

#10 Why device connectivity depends on network settings

Tuesday 11 July
14:00 – 15:00 BST

Agenda

Time	Segment	Speaker
14:00	Welcome and housekeeping	Nicolás Forster GSMA
14:05	Networks and Devices market update: key trends and drivers	Pablo Iacopino GSMA Intelligence
14:15	GSMA Network Settings Exchange: GSMA NSX updates and how they can help your business	Shamit Bhat GSMA
14:25	Why MNOs benefit from Network Settings Exchange	Florian-Leon Schmitt Deutsche Telekom
14:35	How Mobile Network Virtual Operator Enablers (MVNOEs) and MVNOs benefit from GSMA's Network Settings Exchange	Kevin Haddad Ztar Mobile
14:45 – 15.00	Q&A and closing remarks	Nicolás Forster GSMA

Mobile industry is transforming faster than ever before

Growth and evolution of mobile devices and networks are at the heart

- Handsets
- Tablets and laptops
- Consumer IoT devices
- XR devices
- 5G FWA CPE
- Connected vehicles
- Enterprise IoT devices and machines

**Proliferation
of connected
devices**

**New
networks
and
capabilities**

- 5G mobile networks
- 5G FWA networks
- IoT networks
- Private networks
- Network sunsets (2G, 3G)
- VoLTE and Vo5G
- ViLTE and Vi5G
- eSIM and iSIM
- Satellite

Network settings are essential to help OEMs, MNOs and MVNOs deliver a fast, complete and seamless user experience

Consumers going digital is a major force driving change

Network settings ensure consumers get the most from digital services

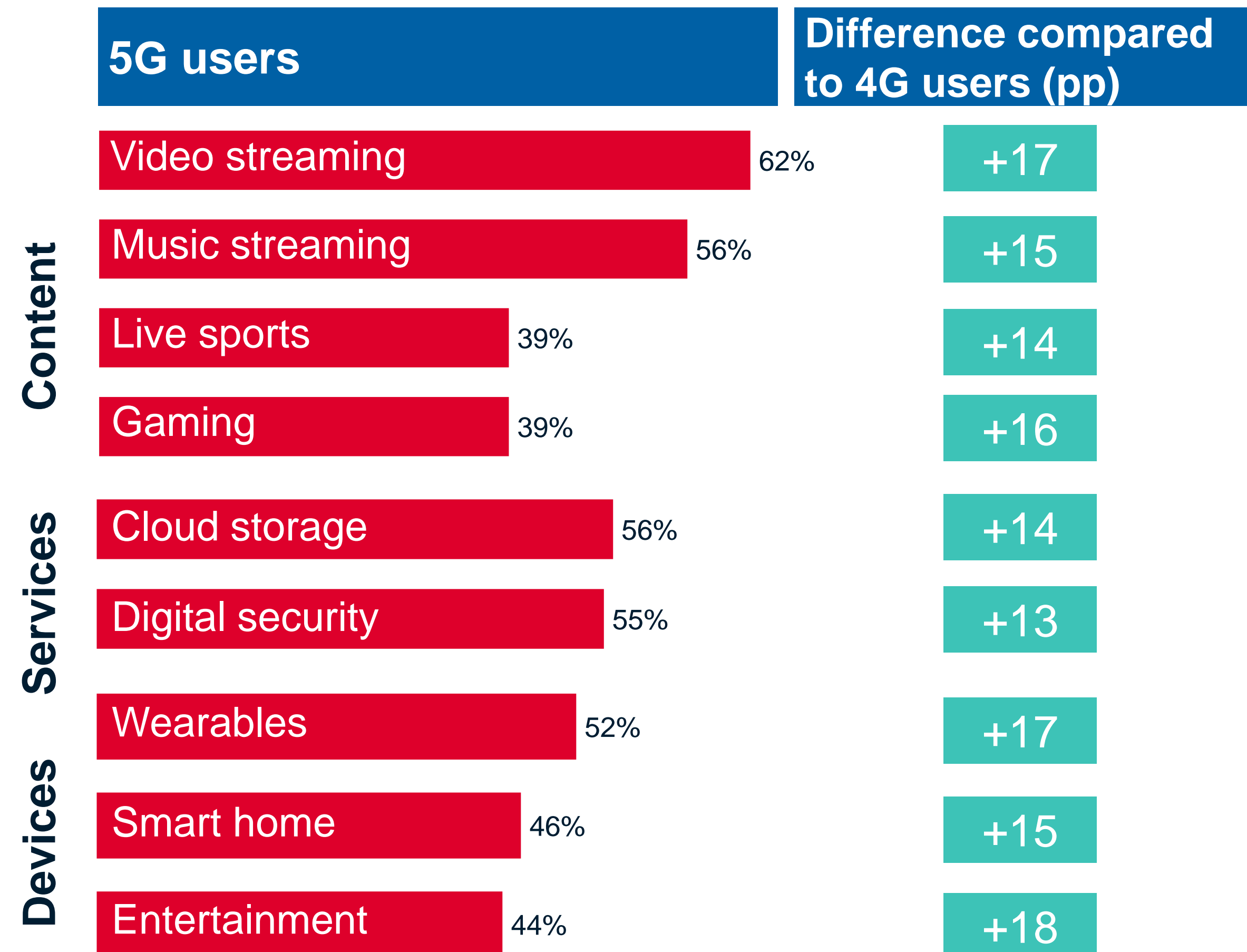
Smartphone is the leading central platform

More and more subscriptions to digital services

Smooth and full control (via apps)

5G raises the bar

Consumer interest in adding non-connectivity offerings to their mobile subscriptions



Consumer behaviour: comparing 5G vs. 4G users

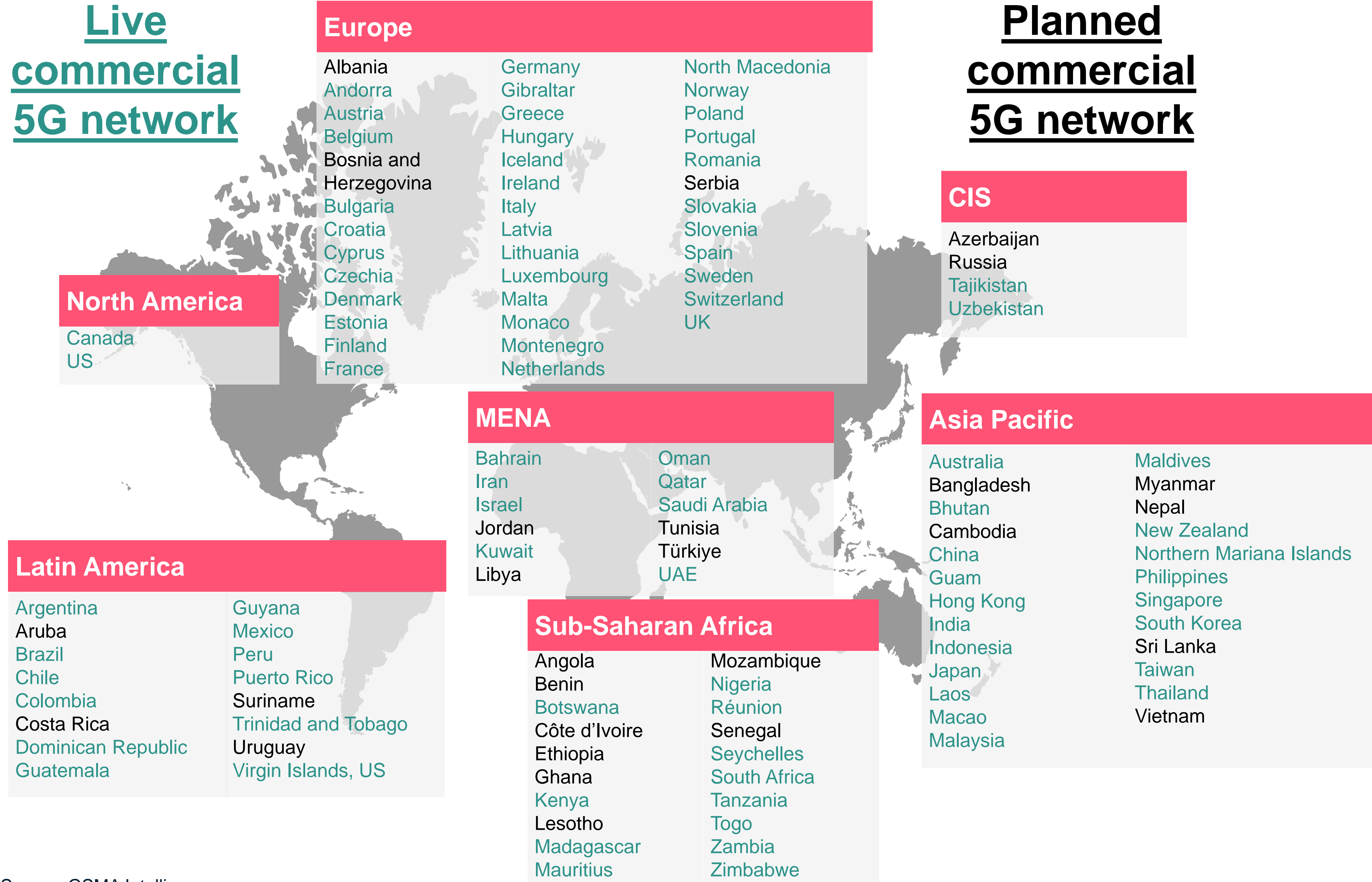
Key findings from our global consumer survey

- **Bundling:** 5G subscribers are more interested in adding non-connectivity offerings to their mobile subscription contracts
- **Content:** 5G subscribers make greater use of digital entertainment services (e.g. video, gaming) on their smartphones

5G commercialisation keeps growing

5G is now a global trend

Live commercial 5G network



As of 31st March 2023

228 Operators have launched mobile 5G services



62 Operators have announced plans to launch mobile 5G services



290 Operators in total across **113 countries worldwide**

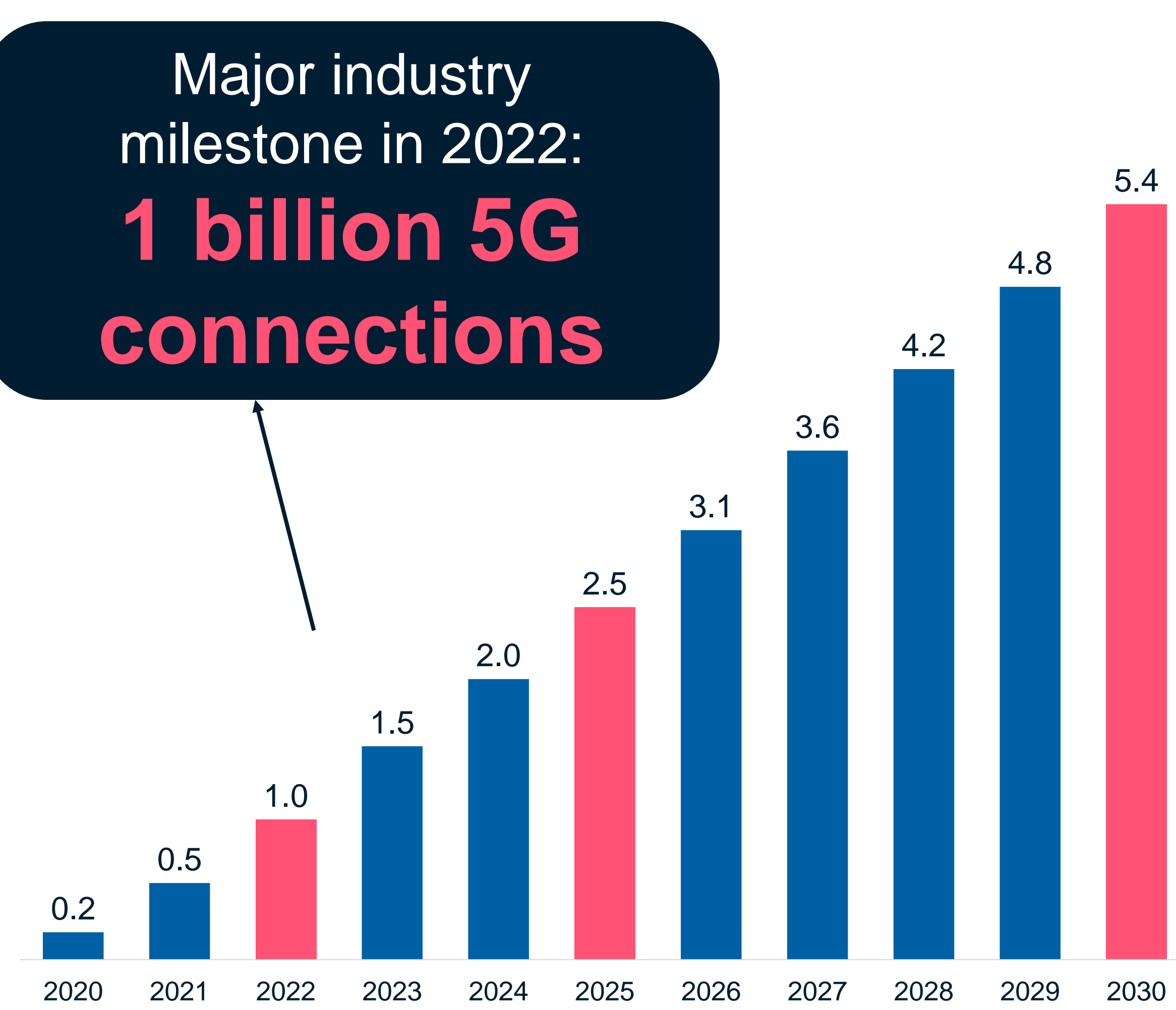
5G adoption is faster than that of previous networks

Scaling beyond the first 1 billion

Global 5G connections

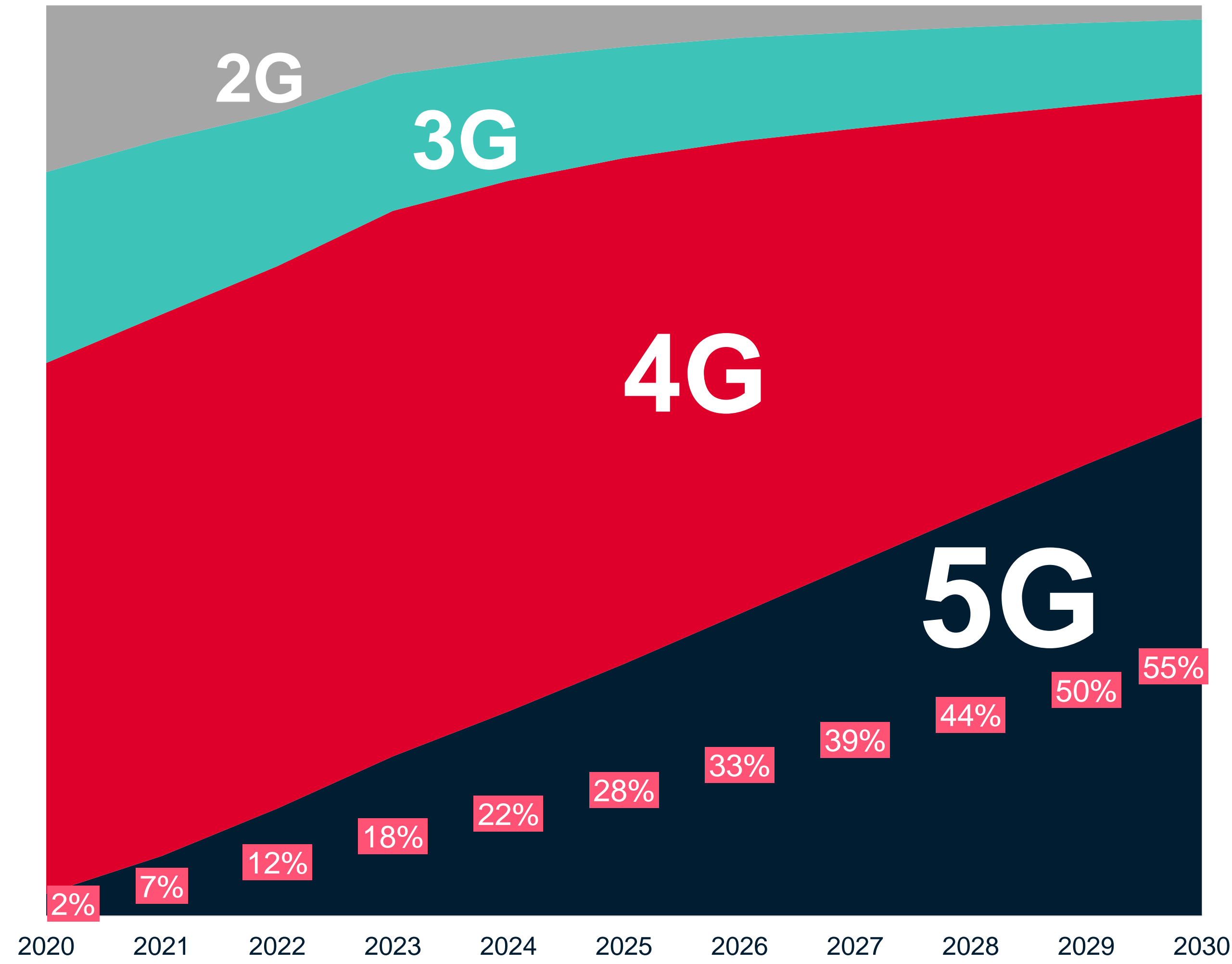
Billion*

Major industry milestone in 2022:
1 billion 5G connections



5G share of mobile connections

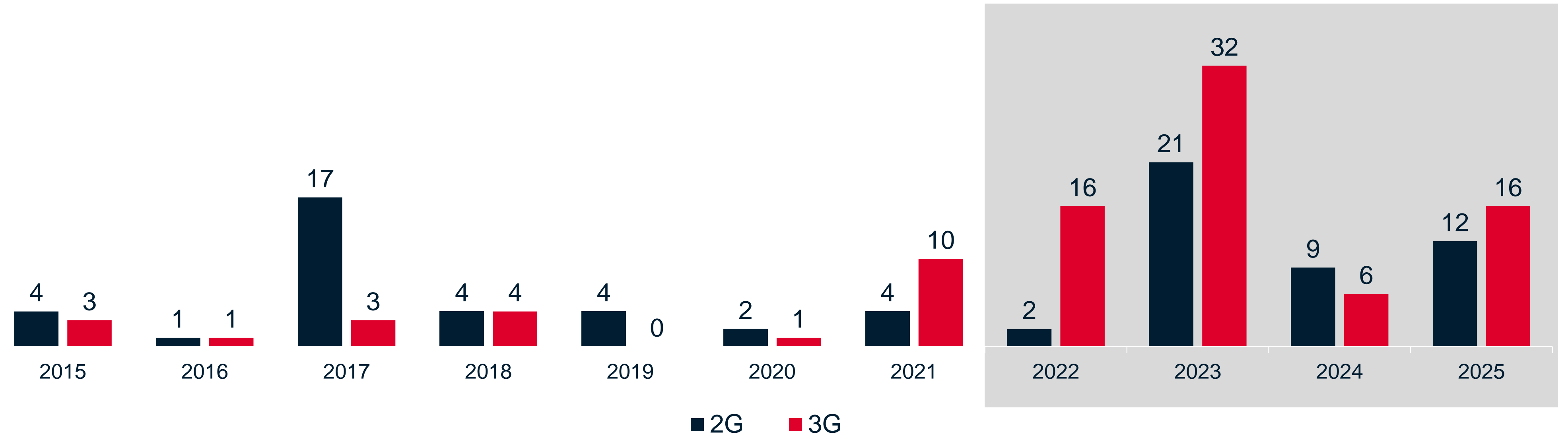
Globally*



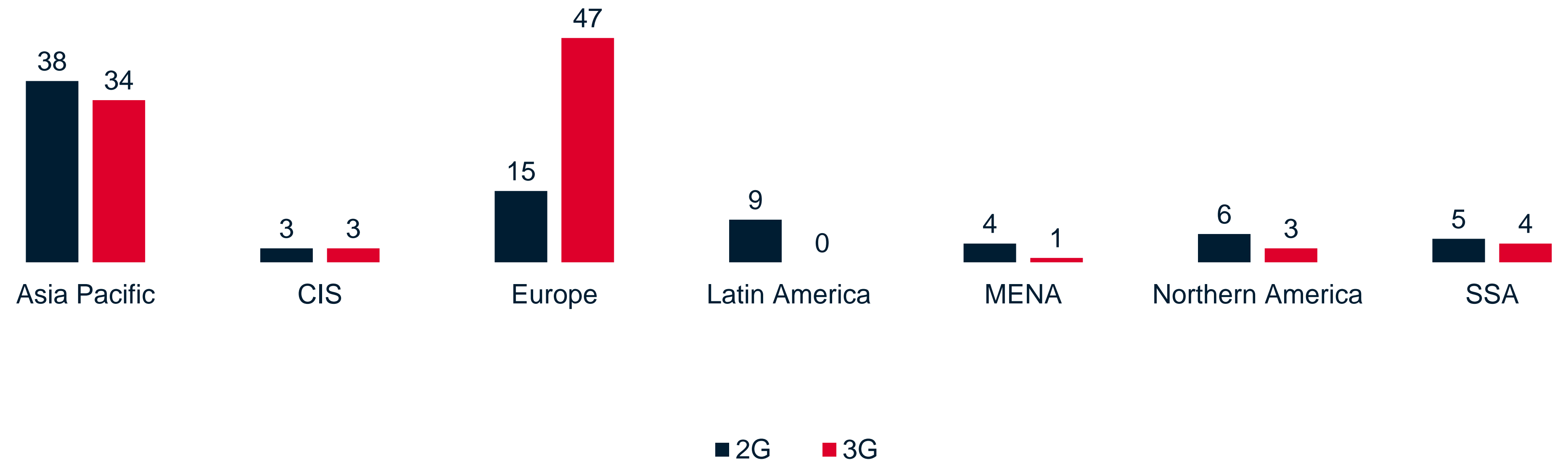
The arrival of 5G has accelerated network sunsets

3G shutdowns are more popular than 2G shutdowns

2G and 3G network sunsets (globally)



Completed and planned sunsets, by region (2015–2025)

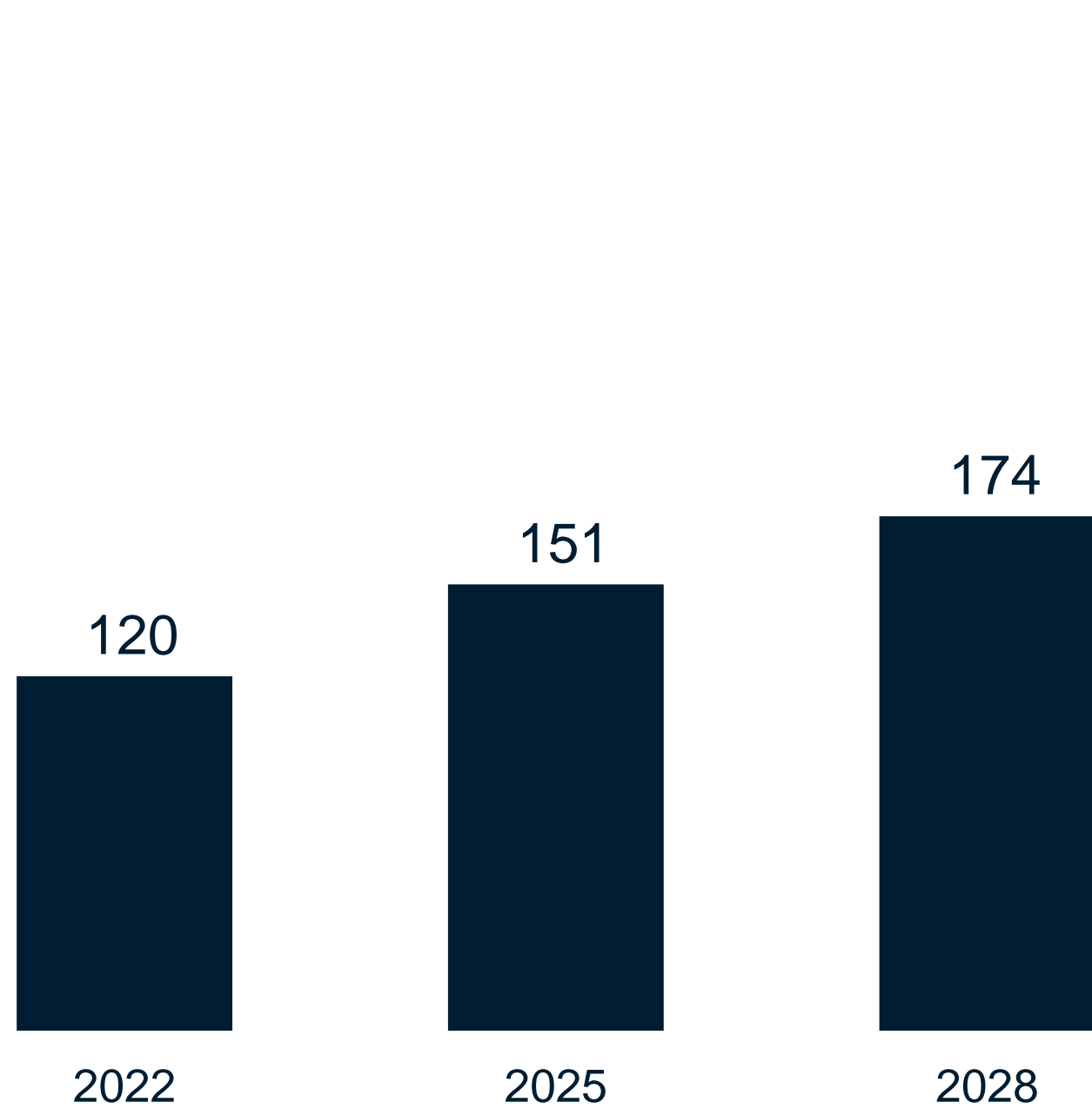


5G and network sunsets are driving VoLTE/Vo5G up

Voice and video going over 4G and 5G

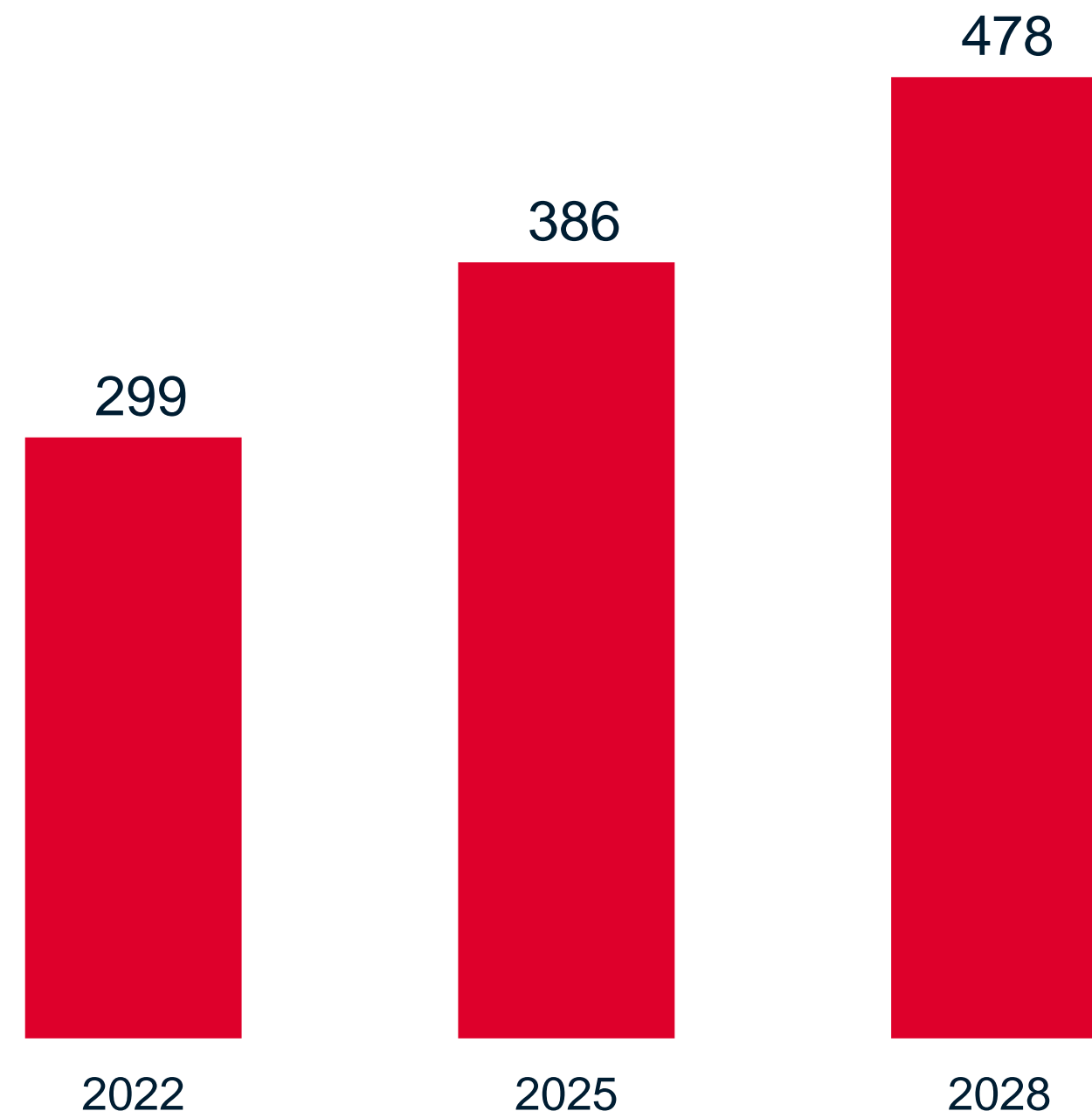
Number of countries providing VoLTE service (including Vo5G) – Globally

COUNTRIES



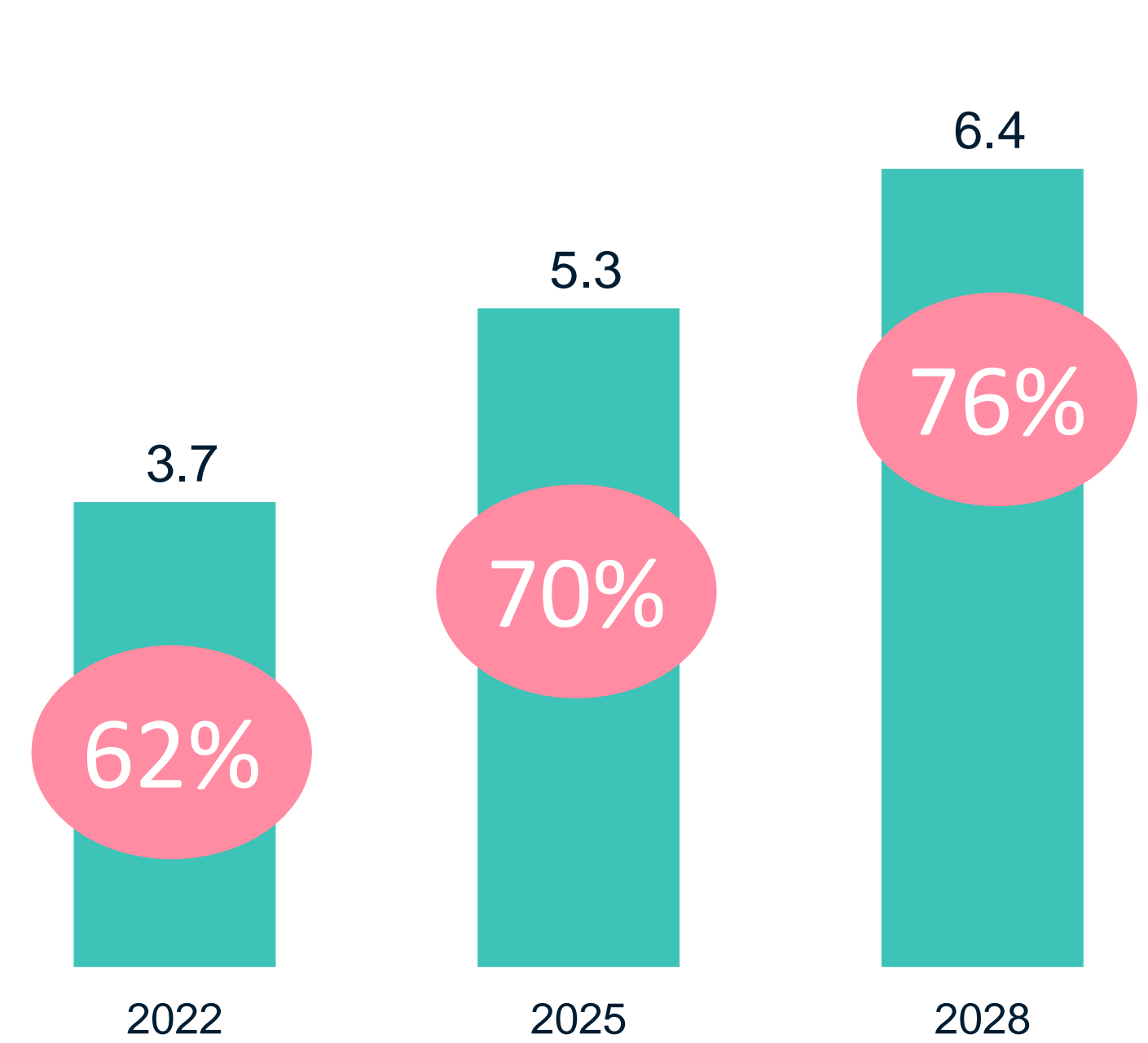
Number of MNOs providing VoLTE service (including Vo5G) – Globally

MNOs



Number of VoLTE connections (including Vo5G) – Globally, billion

CONNECTIONS



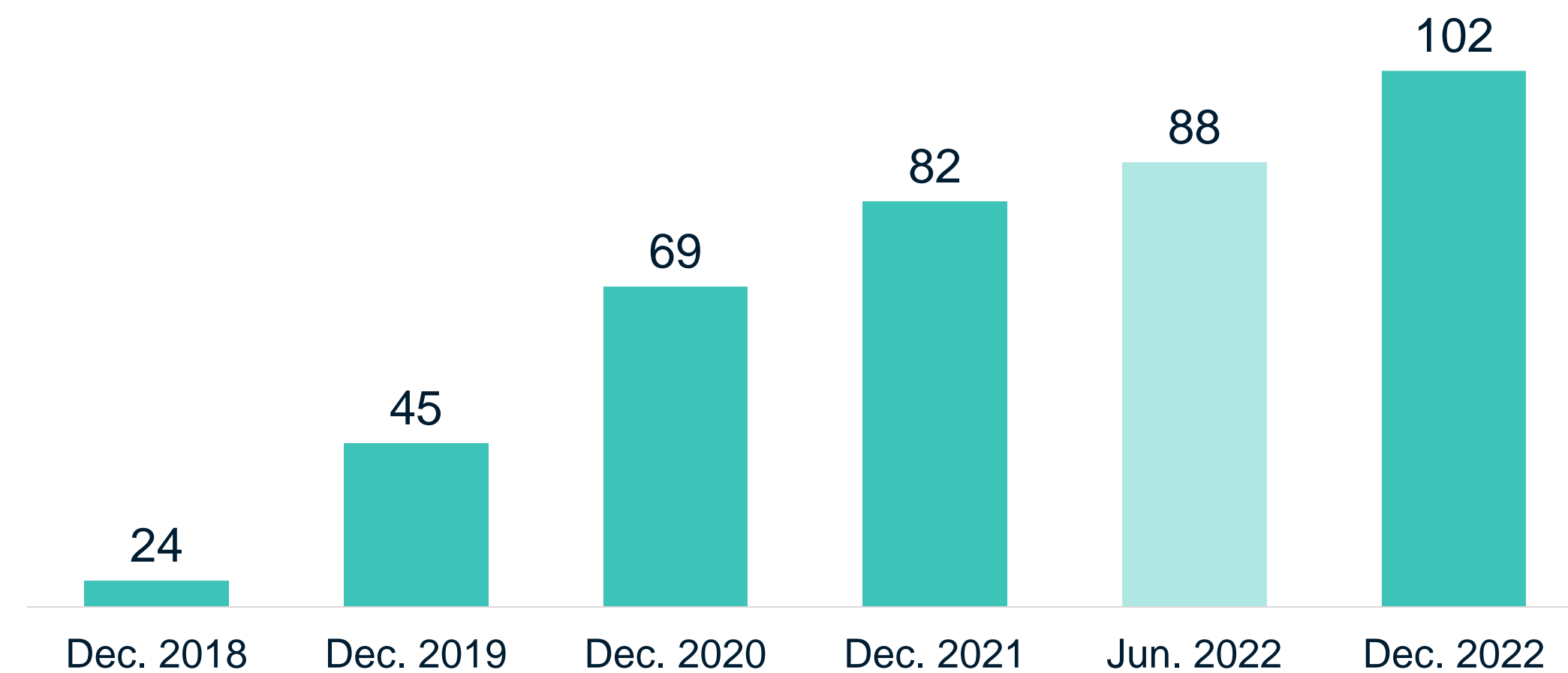
VoLTE connections as % of 4G+5G connections

eSIM is now mainstream...and global

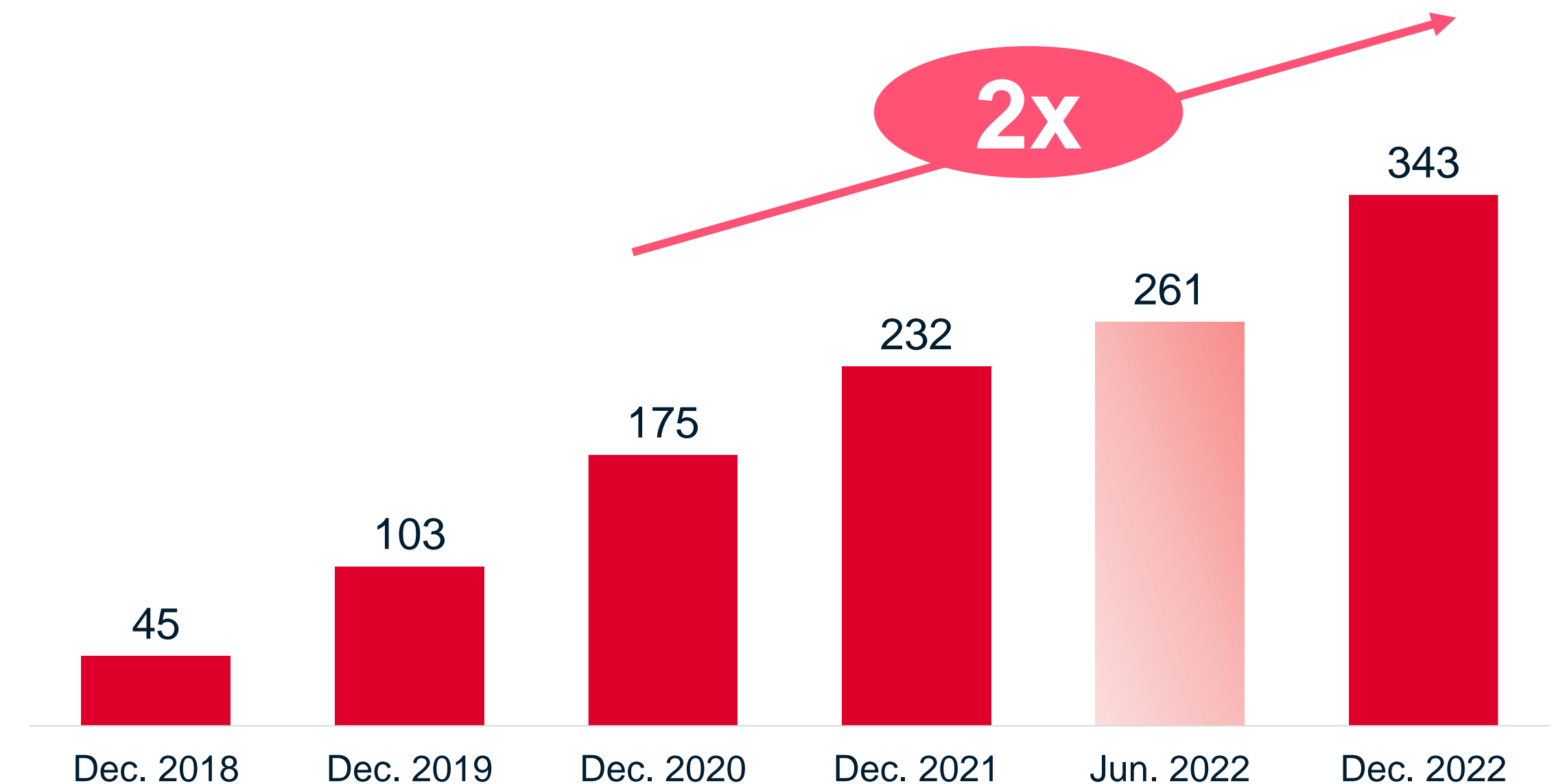
Momentum is accelerating: eSIM-only smartphones a major milestone

Commercial availability of eSIM service for smartphones

Number of countries



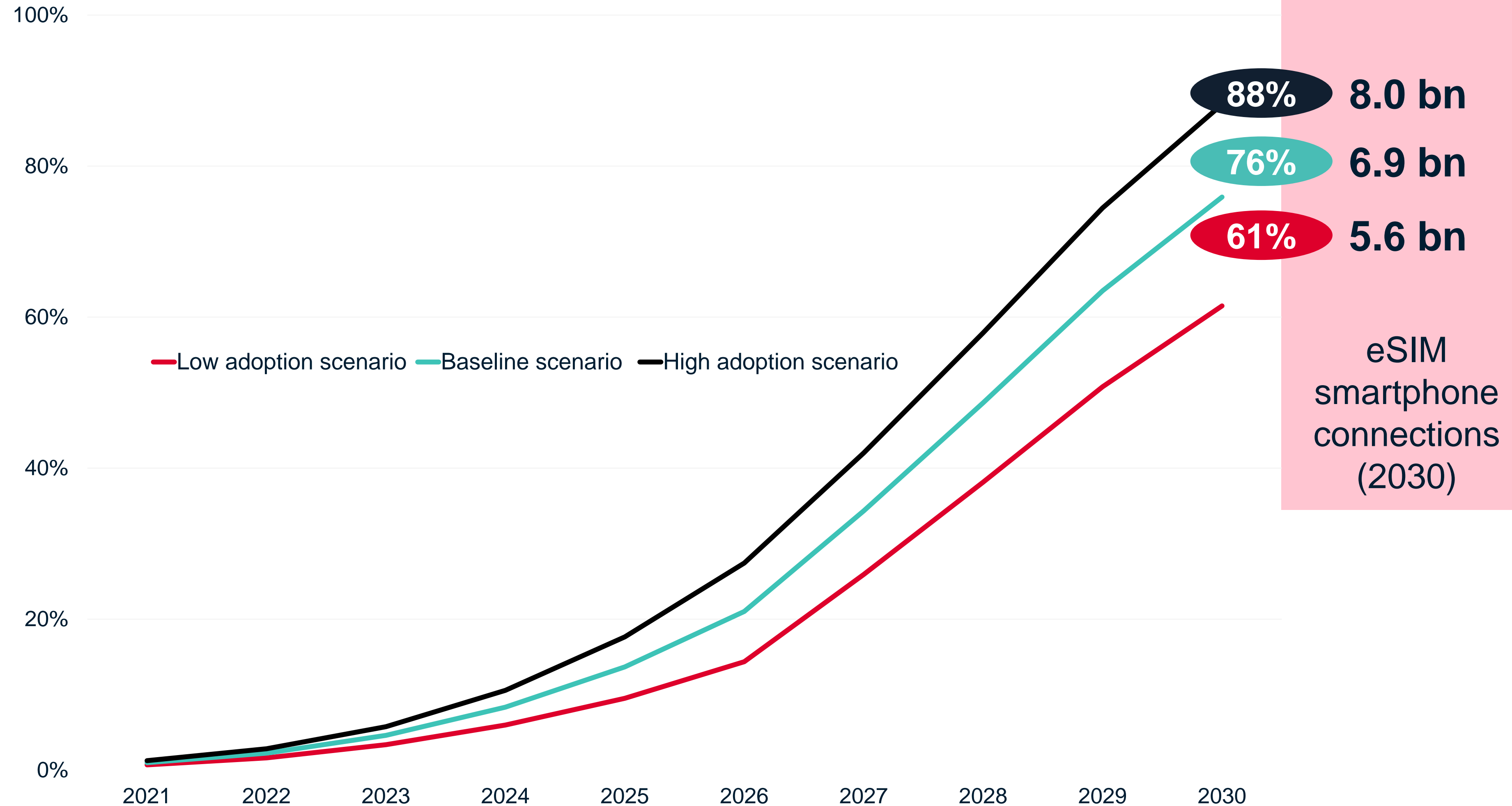
Number of mobile service providers (MNOs and MVNOs) offering commercial eSIM service for smartphones



eSIM-only effect: eSIM commercialisation has accelerated after the launch of eSIM-only iPhones in the US in Sept. 2022

eSIM smartphone connections to 2030

Percentage of total smartphone connections (installed base) globally



Key milestones: Baseline scenario (globally)

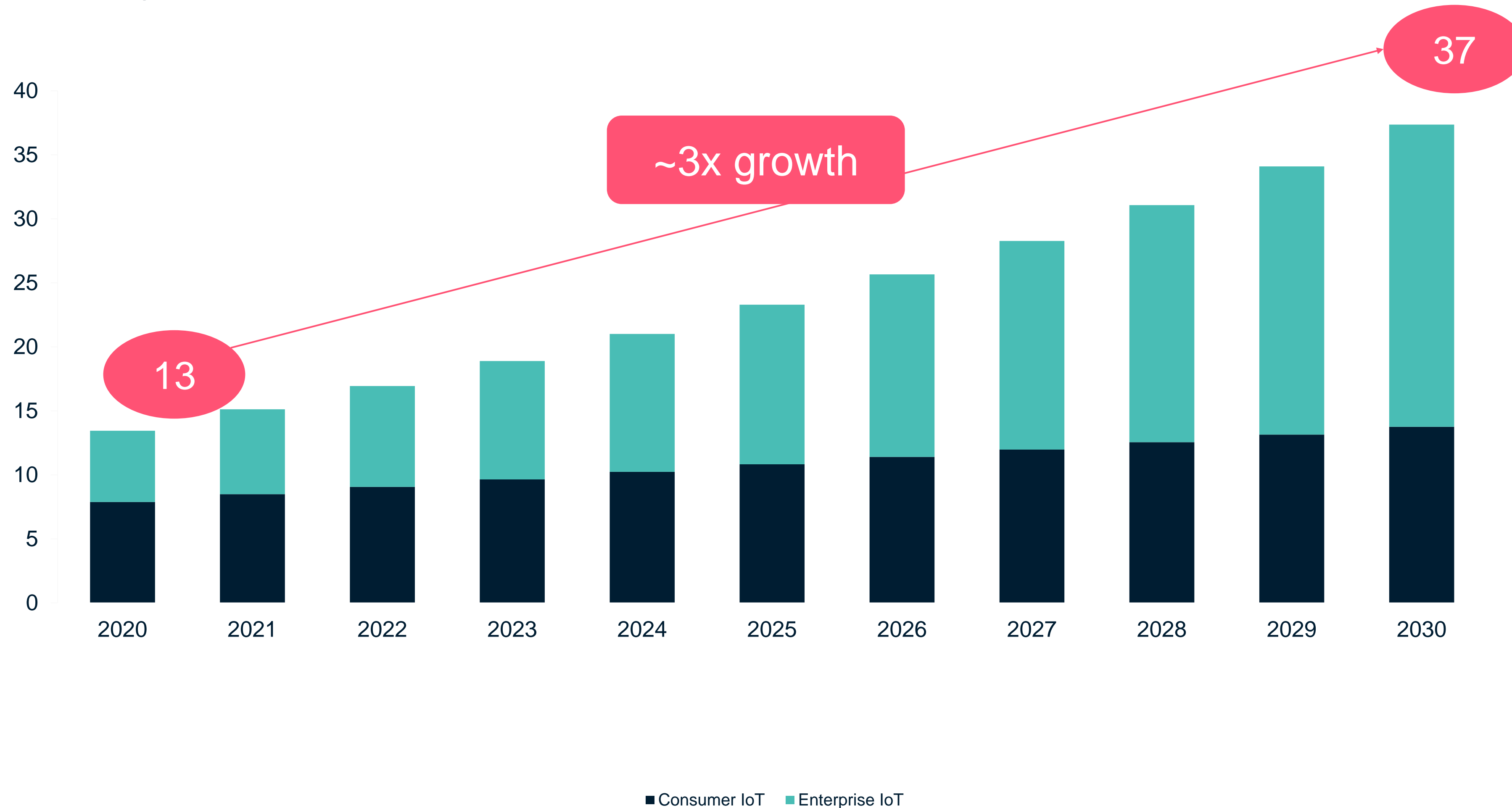
- **1 billion** eSIM smartphone connections by **2025**
- By 2028, **half** of smartphone connections will use eSIM
- North America will be leading by far (**eSIM-only effect**). Europe follows

eSIM
smartphone
connections
(2030)

~3x growth through to 2030

Global IoT connections

Billion, globally



- **Enterprise driving IoT growth:** across all vertical sectors
- **Consumer trends:** smart home drives growth. Smartwatches overtaking fitness trackers
- **Cellular on the rise:** nearly 6 billion licensed cellular IoT connections by 2030

Enterprise demands for Private Networks

22%

of enterprises deploying or planning to deploy IoT solutions require location-specific network coverage (i.e. a factory or campus)

of which **88%**

have invested or are likely to invest in a private network for that location

Trends in Private Networks deployments

- **Network vendors and operators are the main contractors so far...but new players are emerging**
- **4G was the leading network tech in the early days; 5G is now taking the lead**
- **Industrial sectors lead...but there are deployments in all sectors of the economy**

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30+

analysts &
industry experts



44K+

users
worldwide



150+

reports published
annually



50m

data points
updated daily



350

data metrics
tracked



170

data metrics modelled
and forecasted up to
2030



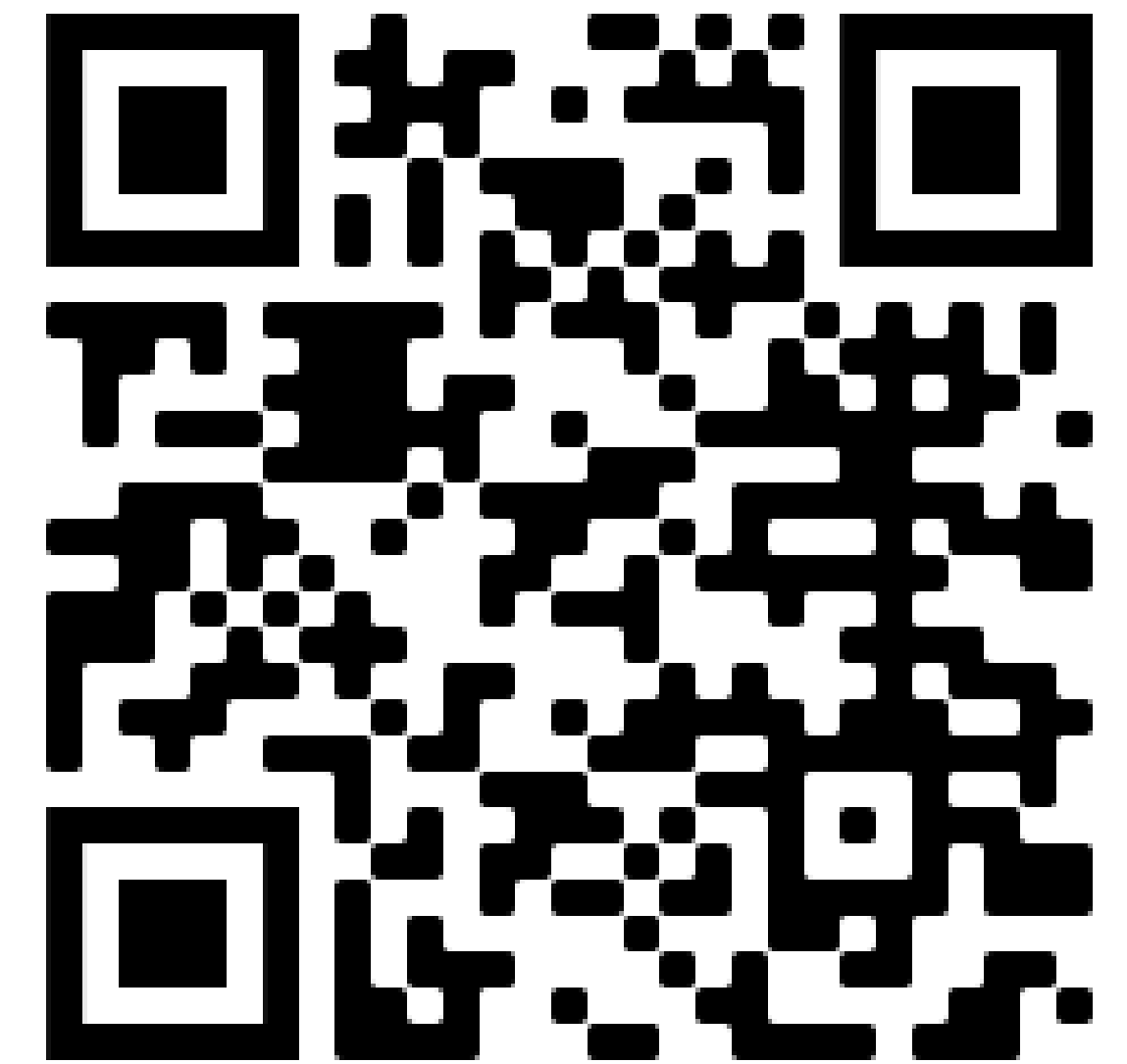
2k+

news items curated
on our platform,
updated quarterly



6K+

operator
networks
tracked



The world's only device network settings platform

One location where operators and MVNOs update the device manufacturing community with the latest device network settings, so a device can be fine-tuned to a specific network, enabling all services to run reliably, worldwide.

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How it works





+634

OEMs signed up



30%

of OEMs have downloaded a settings file in the past 12 months



+746

OEMs download settings files p/m on average



+140

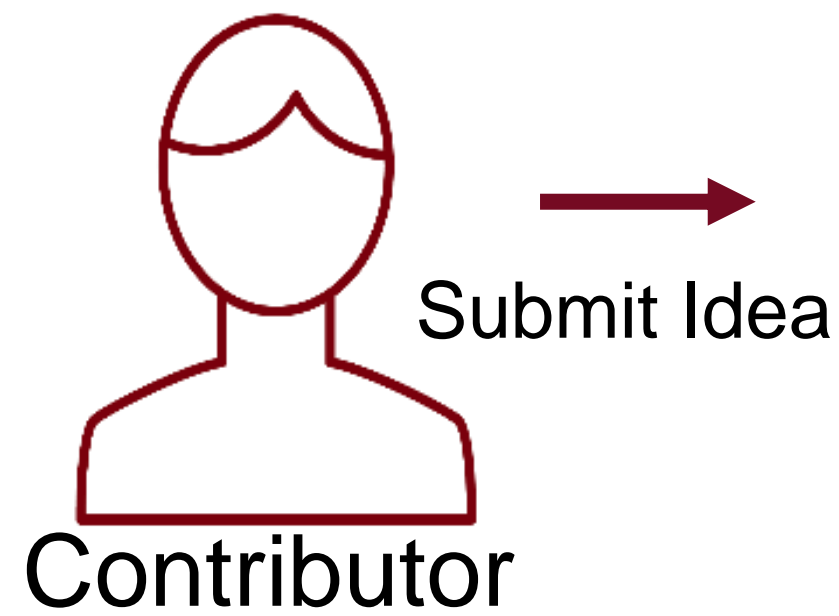
MNO and MVNO accounts



+170

unique network settings featured

New features/ settings process



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GSMA Network Settings Exchange
Product Idea Submission Sheet

Please fill the simply form below and kindly submit your idea to the product team who can be found at [Networks Settings Exchange](#)

Product Idea Title:	
Date:	
Submitter Name:	
Submitter Email Id:	
Submitter Company:	
Idea Description:	<Describe your idea in simple words. For example: User should have an ability to...>
Beneficiaries:	<Who is going to benefit from the idea: List company(s), stakeholder groups, type of companies etc.>
Beneficiary Benefits:	<Describe how the beneficiaries will benefit from your idea>
Usability experience Impacts:	< Describe how your idea will impact the usability experience of the beneficiary and other user segments>

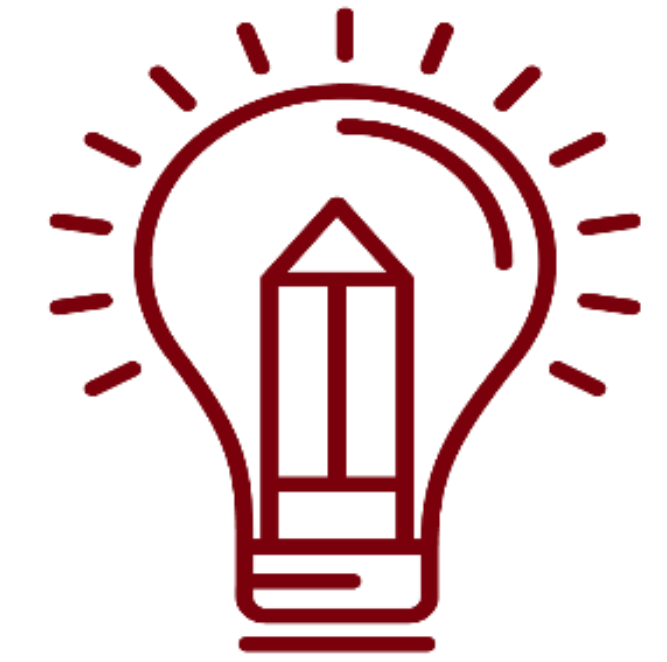
Complete Idea Submission sheet and share with nsx@gsma.com



NSX Product Backlog - TSG										
ID	Idea	Pros	Cons	Priority (High, Medium, Low)	Submitted By	Date	Requires TS.32	Status	Release Date	Comment
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Ideas analysed, added to product backlog, and prioritised by GSMA Product through the TSG



New Features and/or TS.32 Settings implemented in NSX based on release plan, GSMA budget, and agreed priorities.

GSMA Network Settings Exchange Planned enhancements

In Planning 2023

- TS.32 v13 (new 5G settings) – Planned Q4 2023
- APN settings process updates
- OEM and MNO messaging – sharing OEM release info with MNO

On Product Roadmap

- UI/ UX Enhancements – to be prioritized
 - Usability improvements
 - GSMA branding/ design changes
- Automated ingestion of settings files into OEM systems – TBD in TSG

BACKGROUND / RECAP

2016

- **TS.32: Technical Adaptation of Devices through Late Customization V1.0**
 - PRD defining a set of Network related Settings in Devices, (IMS, APN, 2G/3G/4G/5G, Others)
 - Work on TS.32 is still ongoing, currently in V12.0. (2023)

- **TS.36: Devices Setting Database**
 - PRD defining requirements & functions of a “Device Settings Database”
 - a platform to share TS.32 settings among MNOs & OEMs - Designed by MNOs & OEMs
 - TS.36 was used for reference, and archived after NSX launched

Index	Setting Name	Permissible Setting Value	GSMA Default	Additional Comments	MNO Recommended Value
LTE 1.01	Support LTE DL Carrier Aggregation band combinations	Activate/Deactivate	Activate		
LTE 1.02	VOID			Index Number no longer used	
LTE 1.03	VOID			Index Number no longer used	
LTE 1.04	Inter-RAT PSHO LTE to GERAN	Activate/Deactivate	Deactivate		
LTE 1.05	R9 Redirection to GERAN	Activate/Deactivate	Activate		
LTE 1.06	R8 redirection w/ "skip non-mandatory SIBs"	Activate/Deactivate	Activate		
LTE 1.07	ISR - Idle Signalling Mode Reduction	Activate/Deactivate	Activate		
LTE 1.08	ESM_info_flag (EPS Session Management)	True/False	False		
LTE 1.09	VOID			Index Number no longer used	
LTE 1.10	Fast Return from 3G to LTE after CSFB	Activate/Deactivate	Activate		
LTE 1.11	VOID			Index Number no longer used	
LTE 1.12	Fast Return from 2G to LTE after CSFB	Activate/Deactivate	Activate		
LTE 1.13	Voice / Data centric settings in attach message	Voice=1, Data=2		MNO must specify a value	
LTE 1.14	Voice Domain Preference in attach message	0,1,2,3			
LTE 1.15	VOID			Index Number no longer used	
LTE 1.16	3G -> LTE PS HO	Activate/Deactivate	Activate		
LTE 1.17	Force 3G/2G LU before CSFB emergency call	Activate/Deactivate			
LTE 1.18	R9 SON rach reporting	Activate/Deactivate			
LTE 1.19	Forbidden TA list expiry time	Value	24Hours	See 24.301, Section 5.3.2 Permitted range of 12 to 24 hours	
LTE 1.20	VOID			Index Number no longer used	
LTE 1.21	FeICIC (Cell Reference Signal interference handling)	Activate/Deactivate	Deactivate	Cell Reference Signal interference handling	
LTE 1.22	TM9 (Transmission Mode) (with 8 CSI reference signal ports for FDD)	Activate/Deactivate	Activate		
LTE 1.23	TM10 (Transmission Mode)	Activate/Deactivate	Deactivate		
LTE 1.24	NAICS	Activate/Deactivate	Deactivate		
LTE 1.25	Minimisation of drive test	Activate/Deactivate	Activate		
LTE 1.26	UE-Tx Antenna Selection Supported	Activate/Deactivate	Activate		
LTE 1.27	halfDuplex	Activate/Deactivate	Deactivate		
LTE 1.28	Transmission Mode 7 for FDD	Activate/Deactivate			
LTE 1.29	Transmission Mode 8 for FDD	Activate/Deactivate			
LTE 1.30	Cross carrier scheduling operation for CA for FDD	Activate/Deactivate			
LTE 1.31	VOID			Index Number no longer used	
LTE 1.32	3G FG1: 3G -> LTE (PCH Cell Reselection)	Activate/Deactivate	Activate		
LTE 1.33	3G FG2: 3G -> LTE (measurement/reporting)	Activate/Deactivate	Activate		
LTE 1.34	3G FG3: 3G -> LTE (CELL_FACH absolute priority cell reselection for high priority layers)	Activate/Deactivate	Deactivate		
LTE 1.35	3G FG4: 3G -> LTE (CELL_FACH absolute priority cell reselection for high priority layers)	Activate/Deactivate	Deactivate		
LTE 1.36	2G -> LTE support reselection in packet transfer mode	0,1,2,3	1	See 3GPP TS 24.008 section	

2019

- GSMA develops and launches Network Settings Exchange (NSX)
 - Actively maintained and developed by GSMA. Growing in usage ever since (~630 OEMs / 140 MNOs)



DT PARTICIPATION

- **DT uses service to share all 15 separate network settings documents**
 - 12 MNOs & 3 MVNOs
 - Since launch 2019, more than 1.500 downloads accumulated
 - Incoming queries from OEMs & Chipset manufacturers
- **Target: OEMs & devices outside of DT portfolio**
 - Most of the ~600 OEMs have no bilateral relation with DT at all
 - Used to be blind-spot for our Terminals-Team
- **DT active in TSG driving NSX & TS.32 forward ever since**



DT SETTINGS IN NSX

S.No	File Name	Total Number of times OEMs Downloaded
1	TS.32 v9.1 Magenta Telekom Austria_232_03_01_220519.xlsx	62
2	TS.32 v9.1 T-Mobile Netherlands_204_16_1_220518.xlsx	50
3	TS.32 v9.1 Tele2 NL (MVNO T-Mobile Netherlands)_220519.xlsx	52
4	TS.32 v9.1 T-Mobile Polska_260_02_1_220519.xlsx	54
5	TS.32 v9.1 Slovak Telekom_231_02_1_220519.xlsx	50
6	TS.32 v9.1 Telekom Romania_226_03_06_1_220519.xlsx	50
7	TS.32 v9.1 Telekom Deutschland_262_1_1_220519.xlsx	57
8	TS.32 v9.1 Congstar (MVNO Telekom Deutschland)_262_1_1_220519.xlsx	59
9	TS.32 v9.1 T-Mobile Czech Republic_230_01_1_220518.xlsx	56
10	TS.32 v9.1 COSMOTE Greece_202_01_1_220519.xlsx	57
11	TS.32 v9.1 Hrvatski Telekom_219_01_1_220519.xlsx	56
12	TS.32 v9.1 Magyar Telekom_216_30_1_220519.xlsx	56
13	TS.32 v9.1 Makedonski Telekom_294_01_1_220519.xlsx	57
14	TS.32 v9.1 Crnogorski Telekom Podgorica_297_02_1_220519.xlsx	60
15	TS.32 v9.1 Bonbon (MVNO Hrvatski Telekom)_219_01_1_220519.xlsx	63



OUTLOOK & CALL TO ACTION

- **New work-mode to jointly work on NSX features in future, with OEMs, MNOs & GSMA**
- **Starting July 13th**
- **DT expects increasing maturity, more features and wider relevance of NSX**
- **Hoping for more OEMs and MNOs to join the service and the discussion in TSG**



Company Overview

Introduction

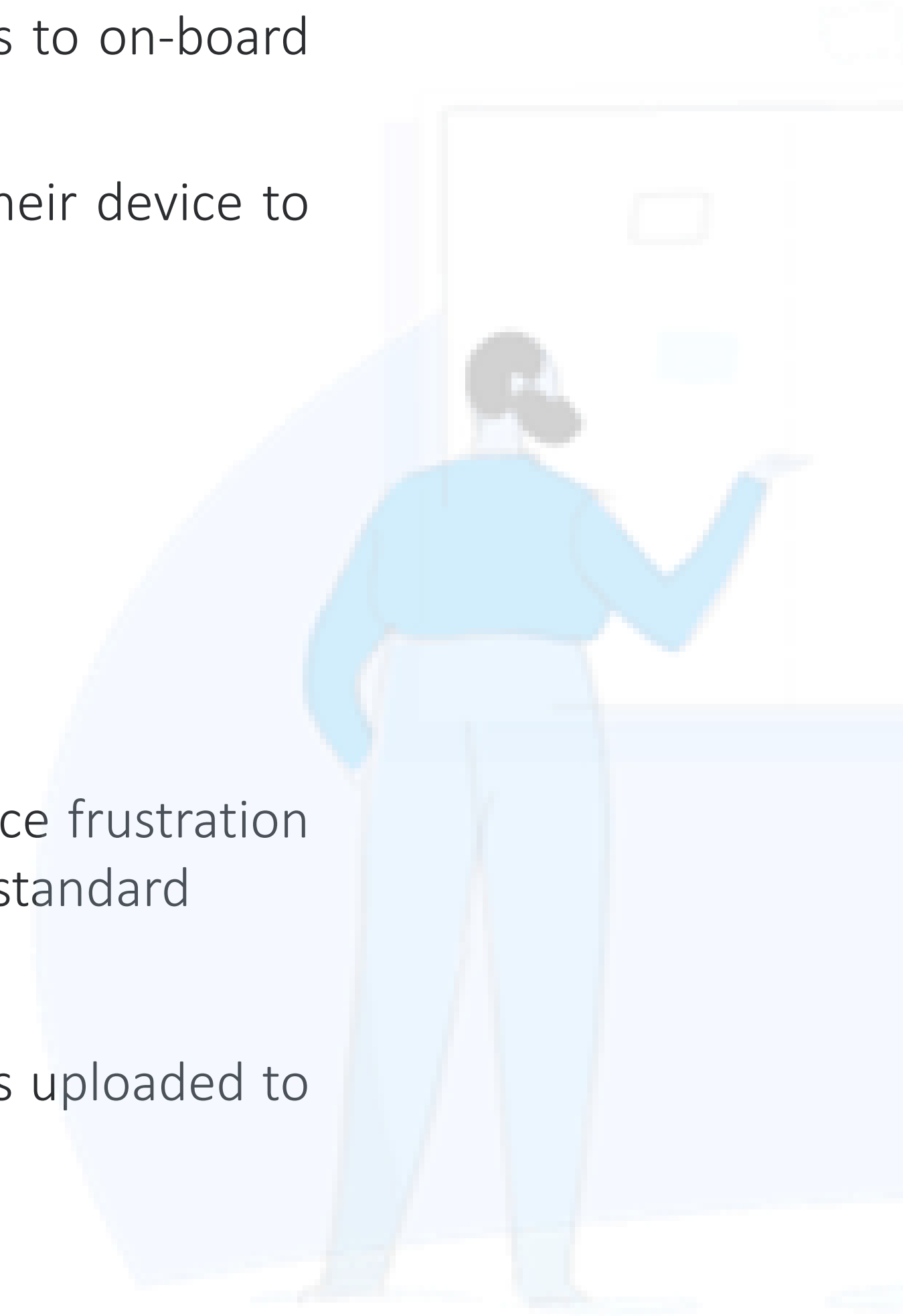
- ✓ Privately held Ztar Mobile is a leading US enabler of private label mobile service and private label wireless solutions
- ✓ We're a company of go-getters and builders. We're innovating the way people and businesses buy wireless. We bring over 20 years of global mobile solution experience to every partnership, enabling our clients to create and deliver intuitively seamless mobile experiences for their customers from private label cell phone programs, m-commerce to IoT services to name a few
- ✓ We have launched numerous private label brands for our retail partners
- ✓ Ztar Mobile partners with leading wireless operators including AT&T, T-Mobile, Rogers Wireless, and device manufacturers and distributors in its operating markets. These partnerships allow Ztar Mobile to deliver complete outsourced wireless solutions, from service creation to billing and customer care as well as a wide range of Managed Services and Professional Services



Experience is the Strategy

Frictionless Experiences in World of Disruptions

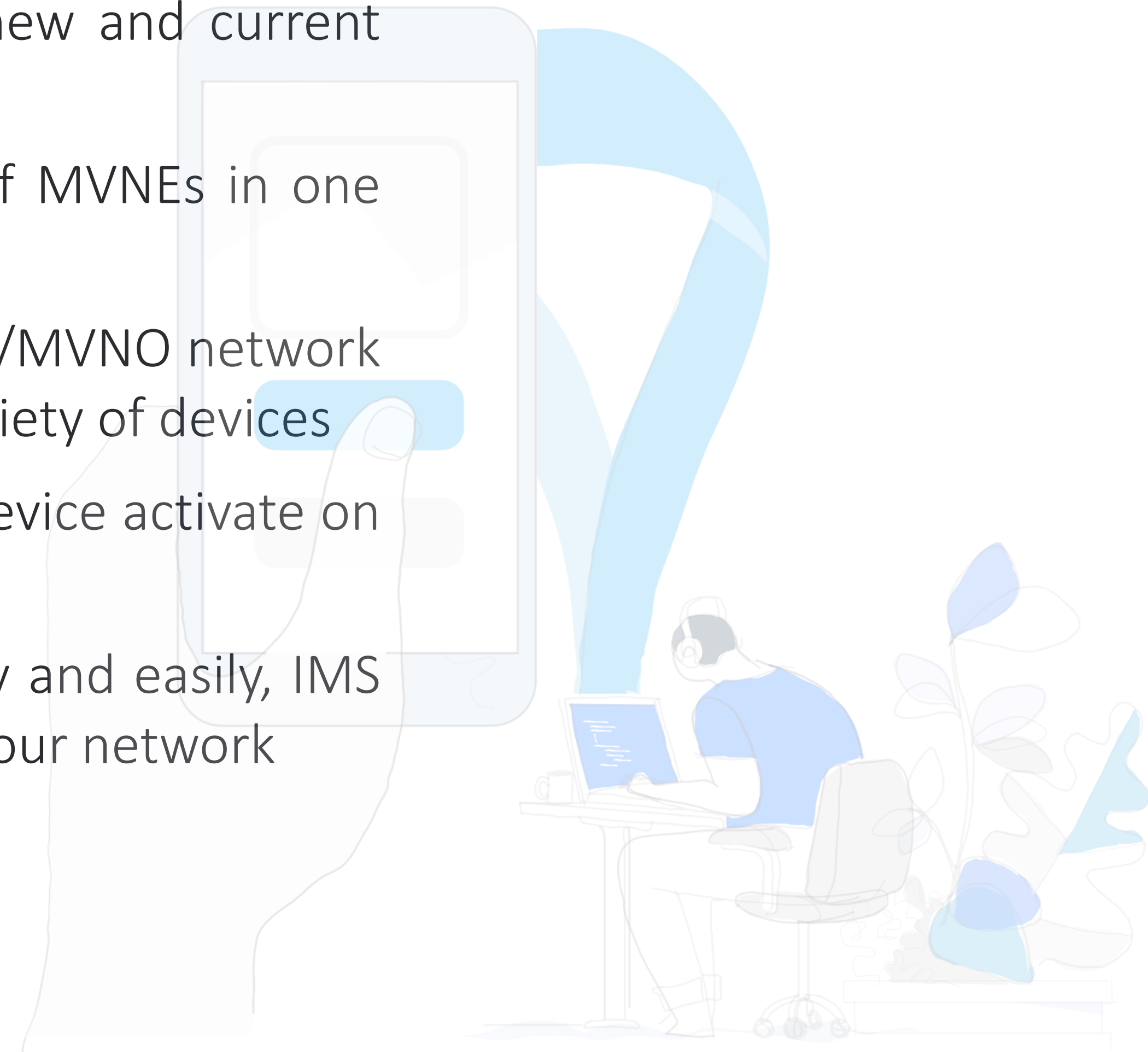
- ✓ Nearly 80% of American consumers point to speed, convenience, knowledgeable help and friendly service as the most important elements of a positive customer experience
- ✓ We consistently need to provide our customers an exceptional value, minimum friction or stress to on-board and activate our customers. We won't have many chances to get it right
- ✓ With multi network configurations and independently sourced devices, consumers still expect their device to perform without issue and without manual intervention
- ✓ Consumers would walk away from a brand they love after just one bad experience, for example
 - ✓ Outdated settings can mean no internet access on subscriber devices
 - ✓ Unavailable MMS – no picture, no group messaging or no video messaging
 - ✓ Loss of tethering or hotspot feature
 - ✓ Unavailable VoLTE services – no video calling or 5G
- ✓ Demarcating device configuration exchange enable Ztar and OEMs to serve consumers and reduce frustration and care support costs. Without it, Ztar would have to provide every OEM with a form that is not standard
- ✓ We got introduced to GSMA NSX by an OEM and swiftly were on-boarded
- ✓ We worked with our MNOs to ensure accuracy of the network configuration settings, the file was uploaded to the platform. MNO engagement is critical for MVNO accurate upload. Monitor downloads.



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OEM Benefit

- ✓ Update network settings as they become available while new and current devices can access and configure
- ✓ Reduces operational costs by getting access to hundreds of MVNEs in one platform
- ✓ Reduces operational costs by MNOs to support their reseller/MVNO network configuration (APN, MMS, ...) to support the considerable variety of devices
- ✓ Open direct to consumer business model for purchase the device activate on any brand/network
- ✓ Standardized template means settings can be shared quickly and easily, IMS and APN settings always configured correctly on devices in your network
- ✓ Network settings are published to current and future devices



Experience is the Strategy

Next

- ✓ Activating eSIM and managed subscriptions
- ✓ Device Validation
- ✓ Mediation and roaming services for MVNX
- ✓ MDN Management Services





**Thank you
for joining, any
questions?**