

Sunflower - Market Share Analysis, Industry Trends & Statistics, Growth Forecasts 2019 - 2029

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Report description:

The Sunflower Market size is estimated at USD 40.59 billion in 2024, and is expected to reach USD 47.08 billion by 2029, growing at a CAGR of 3.01% during the forecast period (2024-2029).

Key Highlights

-Sunflower is an important oilseed crop native to Northern and Central America. The market is driven by its usage in the food and cosmetic industry. The oil is extracted from the seeds and used in the food industry and the manufacture of cosmetics. Despite this, flowers have a high demand for decorative purposes. Therefore, sunflower usage as oil, seeds, and flowers is contributing to the market's growth.

-Europe dominates the market across the globe. The market is primarily driven by the growing demand for sunflower oil across the region. Sunflower oil consumption is increasing mainly due to the rising health consciousness among consumers. Due to the adverse effects on health coming from adopting a modern lifestyle, consumers now prefer light edible oils to remain healthy. As a result, the share of sunflower oil in total edible oil consumption is rising yearly.

-Along with this, India is majorly dependent on Ukraine and Russia. It imports 80% of its oil from Ukraine and 20% from Russia. But the country could face a sunflower oil shortage due to the Ukraine crisis. On the other side, consumers worldwide have started preferring healthy foods. Thus, the market is anticipated to see a rise in demand for products incorporated with sunflower seeds and oil.

-Moreover, Companies are focussing on enhancing their sunflower seed product category. In 2021, Magnetic seed treatment reduced the germination time. It increased root-shoot length by inducing physiological and biochemical modulations in seed technology that is anticipated to boost the seed kernel weight of sunflower seeds without changing the shape. Therefore, the focus on product innovation by the companies relating to the sunflower market aids the market growth in the forecast period.

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Sunflower Market Trends

Rising Opportunity in the Oil and Snacks Industry

Sunflowers are used for manufacturing cooking oil, meal, and confectionery products. Oil and meal are processed from the same varieties. Oil derived from sunflowers are good in oleic acid, linoleic acid, and another essential nutrient that reduces the harmful cholesterol levels in the body. Oils with more significant percentages of linoleic and monounsaturated fats are healthier. Additionally, oil is suitable for people suffering from heart disease. The increased health benefits of sunflower oil and rising health consciousness among people around the world favor its usage and increase in production.

Furthermore, sunflower oil contains linoleic, essential fatty acids that are 69% polyunsaturated. Linoleic sunflower oil is excellent for cooking and includes a neutral taste. This characteristic enhances the taste of food instead of masking it. Linoleic oil is preferred in much of Europe, Asia-Pacific, and South America. The research study published in Oilseeds & fat crops and lipids (OCL) 2020 claims that sunflower seed oil is the fourth most popular vegetable oil consumed worldwide. Therefore, the sunflower seed oil is one of the healthiest vegetable oils for cooking.

Moreover, sunflower seeds can be eaten directly in the hull, dehulled, raw, or backed form, and in various natural health products, healthful snacks, and bakery items. The largest market for food-grade seeds is consumer retail, both domestically and abroad is anticipated to record growth during the forecast period, owing to the rising demand for sunflower oil and other sunflower-based processed foods.

Asia-Pacific is the Fastest-growing Sunflower Market

Asia-Pacific dominates the sunflower market in terms of consumption after Europe, holding around 12% of the global market. The usage of sunflower oil in bakery and confectionery products is more in this region. The governments in this region are focusing on increasing the use of healthy edible oils and reducing the consumption of partly hydrogenated oils (PHO) due to their adverse health impacts. For instance, in 2021, the Singapore Ministry of Health banned all PHOs as ingredients in all foods, including fats, oils, and pre-packaged foods. Therefore, such increased initiatives by the government cater to the market's growth.

Moreover, According to FAO, the production of sunflower seeds is more in China, followed by Myanmar and India with 2,400, 260, and 213 thousand metric tons, respectively. Consumers are increasingly turning towards sunflower oil, which increases consumption by about a five-fold rise over the past 15 years. Additionally, the rising number of supermarkets and retail stores is rapidly increasing the demand for various sunflower seeds flavors. In addition, this region's market is driven by higher disposable incomes and increased health consciousness.

Furthermore, China tops in exports at the country level, followed by Turkey. According to the ITC trade map, in 2021, China exported 426,987 tons of sunflower seeds, and Turkey exported a quantity of 108,204 tons. The rise in exports will aid the market's growth in the coming years. Along with this, manufacturers are focusing on providing healthier product offerings. As a rich source of fiber, a demand for sunflower seeds is rising for manufacturing animal feed products in the livestock industry.

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