

The Promise of 5G

Exploring the benefits and use cases of 5G

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Mobile Technology Generations

- Original analog cellular networks (1G) broad commercial adoption in 1980s
- 2G (second generation) digital cellular networks (1990s)
- 3G deployment begins during 2000s to incorporate voice *and data* communications

Mobile Technology Generations

- 4G increases in bandwidth speeds and network capacity (commercial deployment in 2010s)
- 5G further, major increases in network speed and capacity and ultra-low latency (as low as one millisecond, fiber-like reliability)
- 6G (under early development, likely 100x faster than 5G)

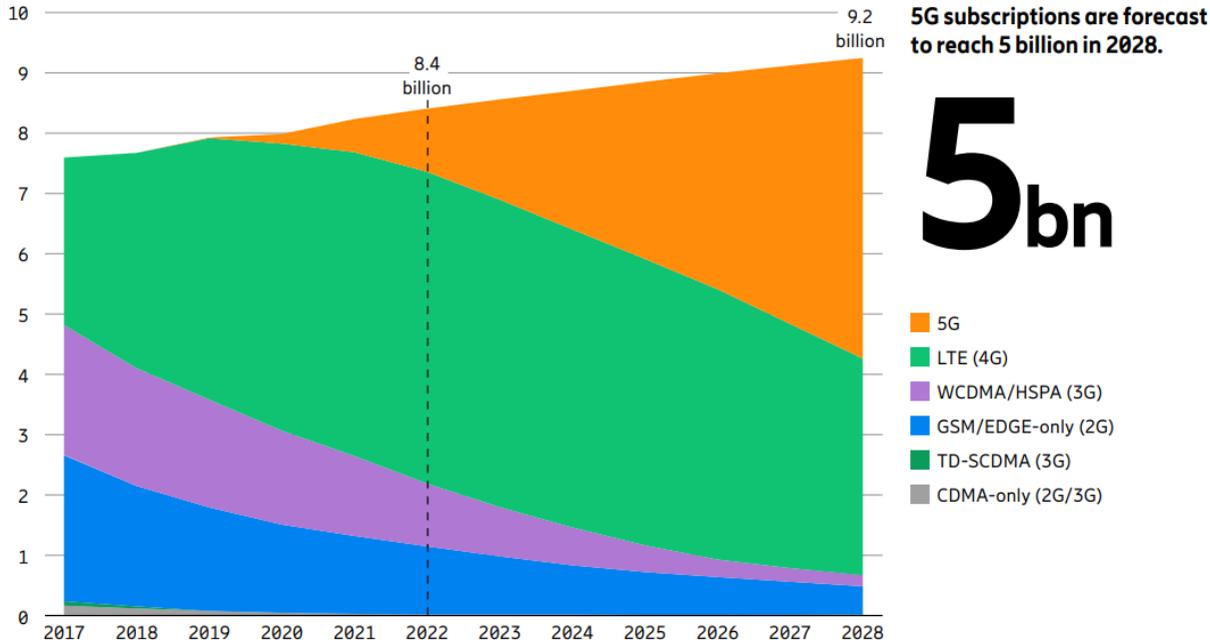


Projected Impact of 5G

- Predicted to power the digital economy, enabling up to US\$13 trillion+ in global economic value by 2035
- Will expand mobile ecosystem to new industries and for new uses

Future of Mobile Generations

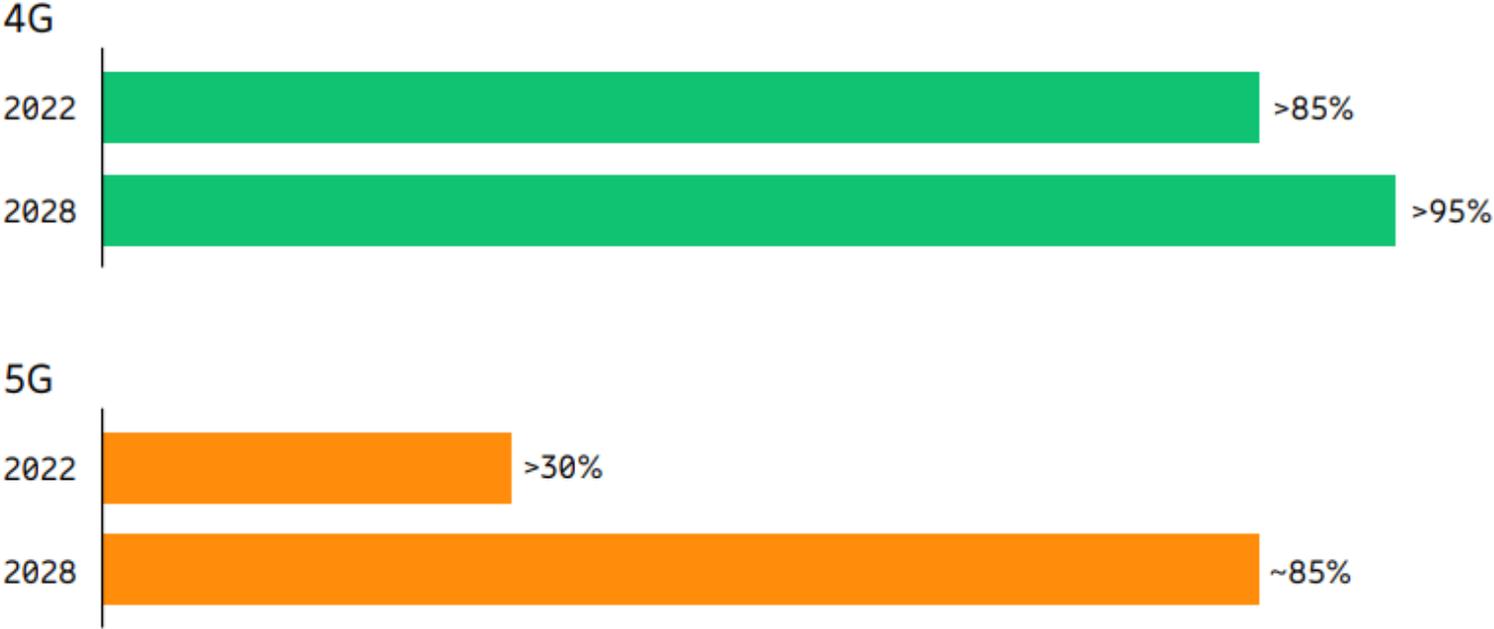
What are the driving forces behind the need for next generation of technology?



Source: Ericsson Mobility Report (2022)

- 1 billion 5G subscriptions by the end 2022.
- LTE subscriptions peaked in 2022 at 5.2 billion.
- LTE will decline to around 3.6 billion by the end of 2028 as subscribers migrate to 5G.

World Population Coverage by Technology



Source: Ericsson Mobility Report (2022)

5G Technology Change

- The push to bring next-generation wireless network technology was causing a lot of excitement and created some commotion across the telecom space in the last few years.
- By the end of 2028, 5 billion 5G subscriptions globally
- **Questions remain:**
 - What exactly constitutes a generational technology change beyond the marketing hype?
 - What is the business case for such a move?

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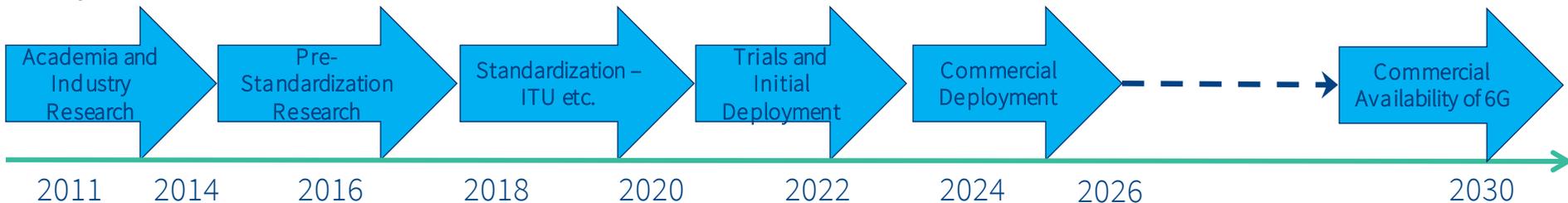
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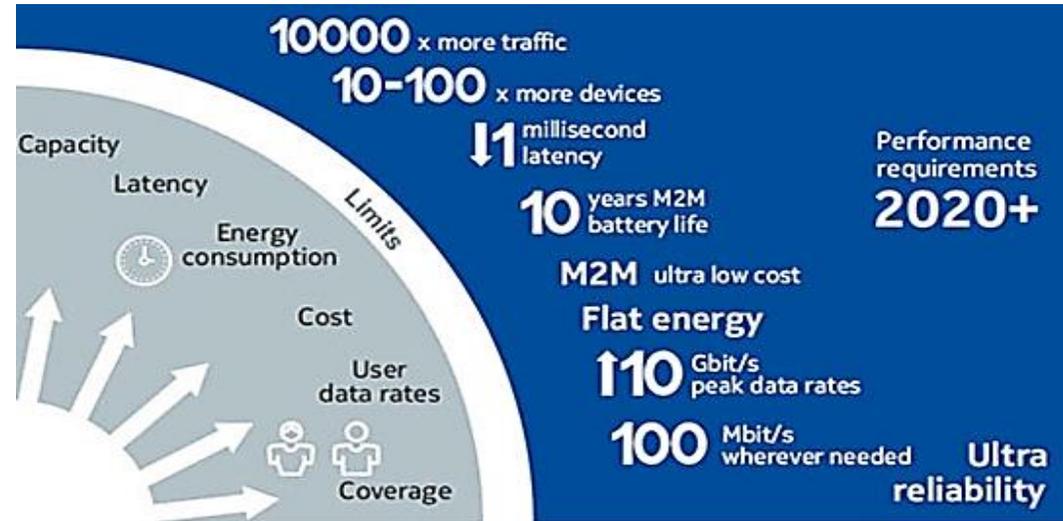
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Drivers for 5G Adoption

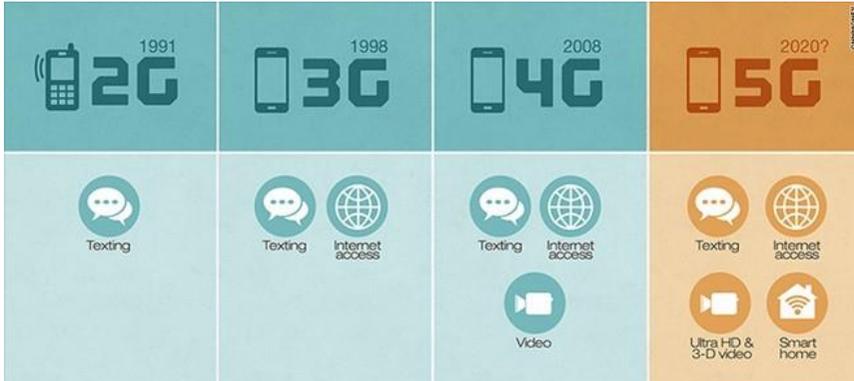


In 2017, Cost Per Bit Exceeds Revenues:

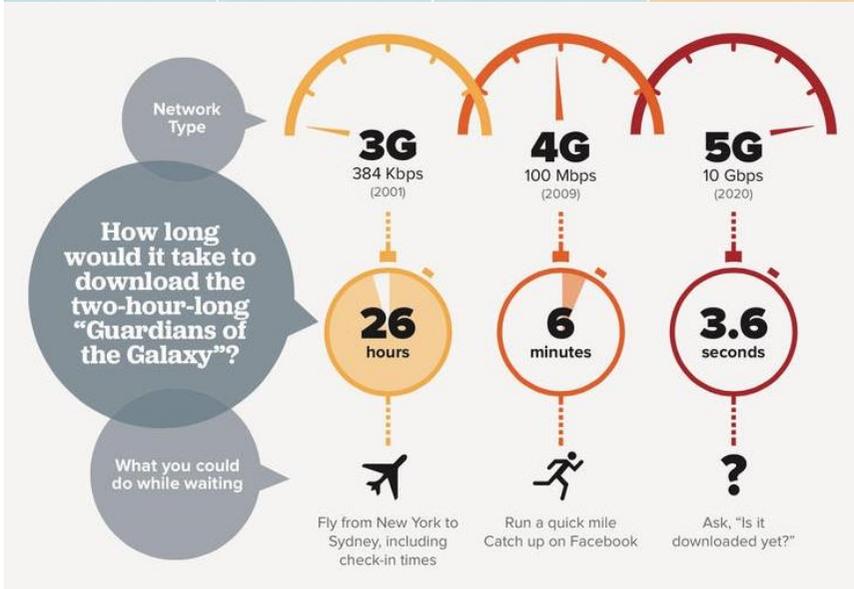
- Operators face cost-revenue convergence
- The cost of delivering data becomes greater than the revenues derived from doing so.

- Subscribers are **demanding more bandwidth** such as streaming video, augmented reality, peer-to-peer gaming, and other bandwidth-intensive services.
- Mobile network operators (MNOs) seeking new ways to profit from their networks. 5G opens up the capability to **offer new applications and services**.
 - A new generation of applications that are (or soon will be) in use, from the **Internet of Things (IoT) to self-driving cars to virtual reality**.

5G Speeds and Features



Evolution of supported features



The real-world translation of "wireless fiber optics"

5G Use Cases



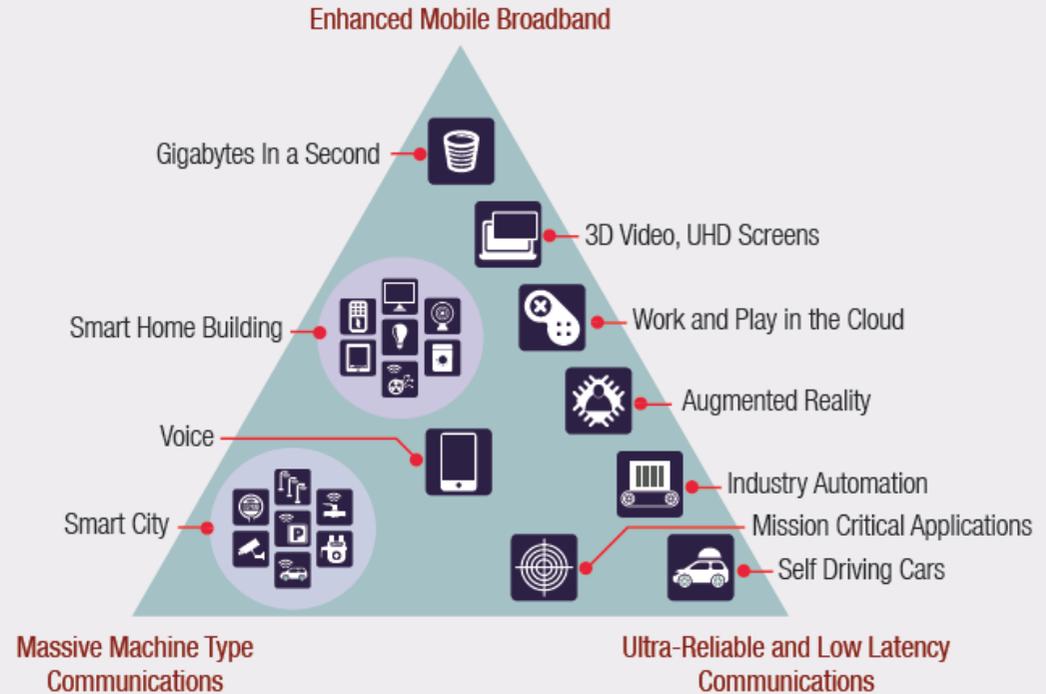
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5G Use Cases

Three broad use cases that 5G wireless technology seeks to transform:

- Broadband Speed/Access
- Low Latency/High Reliability
- Machine-to-Machine Communication



5G Use Cases



Early Use Cases

- Fixed Wireless: Home Internet through 5G mmWave spectrum and beamforming
- Enhanced Mobile Broadband: Always-on, high-speed links with real-time responsiveness with the goals of 20 Gbps peak throughput and 1 Gbps with high mobility. AR/VR applications

Later Use Cases

- Massive Machine-Type Communication: Embedded sensors in virtually everything. 27B of IoT by 2025. Industrial IoT with smart cities, smart utilities, agriculture.
- Ultra-Reliance Low-Latency Communications: self-driving vehicles, smart-grid control, industrial automation, robotics, drone control.

5G Use Cases

Self-Driving Cars



- 5G can help solve the issue of lag and latency by improving the communication between the car's sensors and the data center sending information to the car.

Networked Robots



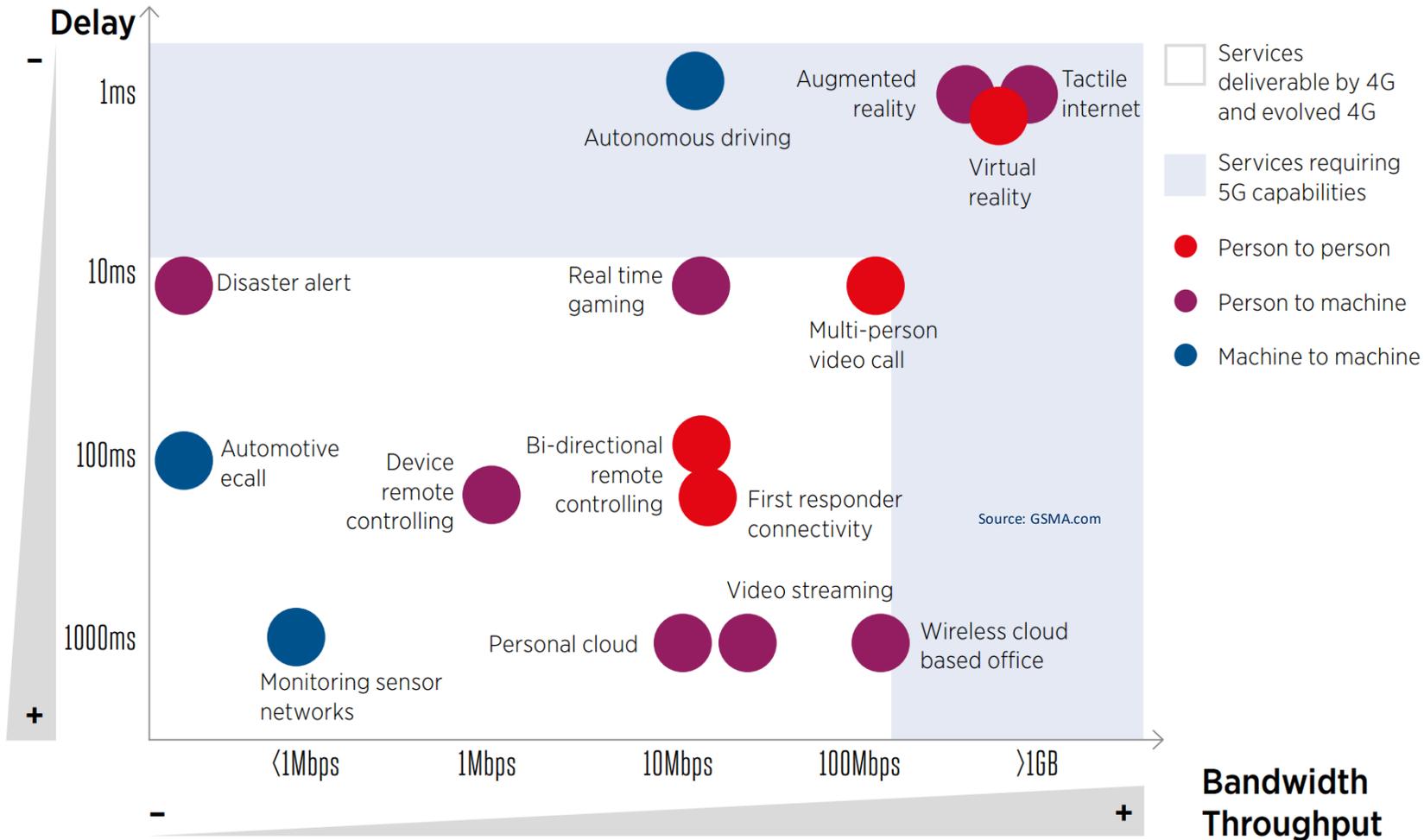
- Networked robots will be very useful in healthcare and manufacturing. For example, a robot reacting *in real-time*, to a doctor's commands.

Virtual Reality



- VR users can benefit from seamless communication and data transfers from around the world. This could usher in a new era of gaming and remote collaboration.

5G Supported Services



Source: <https://ipcarrier.blogspot.com/2015/07/ultra-low-latency-not-needed-by-all-or.html>



The “Killer App”

- In 2010, as 4G rolled out, there were many conferences about the great things 4G would bring:
 - They talked about bigger bandwidth and about streaming and mobile broadband
 - NO ONE said anything about
 - Uber
 - Waze
 - WhatsApp
- No one predicted the impact of combining geolocation and broadband
- And now we watch as 5G is launched...
- The Point: The “killer app” for 5G has not been written yet. What will it bring?

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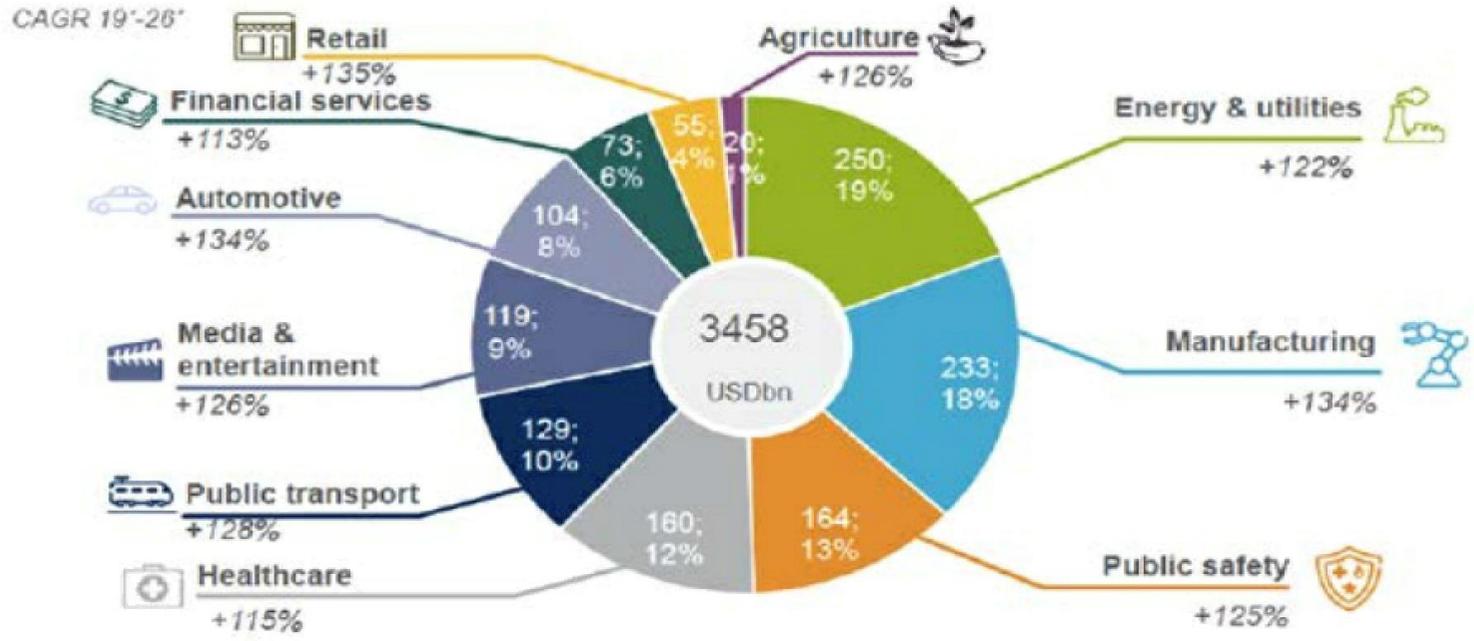
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Recommended Use Cases

- Remote working
- Enhanced distance learning
- Telemedicine
- Security, public safety and disaster response
- Agriculture
- Mining
- Manufacturing
- Financial Services

Source: 2021 ICASA 5G Annual Report

5G Use Cases and Benefits



Source: Ericsson, 2021 ICASA5G Annual Report

5G Supported Uses



High Speed Home
& Office
Broadband



Education



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Healthcare



Security,
Public Safety &
Disaster Response



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Agriculture &
Water



Mining



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