

Disposable Medical Gloves Market - Growth, Trends, Covid-19 Impact, and Forecasts (2023 - 2028)

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Report description:

The Disposable Medical Gloves market is projected to register a CAGR of 10.4% during the forecast period (2022-2027).

Growing concerns about employee health & safety coupled with increasing COVID-19 cases across several major economies are expected to increase the product demand. The COVID-19 pandemic period required stringent use of gloves and masks while dealing with people infected by the SARS-CoV-2 virus. The development of COVID-19 diagnostics and treatment options has the support of all governmental organizations and healthcare stakeholders. As hospital-acquired infections have been a recurrent feature of novel coronavirus outbreaks and can be transferred through medical gloves, the prevention of hospital-acquired infections is a crucial component of the clinical care of COVID-19. According to the study "Hospital-Acquired SARS-CoV-2 Infection in the United Kingdom's First COVID-19 Pandemic Wave," published in August 2021, 11.3% of patients with COVID-19 in 314 United Kingdom hospitals became infected after hospital admission. This rate increased to 15.8% in May 2020. Thus, the outbreak has impacted the healthcare facilities in managing hospital-acquired infections. In turn, it is expected to grow significantly in the studied period.

The primary driver of this market's expansion is the rise in infectious disease instances, which is also being accompanied by an increase in surgical procedures. The risk of spreading germs and blood-borne infections is another factor that is anticipated to increase the need for latex medical gloves in healthcare facilities. For instance, according to a 2020 article from [healthypeople.gov](https://www.healthypeople.gov), in the United States, one in every twenty-five hospitalized patients has a hospital-acquired illness (HAI). As a result, the high incidence rate of HAIs in the United States will focus the attention of healthcare facility management and governments on maintaining facility hygiene and taking preventive measures for the same, resulting in profitable market expansion. Due to seasonal factors including the frequency of viral outbreaks and infectious disorders, the market has seen a large increase in demand from the healthcare sector. The demand for disposable medical gloves in the healthcare sector has been

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greatly influenced by growing knowledge of the health and safety precautions related to patient care and emergency response occurrences.

Also, increasing development of healthcare infrastructure coupled with healthcare reforms across several countries, increasing geriatric population, and increasing hygiene standards are likely to boost the market growth over the forecast period. In addition, medical professionals are also adopting double gloving to avoid the failure risk owing to wear and tear, which is further anticipated to drive the market growth.

Moreover, as per the article published by the Department of Dyes and Chemicals Engineering, the Bangladesh University of Textiles, nearly 1.8 billion gloves were supplied to the United Kingdom National Health Service (NHS) in 6 months. The United Kingdom government spent GBP 15 billion for procuring masks, gowns, and gloves to fight against COVID-19 in July 2020.

The increase in nosocomial infections poses a serious threat to health care professionals all around the world. In September 2021, a study published in the Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology showed that there was a significant increase in the number of healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) in the year 2020 than the previous year. The rapid rise in HAIs is majorly attributed to the COVID-19 pandemic. Thus, there is an increasing demand for disposable medical gloves to prevent the further spread of such hospital-acquired infections.

However, the environmental impact associated with the disposal of these gloves is expected to restrain the market growth over the forecast period.

Disposable Medical Gloves Market Trends

The Disposable Examination Medical Gloves Segment is Expected to Hold a Major Market Share in the Disposable Medical Gloves Market.

The Disposable Examination Medical Gloves are a major fraction of the gloves used in hospitals and healthcare facilities. Disposable gloves made using vinyl or natural rubber are generally used for low-risk general procedures, including non-invasive physical examination applications.

The infection spread through physical human contact is one of the primary causes of sickness in the healthcare industry, owing to which doctors, nurses, caregivers, and other healthcare professionals commonly use gloves to protect themselves from contamination during examination or procedure. In addition, the rapid spread of the COVID-19 pandemic is further anticipated to drive the demand for examination gloves over the forecast period.

The World Health Organization (WHO) in December 2020 stated that communicable diseases are a major challenge in low and middle-income countries. According to the same report, pneumonia was the fourth leading cause of death worldwide in 2019. WHO estimates also emphasize that six of the top ten causes of death in low and middle-income countries were communicable diseases, including malaria, tuberculosis, and HIV/AIDS. The risk of infections can be largely reduced through the implication of preventive measures such as the use of PPE kits while dealing with infected persons. The disposable examination gloves help in the prevention of transmission of contaminated bodily fluids and other contaminated inanimate objects. Proper use of examination gloves while handling infected people can help reduce the number of communicable infectious diseases. Thus, the necessity for disposable medical examination gloves is expected to propel the growth of the market during the forecast period.

Also, the rising number of non-communicable diseases continues to lead among the top causes of death worldwide. The American Cancer Society, in its report on 'Getting Cancer Treatment at Home,' revised in March 2020, advises the use of disposable gloves for the persons in charge of taking care of the patients to reduce the risk of other contaminations to the affected individuals.

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Hence, the rising number of diseases and the prerequisite for the use of PPE kits, especially the disposable examination medical gloves, are expected to boost the growth of the disposable medical examination gloves market during the forecast period.

North America is Expected to Hold a Significant Share in the Market and Expected to do Same in the Forecast Period.

North America is anticipated to dominate the disposable medical gloves market over the forecast period. Factors including the developed healthcare industry, stringent government regulations, and increasing consumer awareness are expected to drive regional market growth. Moreover, rising health concerns due to unhealthy lifestyles are expected to boost the demand for healthcare services, thereby benefiting the market growth.

The United States is one of the largest consumers of preventive personal protection equipment kits, owing to the growing disease burden annually. The United States National Vital Statistics System reported that the number of deaths in the United States in 2020 increased by 17.7% from 2019. According to the World Health Organization data updated in April 2022, the United States leads the number of COVID-19 cases around the world, with about 79,426,860 cases reported as of April 5, 2022. The huge number of COVID-19-affected people in the region has necessitated the proper use of PPE kits, in particular, disposable gloves, for the prevention of transmission of the SARS-CoV-2 virus among the population. This is likely to have a positive impact on market growth.

According to the GLOBOCAN 2020 report, the total number of people in the United States affected by cancer in 2020 accounts for around 2,281,658 cases. The number is estimated to rise to 3,123,452 cases by 2040. Cancer is one of the top ten leading causes of death in the United States. Additionally, according to the National Diabetes Statistics Report, in 2020, around 37.3 million people in the United States were found to have diabetes; around 96 million adults were found to have pre-diabetes. The massive incidence of chronic diseases among the population in North America is expected to advance the expansion of the disposable medical gloves market in the North American region.

Disposable Medical Gloves Market Competitor Analysis

The Disposable Medical Gloves market is moderately competitive and consists of several major players. In terms of market share, a few of the major players are currently dominating the market. Some of the companies which are currently dominating the market are Ansell Limited, Cardinal Health, Dynarex Corporation, Hartelga Holdings Bhd, Kimberly-Clark Worldwide Inc., Kossan Rubber Industries, Molnlycke Health Care AB, Rubberex Corp. M Bhd, Semperit AG Holding, Supermax Corporation, Top Glove Corporation, and others.

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