

# Customers' Perception Towards Mobile Banking with Reference to Chennai City

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**Abstract:** India is a developing and leading country in the field of technology. We are facing the fourth industrial revolution. In this era, technology advancement plays a crucial role in all the part of industries. In banking sectors also technology plays an important role. Due to the technology advancement traditional banking operations are changing to modern banking methodologies. One of the most important modern banking methods is Mobile Banking or M-Banking. This study attempts to fathom the customers' perception towards M-Banking with reference to Chennai city. The aim of the study is to know the reasons for using M-Banking services by the respondents and to identify the level of awareness of the respondents. In the sample survey method, questionnaire technique is used to collect the primary data. The sample size is 60 banking customers in Chennai city. After analysing the data, it is observed that banks and government need to motivate and create awareness among the customers to widely use M-Banking services.

**Keywords:** Banking customers, Technology, Mobile Banking and Customers Perception.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Technology advancement is more vital in all segments of industries. Hence, all the segments should adopt technological changes to sustain and achieve in their filed. In no doubt, the banking sectors are also changing from traditional methods of banking operation to modern methods of operation. In India, most of the banks are adopting modern banking services like online banking, automated depositing machine, automated pass book entry machine, mobile banking or M-Banking etc., M-Banking is one of the major elements of modern banking services. M-Banking means undertaking banking operation through Mobile device.

M-Banking services comprises of balance enquiry, m-pass book, m-statement, fund transfer, utility bill payment, ATM locator, SMS services etc., Even though, most of the people in India are using smart phones, crowd in bank and time spent in banks to access banking services is not reduced. In this study, the level of awareness on using M-Banking Services and the reasons for using M-Banking services are analysed.

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## II. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

1. To study the socio-economic profile of the respondents.
2. To know the reasons for using M-Banking services by the respondents.
3. To identify the level of awareness of the respondents about M-Banking.

## III. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

**Population of the study:** Banking customers in Chennai city

**Method of Data Collection:** Sample survey method. Convenient sampling method was adopted.

**Technique of Data Collection:** Questionnaire technique.

**Sample Size:** 60 respondents from Chennai city

**Types of Data:** Primary and secondary data.

### A. Hypotheses

- There is no significant difference in the ranking of reasons for using M-Banking services.
- There is no significant association between Socio Economic profile of the respondents and overall awareness level of Mobile banking services.

### B. Statistical Tools Applied

- Percentage analysis
- Mean
- Friedman's Test
- Chi-square Analysis

## IV. LIMITATIONS

1. The study is limited to 60 banking customers.
2. The survey is conducted in Chennai city only.
3. This study confines only ten reasons for using M-Banking services.

## V. REVIEW OF LITERATURE:

Zaman et al (2011) study analysed the reasons for using M-Banking services for trustworthiness followed by handiness followed by promptness and security.

Yesodha Devi et al (2011) concluded that there is no association between education and the level of awareness on M- Banking usage.

Amola bhatt (2016), in his article found that updated user friendly technology is the

prime motivational factors for using M-Banking.

Mahammad sakheer (2017) examined that the leading reason for non-usage of internet banking in mobiles are due to low literacy rate in Belthangady taluk compared to other cities. Amsaveni and Kanagarathinam (2017) stated that the awareness level of respondents towards internet banking services offered at free of cost has secured first rank.

Ankita Pathak and Sunil Mishra (2019), in their research Article, found that the perception of the consumer influenced by ease to use M-Banking services is the prime factor.

VI. ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

Table -1: Socio – Economic Profile of the respondents

| Socio-Economic Factors and Personal Variables | Frequency | %    |
|---|-----------|------|
| <b>Age (in year)</b>                          |           |      |
| 18-30   | 37        | 61.7 |
| 31-40   | 12        | 20   |
| >40   | 11        | 18.3 |
| <b>Gender</b>                                 |           |      |
| Male  | 41        | 68.3 |
| Female  | 19        | 31.7 |
| <b>Marital Status</b>                         |           |      |
| Single  | 30        | 50   |
| Married                                       | 30        | 50   |
| <b>Educational Qualification</b>              |           |      |
| No Schooling                                  | 0         | 0    |
| Upto HSC                                      | 8         | 13.3 |
| Graduate                                      | 36        | 60   |
| Professional                                  | 11        | 18.3 |
| Others  | 5         | 8.3  |
| <b>Occupation</b>                             |           |      |
| Students                                      | 7         | 11.7 |
| PVT. Employed                                 | 27        | 45   |
| Govt. Employed                                | 4         | 6.7  |
| Business                                      | 11        | 18.3 |
| Others  | 11        | 18.3 |
| <b>Family Pattern</b>                         |           |      |
| Nuclear Family                                | 41        | 68.3 |
| Joint Family                                  | 19        | 31.7 |
| <b>Annual Income (Rs.)</b>                    |           |      |
| Upto 2,00,000                                 | 22        | 36.7 |
| 2,00,001 to 4,00,000                          | 15        | 25   |
| 4,00,001 to 6,00,000                          | 11        | 18.3 |
| Above 6,00,000                                | 12        | 20   |

Source: Primary data

The majority of the respondents (61.7%) are in the age group of 18-30 years. Majority of respondents, 68.3 per cent are male. Considering the marital status of the respondents that are equal at 50% each. A Majority of the respondents (60%) are Graduates and maximum of respondents (45%) are from PVT. employed category. Majority of the respondents (68.3%) are in the nuclear family. As regards annual income, a maximum of the respondents (36.7%) have income upto Rs.2, 00,000.

Table – 2: Banking Details of the respondents

| Banking Variables                                     | Banking Details    | Frequency | Percent |
|---|--------------------|-----------|---------|
| Types of Bank   | Public             | 12        | 20      |
|   | Private            | 30        | 50      |
|   | Both               | 18        | 30      |
| Number of hours using mobile phone per day (in hours) | Upto 1             | 7         | 11.7    |
|   | 2-3                | 14        | 23.3    |
|   | 4-6                | 19        | 31.7    |
|   | 7-9                | 10        | 16.7    |
|   | 9-12               | 6         | 10      |
|   | > 12               | 4         | 6.7     |
| Years of using mobile banking                         | Upto 1 years       | 26        | 43.3    |
|   | 2 years to 4 years | 27        | 45      |
|   | Above 4 years      | 7         | 11.7    |
| Frequency of using Mobile Banking                     | Daily              | 18        | 30      |
|   | Weekly             | 19        | 31.7    |
|   | Monthly            | 13        | 21.7    |
|   | Rarely             | 10        | 16.7    |

Source: Primary Data

With respect to banking details, Majority of the respondents (50%) are holding account in private bank and maximum of the respondents (31.7%) use mobile phone 4-6 hours a day. Maximum of the respondents (45%) are using M-Banking services for 2-4 years and maximum of the respondents (31.7%) are using M-Banking services on weekly basis.

Table - 3: Mean Rank for Reasons for using M-Banking Services – Friedman’s Test

| Reasons for using M-Banking Services | Mean Rank | Rank Order |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Any time (24/7) and Everywhere usage | 3.12      | 1          |
| Saving More time                     | 3.23      | 2          |
| Convenience                          | 3.55      | 3          |
| Familiar in smart Phone usage        | 4.82      | 4          |
| Safety and Security                  | 5.14      | 5          |
| Spending more time in Bank           | 5.57      | 6          |
| Customer friendly                    | 5.97      | 7          |
| Paperless                            | 6.15      | 8          |
| Less number of bank branches         | 7.78      | 9          |
| Others                               | 9.68      | 10         |

Source: Primary data

The reasons for using M-Banking Services are ranked in the above table using Friedman’s test from the responses given by the respondents. ‘Any time (24/7) and Everywhere usage’ takes the lead with the mean value of 3.12, followed by ‘Saving more time’, ‘Convenience’, ‘Familiar in Smart Phone usage’, ‘Safety and Security’, ‘Spending more time in bank’, ‘Customer friendly’, ‘papers less’ and ‘Less number of bank branches’ have been ranked second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth respectively. ‘For other reasons’ takes the last rank. Hence, it is proved that ‘any time (24/7) and everywhere usage’ is the prime reason for using M-Banking.

**Test of Hypothesis**

**Hypothesis 1**

**H0:** There is no significant difference among the ranking of reasons for using M-Banking Services.

**H1:** There is a significant difference among the ranking of reasons for using M-Banking Services.

**Table – 4: Test Statistics – Friedman’s Test**

| Chi – Square | Df | Asymp. Sig. |
|--------------|----|-------------|
| 252.265      | 9  | .000        |

Since the significance level 0.000 is lesser than 0.05 ( $p < 0.05$ ), H0 is rejected and H1 is accepted. Therefore, there is a significant difference among the ranking of reasons for using M-Banking services at five per cent level of significance.

**Table - 5: Respondents Awareness about M-Banking Services**

| Mobile Banking Services                           | Yes (In %) | No (In %) |
|---|------------|-----------|
| SMS Banking Services                              | 95         | 5         |
| Accounts Balance enquiry                          | 98.3       | 1.7       |
| e-pass book views or download                     | 71.7       | 28.3      |
| Cheque book request                               | 73.3       | 26.7      |
| Cheque status enquiry                             | 68.3       | 31.7      |
| Fund transfer                                     | 98.3       | 1.7       |
| Bill Payments (EB, Mobile recharge etc.)          | 96.7       | 3.3       |
| Access of account details through e-mail          | 78.3       | 21.7      |
| Debit card block or unblock                       | 81.7       | 18.3      |
| Information about interest rate and other updates | 68.3       | 31.7      |

Source: Primary data

An analysis of above table shows that, a majority of the respondents (98.3 per cent) are aware of account balance enquiry and fund transfer mobile banking services followed by bill payments with 96.7 per cent awareness among the respondents. 95 per cent are aware that SMS banking services, 81.7 per cent are aware that debit card block/unblock, 78.3 per cent are aware about an access of A/c details through e-mail, 73.3 per cent are aware about cheque book request service, 71.7 per cent are aware that e-pass book views or download and 68.3 per cent are aware about cheque status enquiry and information about interest rate and other updates. Hence, it is concluded that the most of the respondents are aware about the account balance enquiry and fund transfer mobile banking services than other services.

**Table 6: Overall awareness level of the respondents about M-Banking Services**

| Awareness Level | Frequency | Percent |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|
| Low level       | 3         | 5.0     |
| Average level   | 29        | 48.3    |
| High level      | 28        | 40.7    |

The above table shows that the maximum of the respondents (48.3%) have an average level of awareness followed by 40.7% respondents have a high level of

awareness about M-Banking services. Only minimum numbers of respondents are in low level of awareness on M-Banking.

**Hypothesis 2**

**H0:** There is no significant association between Socio Economic profile of the respondents and overall awareness level about Mobile banking services.

**H1:** There is a significant association between Socio Economic profile of the respondents and overall awareness level about Mobile banking services.

**Table – 7: Chi-Square Test**

| Socio Economic Factors    | Value  | Df | Asymp. Sig. (2-sided) |
|---------------------------|--------|----|-----------------------|
| Age group                 | 4.798  | 4  | 0.309                 |
| Gender                    | 0.12   | 2  | 0.994                 |
| Marital Status            | 0.368  | 2  | 0.832                 |
| Educational Qualification | 8.940  | 6  | 0.177                 |
| Occupation                | 12.445 | 8  | 0.132                 |
| Family Pattern            | 3.239  | 2  | 0.198                 |
| Income Group              | 7.119  | 6  | 0.310                 |

Chi square test shows that the significance values are greater than 0.05 ( $P > 0.05$ ). Hence, alternative hypothesis is rejected. It is therefore inferred that there is no significant association between socio economic profile of the respondents and overall awareness level about mobile banking services.

**VII. FINDINGS**

**Socio-Economic Profile:** The majority of the respondents (61.7%) are in the age group of 18-30 years, 68.3 per cent are male, 50% of the respondents are single and 50% of the respondents are married, 60% of the respondents are Graduates, 45% of the respondents are from PVT. Employed, 68.3% of the respondents are in the nuclear family and 36.7% of the respondents have an annual income upto Rs.2, 00,000.

**Banking Details:** Majority of the respondents (50%) are holding account in private bank and maximum of the respondents (31.7%) use mobile phone 4-6 hours a day. Maximum of the respondents (45%) are using mobile banking services for 2-4 years and maximum of the respondents (31.7%) are using mobile banking services on weekly basis.

**Reasons for using M-Banking Services:** ‘Any time (24/7) and Anywhere usage’ is the prime reason for using M-Banking services.

**Overall awareness level:** This study shows that maximum of the respondents (48.3%) have an average level of awareness of M-Banking.

### VIII. SUGGESTIONS

- This study found that the majority of the respondents are using M-Banking services fall under 18-30 years of age group i.e., youngsters. So, bankers should create awareness about M-Banking services and their advantages to the customers of other age group
- This study found that the majority of the respondents are holding accounts in private sector banks, hence the government should consider opening new public sectors banks (and new branches for existing PSB's) instead of merging banks which will also create employment opportunities in banking sectors and also provides services to the customers at low cost.
- This study clarifies that the maximum of the respondents have an average level of awareness in using M-Banking services. So, the customers should learn to use the M-Banking services.
- This study shows that the least percentage of respondents are aware of updates from banks like interest rate, loan offers, Government schemes etc., So, customers should know more about banking updates through M-Banking services and get benefited.

### IX. CONCLUSION

The research brings out certain characteristics of the banking customers in Chennai city. M-Banking plays a vital role among the banking customers. Without knowing mobile banking services, customer needs to spend more time in their busy schedule. There are various reasons for using M-Banking services, in this study it examines that the prime reasons for using M-Banking is 'anytime and everywhere usage' followed by convenience and saving more time. It was also found that customers are having an average level of awareness about M-Banking services. So, this study suggests customers to learn to unlearn and learn to relearn the technology development in banking sectors.

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