

# Payment Systems Quarterly Review

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Pakistan, as an emerging economy, has made significant advancements in the digitalization of its payments ecosystem and development of its infrastructure. Today the country has a well-developed digital payments ecosystem comprising of a well-functioning real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) system, a state of the art instant payment system, Raast, 24/7 online digital payment systems offered by 1Link and other Payment System Operators, fully interoperable ATM and POS networks, QR Code enabled payment solutions, Electronic Money Institutions (EMIs), Payment Service Providers (PSPs), digital onboarding mechanisms for customers and merchants, and an emerging Fintech sector. All of these have considerably improved convenience and accessibility in payment services for individuals, businesses, and the government.

The Payment Systems Review provides an overview of key developments in the national payment ecosystem, emphasizing the increasing adoption of digital transactions during the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter (July-September) of FY25. The major highlights of the quarter include:

- **Retail Transactions:** Increased by 8% in volume reaching to 1,951 million amounting to PKR 136 trillion during the quarter. Digital channels processed 87% (1,699 million) of all retail transactions, whereas over-the-counter (OTC) channels accounted for the remaining 13% (251 million). In terms of value, share of digital payments increased from 24% in Q4 FY24 to 27% (PKR 36 trillion), while share of payments through OTC channels (banks branches and branchless banking agents) was 73% (PKR 100 trillion).
- Raast Instant Payment System: Since inception in 2022 till the quarter-end Q1 FY25, Raast has processed 848 million transactions amounting more than PKR 19 trillion and is growing at a consistent pace. During Q1 FY25, both volume (197 million) and value (PKR 4.7 trillion) of transactions grew by 17% as compared to Q4 FY24, with daily transactions touching the mark of 3 million transactions a day. As of quarter-end there were 39.5 million registered Raast IDs.
  - Mobile App-Based Payments: Mobile App-based banking was the prominent contributor to the increase in digital payments. Payments through these banking apps accounted for 77% of all digital transactions by volume and 51% by value during the quarter. These apps include banking apps provided by banks and MFBs, and app-based wallets provided by branchless banking service providers and EMIs. A total of 1,301 million payments of PKR 19 trillion were made during the quarter having quarterly growth of 11% by volume and 14% by value with an average ticket size of PKR 14,400 per transactions. It is pertinent to mention that BBs provided mobile apps were the major contributor in the continuous growth in mobile app payments contributing to 70% of these transactions. Registered users on these apps increased to 96.5 million from 93.0 million (Q4 FY24) at a quarterly growth of 4%.
    - **Internet Banking Portals:** A total of 60 million transactions amounting PKR 7.5 trillion, or 4% of digital payments by volume and 21% by value were conducted through internet banking portals during the



quarter. Usually, payments through internet banking has a higher ticket size (PKR 125,000/ transaction) than that of mobile app banking due to the digital payments by the corporate businesses. Users of internet banking portals have increased by 3% to 12.4 million.

- ATM Usage: Transactions through ATMs constitute a share of 14% by volume and 11% by value of total digital transactions. The infrastructure of 19,170 ATMs, equating to 13 ATMs per 100,000 adults, across Pakistan facilitated 244 million transactions amounting to PKR 3.9 trillion, predominantly for cash withdrawals (98%). On an average, each ATM handled 12,700 transactions per quarter or 138 transactions a day. Average ticket size of cash withdrawal via ATMs was PKR 14,900/transaction. Approximately, 37% of the ATMs have active bio-facility allowing customers to withdraw cash.
- **Point-of-Sales (POS) Terminals:** Card-based transactions at POS terminals reached 83 million (5% of digital payments) amounting to PKR 429 billion during the quarter, growing steadily at a quarterly average growth of 9% by volume and more than 3% by value. Number of POS machines have increased to 132,224 as of quarter-end processing 900,000 in-store purchases a day.
- **E-commerce:** Digital e-Commerce continued its rising trajectory. More than 118 million online e-commerce payments were made during the quarter showing a growth of 29% by volume amounting to PKR 148 billion with a quarterly growth of 23%. Of total digital e-commerce payments, 11 million (9%) were made through cards, while 107 million (91%) through digital wallets/accounts. During the previous quarter, this share was 11% for card-based and 89% for wallet/account-based e-commerce.
- **Payment Cards:** As of quarter-end, 55.6 million payment cards were in circulation, with debit cards comprising 88% of the total.
- Merchants: During the quarter, merchants accepting payment cards via POS terminals has increased by 5% to 104,281, while, number of e-Commerce merchants has expanded to 8,189 from 7,816 (Q4 FY24) marking a quarterly growth of 5%. BBs enabled retail/kiryana store merchants<sup>1</sup> have increased to 597,411 with a growth of 16% during the quarter and processed 21 million payments of PKR 53 billion. Around 93% of these merchants are also accepting payments through Raast QR.
- **Branches and Agents:** Alongside 18,623 Bank Branches, there are 693,178 BB agents specifically catering to the rural and underserved areas. These agents facilitated 28 million bill payments and topup, 64 million cash deposit, 11 million cash withdrawal and 8 million other transactions.
- Large-Value transactions: The RTGS system settled 1.6 million large-value transactions totaling to PKR 278 trillion marked a quarterly growth of 13% in volume and 9% in value during the quarter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These merchant accept digital payments through wallets, QR scan and/or USSD channels as an alternative to cash / card based payments



# **SNAPSHOT OF PAYMENT SYSTEMS**

	End Jun-24 <sup>R</sup>	End Sep-24 <sup>P</sup>
Country's Population (in million) <sup>2</sup>	241.5	241.5
Currency in Circulation (in PKR billion) <sup>3</sup>	9,153.1	8,817.2
Payment Systems Infrastructure	е	
Banks	33	32
Microfinance Banks – MFBs	12	12
Payment System Operators/ Payment Service Providers – PSOs/PSPs	5	5
Electronic Money Institutions – EMIs	5	4
Branchless Banking Service Providers – BBs	16	16
PRISM Participants <sup>4</sup>	59	59
Payments Network		
Branches of Banks & MFBs	18,450	18,623
Branchless Banking Agents	666,682	693,178
ATMs	18,957	19,170
CDMs/CCDMs <sup>5</sup>	579	620
Point-of-Sale (POS) Machines	125,593	132,224
POS enabled Merchants	98,936	104,281
Registered E-Commerce Merchants (Banks/MFBs)	7,816	8,189
Retail/Kiryana Store Merchants	516,317	597,411
Digital Payment Channel Users and Instrum	ents (in million)	
Internet Banking Users	12.0	12.4
Mobile Banking Users	18.7	19.6
Call Center/ IVR Banking Users	40.9	40.9
BB Mobile App Users	58.7	60.3
EMIs' E-Wallets	3.7	4.2
Payment Cards	54.6	55.6

	Q4-	-FY24 <sup>R</sup>	Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>			
	<b>Volume</b> (million)	<b>Value</b> (PKR trillion)	<b>Volume</b> (million)	<b>Value</b> (PKR trillion)		
	Payments	Summary				
RTGS – PRISM Transactions	1.4	255.5	1.6	278.2		
Retail Payments	1,807.6	136.7	1,950.6	136.5		
of which, through						
Digital Payments	1,563.6	33.3	1,699.4	36.3		
OTC Payments	244.0	103.4	251.2	100.2		

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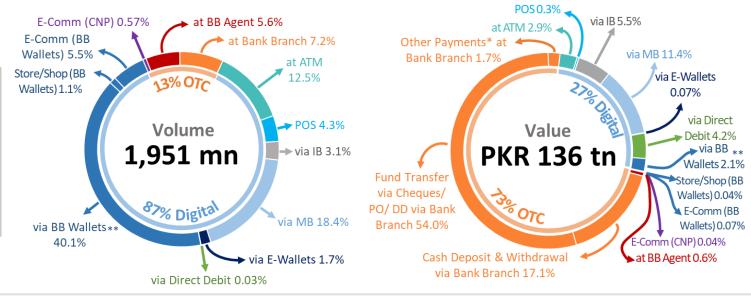
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Population Statistics taken from "Population and Housing Census (2023) – The Digital Census" available at:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Latest figure taken from State Bank of Pakistan's "Monthly Statistical Bulletin" available at: <a href="https://www.sbp.org.pk/reports/stat-reviews/Bulletin/2024/Apr/Chap-2.pdf">https://www.sbp.org.pk/reports/stat-reviews/Bulletin/2024/Apr/Chap-2.pdf</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> This includes 46 Banks/MFBs (Islamic banking windows counted separately), 9 DFIs, and 4 Non-Banks or Special Participants

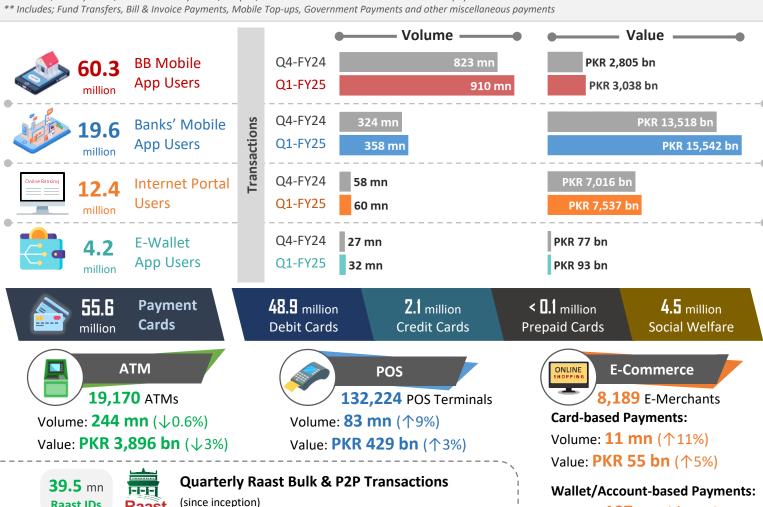
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> CDMs: Cash Deposit Machine | CCDMs Cash & Cheque Deposit Machine (some have facility of withdrawal in addition to deposit) P: Provisional | R: Revised

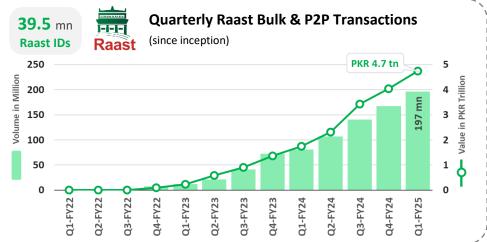
# Infographics on Key Payment Systems Statistics



OTC: Over-the-Counter | IB: Internet Banking | MB: Mobile Banking (Banks/MFBs) | E-Comm: E-Commerce | CNP: Card-not-present | BB: Branchless Banking

\* Includes; Bill Payments, Government Payments, Coupon, Dividend Warrants and other miscellaneous payments executed at Bank Branches



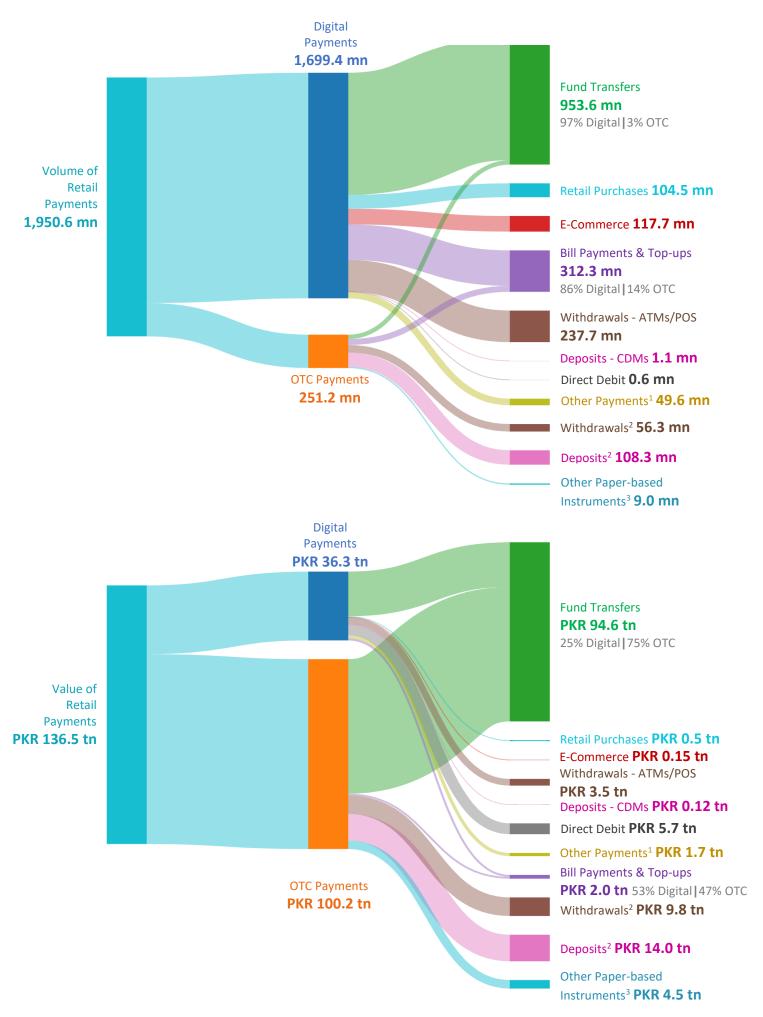


Volume: **107 mn** (↑30%) Value: **PKR 93 bn** (↑36%)



Volume: **21 mn** (↑12%) Value: **PKR 53 bn** (↑9%)

\* These are merchants enabled by BBs to accept payments via QR or TILL



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes; government payments, taxes, 3rd party invoice payments, credit card payments, fee collections, donations and other payments

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Cash Deposits and Withdrawals through Bank Branches or Branchless Banking Agents

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Includes; Pay Orders, Demand Drafts, Telegraphic Transfers, Coupon, Dividend Warrants and other miscellaneous payments



#### **PAYMENTS SUMMARY**

The key objective of a country's payment system is to provide safe, efficient, and reliable payment options for facilitating transfer of funds, purchase of goods and services, settlement of payments, and movement of cash. Payment system of Pakistan also plays a crucial role in ensuring that customers have access to efficient and secure payment options.

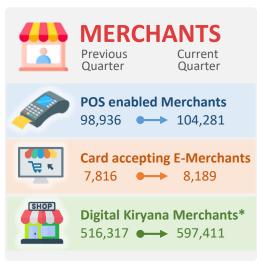
Pakistan's Payments Infrastructure comprises of PRISM - Real-Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) system, Raast instant payment solution, 33 Banks, 12 Microfinance Banks (MFBs), 5 Payment System Operators/ Service Providers (PSOs/PSPs), 4 Electronic Money Institutions (EMIs), 12 Branchless Banking Players (BBs), fintechs, and third party service providers. All these, in collaboration with each other, provides seamless and secure transfer and settlement of funds for the residents of Pakistan.

Payments in Pakistan can be segregated into two major categories, one is Large-Value Payments which are processed through PRISM (RTGS) system, and the other is Retail Payments, which are typically low value transactions made in the course of regular business or life activities.

#### **Retail Payments**

Banks and MFBs offer a wide range of payment facilities to customers through an extensive infrastructure that includes 18,623 branches, 19,170 ATMs, 620 CDMs, 132,224 Point-of-Sale (POS) machines, 8,189 registered CNP e-commerce merchants accepting cards, and various digital channels.

Branchless Banking (BB) service providers further enhance payment services by leveraging a vast network of 693,178 agents nationwide, along-with 597,411 micro-merchants enabled with the required infrastructure to accept digital payments. BBs also facilitate digital transactions through USSD-based wallets and mobile app-based wallets. BB players are playing a critical role in



\* Small merchants enabled by BBs to accept payments via Mobile Wallets, QR Scan or TILL

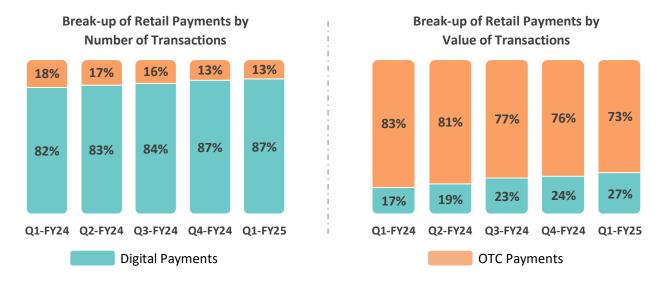
enabling small merchants (or *kiryana* stores) with digital payment acceptance.

Electronic Money Institutions (EMIs) are increasingly playing an important role as well in the digital payment ecosystem by issuing e-wallets with enhanced user experience, contributing significantly to the adoption and expansion of digital payment channels especially among the young population.

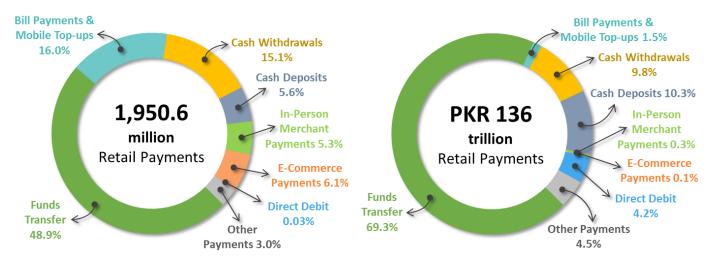
During the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of FY 24, number of retail payments grew by 9% to 1,951 million amounting to PKR 136 trillion. The share of digital payments now stands at 87% by volume and 27% by value. In this quarter's review, Direct Debit transactions have been reclassified under digital transactions which were previously reported



under OTC transactions. These are basically standing instructions where a payer authorizes their bank to withdraw funds directly from their bank account for recurring payments such as utility bills, subscriptions, card or loan repayments. Quarterly trend of share of digital transactions in retail payments is presented below:



Break-up of Retail Payments by type of transaction reveals that Funds Transfers dominate the landscape, accounting for nearly 49% of the total transaction volume and an impressive 69% of the total value. Bill Payments and Mobile Top-ups are significant contributors as well, with 16% of the volume but only 1.5% of the value. Cash-related transactions, including Cash Withdrawals (15% of volume, 10% of value) and Cash/Instrument Deposits (6% of volume, 10% of value), play a notable role in both activity and value. Purchase transactions at POS, QR enabled Merchants and E-Commerce platforms contribute a combined share of 11% to the volume but hold minimal value shares, reflecting their smaller economic impact relative to traditional methods.



Funds transfer is the most prominent transaction type which can be made among customers of same financial institution (bank, MFB, BB or EMI) or different Financial Institutions (FIs). In case of payer and payee are of different FI, the transactions made digitally through digital banking channels are routed either through Raast (Instant Payment System) or 1Link (PSO/PSP). Raast which is operated by SBP, provides the system to transfer

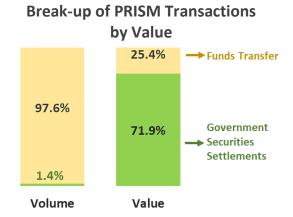


the funds from one FI to other instantly. 1Link, which is a PSO/PSP, also offers similar facility providing ease to customers for funds transfer. In addition to routing and inter-connectivity in fund transfers, 1Link also provides inter-operable ATM switching facility which allows Banks and MFBs to provide cash withdrawal and balance inquiry services to customers at all ATMs across the country. Similarly, if the fund transfers for interbank is initiated at OTC through paper-based instruments like cheques, pay orders, etc, NIFT (PSO/PSP) provides the necessary mechanism clearing and settlement.



#### Large-Value Payments

PRISM, is primarily used for processing and settling large-value transactions (also known as Wholesale payments) in real-time. These transactions primarily include institutional interbank funds transfers, securities settlements and ancillary settlements (cheques and 1link). As of date, there are 59 participants of PRISM system of which 46 are banks (with Islamic banking windows counted separately), 9 are DFIs, and 4 are non-banking entities or special participants.



Large-Value Payments in Pakistan are settled through Real-Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) system named as Pakistan Real-time Interbank Settlement Mechanism (PRISM) System which is operated and managed by SBP. PRISM system is used for inter-bank fund transfers, settlement of government securities and ancillary clearing transactions. By volume, funds transfer covers 97.6% of all PRISM transactions, however, by value, its share is 25.4% only. Settlement of Government Securities takes 71.9% of all PRISM transactions by value.



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.no.	Bank/ Microfinance Bank	Cards Issuer	Internet Banking Portal	Mobile App Banking	Call Center/ IVR Banking	ATMs	POS	CDMs/ CCDMs	Branchless Banking Services	E-Commerce Gateway
	Overall Service Providers	35	32	31	20	35	11	13	16	7
1	Bank Alfalah Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
2	Habib Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	Meezan Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	United Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	Allied Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
6	MCB Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
7	Bank Al-Habib Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
8	Habib Metropolitan Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
9	Askari Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
10	The Bank of Punjab	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
11	Mobilink Microfinance Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
12	Dubai Islamic Bank Pakistan Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
13	Faysal Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
14	Standard Chartered Bank Pakistan Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		
15	JS Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
16	Soneri Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		
17	HBL Microfinance Bank Ltd	✓		✓	✓	✓			✓	
18	BankIslami Pakistan Ltd	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		
19	Samba Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
20	Telenor Microfinance Bank Ltd	✓				✓	✓		✓	
21	Bank Makramah Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
22	MCB Islamic Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
23	NRSP Microfinance Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
24	U Microfinance Bank Ltd	✓		✓		✓			✓	
25	National Bank of Pakistan	✓	✓	✓		✓				
26	Khushhali Microfinance Bank Ltd	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓		<b>√</b>				
	Al Baraka Bank Pakistan Ltd	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		✓				
	Silk Bank Ltd	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓		<b>√</b>				
29	Finca Microfinance Bank Ltd	✓		✓		✓			✓	
30	Sindh Bank Ltd	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	✓	✓				
31	The Bank of Khyber	<b>√</b>	✓			<b>√</b>				
32	Citi Bank N.A.		<b>√</b>							
33	First Women Bank Ltd	✓	<b>√</b>	✓		✓				
34	Apna Microfinance Bank	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>			<b>√</b>				
35	Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Ltd	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>			<b>√</b>				
36	Zarai Taraqiati Bank Ltd	✓	✓	✓		<b>√</b>				
37	Deutsche Bank AG		<b>√</b>							
38	Bank of China									
39	Advans Pakistan Microfinance Bank Ltd									
	Industrial Development Bank Ltd									
41	LOLC Microfinance Bank Ltd									
	Sindh Microfinance Bank Ltd									
	The Punjab Provincial Cooperative Bank Ltd									
	SME Bank									
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# **ANNEXURES**

# A-1: Payment Systems Infrastructure and Users

(Actual number)

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	Q1-FY24	Q2-FY24	Q3-FY24	Q4-FY24 <sup>R</sup>	Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>
Commercial Banks	33	33	33	33	32
Microfinance Banks (MFBs)	11	12	12	12	12
Payment Service Operators (PSOs)/ Service Providers (PSPs)*	5	5	5	5	5
Electronic Money Institutions (EMIs) *	4	5	5	5	4
Branchless Banking (BB) Service Providers	16	16	16	16	16
PRISM Participants	59	59	59	59	59
Commercial Banks/ MFBs Branches	17,768	18,178	18,193	18,450	18,623
of which;					
RTOB Branches	17,625	18,034	18,049	18,302	18,482
Manual Branches	63	64	64	68	63
Overseas Branches	80	80	80	80	78
ATMs	18,117	18,441	18,655	18,957	19,170
CDMs/CCDMs	525	529	542	579	620
POS Machines	118,444	121,789	120,641	125,593	132,224
Internet Banking Users	10,285,927	10,840,615	11,438,001	11,995,884	12,407,336
Mobile Phone Banking Users	15,084,947	16,297,328	17,035,266	18,677,692	19,577,286
Call Centers/ IVR Banking Users	38,371,301	39,192,444	40,017,346	40,883,966	40,894,205
e-Wallets by EMIs	2,383,262	2,741,500	3,196,285	3,671,552	4,208,440
Branchless Banking Mobile App Users	52,441,263	56,239,552	59,511,392	58,684,920	60,318,502
e-Commerce Merchants Registered with Banks	7,310	7,630	7,936	7,816	8,189
Merchants Registered with EMIs	4,954	4,954	4,957	4,957	5,317
Freelancers Registered with EMIs	62,596	74,273	184,516	243,639	294,194
Branchless Banking Agents	640,953	649,683	651,672	666,682	693,178

<sup>\*</sup> Includes only commercial licensed PSOs/PSPs or EMIs

<sup>\*\*</sup> CDM/CCDMs: Cash Deposit Machines/ Cash and Cheque Deposit Machines

P: Provisional | R: Revised



# A-2: Composition of Payment Cards issued by Banks, MFBs, EMIs and BBs

(Actual number)

Payment Card Category	Q1-FY24	Q2-FY24	Q3-FY24	Q4-FY24 <sup>R</sup>	Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>
ATMs only Cards	-	-	-	-	-
Credit Cards	2,069,692	2,003,943	2,025,013	2,047,802	2,112,042
Debit Cards	42,018,336	44,953,927	45,360,161	48,467,827	48,940,944
Pre-Paid Cards	116,367	145,316	99,112	98,374	98,623
Social Welfare Cards	9,763,898	8,660,025	9,520,222	3,993,757	4,479,246
Overall Cards (A+B+C)	53,968,293	55,763,211	57,004,508	54,607,760	55,630,855

P: Provisional | R: Revised

# A-3: Large Value Transactions – PRISM (RTGS)

### (Volume in Thousand & value in Trillion-PKR)

Tunnanchian Tunna	Q1-FY24		Q2-FY24		Q3-FY24		Q4-FY24		Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>	
Transaction Type	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value
Government Securities	19.0	133.9	25.3	191.0	20.4	235.6	19.9	171.6	22.0	200.0
Inter-Bank Fund Transfers	91.5	42.2	97.7	53.6	93.1	45.6	91.5	47.9	97.1	43.8
3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Customer Transfers	1,312.6	23.2	1,351.4	25.2	1,357.9	27.4	1,269.1	27.8	1,447.8	27.0
Ancillary Clearing Settlement	-	-	6.7	2.9	16.3	7.1	15.6	8.2	15.9	7.4
Total Transactions	1,423.1	199.3	1,481.1	272.7	1,487.7	315.6	1,396.1	255.5	1,582.8	278.2

P: Provisional | R: Revised



### A-4: Retail Value Payments – (Bank, MFBs, BBs & EMIs)

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	Q1-F	Y24 <sup>R</sup>	Q2-F	/24 <sup>R</sup>	Q3-F	<b>Y24<sup>R</sup></b>	Q4-F	/24 <sup>R</sup>	Q1-F	/25 <sup>P</sup>
	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value
ATM <sup>1</sup>	214.1	3,289.8	235.0	3,709.2	236.5	3,886.5	245.1	4,027.1	243.5	3,895.9
POS <sup>1</sup>	59.0	321.9	65.1	371.4	70.6	393.9	76.7	415.1	83.3	429.5
Internet Banking	49.8	4,666.1	57.1	5,369.3	58.6	6,434.2	57.6	7,015.9	60.1	7,537.0
Mobile Phone Banking	217.4	8,644.9	279.9	11,226.2	301.5	12,955.3	324.0	13,518.0	358.3	15,541.9
Call Centers/ IVR Banking	0.04	1.98	0.04	1.90	0.16	1.95	0.03	2.01	0.04	1.99
CNP E-Commerce <sup>2</sup>	9.6	39.6	10.9	50.5	9.5	52.1	9.9	52.1	11.1	54.6
E-Wallet	15.4	37.0	20.1	50.8	22.9	62.1	26.8	76.5	32.4	93.3
BB Wallet	568.1	1,757.6	624.4	1,997.7	681.9	2,288.1	822.8	2,805.4	910.1	3,038.0
of which;										
E-commerce <sup>3</sup>	19.1	14.3	21.1	19.0	29.2	26.5	81.9	68.8	106.6	93.2
Retail Store/Shop⁴	13.5	32.7	15.6	41.9	16.6	44.9	19.0	48.8	21.3	53.4
Direct Debit <sup>5</sup>	0.6	4,706.7	0.6	4,969.2	0.6	4,376.4	0.6	5,311.4	0.6	5,706.7
BB Agent	109.8	833.9	114.3	818.1	114.2	832.3	107.0	770.7	110.1	839.0
Bank Branch	141.8	112,866.5	147.6	114,577.4	143.1	100,277.4	137.0	102,662.7	141.1	99,372.9
Total Transactions	1,385.5	137,165.9	1,555.0	143,141.7	1,639.5	131,560.3	1,807.6	136,657.1	1,950.6	136,510.6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on data provided by ATMs operating banks/MFBs, POS acquiring banks and (CNP) e-commerce merchant acquiring banks

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes card-based (CNP) e-commerce transactions at e-merchants registered with Banks & MFBs

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Includes wallet-based e-commerce transactions at e-merchants registered with BBs. These are closed loop e-commerce transactions due to which they are reported once under BB wallet transactions

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Includes wallet-based purchases at retail stores and shops that are enabled by BBs to accept payments via their issued wallets. These are also closed loop transactions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Direct Debit transactions are standing instructions where a payer authorizes their bank to withdraw funds directly from their bank account for recurring payments such as utility bills, subscriptions, card or loan repayments. These transactions were previously reported under Bank Branch based OTC transactions.

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# A-5: ATM Transactions (Banks & MFBs)

(Volume in Million & Value in Billion-PKR)

Tuesdestion Type	Q1-F\	/24	Q2-FY24		Q3-F	Q3-FY24		<b>24</b> <sup>R</sup>	Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>	
Transaction Type	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value
Cash withdrawals	208.5	2,953.7	229.2	3,368.1	230.5	3,518.2	239.4	3,680.1	237.6	3,535.2
Intra-Bank Fund Transfer	1.3	71.5	1.3	74.1	1.3	80.3	1.3	75.8	1.2	75.6
Inter-Bank Fund Transfers	3.0	151.1	3.2	157.7	3.4	172.2	3.3	162.6	3.3	164.5
Utilities Bill Payments	0.3	6.8	0.3	4.5	0.3	4.3	0.2	4.5	0.3	5.4
Cash/Instrument Deposits	1.0	106.6	1.0	104.6	1.0	111.4	1.0	103.9	1.1	115.0
Other ATM based	0.01	0.17	0.01	0.18	0.01	0.19	0.01	0.19	0.01	0.19
<b>Total Transactions</b>	214.1	3,289.8	235.0	3,709.2	236.5	3,886.5	245.1	4,027.1	243.5	3,895.9

Based on data provided by ATM acquirers

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# A-6: POS Transactions (Banks & MFBs)

(Volume in Million & Value in Billion-PKR)

Tuescation Time	Q1-F\	Q1-FY24		Q2-FY24		Q3-FY24		Q4-FY24		Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>	
Transaction Type	Volume	Value									
Cash withdrawals	0.1	8.1	0.1	8.2	0.1	7.2	0.1	6.2	0.1	5.5	
Purchase - Local	56.4	298.4	61.5	342.7	66.2	363.6	73.3	390.5	80.1	406.6	
Purchase – International <sup>1</sup>	2.4	15.4	3.5	20.5	4.3	23.2	3.3	18.5	3.1	17.3	
Total Transactions	59.0	321.9	65.1	371.4	70.6	393.9	76.7	415.1	83.3	429.5	

Based on data provided by POS acquirers

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Transactions performed from foreign issued cards on local POS machines



# A-7: Internet Banking Transactions (Banks & MFBs)

#### (Volume in Million & Value in Billion-PKR)

Transaction Type	Q1-F	FY24 Q2-FY24		Y24	Q3-F	Y24	Q4-FY	<b>24</b> <sup>R</sup>	Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>	
Transaction Type	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value
Intra-Bank Fund Transfers	14.0	1,616.3	15.3	1,986.9	16.6	2,334.4	16.5	2,572.7	15.9	2,652.7
Inter-Bank Fund Transfers	28.4	2,207.8	34.0	2,440.5	34.0	3,133.2	34.5	3,305.4	37.4	3,514.6
Utilities Bill Payments	6.0	276.9	6.3	307.1	6.6	367.3	5.2	380.9	5.4	426.5
Miscellaneous Payments <sup>1</sup>	1.4	565.1	1.5	634.7	1.4	599.4	1.4	756.9	1.4	943.2
Total Transactions	49.8	4,666.1	57.1	5,369.3	58.6	6,434.2	57.6	7,015.9	60.1	7,537.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Miscellaneous payments include government payments, taxes, 3rd party invoice payments, credit card payments, fee collections, donations and other payments

# A-8: Mobile Banking Transactions (Banks & MFBs)

Tuesday ties Tour	Q1-F	Q1-FY24		Q2-FY24		Y24 Q4-		<b>′24</b> <sup>R</sup>	Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>	
Transaction Type	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value
Intra-Bank Fund Transfers	45.0	3,439.1	57.4	4,465.5	60.6	5,112.3	62.5	5,306.8	67.5	5,930.9
Inter-Bank Fund Transfers	136.5	4,470.1	180.6	5,967.3	197.4	6,963.2	215.5	7,260.6	243.1	8,490.1
Utilities Bill Payments	26.2	260.6	31.5	269.2	32.5	278.0	34.4	308.5	35.3	419.1
Miscellaneous Payments <sup>1</sup>	9.6	475.1	10.3	524.1	10.9	601.8	11.6	642.2	12.4	701.7
Total Transactions	217.4	8,644.9	279.9	11,226.2	301.5	12,955.3	324.0	13,518.0	358.3	15,541.9

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Miscellaneous payments include government payments, taxes, 3rd party invoice payments, credit card payments, fee collections, donations and other payments

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# A-9: Call Center/IVR Banking Transactions (Banks & MFBs)

#### (Volume in Million & Value in Billion-PKR)

Transaction Type	Q1-F	Q1-FY24		Q2-FY24		Q3-FY24		Q4-FY24		<b>25</b> ⁵
Transaction Type	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	0.00	Value
Intra-Bank Fund Transfers	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.04
Inter-Bank Fund Transfers	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Utilities Bill Payments	0.01	0.42	0.01	0.37	0.01	0.36	0.01	0.40	0.02	0.67
Miscellaneous Payments <sup>1</sup>	0.02	1.50	0.02	1.48	0.15	1.54	0.02	1.56	0.02	1.28
Total Transactions	0.04	1.98	0.04	1.90	0.16	1.95	0.03	2.01	0.04	1.99

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All payments other than fund transfers and utility bill payments as provided by the bank

# A-10: CNP e-Commerce Transactions (Banks & MFBs)

Transaction Type	Q1-F\	Q1-FY24		Q2-FY24		Q3-FY24		/24	Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>	
	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value
Local cards <sup>1</sup>	8.7	28.7	9.4	36.1	7.8	35.4	8.1	34.6	9.3	37.7
International cards <sup>2</sup>	0.9	10.8	1.4	14.4	1.7	16.7	1.8	17.5	1.8	16.9
<b>Total Transactions</b>	9.6	39.6	10.9	50.5	9.5	52.1	9.9	52.1	11.1	54.6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Card-not-present (CNP) transaction on domestic e-commerce websites through domestic issued card

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Card-not-present (CNP) transactions on domestic e-commerce websites through foreign issued card

P: Provisional | R: Revised



### A-11: EMI-Wallet Transactions (EMIs)

#### (Volume in Million & Value in Billion-PKR)

Transaction Type	Q1-FY24		Q2-FY24		Q3-FY24		Q4-FY24		Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>	
Transaction Type	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	.5 22.3	Value
Intra-EMI Fund Transfers	1.1	3.2	1.5	4.4	1.8	5.5	2.4	7.6	2.7	9.5
Inter-EMI & Bank Fund Transfers	9.4	31.0	13.4	43.3	15.2	52.8	18.0	64.5	22.3	78.3
Bill Payments/ Mobile Top-ups	1.9	2.3	2.1	2.6	2.4	3.0	2.9	3.8	3.1	4.9
Miscellaneous Payments	2.9	0.5	3.1	0.6	3.4	0.7	3.6	0.8	4.3	0.6
Total e-Wallet Transactions	15.4	37.0	20.1	50.8	22.9	62.1	26.8	76.5	32.4	93.3

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# A-12: Branchless Banking Wallet Transactions (BBs)

Tuonsoction Tuno	Q1-FY24		Q2-FY24		Q3-FY24		Q4-FY24 <sup>R</sup>		Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>	
Transaction Type	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value
Fund Transfers	295.5	1,533.7	337.9	1,771.1	382.2	2,046.2	466.1	2,480.7	527.2	2,650.1
Bill Payments/ Mobile Top-ups	208.2	146.6	212.5	140.3	213.5	143.8	220.9	163.1	223.7	197.9
E-Commerce Purchases <sup>1</sup>	19.1	14.3	21.1	19.0	29.2	26.5	81.9	68.8	106.6	93.2
Retail Store/ Shop Purchases <sup>2</sup>	13.5	32.7	15.6	41.9	16.6	44.9	19.0	48.8	21.3	53.4
Miscellaneous Payments	31.7	30.3	37.3	25.4	40.3	26.7	34.9	44.0	31.4	43.3
Total BB-Wallet Payments	568.1	1,757.6	624.4	1,997.7	681.9	2,288.1	822.8	2,805.4	910.1	3,038.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes wallet based e-commerce purchases. These are closed loop transactions, i.e. both merchant and the wallet holder are registered with same BB.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes payments at retail/kiryana store/ shops via wallets/QR scan/TILL. These are closed loop transactions, i.e. both merchant and the wallet holder are registered with same BB.

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# A-13: Direct Debit Transactions (Banks & MFBs)

(Volume in Million & Value in Billion-PKR)

Tuencestian Type	Q1-FY24		Q2-FY24		Q3-FY24		Q4-FY24 <sup>R</sup>		Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>	
Transaction Type	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value
Direct Debit/ Standing Instructions <sup>1</sup>	0.58	4,706.7	0.60	4,969.2	0.58	4,376.4	0.59	5,311.4	0.56	5,706.7
Total Payments	0.58	4,706.7	0.60	4,969.2	0.58	4,376.4	0.59	5,311.4	0.56	5,706.7

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Direct Debit or Standing Instructions are transactions where a payer authorizes their bank to withdraw funds directly from their bank account for recurring payments such as utility bills, subscriptions, card or loan repayments.

# A-14: Branchless Banking Agent-based Transactions (BB Agents)

Tuencestien Tune	Q1-FY24		Q2-FY24		Q3-FY24		Q4-FY24 <sup>R</sup>		Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>	
Transaction Type	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value
Fund Transfers	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	1.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
Bill Payments/ Mobile Top-ups	29.6	149.5	30.0	120.3	30.3	105.5	29.7	117.6	28.1	155.3
Cash Deposits	62.5	459.8	65.9	493.1	66.4	500.8	61.1	467.8	63.8	459.0
Cash Withdrawals	11.6	94.2	11.3	83.9	10.4	90.8	10.2	45.0	11.0	56.8
Miscellaneous Payments	5.9	130.2	7.1	120.6	7.0	133.8	5.9	140.2	7.2	167.8
Total Agent-based Payments	109.8	833.9	114.3	818.1	114.2	832.3	107.0	770.7	110.1	839.0

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# A-15: Paper-Based Transactions (Banks/MFB Branches)

(Volume in Million & Value in Billion-PKR)

Transaction True	Q1-F\	<b>′24</b> <sup>R</sup>	Q2-F\	<b>/24</b> <sup>R</sup>	Q3-F\	<b>/24</b> <sup>R</sup>	Q4-FY	<b>′24</b> <sup>R</sup>	Q1-FY25 <sup>P</sup>	
Transaction Type	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume       2     22.1       3     22.5       4     35.3       8     9.9       8     9.4       0     15.2       0     8.4       0     1.6	Value
Cash Deposit <sup>1</sup>	22.9	7,788.8	23.3	7,433.6	21.8	6,993.0	20.8	7,402.2	22.1	7,405.6
Cash Deposit (RTOB) <sup>2</sup>	24.2	6,287.0	25.0	6,457.2	23.5	6,446.3	20.9	6,022.9	22.5	6,142.1
Cash Withdrawal <sup>1</sup>	34.9	7,573.1	38.6	8,161.1	37.4	7,842.2	35.7	7,449.7	35.3	7,116.7
Cash Withdrawal (RTOB) <sup>2</sup>	9.9	2,672.9	10.8	2,776.0	10.6	2,836.4	10.0	2,740.3	9.9	2,615.9
Intra-Bank FT <sup>1</sup>	9.5	43,052.1	9.6	43,138.0	9.4	31,974.3	9.4	34,362.8	9.4	33,336.7
Intra-Bank FT (RTOB) <sup>2</sup>	13.6	31,351.0	14.5	32,528.9	14.5	29,214.2	14.8	29,997.0	15.2	28,534.5
Inter-Bank FT <sup>1</sup>	8.9	8,970.0	8.8	9,069.7	9.1	9,167.0	8.8	9,473.9	8.4	9,122.9
PO/DD/Banker's Cheque	1.8	3,470.0	1.6	3,060.9	1.7	3,692.5	1.8	3,120.0	1.6	2,740.3
Utility Bill Payments	15.9	620.4	15.2	603.7	14.8	556.8	14.6	611.3	16.4	772.5
Others Instruments <sup>3</sup>	0.1	1,081.3	0.2	1,348.4	0.2	1,554.6	0.2	1,482.6	0.1	1,585.6
Total Transactions <sup>4</sup>	141.8	112,866.5	147.6	114,577.4	143.1	100,277.4	137.0	102,662.7	141.1	99,372.9

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Transfer, Withdrawal or deposits to branch own account

Note: Direct Debit transactions have been separated from Paper-Based transactions due to which, there is a decline in total of paper-based transactions.

#### A-16: Raast Transactions

Transaction Type	Q1-F\	Q1-FY24		Q2-FY24		Q3-FY24		Q4-FY24		<b>25</b> <sup>P</sup>
Transaction Type	Volume	Value								
Bulk Payments	0.18	41.4	0.35	63.2	0.53	71.6	0.60	103.7	0.63	100.5
P2P Transfers	81.0	1,710.0	106.8	2,257.3	139.8	3,365.3	166.8	3,945.7	196.1	4,649.4
<b>Total Raast Transactions</b>	81.2	1,751.5	107.1	2,320.5	140.3	3,436.9	167.4	4,049.4	196.7	4,749.9

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Transfer, Withdrawal or Deposit to other account through Real-Time Online Branch

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Includes Telegraphic Transfers, Coupon, Dividend Warrants and other miscellaneous payments

FT: Funds Transfer | PO: Pay Order | DD: Demand Draft | Real-Time Online Branches

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# A-17: Card-Based Transactions

(Volume in Million & Value in Billion-PKR)

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Count True	Q1-F	Y24	Q2-F	Y24	Q3-F	Y24	Q4-FY	<b>/24</b> <sup>R</sup>	Q1-F\	′25 <sup>P</sup>
Card Type	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value
				ATM Tran	sactions					
ATMs only Cards	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debit Cards	214.9	3,213.6	233.8	3,616.5	231.7	3,757.9	243.2	3,916.7	243.1	3,804.0
Credit Cards	0.1	1.8	0.1	1.8	0.1	1.8	0.1	1.9	0.2	2.4
Pre-Paid Cards	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.3
Social Welfare Cards	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.2	1.1	0.1	0.3
Total Transactions	215.2	3,215.9	234.2	3,618.9	232.0	3,760.3	243.6	3,920.0	243.4	3,807.1
				POS Tran	sactions					
Debit Cards	48.0	226.9	52.2	256.1	53.6	266.7	61.1	283.2	69.5	305.7
Credit Cards	16.7	119.0	17.3	129.0	16.7	137.5	20.4	188.4	22.8	178.1
Pre-Paid Cards	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Total Transactions	64.7	345.9	69.5	385.2	70.3	404.2	81.5	471.6	92.4	483.8
				E-Commerce	Transactions					
Debit Cards	14.1	62.3	13.8	62.8	11.9	56.1	15.7	62.7	18.2	70.5
Credit Cards	4.3	43.6	5.3	45.0	4.4	44.9	5.9	51.8	6.3	55.4
Pre-Paid Cards	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.5
Total Transactions	18.5	106.0	19.1	107.9	16.3	101.1	21.7	114.9	24.6	126.4

Based on data provided by Card issuers (Banks, MFBs, EMIs, BBs)

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# **ACRONYMS**

ADC Alternate Delivery Channel
ATM Automated Teller Machine

BB Branchless Banking (Service Providers)

CCDM Cash and Cheque Deposit Machine

CDM Cash Deposits Machine

CNP Card Not Present
DD Demand Draft

DFI Development Finance Institution
DFSG Digital Financial Services Group
EMI Electronic Money Institution

FT Funds Transfer

IVR Interactive Voice Response

MFB Microfinance Bank
OTC Over the Counter
P2P Person-to-Person

PO Pay Order
POS Point-of-Sale

PRISM Pakistan Real-time Interbank Settlement Mechanism

PSO Payment System Operator PSP Payment Service Provider

PSP&OD Payment Systems Policy and Oversight Department

RTGS Real-Time Gross Settlement System

RTOB Real-Time Online Branches

SBP State Bank of Pakistan

USSD Unstructured Supplementary Service Data