



Financial Cards and Payments in Peru

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PROSPECTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

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PROSPECTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

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Traditional store cards being phased out, as they are transformed into Visa or Mastercard credit cards

Stores focus their strategy on commercial efforts, while promoting credit cards under their brand

Store credit cards play an important role in online sales, which are widely promoted and highlight advantages

PROSPECTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Store cards will become extinct in favour of the new credit card versions

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