

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**

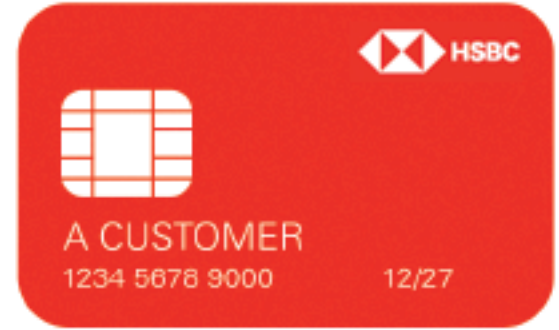
Today, HSBC has around

3,900

offices in

67

countries and territories worldwide



Around **38 million** customers bank with us

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Named 'World's Best Bank' in the *Euromoney* Awards for Excellence 2017

We employ

229,000

people around the world*

*Full-time equivalent

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**

17.2

billion

before tax in 2017

We paid **USD**

10.2

billion

in shareholder dividends for 2017