

Financial Cards and Payments in Asia Pacific

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Visa and Mastercard present across the region

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Credit and debit cards will continue to account for the bulk of transaction value

Personal paper payment transactions will continue declining

Personal electronic direct/ACH transactions will record a double-digit real value CAGR

Positive growth expected for all types of m-commerce over 2024-2029

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