ICT Price Baskets: Data Collection in 2021

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Changes to the Price Baskets

Basket	Previous Basket Composition	New Basket Composition
Voice + SMS only Basket (Low Consumption)	70 mins + 20 SMS	No change
Low Consumption Basket	70 mins + 20 SMS + 500 MB	No change
High Consumption Basket	140 mins + 70 SMS + 1.5 GB	140 mins + 70 SMS + 2 GB
Mobile Broadband Basket (Data only)	1.5 GB	2 GB
Fixed Broadband Basket	5 GB	No change
Selection of service provider	MNO with largest market share (for voice and data separately)	Based on mobile-cellular subscriptions only (same MNO for all baskets)
Contract Modality	Based on the majority of subscriptions per mode	The cheapest option (prepaid or postpaid) to obtain the basket of services

^{*} Selected plan to be without commitment but with a 30-day validity (however, hidden costs are inevitable in some cases)

The Basket Approach

- Includes PAYG, bundles or a combination of the two as long as the cheapest options are selected
- Add-ons to make up the required basket composition were recording separately

	PEAK	OF	FPEAK
Local Rates	\$ 0.20	\$	0.15
Video Calling	\$ 0.30	\$	0.20
Au Fam	\$ 0.15	\$	0.10
SMS	\$ 0.10		
Mobile Data/MB	\$ 0.99		
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PLAN	PRICE	DATA	VALID
Daily	\$2.00	400MB	24 hours
	\$4.00	800MB	24 nours
Weekly	\$5.00	1GB	7 days
	\$6.00	1.2GB	
	\$7.00	1.5GB	
	\$10.00	2.5GB	
Monthly	\$20.00	3.2GB	20 days
	\$30.00	5.5GB	30 days

← Cheaper to addon a data plan to PAYG voice + SMS rate, than buy a bundle

SMART PLANS

Name MRC		ON-NET		DATA
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Smart 50	\$50.00	150	50	2.7

Challenges in collecting data in 2021

- Calculating the cheapest option
 - Bundles vs. PAYG + add-ons
 - Prepaid vs. Postpaid
 - Unable to identify hidden costs in some instances are either in fine print or unavailable in the public domain
 - Calculations made on a pro-rated basis may not be accurate
 - Therefore, it is not practical to include such costs in all instances
- Selecting the combination of add-ons to make the basket of services

DATA SUBSCIPTIONS				
Name of Plan	Valid Time	Data (MB)	Cost	
Data Day Pass	24 hours	75MB	\$3.20	
Data 2-Week Pass	14 days	500MB	\$10.50	
Data Month Pass	30 days	1800MB	\$31.00	
Out of bundle	-	1MB	\$0.10	

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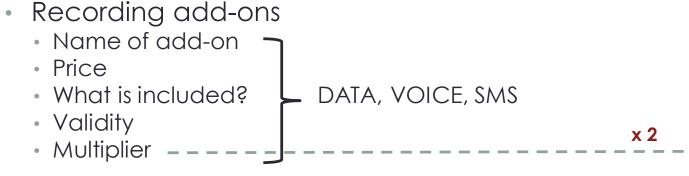
 Tailor-made plans – often only possible using an app with a local numbers





Changes to the IPB method that were not considered challenging

- The increase in the data cap
 - 1.5 GB → 2 GB
 - Disparity between low & high data allowances
 - E.g. Latin America: data < 5GB are similar in value. Lowest cost daily plans are x 30 cheaper than the higher 5GB / 10 GB monthly plans



Time consuming, but adds clarity

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Key Takeaways

- Comparability of IPB values will be a challenge
 - Change in methodology
 - Hidden costs such as early termination of contracts
- The learning curve is steep but will get easier
- Changes have been made since 2017 when the subgroup was convened. Adopting consistency will ensure stability.

THANK YOU.

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