

Waterproofing Membranes Market Set for Strong Growth, projected to Reach US\$ 64.4 Bn by 2035 | TMR

Global Waterproofing Membranes Market to Reach US\$ 64.4 Bn by 2035, Driven by Urban Expansion, Climate Resilience, and Sustainable Building Practices.

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[waterproofing membranes market](#) has become an essential pillar of modern infrastructure and construction development. As cities expand, climates grow harsher, and regulations demand sustainability, waterproofing membranes play a critical role in

ensuring durability, safety, and efficiency across commercial, residential, and industrial projects. These advanced materials not only prevent water infiltration but also extend the life of structures, minimize maintenance costs, and promote resilience against extreme weather events.



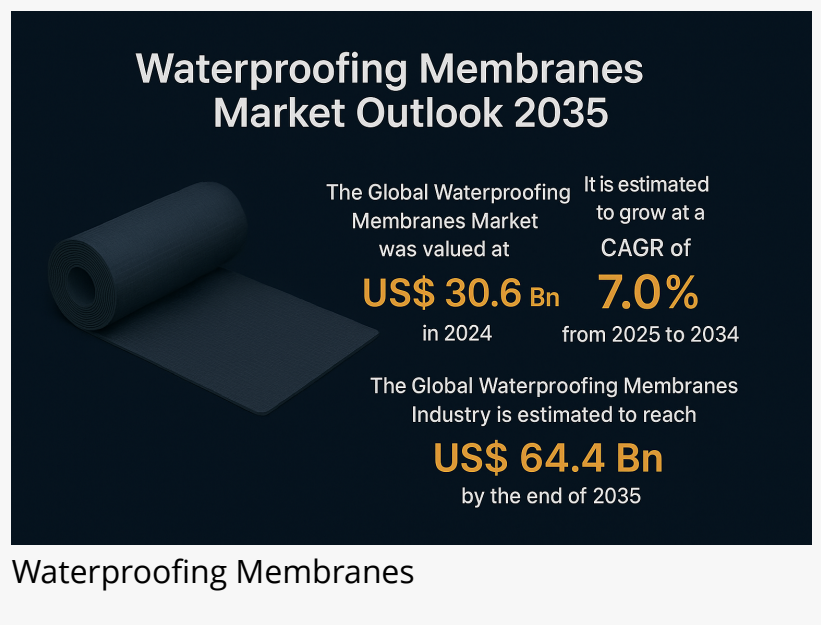
Rising urbanization and infrastructure projects are fueling strong demand for sustainable waterproofing solutions worldwide."

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The global waterproofing membranes market, valued at US\$ 30.6 Bn in 2024, is projected to grow at a 7.0% CAGR between 2025 and 2034, reaching US\$ 64.4 Bn by 2035. This rapid expansion is underpinned by urbanization, climate-adaptive infrastructure needs, sustainability mandates, and continuous innovation in membrane technologies.

Market Overview: Waterproofing membranes are

protective layers designed to prevent water seepage into buildings, tunnels, bridges, and other critical infrastructure. They are broadly categorized into bituminous membranes, thermoplastic membranes (TPO, PVC), ethylene propylene diene monomer (EPDM), and liquid-applied



membranes.

- Bituminous membranes remain the largest segment, dominating due to cost-efficiency, widespread availability, and proven performance.
- Liquid-applied membranes are rapidly gaining traction, favored for their seamless application, adaptability to irregular surfaces, and compliance with [green building](#) regulations.

The increasing frequency of climate-related disasters such as floods and heavy rainfall, especially in coastal regions, has accelerated the demand for high-performance waterproofing solutions. At the same time, the rise of green building certifications and sustainable construction practices is steering the industry toward solvent-free, low-VOC, and recyclable membranes.

Key Drivers of Market Growth

1. Rapid Urbanization and Infrastructure Development

Emerging economies such as India, China, Indonesia, and Brazil are experiencing unprecedented urban expansion. Mega infrastructure projects, including metro rail systems, smart cities, highways, and residential skyscrapers, are boosting the demand for reliable waterproofing solutions. Public-private partnership (PPP) models and Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) frameworks are further promoting investments in high-quality, durable membranes.

2. Stringent Building Codes and Sustainability Standards

Governments worldwide are enforcing regulations such as the International Building Code (IBC), National Building Code (NBC), and certification programs like LEED and BREEAM, which emphasize energy efficiency and moisture control. Waterproofing membranes are increasingly being specified to comply with these standards, preventing mold, improving indoor air quality, and supporting long-term insulation performance.

3. Climate Resilience and Extreme Weather Events

With climate change leading to floods, cyclones, and unpredictable rainfall patterns, waterproofing membranes have become indispensable. The demand is particularly strong in coastal and flood-prone regions, where advanced membranes are critical for long-lasting structural protection.

4. Technological Innovations

Advances in polymer-based membranes, hybrid bituminous technologies, and solvent-free liquid membranes are reshaping the market. The integration of smart monitoring technologies for installation and maintenance is also creating a more value-added ecosystem.

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Key Players and Industry Leaders

- BASF SE

- Pidilite Industries Ltd.
- Carlisle Coatings & Waterproofing
- Fosroc International Ltd
- Dow Inc
- Sika AG
- GAF Materials Corporation
- Kemper System America, Inc.
- Solmax
- Paul Bauder GmbH & Co. KG
- Other Leading Companies

These players are investing heavily in R&D, green technologies, and regional expansions to maintain competitiveness in an evolving regulatory and sustainability-focused market.

Recent Developments

- Sika AG (2025): Launched SikaShield HB79, a hybrid modified-bitumen membrane in the U.S., combining durability with simplified installation.
- Mapei (2024): Opened a new manufacturing facility in Portugal, investing US\$ 13.89 Mn to enhance production and establish a training hub (Mapei Academy).
- Sika AG (2023): Completed the acquisition of MBCC Group, strengthening its waterproofing solutions portfolio and expanding global reach with revenues exceeding CHF 11.24 Bn.

Market Opportunities and Challenges

Opportunities

- Green Construction: Rising demand for eco-friendly, recyclable, and low-VOC waterproofing membranes.
- Smart Infrastructure Projects: Integration of waterproofing solutions in smart cities and sustainable housing.
- Emerging Markets: Asia Pacific, Middle East, and Africa offer immense opportunities due to rapid urban expansion and government-backed infrastructure projects.

Challenges

- High Initial Costs: Advanced polymer-based membranes often have higher upfront costs, limiting adoption in price-sensitive markets.
- Technical Expertise: Proper installation is critical; lack of skilled labor in some regions may hinder performance.
- Raw Material Volatility: Fluctuating costs of polymers and bitumen could impact pricing and margins.

Latest Market Trends

- Shift Toward Liquid-Applied Membranes: Seamless, flexible, and green-compliant membranes

are replacing traditional sheet-based systems in many applications.

- Adoption of Hybrid Technologies: Combining bitumen durability with polymer flexibility for superior performance.
- Integration with Green Roof Systems: Waterproofing membranes are increasingly designed to support urban greening initiatives.
- Digital Tools and Monitoring: Use of IoT-based systems for real-time performance monitoring of membranes.

Future Outlook

The waterproofing membranes market is poised for robust expansion through 2035. With infrastructure investments soaring, particularly in Asia Pacific, and governments mandating stricter environmental standards, the industry will continue to innovate. By 2035, membranes will not only serve as protective layers but also as integrated solutions enabling energy efficiency, green building compliance, and smart infrastructure management.

Market Segmentation

By Material:

- Bitumen
- Thermoplastic Olefin (TPO)
- Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)
- Ethylene Propylene Diene Monomer (EPDM)
- Others

By Type:

- Liquid-Applied Membranes
- Sheet-Based Membranes

By Application:

- Roofing & Walls
- Building Structures
- Water & Waste Management
- Landfills & Tunnel Liners
- Others

Regional Insights

- Europe (35% share): Leading the global market with strict EU regulations, advanced construction practices, and a focus on sustainability. Germany, the U.K., and France dominate demand.
- North America: Strong growth driven by U.S. and Canadian construction activities, rising awareness of moisture-related structural damage, and preference for polymer-based solutions.

- Asia Pacific: Fastest-growing region due to massive infrastructure spending in India, China, and Southeast Asia. Urbanization and climate resilience drive adoption.
- Latin America & Middle East & Africa: Emerging regions with growing construction activity, adoption of PPP models, and rising demand for durable, cost-effective membranes.

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