

Strong May Book-to-Bill Spurs Continued Double-Digit Sales Growth

Regional Performance:

Year-to-date, sales for May are positive in all regions. The greatest growth, as was seen in the last five months, is in the Asia Pacific region, where sales grew +37.8%, followed by China where sales increased +20.0%. Although still positive, the weakest growth was once again seen in the Japanese region where sales grew +3.9%. From a booking perspective, all regions except the ROW region showed positive year-over-year double-digit growth, with the greatest growth in China at +63.5%, followed by the North American region at +53.8%. The only region with negative year-over-year bookings, ROW decreased -5.8%. Sequentially, only half the regions saw growth, with China growing the most at +12.5%, followed by Europe at +7.7%. The region showing the greatest decrease was Japan, where sequential bookings declined -10.5%. See page 5.

2026 Currency Impact:

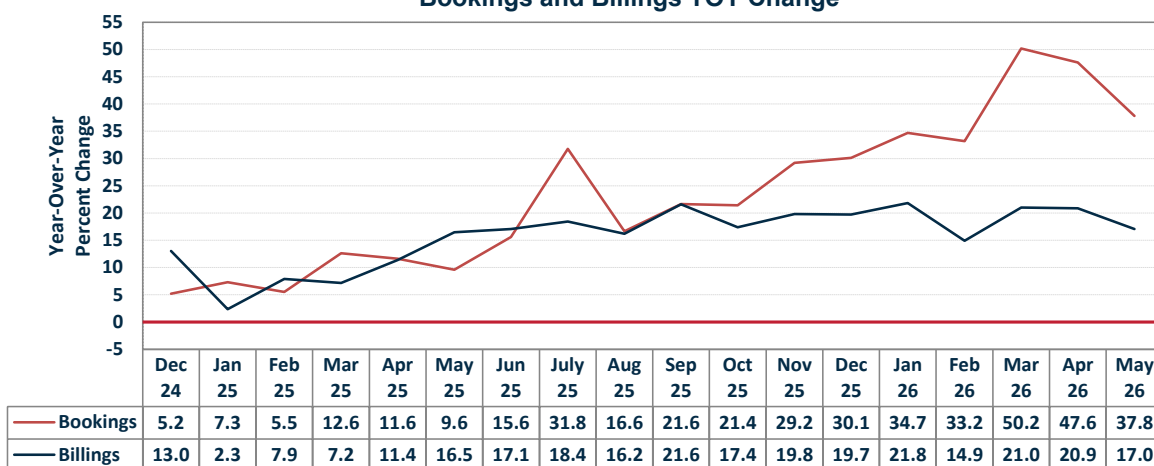
The industry registered a YOY increase in sales in May 2026 of +17.0 in USD and +19.5% in local currency.

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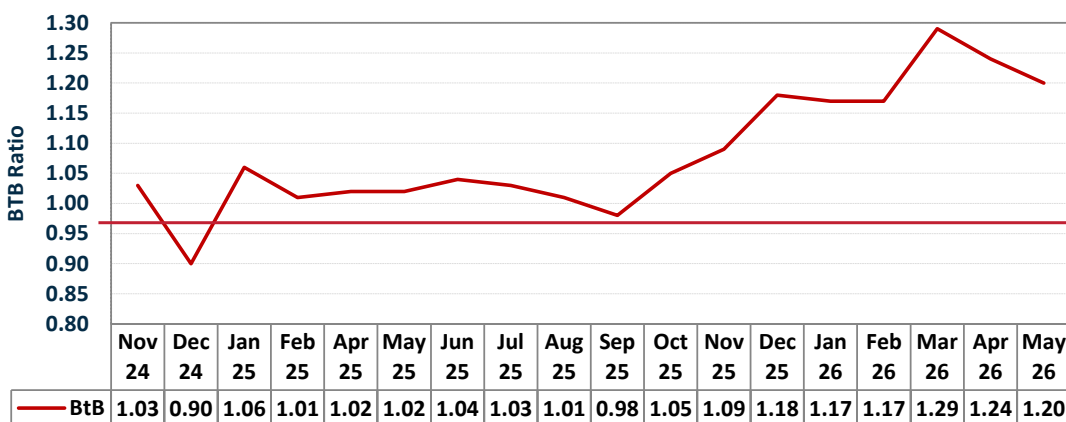
May bookings increased by +37.8%, while billings increased by +17.0%.

Bookings and Billings YOY Change



The book-to-bill ratio in May was 1.20, down from 1.24 in April. This is the 18th time in the last 20 months that the book-to-bill was over 1.00.

Connector Industry Book-to-Bill

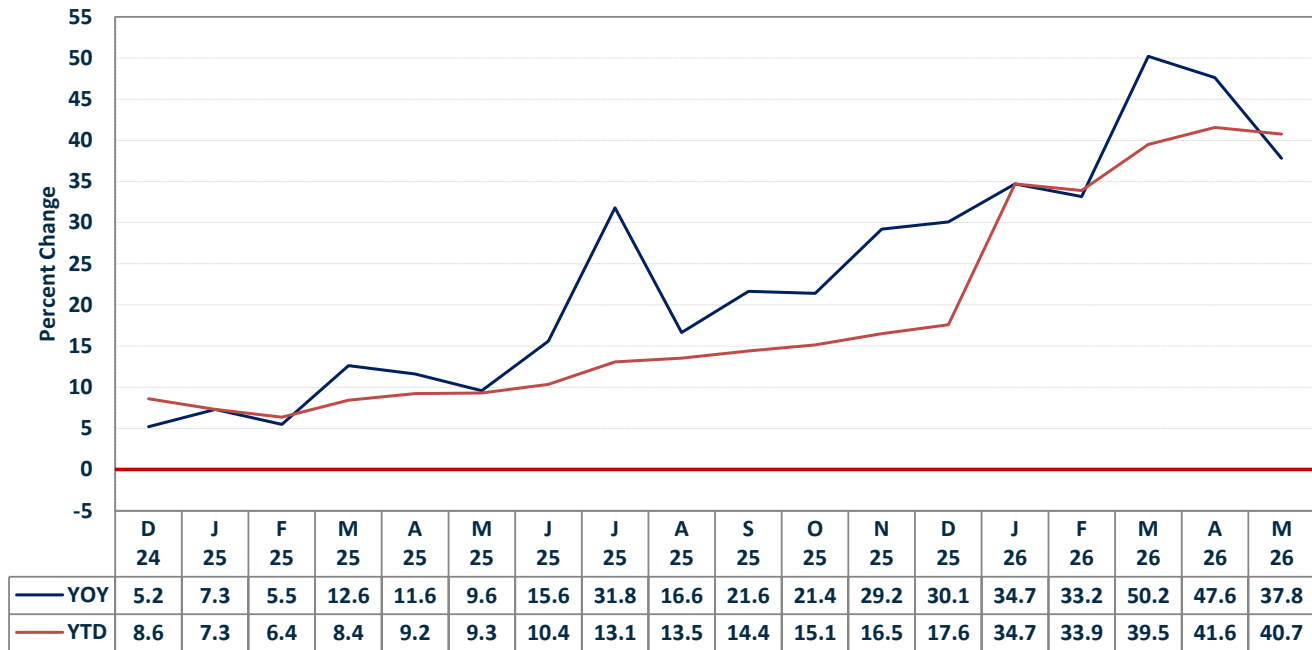


Booking Highlights and Conclusions

Sequential, Year-Over-Year, and Year-To-Date Bookings Percentage Change – 2024/2025/2026

Month	Sequential			Year-Over-Year			Year-To-Date		
	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026
Jan	9.1%	2.2%	5.3%	8.3%	7.3%	34.1%	8.3%	7.3%	34.1%
Feb	5.2%	5.6%	4.5%	6.8%	5.5%	32.6%	7.5%	6.4%	33.3%
Mar	-2.9%	2.2%	15.3%	-1.4%	12.6%	49.6%	4.4%	8.4%	38.9%
Apr	3.2%	-0.8%	-2.5%	10.2%	11.6%	47.6%	5.8%	9.2%	41.6%
May	9.1%	11.9%	4.5%	5.8%	9.6%	37.8%	5.8%	9.3%	40.7%
Jun	-6.8%	-5.2%		11.3%	15.6%		6.7%	10.4%	
Jul	-5.8%	0.1%		4.4%	32.0%		6.4%	13.1%	
Aug	11.6%	5.3%		7.3%	16.6%		6.5%	13.5%	
Sep	-5.0%	-3.5%		8.7%	21.6%		6.8%	14.4%	
Oct	9.6%	3.8%		20.9%	21.4%		8.1%	15.1%	
Nov	4.9%	15.1%		15.4%	29.2%		8.8%	16.5%	
Dec	-21.6%	-7.8%		5.2%	30.1%		8.6%	17.6%	

Bookings - YOY and YTD

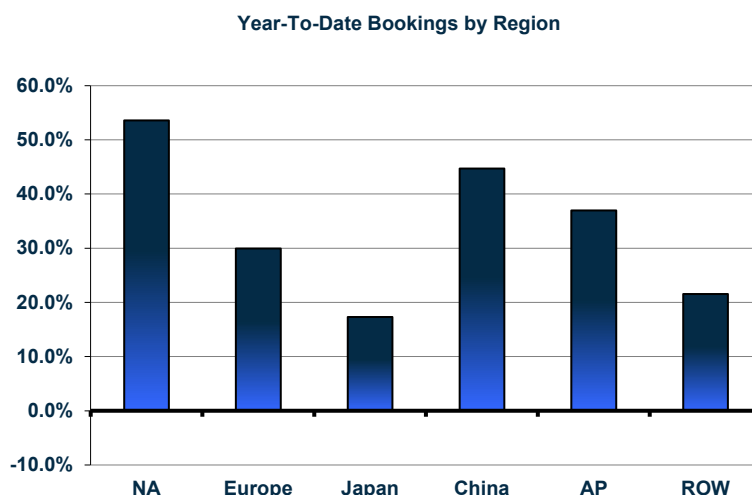


- May bookings increased +37.8% year-over-year.
- Orders increased +4.5% on a sequential basis in May.
- The book-to-bill ratio for May was 1.20, down from 1.24 in April.

Regional Performance: BOOKINGS

May 2026 Bookings

Region	Sequential	YOY	YTD
NA	-2.4%	53.8%	53.6%
Europe	7.7%	20.4%	30.0%
Japan	-10.5%	5.7%	17.3%
China	12.5%	63.5%	44.7%
AP	6.4%	18.4%	37.0%
ROW	-0.6%	-5.8%	21.5%
Total	4.5%	37.8%	40.7%



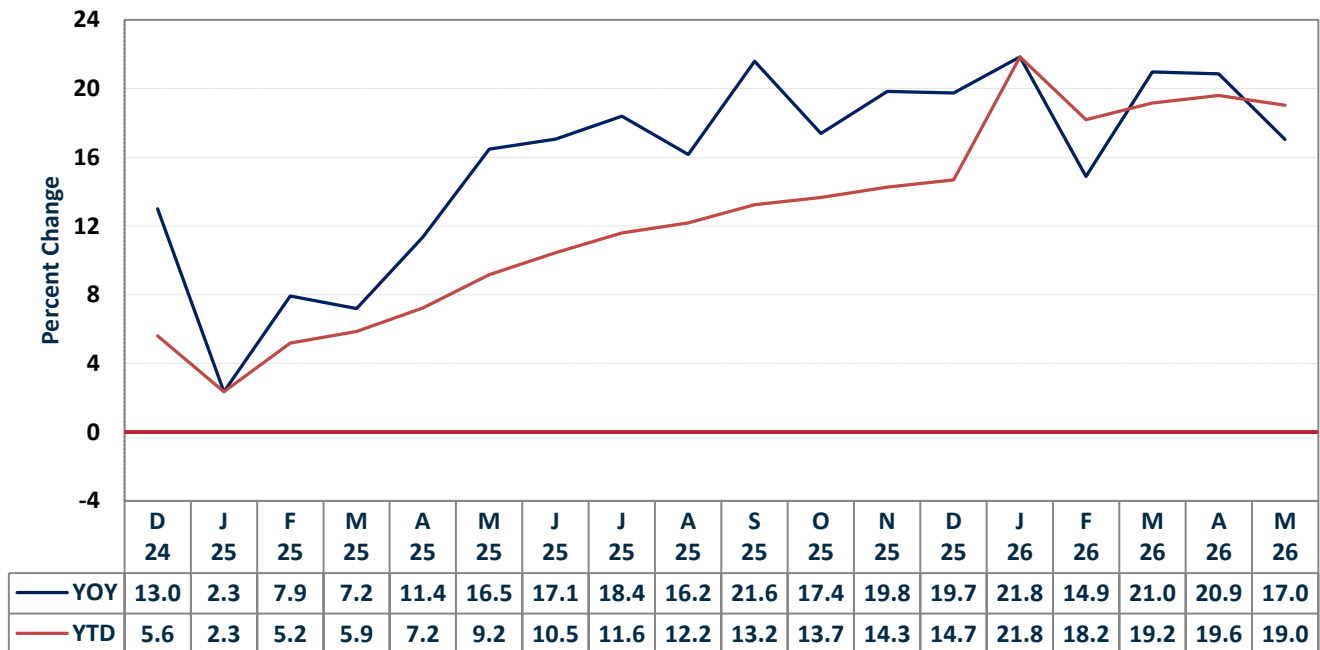
- Year-to-date, May bookings increased +40.7%, with the greatest growth in the North American region, where bookings increased +53.6%, followed by China with growth of +44.7% and the Asia Pacific region where bookings increased +37.0%. The lowest growth was seen in the Japanese region, where year-to-date bookings increased +17.3%.
- From a year-over-year perspective, total world sales grew +37.8%, with the greatest growth in the Chinese region, at +63.5%, followed by the North America region, where year-over-year bookings increased +53.8%. The only decline was seen in the ROW region, where year-over-year sales decreased -5.8%.
- Sequentially, sales grew in only half of the regions. Growth was seen in Europe, China, and the Asia Pacific regions, with the greatest growth in China, where sequentially sales increased +12.5%. All other regions saw a decrease in sales, with the greatest decrease in Japan, where sales declined -10.5% sequentially. Because China is such a large region and they experienced positive sequential growth, overall sequential growth was also positive, increasing +4.5%.
- Year-over-year total world order growth has now been positive for 26 consecutive months.

Billing Highlights and Conclusions

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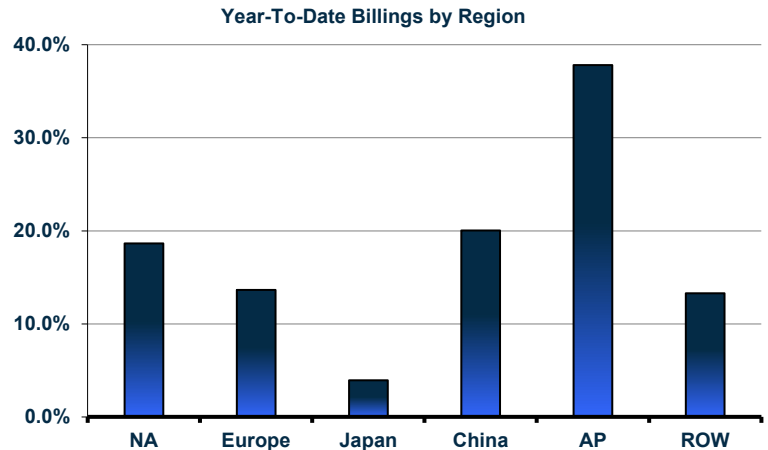


- May billings grew +17.0% year-over year and +19.0% year-to-date.
- Sequentially, May billings increased +8.1%.
- Year-over-year sales growth has now been positive for 26 consecutive months and year-to-date for 29 consecutive months.

Regional Performance: BILLINGS

May 2026 Billings

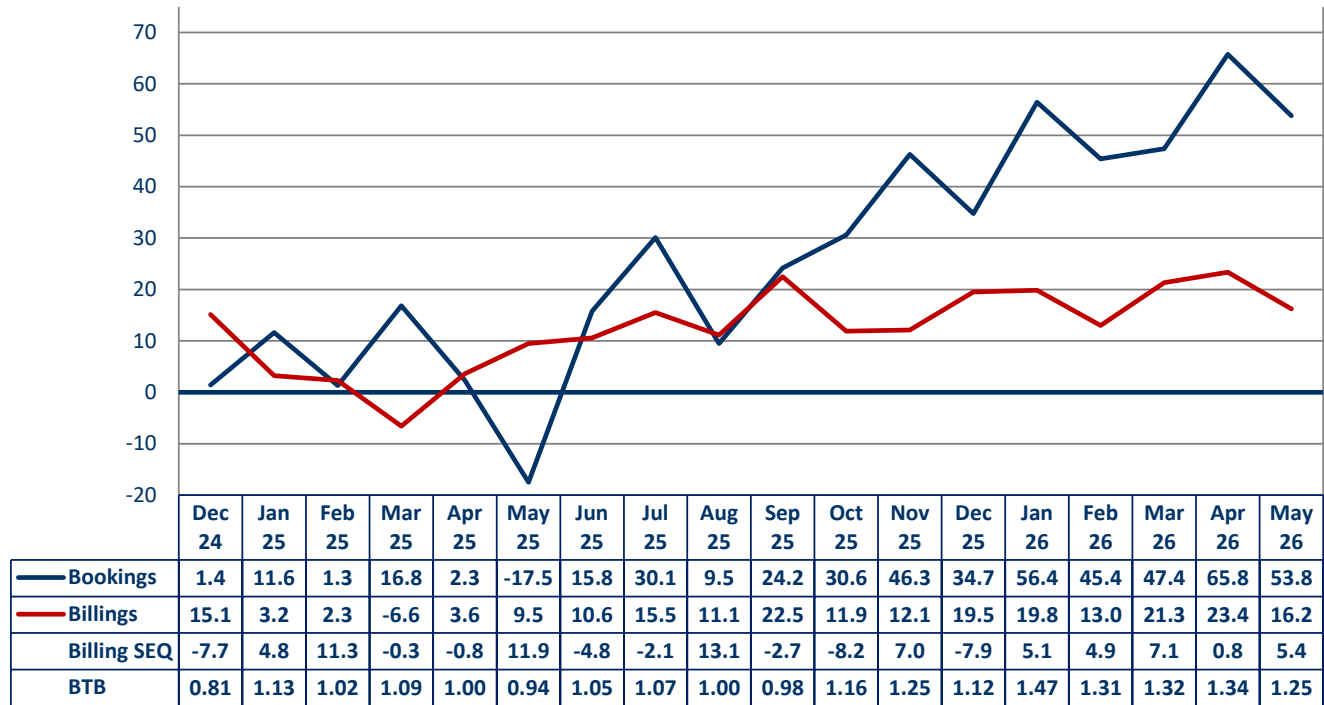
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ROW	24.5%	12.0%	13.3%
Total	8.1%	17.0%	19.0%



- May connector sales increased by +17.0% compared to the same period last year, and +19.0% year-to-date.
- Sequentially, all the regions showed an increase, with the greatest increase in the Asia Pacific region, at +25.8%, followed by the ROW region, where sequential sales increased +24.5%. Although positive, the region with the least increase was China, at +2.3%, followed by Japan at +4.1%.
- Year-over-year, all six regions saw an increase, with the greatest increase in the Asia Pacific region where sales increased +44.2%, followed by the Chinese region, where sales increased +19.1% and the North American region where sales increased +16.2%.

North America: The following chart displays the year-over-year percentage change in bookings and billings for the last 18 months. The monthly book-to-bill (BTB) ratio is also displayed.

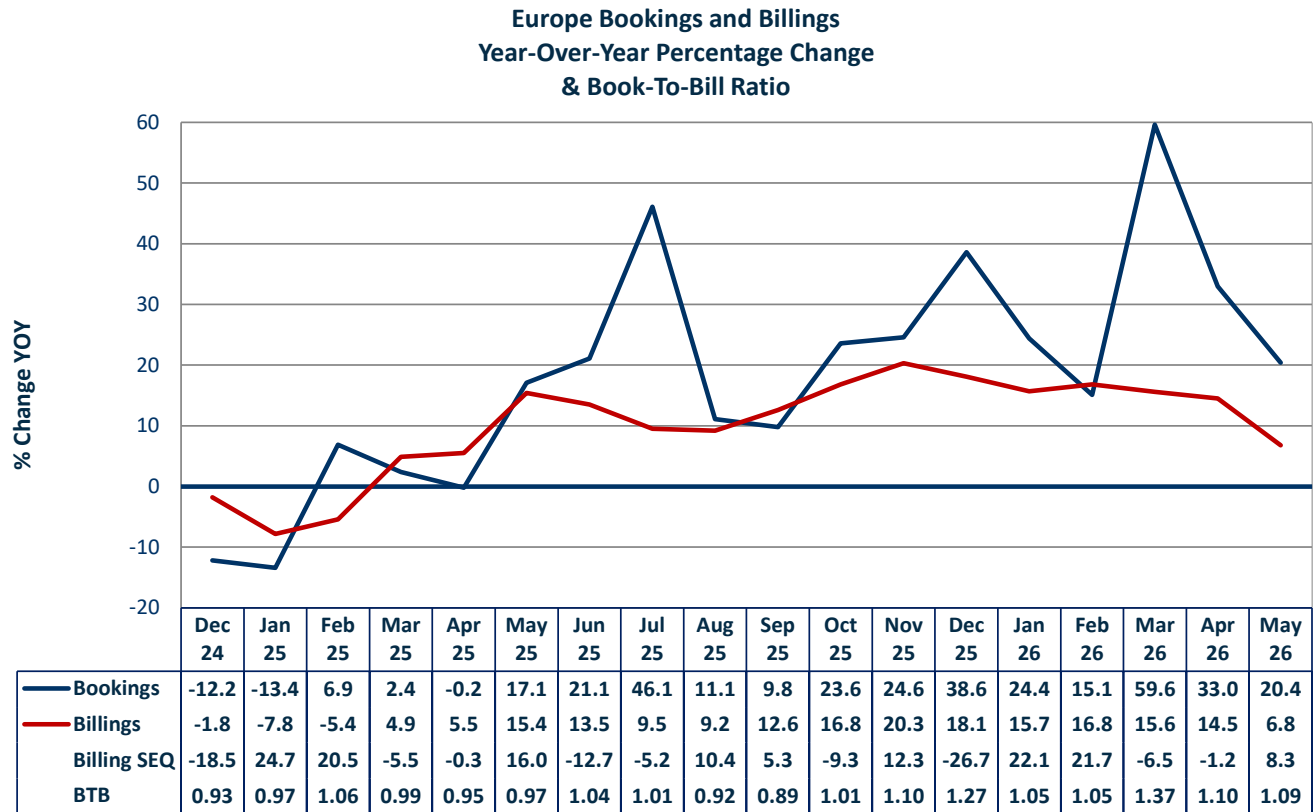
**North America Bookings and Billings
Year-Over-Year Percentage Change
& Book-To-Bill Ratio**



North America Performance

- Sales increased +16.2% year-over-year in May, while orders increased +53.8%, down from +65.8% in April. Sequentially, North American billings increased +5.4%, up from +0.8% in April. The book-to-bill ratio decreased to 1.25, down from April's 1.34.
- The US unemployment rate remained unchanged in May at 4.3%. Job gains occurred in leisure and hospitality, local government, and health care. Employment in financial activities declined, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.
- In May, the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers increased by 0.5%, seasonally adjusted, and rose 4.2% over the last 12 months, not seasonally adjusted. The all items less food and energy index rose 2.9% over the year, following a 2.8% increase over the 12 months ending April, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported.
- US light vehicle sales rose to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 16.1 million units in May 2026, up from 15.9 million in April, according to Wards Intelligence.
- The University of Michigan's Consumer Sentiment Index rose to 48.9 in early June 2026, up from May's all-time low of 44.8 and above market expectations of 46. The modest recovery reflected some relief from early-month easing in gasoline prices, with improvements seen across age, education, and political group, according to Trading Economics.

Europe: The following chart displays the year-over-year percentage change in bookings and billings for the last 18 months. The monthly book-to-bill ratio is also displayed.

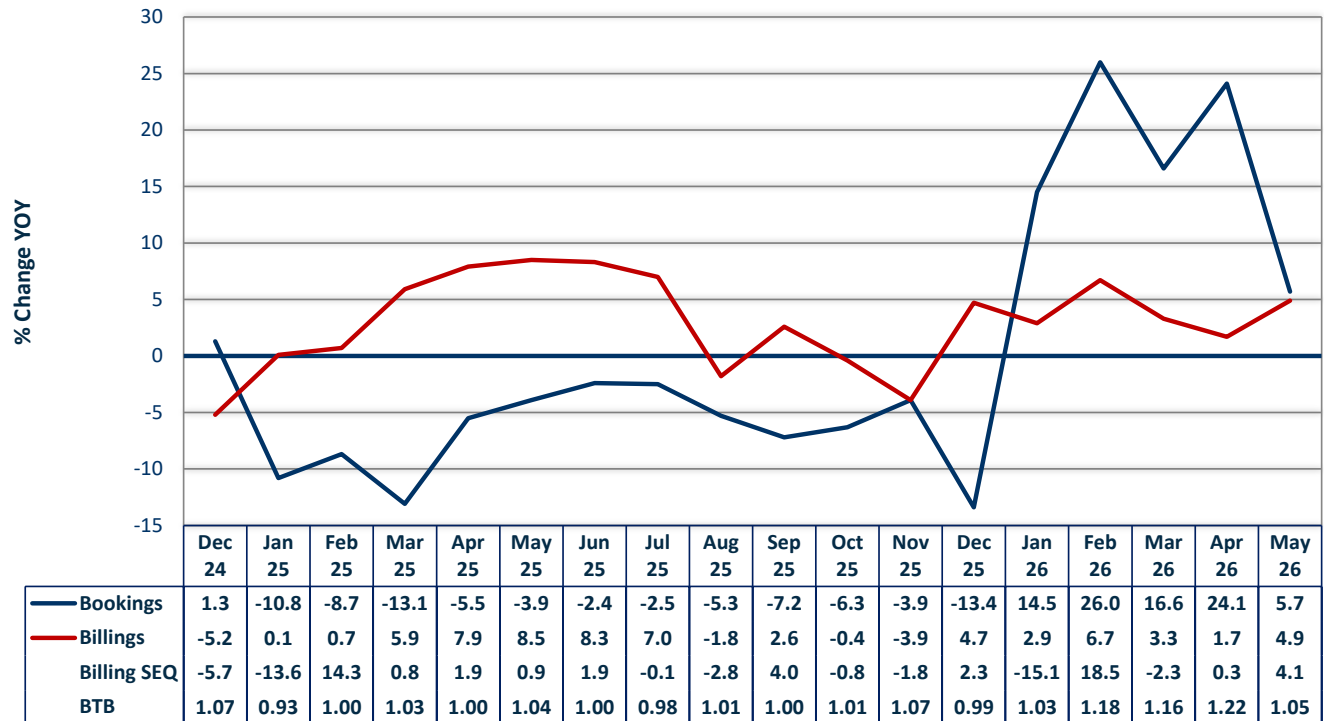


- Bookings increased by +20.4% in May, down from +33.0 in April. Billings increased by +6.8%, down from +14.5% in April. Sequentially, sales increased by +8.3%, up from -1.2% in April. The book-to-bill ratio was 1.09, down from 1.10 in April.
- "In May 2026 year-to-date (YTD), new EU car registrations increased by 4%, indicating a strong start to the year amid a backdrop of persistent geopolitical headwinds weighing on the outlook," according to ACEA. They also indicated that by the end of May, petrol car registrations declined by 18.2%, with decreases across all major markets, while battery-electric cars increased 15.3% year-over-year.
- "In April* 2026, the euro area seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.3%, stable compared with March 2026 as well as with April 2025. The EU unemployment rate was 6.0% in April 2026, also stable compared with March 2026 and with April 2025". according to Eurostat.
- "In May 2026, the Economic Sentiment Indicator (ESI) moved broadly sideways in both the EU and the euro area (+0.3 points in both areas, to 93.7 in the EU and 93.5 in the EA). The Employment Expectations Indicator (EEI) picked up compared to April (EU: +2.1 points to 95.4; euro area: +2.8 points to 94.7)," according to the European Commission.

**May readings not published at the time of this reporting.*

Japan: The following chart displays the year-over-year percentage change in bookings and billings for the last 18 months. The monthly book-to-bill ratio is also displayed.

**Japan Bookings and Billings
Year-Over-Year Percentage Change
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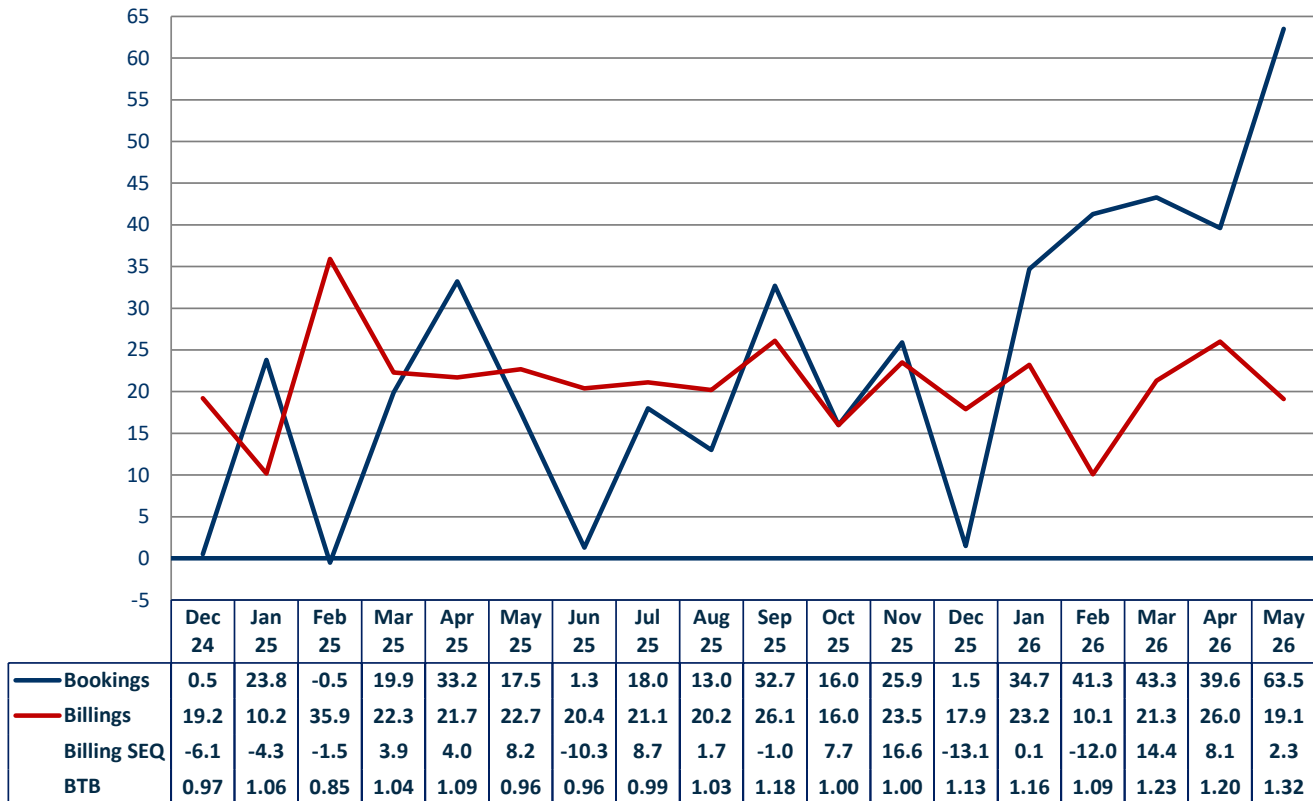


Japan Performance

- May's year-over-year bookings increased +5.7%, down from +24.1% in April, while billings increased +4.9%, up from +1.7% in April. Sequentially, sales increased +4.1%, up from +0.3% in April. Japan's book-to-bill ratio decreased to 1.05, from 1.22 in April.
- "Core consumer prices in Tokyo's central wards rose 1.3% YoY in May 2026, slowing from 1.5% in the previous month and coming in softer than market expectations of 1.5%", according to Trading Economics. "Japan's S&P Global Composite PMI rose to 52.5 in June 2025 from a final 51.1 in May", according to Trading Economics. "The reading was the highest since March, marking the 15th month of expansion in private-sector activity and remaining above the post-pandemic average."
- "Japan's unemployment rate in May remained unchanged for the third consecutive month at 2.5%". "The number of employed individuals rose by 330,000, or 0.5%, to a seasonally adjusted 68.37 million, marking the first increase in four months, the data showed reports Xinhua, citing data from the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications".
- Japan's domestic new vehicle market expanded by 2.75% year-on-year to 332,997 units in May 2026, following a 10% rise to 324,069 units a year earlier according to Just Auto.
- Exports climbed 17%, the fastest pace since November 2022, caused once again by a surge in semiconductor shipments in May of 61.2%," according to CNBC.

China: The following chart displays the year-over-year percentage change in bookings and billings for the last 18 months. The monthly book-to-bill ratio is also displayed.

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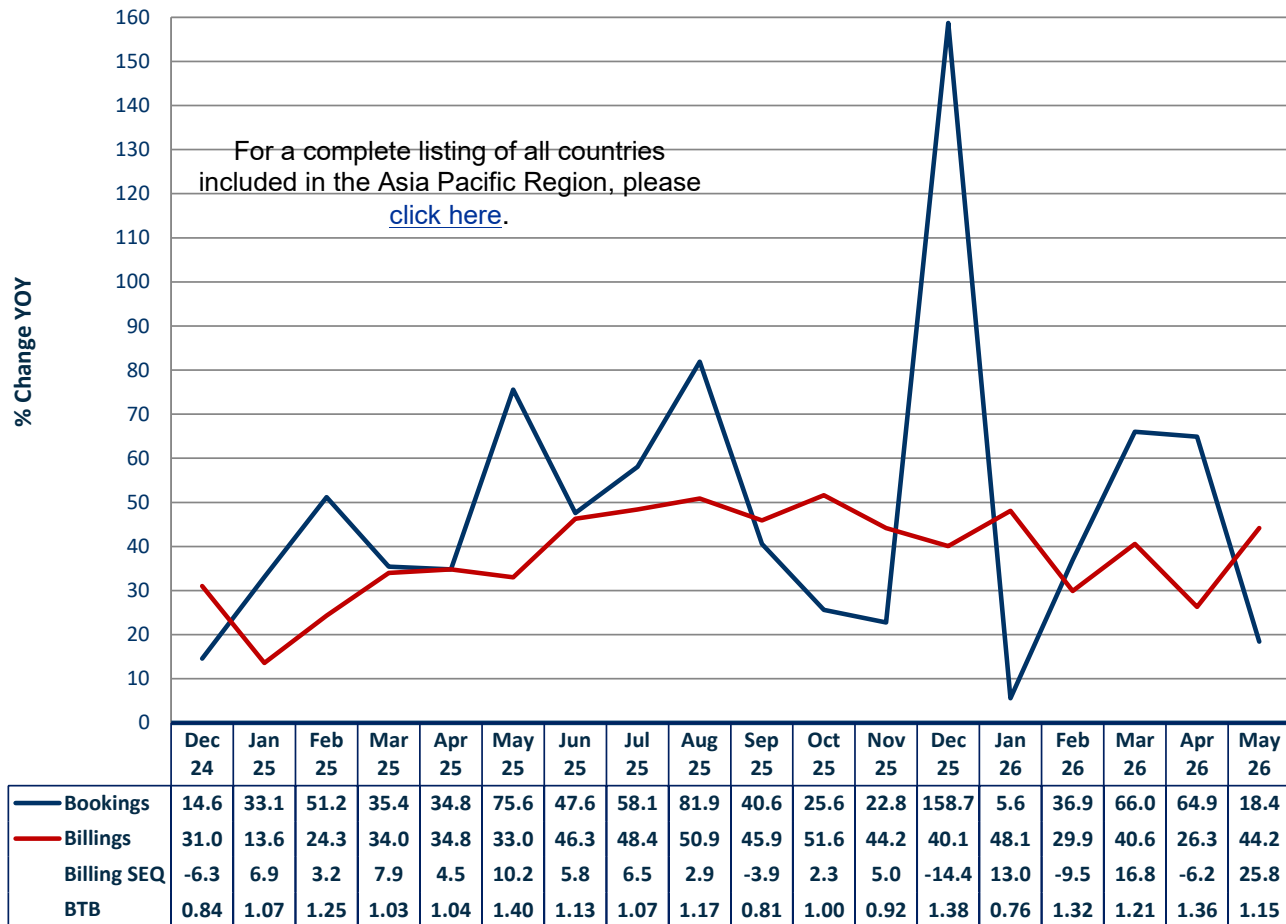


China Performance

- China's May sales grew +19.1% on a year-over-year basis. Bookings increased by +63.5% in May, while sequentially, sales increased by +2.3%. The book-to-bill increased to 1.32, up from 1.20 in April.
- In May 2026, China's "consumer price index (CPI) decreased to 100.90 points in May from 101.00 points in April. CPI in China averaged 100.94 points from the first of 2026 through May, with an all-time high of 101.5 in February, according to Trading Economics.
- "Sales of Chinese-made vehicles, including exports, declined by 2.1% to 2.6 million units in May, from 2.7 million units a year earlier. Domestic sales dropped 20% YOY to about 1.7 million units after rising by 10% to 2.1 million a year earlier, while exports surged by over 69% according to data from the CAAM.
- China's General Composite PMI rose to 54.0 in May 2026 from 53.1 in the prior month, reaching its highest level since February and signaling a further strengthening in private-sector business activity", according to Trading Economics.
- "China's surveyed urban unemployment rate stood at 5.1% in May 2026, compared with both market expectations and the previous month's 5.2%. It marked the lowest reading since December 2025", according to Trading Economics.

Asia Pacific: The following chart displays the year-over-year percentage change in bookings and billings for the last 18 months. The monthly book-to-bill ratio is also displayed.

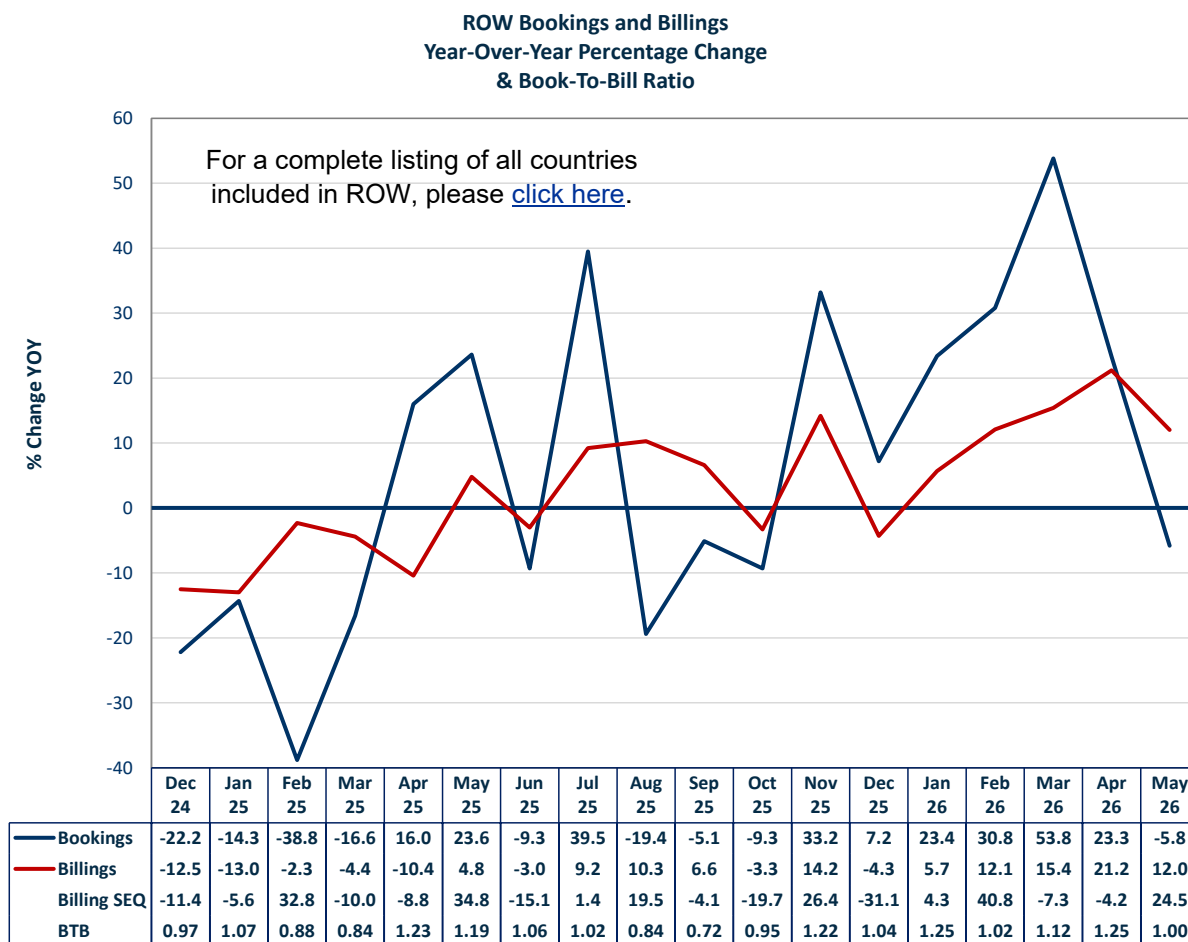
Asia Pacific Bookings and Billings
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Asia Pacific Performance

- Year over year, May orders were up +18.4%, down from April's strong +64.9% increase. Billings increased by +44.2%, up from +26.3% in April. Sequentially, sales increased by +25.8%, after declining -6.2% in April. The book-to-bill ratio decreased to 1.15 in May after increasing to 1.36 in April.
- "India's wholesale price inflation rose to 9.68% year-on-year in May, government data released on June 15th showed, as the energy shock stemming from the conflict in the Middle East persisted", according to Reuters. "India's HSBC Manufacturing PMI fell to 54.5 in June 2026, a three-month low, down from 55.0 in May, preliminary estimates showed, while new orders continued to rise but at a weaker pace," according to Trading Economist.
- South Korea's exports in May 2026 surged by 53.2% year-on-year to an all-time high of \$87.75 billion, driven largely by a global boom in artificial intelligence investment. The dramatic expansion – the strongest annual rate since January 1984 – extended the country export growth to a 12th consecutive month", according to Reuters.

Rest of World: The following chart displays the year-over-year percentage change in bookings and billings for the last 18 months. The monthly book-to-bill ratio is also displayed.



Rest of World Performance

- Orders decreased by -5.8% in May, down substantially from March and April's highs of +53.8% and +23.3% respectively. Billings increased by +12.0% year-over-year, down from +21.2% in April. Sequentially, sales increased by +24.5%, up from -4.2% in April. The book-to-bill ratio was 1.00, down from 1.25 in April.
- "Brazil's annual inflation rate rose to 4.72% in May 2026, from 4.39% in April, slightly above forecasts of 4.66%, and marking the highest since September 2025. Energy and fuel inflation remained elevated at 8.90%, edging up from 8.80% in April, reflecting supply disruptions caused by the closure of the Strait of Hormuz amid the US-Iran conflict", according to Trading Economics. "This exceeded the consensus forecast of 4.66% and breached the upper limit of the Central Bank's target range (3.0% ± 1.5%) for the first time since October", according to Reuters.
- "South Africa's seasonally adjusted Absa Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) fell to 50.8 in May 2026 from 52.6 in the prior month, pointing to a second consecutive month of expansion, albeit significantly below April's robust increase. The slowdown reflected fading demand brought forward in April, weaker new orders, and higher input costs driven by a softer rand and rising oil prices ", according to Trading Economics.

Regional Summary Snapshot

The following table shows a snapshot of the performance of each region. The table displays the latest metric available, and the trend of the metric compared to prior months/quarters.

	North America	Europe	Japan	China	Asia Pacific	ROW
GDP Growth YOY	2.6% Up	0.2% Down	2.1% Steady	4.7% Down	N/A	N/A
Industrial Production Growth	1.7% Up	0.9% Up	2.3% Up	4.5% Up	N/A	N/A
Manufacturing PMI*	54.0 Up	51.6 Down	54.5 Steady	50.0 Down	N/A	N/A
Inflation Rate	4.2% Up	3.2% Up	1.5% Up	1.2% Steady	N/A	N/A
Unemployment Rate	4.3% Steady	6.0% Steady	2.7% Steady	5.1% Down	N/A	N/A
Retail Sales Growth YOY	6.9% Up	1.0% Down	2.0% Up	0.9% Down	N/A	N/A
May Connector Sales	16.2%	6.8%	4.9%	19.1%	44.2%	12.0%
YTD Connector Sales	18.7%	13.6%	3.9%	20.0%	37.8%	13.3%
May Connector Orders	53.8%	20.4%	5.7%	63.5%	18.4%	-5.8%
YTD Connector Orders	53.6%	30.0%	17.3%	44.7%	37.0%	21.5%

* Purchasing Manager Index - Below 50 is contracting factory activity

Key Take Aways:

- In May, YTD bookings were up in all regions in the double-digit range, with the greatest growth in North America at +53.6%, followed by China with YTD growth of +44.7%. Looking at billing from a year-over-year view, ROW, the one region where booking declined, was down -5.8%. From a billing perspective, all regions showed positive year-to-date and year-over-year growth.
- Like April, in May unemployment was steady in all regions except for China, where unemployment was down. The greatest unemployment was recorded in Europe, where although down slightly from April, was still 6.0%. At the same time, inflation was up in all regions except China, where it remained steady at 1.2%.

The Industry Backlog Is 13.6 Weeks

May 2026 was another great month for the connector industry. Orders totaled \$13,340 million, up +37.8% over the same period in 2025. Sales were \$9,776 million, up +17.1%.

The industry shipped \$2,445 million per week in May. Assuming the same weekly shipments, the industry has 13.6 weeks of backlog (ending backlog \$33,157 million divided by \$2,445 million).

Industry Backlog

	Full Year 2025	May 2026
BtB Ratio	1.00	1.20
Beginning Backlog	\$21,287	\$24,067
YTD Bookings	\$101,868	\$55,057
YTD Billings	\$99,165	\$45,967
Ending Backlog	\$24,067	\$33,157
Backlog in Weeks	12.6	13.6

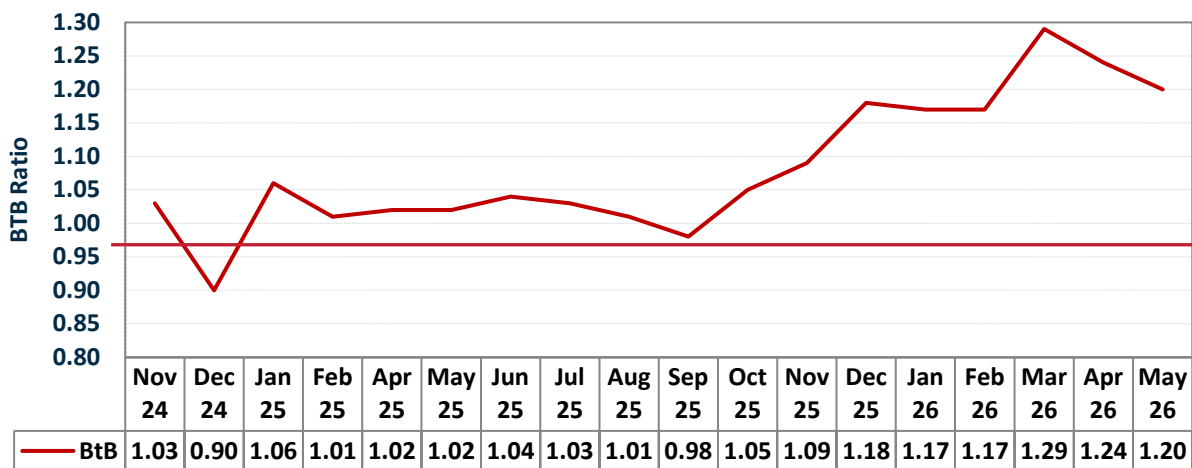
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Connector demand continues to be very strong year-over-year. This marks 12 months in a row when orders achieved double-digit growth. Connector backlog is up \$9.1 billion since the end of 2025.

The following chart shows the book-to-bill ratio (BtB) for the last 18 months. You will note that during that time frame, the book-to-bill ratio has been over 1.00 16 out of the 18 months.

Connector Industry Book-to-Bill



Currency Fluctuations Reduce Performance between USD and Local Currency

The dollar consistently fluctuates against the euro, the yen, and the yuan. The following table measures the impact for May 2025 versus May 2026 and shows results for these three currencies.

Change in Local Currency to One USD 2025 YTD versus 2026 YTD

Currency	2025	2026	% Change
Euro	0.8869	0.8561	3.6%
Yuan	7.2200	6.8020	6.1%
Yen	144.7125	158.1563	-8.5%

Europe, China, and Japan account for approximately 60% of world connector sales. Currency fluctuation against the US dollar can have a significant impact on our reporting of sales performance in US dollars.

The following table shows May YOY performance by region in US dollars and local currencies.

Industry Sales Performance May 2026 USD-vs-Local Currencies

Region	U.S.\$	Local Currency
North America	16.2%	16.2%
Europe	6.8%	10.7%
Japan	4.9%	-4.0%
China	19.1%	26.5%
Asia Pacific	44.2%	44.2%
ROW	12.0%	12.0%
World	17.0%	19.5%

Connector sales in May of 2026 increased +19.5% when measured in local currencies, versus an increase of +17.0% in US dollars.

2026 Outlook: Historical Analysis

Over the past 16 years (2010-2025), May sales averaged 8.44% of full year sales. We shipped \$9,776 million in May 2026. Assuming history repeats, we will ship \$115,829 million in 2026. This is a +16.8% increase over 2025 sales of \$99,165.

The least May represented of full year sales was 7.2% and the most 9.1%. Using historical performance, we can calculate a range of possible outcomes for 2026.

Historical Forecast Analysis

May	Percent Full Year	April 2026 Sales	Full Year 2026 Fcast	Percent Growth
High	9.1%	\$9,776	\$107,429	8.3%
Average	8.44%	\$9,776	\$115,829	16.8%
Low	7.2%	\$9,776	\$135,778	36.9%

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The range of full year 2026 outcomes are all positive for excellent growth. Currently, through May, sales are up a strong +17.0%. Historical analysis suggests that with growth this strong, we could grow as much as +36.9%, although in our opinion that is a highly unlikely scenario.

Clearly, we are positioned to have one of the best growth years in connector industry history. The order backlog is large, \$33.2 billion, and the book-to-bill ratio has been in the double-digit range since October of 2025, eight consecutive months!

Connector Sales & Order Trends

Connector orders have exhibited a double-digit increase for 12 consecutive months. Sales have shown a double-digit increase for the last 14 consecutive months. We are in a historical period of time for connector demand.

2025 Orders and Sales Growth in 2025 by Month Percentage Change

Month	Orders	Sales
January	7.3%	2.3%
February	5.5%	7.9%
March	12.6%	7.2%
April	11.6%	11.4%
May	9.6%	16.5%
June	15.6%	17.1%
July	32.0%	18.4%
August	16.6%	16.2%
September	21.6%	21.6%
October	21.4%	17.4%
November	29.2%	19.8%
December	30.1%	19.7%
Year-to-Date	17.6%	14.7%

2026 Orders and Sales Growth in 2026 by Month Percentage Change

Month	Orders	Sales
January	34.7%	21.8%
February	33.2%	14.9%
March	50.2%	21.0%
April	47.6%	20.9%
May	37.8%	17.0%
June		
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December		
Year-to-Date	40.7%	19.0%

Note: The numbers may vary slightly from those previously published by Bishop Reports because of adjustments from participating companies.

Connector demand is strong. We have recorded 26 consecutive months of growth in both orders and sales, allowing us to continue to believe 2026 will be a good year for the connector industry!

Connector orders are up +40.7% through May 2026. This sets a record for the connector industry. Hopefully, this is not the product of a bubble, but rather reflective of continued growth in datacenters, military/aerospace applications, and a resurgence in the automotive industry.

Significant Events

May 2026 News

Notebook Shipments Expected to Decline 13%

Global notebook computer shipments are expected to decline about 13 percent year-on-year this year, as rising prices and shortages of key components, including memory chips and central processing units, continue to weigh on consumer purchases in the second half of the year, TrendForce Corp said.

The forecast marks a steeper decline than the 9.4 percent contraction that the Taipei-based market researcher projected in January, TrendForce research vice president Boyce Fan told the Taipei Times.

Major notebook brands have begun raising retail prices in response to higher memory prices, while adjusting product mixes — such as placing greater emphasis on midrange and high-end models, while lowering specifications for entry-level products — to maintain profitability, Fan said.

However, demand uncertainty remains high in the second half of the year, with notebook brands and supply chain partners continuing to build inventories and accelerate shipments ahead of further price hikes for key components, he said.

Consumer demand and replacement cycles could further weaken in the second half, he added.

Memory suppliers have reallocated capacity to high-bandwidth memory and server applications, reducing shipments to PC makers and module manufacturers, and price trends across DRAM segments are expected to remain supported by tight supply, TrendForce said.

Conventional DRAM contract prices this quarter are projected to rise 58 percent to 63 percent from last quarter, while NAND Flash contract prices are expected to grow 70 percent to 75 percent sequentially, it said.

Artificial intelligence (AI) PCs could eventually become part of a hybrid computing model alongside cloud-based AI services, but tight memory supply and high prices remain detrimental to their wider adoption in the near term, Fan said.

In addition, the success of AI PCs would depend on whether agentic AI applications can deliver tangible benefits to users and generate sustainable demand, he said.

PC Shipments Could Drop 20% by Year's End as AI Datacenters Consume 70% of High-end DRAM

The personal computer market is heading into a rough stretch as a memory shortage ripples through the industry, driving up prices and forcing PC makers to rethink how they design their systems. New data from IDC points to a sharp slowdown in global PC shipments, which are expected to decline 11.3% this year. By the fourth quarter, shipments could be down roughly 20% from a year earlier – a steep drop for what has been a relatively stable market in recent years.

The main issue is supply, especially a shortage of high-end DRAM, much of which is now being diverted to AI data centers.

According to IDC, AI data centers are on track to consume 70% of global high-end DRAM output this year. That shift is forcing PC makers to compete for limited memory supplies, which is already showing up in higher prices and stripped-down configurations.

Consumers are already feeling the impact. Higher memory costs have pushed up the price of premium machines, in some cases by hundreds of dollars. At the same time, manufacturers are making trade-offs to keep systems within reach, including offering configurations with less RAM than what has become standard in recent years. In some cases, those compromises mean machines no longer meet newer baseline requirements for AI features such as Copilot, particularly when vendors drop back to 8GB configurations.

Not all companies are feeling the pressure equally; larger players with stronger supply chains and stockpiled components have managed to cushion the impact so far.

While supply issues dominate the near-term outlook, competition is also adding another layer of complexity. Apple's MacBook Neo has quickly become a disruptive force, reportedly outselling the MacBook Air in the quarter following its launch and prompting a response across the broader PC ecosystem.

IDC expects average selling prices for PCs to rise 17% in 2026, driven largely by sustained pressure on memory supplies and the broader cost of advanced components.

PCB Industry Posts Record Q1 Production Value With Rosy Outlook

The production value of Taiwan's printed circuit board (PCB) industry increased 19.6 percent year-on-year to NT\$245.6 billion (US\$7.77 billion) in the first quarter of this year, a record for the period, the Taiwan Printed Circuit Association (TPCA) said.

The figure includes firms' production in Taiwan, China and Southeast Asia, which made up 32.3 percent, 63.7 percent and 4 percent of the total, respectively, the association said in a report.

Strong demand for artificial intelligence (AI) servers has continued to drive growth in shipments of high-end PCB products, such as IC substrates, high-layer count (HLC) boards and high-density interconnect (HDI) boards, the report said.

In the first quarter, HLC boards, also known as multilayer boards, accounted for 35.8 percent of the industry's total shipments, ahead of HDI boards at 22.8 percent, flexible boards at 20 percent and IC substrates at 14.6 percent, it said.

The application breakdown for the period showed that products for communications accounted for 28.9 percent of the total, followed by 26.5 percent for computers, 14.6 percent for semiconductors, 13.8 percent for consumer electronics and 9.4 percent for automobiles, the report said.

As AI servers would remain the core growth engine for Taiwan's PCB industry, while supplies of key materials such as high-performance glass fibers and copper clad laminates would remain tight, also driving up product prices, the industry's production value in the second quarter is forecast to expand 17.4 percent year-on-year to NT\$256.1 billion, the association said.

For the whole year, the industry's production value is projected to grow at an annual pace of 15.1 percent to NT\$1.05 trillion, a record high, it said.

Worldwide External Enterprise Storage Systems Market Accelerates to 22.7% Growth in the First Quarter of 2026

The worldwide external OEM enterprise storage systems (ESS) market delivered a sharp acceleration in the first quarter of 2026, reaching \$9.2 billion in vendor revenue, a 22.7% year-over-year increase, according to IDC's *Worldwide Quarterly Enterprise Storage Systems Tracker*. The result represents an important acceleration from the 3.9% full-year 2025 growth rate and the 5.5% expansion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2025, reflecting the convergence of deferred infrastructure refresh spending, component price inflation, and AI-driven storage demand.

The enterprise storage market, which spent much of the prior two years in the shadow of explosive server and GPU investment, is now benefiting from two reinforcing tailwinds: enterprises refreshing storage infrastructure that was deferred while AI server spending took priority, and a new wave of AI-driven storage demand emerging from training pipelines, inferencing workloads, and unstructured data activation use cases. Component supply constraints, particularly for NAND flash and DRAM, continue to push system-level prices upward, further amplifying revenue growth beyond what shipment volumes alone would suggest.

Key findings from IDC's Worldwide Quarterly Enterprise Storage Systems Tracker, 1Q26

- +22.7% year-over-year growth in vendor revenue in 1Q26, reaching \$9.2 billion, compared to \$7.5 billion in 1Q25.
- All Flash Arrays (AFA) crossed the 50% revenue threshold for the first time, generating \$4.9 billion (+32.7% YoY) and representing 52.6% of total ESS revenue. Hybrid Flash Arrays (HFA) grew 14.0% YoY to \$3.5 billion (37.8% share), while All HDD arrays grew 10.2% to \$0.9 billion (9.6% share).
- High End systems (systems priced above \$250K ASP) surged 60.7% YoY to \$2.4 billion, now representing 25.5% of the market, driven by large-scale AI infrastructure storage deployments. Midrange systems (\$25K–\$250K) grew 17.3% to \$5.9 billion (64.4% share), while Entry systems (<\$25K) declined 6.1% to \$0.9 billion.
- The market leader recorded the largest single-quarter share expansion among major vendors, gaining more than 4 percentage points of revenue share year over year to reach 31.2%.
- The full-year 2025 external ESS market reached \$33.0 billion (+3.9% YoY). The sharp 1Q26 acceleration signals a fundamental shift in market trajectory as AI infrastructure storage demand becomes a primary growth engine.
- Top three fastest-growing regions: Central & Eastern Europe (+41.7%), Canada (+25.4%), and PRC (+20.7%), alongside strong performance from the dominant US market (+30.4%, \$3.95B, 42.8% share).

Top 5 Companies Worldwide External Enterprise Storage Systems Market, 1Q26 (Vendor Revenue in US\$ millions)

Company	1Q26 Revenue	1Q26 Share	1Q25 Revenue	1Q25 Share	YoY Growth
1. Dell Technologies	\$2,876.4M	31.2%	\$2,042.4M	27.1%	+40.8%
2. NetApp	\$911.2M	9.9%	\$831.1M	11.0%	+9.6%
3. Everpure	\$824.8M	8.9%	\$598.3M	7.9%	+37.9%
4. Huawei	\$615.6M	6.7%	\$533.6M	7.1%	+15.4%
5. Hewlett Packard Enterprise	\$496.1M	5.4%	\$482.0M	6.4%	+2.9%
Rest of Market	\$3,507.2M	38.0%	\$3,036.8M	40.4%	+15.5%
Total	\$9,231.4M	100.0%	\$7,524.3M	100.0%	+22.7%

Source: IDC Worldwide Quarterly Enterprise Storage Systems Tracker, June 11, 2026

PCB Prices are Up 40% in a Month Because of a Material Most People Have Never Heard Of

Most people never think about what's inside a circuit board, but a little-known resin is quickly becoming a major concern for the tech industry. High-purity polyphenylene ether resin sits deep within the electronics supply chain, yet it plays a critical role in how printed circuit boards manage heat, maintain signal integrity, and ensure reliability. The material helps boards inside smartphones, laptops, data center servers, 5G base stations, cars, and countless other devices continue operating under demanding conditions. So when the petrochemical and industrial complex in Jubail, Saudi Arabia, went offline earlier this year, that obscure resin suddenly became a major concern for electronics manufacturers.

The disruption at Jubail did not begin with the missile strikes on April 6 and 7. Plants had already been shut down in late March as it became clear that moving cargo through the Strait of Hormuz was too risky amid the conflict. The attacks then added damage to a logistics system that was already at a standstill.

Dow has a joint venture at the complex with Saudi Aramco, and on an April 23 earnings call, Dow CEO Jim Fitterling said the company is still working on the assumption of a "275-day-plus" timeline before logistics and supply chains return to normal.

For the tech industry, the timing is particularly difficult. Resin is a basic input in PCB manufacturing, and substituting it requires redesigning boards, re-running reliability and performance tests, and securing new approvals.

Prices are already reflecting the strain. April's Producer Price Index showed processed goods up 9.4% from a year earlier, with plastic resins and materials among the key drivers – the largest increase in more than three years.

Nvidia supplier Victory Giant in China, one of the world's largest PCB makers, has warned that the conflict in the Middle East could push up prices for copper and resin. According to a Goldman Sachs note, PCB prices

rose by as much as 40% between March and April. TTM, a US-based PCB maker whose shares are up more than 400% over the past year, told CNBC it is raising prices by roughly 5% to 25%.

If the plant in Saudi Arabia remains offline for a few more months, he expects problems to become more visible. "The situation will affect data centers, routers, and high-end 5G phones – this is where the type of resin used matters most," he said. For manufacturers, even the largest ones, the options are limited. As Tayur put it, for Apple and other electronics makers, "there's not much they can do about shortages if it's just not there."

Worldwide Server Market Revenue Surpasses \$122 Billion in the First Quarter of 2026, Driven by AI Infrastructure Demand

The worldwide server market reached **\$122.6 billion** in vendor revenue in the first quarter of 2026 a 30.4% year-over-year increase according to IDC's *Worldwide Quarterly Server Tracker*. The result reflects AI-driven infrastructure investment that has moved from cyclical to durable, even as component supply constraints moderated sequential growth from the record pace set in the second half of 2025.

Two distinct dynamics are shaping the market. First, AI infrastructure investment from hyperscalers and large cloud providers is running at a scale that shows no sign of plateauing. Second, the non-accelerated segment faces a supply-constrained environment where demand remains robust but component availability particularly DRAM and NAND flash is limiting near-term shipment volumes. Leading vendors confirm order pipelines are strong. According to IDC, supply not demand is the primary ceiling on near-term server market growth.

- 30.4% year-over-year growth in vendor revenue in 1Q26, reaching \$122.6 billion, compared to \$94.1 billion in 1Q25.
- Non-x86 servers reached \$58.7 billion, up 107.6% YoY, now representing 47.9% of total market revenue, closing in rapidly on x86's share.
- x86 server revenue reached \$63.9 billion, reflecting a modest -2.9% YoY decline as component supply constraints impacted shipment volumes.
- GPU accelerated servers generated \$68.9 billion (+24.8% YoY), representing 56.2% of total market revenue. Other Accelerated servers surged 122.1% YoY to \$17.7 billion.
- ODM Direct revenue share compressed from 64.1% in 1Q25 to 50.2% in 1Q26, as branded OEM vendors captured a growing share of AI infrastructure deployments.
- Top three fastest-growing regions: Canada (+190.9%), Middle East & Africa (+121.4%), and Western Europe (+80.6% YoY).

The 1Q26 results confirm that AI infrastructure investment is now a global and multi-sector phenomenon. Hyperscalers and large cloud service providers committed hundreds of billions in capital expenditure for 2026, sustaining demand for GPU-optimized server platforms at scale. AI infrastructure adoption is no longer limited to the largest public clouds. Sovereign AI initiatives, government-directed programs to build nationally controlled AI compute infrastructure, now span over 40 countries, creating a policy-driven demand layer largely insulated from commercial budget cycles.

Server Regional Market Results

The United States remained the dominant market, generating \$79.6 billion (+24.1% YoY), representing 64.9% of global revenue. PRC reached \$19.2 billion (+30.9% YoY), reflecting continued domestic AI investment. APeJC grew 45.2% to \$9.7 billion, while Western Europe showed outstanding performance with 80.6% growth to \$7.6 billion. Japan contracted 16.1% against a particularly strong 1Q25

base. Canada (+190.9%), Middle East & Africa (+121.4%), and Latin America (+64.1%) each demonstrated robust growth, underscoring the increasingly global distribution of AI-driven server demand.

Overall Server Market Standings, by Company

Dell Technologies delivered an exceptional quarter to claim the top position with a 16.5% revenue share and 244.1% YoY growth, driven by record AI server orders. Super Micro retained second place with 7.6% revenue share, growing 128.9% YoY. Lenovo moved to third position with 4.6% share and 36.5% growth, while IEIT Systems ranked fourth with 3.3% share. Hewlett Packard Enterprise rounded out the top five with 3.0% share and 17.2% growth. ODM Direct retained its dominant absolute position at \$61.5 billion but saw its share compress from 64.1% to 50.2%.

Top 5 Companies — Worldwide Server Market, 1Q26 (Vendor Revenue in US\$ millions)

Company	1Q26 Revenue	1Q26 Share	1Q25 Revenue	1Q25 Share	YoY Growth
1. Dell Technologies	\$20,280.8M	16.5%	\$5,893.3M	6.3%	+244.1%
2. Super Micro	\$9,331.0M	7.6%	\$4,075.8M	4.3%	+128.9%
3. Lenovo	\$5,621.8M	4.6%	\$4,118.4M	4.4%	+36.5%
4. IEIT Systems	\$4,012.0M	3.3%	\$4,313.7M	4.6%	-7.0%
5. Hewlett Packard Enterprise	\$3,719.5M	3.0%	\$3,173.9M	3.4%	+17.2%
ODM Direct	\$61,537.9M	50.2%	\$60,278.9M	64.1%	+2.1%
Rest of Market	\$18,114.7M	14.8%	\$12,212.4M	13.0%	+48.3%
Total	\$122,617.8M	100.0%	\$94,066.4M	100.0%	+30.4%

Source: IDC Worldwide Quarterly Server Tracker, June 11, 2026.

Apple's First 1.4nm Chipset, The A22 Pro, Could Be Powering iPhones In Just a Couple of Years

The A20 and A20 Pro will be Apple's first 2nm chipsets to grace the industry, but according to the latest rumor, it won't be long before the Cupertino giant unveils its first 1.4nm SoC, the A22 Pro. In fact, the new silicon is said to arrive after the announcement of the company's 20th-anniversary iPhone.

Shortly after commenting on the arrival of the advanced AirPods Pro models, which will be equipped with cameras in 2027, Bloomberg's Mark Gurman has said that the A22 Pro, scheduled to launch in 2028, could be Apple's first 1.4nm chipset. Based on this timeline, the A21 Pro will remain on TSMC's 2nm node, with the possibility that the California-based giant moves to the slightly improved 'N2P' process, which is slightly better than the N2 iteration utilized for the A20 and A20 Pro.

There's no confirmation on whether the standard A22 will be fabricated on TSMC's 1.4nm process, but the Taiwanese semiconductor behemoth is hard at work building billion-dollar facilities to accommodate its customers. Based on previous estimates, TSMC has already invested a jaw-dropping \$49 billion in the construction of four production sites.

Amazon's Newest Gambit: Selling AI Chips

Nvidia's \$5 trillion chip empire apparently has a new challenge: Two of its largest customers are planning to sell their in-house AI chips directly to data center companies. In April this year, Google unveiled plans to sell its custom tensor processing units (TPUs) to select customers, and now Amazon is in talks to sell its Trainium AI chips directly to other companies for use in their data centers.

In fact, Amazon CEO Andy Jassy signaled this move back in April in a letter to shareholders. "It is quite possible Amazon would sell racks of its chips to third parties," he wrote. He also noted that the company's in-house chip business had surpassed a \$20 billion annual revenue run rate.

Amazon's semiconductor portfolio comprises Graviton CPUs, Trainium and Inferentia AI accelerators, and Nitro networking cards. Graviton is an Arm-based CPU that provides a low-power alternative to traditional server workhorses from Intel and AMD.

Trainium is a purpose-built AI accelerator designed to train and run massive machine learning models. On the other hand, Inferentia chips are custom-designed, purpose-built processors specifically optimized for machine learning inference. Amazon claims Inferentia AI chips are 40% cheaper to run for generating responses from AI models.

There are reports that Uber is among the first external partners to adopt the Trainium3 AI chip. Then, there is Anthropic, which has committed to deploying over one million Trainium chips in its data centers hosted by Amazon Web Services (AWS). It's worth noting that Amazon has invested \$4 billion in this startup, best known for its Claude AI assistant. In return, Anthropic declared AWS as its primary cloud and training partner.

But Amazon's chip business is more of an enigma: A \$20 billion semiconductor business no one talks about. It also mirrors a semiconductor business model pioneered by Apple and Google, which developed and deployed custom chips in their hardware at various scales.

Are Amazon's chip ambitions a side hustle or a serious challenge to Nvidia? Trade media is abuzz with commentaries that see the sale of custom chips from Amazon and Google as a competitive threat to Nvidia. Especially when Amazon and Google have been developing alternatives to Nvidia's GPUs. However, it's important to note that Nvidia is selling a full stack, not just GPUs.

So, while custom AI accelerators from Amazon and Google are likely to win in specific workloads and cost optimization, Nvidia will continue to dominate general-purpose AI infrastructure. Nvidia's edge isn't merely in silicon; it also lies in CUDA, developer tooling, partnerships, and support. That's why Amazon is developing the AWS Neuron—its AI model development platform—around Trainium chips.

But building hardware, software, and support ecosystems around silicon requires an enormous effort and significant time. And besides Nvidia's established ecosystem, the bespoke nature of Amazon and Google's AI chips may also hinder rapid adoption.

So, for now, it seems less of a competitive threat to Nvidia and more of a “seize the moment” move to take advantage of an unprecedented demand for AI chips. However, the fact that nobody likes one company—Nvidia—to dominate the entire market could also help the chip ambitions of Amazon and Google along the way.

Apple to Partner with Intel Corp on Chips

US President Donald Trump said in a Truth Social post that Apple has agreed to work with Intel to design and manufacture its chips in the nation.

A partnership with Intel helps Apple diversify its manufacturing base as it seeks additional chip capacity. The iPhone maker relies heavily on Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co, whose advanced production lines are in high demand from artificial intelligence (AI) chipmakers such as Nvidia Corp and Advanced Micro Devices Inc.

Intel shares rose about 6.5 percent in premarket trading, extending a roughly threefold gain so far this year.

Intel reached a preliminary deal to make some chips for Apple after more than a year of discussions, the Wall Street Journal reported last month.

An Apple contract gives Intel a steady demand from one of the world’s largest consumer electronics companies, boosting both its reputation and a manufacturing business that has lagged TSMC in recent years.

Earlier this week, Intel said a new generation of its manufacturing tech 18A has entered initial production, as it sees strong demand for its central processors.

Last year, the Trump administration took a 10 percent stake in Intel and said it plans to invest about US\$10 billion in the chipmaker to build or expand US factories.

The administration has been stepping up efforts to secure US supply chains for critical minerals and semiconductors, including taking equity stakes in companies to reduce reliance on China.

Qualcomm Wants to be the Chip Inside Whatever Replaces Your Smartphone

Qualcomm CEO Cristiano Amon said that the company is working on over 40 different AI wearable devices — including jewelry, earbuds with cameras, pins, and watches — a sign of how aggressively the chipmaker is betting that the next major computing platform won’t be a phone.

To power that vision, Qualcomm is announcing two new offerings: a platform called Snapdragon Reality Elite for mixed-reality glasses, designed to run more powerful on-device AI, and the Scalable Turnkey AI-Ready Toolkit (START), a combination of hardware modules and a software stack for AI devices, starting with smart glasses.

Amon’s comments, made to CNBC, flesh out the strategic logic behind both announcements. He argued that as companies seek to gather more real-world data from users to power their AI agents, a new wave of hardware startups building novel form factors will emerge, with major implications for established smartphone players like Apple and Samsung.

“I think there’s going to be a lot of experimentation with different form factors,” Amon said. “Right now, we have over 40 designs of those devices, and I’m telling you, the types of form factors are very, very broad.” He

added, “The principle is something that you wear, something [that] is with you all the time, something that can see the world around you, so you have context and have the ability for you to access an agent and talk to the agent.”

To that end, Qualcomm is explicitly positioning itself as the foundational silicon layer for whatever comes after the smartphone. START’s white-label program, in particular, is designed to lower the barrier for new entrants.

Why AI Wearables Are the Next Big Thing in Personal Tech

AI leaves the screen

Wearable AI is no longer a niche category for fitness trackers and step counters. It is becoming one of the most closely watched battlegrounds in personal technology. Fortune Business Insights projects the wearable AI market to grow from \$62.7 billion in 2024 to \$359.3 billion by 2034, driven by advances in health monitoring, edge AI and multimodal assistants.

The reason is simple: AI is trying to escape the screen. For years, digital life has revolved around phones, apps and typed prompts. Wearables offer something different — AI that can listen, see, remember, translate, guide and respond in the flow of daily life.

That is why the category is about to get crowded. Meta is positioning its Ray-Ban glasses as AI-powered wearables. Google continues integrating Gemini into its broader Android and wearable ecosystem. OpenAI has teased a hardware collaboration with Jony Ive, reportedly centered around a wearable AI device. Yandex is also entering the race with Drops becoming one of the first major examples of AI-powered earbuds alongside Google’s Pixel Buds.

The temptation is to see wearable AI as a hardware competition: smarter glasses, smaller pins, lighter earbuds. Design matters because these are deeply personal devices that must fit naturally into everyday life. But the harder challenge is preserving AI quality under extreme physical constraints.

Wearables have limited battery life, processing power, and thermal capacity and often have unstable connectivity. The largest models usually remain in the cloud or companion apps, while the device itself runs heavily compressed on-device systems for fast local interactions. Maintaining acceptable performance under those limits — especially in noisy, unpredictable real-world environments — is extremely difficult.

The problem is also data-related. Wearables operate differently from smartphones or smart speakers, so existing datasets are often poorly suited for training these systems. Collecting enough real-world interaction data can itself become a bottleneck, particularly early on when user bases remain small.

This is forcing companies into a new balancing act: distributing AI workloads between wearable devices, phones and cloud infrastructure while maintaining the illusion of seamless intelligence.

Different companies enter this race with different strengths. Traditional hardware players understand consumer electronics but are still adapting to the pace of generative AI. AI-native companies face the opposite challenge: powerful models, but limited experience building hardware people actually want to wear.

Companies that spent years building AI-powered consumer hardware may have an advantage in the wearable AI race. Smart speaker ecosystems already forced firms like Google, Amazon and Yandex to solve many of the same problems wearables now face low-latency voice interaction, on-device and cloud AI coordination, hardware and power constraints, and turning assistants into everyday tools rather than one-off demos.

For business leaders, wearable AI is not just another hardware cycle. It is potentially the next major interface layer between companies and consumers. Just as smartphones reshaped search, commerce and advertising over the past fifteen years, wearable AI could redefine how people discover products, interact with services and make decisions in real time.

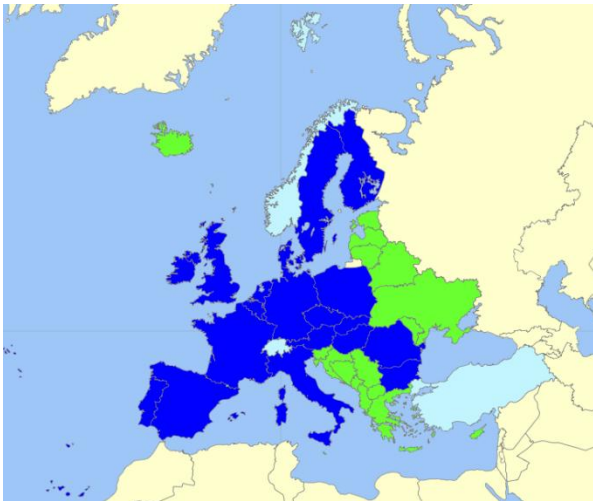
Wearables open new surfaces for advertising, recommendations, subscriptions and AI-powered services that are more contextual, personalized and persistent than traditional mobile apps. An assistant sitting in someone's ear all day has a very different relationship with attention than an app fighting for a notification click.

Companies building wearable AI are effectively being forced to optimize how AI systems operate under strict physical and economic constraints. The breakthroughs developed for tiny devices from inference orchestration to power-efficient AI workflows may ultimately matter far beyond wearables. As AI infrastructure costs keep rising, delivering high-quality AI with fewer resources could become one of the industry's biggest competitive advantages.

European Connector Market 2024, 2025, 2026F, and 2031F

Bishop & Associates, a leader in electronic connector research, has just released a new 2026 European Connector Market research report. This comprehensive, four-chapter, 294-page, report analyzes all aspects of the \$18.9 billion European electronic connector market.

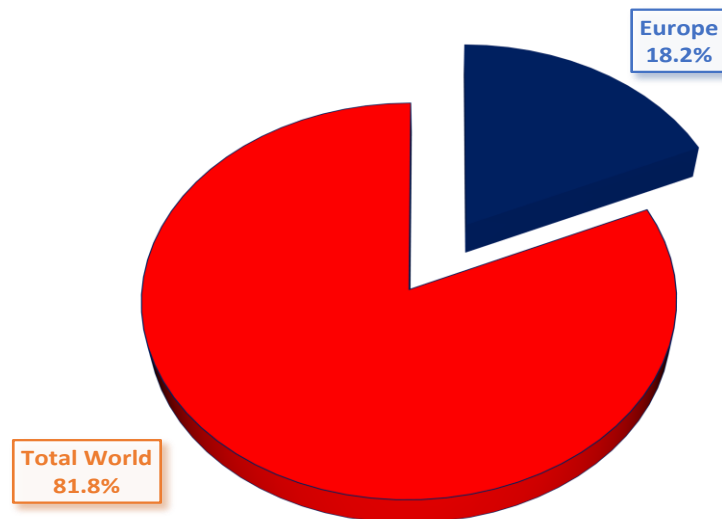
The report provides detailed connector statistics by end-use equipment/market sector and product category for 19 countries/regions. Included is an overview chapter of the European region. Data is provided for the years 2024, 2025, 2026F, and a forecast for 2031 (including five-year CAGRs).



The countries and regions covered within the report include Austria, Benelux, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Iberian Peninsula, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom, Scandinavia, and the group Other Countries.

An introduction to the European connector market is provided in chapter 1, putting it in context with the world connector market, and showing the relative importance of the European connector market. This chapter also highlights the impact of currency exchange and provides some insight into the different speed at which the connector market in Western Europe is growing when compared to the Central and Eastern regions. Also examined are the top 10 connector manufacturers whose base of origin is Europe.

2025 European Connector Sales as a Percentage of the Total World



European Connector Market 2024, 2025, 2026F, and 2031F

Chapter 2 provides an overview of the European market by end-use equipment/market sector and product type for the designated years. An overview of the European market by country, including a 5-year CAGR and a listing of the top five countries by market sector is also provided.

European Connector Sales by Country 2024, 2025, and 2026F

Country or European Region	2024	2025	Percent Change	2026F	Percent Change
Austria	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Benelux	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Bulgaria	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Czech Republic	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Finland	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
France	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Germany	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Hungary	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Ireland	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Italy	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Iberian Peninsula	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Romania	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Poland	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Slovakia	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Switzerland	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Scandinavia	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Turkey	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
United Kingdom	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Other Countries	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%
Total Europe	\$X.X	\$X.X	Y.Y%	\$X.X	Y.Y%

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European Connector Market 2024, 2025, 2026F, and 2031F

In chapter 3, each of the countries/regions previously mentioned is analyzed. Detailed charts and tables provide information on the individual country in terms of market sectors and product categories for 2024, 2025, and 2026F, with a forecast for 2031.

France 2025	Computers and Peripherals	Business Office Equipment	Instruments	Medical Equipment	Industrial Equipment	Automotive Equipment
PCB	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Rectangular I/O	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
IC Sockets	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
RF Coax	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Circular	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Telephone/Telecom	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Fiber Optic	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Terminal Blocks	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Heavy Duty	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Power/High Voltage	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Application Specific	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Other Connectors	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Total	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X

\$ Millions

France 2025	Transportation Equipment	Military Electronics	Data/Telecom Equipment	Consumer Electronics	Other Electronics Equipment	Total
PCB	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Rectangular I/O	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
IC Sockets	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
RF Coax	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Circular	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Telephone/Telecom	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Fiber Optic	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Terminal Blocks	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Heavy Duty	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Power/High Voltage	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Application Specific	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Other Connectors	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X
Total	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X	\$X.X

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