

# **Quantum Dots in Advanced Materials Market Forecasts to 2032 – Global Analysis By Material Type (Cadmium-based Quantum Dots, Cadmium-free Quantum Dots, Carbon Quantum Dots and Graphene Quantum Dots), Structure, Fabrication Technique, Application, End User and By Geography**

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## **Abstracts**

According to Statistics MRC, the Global Quantum Dots in Advanced Materials Market is accounted for \$9.46 billion in 2025 and is expected to reach \$17.85 billion by 2032 growing at a CAGR of 9.5% during the forecast period. Quantum dots (QDs) are ultra-small semiconductor nanocrystals renowned for their exceptional optical and electrical characteristics arising from quantum confinement. In the field of advanced materials, QDs are revolutionizing performance in sectors like solar energy, displays, biosensing, and imaging technologies. Their adjustable light emission, durability, and superior energy efficiency enable the creation of highly responsive and color-accurate systems. Recent advancements also focus on embedding QDs into flexible and wearable materials to design intelligent, multifunctional devices. With continued improvements in scalable and low-cost production techniques, quantum dots are emerging as key components driving innovation in sustainable and high-efficiency material development.

According to data published in Nature Photonics, quantum dot light-emitting diodes (QD-LEDs) have achieved external quantum efficiencies exceeding 20%, making them competitive with OLEDs for display and lighting applications. This performance is attributed to the narrow emission spectra and high photoluminescence quantum yield of QDs.

## **Market Dynamics:**

**Driver:****Rising demand for high-performance display technologies**

Quantum dots are witnessing rising adoption in next-generation display systems such as QLED TVs, laptops, and smartphones, owing to their remarkable brightness, energy efficiency, and color accuracy. They provide broader color ranges and sharper images than conventional materials, making them ideal for advanced visual technologies. The growing market for ultra-HD and eco-friendly displays further strengthens their use across consumer electronics. Progress in cadmium-free quantum dots enhances sustainability and regulatory compliance, encouraging global manufacturers to adopt them widely. As consumer preferences shift toward premium visual performance, quantum dot integration in advanced display materials is expected to remain a major growth driver.

**Restraint:****High production costs and complex manufacturing processes**

Quantum dot production is constrained by costly and technically demanding manufacturing processes that require precise control over particle size and composition. Advanced synthesis methods and specialized equipment add to the overall expense, making large-scale production economically challenging. Ensuring uniform optical performance across different batches further complicates commercialization efforts. These high costs limit adoption in industries sensitive to pricing, such as solar energy and mass-market displays. Although ongoing research aims to simplify synthesis and lower expenses through eco-friendly methods, current complexity and scalability issues continue to impede market expansion, representing a major restraint for quantum dots in advanced materials development.

**Opportunity:****Rising adoption in renewable energy and photovoltaic innovations**

Quantum dots are creating strong opportunities in the renewable energy domain, especially in advanced photovoltaic applications designed to enhance solar power efficiency. Their adjustable electronic structure enables broad-spectrum light absorption, facilitating the creation of lightweight, flexible, and transparent solar panels. These

features make them ideal for building-integrated and portable solar systems. As global sustainability initiatives grow, QD-based photovoltaics are gaining attention for their energy efficiency and versatility. Ongoing efforts to develop scalable and environmentally safe production methods are boosting commercial feasibility. Consequently, quantum dots are expected to play a crucial role in the advancement of next-generation clean energy technologies.

#### Threat:

##### Intense competition from emerging nanomaterials

Quantum dots face growing competition from innovative nanomaterials such as perovskites, graphene, and carbon-based nanoparticles, which demonstrate similar or enhanced functional capabilities. These alternatives often deliver high efficiency and stability at reduced production costs, making them appealing for industries seeking affordable solutions. The rapid pace of technological development in nanomaterials enables substitutes that rival QDs in performance across displays, energy systems, and sensors. Furthermore, their eco-friendly profiles strengthen their market appeal. As a result, the increasing preference for alternative advanced materials threatens the sustained market growth and competitive edge of quantum dots in the evolving high-performance materials landscape.

#### Covid-19 Impact:

During the COVID-19 crisis, the quantum dots in advanced materials market experienced short-term challenges such as disrupted supply chains, halted manufacturing, and postponed research projects. The slowdown in electronics and solar energy sectors further affected market growth. As restrictions eased, recovery gained momentum with renewed investments in nanotechnology and sustainable materials. Increased focus on medical innovation spurred the use of quantum dots in healthcare imaging and diagnostic solutions. Although the pandemic temporarily hindered progress, it ultimately accelerated technological adoption across renewable and biomedical fields. Consequently, COVID-19 acted as a catalyst for long-term advancements in the quantum dots in advanced materials industry.

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market share during the forecast period owing to their outstanding brightness, emission stability, and superior optical tunability. Their ability to deliver high color precision and efficiency makes them highly suitable for display panels, lighting solutions, and solar energy devices. Established manufacturing methods and consistent product reliability have strengthened their presence across various sectors. Although environmental and toxicity concerns exist, advancements in protective coatings and recycling have supported their regulated application. Continued R&D and proven commercial performance ensure cadmium-based quantum dots remain the leading segment in advanced material technologies worldwide.

The bio-synthesis segment is expected to have the highest CAGR during the forecast period

Over the forecast period, the bio-synthesis segment is predicted to witness the highest growth rate, driven by its environmentally sustainable and non-toxic production techniques. This process utilizes natural sources like microorganisms, algae, and plant extracts to create quantum dots under mild conditions, minimizing chemical waste and environmental impact. Bio-synthesized QDs exhibit excellent optical performance and enhanced biocompatibility, making them suitable for healthcare, imaging, and ecological monitoring. With increasing emphasis on green chemistry and stricter environmental regulations, bio-synthesis is gaining strong industrial and academic attention. Its scalability and eco-conscious advantages are propelling it as the most rapidly expanding synthesis method.

Region with largest share:

During the forecast period, the North America region is expected to hold the largest market share owing to its advanced research ecosystem, high R&D expenditure, and strong presence of the electronics sector. The region leads in adopting QD-based technologies across displays, photovoltaics, and healthcare applications. Prominent U.S. and Canadian institutions are pioneering innovations in nanotechnology and eco-friendly material synthesis, boosting commercialization. Government support for renewable energy and high-performance material initiatives also contributes to market leadership. Furthermore, the concentration of top technology firms and growing consumer preference for superior display and energy-efficient products continue to reinforce North America's position as the leading region in the global quantum dots market.

Region with highest CAGR:

Over the forecast period, the Asia Pacific region is anticipated to exhibit the highest CAGR due to surging demand for advanced electronics, renewable energy systems, and nanomaterial innovations. Nations such as China, Japan, South Korea, and India are actively expanding R&D initiatives and manufacturing capabilities in QD-based technologies. The region benefits from supportive government programs, a robust electronics supply chain, and cost-efficient production infrastructure. Rapid technological advancements and partnerships between research institutions and industry players are accelerating innovation. Combined with rising consumer adoption of smart and energy-efficient devices, these factors position Asia-Pacific as the most rapidly growing market for quantum dots.

### Key players in the market

Some of the key players in Quantum Dots in Advanced Materials Market include Samsung Display Co., Ltd., Nanosys, Inc., LG Display Co., Ltd., Nanoco Group plc, Merck KGaA, Dow Inc., Avantama GmbH, Ocean NanoTech, LLC, TCL Corporation, QDVision, Inc., Shoei Chemical, Inc., NNCrystal US Corporation, Crystalplex Corporation, Qlight Nanotech and NN-Labs LLC.

### Key Developments:

In July 2025, Samsung Display signed a deal with Mercedes-Benz for the supply of automotive AMOLED displays for Mercedes' flagship Maybach S-Class car, for its 2028 model. The contract is exclusive, which means that SDC will be the only supplier for the Maybach S-Class cars. According to ETNews, SDC will supply a pillar-to-pillar OLED display solution, which will cover the entire front of the car, from side to side.

In April 2025, Nanoco Group plc announced a pivotal JDA with a new Asian chemical customer. This one-year programme aims to optimise lead-free nanomaterials for integration into global electronics applications. Upon successful completion, the partnership is set to transition into industrial-scale production by 2027, aligning with the growing demand for sustainable and high-performance materials in consumer electronics.

In September 2024, LG Display said it had agreed to sell its stake in its large liquid crystal display (LCD) plant in Guangzhou, China, to TCL's LCD unit CSOT for 10.8 billion yuan. The sale includes LG Display's 80% stake in its large LCD panel plant and 100% of its LCD module plant.

**Material Types Covered:**

Cadmium-based Quantum Dots

Cadmium-free Quantum Dots

Carbon Quantum Dots

Graphene Quantum Dots

**Structures Covered:**

Core-type Quantum Dots

Core-shell Quantum Dots

Alloyed Quantum Dots

**Fabrication Techniques Covered:**

Colloidal Synthesis

Plasma Synthesis

Vapor Phase Synthesis

Bio-synthesis

**Applications Covered:**

Display Enhancement Films

Solid-State Lighting

Photovoltaic Conversion Layers

Biomedical Imaging & Diagnostics

Environmental & Chemical Sensors

Quantum Information Systems

Security Tagging & Anti-counterfeiting

Agricultural Light Modulation Films

End Users Covered:

Consumer Electronics

Healthcare & Life Sciences

Renewable Energy

Defense & Homeland Security

Precision Agriculture

Automotive & Mobility

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

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Rest of South America

Middle East & Africa

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UAE

Qatar

South Africa

Rest of Middle East & Africa

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