

Anti-Infective Drugs Market Expands as Global Health Challenges Persist, Projected at USD 187.5 Billion by 2035

WILMINGTON, DE, UNITED STATES, September 16, 2025 / EINPresswire.com/ -- The anti-infective drugs market plays a critical role in global healthcare, addressing the rising prevalence of bacterial, viral, fungal, and parasitic infections. Valued at approximately USD 132.6 billion in 2024, the market is projected to reach nearly USD 187.5 billion by 2035, growing at a steady CAGR of around 3.2 %. The increasing burden of infectious diseases, concerns regarding antimicrobial resistance, and continued innovation in drug formulations are



driving this expansion. With growing healthcare needs in both developed and emerging economies, the demand for advanced anti-infective therapies is expected to surge over the forecast period.



The global anti-infective drugs industry is projected to reach more than US\$ 187.5 Bn by the end of 2035"

By Transparency Market Research The Anti-Infective Drugs Market is witnessing steady growth, fueled by the rising incidence of infectious diseases and the urgent need for effective treatment options. Increasing concerns over antimicrobial resistance have accelerated investments in the development of advanced antibiotics, antivirals, and antifungal drugs. Supportive government initiatives, combined with advancements in healthcare infrastructure, are further driving demand across both developed and emerging regions.

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Key Players:

- Pfizer Inc.
- · Gland Pharma Limited
- Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd.
- F. Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd
- Jiangsu Simcere Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.
- Novartis AG
- · Gilead Sciences, Inc.
- GlaxoSmithKline plc
- Merck & Co., Inc.
- · Astellas Pharma Inc.
- Alkem
- AstraZeneca
- Johnson & Johnson Services, Inc.
- Sanofi
- Abbott

Market Drivers

Rising Prevalence of Infectious Diseases – The global population is witnessing a surge in infections such as influenza, tuberculosis, HIV, and malaria, creating sustained demand for anti-infective medications.

Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Concerns – Growing resistance to existing antibiotics is pushing pharmaceutical companies to develop new and more effective drug classes.

Strong R&D Investment – Major players are focusing on next-generation antivirals, antifungals, and combination therapies, fueling innovation pipelines.

Government Initiatives – Public health programs, vaccination campaigns, and funding for antibiotic stewardship programs are strengthening market growth.

Growing Demand in Emerging Economies – Expanding healthcare infrastructure and rising awareness in regions like Asia-Pacific are opening new opportunities.

Regional Analysis

North America dominates the global anti-infective drugs market, supported by advanced healthcare systems, high awareness, and significant investments in drug development. Europe follows closely, with strong regulatory frameworks and active government funding for combating antimicrobial resistance.

Asia-Pacific is expected to record the fastest CAGR due to the high incidence of infectious diseases, rapid urbanization, and expanding healthcare access in countries such as India and China.

Latin America and Middle East & Africa are emerging markets, where improving healthcare infrastructure and increasing public health initiatives are boosting adoption.

Key Challenges

High Cost of R&D – Developing new anti-infective drugs requires significant time and financial resources.

Stringent Regulatory Requirements – Approval processes are rigorous to ensure drug safety and efficacy.

Emergence of Superbugs – Drug-resistant strains of bacteria and viruses remain a critical barrier to effective treatment.

Patent Expirations – Generic drug entry increases competition and impacts revenue growth for branded drugs.

Future Outlook

The anti-infective drugs market is expected to continue its upward trajectory, driven by the increasing need for innovative therapies and the urgent fight against antimicrobial resistance. Opportunities lie in the development of novel antibiotics, advanced antivirals, antifungal agents, and combination therapies that can address resistance and meet the evolving needs of patients. Additionally, biotechnology advancements, Al-driven drug discovery, and collaborations between governments and pharmaceutical companies are expected to shape the future of this market.

Conclusion

The global anti-infective drugs market, projected to grow from USD 110 billion in 2024 to USD 170 billion by 2033, will remain a cornerstone of global healthcare. With infectious diseases continuing to pose significant threats, investments in research, policy support, and technological innovation will be crucial in ensuring sustained growth. North America and Europe will maintain strong positions, while Asia-Pacific emerges as a high-growth region, presenting lucrative opportunities for industry stakeholders.

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