

# **EFInA Access to Financial Services in Nigeria 2008 Survey**

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# A. Background



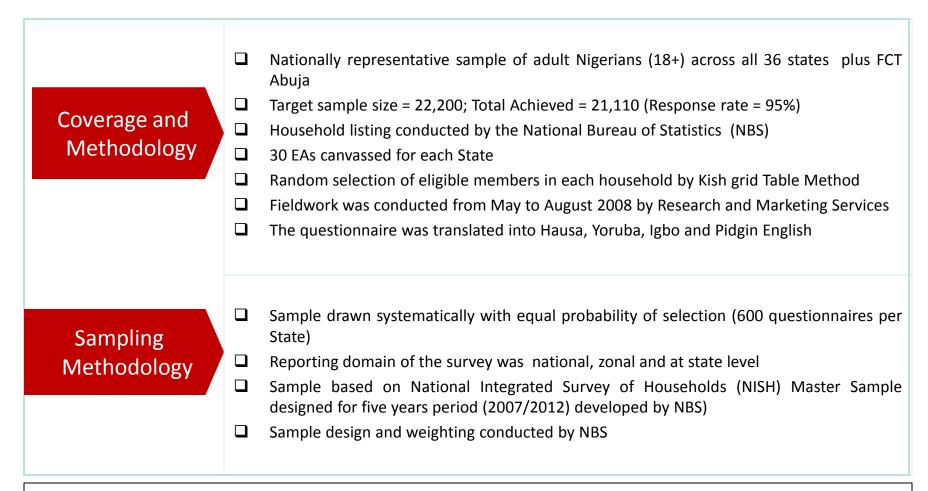
### **Key Objectives**

The broad objective of EFInA Access to Financial Services in Nigeria survey is to generate reliable, independent research on the ways consumers use financial services in Nigeria and to translate findings into practical tools for developing inclusive financial systems. The survey aims to:

- Measure access to and demand for financial services in Nigeria
   Establish credible benchmarks and indicators of current financial penetration in Nigeria
   Document usage of financial products across both formal and informal sectors
- Explore financial behaviour, household financial management and attitudes to the use of technology
- ☐ Provide insights into regulatory and market obstacles to growth and innovation
- ☐ Highlight opportunities for policy reform and innovation in product development



### **Coverage, Sampling and Methodology**



The methodological framework underpinning this survey is based on the FinScope™ methodology



# B. Overview of Sample Demographics



### **Demographic Profile of Respondents**

☐ The total adult population (18 years and above) is 86.6 million

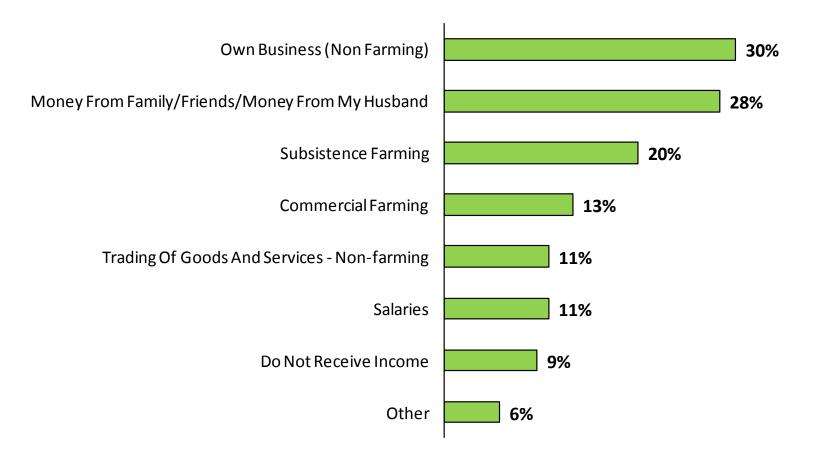
| Gender                | %  |
|-----------------------|----|
| Male                  | 52 |
| Female                | 48 |
| Metropolitan<br>Area  | %  |
| Urban                 | 28 |
| Rural                 | 72 |
| Geopolitical<br>Zones | %  |
| North Central         | 16 |
| North East            | 13 |
| North West            | 21 |
| South East            | 13 |
| South West            | 18 |
| South South           | 20 |

| Level of Education                 | %    |
|------------------------------------|------|
| No Formal                          | 24   |
| Some primary/primary completed     | 19   |
| Some secondary/secondary completed | 43   |
| Some diploma/diploma completed     | 12   |
| Degree+                            | 3    |
| Socioeconomic Status               | %    |
| AB                                 | 0.4  |
| C1                                 | 0.7  |
| C2                                 | 11.0 |
| DE                                 | 88.0 |



### **Main Source of Income**

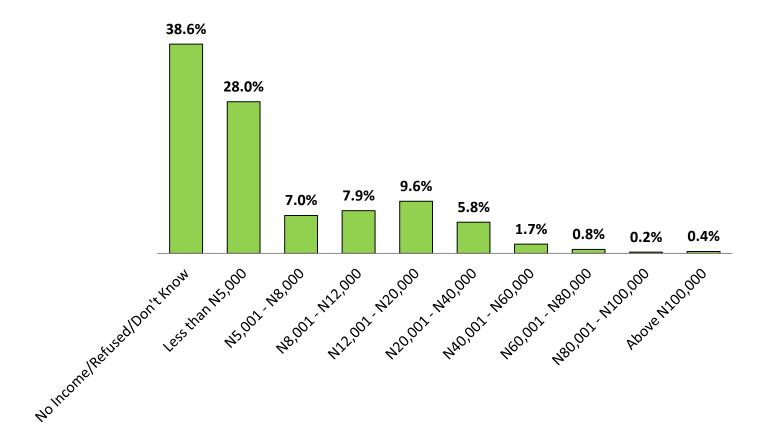
☐ The main source of income for 25.8 million adults is from their own business





### **Personal Monthly Income**

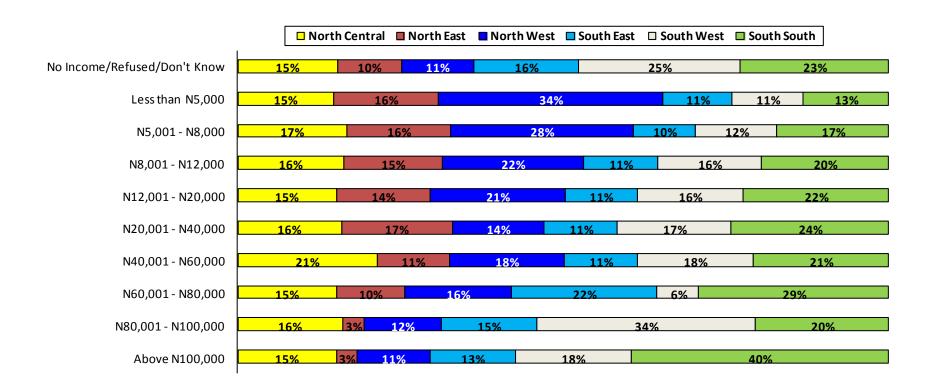
- The average monthly income is less than N8,000 per month
- □ 38.6% of the adult population either indicated 'no income' or 'refused to answer'





### **Personal Monthly Income by Geopolitical Zones**

- □ 34% of those who earn less than N5,000 per month are from North West
- 40% of those who earn above N100,000 per month are from South South





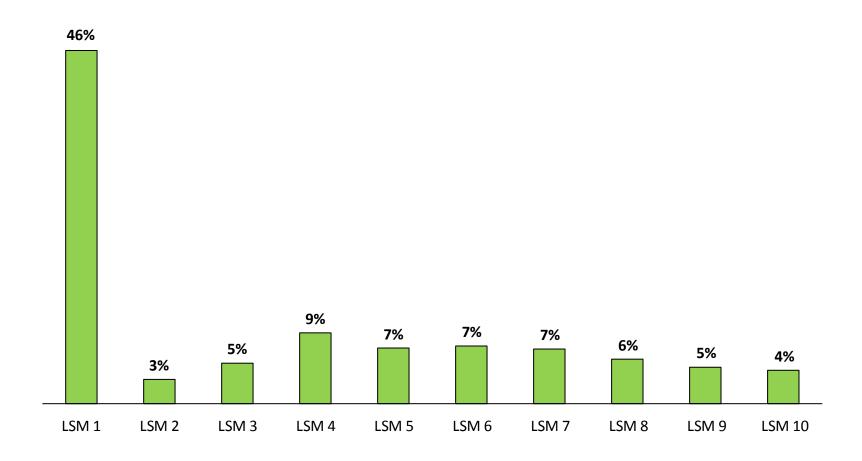
### **Introduction to the Living Standard Measure**

| The Living Standard Measure (LSM) is a tool commonly used to segment consumers based on household consumer durable ownership including cars and major household appliances and degree of urbanization     |
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| It is an alternative way of segmentation, rather than using income  |
| The LSM model classifies people into 10 tiers, with LSM 1 signifying the most asset-poor people in society, living in rural areas and LSM 10 the most asset-rich people in society, living in urban areas |
| This model has been widely used in South Africa and other markets for media planning and to predict how different segments use formal financial services  |
| LSMs offer a more scientific and objective approach to segmenting respondents   |



### **Breakdown of Population by LSM**

☐ 46% of the adult population belong to LSM 1 group

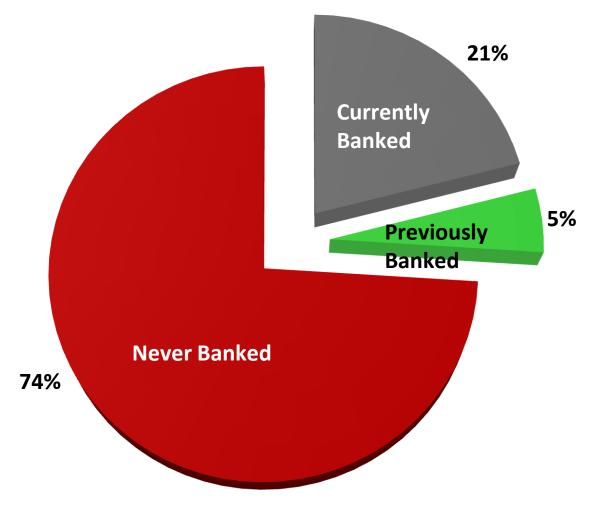




# C. Banking



### **Banking Profile of the Adult Population**



- Only 21% of the adult population has a bank account, which is equivalent to 18 million people
- 74% of the adult population have never been banked, which is equivalent to approximately 64 million people
- 5% of the adult population (about 4 million people) are previously banked, in other words, have left the banking system

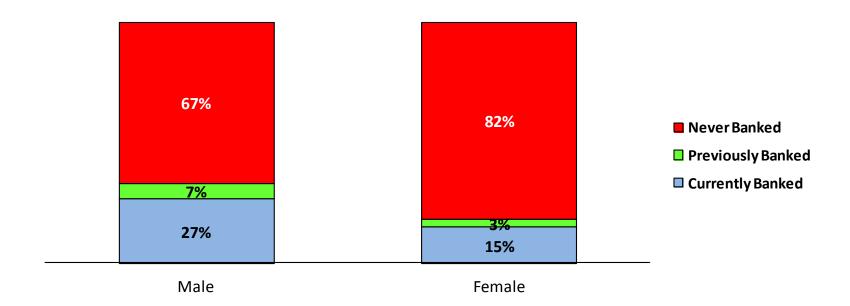
#### **Banked definition:**

currently have access to or use formal deposit taking institutions (i.e. deposit money banks) in addition to any of these products: ATM/Debit card, credit card, savings account, current account, fixed deposit account, mortgage, overdraft, loan, Islamic loan or Islamic financing investment



### **Bank Status by Gender**

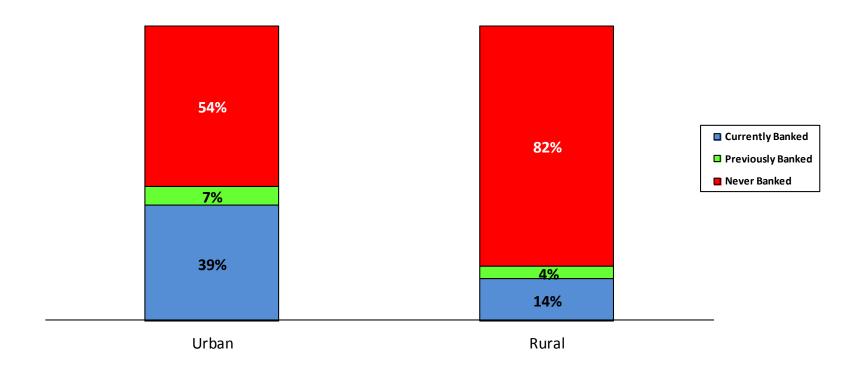
85% of adult females are currently unbanked74% of adult males are currently unbanked





### **Bank Status by Metropolitan Area**

- 86% of the rural population are currently unbanked
- 61% of the urban population are currently unbanked

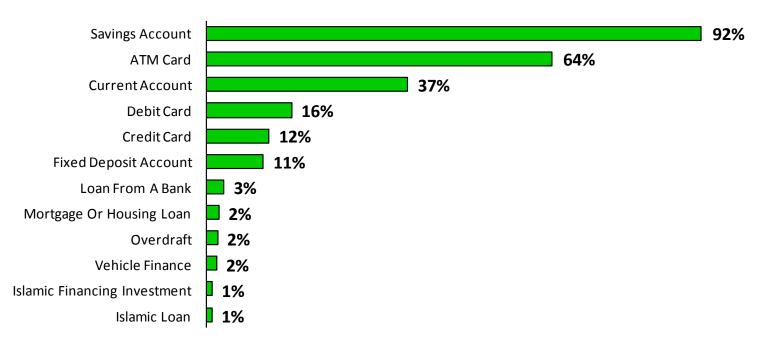




### **Current Usage of Banking Products**

Of the 18.3 million adults who are banked, the product with the highest penetration is savings account with 16.7 million customers

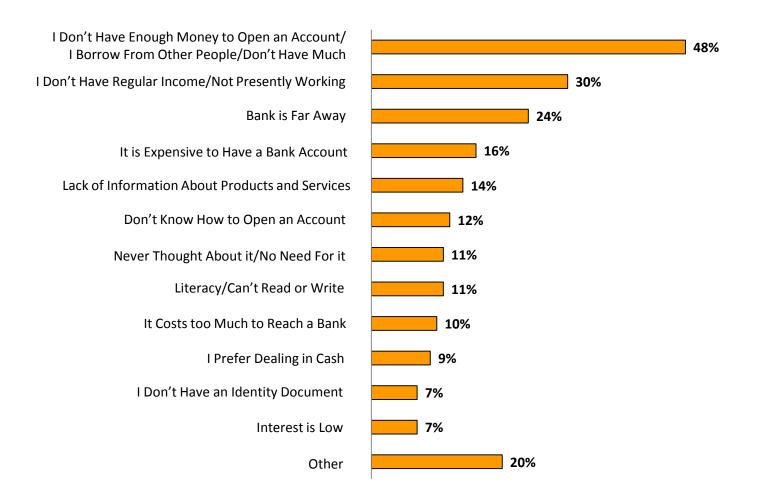






### **Reasons for Not Having a Bank Account**

☐ For the unbanked, the main barriers to having a bank account are lack of money, irregular income and distance to the bank





### **Reasons For Wanting a Bank Account**

Of the 68.3 million adults who are currently unbanked, the most important reason for 37.3 million adults (55% of them) for wanting to open a bank account is to save

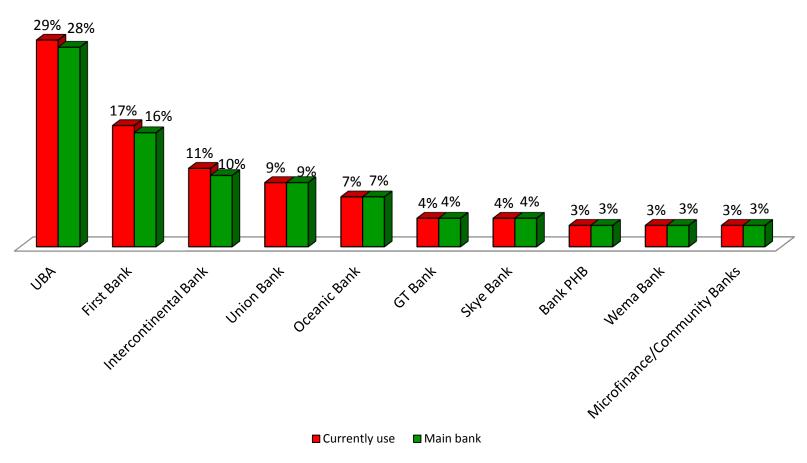


41.7 million adults (61% of those currently unbanked) said they would like to have a bank account



### **Financial Institutions Used Most Often**

- UBA and First Bank are the top two main banks
- Only 0.5 million adults (3% of the banked population) use microfinance banks as their main bank

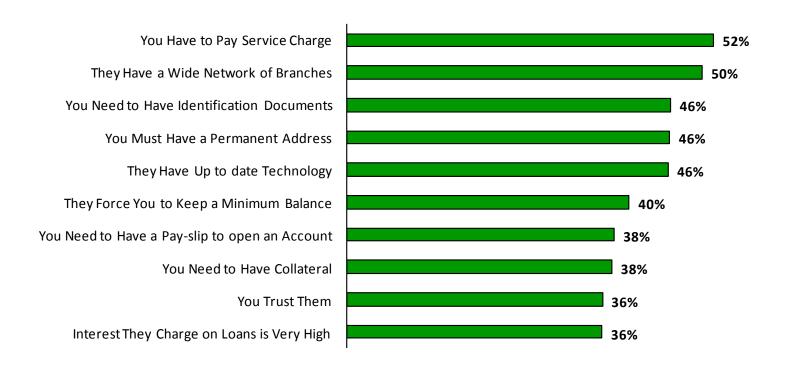


Source: EFInA Access to Financial Services in Nigeria 2008 survey



### **People's Perception of Banks**

#### Top 10 perceptions associated with banks





### **Profile of Microfinance/Community Banks Users**

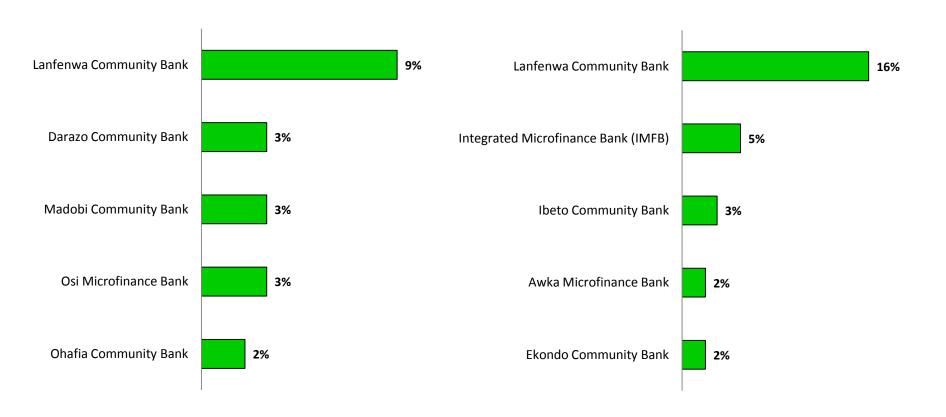
| Of t | the 0.5 million adults that use a Microfinance Bank as their main bank:                                   |
|------|---|
|      | Gender<br>65% are male  |
|      | Metropolitan Area<br>46% live in urban areas while 54% live in rural areas                                |
|      | Age Group 32% are within age group of 35-44 years and 26% of them are within the age group of 45-54 years |
|      | Geopolitical Zone 52% live in the South West region   |



### **Awareness of Microfinance/Community Banks**

**Top 5: First Mention** 

**Top 5: Other Mentions** 





### What Documentation do People Have?

□ 33.4 million adults (39% of the adult population) indicated that they have a national ID card

|                        | Total<br>% | Urban<br>% | Rural<br>% |
|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| National ID            | 39         | 48         | 35         |
| Electricity bill       | 14         | 22         | 12         |
| International Passport | 14         | 22         | 11         |
| Land ownership         | 13         | 13         | 13         |
| Bank statement         | 13         | 24         | 8          |
| House ownership        | 12         | 11         | 12         |
| Pay slip               | 9          | 15         | 6          |
| Drivers license        | 7          | 13         | 5          |
| LGA rates & tax inv    | 6          | 8          | 6          |
| Tax return             | 5          | 5          | 6          |
| Others                 | 12         | 21         | 9          |



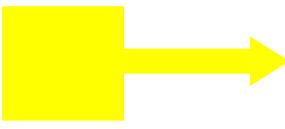
## D. Financial Access



#### **Definition of Financial Access Strand**



**Banked:** refers to all adults who have access to or use deposit money banks in addition to currently using any of the following products: ATM/Debit card, credit card, savings account, current account, fixed deposit account, mortgage, overdraft, loan from a bank, Islamic loan or Islamic financing investment



**Formal other**: refers to all adults who have access to or use other formal institutions such as insurance companies and microfinance/community banks, in addition to using the following products: pension schemes or shares



**Informal only**: refers to all adults who do not have any of the banked or formal other products as described above, but have access to or use only informal services and products such as: savings clubs/pools, esusu, ajo or moneylenders



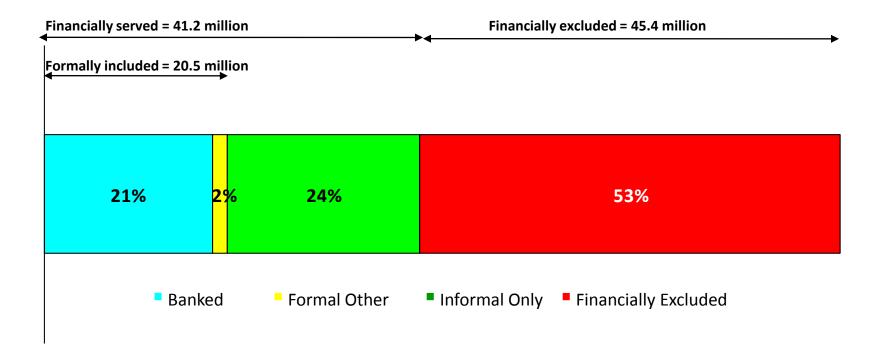
**Financially excluded**: refers to all adults not in the banked, formal other, or informal categories, even though the person may be using or have access to any of the following: loan/gift from friends or family and loan from employers

These four strands are mutually exclusive



### **Nigeria Financial Access Strand**

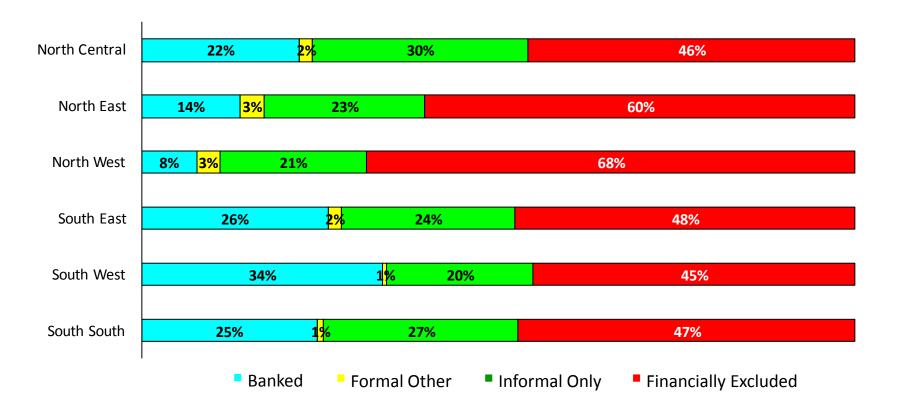
- 45.4 million adults (53% of the adult population) are financially excluded
- 20.7 million adults (24% of the adult population) use 'informal only' products/services





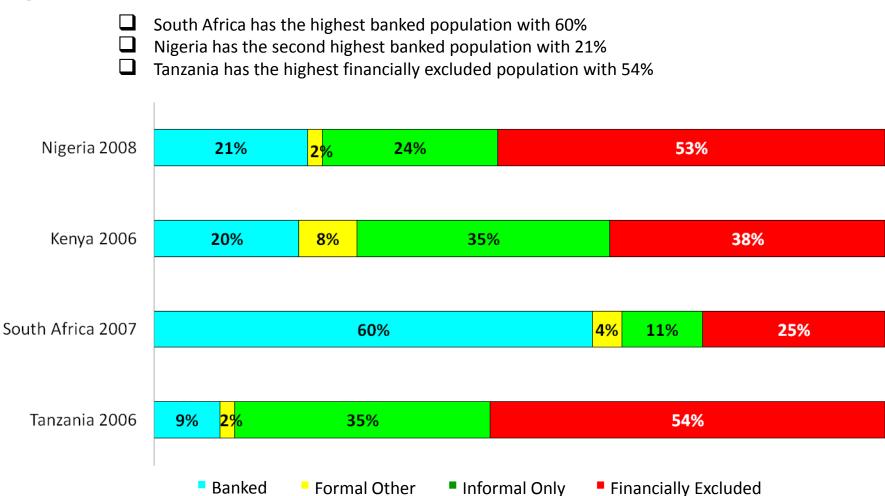
### **Access Strand by Geopolitical Zone**

South West zone has the highest banked population with 5.2 million adults
 North West zone has the highest financially excluded population with 12.3 million adults





### **Financial Access - Cross Country Comparisons**



Note: Some definitional differences between the countries



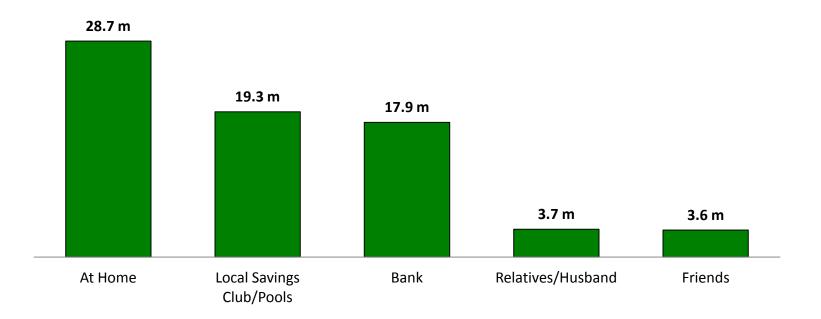
# E. Savings & Investment



### **Where People Currently Save**

58.0 million adults (67.0% of the adult population) are currently saving, of which:

- □ 28.7 million adults are currently saving at home
- ☐ 19.3 million adults are currently saving in local savings club/pools

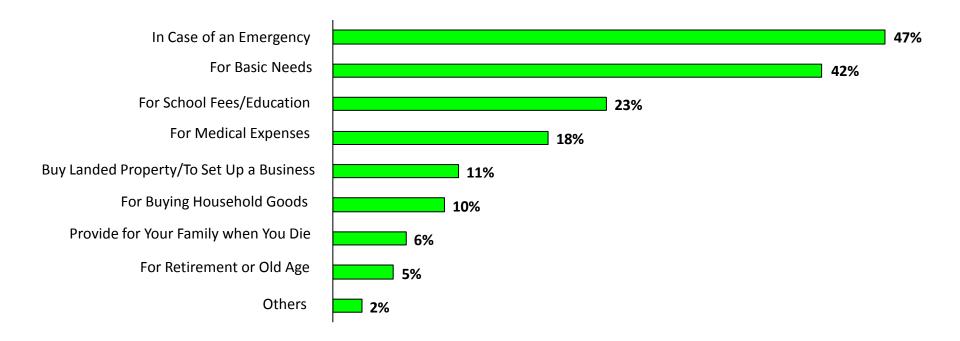




### **Reasons for Saving**

The top 2 reasons for saving are:

☐ For emergencies and basic needs



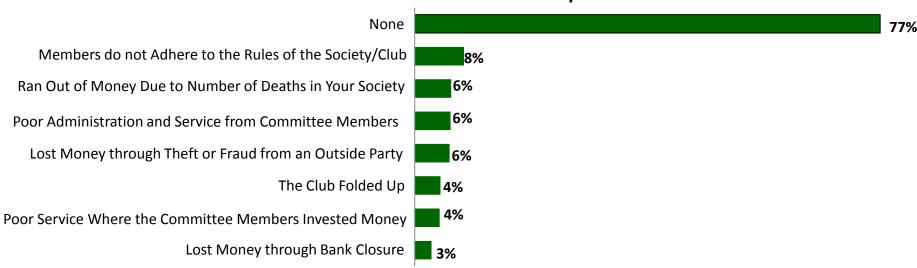


### **Savings Club**

#### 22% of the adult population (19.3 million adults) belong to a savings club, of which:

- ☐ They belong to 2 clubs on average and contribute N434 each time
- 52% of them indicate that they make this contribution weekly
- ☐ 77% have not experienced any mishap with any of their savings clubs

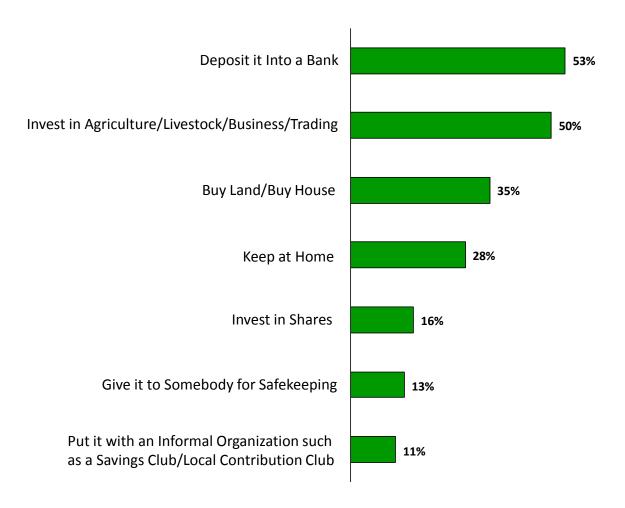
#### **Incidence of Mishaps**





# If you were to receive a fairly large sum of money and did not spend it immediately, what would you initially like to do with it?

□ 53% of the adult population (46.2 million adults) would deposit the money into a bank

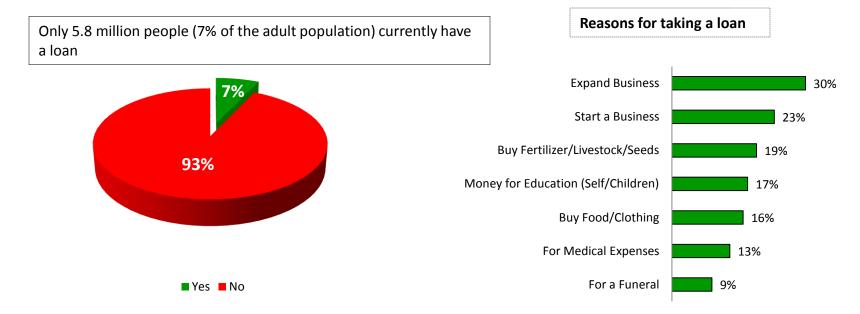




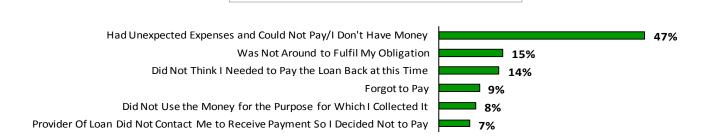
### F. Loans and Credit



### **Incidence of Loan taking**



1.5 million adults (26% of those who currently have a loan ) have missed a loan payment

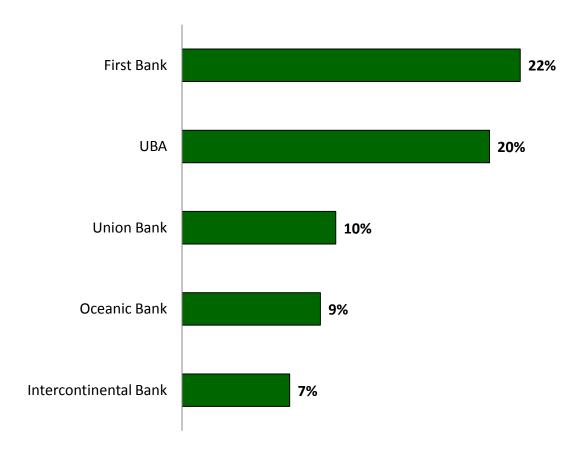


Reasons for missing a payment



## **Top 5 Banks Where Loans Were Taken**

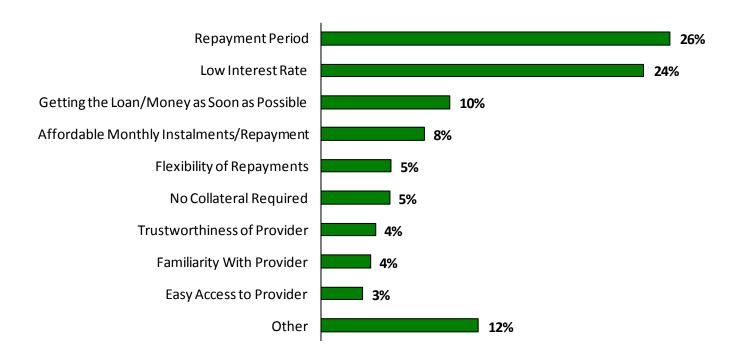
Of the 0.5 million adults who currently have a loan at a bank, 0.1 million (22%) took out the loan from First Bank





## Most Important Factors Considered when Deciding to Apply for a Loan

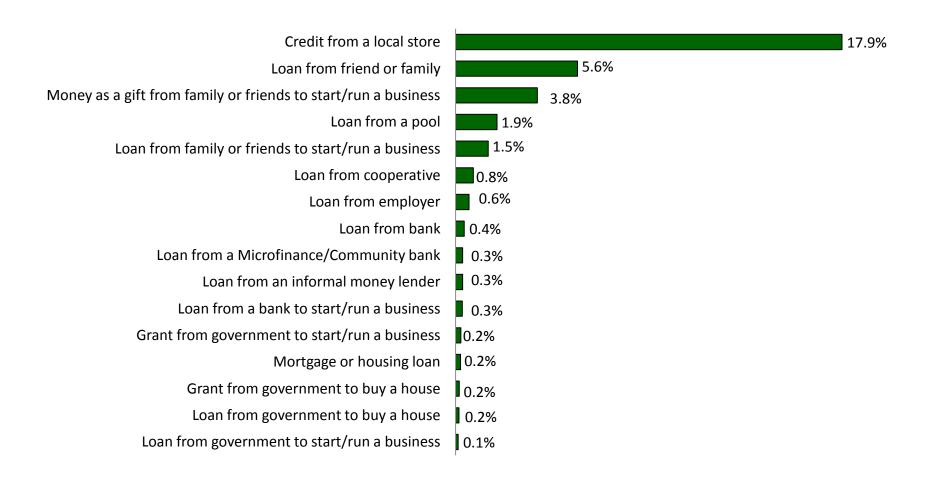
22.4 million adults (26% of the adult population) said repayment period was the most important factor when deciding to apply for a loan





### **Sources of Loans/Credit**

15.5 million adults (17.9% of the adult population) are currently using credit from a local store



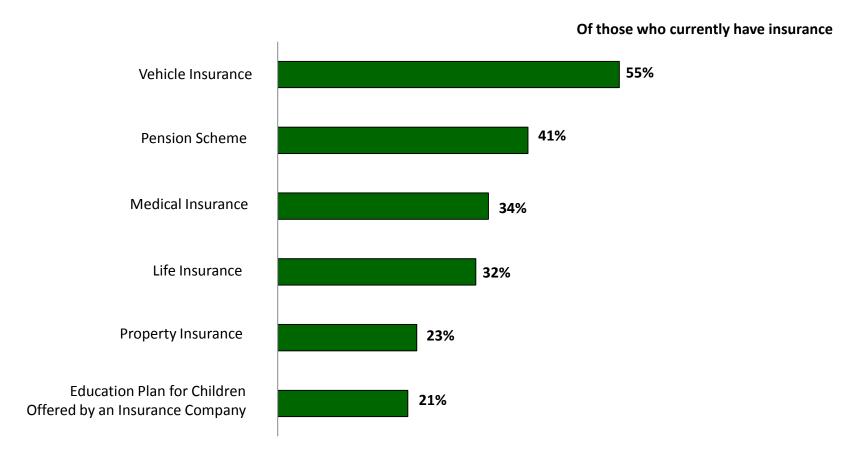


## G. Insurance



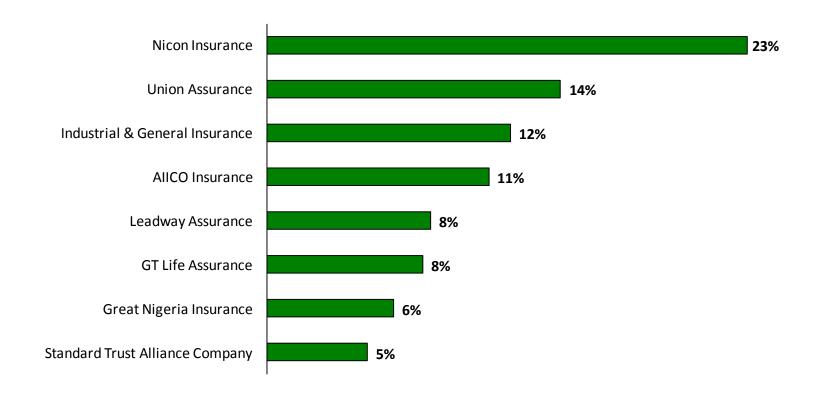
#### **Penetration of Insurance Products**

- Only 1.0 million adults (1.2% of the adult population) have insurance
- 0.6 million adults have vehicle insurance (which is compulsory)





# **Companies where Insurance Policies are Currently Held**





# **Experience of Household Risks and Coping Mechanisms**

☐ The top coping mechanism for risk mitigation is the use of savings as opposed to insurance

|  | Risks Experienced   |   |                             |  |  |                             |  |
|--|---|---|-----------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------|--|
| Coping Mechanisms                        | Theft of household<br>property/Agricultural<br>product<br>% | Fire or<br>destruction of<br>household<br>property<br>% | Failure of<br>business<br>% | Member of<br>household<br>loses job<br>% | Serious illness of<br>a household<br>member<br>% | Death of<br>a relative<br>% |  |
| Used own savings                         | 35  | 34  | 30                          | 31                                       | 46   | 42                          |  |
| Sell assets/dispose of agricultural crop | 15  | 13  | 10                          | 8  | 14   | 8                           |  |
| Borrow money from family/friend          | 14  | 19  | 25                          | 16                                       | 21   | 15                          |  |
| Did nothing                              | 12  | 4   | 4                           | 9  | 2  | 8                           |  |
| Cut down on household expenses           | 9   | 14  | 13                          | 18                                       | 7  | 7                           |  |
| Wait/ask for donations                   | 6   | 14  | 7                           | 8  | 12   | 18                          |  |
| Don't know                               | 6   | 6   | 5                           | 9  | 4  | 0                           |  |
| Borrow money from other sources          | 4   | 7   | 6                           | 5  | 7  | 4                           |  |
| Others                                   | 10  | 5   | 15                          | 7  | 9  | 8                           |  |



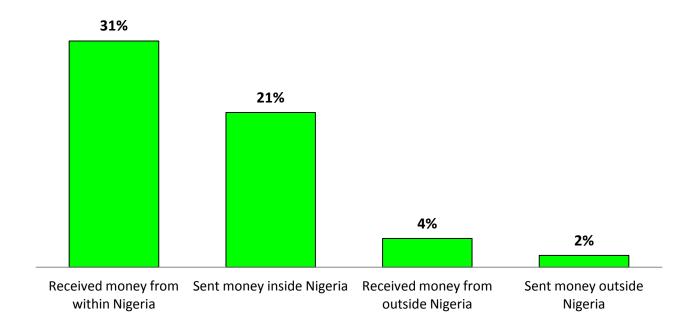
# H. Remittances



#### **Usage of Money Transfer Services**

In the six months prior to being interviewed:

- 26.4 million adults (31% of the adult population) received money from a friend/relative within Nigeria
- 18.1 million adults (21% of the adult population) sent money to a friend/relative inside Nigeria
- 3.7 million adults (4% of the adult population) received money from friend/relative from outside Nigeria
- 1.4 million adults (2% of the adult population) sent money to friend/relative outside Nigeria





### **Methods of Money Transfer**

| The predominant means used for sending or receiving money inside Nigeria is through a friend/family member |
|--|
| The most common method used for international money transfers is through a bank                            |

| Means of transfer*                  |           | Domestic     |           | International |  |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|---------------|--|
|                                     | Sent<br>% | Receive<br>% | Sent<br>% | Receive<br>%  |  |
| Friend/family member                | 57        | 63           | 15        | 25            |  |
| Bank                                | 43        | 33           | 45        | 37            |  |
| Cheque                              | 4         | 3            | 6         | 4             |  |
| Western Union/Moneygram             | 1         | 1            | 15        | 30            |  |
| Third party (taxi, bus driver, etc) | 10        | 10           | 3         | 4             |  |
| Electronic bank transfers           | 1         | 1            | 2         | 1             |  |
| Recharge card                       | 3         | 2            | -         | -             |  |

<sup>\*</sup> Percentages are calculated based on respondents who indicated they had either sent or received money from within or outside Nigeria over the past six months

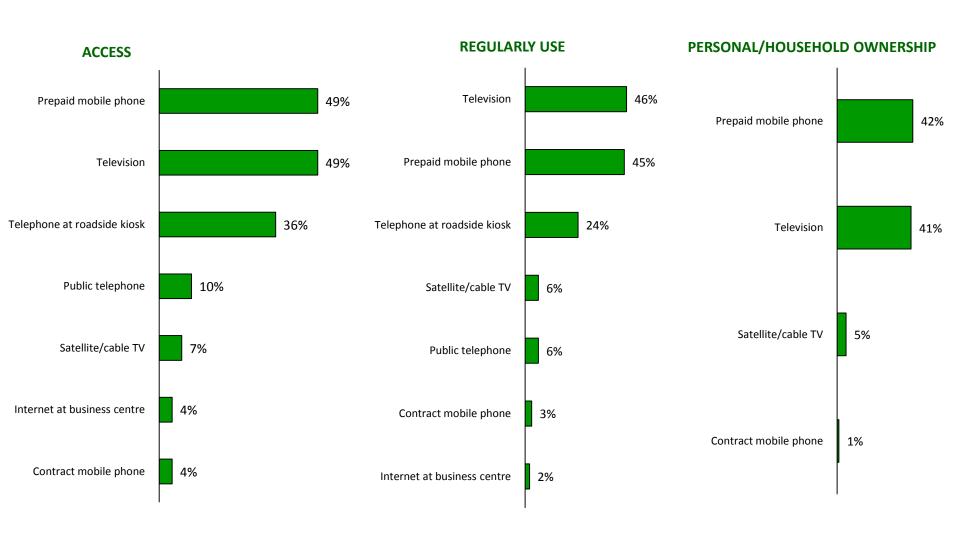


I. Technology and Mobile Phone Usage



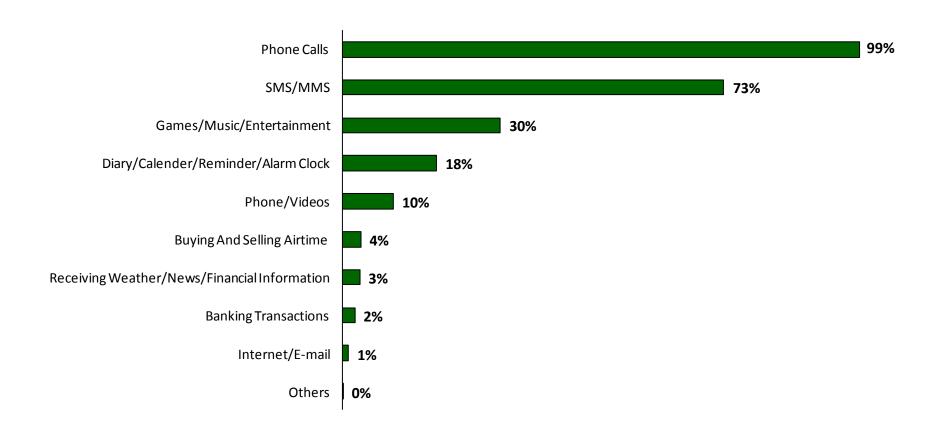
### **Access/Usage/Ownership of Technology**

42.2 million adults (49% of the adult population) have access to a prepaid mobile phone





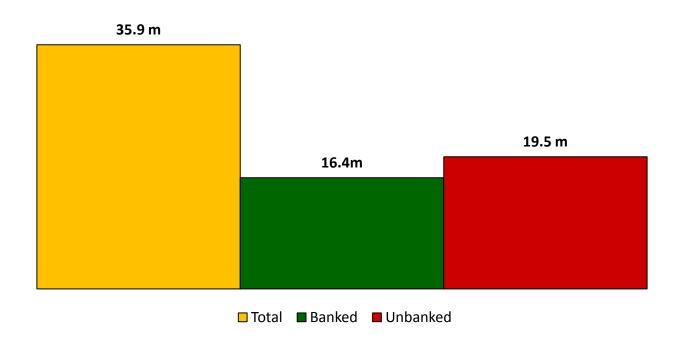
## What People Currently Use Their Mobile Phones For





#### Mobile Phone Ownership vs. Banking Status

- 35.9 million adults own a prepaid mobile phone, of which:
  - **16.4 million** are banked (which represents 94.6% of the banked population)
  - **19.5 million** are unbanked (which represents 68.6% of the unbanked population)
- This clearly demonstrates the potential for using mobile phones as a distribution channel for providing financial services to the unbanked





# J. Financial Literacy



#### **Knowledge of Key Financial Terms**

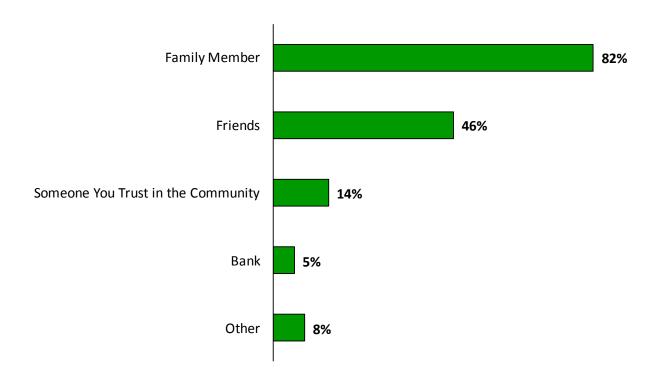
|                             | Heard – Do<br>Understand<br>% | Heard – Don't<br>Understand<br>% | Never<br>Heard<br>% |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Pension                     | 57                            | 19                               | 23                  |
| Savings Account             | 45                            | 13                               | 41                  |
| Cheque                      | 42                            | 12                               | 46                  |
| Microfinance/Community bank | 39                            | 15                               | 46                  |
| Current Account             | 36                            | 15                               | 49                  |
| Insurance                   | 35                            | 17                               | 48                  |
| Shares                      | 34                            | 19                               | 47                  |
| ATM                         | 25                            | 12                               | 63                  |
| Bank service charge/COT     | 19                            | 12                               | 68                  |
| Stock Exchange              | 19                            | 13                               | 68                  |
| Mortgage                    | 17                            | 10                               | 73                  |
| Credit card                 | 13                            | 11                               | 76                  |
| Debit card                  | 13                            | 12                               | 75                  |
| Islamic Banking             | 12                            | 10                               | 78                  |
| Mobile Phone Banking        | 12                            | 10                               | 78                  |
| Valu card                   | 11                            | 13                               | 75                  |
| Internet Banking            | 11                            | 10                               | 79                  |

- **57%** of the adult population have heard and understand what pension means
- of mortgages; 63% have never heard of ATMs; 49% have never heard of current accounts and 46% have never heard of microfinance/community banks



#### **Sources of Financial Advice**

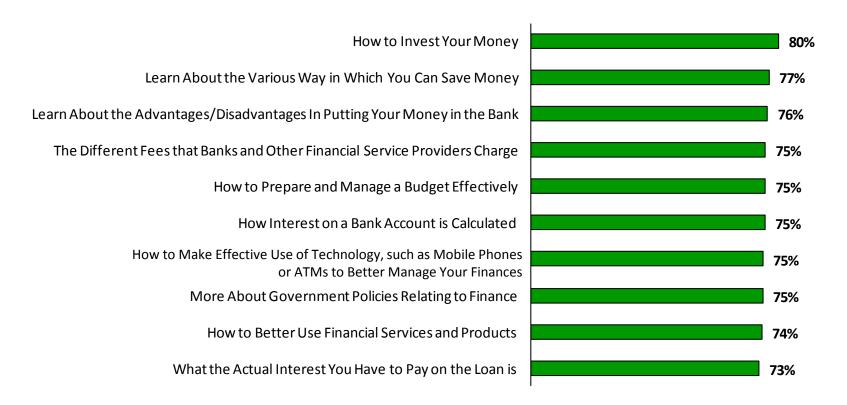
- □ 70.8 million adults (82% of the adult population) get their financial advice from a family member
- Only 4.7 million adults (5% of the adult population) indicated that they get financial advice from a bank





#### **Desired Financial Knowledge**

- 68.9 million adults (80% of the adult population) would like to know more about how to invest their money
- ☐ 66.3 million adults (77% of the adult population) would like to learn about the various ways to save money





## K. Conclusions



# **Key Characteristics of the Unbanked**

| _ | Belong to rain 1-2  |
|---|---|
|   | 44% have some level of secondary education  |
|   | Predominantly rural   |
|   | Mostly female   |
|   | Likely to be living in the North East and North West                                      |
|   | 41% have no income  |
|   | Of those with an income, they are earning less than N8,000 per month                      |
|   | Their main regular source of personal income is from farming (commercial and subsistence) |
|   | 30% are within the age group 18-34 yrs  |



#### **Key Issues**

#### Large gaps in financial access

#### Banking

- The unbanked represent a significant portion of the population 68 million people.
- This also represents a large opportunity as 61% of the unbanked (41.7 million people) say they would like to have a bank account how do we facilitate this?

#### Insurance

How do we encourage insurance companies to provide insurance products customized to the needs of the low income population?

#### ☐ Microfinance

- Are Microfinance Banks truly extending access to finance and serving the poor in Nigeria?
- Microfinance banks have not sufficiently penetrated the rural areas

#### ☐ Financial Literacy/Capability

 Lack of financial knowledge acts as a deterrent to a significant proportion of the Nigerian adult population, in terms of improving access to finance



# L. Data Dissemination Options



## **Data Dissemination Options**

| EFI | nA Access to Financial Services in Nigeria 2008 survey   |
|-----|--|
|     | Comprehensive database where information can be segmented in multiple dimensions, e.g., gender, geo political zone, age, education, etc. |
|     | Data will be provided in SPSS format   |
|     | Key findings can be downloaded from the EFInA website  |
| Dat | a Options  |
|     | Purchase full dataset  |
|     | Request customised presentations   |
|     | Purchase a limited number of questions   |
|     | Data request form can be downloaded from the EFInA website   |
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