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Ceramic Matrix Composite Market Forecasts to 2032 - Global Analysis By Matrix Type (Silicon Carbide / Silicon Carbide (SiC/SiC), Carbon / Silicon Carbide (C/SiC), Carbon / Carbon (C/C), Oxide / Oxide (Ox/Ox), and Other Matrix Types), Fiber Material (Silicon Carbide (SiC) Fibers, Alumina Fibers, Carbon Fibers, and Refractory Ceramic Fibers (RCF)), Production Process, End User, and By Geography

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Abstracts

According to Stratistics MRC, the Global Ceramic Matrix Composite Market is accounted for $9.0 billion in 2025 and is expected to reach $18.7 billion by 2032, growing at a CAGR of 10.9% during the forecast period. The ceramic matrix composite market is about making strong materials by adding fibers to ceramics to improve their strength and heat resistance. It serves aerospace, defense, energy, and industrial applications. Demand is increasing for lightweight materials that can handle very high temperatures, the need for fuel-efficient aircraft engines, upgrades in defense technology, and the requirement for strong parts that can work well in tough conditions where metals struggle.

According to NASA, ceramic matrix composites can operate at temperatures above 1,300?1,500?C.

Market Dynamics:

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Demand for high-temperature materials in next-gen jet engines

Modern jet engines require materials that can withstand operating temperatures exceeding 1,200?C without the need for heavy cooling systems. CMCs provide exceptional thermal stability and are significantly lighter than traditional nickel-based superalloys. This weight loss means that commercial and military planes will use less fuel and be able to carry more cargo. Furthermore, the longevity of CMC components under extreme thermal cycling reduces maintenance intervals for operators, solidifying their role in next-generation propulsion architectures.

Restraint:

Exceptionally high manufacturing and material costs

Producing high-purity ceramic fibers, such as silicon carbide, is energy-intensive and involves complex chemical precursors. Additionally, the infiltration processes required to densify the matrix, such as chemical vapor infiltration, are time-consuming, often taking several weeks to complete a single batch. These factors result in a final product that is significantly pricier than advanced metallic alternatives. Consequently, CMCs remain largely confined to high-value applications where performance requirements justify the premium, limiting their penetration into mass-market industrial sectors.

Opportunity:

Expansion into automotive and energy sectors

In the automotive realm, CMCs are increasingly utilized for brake discs and engine components in luxury and electric vehicles to manage heat and reduce unsprung weight. Moreover, the energy sector is exploring CMCs for gas turbine blades and nuclear fusion liners due to their radiation resistance and thermal durability. As manufacturing techniques mature and costs gradually decline, these industries will benefit from the material's ability to operate in corrosive and high-heat environments, opening massive new revenue streams.

Threat:

Competition from advanced metal alloys and other composites

Material scientists are improving how well nickel and cobalt superalloys can resist heat

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by using advanced single-crystal casting and thermal barrier coatings. These traditional materials benefit from well-established supply chains, lower price points, and easier repairability compared to CMCs. Additionally, the emergence of ultra-high-temperature ceramics and hybrid composites offers alternative pathways for heat management. Manufacturers must therefore continuously innovate to maintain a competitive performance-to-cost ratio against these resilient and more economical metallic incumbents.

Covid-19 Impact:

The COVID-19 pandemic exerted substantial downward pressure on the CMC market, primarily through the near-total grounding of the global aviation sector. As commercial airlines deferred new aircraft orders, the demand for jet engine components, the largest consumer of CMCs, plummeted. Supply chain disruptions also delayed the delivery of specialized precursors and technical equipment. However, the defense sector remained relatively stable, providing a buffer for manufacturers. The aerospace industry is now driving the post-pandemic recovery with a renewed focus on sustainability and fuel-efficient technologies.

The chemical vapor infiltration (CVI) segment is expected to be the largest during the forecast period

The chemical vapor infiltration (CVI) segment is expected to account for the largest market share during the forecast period. This dominance is attributed to the process's ability to produce high-purity matrices with minimal mechanical stress on the reinforcing fibers. CVI is the industry standard for creating complex, near-net-shape components used in critical aerospace parts like shrouds and nozzles. Furthermore, the superior uniformity and structural integrity provided by CVI make it indispensable for high-stakes applications. Although the process is slower than liquid-phase methods, its reliability in producing high-performance silicon carbide and carbon matrices ensures its continued leadership in the global market.

The Oxide / Oxide (Ox/Ox) segment is expected to have the highest CAGR during the forecast period

Over the forecast period, the Oxide / Oxide (Ox/Ox) segment is predicted to witness the highest growth rate. This rapid expansion is driven by the material's inherent resistance to oxidation, which eliminates the need for expensive environmental barrier coatings required by non-oxide composites. Ox/Ox materials are increasingly favored for

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moderately high-temperature applications, such as exhaust nozzles and combustion liners, where cost-efficiency and durability in oxidizing atmospheres are paramount. Additionally, the relatively simpler fabrication process compared to silicon carbide composites makes Ox/Ox more attractive for industrial and energy applications. This versatility is expected to propel the segment's compound annual growth.

Region with largest share:

During the forecast period, the North America region is expected to hold the largest market share. Major aerospace giants and defense contractors, at the forefront of CMC integration, underpin this leading position. The United States, in particular, hosts extensive research and development infrastructure dedicated to advanced materials for military and commercial aviation. Additionally, government support and high spending on defense help quickly implement CMC technologies in new fighter jets and space vehicles, making North America the main center for market value and technology progress.

Region with highest CAGR:

Over the forecast period, the Asia Pacific region is anticipated to exhibit the highest CAGR. This accelerated growth is fueled by the rapid expansion of the commercial aviation sector in emerging economies like China and India, coupled with increasing investments in indigenous aerospace manufacturing. Moreover, the region?s burgeoning automotive industry is seeking lightweight materials to enhance the efficiency of electric vehicles. Additionally, rising energy demands are driving the adoption of advanced gas turbines that utilize CMC components. As local manufacturing capabilities improve and regional supply chains mature, Asia Pacific is set to become the fastest-growing frontier for the CMC market.

Key players in the market

Some of the key players in Ceramic Matrix Composite Market include General Electric Company, Rolls-Royce plc, Safran S.A., SGL Carbon SE, CoorsTek, Inc., 3M Company, Kyocera Corporation, CeramTec GmbH, Lancer Systems LP, Axiom Materials Inc., Ultramet Corporation, Applied Thin Films, Inc., UBE Industries, Ltd., Mitsubishi Chemical Group Corporation, Saint-Gobain S.A., Morgan Advanced Materials plc, CFC Carbon Co., Ltd., and Spirit AeroSystems Holdings, Inc.

Key Developments:

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In December 2025, Rolls-Royce plc introduced the new Trent engine upgrade program incorporating CMC components to reduce weight and improve thermal efficiency in next?generation civil engines.

In December 2025, 3M Company introduced the new Nextel? ceramic fibers and textiles expansion for aerospace CMC reinforcement, showcased alongside AI?powered innovation tools at CES 2026.

In November 2023, General Electric Company (GE Aerospace) introduced the new GE9X engine validation program using advanced CMC turbine shrouds and combustor liners, tested at Peebles, Ohio for Boeing 777X applications.

In April 2023, Saint-Gobain S.A. introduced the new Saint-Gobain Advanced Ceramic Composites division, evolving from Saint-Gobain Quartz to focus on CMCs for aerospace and connectivity markets.

Matrix Types Covered:

- Silicon Carbide / Silicon Carbide (SiC/SiC)
- Carbon / Silicon Carbide (C/SiC)
- Carbon / Carbon (C/C)
- Oxide / Oxide (Ox/Ox)
- Other Matrix Types

Fiber Materials Covered:

- Silicon Carbide (SiC) Fibers
- Alumina Fibers
- Carbon Fibers
- Refractory Ceramic Fibers (RCF)

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Production Process Covered:

- Chemical Vapor Infiltration (CVI)
- Polymer Impregnation & Pyrolysis (PIP)
- Melt Infiltration (MI)
- Slurry Infiltration & Sintering

End Users Covered:

- Aerospace
- Defense
- Automotive
- Energy & Power
- Other End Users

Regions Covered:

- North America
  - US
  - Canada
  - Mexico
- Europe
  - Germany

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- UK
- Italy
- France
- Spain
- Rest of Europe

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- China
- India
- Australia
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UAE

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South Africa

Rest of Middle East & Africa

What our report offers:
- Market share assessments for the regional and country-level segments
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