

Fiber Optic Cables in 2018



AI Overview

2018 was a pivotal year for fiber optic cables, marked by slowed global growth, technological advancements, and record-breaking submarine cable deployments. Global Market Overview In 2018, the global optical cable market experienced a slower growth rate of 4%, the lowest since 2003, largely due to a contraction in the Chinese market, which had previously driven double-digit growth for four years. China Mobile, the largest optical cable customer, reduced its orders, contributing to the stagnation in demand. Despite this, global preform capacity increased as Chinese producers expanded operations, ending a two-year fiber shortage by mid-2018. Additionally, US tariffs on Chinese cables had minimal impact on exports to the US, and Prysmian completed its acquisition of General Cable, consolidating industry players. Technological and Manufacturing Developments Fiber optic cables in 2018 continued to evolve for diverse applications, including Local Area Networks (LANs), data centers, and telecom infrastructure. Manufacturers like Reichle & De-Massari (R&M) focused on flame-retardant and fire-resistant loose-tube constructions compliant with IEC 60794-1-2 standards. Cables were produced with FRLSZH (Fire-Retardant, Low-Smoke, Zero-Halogen) compounds for indoor use and PE (Polyethylene) compounds for outdoor installations. Armored designs, such as Steel-Wire-Armoured or Corrugated-Steel-Tape, were increasingly used for direct burial and high-resistance applications. Quality control remained rigorous, with each fiber and cable undergoing final testing and documentation. Submarine and High-Capacity Deployments By 2018, there were over 350 submarine fiber optic cables spanning more than 1 million kilometers, with capacities in the petabits-per-second range. Major digital companies like Google and Facebook led new deployments, surpassing traditional telecom operators. Notably, Google planned a trans-Atlantic cable with 250 Tbps capacity, capable of transmitting the entire Library of Congress in 0.3 sec...

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Fiber Optic Cable Market

The global fiber optic cable market (henceforth, referred to as the market studied) was valued at USD 7,578. 1 million in 2019, and it is expected to reach USD 16,390. 6 million by 2025 ...

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