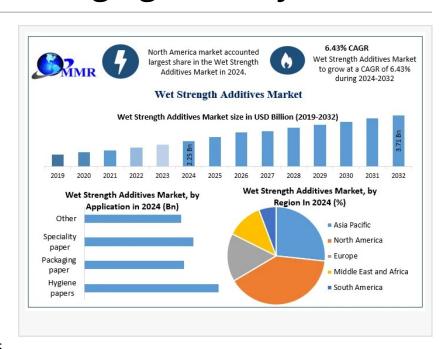


Wet Strength Additives Market 2025–2032 | Growth & Paper & Packaging Industry Trends

In our final report, we provide a comprehensive list of WSR suppliers categorized by region.

WILMINGTON, DE, UNITED STATES, September 23, 2025 / EINPresswire.com/ -- Explore the Wet Strength Additives Market growth, trends, and forecast 2025–2032. Key insights on wet strength resins, hygiene & packaging paper applications, regional analysis, and leading players.



The Wet Strength Additives Market was

valued at approximately USD 2.25 billion in 2024, and is projected to grow at a CAGR of 6.43%, reaching nearly USD 3.71 billion by 2032. Demand is particularly strong in North America, which continues to lead due to high consumption in packaging, hygiene, and specialty papers. The



The Wet Strength Additives Market is advancing with eco-friendly resins, enhancing durability, water resistance, and growth in global packaging.

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Asia-Pacific region is experiencing the fastest expansion, driven by rising industrialization in China and India, increasing paper production, and growing demand for ecofriendly and water-resistant paper products. Wet Strength Additives Industry growth is further reinforced by ecofriendly initiatives, regulatory support, and rising demand for biodegradable solutions across North America, Europe, and Asia-Pacific. Key industry players, including Solenis LLC, Kemira Oyj, BASF SE, and Arakawa Chemical Industries, are innovating in wet strength resins to deliver high-quality, durable, and environmentally compliant products, positioning themselves to capitalize on emerging

market opportunities.

Growing Demand for Paper Resins Drives Wet Strength Additives Market

The rising demand for paper resins in manufacturing offers significant growth opportunities for the Wet Strength Additives Market. Key wet strength agents, such as polyamidoamine epichlorohydrin (PAAE) resins, enhance durability across tissue, packaging, and specialty papers. Environmental concerns, including AOX contamination, are prompting the development of ecofriendly alternatives with lower harmful

By Application	Hygiene Papers Packaging Paper Speciality Paper Other
By Product	Polyamide Epichlorohydrin Resin (PAE) Urea-Formaldehyde (UF) Melamine-Formaldehyde (MF) Others
By Region	North America- United States, Canada, and Mexico Europe – UK, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Sweden, Russia, and the Rest of Europe Asia Pacific – China, South Korea, Japan, India, Australia, Indonesia, Philippines, Malaysia, Vietnam, Thailand, Rest of APAC Middle East and Africa - South Africa, GCC, Egypt, Nigeria, Rest of the Middle East and Africa South America – Brazil, Argentina, Rest of South America

content. Industry leaders like BK Giulini, with over two decades of research, provide high-quality solutions like GILUTON wet strength resins, positioning them to capitalize on the shift toward sustainable paper products.

Eco-Friendly Trends Boost Wet Strength Additives Market Opportunities

Increasing consumer preference for sustainable paper products over plastic is fueling demand for renewable, biodegradable wet-strength resins with lower formaldehyde emissions. Regulatory support and green initiatives further strengthen this trend. The shift to eco-friendly packaging also enhances FMCG sales and reinforces brand identity among environmentally conscious consumers. This growing emphasis on sustainability creates a strategic market opportunity for players to innovate and meet rising demand in the Wet Strength Additives Market.

Wet Strength Additives Market Size by Type & Application: Rising Demand in Hygiene Papers and Specialty Uses

By Application – The market is segmented into Hygiene Papers, Packaging Paper, Specialty Paper, and Others. Among these, Hygiene Papers are valued at USD 983.54 million in 2024 and are expected to register the highest CAGR during the forecast period. Growth is driven by rising health and hygiene awareness post-pandemic, expanding global population, and higher disposable incomes in emerging markets. Technological advancements in wet strength additives enhance the durability and quality of hygiene papers, while improvements in production processes optimize performance and cost efficiency. Growing environmental concerns are also boosting demand for eco-friendly and biodegradable hygiene papers, making this segment the fastest-growing application in the Wet Strength Additives Market.

By Product – The Wet Strength Additives Market is categorized into Polyamide Epichlorohydrin

Resin (PAE), Urea-Formaldehyde (UF), Melamine-Formaldehyde (MF), and Others. The PAE segment dominates, holding 90.34% market share in 2024 and is expected to grow at the highest CAGR during the forecast period. In tissue paper manufacturing, properties such as strength, softness, and water dispersibility are critical, making wet strength resins (WSR) essential. PAEbased resins provide permanent wet strength, supporting moisture-resistant grades like napkins, paper towels, and liquid containers. Temporary wet strength, often achieved with Glyoxalated Polyacrylamide (GPAM), is used in disposable sanitary products. Wet strength resins also enhance fiber charge balance, energy efficiency, and dewatering performance, making them a key contributor to high-quality tissue and paper production.

Aluminium Fluoride Market Segments Covered

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Asia Pacific – China, South Korea, Japan, India, Australia, Indonesia, Philippines, Malaysia, Vietnam, Thailand, Rest of APAC

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South America - Brazil, Argentina, Rest of South America

North America Set to Dominate the Global Wet Strength Additives Market Through 2032

The North American Wet Strength Additives Market is poised for continued dominance during 2025–2032, fueled by surging demand in paper & packaging, textiles, and specialty papers. The region's growth is further accelerated by the shift toward eco-friendly and sustainable solutions, reflecting the global trend for greener, more responsible manufacturing. Leading innovators like Kemira Oyj and Solenis LLC are leveraging R&D and product innovation to stay ahead, offering high-performance wet strength resins (WSR) that meet evolving market needs. According to MMR's comprehensive market insights, North American tissue manufacturers' WSR consumption patterns reveal strategic opportunities for suppliers and investors. The report details manufacturer production capacities, tissue product types, and WSR suppliers, alongside sales and volume data for 2021 and 2022.

Competitive Landscape of the Wet Strength Additives Market

The global Wet Strength Additives Market is experiencing robust growth, driven by increasing demand across various end-use industries, including paper & packaging, textiles, and hygiene products. This growth has intensified competition among key players striving to capture market share through innovation, sustainability, and strategic partnerships.

Key Market Players

Prominent companies leading the market include:

Solenis LLC: A significant player known for its comprehensive portfolio of wet strength additives catering to diverse applications.

BASF SE: Recognized for its innovative and sustainable solutions, offering both synthetic and biobased wet strength additives.

Kemira Oyj: Focused on providing sustainable and efficient solutions for the paper industry. Arakawa Chemical Industries: Noted for its specialized additives enhancing paper strength and durability.

These companies are investing heavily in research and development to introduce advanced additives that meet the evolving demands for eco-friendly and high-performance products.

Wet Strength Additives Market Trends Driving the Wet Strength Additives Industry

The Wet Strength Additives Market is growing rapidly, fueled by rising demand for eco-friendly and biodegradable solutions in the paper & packaging industry. Manufacturers are innovating wet strength resins that enhance adhesive performance, cellulose reinforcement, and water resistance while minimizing environmental impact.

Technological advancements and stringent regulations in North America, Europe, and Asia-Pacific are accelerating the adoption of sustainable formulations. These additives improve durability, efficiency, and compliance, driving strong growth across tissue, hygiene, and packaging applications, and ensuring a robust CAGR in the forecast period.

The global Wet Strength Additives Market is poised for significant expansion during 2025–2032, driven by technological advancements, sustainability trends, and rising demand for water-resistant paper products. The market presents lucrative opportunities in Hygiene Papers and Packaging applications, with PAE-based wet strength resins dominating the product segment. Market growth is further reinforced by eco-friendly initiatives, regulatory support, and rising demand for biodegradable solutions across North America, Europe, and Asia-Pacific. Key industry players, including Solenis LLC, Kemira Oyj, BASF SE, and Arakawa Chemical Industries, are innovating in wet strength resins to deliver high-quality, durable, and environmentally compliant products, positioning themselves to capitalize on emerging market opportunities.

Wet Strength Market Key Players

North America

Solenis LLC (USA)
Kemira Oyj (Finland)
Ecolab Inc. (USA)
Georgia-Pacific Chemicals LLC (USA)
Buckman Laboratories (USA)
Arakawa Chemical Industries Ltd. (Japan)
Kurita America Inc. (USA)
Michelman Inc. (USA)
Ashland Global Holdings Inc. (USA)
BASF Corporation (Germany)

Europe

Solenis Europe (Belgium)
Kemira Oyj (Finland)
Ecolab Europe (Switzerland)
Arakawa Chemical Industries Ltd. (Japan)
Kurita Europe GmbH (Germany)

Asia-Pacific

Chang Chun Group (Taiwan)
Hanghua Harima Chemical Co., Ltd. (Japan)
Seiko PMC Corporation (Japan)
Delamine B.V. (Netherlands)
CHT Group (Germany)

Wet Strength Additives Market FAQs

What are the growth drivers for the Wet Strength Additives Market?

Ans. The Wet Strength Additives Market is primarily driven by the increasing demand for paper products across various end-use industries such as packaging, printing, etc, and the rise in ecommerce and the growing emphasis on environmental sustainability have significantly boosted the demand for paper-based packaging solutions, thereby propelling the market growth.

What are the factors restraining the global Wet Strength Additives Market growth during the forecast period?

Ans. High production costs associated with the manufacturing of wet-strength additives are expected to be a major factor restraining the global market growth. These costs can impact the pricing and adoption of wet strength additives, particularly in price-sensitive markets.

Which region is expected to lead the global Wet Strength Additives Market during the forecast period?

Ans. North America is anticipated to lead the global Wet Strength Additives Market during the forecast period. The region's dominance is attributed to the growing demand for these additives in various end-use industries such as paper & packaging, textiles, and others.

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