

Have optical modules not increased in price



Article Overview

Optical module prices have remained stable due to production scale efficiencies, mature technology standards, and competitive market pressures, even as raw material costs rise.

Key Factors Affecting Price Stability

1. Mature Technology and Production Scale Modules that comply with established standards benefit from economies of scale, which help keep prices stable or even slightly decline over time. As production processes for 100G, 400G, and other widely adopted modules mature, manufacturers achieve cost efficiencies that offset increases in raw material or labor costs . 2. Raw Material Costs and Gold Usage While materials like gold are critical for electroplating connectors and PCBs, the amount used per module is small, so even significant fluctuations in gold prices have a limited impact on overall module pricing. Suppliers often absorb these costs to remain competitive, especially in high-volume markets . 3. Supply Chain and Component Availability Although semiconductor and laser components can experience shortages, the optical module supply chain has adapted through inventory management and diversified sourcing. This helps prevent sudden price spikes, even when demand surges for data centers or AI workloads . 4. Competitive Market Dynamics The optical module market is highly competitive, with multiple manufacturers entering segments like 400G and 800G, which drives prices down. For example, competition in the 400G segment led to a 12% decrease in average selling prices despite rising demand . Major brands maintain stable pricing to protect market share while offering high-qu...

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