outlook (Revenue, USD Million, 2021 - 2033)

Food & Beverages

Dairy Products

Bakery Products

Others

Infant Formula

Pharmaceuticals

Others

Regional Outlook (Revenue, USD Million, 2021 - 2033)

North America

U.S.

Canada

Mexico

Europe

UK

Germany

France

Italy

Spain

Asia Pacific

China

Japan

India

Australia & New Zealand

South Korea

Central & South America

Brazil

Middle East & Africa

South Africa

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