



ACCESS OPTICS MARKET FORECAST – NOVEMBER 2021



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Abstract

LightCounting's *Next Generation Access Optics* report describes the market outlook for both Fiber-to-the-X (FTTx) optics and wireless fronthaul, midhaul, and backhaul network optics.

Mobile fronthaul is again a fast growing segment of the optical modules market, driven by 5G mobile network deployment (as it was previously due to 4G deployment). 'Fiber-to-the-X' is a key enabler of today's high-speed Internet, and advanced broadband networks are considered essential infrastructure to support future economic growth. In 2021, we estimate these two types of access networks combined will consume an estimated 125 million optical devices, worth more than \$1.6 billion in revenue to components makers.

This report covers current and future network access architectures, service provider deployment strategies and trends, component requirements, and the products needed. A detailed Excel spreadsheet accompanies the report, providing a five-year forecast of wireless and FTTx optics shipments, prices, and revenues, broken down by speeds, reaches, and colors.

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