

Oleochemicals Market Size, Growth Status and Better Investment Opportunities by 2032

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WILMINGTON, DE, UNITED STATES, September 3, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Oleochemicals are widely used in personal care products, including hair care and skincare essentials, as they are allergen-free and rarely contain carcinogens. Growing consumer awareness about personal hygiene,



coupled with the rising preference for natural ingredients, is driving the demand for oleochemicals in the personal care and cosmetics industry. Their water-insoluble nature also makes them highly versatile in cosmetic formulations, further contributing to market expansion.

Allied Market Research recently published a report titled, "Oleochemicals Market by Type (Fatty Acid, Fatty Alcohol, Glycerol, and Others) and Application (Pharmaceuticals, Personal Care & Cosmetics, Food & Beverages, Soap & Detergents, Polymers, and Others): Global Opportunity Analysis and Industry Forecast, 2023–2032." According to the study, the global oleochemicals market was valued at \$29.9 billion in 2022 and is projected to reach \$55.2 billion by 2032, growing at a CAGR of 6.4% from 2023 to 2032.

Key Growth Drivers

- Rising demand for specialty esters in personal care and cosmetics.
- Shift toward bio-based raw materials to reduce reliance on petrochemicals.
- Increased preference for sustainable, biodegradable, and cost-effective ingredients.
- Growing production of eco-friendly chemicals aligned with environmental and consumer safety

concerns.

In the cosmetics industry, oleochemicals such as polyhexanide (a preservative and antibacterial agent) and octyl stearate (a palm-derived emollient used in eyeshadows and other formulations) exemplify their growing role. As natural cosmetic ingredients continue to gain traction, oleochemicals are positioned as a safer and more effective alternative, boosting long-term demand.

Segment Insights:-

By Type:

- Fatty Acids dominated the market in 2022, accounting for nearly half of the total share. Derived from natural sources like vegetable oils and animal fats, they are increasingly adopted as sustainable alternatives to petrochemical-based products.
- Fatty Alcohols are projected to register the fastest growth with a CAGR of 7% during the forecast period.

By Application:

- Soaps & Detergents held the largest share in 2022, contributing more than one-fourth of global revenue, driven by rising healthcare awareness and increased disposable income.
- Personal Care & Cosmetics is expected to witness the fastest growth with a CAGR of 7.1%.

Regional Analysis

- Asia-Pacific dominated the market in 2022, contributing over half of the global revenue and is expected to expand at the fastest CAGR of 6.7% by 2032.
- The region's growth is fueled by strong demand in cosmetics and fatty acid applications, along with abundant availability of palm oil in Malaysia and Indonesia, which serve as major feedstocks for oleochemical production.
- Sustainability concerns surrounding palm oil production also continue to influence market dynamics in the region.

Key Market Players:

- Emery Oleochemicals
- Wilmar International
- Oleon NV
- KLK Oleo
- Musim Mas Group
- Croda International
- IOI Group

- Procter & Gamble Co.
- Twin River Technologies
- Kao Corporation

These companies are adopting strategies such as product innovation, regional expansion, partnerships, and joint ventures to strengthen their market presence and meet evolving consumer demands for sustainable, bio-based solutions.

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