

# **Circular Fuel Additives Market Forecasts to 2034 – Global Analysis By Additive Type (Detergents, Antioxidants, Corrosion Inhibitors, Lubricity Improvers, Cetane Improvers and Other Additive Types), Fuel Type, Application and By Geography**

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## **Abstracts**

According to Statistics MRC, the Global Circular Fuel Additives Market is accounted for \$0.69 billion in 2026 and is expected to reach \$1.21 billion by 2034 growing at a CAGR of 7.2% during the forecast period. Circular fuel additives represent a sustainable approach to fuel enhancement, focusing on recycling and repurposing waste materials for cleaner energy production. They optimize combustion efficiency, reduce harmful emissions, and contribute to longer engine durability. Utilizing renewable or recycled components, these additives diminish reliance on conventional fossil fuels and lower carbon footprints. By aligning with circular economy principles, they provide both environmental and financial advantages. With rising awareness of sustainable energy solutions and stricter regulatory frameworks, the use of circular fuel additives is expanding worldwide, supporting greener energy practices and advancing industrial efforts toward eco-friendly fuel technologies.

According to the International Energy Agency (IEA), the transport sector accounts for about 37% of global final oil demand, making it the single largest consumer of oil worldwide. This underscores the importance of innovations in fuel chemistry to reduce emissions and improve efficiency.

### **Market Dynamics:**

Driver:

## Growing demand for sustainable fuels

Rising consumer and industrial preference for green energy solutions is driving the circular fuel additives market. Circular fuel additives allow fuel producers to enhance fuel quality while integrating recycled or renewable materials, promoting cleaner and more sustainable fuels. The shift away from traditional fossil fuels toward environmentally responsible alternatives has heightened interest in these additives. Greater public and industrial awareness of climate change and ecological preservation is prompting innovation in additive technologies. Consequently, circular fuel additives are increasingly adopted to meet the growing need for sustainable fuels, supporting global energy transition goals and minimizing the environmental footprint of fuel consumption.

### Restraint:

#### High production costs

Elevated production costs are a significant barrier to the widespread adoption of circular fuel additives. Their manufacturing involves sophisticated technologies, specialized ingredients, and intensive research efforts, all contributing to higher expenses. Incorporating bio-based or recycled materials adds further processing costs, making these additives less competitive against conventional alternatives. Smaller fuel producers may find adoption economically challenging despite environmental advantages. Consequently, high production costs hinder market expansion and slow the implementation of circular fuel additives, limiting their potential in promoting sustainable fuel practices and delaying the global shift toward environmentally friendly fuel solutions.

### Opportunity:

#### Adoption in aviation and marine fuels

Aviation and marine fuel applications offer substantial growth opportunities for circular fuel additives. These industries face increasing pressure to lower emissions and improve efficiency amid regulatory constraints and high fuel costs. Circular additives can optimize performance in jet fuel, marine diesel, and other specialized fuels while minimizing environmental impact. Tailored formulations can meet the distinct operational needs of aircraft and ships. With airlines and shipping companies prioritizing sustainability, these high-consumption sectors present a promising market for circular

additives. Expanding into aviation and marine fuels enables manufacturers to tap lucrative opportunities and promote eco-friendly fuel practices across global transportation networks.

Threat:

Competition from conventional additives

Circular fuel additives are threatened by competition from traditional fuel additives, which are cost-efficient, widely accessible, and have established reliability. Many fuel producers prefer conventional options due to familiarity and proven performance, limiting the adoption of sustainable alternatives. Concerns over cost, compatibility with engines, and performance of circular additives make producers cautious. Strong customer loyalty and entrenched supply chains for conventional additives further restrict market penetration. Consequently, despite offering environmental and efficiency benefits, circular fuel additives risk slow uptake, highlighting the challenge of competing with well-established traditional additive products in a competitive fuel industry.

### **Covid-19 Impact:**

The COVID-19 pandemic adversely affected the circular fuel additives market, causing disruptions in production and supply chains due to lockdowns and restricted industrial activity. Reduced operations in automotive, aviation, and marine sectors lowered demand for fuel additives. Procurement of recycled and bio-based raw materials faced delays, while investments in new technologies were deferred as companies focused on financial resilience. Despite these challenges, the crisis emphasized the need for sustainable and adaptable fuel solutions, prompting increased interest in circular fuel additives. As transportation and industrial activities resume, market recovery is underway, with renewed focus on environmentally friendly and efficient fuel technologies.

The detergents segment is expected to be the largest during the forecast period

The detergents segment is expected to account for the largest market share during the forecast period because they play a critical role in keeping engines clean and operating efficiently. By minimizing deposits, reducing carbon accumulation, and promoting better fuel combustion, they ensure superior engine performance and longevity. Their widespread application across automotive, industrial, and marine sectors highlights their importance. Increasing emphasis on high-quality fuels and compliance with stringent

emission norms further boosts their adoption. Manufacturers prioritize detergent additives to achieve fuel performance and regulatory standards, establishing this segment as the leading contributor to the market and reinforcing its central role in sustainable and efficient fuel solutions.

The biofuels segment is expected to have the highest CAGR during the forecast period

Over the forecast period, the biofuels segment is predicted to witness the highest growth rate, driven by rising global demand for sustainable and renewable energy solutions. Circular fuel additives improve biofuel combustion, fuel efficiency, and emission reduction, enhancing their viability compared to traditional fuels. Supportive government policies, environmental initiatives, and incentives to curb carbon emissions encourage the adoption of biofuels with such additives. As industries prioritize eco-friendly energy alternatives, the use of circular fuel additives in biofuel formulations is expanding rapidly. This trend positions biofuels as the fastest-growing segment, fueling substantial market growth and highlighting the transition toward greener fuel technologies.

### **Region with largest share:**

During the forecast period, the North America region is expected to hold the largest market share, owing to its mature automotive, industrial, and fuel production industries. Strong environmental policies and strict emission standards drive the implementation of sustainable fuel technologies, including circular additives. Consumers' growing awareness of eco-friendly practices and fuel efficiency also fuels market expansion. Advanced research facilities, efficient supply chains, and government support facilitate the development and adoption of circular fuel additives across the region. Combined, these factors make North America the dominant market in terms of share, demonstrating high integration of circular fuel additives in fuels and reinforcing its position as a key leader in sustainable fuel solutions.

### **Region with highest CAGR:**

Over the forecast period, the Asia Pacific region is anticipated to exhibit the highest CAGR, fueled by accelerated industrialization, rising automotive manufacturing, and higher fuel demand. Heightened environmental awareness and stringent emission norms in nations like China, India, and Japan are encouraging the use of circular fuel additives. Government programs supporting clean energy and renewable fuel adoption further enhance market opportunities. The region also benefits from increasing R&D

efforts and the emergence of new additive manufacturers, facilitating quicker adoption. Together, these factors position Asia Pacific as the region with the highest growth rate, driving rapid expansion and widespread use of circular fuel additives.

### **Key players in the market**

Some of the key players in Circular Fuel Additives Market include BASF SE, Evonik Industries AG, Innospec Inc., TotalEnergies SE, Lubrizol Corporation, Dow Inc., Clariant, Afton Chemical, Dorf Ketal Chemicals, Chevron Corporation, Exxon Mobil Corporation, Infineum International Limited, Baker Hughes Company, Cargill Incorporated, Croda International Plc, LANXESS, Eni SpA and Royal Dutch Shell plc.

### **Key Developments:**

In October 2025, BASF SE and ANDRITZ Group have signed a license agreement for the use of BASF's proprietary gas treatment technology, OASE® blue, in a carbon capture project planned to be implemented in the city of Aarhus, Denmark. The project aims to capture approximately 435,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> annually from the flue gases of a waste-to-energy plant for sequestration; the city of Aarhus has set itself the goal of becoming CO<sub>2</sub>-neutral by 2030.

In October 2025, Dow and MEGlobal have finalized an agreement for Dow to supply an additional equivalent to 100 KTA of ethylene from its Gulf Coast operations. The ethylene will serve as a key feedstock for MEGlobal's ethylene glycol (EG) manufacturing facility co-located at Dow's and MEGlobal's Oyster Creek site.

In March 2025, Evonik has entered into an exclusive agreement with the Cleveland-based Sea-Land Chemical Company for the distribution of its cleaning solutions in the U.S. The agreement builds on a long-standing relationship with the distributor and expands the reach of Evonik's cleaning solutions to the entire U.S. region.

### **Additive Types Covered:**

Detergents

Antioxidants

Corrosion Inhibitors

Lubricity Improvers

Cetane Improvers

Other Additive Types

Fuel Types Covered:

Fossil Fuels

Biofuels

Synthetic Fuels

Applications Covered:

Transportation

Aviation

Marine

Industrial

Regions Covered:

North America

United States

Canada

Mexico

Europe

United Kingdom

Germany

France

Italy

Spain

Netherlands

Belgium

Sweden

Switzerland

Poland

Rest of Europe

Asia Pacific

China

Japan

India

South Korea

Australia

Indonesia

Thailand

Malaysia

Singapore

Vietnam

Rest of Asia Pacific

South America

Brazil

Argentina

Colombia

Chile

Peru

Rest of South America

Rest of the World (RoW)

Middle East

Saudi Arabia

United Arab Emirates

Qatar

Israel

Rest of Middle East

Africa

South Africa

Egypt

Morocco

Rest of Africa

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