

E-Invoicing / E-Billing

European Market Overview & Forecast



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Market Penetration 2010

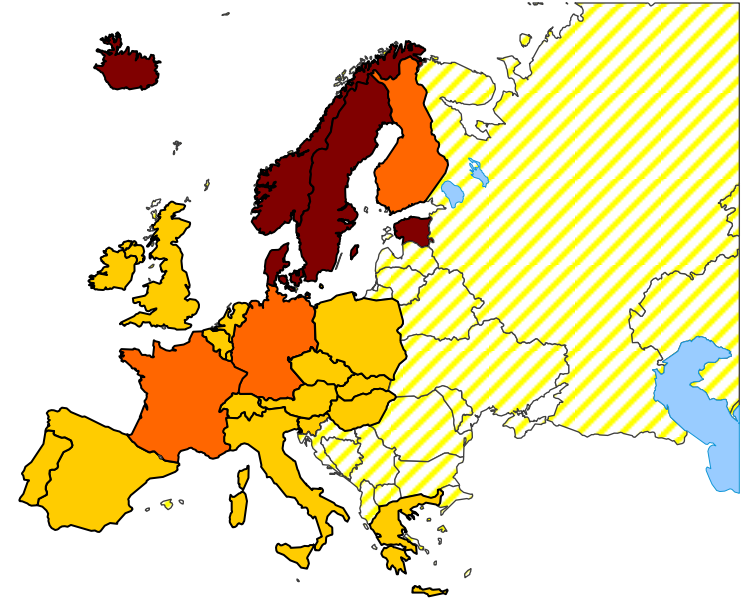
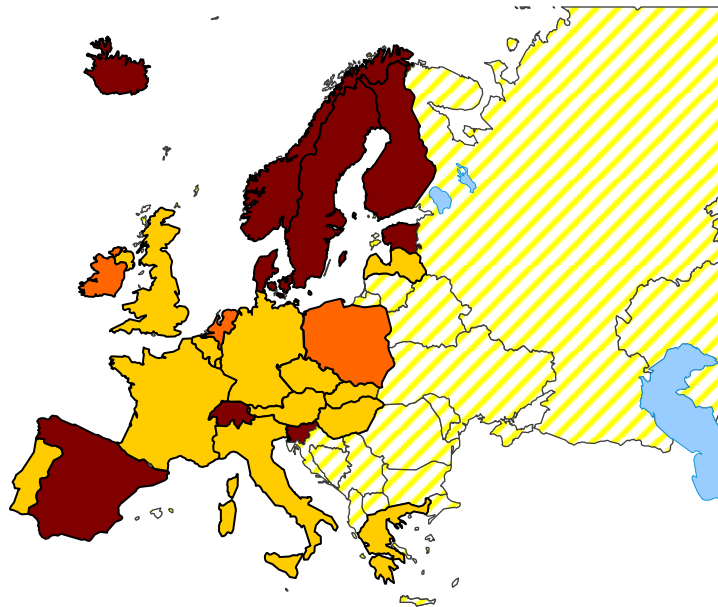
(Electronic share of total volume of 30 billion)



B2B

2010 (E)

B2C



 12-50%

 6-11.9%

 1-5.9%

 <1%

E-Invoicing/E-Billing Market Figures



Europe	2009 (E)	2010 (E)
Participants		
Companies	1.6 million	2.5 million (+60%)
Consumers	41 million	56 million (+35%)
Electronic volume	1,600 million	2,190 million (+37%)
- B2C	- 690	- 925 (+34%)
- B2B	- 910	- 1,265 (+39%)
Electronic with paper summary invoice	250 million	200 million (partially replaced with fully electronic processes)
Service providers	400	440 (+10%)

Rolling update of these figures during the year as many service providers do not publish figures before May

Number of Users Increasing Sharply



Consumers

- Large suppliers (mainly from telcos, utilities, the credit/customer card industry) push clients to accept electronic invoices, or receive penalty, e.g. charged EUR 2.50 per paper invoice

Companies

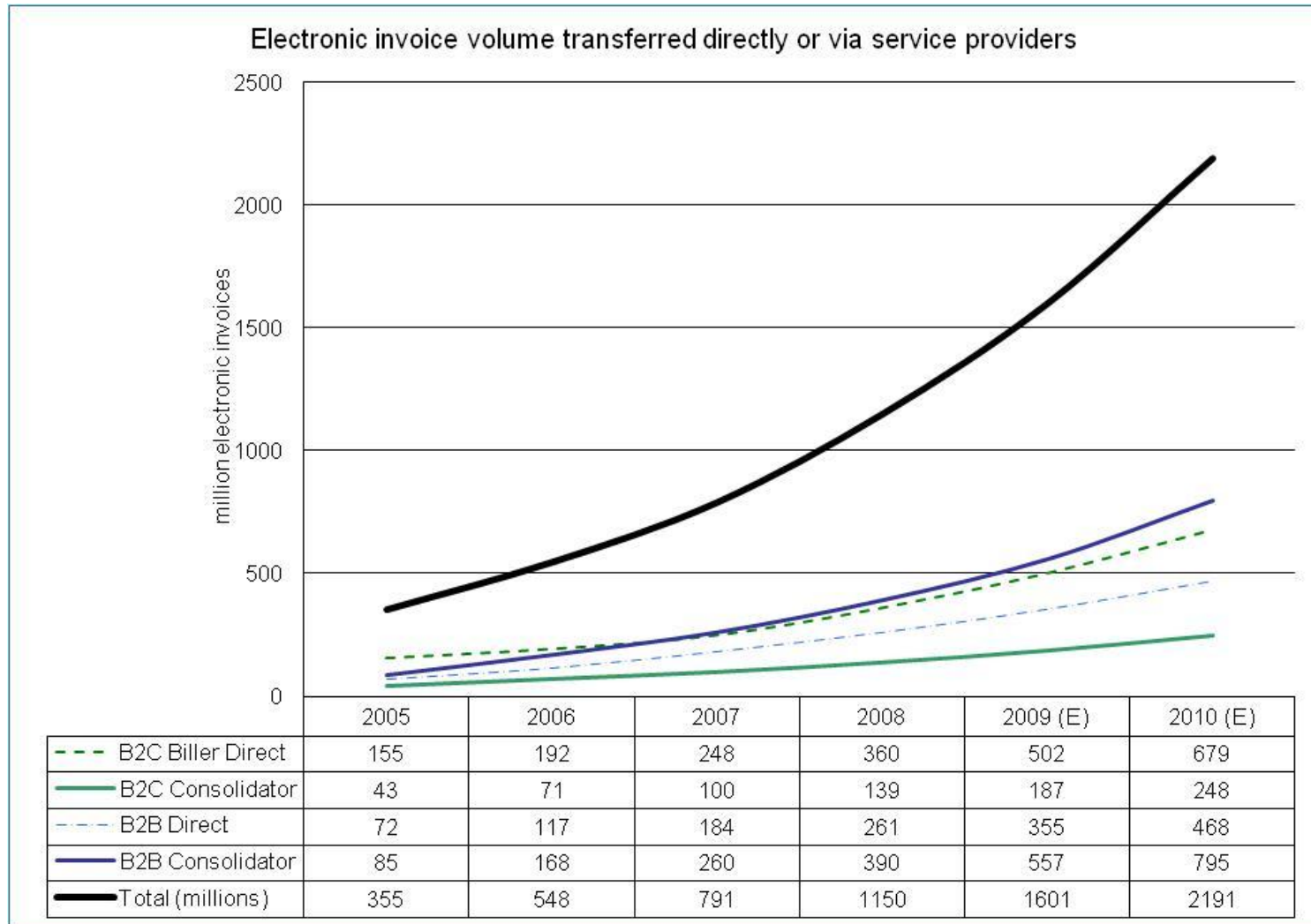
- Pushed by their trading parties to send/receive electronic invoices
- Past worries about compliance issues have disappeared and are no longer a hindrance
- New user-friendly and efficient market offerings especially for SMEs

On a daily basis in 2010, I expect as new E-Invoicing users:

- 40,000 consumers
- 2,600 enterprises

Channels Used for Electronic Invoices

Processed volume



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- Every month four new operators on my screen
 - SME focussed providers
 - Providers in certain geographical regions: countries with government initiatives, such as Spain and Sweden, Southern and Central/Eastern Europe
 - Providers from the financial services industry segment
- Every month one disappearing from my screen (turn downs)
- Total increment of new service providers in 2010: around 40
- Substantial volume of PDF invoices bypassing most operators, but around 30% of them now also support PDF invoices
- Thesis: Major consolidation will occur if market penetration surpasses 15% → 2011/2012

- Increased popularity of projects aiming to increase transparency & Cash Management, automate processes and reduce costs; optimisation of Order-to-Cash and Purchase-to-Pay processes with E-Invoicing as one key component
- Projects in the public sector; international: PEPPOL and national projects in Italy, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland
- Market maturity; compliance issues are no longer seen as a hindrance to practice E-Invoicing (except in some countries)
- Shift of development and operation costs to third parties; replace fixed costs with variable costs

- Small and medium sized businesses as new user group, prompted by appropriate and efficient market solutions and pressure from large trading parties
- Broader usage of the most successful on-boarding model
 - Opt-out
 - Incentives for E-Invoices and penalty for paper invoices

- Internationalisation
- Strong growth of processed invoice volume; improvement of financial stability
- Appropriate solutions for SMEs
- Increasing number of interconnection partners
- Young generation of operators with new techniques and business models