

Throughout our history we have been where the growth is, **connecting customers to opportunities**. We enable businesses to thrive and economies to prosper, helping people fulfil their hopes and dreams and realise their ambitions.

HSBC was founded in Hong Kong on **3 March 1865**

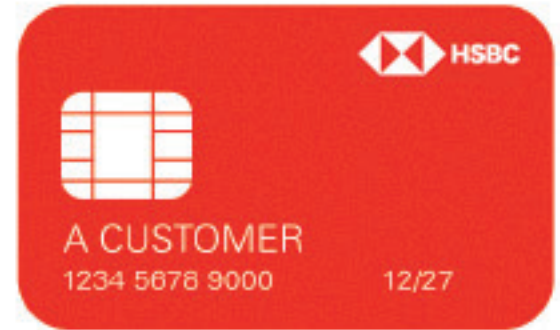
Today, HSBC has around

3,800

offices in

66

countries and territories worldwide



More than **38 million** customers bank with us

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Global transaction bank

We employ

229,000

people around the world*

*Full-time equivalent

Source: 2017 transaction banking product revenue, HSBC Global Research

We speak

144

different languages

HSBC employees volunteered **272,000 hours** during work time in 2017



In 2017 HSBC donated **USD136 million** to community investment programmes around the world



HSBC reported profits of **USD 10.7**

billion

before tax in the first six months of 2018

We paid **USD 10.2**

billion

in shareholder dividends for 2017