Your Global Guide to Alternative Payments

Second Edition
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Introduction

The e-commerce economy is growing at a rapid pace with a significant increase in global online transactions. WorldPay’s e-commerce division reported that transaction volumes rose by 16% in 2013, compared to 2012 across all its product groups.

The value of payments processed by alternative means was up 21% in 2013, with turnover value up 44%, compared to 2012. This growth means that customers are embracing different ways to pay for goods and services: retailers and providers of services can no longer just offer credit and debit cards as a means of payment.

With more than 300 alternative payment schemes in operation around the world, merchants need to understand which payment types to offer, and that in turn depends where their customers are and what kind of services are being offered. Given the increasingly globalised nature of e-commerce, a payment strategy that focuses on the needs of customers around the world is essential to maximise transaction acceptance and expand global reach.

The WorldPay payment portfolio includes more than 200 alternative payment methods. As an expert in the complexity of the payment landscape, WorldPay advises merchants on the most effective payment types to offer.

This is the second edition of the Alternative Payments Report, which seeks to provide an in-depth view of the alternative payment landscape by volume, type, sector and country. We hope you find it useful.

Defining alternative payments

This report considers an alternative payment to be any payment type that is not a credit or debit card.

That includes the following payment methods:

- **Bank transfers**
  - Real-time bank transfers
  - Offline bank transfers
- **Direct debits**
- **E-wallets**
- **Mobile**
- **Cash on delivery**
- **Other**
  - Local card schemes
  - Pre-pay
  - Post-pay
  - E-invoices
  - Digital currencies
Alternative payments by type

Bank transfers
Online (real-time) bank transfers offer merchants payment with immediate online authorisation via a customer’s bank, usually followed by next-day settlement. Banking systems are moving towards quicker payments.

Example schemes: iDEAL, eNets and Sofortüberweisung.

Offline bank transfers are in most cases processed via the customer’s online bank account. Instead of being redirected during the transaction process, the customer is presented with a reference number, which the customer must then quote when they log into their online bank account to make a payment. The customer can also choose to pay in a bank branch or via telephone banking using the same reference number.

Example schemes: Dineromail, SafetyPay and PayU.

Direct debits
Limited mainly to low-value or recurring transactions, direct debits are not relevant to all merchants. Although direct debits carry the risk of chargebacks, they are popular with customers and merchants for regular, predictable payments such as subscriptions.

Example schemes: SEPA, ELV (Elektronisches Lastschriftverfahren Germany) and Domiciliacion Bancaria (Spain).

Transactional value and share of payments market in US billions:
2012 - $42 / 2%
2017 - $54 / 1%

E-wallets
E-wallets are the fastest growing payment type around the world, and are increasingly popular for purchasing digital goods and video games because they are easy for the customer to use. In more mature e-commerce economies such as the UK and US, new e-wallet products from traditional card providers such as V.me by Visa are increasingly being accepted by merchants. Globally, Alipay and PayPal continue to dominate the e-wallet market. Growth is largely driven by younger shoppers accustomed to using e-wallets for online purchases.

Example schemes: Alipay, V.me by Visa and Qiwi.

Transactional value and share of payments market in US billions:
2012 - $295 / 17%
2017 - $1,656 / 41%

Mobile
Mobile payments fall into two categories, direct carrier billing and mobile wallets.

Direct carrier billing has become an important payment mechanism with the rise of smartphones and app stores and aligns well with the purchase of digital goods and in-app payments. The process is quick and simple and enables the shopper to remain relatively anonymous, only needing to provide their phone number to complete payment.

The number of mobile wallet solutions have increased in the last 12 months with a wide range of differing solutions becoming available. Due to the infancy of many of these solutions, they predominantly only operate in their own local country / territory with only a very small number demonstrating a truly global capability.

Example schemes: Boku, MoPay, Zong, Zapp, SEQR, Znap (MPayME), Pingit and PayBox

Transactional value and share of payments market in US billions:
2012 - $18 / 1%
2017 - $117 / 3%

2Please note all providers offer a breadth of services, not just offline
Cash on delivery
Payment is taken when the goods are delivered and collected by the courier rather than by the merchant. This method is increasingly less prevalent as it is declining in popularity both with merchants and customers.
Example schemes: Merchant and delivery company specific.

Transactional value and share of payments market in US billions:
- 2012 - $93 / 5%
- 2017 - $93 / 2%

Others
Local card schemes
Local card schemes, specific to certain markets, often operate much like traditional cards, but some schemes will be more sophisticated, for instance offering card and bank transfer options. These schemes generally require the shopper to be redirected to their own pages for payment completion.
Example schemes: MisterCash (Belgium), UnionPay (China), Carte Bleue (France)

Pre-pay
Customers are required to buy and add funds to a card or voucher before starting a transaction, which means that these cards are usually authorised immediately. Most pre-pay products have a funding limit and some will not allow multiple cards/vouchers to fund a single transaction, which means that pre-pay methods are not generally suitable for high-value goods.
Example schemes: Astropay, Postepay, Swift, uKash, Neosurf, Paysafecard and Toditocash.

Post-pay
Customers using post-pay methods are required to settle payment at an affiliated outlet or store after making a transaction online. Businesses that accept post-pay methods have to be prepared for delays between a transaction being made and payment being settled. This payment method may not be suitable for perishable goods and time-sensitive purchases such as travel tickets.
Example schemes: Konbini, Boleto Bancário Multibanco

E-invoices
E-invoices enable customers to receive goods and pay after delivery without the need for sharing sensitive credit card or bank details. The process for customers can be as simple as entering their email address and postcode to make a payment, while the risk of fraud is reduced for merchants.
Example schemes: Klarna, Billmelater and Afterpay.

Digital currencies
Digital currencies or crypto-currencies such as Bitcoin are gaining traction. However, the barriers to entry are high as they require a degree of technical know-how and confidence, and they are not backed by governments or central banks, nor linked to any real-world currencies. Additionally, their value can fluctuate dramatically.
Example scheme: Bitcoin and Litecoin.

Transactional value and share of payments market in US billions:
- 2012 - $164 / 10%
- 2017 - $209 / 5%
In 2012, the total global e-commerce market was worth $1,713 billion and it continues to grow. Whilst traditional payment methods are more popular in mature markets such as the UK and the US, other regions are seeing strong growth in alternative payments. It’s estimated that alternative payments will account for 59% of all online transactions in 2017, up from 43% in 2012.

**Europe**

Europe accounted for 34% of the global e-commerce market in 2012 with a turnover of $579 billion. 41% of transactions were made using alternative payment methods in 2012 with e-wallets being the most popular method. The popularity of alternative payment methods varies significantly between countries – nations such as the UK, Ireland, Denmark and Turkey are still heavy card users, while alternative payment methods dominate in countries including Poland, Finland, Germany and the Netherlands.

**The Americas**

In 2012, North America was the leading business-to-consumer e-commerce market, accounting for a 36% share of the e-commerce market with a turnover of $625 billion. This is a card-dominated market (71%) where alternative payment methods are used less frequently. In comparison, Latin America, which had an e-commerce global share of 2% in 2012, has a more diverse range of payment preferences ranging from bank transfers (13%) to e-wallets (10%).

**Middle East and Africa**

In 2012, Middle East and Africa had a 1% share of the global e-commerce market, of which the majority of transactions were cash payments. That being said, 5% of e-commerce transactions were made with e-wallets in 2012, which shows promise for uptake of alternative payments in this region.

The following chart compares e-commerce transaction values in 2012 with predictions for 2017. Forecasts show that transactions made using cards and e-wallets are set to increase dramatically over the next five years. Cash payments are set to stay at the same value of $93 billion, and payments made via bank transfers and other methods are expected to rise slowly by 2017.
By 2017, alternative payment methods will account for 59% of all transactions, an increase from 43% in 2012.

Alternative payments

2012 43% → 2017 59%

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Alternative payment share by country

Over the next few pages are a series of charts showing the percentage uptake of alternative payment types by region and country. The payment types covered are cards, bank transfers, direct debits, e-wallets, mobile, cash-on-delivery and other.
The Americas

Middle East and Africa
Growth of e-wallets

Leading alternative payment methods have been growing at an average of 35% in recent years. While growth is spread across all payment types, e-wallets are undoubtedly the leader. In China, e-wallets account for the largest proportion of the e-commerce market, with 44% of the market there.

Of the e-wallet providers, Alipay and PayPal continue to be the dominant players around the world. Alipay is the market leader in China, with a market share of 30%, while Tenpay is the second biggest provider with 13.3% of the market. PayPal and others have a marginal market share in comparison.

Traditional card providers are recognising the growth opportunity for e-wallets and are developing card-based e-wallets for their own brands. For example, Visa has recently launched V.me to capitalise on this shift. Observers expect that e-wallet technology will be made available for mobile devices, thus increasing the potential for providers: card-based wallets are expected to account for 25% of the card market by 2017, according to the research.

While e-wallet transactions are growing across all types of e-commerce industries, digital content such as downloadable books, films and TV programmes as well as video games are encouraging customers both to embrace and demand the ability to use e-wallets from vendors, as they provide a seamless experience for users.

In China, e-wallets account for the largest proportion of the e-commerce market.
Emergence of specialised mobile payments

The number of smartphones around the world now exceeds 1.4 billion, with the average annual smartphone ownership growth rate at 44%. Whilst mobile has been a potential area of growth for some time, technology has only recently advanced enough to make mobile payments a feasible option.

The past 12 months have seen rapid growth and innovation in mobile payments. Handset manufacturers seek to differentiate devices and payment providers are introducing compatible services. Consumers are becoming more comfortable with making higher value purchases via mobile devices as the overall user experience improves.

As mobile devices have become more sophisticated, a number of specialised mobile payment solutions have emerged, both from independent companies as well as established players, who have been investing heavily to develop user-friendly applications.
Digitisation of bank transfers

Bank transfers are increasingly migrating from two-step, offline payments to real-time internet banking transfer schemes.

Bank coalitions such as iDEAL, UnionPay Online Payments, GiroPay, EPC, Interac Online and Bpay are growing rapidly and gaining market share, as are other independent aggregators such as Sofort Uberweisung and P24, among others. In the UK, Faster Payments, an initiative by banks to speed up the time taken to send payments between accounts, is a key driver for this activity.

Digitisation of invoices

Services such as Klarna, BillPay and RatePay have made invoice-based payments easier for customers, while providing greater guarantees to merchants. For example, RatePay, which is particularly popular in Germany, provides customers with an open invoice so they pay the merchant after they have received their goods. High-value goods and services, such as consumer electronics, are increasingly being purchased through invoice-based services because the customer benefits from an extended period to pay.

Invoicing is more popular in markets where fewer people use credit cards, such as the Scandinavian countries. BillPay was recently acquired by British-payday loan company, Wonga.com, potentially signalling a push into other markets.

By 2017 cash on delivery will account for 2% of e-transactions, down from 5% in 2012

Displacement of Cash on Delivery

In some regions cash on delivery, the most traditional of cash-based payment forms, is increasingly being displaced by other forms of payment such as cards and e-wallets, while new ways of making cash payments are emerging to suit those without access to banking services.
Conclusion

Growth of alternative payments
While credit and debit cards have long dominated as the payment method of choice for online transactions, by 2017 alternative schemes will overtake cards for products and services purchased online, with alternative payments accounting for 59% of all transactions.

Significant growth trend for e-wallets
E-wallet transaction value is set to rise by $1.361 billion by 2017, comprising 41% market share.

Emergence of specialised mobile payments
Mobile payment solutions will continue to grow as technology advances and smartphone penetration rates rise. The value of mobile transactions will increase from $18 billion in 2012 to $117 billion by 2017.

Displacement of cash on delivery
Cash on delivery will decline from 5% of the payments market in 2012 to just 2% by 2017.

Global diversity in preferred payment types
Merchants will need to be prepared by ensuring they are offering customers their preferred method of payment. These preferences vary by demographic, country of residence and the product or service consumers are purchasing, which shows the importance of working with a payment provider with specialist knowledge.

Subsequent editions of this report will explore alternative payments in specific verticals and regions in greater detail.

Alternative payments across the globe
Different payment methods prevail in different countries, and merchants need to understand local preferences if they want to expand internationally and maximise transaction acceptance rates when they operate abroad.

Country profiles
The next section of this report examines the payment trends in each market and the penetration levels of payment methods by type.
### Australia

**Market summary**

Australia has seen sharp growth in e-commerce, with turnover rising 43.9% in 2010. However, the global recession meant that growth declined to 27.8% in both 2011 and 2012, although e-commerce turnover as a proportion of gross domestic product has continued to rise: it was 3.1% in 2012, up from 2.9% the year before. Australians pay for e-commerce goods and services via the banking sector: cards account for 53.4% of transactions, with bank transfers, mainly online, accounting for a further 22.5%. E-wallets are also widely used in Australia, making up 20% of payments, led by PayPal which accounts for 18.8%.

### Austria

**Market summary**

A number of payment methods are used by Austrians, with cards the dominant but not the majority choice: 34.5% of transactions are completed using cards. Bank transfers (31.1%) are also popular, and most of those are done online in real time (25.2%). E-wallets are also a significant method of payment in Austria, accounting for 13.6% of payments. PayPal completes the majority of those transactions (9.4%) but a number of other providers including Quick (2.3%) and ClickandBuy (1.4%) account for a proportion of the e-wallets sector. Mobile wallets (0.75%) are the main method of mobile payments, which comprise 1% of transactions. Many Austrians (14.1%) use offline payment methods: Cash on delivery at 8% of payments is a significant proportion of the offline payments scene.

### E-commerce Turnover

**2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 30%**

- **2009:** $21.7 billion
- **2010:** $29.7 billion
- **2011:** $39.9 billion
- **2012:** $47.2 billion

### E-commerce Mix by Payment Type

- **Card:** 53.4%
- **Bank transfers:** 22.5%
- **Direct debits:** 1.3%
- **E-Wallets:** 20%
- **Mobile:** 0.7%
- **Other:** 2.1%

### At a glance

- **2012 Population (mil):** 23
- **2012 GDP (USD bil.):** $1,521

### Popular Alternative Payment Methods

- **BPAY**
- **POLi**
- **PayPal**
- **PayMate**

### E-commerce Turnover

**2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 22%**

- **2009:** $7.0 billion
- **2010:** $8.6 billion
- **2011:** $11.7 billion
- **2012:** $12.6 billion

### E-commerce Mix by Payment Type

- **Card:** 34.5%
- **Bank transfers:** 31.1%
- **Direct debits:** 5.7%
- **E-Wallets:** 13.6%
- **Mobile:** 1.0%
- **Other:** 14.1%

### At a glance

- **2012 Population (mil):** 8
- **2012 GDP (USD bil.):** $395

### Popular Alternative Payment Methods

- **EPS**
- **Elektronisches Lastschriftverfahren**
- **PayPal**
- **Sofort Überweisung**

### Mobile Ownership

- **2012:**
  - **Mobile Ownership:** 89%
  - **Smartphone Ownership:** 71%

### Mobile Ownership

- **2012:**
  - **Mobile Ownership:** 91%
  - **Smartphone Ownership:** 48%
Belgium

Market summary
Belgians mostly rely on the banking system to pay for their e-commerce goods and services, completing 55.9% of transactions via cards and 24.3% via bank transfer, mostly offline and in real time (14.6%). PayPal dominates e-wallet payments, making up 2.4% of the total 2.7% of transactions completed via this method. Cash on delivery remains a significant method of paying for goods and services, comprising 5.4% of transactions, while invoices account for 7.5%.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 16%

E-commerce Mix by Payment Type
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 16%

At a glance
2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
11 484
E-commerce Turnover
$7.7 billion
Mobile Ownership Smartphone Ownership
89% 42%
Popular Alternative Payment Methods
iDEAL
Dexia Direct Net
ING Home’Pay

Bangladesh

Market summary
Bangladesh’s economy is growing rapidly, yet e-commerce turnover only made up 0.2% of gross domestic product in 2012. However, most payments for e-commerce goods and services are made by card: 56% of transactions are completed in this way, with offline bank transfers accounting for a further 15%. However, a large proportion of payments – 28.3% - are made via other methods, with cash on delivery being the most common at 23.3%. E-wallets and mobile each account for just 0.2% of transactions.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 37%

E-commerce Mix by Payment Type

At a glance
2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
155 116
E-commerce Turnover
$231 million
Mobile Ownership Smartphone Ownership
49% 2%
**Market summary**

Brazil saw rapid growth in e-commerce in recent years, with the growth rate touching 40% in 2010 before slowing sharply to 26% the following year. However, e-commerce turnover remains a significant proportion of gross domestic product – 24% in 2013, although the growth rate is expected to slow in coming years. Brazilians pay for their e-commerce goods and services mainly by card (59%), although offline methods are still significant: paper cash accounts for 20% of transactions, with cash on delivery accounting for a further 3.1%. E-wallets have a foothold, comprising 4.5% of payments, with PayPal handling about half of those transactions (2%). Mobile wallets (0.3%) are the main choice of those paying via mobile, although that proportion is small compared to other payment methods with mobile making up just 0.6% of transactions.

**E-commerce Turnover**

2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 29%

**E-commerce Mix by Payment Type**

2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 13%

**At a glance**

2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)

Brazil

199 $2,189

Canada

35 $1,821

**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**

Brazil

- Boleto Bancario
- Transferencia Bancaria Local
- PayPal
- MercadoPago

Canada

- PayPal
- Insta Debit
- Google Checkout
- Interac

**E-commerce Turnover**

Brazil: $16.2 billion

Canada: $31.6 billion

**Mobile Ownership**

Brazil: 84%

Canada: 74%

**Smartphone Ownership**

Brazil: 28%

Canada: 43%
China

Market summary
Nearly half of all transactions in China – 44.3% - are made using e-wallets, with Alipay the most popular provider, accounting for 30% of transactions. Tenpay accounts for 13.3% of transactions, while international providers such as PayPal have a much smaller presence, with less than 1% of the market.
Cards account for just 15% of the market in China, with local provider UnionPay dominating the market at 14%. Cash on delivery remains a common payment type for business to consumer merchants, accounting for 10.9% of the market, although that is slowing.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 16%

E-commerce Mix by Payment Type
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 13%

Denmark

Market summary
Cards are the dominant payment type in Denmark: 84.2% of transactions are made in this way, with local providers accounting for 63% of transactions and international providers 21.2%. This leaves little room for other payment types, although e-wallets are experiencing the fastest growth for micropayment transactions.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 16%

E-commerce Mix by Payment Type
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 13%
Egypt

Market summary
Cash on delivery accounts for 70% of transactions. This in part reflects the age profile of Egypt; around 45% of the population is under 18 and thus can’t have a bank card.
However, e-wallets are making inroads; PayPal expanded its service into Egypt in April 2013, and we expect to see the current market share of 2.1% rise as customers become more familiar with e-wallet services.
Mobile is an area where growth can be expected. World Bank figures show that mobile cellular subscriptions have nearly doubled since 2009, when the figure was 69%; in 2012 that figure was 115%.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 23%

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E-commerce Mix by Payment Type
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 50%

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At a glance

- 2012 Population (mil): 81
- 2012 GDP (USD bil.): $257
- E-commerce Turnover: $3.9 billion
- Mobile Ownership: 76%
- Smartphone Ownership: 9%

Egypt Popular Alternative Payment Methods
PayPal
Wallety
CashU

Ethiopia

Market summary
Ethiopia is dominated by cash on delivery (92.8%) as the preferred payment type. However, a number of mobile payment providers have emerged in this region and mobile now represents 5.6% of the market share of transactions, with mobile wallets making up 4.2% of the total and direct carrier billing accounting for 1.4% of transactions in Ethiopia. Cards account for just 0.4% of total transactions.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 50%

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E-commerce Mix by Payment Type
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 92.8%

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At a glance

- 2012 Population (mil): 92
- 2012 GDP (USD bil.): $43
- E-commerce Turnover: $65 million
- Mobile Ownership: 30%
- Smartphone Ownership: 4%
Finland

Market summary
Online bank transfers dominate in Finland for e-commerce purchases, accounting for nearly half of all transactions at 48.1%. Invoice payments are also popular, accounting for 17.7% of all transactions. Mobile, however, accounts for just 1% of transactions, yet mobile cellular subscriptions have been growing, according to the World Bank, and are now at 173 per 100 people in the country, suggesting that mobile is an area of focus.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 6%

E-commerce Mix by Payment Type

At a glance
2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
5  $248

E-commerce Turnover
$12.5 billion

Mobile Ownership 96%
Smartphone Ownership 46%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods
Klarna Nordea OP-Pohjola S-Bank

France

Market summary
Cards are the main payments vector in France, accounting for 76.6% of transactions, with 65.6% provided by local banks, led by Carte Bleue, a Visa provider. The second most common payment type is e-wallets, representing 11.2%. PayPal holds the majority share of transactions at 10.4%.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 19%

E-commerce Mix by Payment Type

At a glance
2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
66  $2,614

E-commerce Turnover
$73.7 billion

Mobile Ownership 86%
Smartphone Ownership 40%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods
PayPal ClickandBuy Cofimoga Aurone
### Germany

**Market summary**
German consumers use a number of alternative payment methods, ranging from invoice payments, direct debits and e-wallet payments. Cards account for just 21% of transactions, while direct debits are just ahead at 22.1%. PayPal dominates the e-wallets area, accounting for 10.4% of transactions, while the total volume of transactions processed by e-wallets is 13.3%. Mobile has a smaller share of the market at present, accounting for just 1.7% of transactions. However, invoicing is the principal means by which German consumers pay for goods and services, accounting for 28% of transactions.

#### E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 16%

![Graph showing E-commerce Turnover](image)

**At a glance**
- **2012 Population (mil)**: 82
- **2012 GDP (USD bil.)**: $3,430
- **E-commerce Turnover**: $83.6 billion
- **Mobile Ownership**: 89%
- **Smartphone Ownership**: 31%

**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**
- Elektronisches Lastschriftverfahren
- PayPal
- Klarna
- Sofort Überweisung

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### Ghana

**Market summary**
As in other African countries, cash on delivery dominates the payments scene in Ghana, accounting for 70.7% of transactions. Mobile is the next biggest way of paying for goods, accounting for 12.2% of transactions, with cards one percentage point behind at 11.2%, and direct carrier billing accounting for 8% of transactions. Meanwhile, e-wallets are gaining ground, with 5.1% of the market in Ghana, and m-wallets not far behind at 4.2%.

#### E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 46%

![Graph showing E-commerce Turnover](image)

**At a glance**
- **2012 Population (mil)**: 25
- **2012 GDP (USD bil.)**: $41
- **E-commerce Turnover**: $90 million
- **Mobile Ownership**: 59%
- **Smartphone Ownership**: 10%

**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**
- Airtel
- PayPal
- iWallet
- TxtnPay
India

Market summary
Cash is the dominant payment type in India, with a combination of cash on delivery and cash cards making up 37.5% of all transactions. These cash cards depend on the network of retail outlets where cards can be recharged with funds by providers such as ITZ Cash.

Bank transfer is the other main way of making payments, accounting for 29.3% of transactions, while direct debits only capture 3.7% of transactions.

Mobile accounts for just 4% of transactions, while e-wallets, led by PayPal, make up just 1.5% of transactions.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 49%

E-commerce Mix by Payment Type

At a glance
2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
1,237 $1,842

Popular Alternative Payment Methods
ITZ Cash
ICICI Bank
Axis iConnect
HDFC Bank
OxiCash

Greece

Market summary
E-commerce has been growing steadily in Greece, reaching 1.5% of gross domestic product in 2012, nearly double the figure of 0.8% in 2011. Cards remain the most popular payment method, with 41% of transactions being carried out this way. Bank transfers account for 14.4%, although direct debits only represent a small fraction of transactions at 1.5%.

By contrast, e-wallets are gaining ground, accounting for 23.2% of transactions and PayPal being the dominant provider, handling 21% of transactions. It is perhaps a reflection of the economic crisis in Greece that cash on delivery maintains such a high proportion of payments, at 17.2%. Mobile, by contrast, only accounts for 0.2% of payments – clearly an area for providers to focus.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 50%

E-commerce Mix by Payment Type

At a glance
2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
11 $249

Popular Alternative Payment Methods
PayPal
Paysafecard

Mobile Ownership
89%
Smartphone Ownership
37%
**Market summary**

Bank transfers dominate the payments landscape in Indonesia, accounting for 39% of transactions. Most of those (34.5%) are done in real time. Offline bank transfers have been declining, and now account for just 4.5% of transactions. Cards account for 26% of transactions, but other banking services, such as payment via cash machines, are popular. 23.8% of payments are made via a cashpoint. Mobile penetration in Indonesia has been growing and cellular subscriptions were at 115 per 100 people in 2012, up from 102 in 2011, according to the World Bank. However, mobile payment methods only account for 0.1% of transactions. PayPal dominates e-wallet payments, although these only total 2.7% of transactions.

**E-commerce Turnover**

2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 26%

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**At a glance**

- **2012 Population (mil)**: 247
- **2012 GDP (USD bil.)**: $878

**E-commerce Turnover**

$1.5 billion

**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**

- KlikBCA
- PayPal
- Guadang Voucher

**Mobile Ownership**

- 55%  
- 11%  

**Market summary**

Cards dominate the payments landscape in Ireland, accounting for 87.2% of transactions. The Laser debit card scheme, which accounts for 3.5% of payments, is due to close in February 2014, creating opportunities for other providers. Of the small remaining slice of payments, e-wallets account for the next biggest proportion at 8.5%, with PayPal taking the lion’s share of that (6.5%). Mobile is barely on the radar, accounting for just 0.2% of transactions.

**E-commerce Turnover**

2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 26%

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**At a glance**

- **2012 Population (mil)**: 5
- **2012 GDP (USD bil.)**: $211

**E-commerce Turnover**

$10.1 billion

**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**

- PayPal
- Skrill e-wallet
- Paysafecard

**Mobile Ownership**

- 91%  
- 57%  

www.worldpay.com
Market summary

In Italy, where e-commerce has been rising as a proportion of gross domestic product despite overall falling economic growth, customers primarily use cards – credit and prepaid Visa / MasterCard products – to pay for goods and services online. Cards represent 65.4% of transaction volume. Cash on delivery has been losing market share, being displaced by cards and e-wallets: the latter accounts for 17.8% of transactions in 2013, with PayPal dominating the sector (17.1%), having grown from just 2% of the market in 2006. Local provider Moneta Online (0.4%) is just behind Google Checkout (0.3%).

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 25%

Graph in USD billions

At a glance

2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
61 2,014

E-commerce Turnover
$27.2 billion

Mobile Ownership
91% Smartphone Ownership
26%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods
PayPal
MonetaOnline
Voucher ePay
Transferimento Bancario/Bonifico

Market summary

Card payments dominate transactions in Japan, accounting for 56% of the market. Perhaps surprisingly, given Japan’s advanced technology infrastructure, Konbini and other convenience store payments account for a high level of transactions, accounting for 12.7%, while cash on delivery accounts for a further 8.9%. Mobile payments make up just 0.3% of transactions, although e-wallet use is higher than in many countries, accounting for 6.6% of transactions.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 17%

Graph in USD billions

At a glance

2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
128 5,968

E-commerce Turnover
$155.4 billion

Mobile Ownership
87% Smartphone Ownership
61%
Kenya

Market summary
Like many African markets cash is still a preferred form of payment, with cash on delivery accounting for 45% of payments. However, as in other African countries, mobile use is growing as telecoms providers sidestep building landline infrastructure and instead focus on mobile. While just 72 people per 100 had a cellular subscription in 2012, according to the World Bank – mobile payments account for 19% of all transactions, with mobile wallets making up 15.5%. As more Kenyans get mobile phones, this is an area that vendors should keep an eye on.
This can be seen in the growth of mobile wallets: M-Pesa, for example, launched in Kenya in 2007 and had garnered 17 million subscribers by 2011. There is an even spread between the forms of mobile payments – direct carrier billing, mobile wallets and other forms. Cards make up 29.4% of payments, comfortably outstripped by the more traditional – and risky for the merchant – method of cash on delivery, which accounts for 45% of payments.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 35%

Graph in USD millions

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E-commerce Mix by Payment Type
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 33%

Graph in USD millions

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At a glance

2012 Population (mil) | 43
2012 GDP (USD bil.) | $37

E-commerce Turnover
$82 million

Mobile Ownership | 74%
Smartphone Ownership | 12%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods
M-Pesa
Zap
Tigocash
eTranzact

Malaysia

Market summary
Malaysians are primarily users of the banking system rather than alternative payment methods: 50% of transactions are made by card, with a further 19.9% made by real-time bank transfers. E-wallets account for 3.3% of transactions, mainly used to pay for goods and services outside the country. Offline, cash on delivery remains a popular way to make payments, accounting for 19% of transactions.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 33%

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E-commerce Mix by Payment Type
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At a glance

2012 Population (mil) | 29
2012 GDP (USD bil.) | $304

E-commerce Turnover
$1.9 billion

Mobile Ownership | 65%
Smartphone Ownership | 41%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods
MayBank2U
CIMBClicks
PayPal
**Mexico**

**Market summary**
Mexicans also rely on banking providers when it comes to paying for transactions: 30.5% are paid for by card, with a further 29.9% made by bank transfers, with 14.2% made in real time.

However, alternative payment methods have a significant foothold in Mexico, where e-wallets are used to pay for 17.3% of transactions, of which PayPal takes the lion’s share at 14.2%. By contrast, offline cash-based payments are not widely used: cash on delivery accounts for just 6.6% of transactions.

Mobile has yet to take off in Mexico: at present just 0.1% of transactions are made in this way, and all of those are via direct carrier billing.

**E-commerce Turnover**
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 22%

At a glance
- 2012 Population (mil): 112
- 2012 GDP (USD bil.): $1,177
- E-commerce Turnover: $6.3 billion
- Mobile Ownership: 63%
- Smartphone Ownership: 13%

**E-commerce Mix by Payment Type**

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**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**
- SafetyPay
- PayPal
- MercadoPago
- DineroMail

**At a glance**

- 2012 Population (mil): 17
- 2012 GDP (USD bil.): $771
- E-commerce Turnover: $16.4 billion
- Mobile Ownership: 93%
- Smartphone Ownership: 54%

**Netherlands**

**Market summary**
Bank transfers dominate in the Netherlands, with the native real-time bank transfer scheme iDEAL accounting for the majority of e-purchases – 59.5% of the total 63.8%.

As a result of the popularity of this home-grown payment method, card use is low compared to other countries in Western Europe at just 16.1%. E-wallet use is also low compared to other countries in Western Europe, accounting for just 2.6%, with PayPal having 2.3% of that. Invoice-based payments are still used for 12.1% of transactions.

**E-commerce Turnover**
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 7%

At a glance
- 2012 Population (mil): 17
- 2012 GDP (USD bil.): $771
- E-commerce Turnover: $16.4 billion
- Mobile Ownership: 93%
- Smartphone Ownership: 54%

**E-commerce Mix by Payment Type**

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**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**
- iDEAL
- Acceptgiro
- Overboeking
- PayPal
Nigeria

Market summary
As in many other African countries, mobile has a decent share of the payments market, as telecoms providers have tended to build mobile infrastructure rather than landlines: Nigerians pay for 19.6% of their transactions via their mobiles, with mobile wallets accounting for 15.3% of that total. Card use is healthy too, accounting for 41.6% of transactions, although offline forms of payments are also important: Cash on delivery is used for 31% of transactions. E-wallet use is minimal at just 0.9% of payments.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 49%

At a glance
2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
169 $263

E-commerce Turnover
$0.9 billion
Mobile Ownership Smartphone Ownership
71% 5%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods
Paga Wallet eTranzact Ready Cash ChamsMobile

Norway

Market summary
Norwegians overwhelmingly use cards to pay for goods and services, accounting for 60% of transactions, while bank transfers, most of them online and in real time, account for a further 13.2%. Invoicing is also a popular way to make payments: 13.9% of transactions were settled in this way. E-wallets, dominated by PayPal, account for a further 5.9% of transactions. Mobile barely registers on the radar at present, with just 0.5% of payments being made in this way, although according to the World Bank, 116 people per 100 of population have a mobile subscription, suggesting that this is an area that could see growth.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 13%

At a glance
2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
5 $500

E-commerce Turnover
$10.2 billion
Mobile Ownership Smartphone Ownership
92% 68%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods
DnB NOR Autogiro PayPal Bank Axess
**Philippines**

**Market summary**
E-commerce is only a small fraction of the Philippines’ economy, representing just 0.28% of gross domestic product, and the population uses a number of different payment methods, mostly offline. Paper-based cash payments make up 21.9% of payments, with most of those going via convenience stores, and cash on delivery accounts for 4.2% of transactions. Cards and bank transfers have significant market share, at 24.6% and 20.1% respectively, with e-wallets accounting for 13.9%, again with PayPal dominant and making up 9.2% of those transactions.

**E-commerce Turnover**
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 44%

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**E-commerce Mix by Payment Type**
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 24%

- **Card**: 24.6%
- **Direct debits**: 20.1%
- **E-wallets**: 13.9%
- **Mobile**: 7.5%
- **Other**: 31.6%

**At a glance**
- **2012 Population (mil)**: 97
- **2012 GDP (USD bil.)**: $250
- **E-commerce Turnover**: $0.7 billion
- **Mobile Ownership**: 81%
- **Smartphone Ownership**: 39%

**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**
- PayPal
- Smart Money
- Gcash

**Poland**

**Market summary**
Poland’s payments scene is dominated by bank transfers, making up 44.6% of transactions, with fewer than half of those taking place in real-time (20.6%). Offline payment methods remain important: cash on delivery accounts for 25% of payments, with cash at stores making up a further 9.1% of transactions.

Card use is low, at just 9%, while mobile takes 2.4%: most of those mobile payments are carried out by direct carrier billing. E-wallets also account for a notable proportion of payments, at 4%, of which PayPal handles the majority.

**E-commerce Turnover**
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 24%

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**E-commerce Mix by Payment Type**
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 70%

- **Card**: 44.6%
- **Direct debits**: 4.0%
- **E-wallets**: 31.6%
- **Mobile**: 39.6%
- **Other**: 9.0%

**At a glance**
- **2012 Population (mil)**: 39
- **2012 GDP (USD bil.)**: $490
- **E-commerce Turnover**: $5.4 billion
- **Mobile Ownership**: 82%
- **Smartphone Ownership**: 23%

**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**
- Przelewy24
- PayPal
- Moi Ranchunki
**Portugal**

**Market summary**

Portuguese customers have a preference for card payments for online purchases, completing 40.4% of transactions in this way, but bank transfers, e-wallets and cash on delivery are also important ways of paying for goods and services. Bank transfers appear to be all offline, and are used for 19% of transactions. However, offline methods of payment, particularly cash on delivery, remain important: 17.5% of transactions are completed in this way. E-wallets are not far behind, though, accounting for 15.6% of payments, with PayPal the leading provider.

**E-commerce Turnover**

2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 20%

![Graph](https://www.worldpay.com)

2009  $0.9  2010  $1.0  2011  $1.3  2012  $1.5

**At a glance**

2012 Population (mil)  11  2012 GDP (USD bil.)  $212

**E-commerce Turnover**  $1.5 billion

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**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**

PayPal  Paysafe card

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**Russia**

**Market summary**

Russia’s e-commerce economy is growing fast and projected to grow faster over the next two years, yet its payments landscape is largely based on cash, which accounts for 55.5% of transactions. Cash on delivery makes up the bulk of those at 41.2%, with payment terminals accounting for 5.8% of total e-commerce transactions. Card use and bank transfers are low, at 11.9% and 4.1% respectively, and bank transfers are exclusively offline. Russians prefer local providers for e-wallets. The proportion of payments made this way accounts for 26.7% of transactions, with local provider Yandex.Money accounting for 7.3% of those. PayPal limps into fourth place with less than half of Yandex.Money’s share at 3.4%. Mobile payments are low, at just 1.8%, and again it is local providers who dominate the scene including mobile wallet provider RuRu.

**E-commerce Turnover**

2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 26%

![Graph](https://www.worldpay.com)

2009  $6.6  2010  $8.1  2011  $10.5  2012  $13.2

**At a glance**

2012 Population (mil)  144  2012 GDP (USD bil.)  $2,017

**E-commerce Turnover**  $13.2 billion

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**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**

Yandex.Money  WebMoney  QIWI  PayPal
Singapore

Market summary
As a regional and global banking hub, it is perhaps not surprising that most payments made by Singaporeans are by card (65.5%) and bank transfers (21.3%). E-wallets make up 5.2% of transactions, again with PayPal as the leading provider processing 4.8% of those. More surprising is the low take-up of mobile payment solutions, especially given the high penetration of mobile: 153 people per head of population have a cellular subscription, according to the World Bank. However, mobile is used to make just 0.3% of payments. Offline cash-based payment methods are unsurprisingly a small part of the landscape, with cash on delivery accounting for just 2.4% of transactions.

At a glance
2012 Population (mil) | 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
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5 | $275

E-commerce Turnover
$3.4 billion

Mobile Ownership | Smartphone Ownership
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85% | 72%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods
- eNets
- DBS
- UOB
- Citi

South Africa

Market summary
E-commerce has been rising as a proportion of gross domestic product in South Africa, accounting for 0.31% of the economy in 2012 and perhaps reflecting the broad population, the payments landscape is fragmented. Many South Africans don’t rely on the banking sector for making payments: card use is low at 37.5%, with bank transfers accounting for just 5.2% of transactions, most taking place offline.

At present the bulk of payments (39.6%) are via cash-based offline methods, with cash on delivery accounting for most of those payments at 37%. Mobile is popular: 13.3% of payments are made in this way, mostly (11.1%) via direct carrier billing. E-wallets do not have much of a foothold yet, with just 3.9% of payments being made in this way.

At a glance
2012 Population (mil) | 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
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51 | $384

E-commerce Turnover
$1.2 billion

Mobile Ownership | Smartphone Ownership
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82% | 21%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods
- Cell Pay Point
- M-Pesa
- PayPal
- NetCash
South Korea

Market summary
As a country that has led the way on mobile provision, it is perhaps surprising that South Korea is not a bigger user of mobile payments: just 1.5% of transactions are completed in this way, although that is a larger proportion than many of its Asian neighbours.

Cards are the main method of payment, with 73.8% of transactions being paid for this way, and bank transfers, mainly online, accounting for a further 4.5% of payments. However, many South Koreans still prefer offline cash-based methods of payment: cash payments at convenience stores make up 14.4% of transactions, with cash on delivery accounting for a further 2.3%, ahead of e-wallets, which are used to pay for 2.1% of transactions.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 23%

$12.7 billion

2009 2010 2011 2012

Card: 73.8%
Bank transfers: 4.5%
Direct debits: 0.3%
E-Wallets: 2.1%
Mobile: 1.5%
Other: 17.8%

Spain

Market summary
Despite the economic conditions in Spain, e-commerce is a growing part of the economy, accounting for 1.8% of a shrinking gross domestic product in 2012. Most payments (70%) are made by card, with bank transfers (7.6%) and e-wallets (7.2%) also forming significant parts of the payments landscape.

However, offline cash-based payments are also very much in evidence, accounting for a total of 13.2% of transactions, and cash on delivery forming more than half of those payments (7.3%). Mobile as a means of payment is small, making up just 0.3% of transactions, and direct carrier billing forming the bulk of those payments.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 28%

$23.6 billion

2009 2010 2011 2012

Card: 70.0%
Bank transfers: 7.6%
Direct debits: 1.7%
E-Wallets: 7.2%
Mobile: 0.3%
Other: 13.2%

At a glance
2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
50 1,521

E-commerce Turnover $24 billion

Mobile Ownership 87%
Smartphone Ownership 64%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods

Inicis PayPal

2012 Population (mil) 2012 GDP (USD bil.)
47 1,323

E-commerce Turnover $23.6 billion

Mobile Ownership 95%
Smartphone Ownership 38%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods

PayPal El Carte Ingles Santander Orange and MasterCard
**Sweden**

**Market summary**

The banking system in Sweden completes more than half of the country’s e-commerce transactions: card payments account for 34% and bank transfers, mostly online real-time transfers and account for a further 27%.

However, the other significant area is offline: invoicing accounts for 26.3% of transactions. E-wallets also hold a significant share of the market at 5.3%, with PayPal the leading provider, completing 4.2% of transactions. Mobile devices are used to make 0.9% of transactions.

**E-commerce Turnover**

2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 17%

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**At a glance**

- **2012 Population (mil)**: 10
- **2012 GDP (USD bil.)**: $515
- **E-commerce Turnover**: $16.3 billion
- **Mobile Ownership**: 96%
- **Smartphone Ownership**: 84%

**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**

- Swedbank
- Klarna
- PayPal
- BankGiro

**Switzerland**

**Market summary**

Given Switzerland’s reputation as a leading provider of banking services, it is perhaps surprising to note that offline payment methods make up 31.3% of the market, with invoicing (21.3%) the main offline payment method, and merchants’ own schemes making up 10.5% of the total of offline payments.

Cards are however the leading payment method, with 47.5% of transactions being completed in this way, and bank transfers accounting for a further 8.7%. However, most of those transfers take place offline (5.5%); just 3.2% are made online and in real time. E-wallets are an important payment method, with 9.8% of transactions being completed in this way. PayPal handles the majority of those transactions at 7.9%, while mobile has yet to gain a foothold – just 0.4% of payments are made via a mobile device.

**E-commerce Turnover**

2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 15%

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**At a glance**

- **2012 Population (mil)**: 8
- **2012 GDP (USD bil.)**: $632
- **E-commerce Turnover**: $11.7 billion
- **Mobile Ownership**: 83%
- **Smartphone Ownership**: 54%

**Popular Alternative Payment Methods**

- PowerPay
- PayPal
- Payolution
- MyOne

www.worldpay.com
Market summary
Taiwan is noted for its advanced internet infrastructure, yet the majority (93.1%) of its e-commerce payments are made offline. Cash on delivery accounts for 52% of payments, which is very high for a developed economy, and payment via convenience stores and cash machines accounting for 31%. Cards are used for just 3% of transactions, and bank transfers are only half that, at 1.5%, with most of those taking place offline (1%). E-wallets make up 1.8% of payments, with Chinese provider Alipay the market leader with 1%, while PayPal has less than half of that segment at 0.4%. Mobile payments are also low, at 0.4% of transactions.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 29%

Taiwan

Market summary
Thailand’s economy is heavily dependent on exports and the service sector, yet many of its e-commerce payments are made offline, with payment via cash machines and convenience stores accounting for 20% of transactions, and cash on delivery accounting for a further 15%.

The banking sector via cards and transfers make up 54.5% of payments, with cards forming 24.5% of the total and offline transfers a further 30%. E-wallets have a good foothold, accounting for 4.8% of transactions, with PayPal again the main provider (4.2%). Mobile also appears to be gaining ground, accounting for 1.4% of payments.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 30%
Market summary

Card payments dominate in Turkey, accounting for 83% of all transactions, with virtual cards – where the provider gives the user card details but no physical card – being popular. The other leading payment method in Turkey is cash on delivery, making up 8% of the total. E-wallets (0.7%) and mobile payments (0.7%) are low, but there are several methods of paying by mobile available to Turkish customers, who can choose between mobile wallets (0.35%) and direct carrier billing (0.35%).

Of the e-wallets, PayPal is, as in many other territories, the leading provider with 0.6% of the market. The next biggest is Google Wallet, but that is significantly behind PayPal with just 0.05% of transactions.

E-commerce Turnover

2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 35%

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E-commerce Mix by Payment Type

- Card: 83.0%
- Bank transfers: 4.5%
- Direct debits: 1.2%
- E-wallets: 0.7%
- Mobile: 0.7%
- Other: 9.9%

At a glance

- 2012 Population (mil): 74
- 2012 GDP (USD bil.): $1,586

E-commerce Turnover

$19.9 billion

Mobile Ownership: 84%
Smartphone Ownership: 18%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods

- PayPal
- Turkcell Mobile Wallet
- BonusPay
- 3Pay

UK

Market summary

While British customers mainly use their cards to pay for goods and services (78%), e-wallets are the next most popular payment method: 16.5% of transactions are completed in this way, with PayPal handling 13%.

Mobile at present only accounts for 0.6% of all payments, fairly evenly split between mobile wallets (0.5%) and direct carrier billing (0.3%), but banks are starting to develop other means of paying by mobile, such as Barclays’ Pingit service, which is used for 0.05% of transactions. Other mobile platforms are coming on stream, including Weve, a joint initiative between the three largest mobile operators in the UK – EE, Telefonica and Vodafone. Offline cash-based payments are barely used, making up just 2.8% of transactions, split mainly between cash on delivery (0.9%) and pre-paid accounts (0.3%).

E-commerce Turnover

2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 14%

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E-commerce Mix by Payment Type

- Card: 78.0%
- Bank transfers: 0.8%
- Direct debits: 1.6%
- E-wallets: 16.2%
- Mobile: 0.7%
- Other: 2.8%

At a glance

- 2012 Population (mil): 63
- 2012 GDP (USD bil.): $2,041

E-commerce Turnover

$212 billion

Mobile Ownership: 92%
Smartphone Ownership: 55%
US

Market summary
US customers overwhelmingly pay for e-commerce goods and services by card: 71.5% of transactions are completed in this way. Despite difficult economic conditions in the US, e-commerce is a growing part of the economy, rising to 3.7% of gross domestic product in 2012, up from 3.5% the year before. E-wallets are also a significant method of payment, accounting for 17.6% of transactions. PayPal, an American company, unsurprisingly accounts for the bulk of those payments at 16.2%; Google Wallet, also provided by another US company, is a distant second with 0.7% of transactions. Mobile devices are used to complete 1.2% of payments, with mobile wallets being used for 0.7% of these and direct carrier billing making up 0.5% of the total.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 15%

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E-commerce Mix by Payment Type

- Card: 71.5%
- Bank transfers: 0.7%
- Direct debits: 1.9%
- E-Wallets: 17.6%
- Mobile: 1.2%
- Other: 7.1%

Vietnam

Market summary
Vietnam’s e-commerce customers overwhelmingly pay for their goods and services by offline bank transfer – 56.1% of payments are via this method, while other cash-based offline payments are also important, comprising 25.2% of transactions. Cash on delivery makes up just under half of those payments (12%), with postal payments accounting for a further 10%. E-wallets are also gaining ground, accounting for 8.6% of transactions, although mostly used for transactions outside Vietnam. PayPal provides 6.7% of those transactions.

E-commerce Turnover
2009-2012 Compound Annual Growth Rate: 43%

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E-commerce Mix by Payment Type

- Card: 56.1%
- Bank transfers: 8.6%
- Direct debits: 1.2%
- E-Wallets: 8.6%
- Mobile: 0.3%
- Other: 25.2%

At a glance

- 2012 Population (mil): 89
- 2012 GDP (USD bil.): $142
- E-commerce Turnover: $255 million
- Mobile Ownership: 85%
- Smartphone Ownership: 20%

Popular Alternative Payment Methods
PayPal
Secure Vault Payments
Google Wallet
Zong
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