

Financial Technology and Business Growth in Nigeria

A Case Study of Coca-Cola Nigeria

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ABSTRACT

This study examines the impact of financial technology (FinTech) on business growth in Nigeria, with Coca-Cola Nigeria as a case study. Using a survey-based methodology and simulated industry data, the research analyses the relationship between FinTech adoption, investment, and key business outcomes such as revenue growth and customer satisfaction. Findings indicate positive associations between FinTech adoption and revenue performance, and between FinTech investment and customer satisfaction. The study recommends strategic collaborations between multinational firms and local FinTech providers to deepen digital financial integration across distribution networks in Nigeria. Keywords: FinTech, Business Growth, Coca-Cola Nigeria, Digital Payments, Nigeria

I. CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION

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1.1 Research Objectives and Questions

The primary objective is to assess the impact of FinTech on Coca-Cola Nigeria's business growth. Specific objectives include: 1) measure the level of FinTech adoption; 2) examine effects on revenue and distribution efficiency; 3) evaluate challenges in implementation; and 4) propose strategic recommendations.

Research Questions:

To what extent has Coca-Cola Nigeria adopted FinTech solutions?

How does FinTech adoption relate to revenue growth?

What is the influence of FinTech on distribution efficiency?

What challenges exist for FinTech implementation?

Research Hypotheses:

H01: There is no significant relationship between FinTech adoption and revenue growth for Coca-Cola Nigeria.

H02: FinTech solutions do not significantly influence distribution efficiency.

H03: Implementation challenges do not affect business growth.

II. CHAPTER TWO: LITERATURE REVIEW

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III. CHAPTER THREE: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

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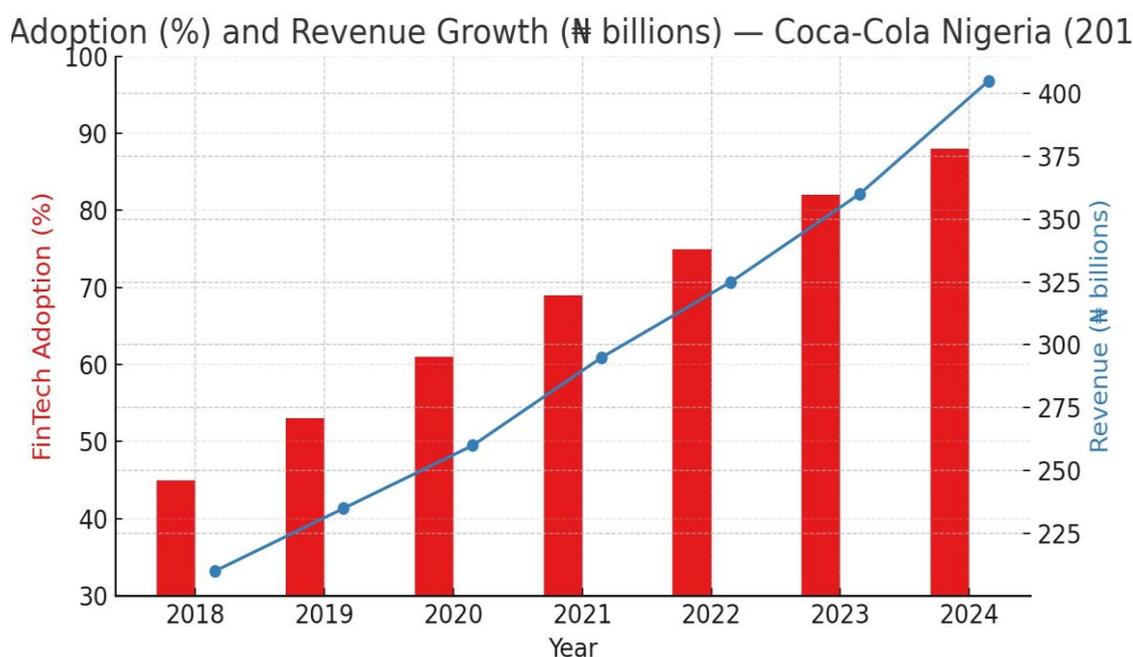
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IV. CHAPTER FOUR: DATA PRESENTATION AND ANALYSIS

This chapter presents the simulated survey findings and the two charts illustrating trends between 2018 and 2024. The charts reflect new simulated data tailored to Coca-Cola Nigeria's operations.

Figure 4.1 FinTech Adoption (%) and Revenue Growth (₦ billions) — 2018–2024



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Figure 4.2 FinTech Investment (■ millions) and Customer Satisfaction (%) — 2018–2024

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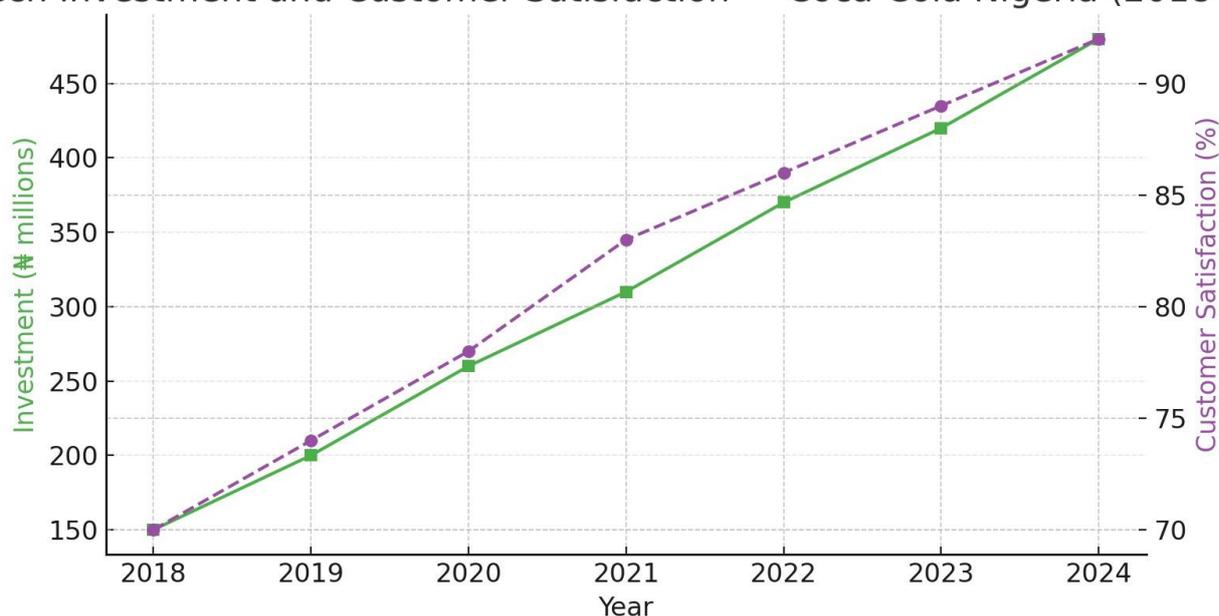


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V. CHAPTER FIVE: SUMMARY, CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This study explored how FinTech affects business growth at Coca-Cola Nigeria. Using simulated survey data, results show positive associations between FinTech adoption and revenue growth, as well as between FinTech investment and customer satisfaction. Challenges include infrastructure gaps and digital literacy among smaller distributors. Strategic recommendations include partnering with local FinTech firms, investing in distributor training, and piloting API solutions for reconciliations.

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APPENDIX A: SURVEY INSTRUMENT (SAMPLE)

1. How long have you been a Coca-Cola distributor? (1-3 years / 4-6 years / 7+ years)
2. Rate your usage of mobile banking apps for business transactions (1=Low, 5=High).
3. Have you adopted e-wallet or mobile POS for Coca-Cola transactions? (Yes/No)
4. To what extent has FinTech improved your payment reconciliation? (1=No improvement, 5=Significant improvement)
5. What challenges do you face in using digital payments? (Network, Cost, Literacy, Other)