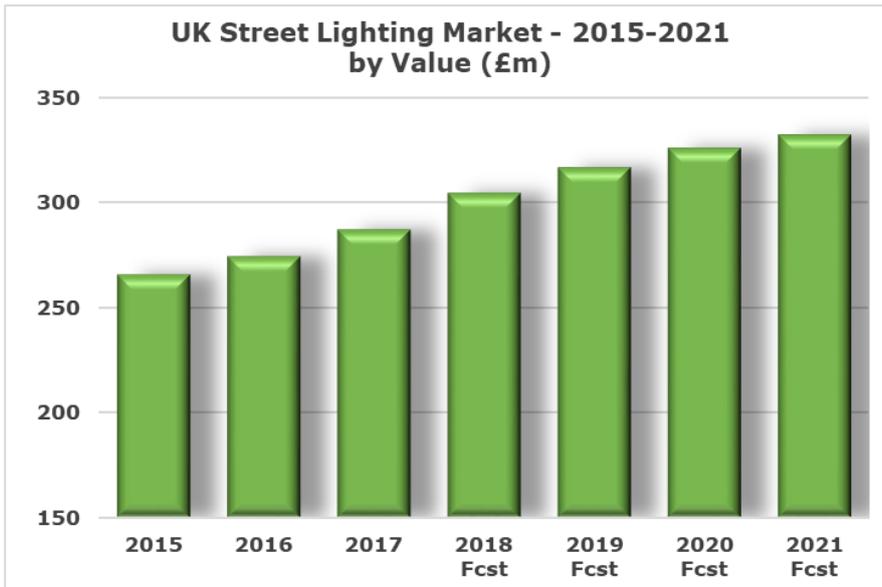




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UK street lighting market to see 17% value growth by 2022

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The UK street lighting market has seen steady growth in recent years, driven by substantial LED replacement programmes run by local authorities over the past 5 years or so. By 2022, expenditure on street lighting is forecast to reach £336m, up by 17% compared with present levels. The share of the market taken by new projects is expected to increase, as more local authorities replace outdated lighting systems with LEDs.

Source: AMA Research Analysis and Estimates

Street lights account for an estimated 95% of public sector street lighting, with illuminated signs and bollards making up the remainder. Street lighting products include lamps, columns and 'intelligent' or 'smart' street lighting control systems.

With costs for non-energy efficient lighting increasing rapidly, more local authorities have been adopting LED systems offering 100,000 hours of light, compared with 15,000 for traditional bulbs. It has been suggested that local authorities could cut their energy expenditure by around £100m per annum by switching to LED street lights. As well as being more economical in energy terms, these new products also have longer lifespans and therefore will require a lower long term spend on replacements.

Although many councils have already switched to LED, there remains a significant proportion of old style, lower value lighting that is over 40 years old and in need of replacement and conversion. By 2014 only 10% of councils had switched to using low energy lighting and estimates suggest that in 2017 around 25% of lighting columns were in the process of being upgraded by local authorities.

It is estimated that maintenance accounts for a significant share of the market. Within the new projects/replacement equipment category much of future spending is likely to focus upon new areas of energy-efficiency, though in the long term, the value of maintenance is expected to decrease due to the reduced replacement lead times and the lowering of product prices as LED lighting penetration increases.

Once these new systems are in place, expenditure on new projects is expected to stabilise, leading to growth rates of around 1-2% per year towards the end of the forecast period. However, new housing developments across the country to meet ambitious Government house building targets has the potential to drive substantial growth in the market.

The '**Street Furniture and Lighting Market Report - UK 2018-2022**' report is available now and can be ordered online at www.amaresearch.co.uk or by calling 01242 235724.

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