

ABOUT



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**

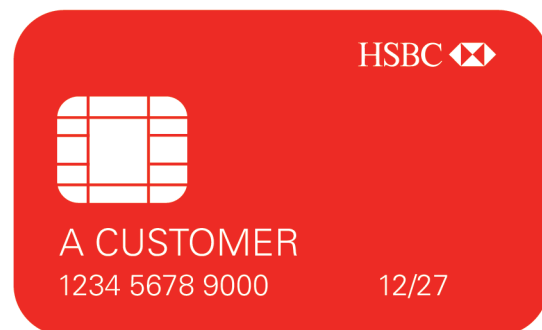
Today, HSBC has around

4,000

offices in

70

countries and territories worldwide



More than **37 million** customers bank with us

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The best overall provider of offshore RMB products and services*

*according to Asiamoney 2016

We employ more than **235,000** people around the world*

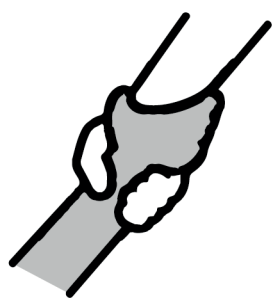
*Full-time equivalent

We speak

144

different languages

HSBC employees volunteered **255,000 hours** during work time in 2016



In 2016 HSBC donated **USD137 million** to community investment programmes around the world



HSBC reported profits of **USD 7.1**

billion

before tax in 2016

We paid **USD 10.1**

billion

in shareholder dividends for 2016