

# West Africa sells its stock of optical cables



## Article Overview

West Africa is actively expanding its optical cable production and export capacity, with Nigeria emerging as a key manufacturing and distribution hub.

### Regional Production and Consumption

West Africa's optical fiber and cable market is currently characterized by a mismatch between production and demand. While countries like Togo, Niger, and Benin dominate regional output, major consumers such as Nigeria, Burkina Faso, and Togo account for 50% of total consumption, creating a heavy reliance on imports to meet local needs . Nigeria alone represents 47% of the region's import value, highlighting the critical role of cross-border trade in optical cables .

### Local Manufacturing Initiatives

Significant strides are being made to reduce import dependency. In Nigeria, Coleman Technical Industries launched Africa's largest fibre-optic cable plant in Sagamu, Ogun State, capable of producing up to 9 million kilometers of fiber annually . The facility also includes smelting operations for aluminum and copper, essential for cable production, and positions Nigeria to export optical cables across West Africa, potentially generating US\$10 billion in combined domestic and export revenue .

### Distribution and Sales Channels...

## Article Content

### Western Africa

This report provides a comprehensive view of the optical fiber, bundle and cable industry in Western Africa, tracking

Telcables West Africa to Offer Super Digital Highway to the United ...

TelCables West Africa, a subsidiary of Angola Cables () and leading global Network as a

### West Africa Cable System (WACS) Overview

WACS was supplied by ASN, and completed in 2012. The WACS consists of four fibre pairs. It was initially designed

Undersea cables for Africa's internet retrace history and

Fibre optic cables now literally encircle Africa, though some parts of the continent are far

### 2024 West Africa Submarine Cable Outage Report

Learn about the West Africa submarine cable outage, and its impact on Internet connectivity in 13 countries.

Next-gen open-access fiber network reduces reliance on subsea cables

CSquared, a pan-African technology company, has announced a major expansion of its West African fiber network,

YOA Cable expands optical fiber manufacturing in South Africa

Established in 2016, YOA Cable is a joint venture of the Chinese-owned Yangtze Optical Fiber and Cable Joint Stock

### West Africa Cable System (WACS) Overview

The West Africa Cable System (WACS) is a 14530km submarine cable system connecting 15 countries, starting from

Africa's Optical Fibers, Bundles and Cables Market to Expand at a

Learn about the projected growth of the optical fibers market in Africa over the next decade, driven by increasing

USTDA funds study to extend Medusa cable along

The US Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) has agreed to fund a feasibility study for

Announcing the Completion of the Core 2Africa System:

Connecting Africa and the World We're excited to share the completion of the core 2Africa

Western Africa's Optical Fibers and Bundles Market Report 2026

What are the leading suppliers of optical fibers, bundles and cables in Western Africa? In value terms, Ghana

Damage to undersea cables is disrupting internet

The most recent damage to the four cables in west Africa appears to have taken place

West Africa slowly recovers from multiple submarine cable failures

Four submarine cables that serve west Africa were reported to have been damaged late last week and many of the

Ribbon Optical Fiber Cables Market in Western Africa | Report ...

The ribbon optical fiber cables market in Western Africa sits at the intersection of a digital transformation push and the

Africa's Optical Fiber Market Poised for Steady 1.9% CAGR Growth ...

Analysis of Africa's optical fibers, bundles, and cables market from 2024 to 2035, covering consumption, production, trade, key

Coleman targets 50% share of Africa's cable supply, laments policy

Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Coleman Wires and Cables Limited, George Onafowokan, has announced plans to

Africa's Optical Fibers, Bundles and Cables Market to Reach 140K

The article discusses the increasing demand for optical fibers, bundles, and cables in Africa, with the market expected to continue

World's longest subsea cable completed: Meta's 2Africa set to ...

Meta and its consortium partners have completed the core 2Africa subsea cable system, marking a major milestone

Africa's largest optical fibre cable manufacturing facility is set to ...

This is the first locally produced polyethylene product used in the manufacturing of optical fibre cable in South Africa,

Orange Wholesale launches Via Africa subsea cable system project

A memorandum of understanding was signed by Orange and other major carriers to form a consortium and kick-start

## Wires and Cables Market Size, Segmentation & Forecast 2031

Wire and Cable Market size was USD 245.44 billion in 2026 and is projected to reach USD 315.78 billion by 2031,

Coleman Technical Industries looks to raise N50 billion

Coleman founder Solomon Onafowokan is raising up to N50 billion to support cable

Repair Ship Bound for Cut Cables Off Africa's West Coast as Internet ...

Fiber-optic cables that were damaged by a rockfall in an undersea canyon, resulting in slow internet connections in

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Solomon Onafowokan's Coleman opens Africa's largest fibre-optic

The new facility, the largest of its kind in Africa, is designed to produce up to 9 million kilometres of fibre-optic cable

Africa Cables Market

Power cables occupy the largest value share due to national electrification targets and cross-border transmission projects, while fiber

Maroc Telecom invests €150M to connect West Africa using subsea cable

This cutting-edge infrastructure was unveiled during the Gitex Africa 2023 event held in Marrakech from May 31 to

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