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Abstracts

The global AI Companionship market size is predicted to grow from US\$ 411 million in 2025 to US\$ 2497 million in 2032; it is expected to grow at a CAGR of 29.7% from 2026 to 2032.

AI Companionship refers to AI-driven conversational services built on large language models, emotional interaction, memory management, and character design capabilities, primarily delivering emotional companionship, entertainment-oriented interaction, virtual relationship simulation, and light emotional support through text, voice, or virtual persona formats. Upstream inputs mainly include foundation models, inference computing power, cloud infrastructure, speech recognition and synthesis, content safety moderation systems, and training data, while downstream demand is led by individual consumers and extends to content communities, social entertainment platforms, and selected digital human or platform integration scenarios. Most leading products currently adopt subscription-based or freemium monetization models, with competition centered on character design, long-term memory performance, immersive interaction, ecosystem activity, and compliance and safety control. Since most companies do not separately disclose gross margin for AI companionship as an independent business segment, and given that higher-context memory, voice interaction, multimodal capabilities, and moderation requirements materially increase operating costs, a reasonable 2025 gross margin estimate for mainstream players is approximately 55%-75%. Platforms with lighter asset models, text-first interaction, and higher subscription contribution are generally closer to the upper end of the range, while platforms with heavier multimodal workloads, higher inference costs, or stronger moderation burdens tend to fall closer to the middle or lower end.

This report presents a comprehensive overview, market shares, and growth

opportunities of AI Companionship market by product type, application, key players and key regions and countries.

Segmentation by Type:

Text-based Interaction

Voice-based Interaction

Avatar-based Interaction

Segmentation by Content:

General Safe Content Platforms

Semi-open Roleplay Platforms

NSFW-oriented Platforms

Segmentation by Business Model:

Subscription-based Model

Freemium Model

Pay-per-message or Credit-based

Character Monetization

Segmentation by Application:

Emotional Companionship

Entertainment and Roleplay

Virtual Relationship Simulation

Content Creation

Others

This report also splits the market by region:

United States

China

Europe

Other regions

Japan

South Korea

Southeast Asia

Rest of world

The report also presents the market competition landscape and a corresponding detailed analysis of the major players in the market. The key players covered in this report:

Character.AI (US)

Janitor AI (US)

SpicyChat.AI (CA)

CrushOn.AI (US)

PolyBuzz (US)

Chai AI (US)

Talkie AI (CN)

Replika (US)

Nomi (US)

Kindroid (US)

Xiaoice (CN)

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