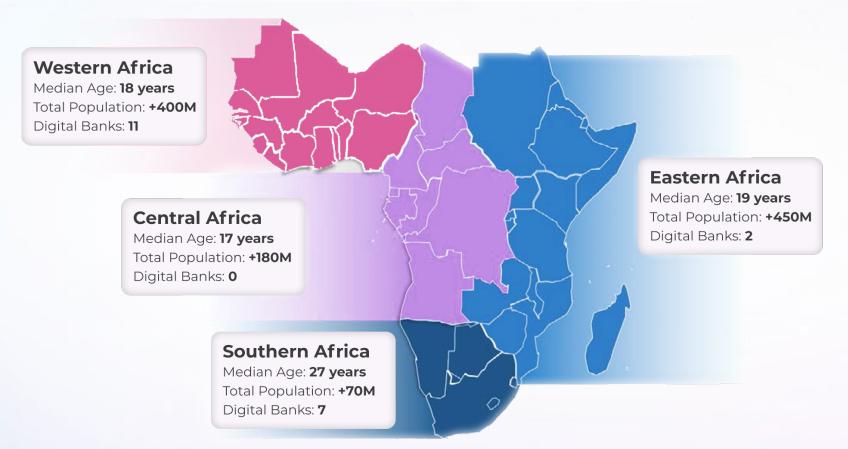
# Sub-Saharan Africa, with the world's youngest population provides a unique opportunity to grasp newer trends

#### **Sub-Saharan Africa Population 2020**



+1,100M
Total Population
v
+630M
Adult Population
v
+360M

**Unbanked** 

**Population** 





## Several key factors are driving FinTech adoption in Africa



**42%** 

Projected growth in Africa's age 15-24 population by 2030 (1)



65%

of Sub -Saharan Africa's population is underbanked or unbanked (2)



4.5

Bank branches per 100k people, SSA (2)

29.7

Bank branches per 100k people, U.S. (2)



\$333 - \$500 bn

2022E total remittances paid and received in, formal and informal markets (9, 10)



80%

Africa's mobile penetration (3)

47%

Africa's internet penetration (4)



FT Partners Research: FinTech in Africa (Jan 2023) Source(s): 1. UN Estimates

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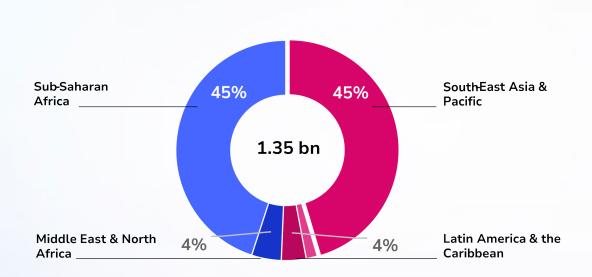
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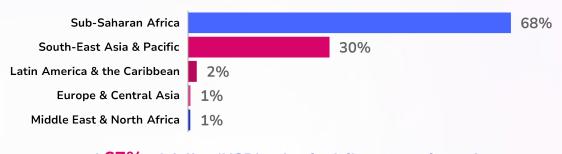


## Africa's payment ecosystem: key trends

Half of the world's registered mobile money customers are based in Africa



Sub-Saharan Africa accounted for around **70%** of 2021 global mobile money transactions...



... and 67% of dollar (USD) value in daily transaction volume









### Mobile money: at the heart of payments in Africa

Africa was a pioneer in the use of mobile money and continues to be the world leader in this area. Over 33%, of adults in SSA have a mobile money account on average (the highest of any area in the world)<sup>(1)</sup>

Selected Developments in Mobile Money (2)

**2X** 





The value of transactions flowing

between banks and mobile money has more than doubled since 2019. **60**%



Of mobile money providers offer international remittance

services to their customers

44%



Mobile money providers currently international **offer adjacent services** such as credit, savings & insurance in 2022.

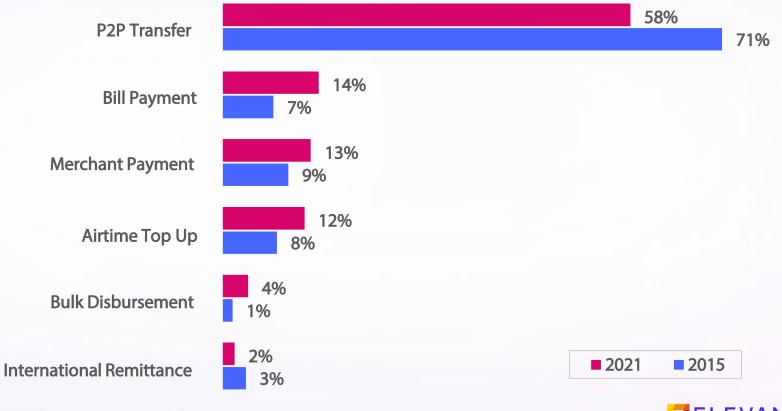






## Applications of mobile money services in Africa

P2P transfers remain the most popular use case of mobile money services, even as other applications continue to expand







## Open banking is reshaping the banking scene in Africa

#### Barriers to Financial Services in Africa



High cost of financial products



Unreasonable distance from bank branches



Lack of trust in traditional institutions



Low financial literacy



Limited access to credit

#### Opportunity for Open Banking to Disrupt Financial Services in Africa



Promotes informed and more responsible consumer behavior



Provides micro-enterprises and contingent workers access to affordable and relevant financial services and products



Overcomes lack of documentation that hampers access to financial products



Amplifies banks' reach outside of urban areas



Democratizes lower costs and facilitates innovation and inclusion through more convenient and personalized banking services



Strengthens customer rightsand enhances security, reducing fraud via two-factor and biometric identification for certain transactions







# Africa's banking and lending tech sector is poised for growth

~85%(2)

of employment in Africa is within the informal economy ~50%(2)

of Africa's economic output is generated by the informal economy 4.5 (1)

bank branches per 100,000 people in Sub-Saharan Africa

Country	Unbanked (mm)	% Saved at financial institution	Credit Card Penetration
Egypt	79	27%	4%
Kenya	12	79%	7%
Nigeria ( )	124	45%	4%
South Africa 💝	9	85%	10%
Morocco	21	44%	na
Ethiopia 🚳	74	35%	na
Tanzania 🥏	31	52%	2%
Uganda 📀	16	66%	3%
Ghana	11	68%	7%
Cote d'Ivore	14	51%	1%

Africa has a large unbanked population, and many of its banked citizens have limited access to savings and credit products, which presents a sizable opportunity for FinTech companies in the region



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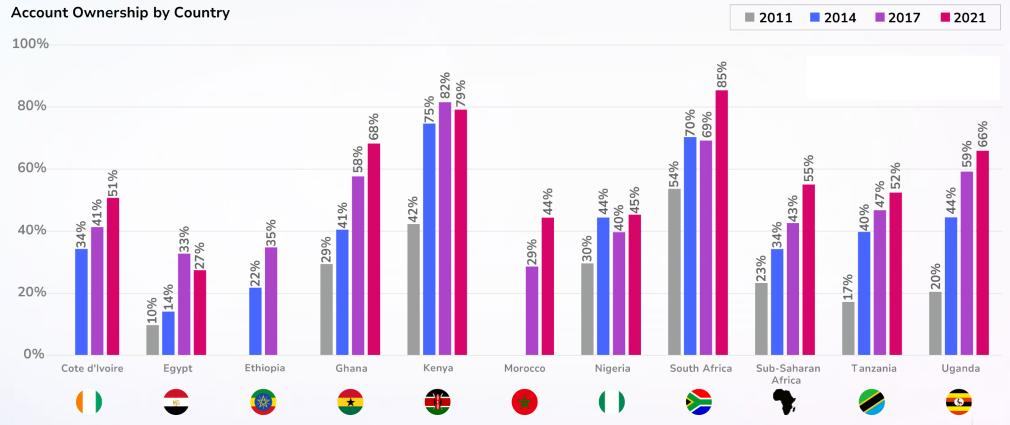




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# The formal African banking sector continues to grow but there still remains a big opportunity

The formal African banking space has experienced substantial customer acquisition over the past ten years, supported by infrastructure improvements and a shift in consumer preferences.









### Kenya is leading BNPL growth in Africa

#### 2022 BNPL Payment Estimates (\$mm)



39.3%

Estimated 2022-2028 BNPL CAGR in Nigeria 39.7%

Estimated 2022-2028 BNPL CAGR in Egypt 35.3%

Estimated 2022-2028 BNPL CAGR in South Africa **52.5%** 

Estimated 2022-2028 BNPL CAGR in Kenya



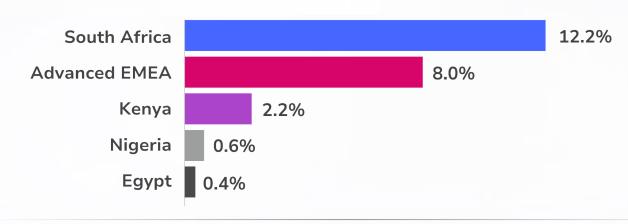




## Low insurance penetration rates in Africa represent an opportunity

Outside of South Africa, insurance penetration rates are low in Africa due to lack of awareness, cost, minimal product innovation, regulatory obstacles and unsteady incomes. InsurTech innovation should play a large factor in growing the continent's insurance market by providing more affordable products that cater to currently untapped demographics.

#### **Insurance Penetration By Market (2,3)**



6.2%

2021 Insurance **Premium Volume** Growth

7.1%

2021 Life Insurance **Premium Volume** Growth

4.4%

2021 Non-Life Insurance Premium Volume Growth







## Crypto & blockchain could play a meaningful role in Africa

Between July 2020 and June 2021, African crypto-currency remittances increased 1,200%, making it the fastest-growing crypto-currency market globally



Experts predict that
Crypto-currencies, CBDCs and
stablecoins will contribute
extensively to the e-payments
ecosystem in Africa, supported by
promising real economy
applications and the historical
tendency of the continent to
leapfrog into the future by adopting
innovative technologies at scale.

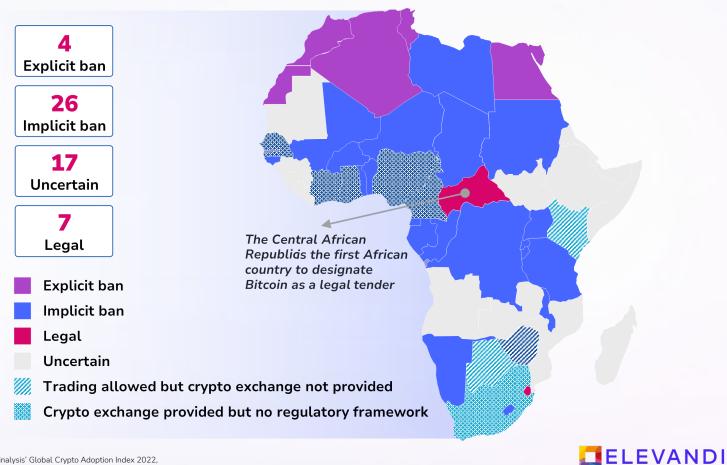


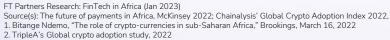




### The regulatory landscape for cryptocurrencies differs across countries

#### **Cryptocurrency Regulation in Africa**



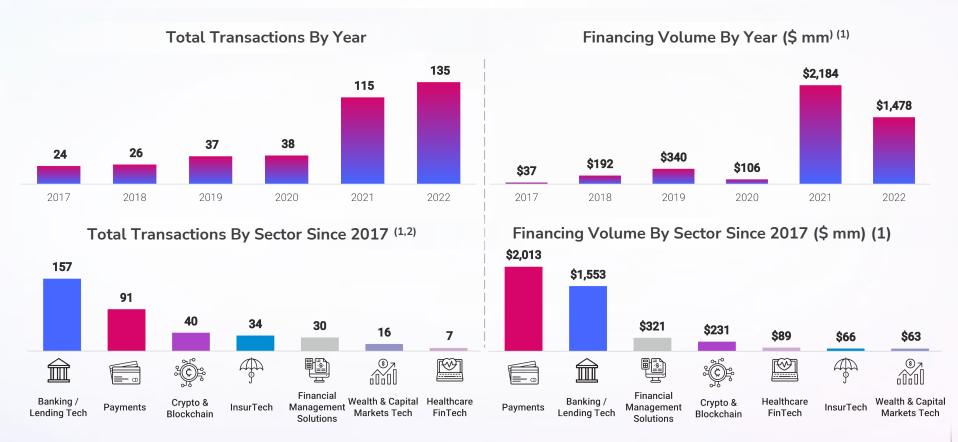






## FinTech financing in Africa

Before 2022, equity financing volume for private Africa-focused FinTech companies grew consistently in recent years





<sup>1.</sup> Financing volume only includes deals with announced dollar amounts

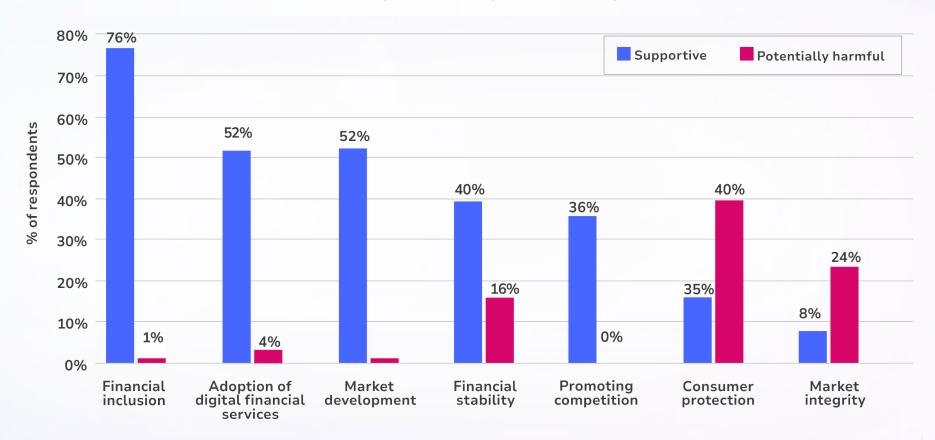




<sup>2.</sup> Includes only Africa-headquartered FinTech companies

## Covid-19 and FinTech: A regulator's response

#### Perceived impact of FinTech on regulatory objectives in light of Covid-19, SSA (N=25)



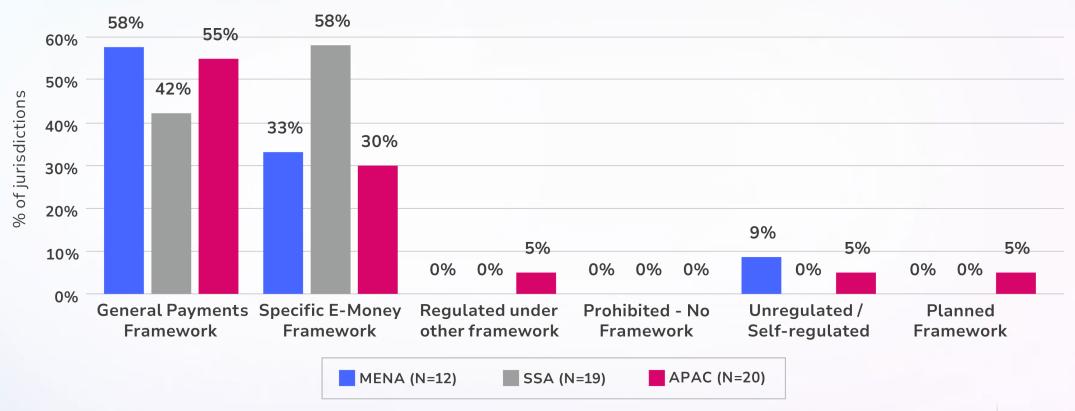






# SSA has a higher % of jurisdictions with a specific e-money regulatory framework in contrast to MENA and APAC

Instances of regulatory frameworks for e-money – SSA, MENA, APAC (N=51)



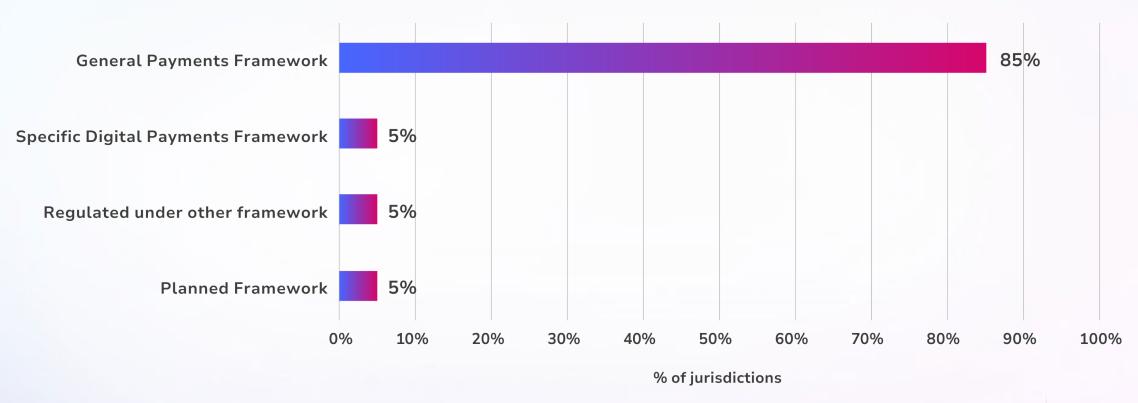






# Digital payments is mostly regulated under more general regulatory frameworks in SSA

#### Instances of regulatory frameworks for payments in SSA (N=20)

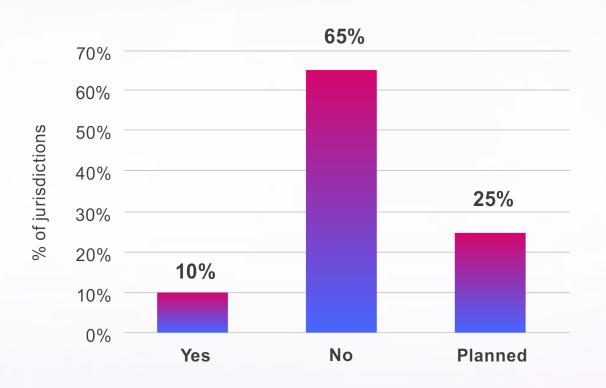






## There are limited open-banking regulatory frameworks in SSA

#### The open banking frameworks - SSA (N=20)



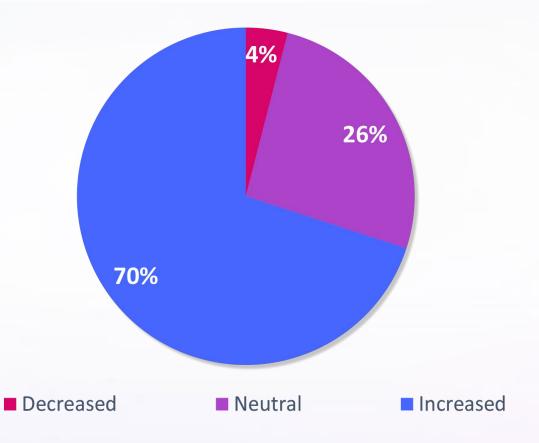






## SSA regulator perception of FinTech priority in light of COVID-19 is in line with increase in market volumes

#### SSA regulator perception of FinTech priority in light of COVID-19 (N=23)





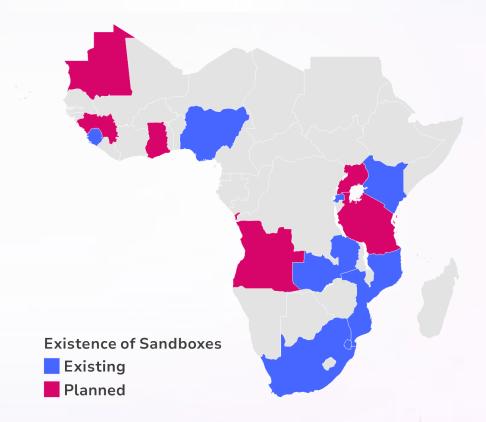


## Distribution of regulatory innovation initiatives in SSA

#### Innovation offices in SSA

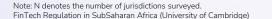


#### Regulatory sandboxes in SSA





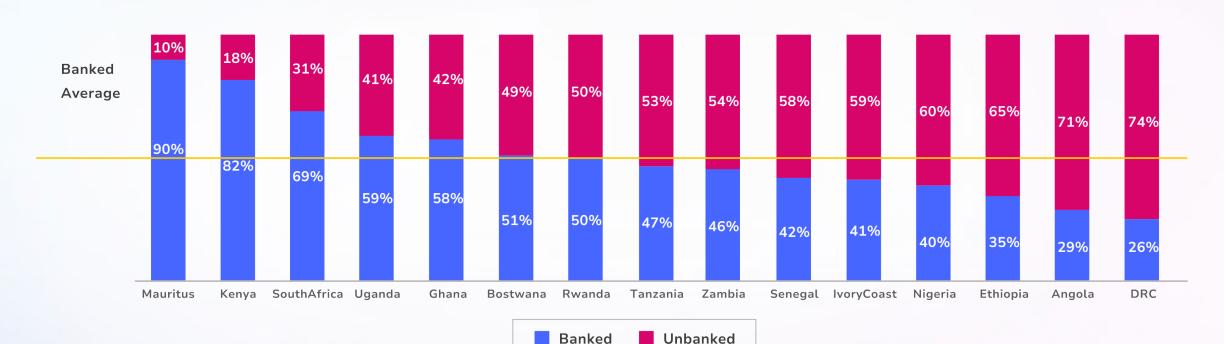




## Apart from the major banking markets, less than 50% of people in most Sub-Saharan countries have access to a bank account

#### Distribution of Adult Population in 2020

% adults with and without access to bank accounts

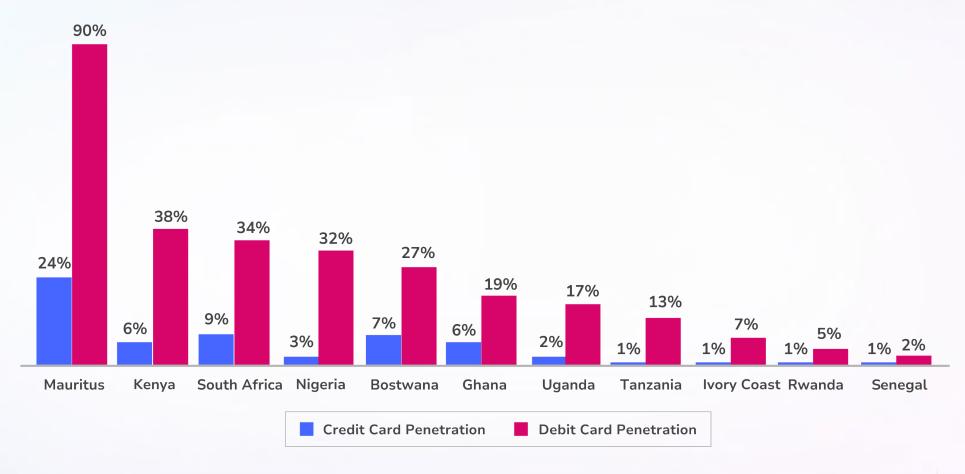








# With ~90% of all payments and transactions made via cash, card penetration rates remain low leaving room for alternative methods



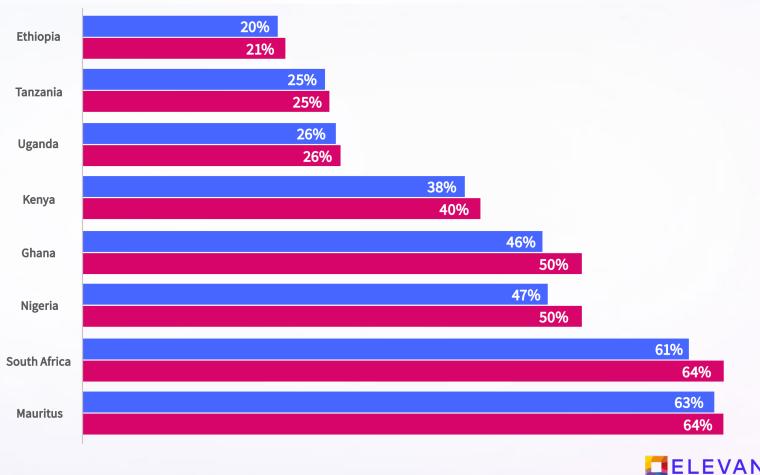






## Major economic countries such as South Africa and Nigeria are leading the way in mobile internet adoption

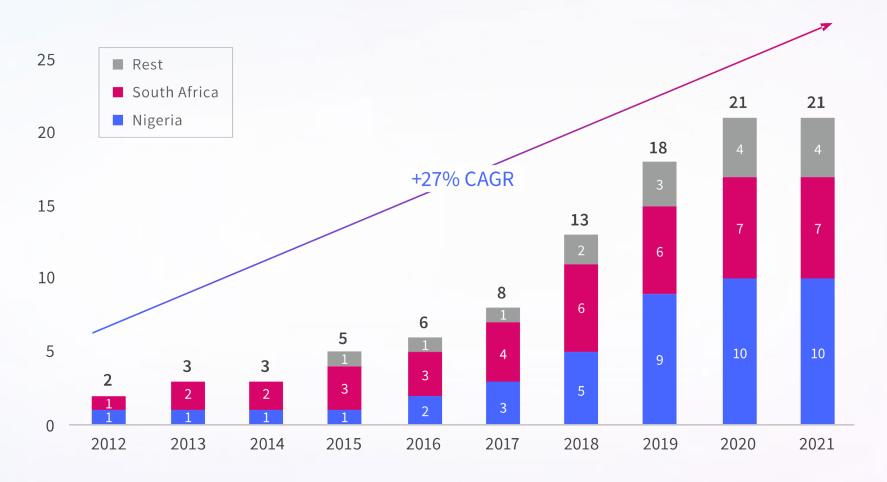
#### Internet and mobile penetration across countries in 2021







## Growth of digital banks in SSA (2012 – 2021)









## Neobanks in South Africa are leading the way in facilitating innovation and financial inclusion

Top 10 Neobanks by Number of Customers 2021 (in Thousands)

