

# **Open Radio Access Network (Open RAN) Market Forecasts to 2030 – Global Analysis by Component (Hardware, Software and Services), Unit, Frequency, Deployment, Access Technology, End User and By Geography**

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## **Abstracts**

According to Statistics MRC, the Global Open Radio Access Network (Open RAN) Market is accounted for \$2.8 billion in 2024 and is expected to reach \$22.4 billion by 2030 growing at a CAGR of 41.4% during the forecast period. Open Radio Access Network (Open RAN) is a wireless network design that fosters interoperability and standardization by disaggregating hardware and software components inside the RAN. Open RAN makes it possible for equipment from several manufacturers to function together seamlessly, in contrast to traditional RANs, which depend on proprietary hardware and software from a single vendor. It improves flexibility, scalability, and cost-effectiveness by utilizing open interfaces and standards, such as O-RAN specifications. Open RAN is perfect for 5G and next wireless technologies because it enables operators to install and operate networks more efficiently by combining different solutions, encouraging innovation, and lowering dependency on proprietary systems.

According to a survey by Mavenir, 78% of organizations surveyed preferred hybrid or other cloud models for deploying Open Radio Access Network (O-RAN).

Market Dynamics:

Driver:

Interoperability and Flexibility

Interoperability and flexibility are revolutionary factors in the market, allowing for easy integration of various hardware and software components from numerous manufacturers. This decreases the cost of network implementation, encourages innovation, and lessens reliance on proprietary technologies. Flexibility improves network speed and scalability by enabling customized solutions to satisfy different operator demands. These characteristics democratize the telecoms ecosystem and propel improvements in global connection with more efficiency and fewer obstacles by speeding up the deployment of 5G and creating possibilities for smaller businesses.

Restraint:

### High Initial Investments

High initial investments in Open Radio Access Network (Open RAN) infrastructure stymie industry growth, since telecom operators incur considerable capital costs when adopting new technologies. Smaller operators may not be able to afford the hardware, software, and integration costs associated with switching from traditional networks to Open RAN systems. Furthermore, the financial impact is increased by the intricacy of maintaining interoperability and managing multi-vendor ecosystems, which delays broad adoption and restricts Open RAN's potential in cost-sensitive sectors.

Opportunity:

### Innovation and Competition

Innovation and competition are key drivers in the Open Radio Access Network (Open RAN) market, fueling technological advancements and cost-effective solutions. The shift towards open and interoperable network components fosters vendor diversity, encouraging competition and reducing dependency on traditional telecom giants. This promotes faster deployment, improved network flexibility, and lower operational costs. Moreover, innovation in software-defined networking and automation enhances network performance, driving the adoption of Open RAN across telecom operators globally.

Threat:

### Integration Challenges

Integration challenges in the Open Radio Access Network (Open RAN) market hinder its growth due to the complexity of combining multi-vendor hardware and software

components. Compatibility issues arise when integrating existing infrastructure with new Open RAN solutions, leading to increased deployment time and costs. Additionally, ensuring seamless interoperability between various network elements, managing diverse vendor technologies, and maintaining consistent performance pose significant hurdles. These challenges delay the widespread adoption of Open RAN, limiting its market potential.

#### Covid-19 Impact:

The COVID-19 pandemic accelerated the adoption of Open Radio Access Network (Open RAN) by highlighting the need for flexible, cost-effective, and scalable telecom solutions. As demand for digital services surged, operators sought ways to reduce operational costs and enhance network resilience. Open RAN's ability to support multi-vendor ecosystems and enable remote network management made it a key solution for maintaining connectivity during the crisis and beyond.

The radio unit segment is expected to be the largest during the forecast period

The radio unit segment is expected to be the largest during the forecast period as it facilitates the connection between the user equipment (UE) and the core network, supporting high-speed data transfer and efficient spectrum utilization. The integration of RUs in Open RAN allows for the disaggregation of network components, promoting interoperability among multi-vendor equipment, reducing costs, and accelerating the deployment of 5G networks. This drives growth in the Open RAN market, enhancing network performance and innovation.

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

The software segment is expected to have the highest CAGR during the forecast period because it allows operators to disaggregate hardware and software components, facilitating multi-vendor interoperability. Software-driven solutions enhance network automation, improve performance optimization, and enable faster deployment of services. As Open RAN evolves, software innovations, such as AI/ML-based analytics and virtualized network functions, are becoming key drivers of network efficiency and adaptability. The integration of advanced software is accelerating the adoption of Open RAN, fostering innovative telecom environments.

Region with largest share:

North America is anticipated to hold the largest market share during the forecast period because telecom operators may become less dependent on conventional equipment manufacturers thanks to Open RAN, which encourages competition and multi-vendor ecosystems. Network operations are changing as a result of the move to virtualized networks, more automation, and AI-driven management. The region's adoption of Open RAN is being further accelerated by increased government and corporate expenditures as well as the drive for 5G growth.

Region with highest CAGR:

Asia Pacific is anticipated to witness the highest CAGR over the forecast period due to increasing demand for 5G deployments, and a shift towards cost-effective, flexible network architectures. Open RAN's interoperability allows telecom operators to utilize multi-vendor solutions, enhancing network efficiency and reducing dependency on traditional, single-vendor systems. Additionally, the region's growing investments in smart cities, IoT, and cloud services accelerate Open RAN adoption, positioning it as a critical enabler of future telecom infrastructure in Asia-Pacific.

Key players in the market

Some of the key players in Open Radio Access Network (Open RAN) market include Rakuten Symphony, Parallel Wireless, Mavenir, AltioStar Networks (a part of Rakuten Group), Samsung Electronics, Nokia, Ericsson, Huawei Technologies, NEC Corporation, Radisys (a part of Jio Platforms), CommScope, Fujitsu Limited, Cisco Systems, Dell Technologies, Intel Corporation, Qualcomm Technologies, Inc, Viavi Solutions and Keysight Technologies.

Key Developments:

In November 2024, Hospital Sant Pau collaborated with Huawei to drive healthcare digital transformation, leveraging advanced technology for enhanced patient care, operational efficiency, and innovative medical solutions.

In November 2024, IUCN and Huawei expanded Spain's Tech4Nature initiatives, celebrating Sierra Nevada's Green List renewal at CIMAS II, advancing biodiversity conservation through innovative technology collaborations.

In November 2024, Huawei and industry partners released the Autonomous Networks Levels Evaluation Whitepaper and awarded certificates to the first group of operators to

have completed an autonomous network level evaluation.

#### Components Covered:

Hardware

Software

Services

#### Units Covered:

Radio Unit

Distributed Unit

Centralized Unit

#### Frequencies Covered:

Sub-6 GHz

mmWave

#### Deployments Covered:

Cloud-Based

On-Premises

Hybrid

#### Access Technologies Covered:

4G/LTE

5G

Other Access Technologies (2G/3G)

End Users Covered:

Telecommunications Operators

Government and Defense

Manufacturing

Energy & Utilities

Transportation

Other End Users

Regions Covered:

North America

US

Canada

Mexico

Europe

Germany

UK

Italy

France

Spain

Rest of Europe

#### Asia Pacific

Japan

China

India

Australia

New Zealand

South Korea

Rest of Asia Pacific

#### South America

Argentina

Brazil

Chile

Rest of South America

#### Middle East & Africa

Saudi Arabia

UAE

Qatar

South Africa

Rest of Middle East & Africa

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- Market share assessments for the regional and country-level segments
- Strategic recommendations for the new entrants
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