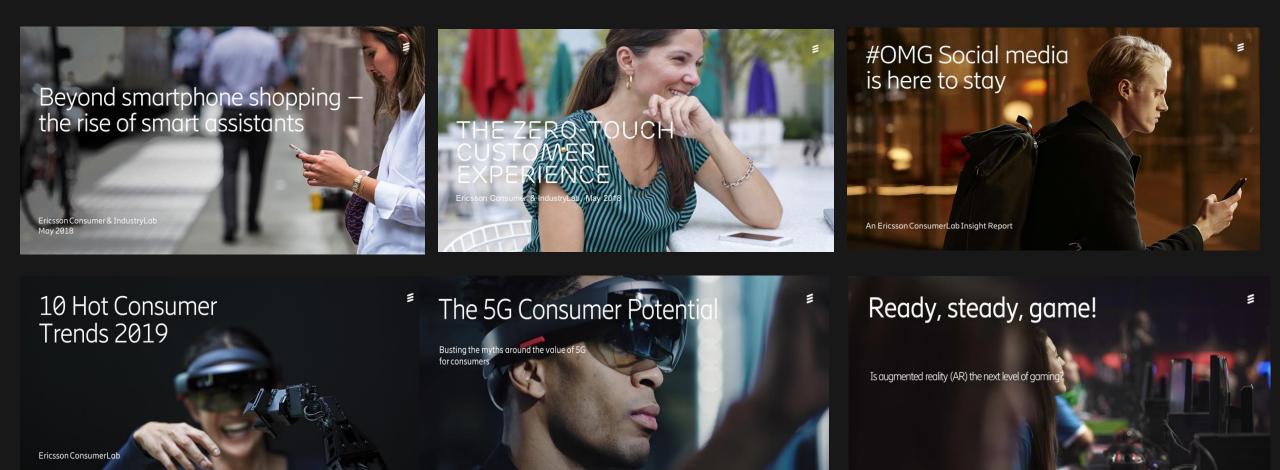
The zero-touch customer experience

Ericsson Consumer & IndustryLab

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An Ericsson ConsumerLab insight report

ConsumerLab – 24 years of consumer research

Quantitative Research





Countries each year



billion people represented



Examples of other data sources

- ODM
- AppAnnie
- Open sources (UN)

Desktop research

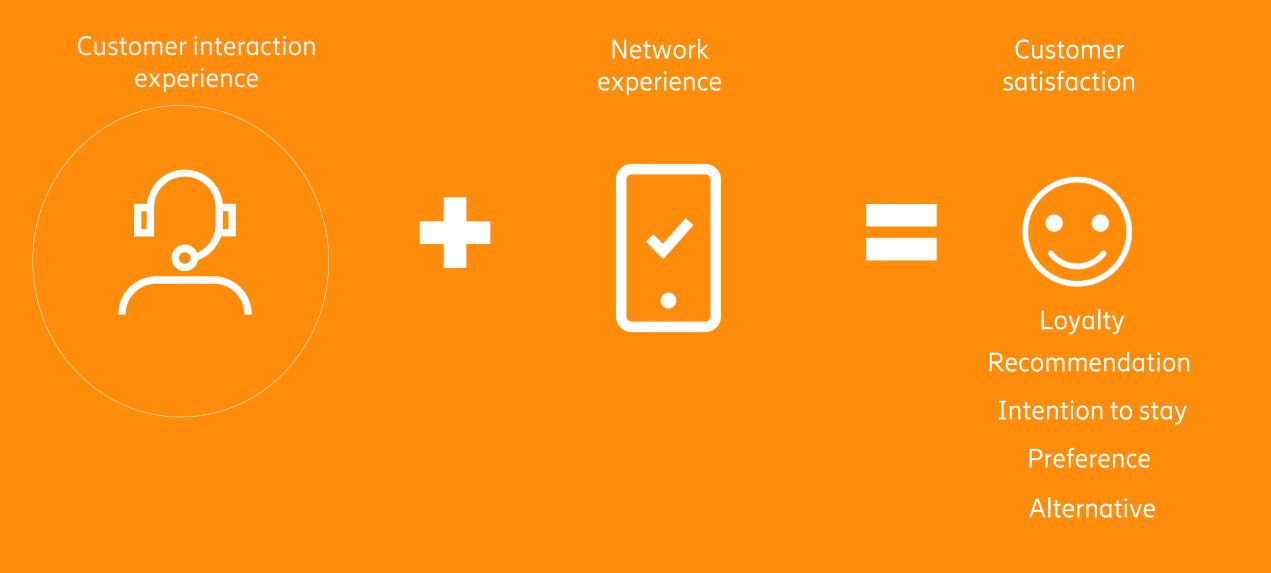
Expert interviews

Qualitative studies

Consumer research since 1995



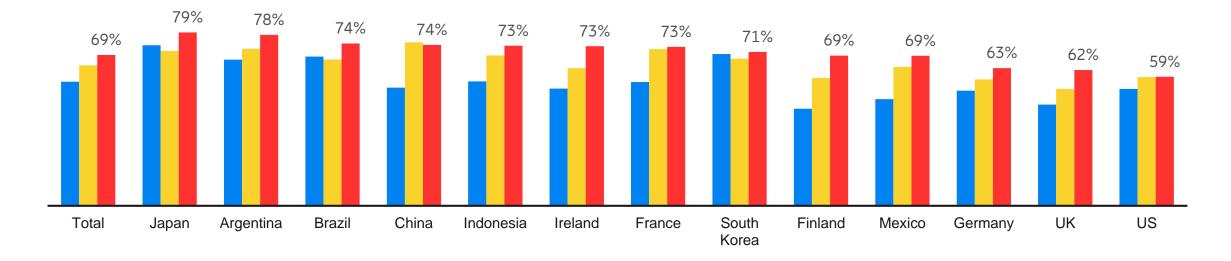
Measuring customer satisfaction in telecom



Understanding the struggle of the telecom customers

Share who agrees to negative statements about their mobile network operator

- Complicated to understand mobile data plans
- Difficult to keep up with frequent price changes
- Confusing finding best data plan



Base: Smartphone users aged 15–65 across Argentina, Brazil, China, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Indonesia, Ireland, Japan, Mexico, South Korea, the UK and the US Source: Ericsson ConsumerLab, Towards a 5G Consumer Future, 2018

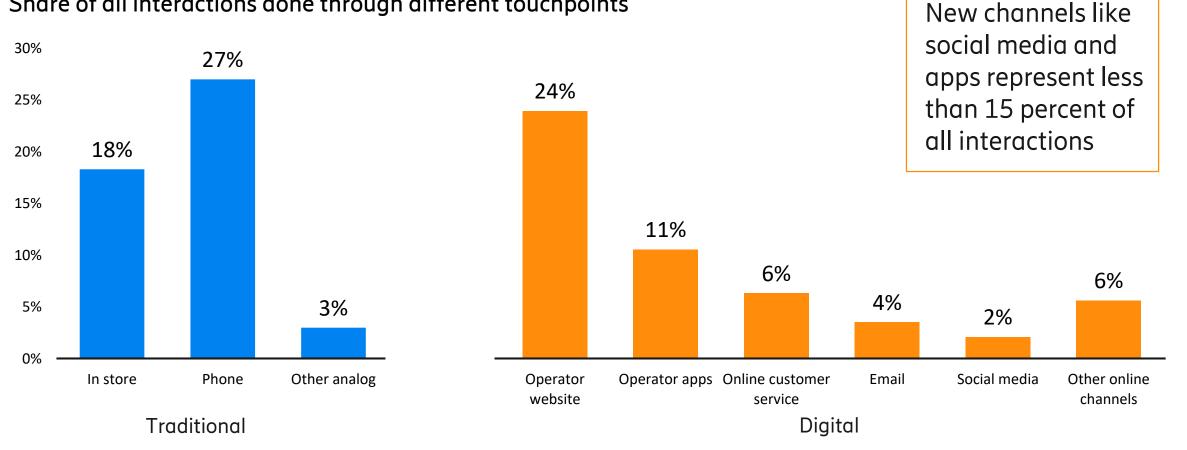
Capturing behavior and attitudes across 7 countries

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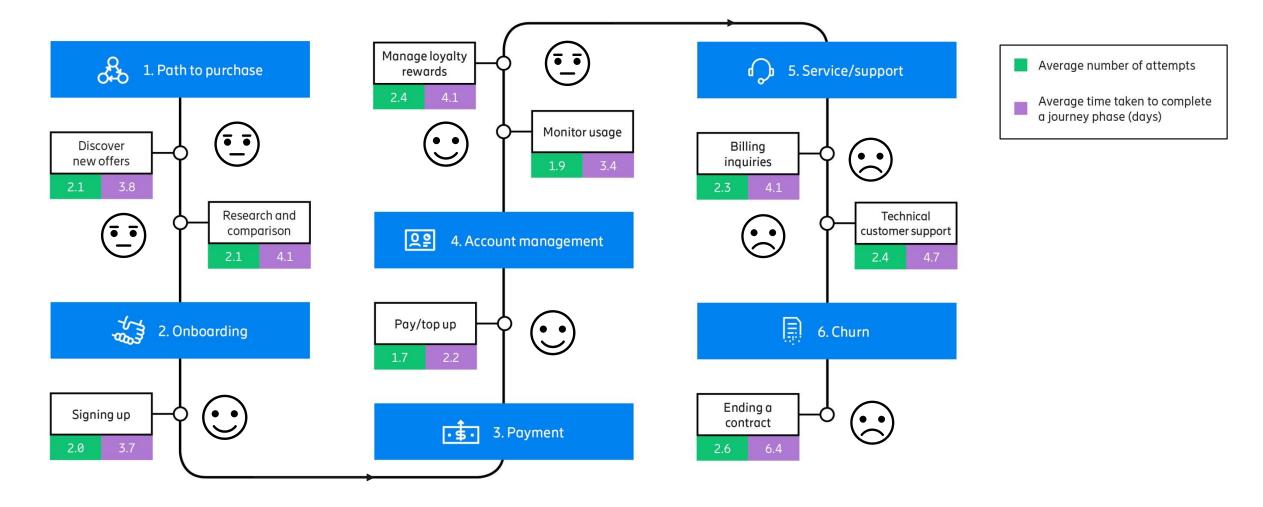
Emerging digital touchpoints

Share of all interactions done through different touchpoints



Source: Ericsson Consumer & IndustryLab, The zero-touch customer experience, 2018 Base: Smartphone users aged above 16 years across Brazil, China, Germany, South Korea, Sweden, the UK, and the US

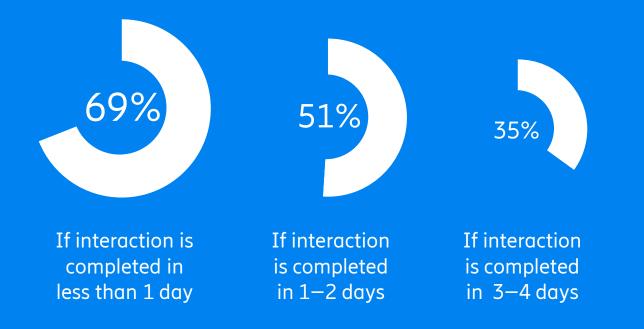
Customer effort has an impact on satisfaction



The customer interaction is exhausting

Time is critical for consumer satisfaction

Share of satisfied consumers:

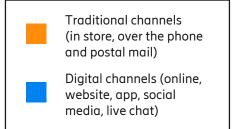


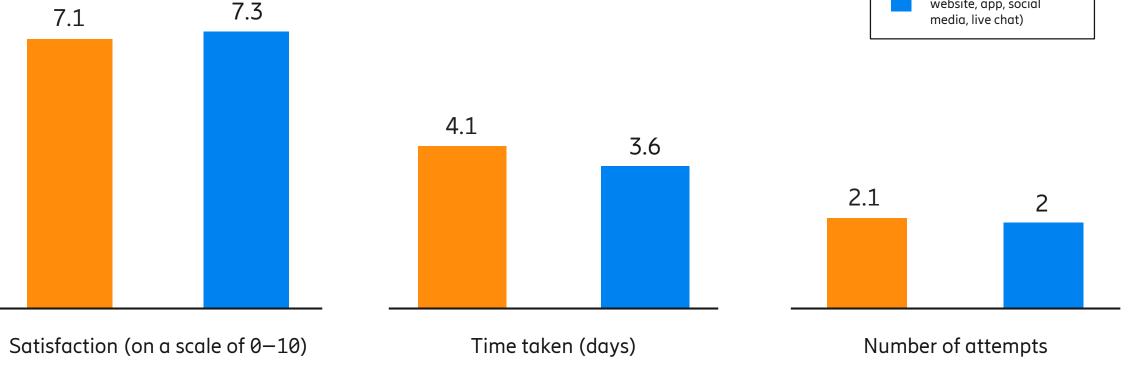
Interacting with telecom service providers makes consumers feel exhausted

 It takes smartphone users in average 2.2 attempts and 4.1 days to complete an interaction

New digital interactions only mimic analogue ones

- Digitalization increases the satisfaction level but the difference is small
- Telecom service providers' new digital experience only mimics analogue





Operators hide behind bad technology

46%

think their telecom service provider hides behind "bad" technology such as

- do-not-reply emails
- automated replies
- impersonal Contact Us forms

Skyrocketing consumer expectations due to new digital competition

Digital leaders such as Amazon, Netflix, Apple and Google are giving consumers a one-click experience and raising expectations.

- Арр
- Website
- Fast delivery
- Multi device
- One-click check out

- 24/7 VIP customer care
- Proactive notifications
- Personalized offers
- Transparency
- Unlimited

- No binding times
- Effortless
- Voice assistants
- Anticipated needs
- Self healing

Operators needs to go from being reactive to proactive 🔰





5/10 — Anticipate my needs even before I realize what they are!



5/10 – Use information you already have about me and personalize services!

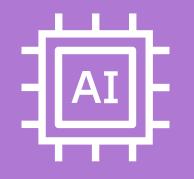


DON'T FORGET: I still want to be in control of my data and what is shared with third parties — privacy is important!

The zero-touch evolution

- From one click to zero touch
- AI and automation to pre-empt consumer needs and solve issues
- Meaningful interactions
- New ways of interactions, based on voice, gestures, and AR or VR
- Accurate and personalized marketing campaigns, promotions and offers

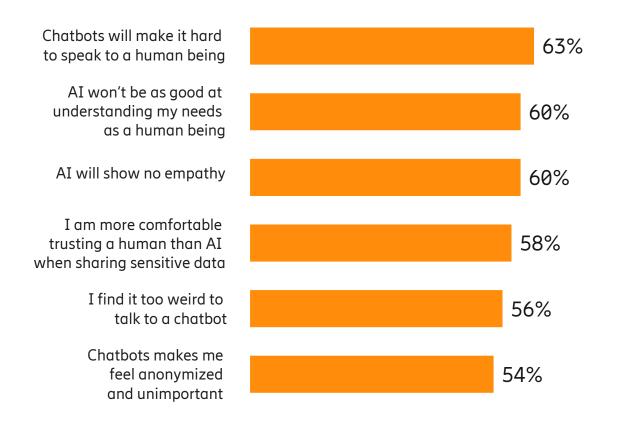
The zero-touch customer experience



AI and automation would leverage existing data to personalize experiences, pre-empt needs and solve issues in the shortest possible time

The need for human contact

Percentage of customers who agree with different statements



"The automated voices that I speak to make me so frustrated. They don't understand me. I just want to talk to a human about it. Time is so valuable. I'd rather just get straight to the person rather than also deal with a robot."

Jennifer, 29, US focus group

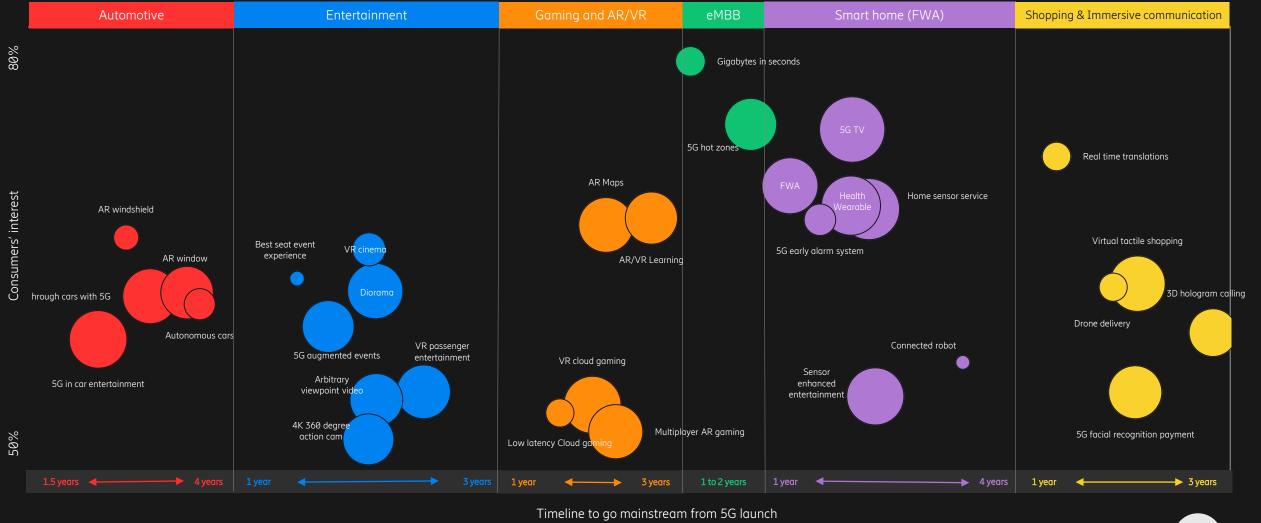
Source: Ericsson Consumer & IndustryLab, The zero-touch customer experience, 2018 Base: Consumers who have questions about smart chatbots. Smartphone users in Brazil, China, Germany, South Korea, Sweden, the UK, and the US

Consumers want the best of both worlds

The best of two worlds means:

- AI to analyse and leverage existing data
- Automation of meaningless and effortful interaction
- Humans to leverage knowledge gathered by AI, while adding empathy and emotional intelligence

Future is 5G: Consumer 5G use cases roadmap 31 use cases tested with consumers across six use cases clusters



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Willingness to pay

