

Refuse Compactor Market Forecasts to 2030 – Global Analysis By Product Type (Stationary Compactors, Portable Compactors, Self-Contained Compactors and Other Product Types), Capacity, Waste Type, Compaction Mechanism, Power Source, Automation Level, Application, End User and By Geography

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Abstracts

According to Statistics MRC, the Global Refuse Compactor Market is accounted for \$286.8 million in 2024 and is expected to reach \$369.2 million by 2030 growing at a CAGR of 4.3% during the forecast period. A refuse compactor is a device made to compress and decrease the amount of waste, improving the efficiency of disposal. To reduce the amount of space needed for waste storage and transportation, it is frequently utilized in municipal, commercial, and industrial waste management. These compactors reduce environmental impact and increase operational efficiency by compressing solid waste using mechanical or hydraulic force.

According to the World Bank, global waste generation is projected to increase from 2.01 billion tonnes in 2016 to 3.40 billion tonnes by 2050.

Market Dynamics:

Driver:

Increasing regulations to reduce waste volume

Stringent government regulations worldwide are driving the refuse compactor market growth by mandating waste volume reduction and promoting sustainable waste

management practices. Municipalities are increasingly required to minimize landfill volumes, leading to higher adoption of refuse compactors. The implementation of strict environmental policies and waste management regulations has created a strong demand for efficient compaction solutions, particularly in urban areas where waste management challenges are most acute.

Restraint:

High initial costs

The substantial initial investment required for refuse compactor equipment poses a significant barrier to market entry, particularly for smaller businesses and municipalities. The high costs associated with purchasing advanced compaction technology, combined with ongoing maintenance expenses and the need for specialized training, create financial challenges for potential buyers. This cost factor often leads to delayed adoption or selection of less efficient alternatives.

Opportunity:

Rising investments

Growing investments in waste management infrastructure, particularly in emerging economies, present significant market opportunities. The rapid urbanization and increasing focus on sustainable waste management solutions are driving infrastructure development. Government initiatives and private sector investments in smart waste management systems, coupled with the integration of IoT and advanced technologies, are creating new avenues for market expansion.

Threat:

Skilled labor shortages

The waste management industry faces a critical shortage of skilled workers capable of operating and maintaining sophisticated refuse compaction equipment. According to labor statistics, this shortage complicates the adoption and operation of advanced compaction technologies. The lack of qualified personnel can lead to operational inefficiencies and increased maintenance costs, potentially impacting market growth.

Covid-19 Impact:

The pandemic disrupted supply chains and manufacturing operations in the refuse compactor market, leading to production delays and increased operational costs. However, the crisis also accelerated the adoption of automated and smart waste management solutions to minimize human contact. The industry demonstrated resilience by adapting to new safety protocols and digital technologies, while maintaining essential waste management services.

The dry waste segment is expected to be the largest during the forecast period

The dry waste segment is expected to account for the largest market share during the forecast period due to its widespread application across various sectors, including commercial, industrial, and municipal waste management. The increasing focus on recycling and the need for efficient handling of paper, cardboard, and other dry recyclables has driven the segment's growth. The segment's dominance is further strengthened by the rising adoption of specialized dry waste compaction solutions in urban areas.

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

Over the forecast period, the portable compactors segment is predicted to witness the highest growth rate due to their versatility and efficiency in various applications. These units offer flexibility in waste management operations, making them particularly attractive for businesses with varying waste volumes. The segment's growth is driven by increasing demand from commercial establishments, retail centers, and municipalities seeking mobile waste management solutions that can be easily relocated based on needs.

Region with largest share:

During the forecast period, the Europe region is expected to hold the largest market share driven by stringent environmental regulations and advanced waste management infrastructure. The region's strong emphasis on environmental sustainability, coupled with high urbanization rates and technological adoption, contributes to its market dominance. Continuous investments in waste reduction initiatives and circular economy practices further strengthen Europe's position.

Region with highest CAGR:

Over the forecast period, the Asia Pacific region is anticipated to exhibit the highest CAGR fueled by rapid urbanization, industrialization, and increasing environmental awareness. Countries like China and India are making substantial investments in waste management infrastructure. The region's growing focus on sustainable waste management practices, coupled with government initiatives to improve urban waste handling, drives market expansion.

Key players in the market

Some of the key players in Refuse Compactor Market include GE Appliances, Wastequip Manufacturing Company LLC, Marathon Equipment Co, Compactor Management Company, Precision Machinery Systems, Genesis Waste Handling Private Limited, Zhengzhou Treasure Trading Co. Ltd, Bigbelly, ACE Equipment Company, SP Industries Inc, Husmann Umwelt Technik, Heinrich Group, TR Baler and Compactor, Capital Compactors Ltd, Broan-NuTone, CAT, Electrolux Icon and Whirlpool.

Key Developments:

In November 2024, Solar-powered trash bins hit the streets of downtown Haverhill, MA. Bigbelly, a Needham-based company focused on improving efficiency and sustainability within the waste system, provides solar-powered trash compactors, or smart bins, to communities across the Commonwealth. The smart units compact trash using the power of the sun, holding five times more waste than a traditional barrel. Bigbelly's bins are also fully enclosed, reducing litter, pests and odor.

In October 2024, Terex Corporation announced completion of its acquisition of Environmental Solutions Group ("ESG") from Dover Corporation. Terex anticipates that ESG will drive increased revenue growth, free cash flow, earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization ("EBITDA") margin, and EPS accretion. The transaction is expected to be double-digit percentage adjusted EPS accretive in 2025, with meaningful growth thereafter. The all-cash transaction is for \$2.0 billion, or \$1.725 billion when adjusted for the present value of expected tax benefits of approximately \$275 million.

In January 2023, Marathon Equipment, part of Environmental Solutions Group (ESG) and Dover announced the introduction of its "Back of Store" solutions and Marathon Certified Remanufactured™ (MCR) program. Both initiatives will enable waste

generators—retailers, manufacturers, universities, and other institutions—to lower costs, increase efficiency, and advance their sustainability objectives.

Product Types Covered:

Stationary Compactors

Portable Compactors

Self-Contained Compactors

Other Product Types

Capacities Covered:

Small Capacity (up to 1 cubic yard)

Medium Capacity (1 to 3 cubic yards)

Large Capacity (3 to 10 cubic yards)

Extra Large Capacity (over 10 cubic yards)

Waste Types Covered:

Dry Waste

Wet Waste

Mixed Waste

Compaction Mechanisms Covered:

Hydraulic Compactors

Pneumatic Compactors

Screw Compactors

Rotary Compactors

Ram Compactors

Power Sources Covered:

Electric-Powered Compactors

Diesel-Powered Compactors

Solar-Powered Compactors

Hybrid Power Systems

Automation Levels Covered:

Manual Compactors

Semi Automatic Compactors

Fully Automatic Compactors

Applications Covered:

On-site Waste Processing/Volume Reduction

Waste Collection & Transportation

Landfill Management

Recycling & Resource Recovery

End Users Covered:

Municipalities

Commercial Sector

Industrial Sector

Agricultural Sector

Residential Sector

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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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

Refuse Compactor Market Forecasts to 2030 – Global Analysis By Product Type (Stationary Compactors, Portable C...

- Strategic recommendations for the new entrants
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