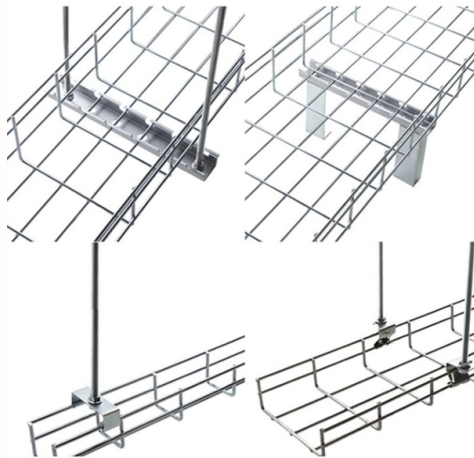


# Will optical module prices rise recently



## Overview

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## Key Takeaways

Yes, optical modules have seen significant price increases recently, driven by high demand, supply constraints, and rising raw material costs. Price Increases and Market DataHigh-speed optical modules, particularly 800G and 1.6T models, have experienced sharp price hikes.

For example, the retail price of a 1.6T optical module has risen from around \$1,200 to over \$2,000, an increase of more than 70%, with order backlogs extending into 2026. Similarly, 800G modules are currently priced 50%-100% higher than 400G modules due to technological upgrades and limited production capacity.

These increases are not limited to modules alone; optical fiber and related products have also risen globally, with some Chinese fiber prices surging over 80% between late 2025 and early 2026.

## Factors Driving Price Growth

Exploding Demand for AI and Data Centers: The rapid expansion of AI computing and hyperscale data centers has increased the need for high-bandwidth optical interconnects, pushing up demand for advanced modules. Supply Bottlenecks: High-end production capacity for 800G and 1.6T modules is limited, with orders scheduled well into 2025 and 2026.



Advanced packaging and high-speed optical chip shortages further constrain supply. Raw Material Costs: Prices of key materials like indium phosphide (InP) have risen sharply, with 2-inch substrates increasing by 50%. Technological Iteration: Newer modules offer higher speeds and efficiency, allowing vendors to charge a premium while improving cost per bit transmitted.

Geopolitical and Policy Factors: Efforts to diversify supply chains and domestic subsidies for key materials have also contributed to short-term cost increases.

## **Market Outlook**

Analysts, including Goldman Sachs, forecast continued growth in optical module demand, particularly for 800G and 1.6T modules, with market value expected to reach \$19.37 billion in 2026, reflecting strong year-on-year growth.

Even if AI chip sales slow, the increasing ratio of optical modules per GPU/ASIC ensures sustained demand.

## **Summary**

Optical module prices have increased significantly due to a combination of high demand from AI and data centers, limited production capacity, rising raw material costs, and technological upgrades. While unit prices are higher, the cost per bit transmitted often decreases, reflecting improved efficiency and performance. This trend is expected to continue in the near term, with supply-demand imbalances likely to persist through 2026.

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