

Glossary

Terms and acronyms

2G	Second generation
3G	Third generation
Afcon	Africa Cup of Nations
ADR	American depository receipt
ARPU*	Average revenue per user per month
BA	Bankers' acceptance rate
BEE	Black economic empowerment
BOT	Build operate and transfer
Bps	Basis points
BTS	Base transceiver station
BWP	Botswana pula
Capex	Capital expenditure
CDMA	Code-Division Multiple Access
CFA	Communaute Financière Africaine franc
CGU	Cash-generating units
CSR	Corporate social responsibility
CYP	Cypriot pounds
dti	South African Department of Trade and Industry
E	Emalengeni
EASSy	Eastern Africa Submarine Cable System
EBITDA	Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation
ECA	Electronic Communications Act of South Africa
ECICSA	Export Credit Insurance Corporation of South Africa
EPS	Earnings per share
eTOM	enhanced telecom operations map
EUR	Euro
EURIBOR	Euro Interbank Offered Rate
EVD	Electronic voucher distribution
EXCO	Executive committee
FEC	Forward Exchange Contract

*ARPU is measured on a monthly basis. The revenue (including interconnect fees but excluding connection fees and visitor roaming revenue) is divided by the weighted average subscriber base over the reported period.

FIFA	Federation Internationale de Football Association
FIPPA	Foreign Investment Promotion and Protection Act
GDP	Gross domestic product
GHC	Ghana cedi
GPRS	General packet radio service
GRI	Global Reporting Initiative
GSM	Global system for mobile communications
HEPS	Headline earnings per share
HIV/Aids	Human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immune deficiency syndrome
HSDPA	High speed downlink packet access
IAS	International Accounting Standards
ICASA	Independent Communications Authority of South Africa
ICT	Information and communication technologies
IFC	International Finance Corporation
IFRIC	International Financial Reporting Interpretation Committee
IFRS	International Financial Reporting Standards
IP	Internet protocol
IRR	Iranian riyals
IS	Information Systems
ISO	International Standards Organisation
ISP	Internet service provider
ITIL	Information technology infrastructure library
IVR	Interactive voice response
JSE	JSE Limited – the South African stock exchange
JIBAR	Johannesburg Interbank Agreed Rate
King II	King committee report on corporate governance 2002
LCs	Letters of credit
Loerie	South African Advertising industry's accolades
LIBOR	London Interbank Offered Rate German Interbank Offered Bank
LTE	Long-term evolution

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MCharge	MTN's virtual recharge mechanism
MENA	Middle East and North Africa region includes operations in Iran, Afghanistan, Syria, Yemen and Cyprus
MMS	Multimedia messaging service
MNP	Mobile number portability
MOU	Minutes of use
MPLS	Multiprotocol label switching
NCC	Nigerian Communications Commission
NGN	Next generation networking
NGN	Nigerian naira
NIBOR	Norwegian InterBank Offered Rate
NokNok	MTN's instant social messaging chat service, launched in 2007
NTC	National Telecommunications Corporation
off-net	Telephone calls originating and terminating on different networks
OIETAI	Organisation for Investment Economic and Technical Assistance of Iran
on-net	Telephone calls originating and terminating on the same network
PAT	Profit after tax
PAYG	Pay as you go
PIC	Public Investment Corporation
postpaid/contract	Services for which the subscriber has a contract and pays monthly
PTO	Public telecommunications operator
prepaid	Services for which the subscriber has paid in advance
PSTN	Public switched telephone network
PWC	PricewaterhouseCoopers
RICA	Communication related information Act
SAICA	South African Institute of Chartered Accountants
SARS	South African Revenue Services
SARs	Share Appreciation Rights Scheme
SDD	Sudanese dinars

SEA	South and East Africa includes operations in South Africa, Botswana, Swaziland, Uganda, Rwanda and Zambia
SHE	Safety, health and environment
SIM	Subscriber identity module
SME	Small and medium enterprise
SMS	Short message service
SP	Service Provider
SPE	Special purpose entities
STC	Secondary taxation on companies
SPV	Special purpose vehicle
STRATE	Share Transactions Totally Electronic
subscriber**	A customer who has participated in a revenue generating activity within the last 90 days
SYP	Syrian pound
UCT	University of Cape Town
Unisa	University of South Africa
USD	US dollar
UGX	Uganda shilling
VGC	VGC Communications Limited
VoIP	Voice over internet protocol
WECA	West and Central Africa includes operations in Nigeria, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Benin, Liberia, Guinea Republic, Guinea Bissau and Congo-Brazzaville
WiMax	Worldwide interoperability for microwave access/broadband wireless technology
ZAR	South African rand
ZCA	Zambian Communications Authority
ZMK	Zambian kwacha

***South Africa subscribers (and therefore ARPU'S) now include community payphones into prepaid and application providers into postpaid. Prior periods have been adjusted for comparative purposes.*