# The Future of Biometrics Market Analysis, Segmentation & Forecasts

Insight into the Trends, Drivers & Opportunities that will Shape the Industry through 2020



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- ° Financial, operational and strategic plans are in place to create sustained market viability
- <sup>°</sup> Product and service quality can be demonstrated

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### **Report Overview**

SCOPE:	This report presents unique insight into how the market for biometrics will evolve through 2020, what will drive and shape this market evolution, and where the most lucrative biometric market opportunities will be. This report is not a biometric primer. It is an advanced market analysis that requires a basic understanding of the biometrics industry and associated technologies. The report is presented in two parts. Part One contains the in-depth analysis and Part Two provides detailed market segmentation and forecasts.
Objective:	This report provides a basis for short, mid-range and long term strategic planning for technol- ogy and solution development, market investment, and phased adoption of biometrics for both Public Sector and Commercial applications.
Audience:	Individuals responsible for strategic planning and business and market development within the biometrics community including: vendors, integrators, investors, consultants, distributors, solution providers, and Public Sector and Commercial end-users.
Methodology:	Analysis is drawn from on-going market coverage of industry milestones, developments, an- nouncements, presentations, tests, pilots and deployments as well as public domain and pri- vate data sources, research and reports, surveys, and interviews with vendors, integrators, in- termediaries, customers, privacy and civil liberties advocates, and other relevant technology and vertical market industry experts. Forecasts are derived from modeling total potential mar- ket opportunities based on enhancement or replacement of existing technology and non- technology based processes and solutions and the introduction of new processes and solu- tions based on the unique capabilities of evolving technology. Conservative adoption rates are then applied for given market sectors and applications to determine market value
Key Conclusion:	Over the next 10 years the infrastructure to enable mainstream, ubiquitous biometric authenti- cation will be developed. Biometrics will be a critical embedded component of the digital world, as it becomes a key enabler of trusted transaction control – data access and flow - for both personal and commercial use. This secure transaction capability will ultimately define the genuine opportunity for revenue associated with deployment of biometric technologies. The technology itself will, in many respects, become inconsequential as the applications it delvers become essential components of 21st century life.
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### Introduction

What is *The Future of Biometrics*? Strong consensus amidst well-founded trepidation indicates biometrics will become mainstream, ubiquitous technology. Opportunities abound and to date there has been significant market penetration in the areas of identify confirmation and credentialing, physical and logical access, and surveillance. From passports and ATMS to corporate networks access and mobile phones, from White Castle and Pictet & Cie Banquiers, a renowned Swiss bank, to the Denver RTD (Rapid Transit Department) Treasury, biometric technologies are used by hundreds of thousands of individuals across the globe for personal, commercial, and civil applications every day. The most interesting and relevant questions about biometrics' future is then not so much about if biometrics will prevail or even how quickly, but rather what is the path from today's limited – though effective and relatively obscure - use to what most industry experts agree and most privacy advocates and civil libertarians dread is biometrics ultimate destiny? Ubiquity.

*The Future of Biometrics* addresses these questions by providing insight into how the biometrics industry will evolve through 2020, what will drive this evolution, and where the most lucrative market opportunities will be. It is intended to provide a basis for short and long term strategic planning for technology and solution development and deployment for both Public Sector and Commercial applications. The report is presented in two parts. Part One contains the in-depth analysis and Part Two provides detailed market segmentation and forecasts.

### Part One: Analysis

The first half of the report addresses fundamental questions that provide the context for developing a comprehensive view of the likely evolution of the biometrics marketplace.

- ° What are the Mega and Meta dynamics and forces shaping the evolution of the market?
- <sup>o</sup> In which industries and for which applications will biometrics be most widely deployed?
- How will market demand shape the evolution of the technology and the development of biometrically enabled solutions?
- ° What role will technology convergence play and how ill it impact overall technology and market development?
- How will the most substantial opportunities for industry players evolve?

### Context

The Future of Biometrics begins with a fictional scenario representing what may prove to be a very real world experience in the year 2020. This provides context for understanding the far-reaching implications of biometrics as an integral component of daily life.

### Mega Drivers

The six *Mega Drivers* for biometrics are global trends that will profoundly impact all IT development through 2020 and have important, specific implications for biometrics.

- <sup>o</sup> Globalization and the Development of the Third World
- <sup>o</sup> Borderless Economies
- Population Mobility
- ° Proliferation of Mobile Devices and the rise of Access Anywhere
- Central Role of Digital Identity
- Inevitability of eGovernment

### Meta Drivers

Application Solution and Technology Evolution *Meta Drivers* shape both opportunities for widespread deployment of biometrics as well as determining the likely winners from a field that is simultaneously consolidation and expanding.

The three key Public Sector Application Solution Meta Drivers are: eBorders, eID, and eGovernment.

The three key Commercial *Application Solution Meta* Drivers are: Enterprise Security, Information Transactions, Financial Transactions.

The four key *Technology Evolution Meta Drivers* are: Secure Mobility, Secure Credentials, Secure Transactions, and Digital Identity/Content Ownership.





### **Obstacles/Opportunities**

Biometrics technology has to the potential to enhance or threaten consumer and citizen rights, privacy and opportunities for identity theft and fraud. Centralized databases, reliance on a single view of identity, and the development of a *whole system* approach to security are assessed relative to these inherent conflicts that may constrain market development. These are discussed relative to key obstacles to market expansion and adoption. Central to this component of the analysis is the notion that these obstacles pose challenges that can be harnessed and transformed to provide significant opportunities for market leadership and dominance.

- ° Enrollment
- Human Factors
- ° Privacy/Civil Liberties
- ° Extensible Security
- ° Solutions Perspective

### **Future for Key Technologies**

Technology evolution is inevitable and evolving capabilities and limitations will impact the relative success/ubiquity of each biometric modality. Technology convergence is also inevitable as is the emergence of multimodal biometrics as a major factor in the development of practical, ubiquitous biometric solutions.

° AFIS 10 Print° Finger° Face° Iris° Hand° Vein° Voice° Signature° Keystroke

### Part Two: Market Segmentation and Forecasts

The second half of the report includes market segmentation and forecasts through 2015.

The two key Application Solution domains and their associated subsectors - Public Sector (eBorders, eID, and eGovernment) and Commercial (Enterprise Security, Information Transactions, Financial Transactions) - are mapped against four key application areas— Physical Access, Logical Access, Identity Confirmation and Surveillance - to create comprehensive market segmentation matrices. The resulting target markets are ranked in terms of development priority and timeframe. Each target market is also assessed in terms of the technologies (biometrics modalities) most likely to be deployed. Forecasts for the Commercial and Public Sector Application Solution domains, their subsectors, and select target markets are presented globally and by region (See Table of Contents—PART TWO, Page vii).

A quantitative approach is applied to market forecasts. This approach is based on the development of modeling tools designed to project total market potential for biometrically enabled solutions within select market sectors. These tools determine total market value based on an analysis of how these solutions can augment or replace existing manual and/ or automated processes or introduce new processes based on unique technological capabilities.

The models rely on public domain and private primary data sources and are flexibly structured to account for known and predictive factors. Primary sources determine known model data - such as the number of port facilities or annual passports issued. Conservative assumptions for predictive factors - such as technology pricing and anticipated adoption rates – are then introduced to determine forecasts. Final Forecasts represent the predicted penetration of the total market value over the forecast range, which in this case is 2007 through 2015.





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### Meta Drivers

Public Sector Application Solution Meta Drivers

- eBorders, eID, and eGovernment.

Commercial Application Solution Meta Drivers

- Enterprise Security, Information Transactions, Financial Transactions.

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Capabilities and Limitations Impacting Ubiquity of Biometric Modalities

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North America: US, CA, Mexico \*Regions: EMEA: Europe, Middle East & Africa Latin America: The Caribbean, Central & South America Asia Pacific: Asia, Oceana







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