THIRD QUARTER ENDING 30 SEPTEMBER 2018 HIGHLIGHTS REPORT

NATIONAL PAYMENT SYSTEMS

OCTOBER 2018

1. OVERVIEW

1.1 The value of transactions processed through the National Payment Systems in the third quarter ending 30 September 2018 increased by 17% to US$43.83 billion from US$37.33 billion recorded in the previous quarter ending 30 June 2018. The volumes also increased by 19% to 580.6 million from 489 million during the same period.

1.2 The Table 1 below provides the statistical information on various payment streams for the second quarter ending 30 September 2018:

Table 1: Consolidated Transactional Activities

TRANSACTIONAL ACTIVITIES					
PAYMENT STREAM	**FIRST QUARTER ENDING 31 MARCH 2018**	**SECOND QUARTER ENDING 30 JUNE 2018**	**THIRD QUARTER ENDING 30 SEPTEMBER 2018**	**CHANGE FROM LAST QUARTER**	**PROPORTION**
	VALUES IN USD				
RTGS	16,555,123,781.47	21,082,440,337.07	23,207,897,724.60	10%	52.95%
CASH	649,050,602.96	765,120,278.41	746,851,103.29	-2%	1.70%
CHEQUE	13,825,738.39	12,226,302.69	10,795,499.21	-12%	0.02%
POS	1,911,679,659.00	2,240,049,479.56	2,443,662,809.89	9%	5.58%
ATMS	47,720,051.50	30,252,328.01	40,380,865.37	33%	0.09%
MOBILE	6,991,017,761.64	10,277,015,909.18	13,467,617,033.80	31%	30.73%
INTERNET	2,701,929,526.96	2,926,658,005.33	3,910,565,508.57	34%	8.92%
TOTAL	**28,870,347,121.92**	**37,333,762,640.25**	**43,827,770,544.74**	17%	100.00%
	VOLUMES				
RTGS	1,550,492	1,670,230	1,656,113	-1%	0.29%
CASH	5,258,114	5,326,230	5,634,637	6%	0.97%
CHEQUE	68,880	61,056	54,590	-11%	0.01%
POS	61,847,106	68,238,236	75,243,348	10%	12.96%
ATMs	1,010,231	641,961	841,284	31%	0.14%
MOBILE	306,298,185	411,649,545	495,624,229	20%	85.36%
INTERNET	1,476,069	1,455,796	1,589,547	9%	0.27%
TOTAL	**377,509,077**	**489,043,054**	**580,643,748**	19%	100.00%

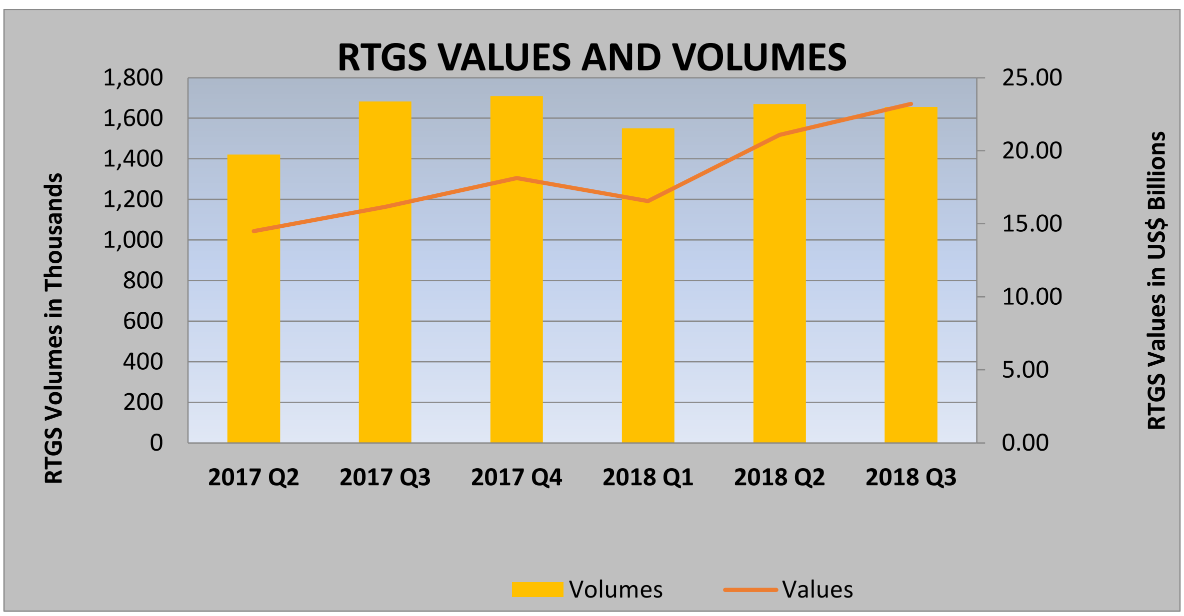
1.3 The RTGS, POS, ATMs, Internet and Mobile payment streams recorded increases in values for the current quarter whilst Cheque and Cash values had decreases when compared to quarter ending 30 June 2018. On the other hand; Cash, POS, ATMs, Mobile and Internet volumes recorded increases in volumes whilst RTGS and Cheque had decreases in volumes when compared to quarter ending 30 June 2018.

2 LARGE VALUE PAYMENTS

ZIMBABWE ELECTRONIC TRANSFER AND SETTLEMENT SYSTEM ….

2.1 The value of transactions processed through the RTGS system for the third quarter ending 30 September 2018 increased by 10% to US$23.21 billion from US$21.08 billion recorded in quarter ending 30 June 2018 while the volume of transactions registered a decrease of 1% to 1,656,113 from 1,670,230 as shown in figure 1 below.

Figure 1: Values and Volumes of RTGS Transactions



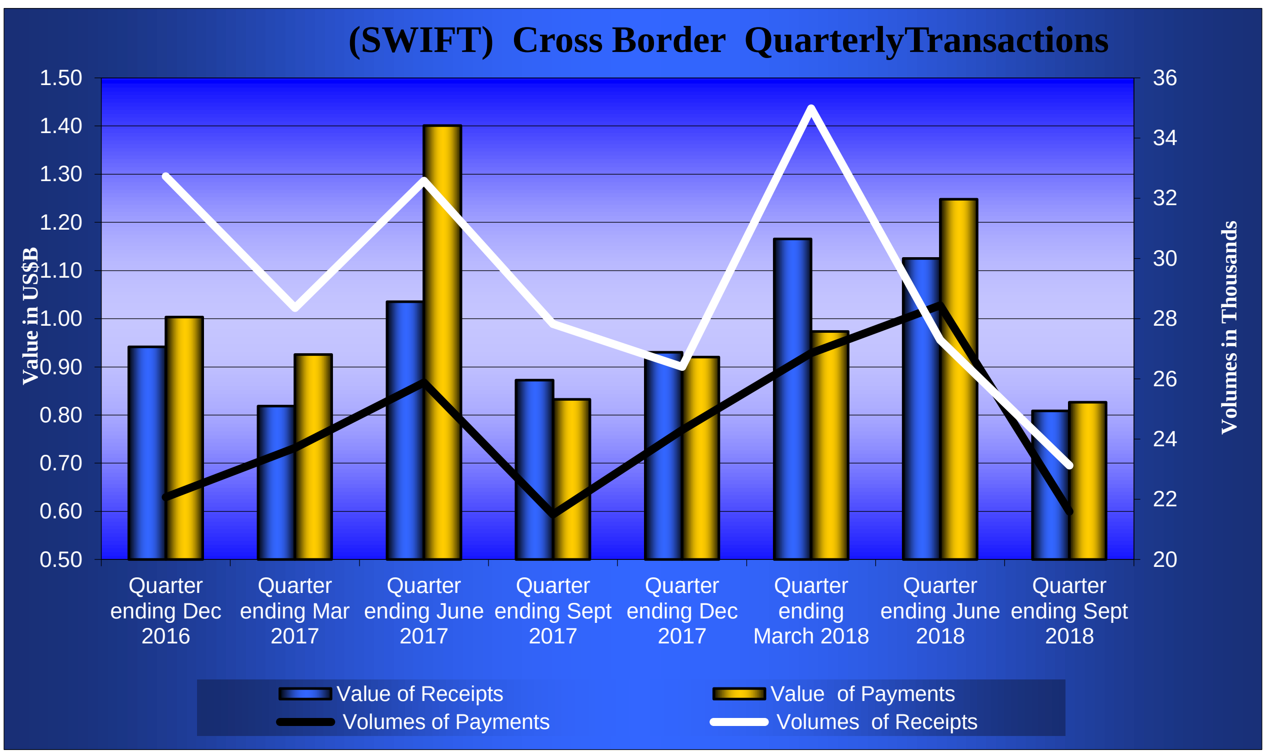
SWIFT Foreign Currency Transactions…..

2.2 SWIFT foreign currency payments decreased by 33.75% to US$0.83 billion for the quarter ending 30 September 2018 from US$1.25 billion in the previous quarter ending 30 June 2018. During the same period, SWIFT foreign currency receipts decreased by 28.14% to US$0.81 billion from US$1.13 billion as shown in figure 2 below.

2.3 The net foreign currency outflow amounted to USD18.12 million in the Third Quarter ending 30 September 2018 from a net outflow of US$122.66 million recorded in the Second Quarter ending 30 June 2018.

2.4 Trends in the quarterly transactions are as shown in Figure 2 below.

Figure 2: SWIFT Quarterly Foreign Currency Transactions

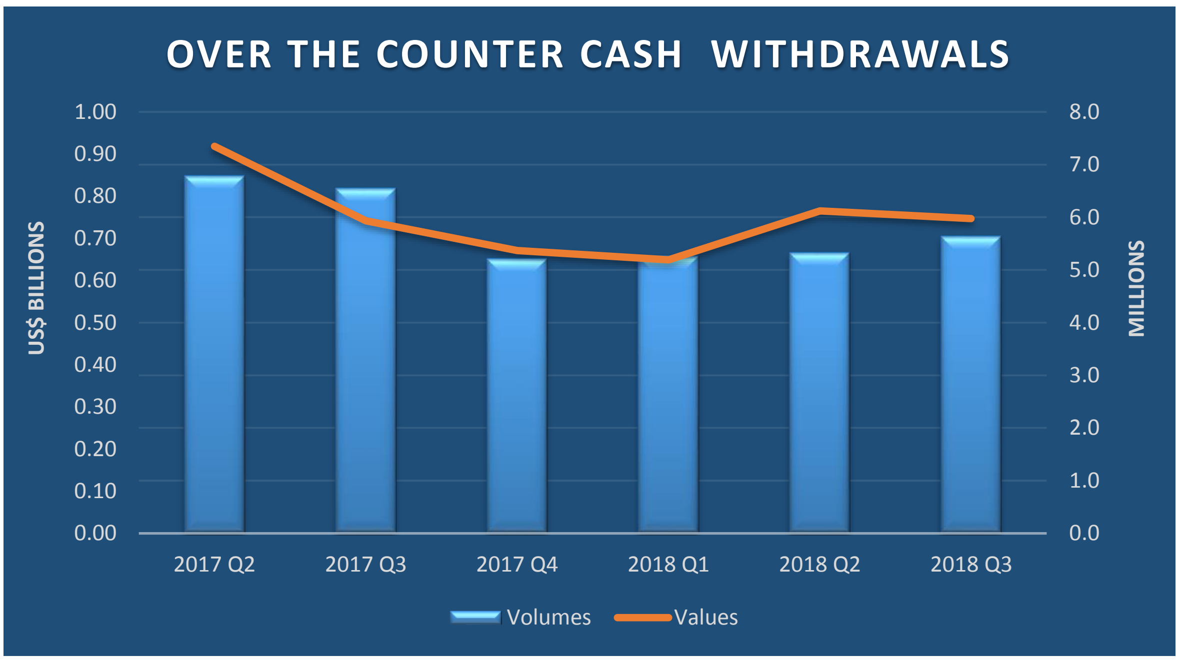


3 CASH

Over the Counter Cash Withdrawals….

3.1 The value of cash withdrawals decreased by 2% from USD0.77 billion in the quarter ending 30 June 2018 to USD0.75 billion recorded in quarter ending 30 September 2018. The corresponding volumes increased by 6% from 5.33 million to 5.63 million as shown in figure 3 below.

Figure 3: Over the Counter Cash Withdrawals



4 RETAIL PAYMENTS….

4.1 Figures 4 and 5 below show the trend in the values and volumes of retail transactions from quarter ending 30 June 2017 to quarter ending 30 September 2018.

4.2 The values of retail transactions increased by 26.88% to $20.6 billion in the period under review from $16.3 billion recorded in the second quarter 2018. The retail volumes increased by 18.80% to 578.99 million during the third quarter of 2018 from 487.37 million reported in the quarter ending 30 June 2018.

Figure 4: Retail Transaction Values from June 2017 to September 2018

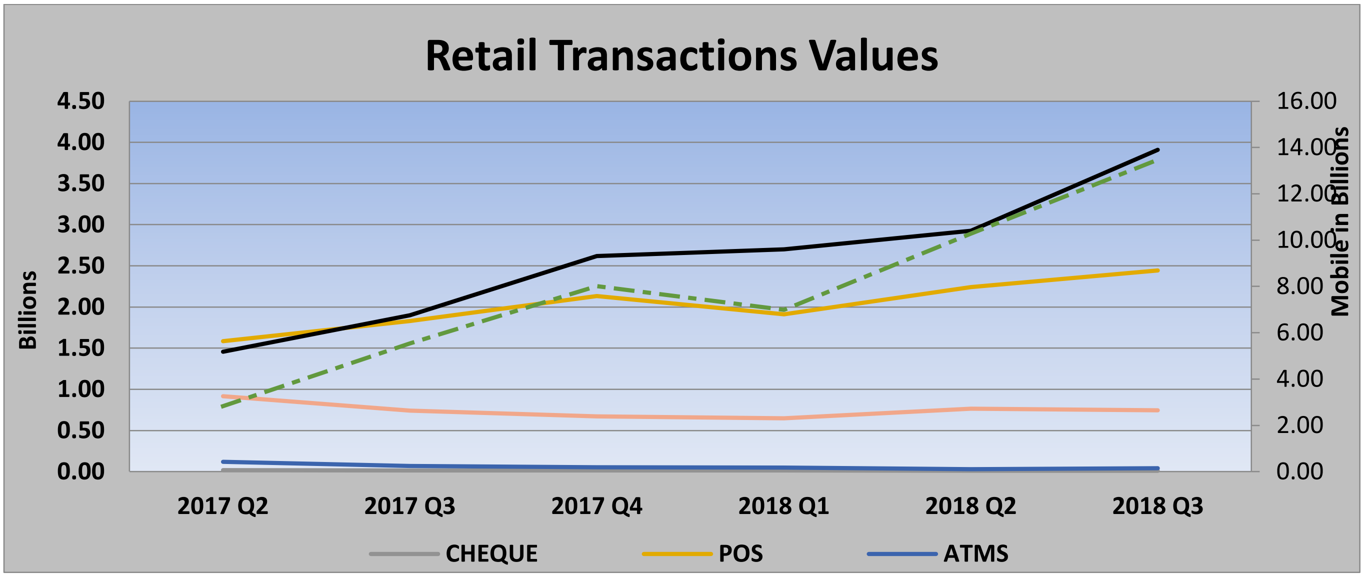
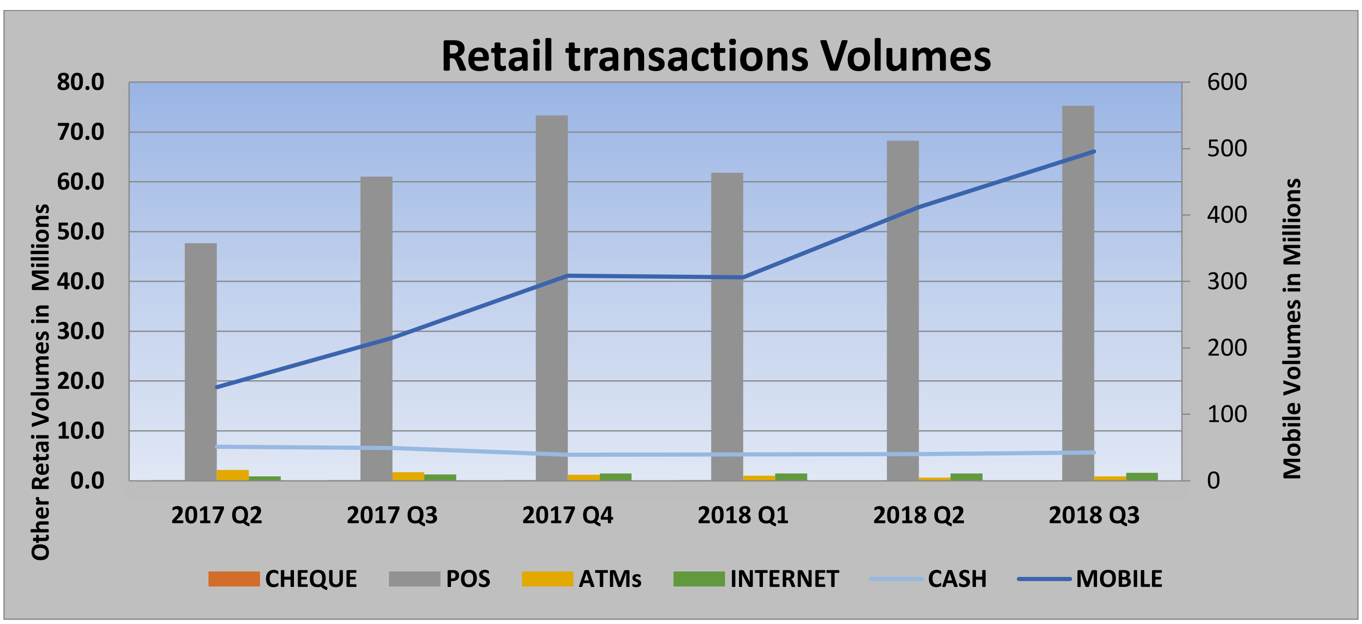


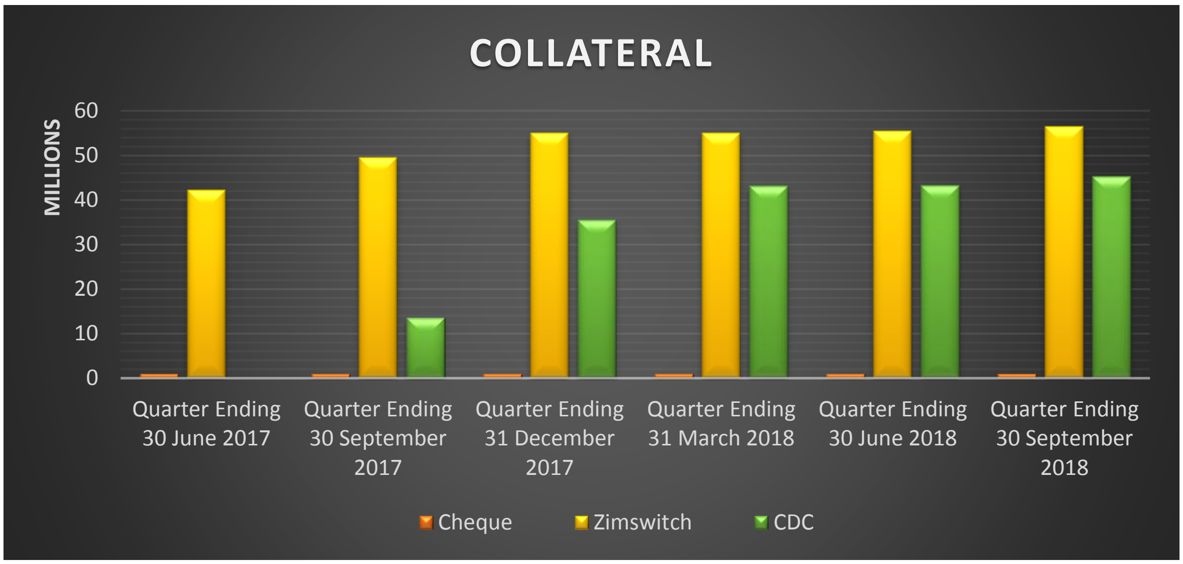
Figure 5: Retail Transaction Volumes from June 2017 to September 2018:



5 COLLATERAL….

5.1 The local collateral figure comprises of Cheque, Zimswitch, Chengetedzai Deposit Corporation settlement systems. The value of collateral increased to USD102.70 million in the third quarter ending September 2018 from US$99.48 million recorded in the previous quarter ending June 2018 as shown in Figure 6 below.

Figure 6: Collateral Amounts from March 2017 to September 2018



6 Access Points and Devices…..

6.1 Table 2 below shows the access points and devices from the quarter ending 30 June 2017 to the quarter ending 30 September 2018.

Table 2: Payment Systems Access Points and Devices

PAYMENT SYSTEMS ACCESS POINTS						
	Second Quarter ending June 2017	**Third Quarter ending September 2017**	**Quarter ending December 2017**	**Quarter ending March 2018**	**Quarter ending June 2018**	**Quarter ending September 2018**
Mobile Banking Agents	42,102	44,793	47,838	48,812	49,663	50,022
ATMs	562	563	561	563	564	564
POS	44,805	50,418	59,939	70,960	82,447	90,541
PAYMENT SYSTEMS ACCESS DEVICES						
Debit Cards	3,780,389	4,186,957	4,281,683	4,471,819	4,455,825	4,581,256
Credit Cards	17,510	17,806	17,411	17,268	16,810	16,607
Prepaid Cards	52,384	62,517	63,987	68,180	71,813	84,175
Mobile Banking Subscribers	3,353,916	3,821,865	4,611,608	4,907,500	5,476,208	6,010,602
Internet Banking Subscribers	205,104	250,681	277,674	286,222	326,184	334,505

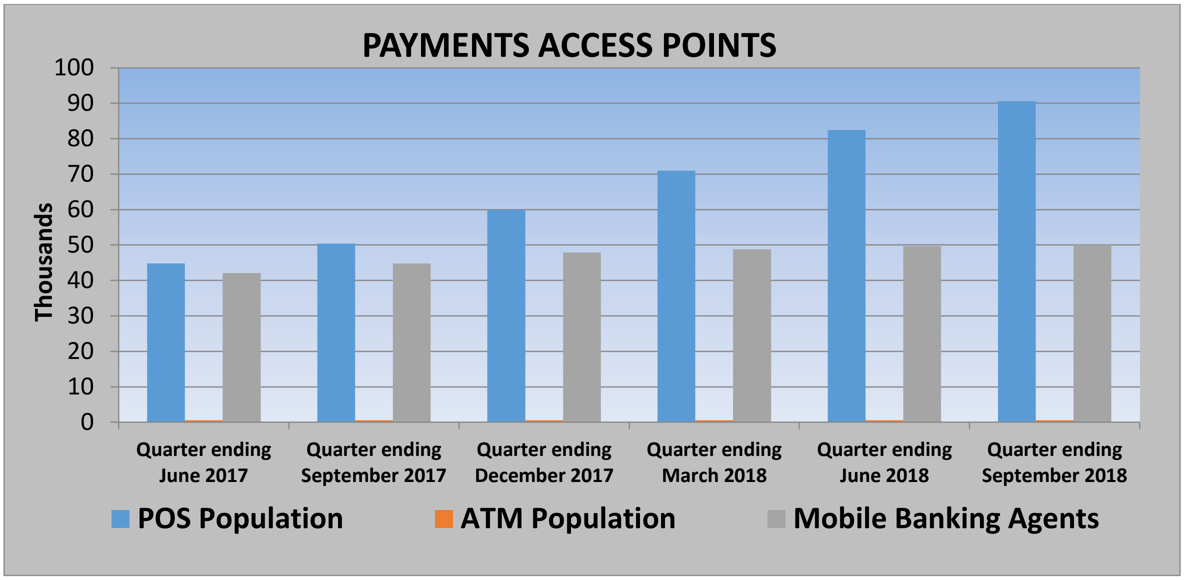
6.2 The mobile banking agents increased to 50,022 in the third quarter ending 30 September 2018 from 49,663 reported in the second quarter ended 30 June 2018.

6.3 POS population increased to 90,541 from 82,447 in line with the promotion of electronic means of payment and ATM population remained at 564.

6.3.1 There were 6.01 million active mobile financial services subscribers registered in the period under review from 5.48 million registered subscribers recorded in the previous quarter.

6.3.2 Figure 7 below shows the number of Access Points whilst Figures 8 and 9 show the number of access devices.

Figure 7: Payment Access Points from June 2017 to September 2018



Figures 8: Payment Access Devices from June 2017 to September 2018

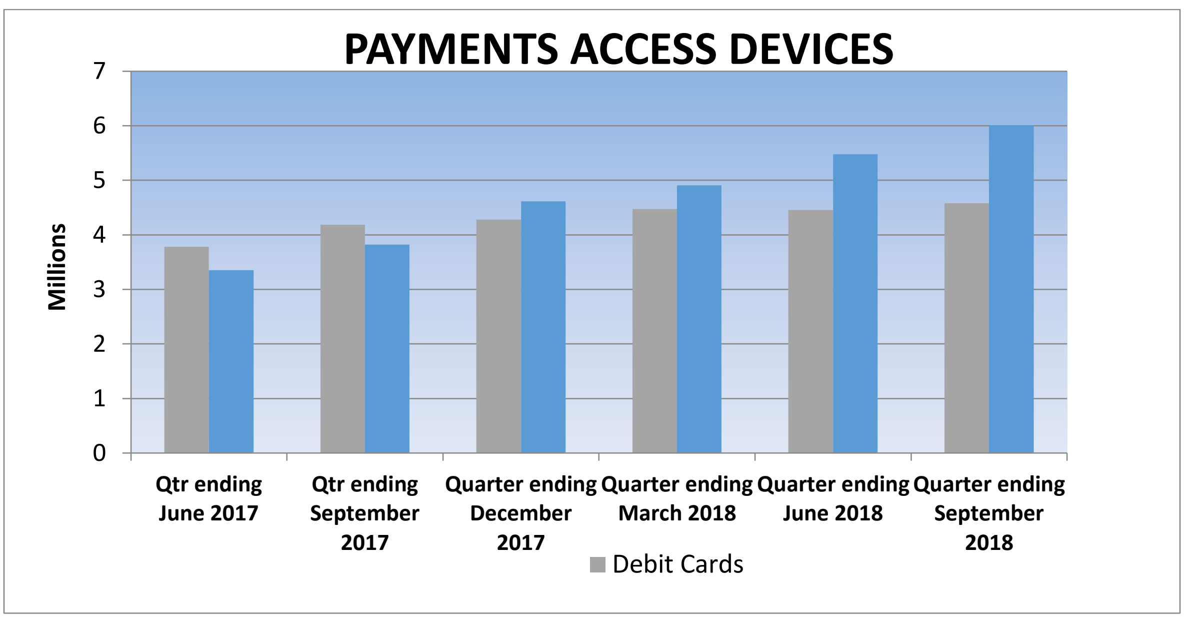
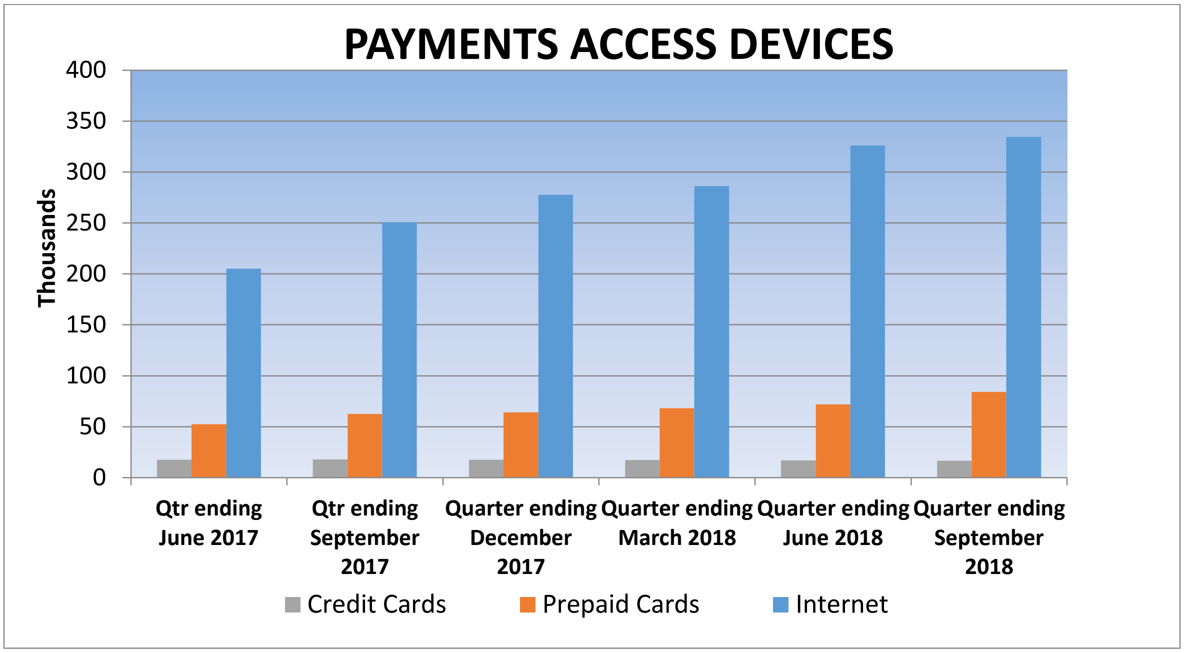


Figure 9: Access Devices (Cont)….



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