



Charge Cards in Romania

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INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Modest growth in credit cards

Contrasting forces impact credit card spending

WHAT'S NEXT?

Positive outlook over forecast period

Increasing rewards on offer

Neobanks such as Revolut post increasing threat

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Continuing shift away from cash

INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

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WHAT'S NEXT?

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Revolut drives significant growth

INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

Continuing growth, particularly in open loop cards

Increasing use of contactless payments drives growth in transactions

WHAT'S NEXT?

Significant growth in transaction value over forecast period

Fintechs and government programmes drive growth, with closed loop in decline

Should cap on interchange fees be introduced, it could dampen growth

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Newly imposed mandatory merchant card acceptance key driver in growth

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Though cash is still popular, financial cards register growth

Shift from physical cards to digital

RoPay, a new mobile payment system gaining traction

WHAT'S NEXT?

Steady growth over forecast period

Traditional banks face increasing competition from neobanks

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