

# **India Automotive Plastics Market By Type (Polypropylene, Polyurethane, Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene, Polyvinyl Chloride, High Density Polyethylene, Others), By Application (Interior, Exterior, Under Bonet, Electrical Component, Others), By Region, Competition, Forecast and Opportunities, 2020-2030F**

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## **Abstracts**

India Automotive Plastics Market was reached reach USD 1.31 billion by 2024 and is anticipated to project robust growth in the forecast period to reach USD 1.66 billion with a CAGR of 4.08% through 2030.

A primary driver of this impressive growth is the ever-increasing demand for lightweight materials in the automotive industry. With a focus on enhancing fuel efficiency and reducing greenhouse gas emissions, manufacturers are turning to plastics as a viable solution. These versatile materials not only help reduce vehicle weight but also maintain safety and performance standards.

In addition to their lightweight properties, automotive plastics offer exceptional design flexibility, durability, and resistance to wear and tear. This makes them ideal for a wide range of applications within vehicles, including interiors, exteriors, and under-the-hood components.

Despite the promising growth, the automotive plastics sector does face certain challenges. Fluctuating raw material prices and concerns about plastic waste and its environmental impact are among the key issues. However, the industry is actively responding to these challenges through continuous innovation and dedicated research

efforts. For example, there is a strong focus on developing bio-based automotive plastics that are biodegradable and have a significantly lower environmental footprint.

The Indian government's Make in India initiative is playing a crucial role in encouraging domestic manufacturing, including the production of automotive plastics. This initiative, combined with the rapid growth of the automotive industry in India, presents abundant opportunities for the expansion of the automotive plastics market. The automotive plastics market in India is poised for significant and sustained growth. This growth is driven by the increasing demand for lightweight materials in the automotive industry, the versatility of plastics, and the supportive government initiatives. Despite the challenges faced, the sector's commitment to innovation and environmental sustainability promises a bright and prosperous future for the automotive plastics market.

## Key Market Drivers

### Growth in Automotive Industry

With the steady increase in vehicle production, the demand for automotive plastics is on the rise. These plastics have become indispensable components in the manufacturing of modern vehicles, playing a vital role in the automotive industry. In February 2021, the Government of India approved the Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Hybrid & Electric Vehicles (FAME)-II scheme, with a fund allocation of USD 1.39 billion for the fiscal year 2022-2023.

Automotive plastics offer numerous advantages that make them crucial in vehicle manufacturing. Their lightweight properties not only contribute to improved fuel efficiency but also aid in reducing emissions by reducing the overall weight of the vehicle. Their design flexibility allows for the creation of stylish and aerodynamic exteriors, while also enabling the development of comfortable and feature-rich interiors.

It is worth noting that the growth of the automotive industry in India has a direct impact on the automotive plastics market. As the automotive sector continues to expand, the demand for automotive plastics is expected to witness a significant boost, driving the market forward. Despite the challenges faced, the industry's unwavering commitment to innovation and sustainability ensures a promising future. The increasing production of vehicles acts as a key driver for the growth of India's automotive plastics market. The utilization of automotive plastics not only enhances the performance and efficiency of vehicles but also contributes to a sustainable and vibrant automotive industry.

## Surge in Technological Advancements

Technological advancements in the automotive industry have paved the way for the development of innovative automotive plastics that play a crucial role in reducing carbon emissions in passenger cars. These cutting-edge plastics, coupled with greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction technologies such as valve timing adjustments, turbocharging, and the use of lightweight materials, have significantly contributed to lower fuel consumption and emissions.

The introduction of automotive plastic extruded parts has brought about a revolutionary change in the market. These parts are manufactured through a meticulous process of melting and forming plastic materials, offering a plethora of benefits. Not only are they cost-effective, but they also possess remarkable versatility and the ability to produce complex shapes that were once deemed challenging. The surge in technological advancements serves as a major driving force behind the growth of India's automotive plastics market. As these remarkable innovations continue to unfold, they hold the potential to propel the market to unprecedented heights, thereby shaping the future of the automotive industry in India.

## Key Market Challenges

### Disruption in Supply Chain of Raw Materials

The automotive plastics market in India, despite its growth trajectory, is currently facing a significant challenge - disruption in the supply chain of raw materials. This disruption, largely attributed to the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic, has caused shortages in both raw materials and finished products, impacting the entire industry.

The automotive plastics sector heavily relies on the petrochemical industry for its raw materials. However, the pandemic has caused considerable disturbance to global supply chains, creating a ripple effect that has disrupted the availability and prices of these essential inputs. As a result, the shortage of raw materials used in the production of automotive plastics has had a direct impact on the industry, leading to production delays and increased costs that are inevitably passed on to the consumers.

It is important to note that the plastic industry, including the automotive plastics segment, is closely connected to the growth of the petrochemical sector. Therefore, any disruption in the petrochemical industry directly translates into significant challenges for

the automotive plastics market.

In response to these disruptions, many organizations within the industry are reevaluating and rethinking their supply chains. Strategies to address these vulnerabilities include diversifying suppliers, stockpiling essential materials, and exploring local production options to ensure a more resilient and reliable supply chain in the future.

The disruption in the raw material supply has also brought to light the pressing need for effective risk management within the automotive supply chain. Companies are now placing greater emphasis on strategic planning and crisis management to better mitigate the impact of such disruptions in the future and ensure the industry's sustained growth.

## Key Market Trends

### Growing Demand of Light weighting for Fuel Efficiency

As the automotive industry continues to evolve, one trend is clearly steering its course - the growing demand for light weighting and fuel efficiency. This trend is significantly impacting India's automotive plastics market, leading to increased adoption and innovation in the sector.

Light weighting refers to the process of reducing a vehicle's weight to improve its fuel efficiency. As the global focus on sustainability intensifies, automakers are under pressure to meet stringent emission regulations and efficiency standards. This push has led to an increased demand for automotive plastics, which are lighter than traditional materials like steel and aluminum and can significantly reduce a vehicle's weight.

Light weighting not only enhances fuel efficiency but also improves vehicle handling and performance. By reducing the overall weight of the vehicle, it becomes more agile and responsive, allowing for better acceleration and maneuverability. This, in turn, enhances the driving experience and provides a competitive edge to automakers in the market. The growing demand for light weighting and fuel efficiency is a significant trend driving India's automotive plastics market. As automakers continue to seek lightweight solutions to meet fuel efficiency standards and enhance sustainability, the role of automotive plastics is set to become even more pivotal. With ongoing advancements in material technology and design, the automotive industry is poised to achieve remarkable breakthroughs in light weighting and fuel efficiency, revolutionizing the way

we drive and shaping a greener and more sustainable future.

### Customization and Aesthetic Appeal

As consumer preferences for personalized and aesthetically appealing vehicles continue to rise, the demand for high-quality, customizable automotive plastics has significantly increased. Consumers today are seeking vehicles that not only provide functional performance but also reflect their individual style and preferences. This shift has led automotive manufacturers to prioritize design versatility and customization in their product offerings. Automotive plastics, known for their ability to be molded into various shapes and colors, are ideally suited to meet these evolving needs.

Manufacturers are focusing on producing innovative plastics for both interior and exterior components that can cater to specific design and performance requirements. Interior automotive plastics are now being used in a wider range of applications, from dashboard panels, seat coverings, and door trims to intricate parts like cup holders and center consoles. These components are often customized in terms of texture, color, and finish to provide a more personalized cabin experience for consumers. For example, premium plastics with matte or glossy finishes are being used to create luxurious interior designs, enhancing the vehicle's aesthetic appeal.

Similarly, the exterior plastic components, such as bumpers, grilles, and mirror housings, are also evolving to offer more customization options. Manufacturers are incorporating various colors, textures, and surface finishes to give consumers a broader range of design choices, enabling them to tailor their vehicles according to their preferences. Advancements in plastic materials have improved their durability, ensuring that these customizations are not only visually appealing but also long-lasting, resistant to UV degradation, and able to withstand the rigors of daily use.

This trend toward greater customization and aesthetic appeal is expected to continue to grow, with manufacturers increasingly utilizing advanced plastics to create vehicles that stand out in both form and function, meeting the ever-evolving demands of consumers.

### Segmental Insights

#### Application Insights

The interior segment is projected to experience rapid growth during the forecast period. Automotive plastics offer significant advantages in terms of durability and aesthetics.

They can be molded into complex shapes, allowing designers to create more ergonomic and visually appealing interiors. These plastics are resistant to wear and tear, making them ideal for high-use areas like the vehicle's interior. The drive towards light weighting vehicles for improved fuel efficiency has also contributed to the increased use of plastics in interior applications. Plastics, being lighter than traditional materials used in vehicle interiors such as leather and metal, help reduce the overall weight of the vehicle. This reduction in weight not only enhances fuel efficiency but also contributes to a more sustainable and eco-friendly transportation system.

Automotive plastics provide cost advantages over other materials. Their lower production and assembly costs make them an economical choice for manufacturers looking to control costs without compromising on quality or aesthetics. This cost-effectiveness allows for more accessible and affordable vehicles for consumers, making automotive plastics a preferred option in the industry.

## Regional Insights

West India emerged as the dominant player in the India Automotive Plastics Market in 2024, holding the largest market share in terms of value. West India boasts a robust industrial base with a significant presence of automobile manufacturers. Maharashtra, a state in this region, is one of the largest auto hubs in the country, housing major car and auto component manufacturers. This translates into high demand for automotive plastics in the region. The favorable geographical location of West India also plays a crucial role in its prominence in the automotive industry. According to IBEF data, plastic consumption in India exhibits notable regional variation, with Western India representing 47%, Northern India 23%, and Southern India 21%. The primary sectors driving consumption in Northern India, which is predominantly concentrated in Uttar Pradesh and Delhi-NCR, include automotive, packaging (including bulk packaging), plastic applications, and electronic appliances.

With its proximity to major ports and transportation networks, West India becomes an ideal location for automotive manufacturing and distribution. The high vehicle production rates in West India also contribute to its dominance. With a significant proportion of India's vehicles produced in this region, there is a consistent requirement for automotive plastics for vehicle manufacturing and assembly. This demand has led to the establishment of a well-developed supply chain network for automotive plastics in West India, ensuring smooth availability and timely delivery of materials to meet the industry's needs.

West India is home to a thriving plastic recycling industry. This industry provides a steady supply of recycled plastics that can be used in the manufacture of automotive components, further boosting the region's dominance in the automotive plastics market. The emphasis on sustainability and eco-friendly practices in the automotive sector has prompted manufacturers to explore the use of recycled plastics, and West India's recycling industry plays a vital role in meeting this demand. By utilizing recycled materials, the region contributes not only to the reduction of plastic waste but also to the overall cost-effectiveness of automotive production.

### Key Market Players

BASF India Ltd.

Reliance Industries Limited

Dow Chemical International Pvt. Ltd.

SABIC India Pvt. Ltd.

APPL Industries Limited

### Report Scope:

In this report, the India Automotive Plastics Market has been segmented into the following categories, in addition to the industry trends which have also been detailed below:

India Automotive Plastics Market, By Type:

Polypropylene

Polyurethane

Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene

Polyvinyl Chloride

High Density Polyethylene

Others

India Automotive Plastics Market, By Application:

Interior

Exterior

Under Bonet

Electrical Component

Others

India Automotive Plastics Market, By Region:

North India

East India

West India

South India

Competitive Landscape

Company Profiles: Detailed analysis of the major companies present in the India Automotive Plastics Market.

Available Customizations:

India Automotive Plastics Market report with the given market data, TechSci Research offers customizations according to a company's specific needs. The following customization options are available for the report:

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