# Branded Calling: An Objective Analysis From Juniper Research

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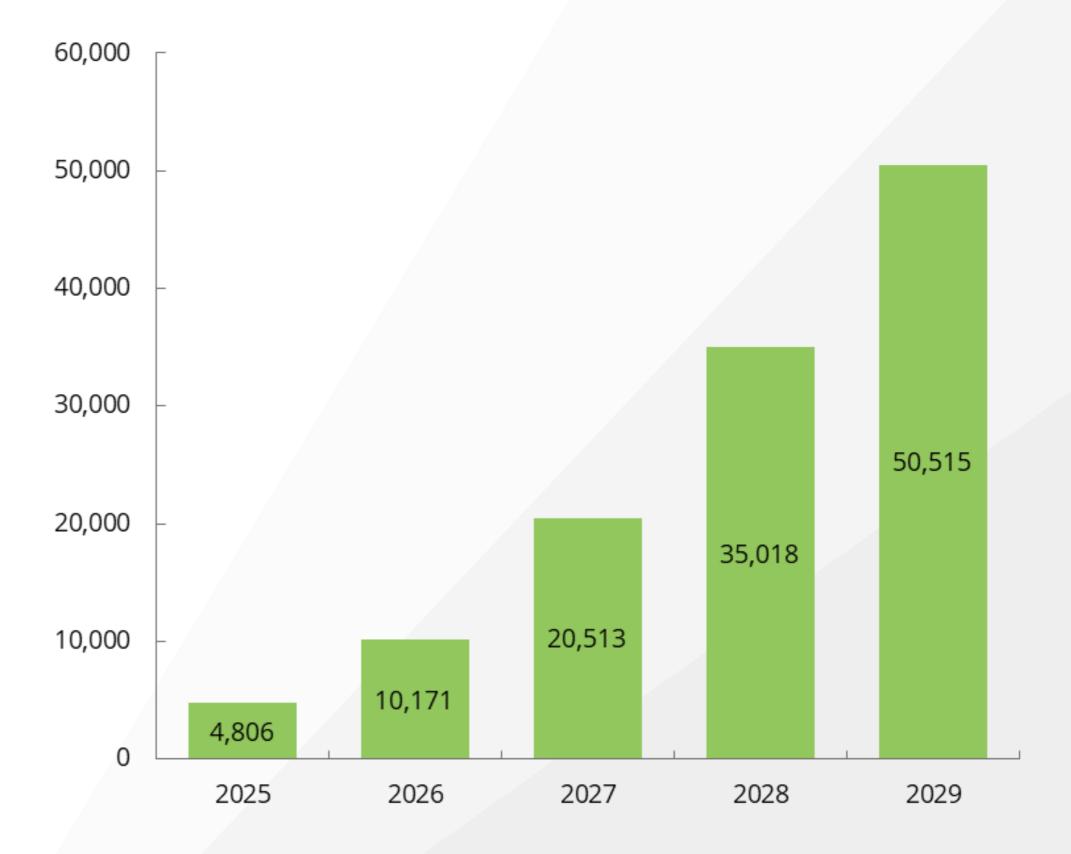
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#### The Future Outlook of Branded Calling

- Branded Calling adoption will grow geographically, as there is greater knowledge surrounding its success and benefits.
  - This will require analytics surrounding conversion rates and first contact resolution rates to encourage the adoption of Branded Calling.
- There will be greater recognition by mobile operators and enterprises of the threat to the voice channel.
- Increased deployment of 'call reason displays' to give subscribers more insight into the call they are receiving before it is answered.
- Branded Calling will be combined with robocall mitigation and spoof protection.
- The industries adopting Branded Calling will widen; from initial deployments in healthcare and financial services.
- Analytics will be crucial to quantifying conversion rates with Branded Calling.

#### Total Branded Calling API Calls (m), 2025-2029, Global

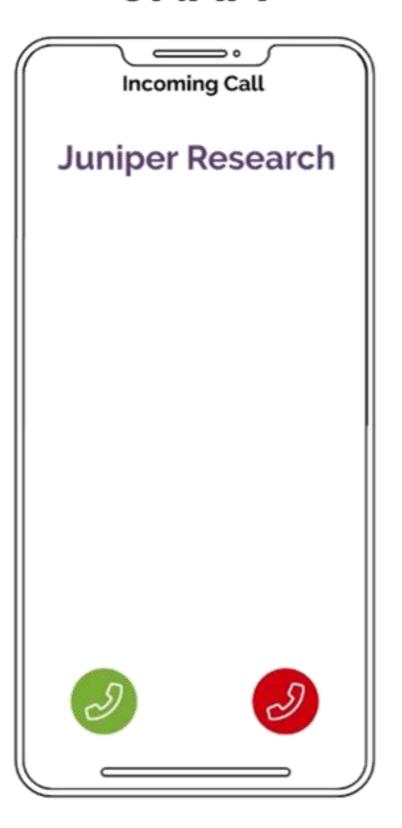


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## Why will Branded Calling Grow?

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## **Branded Calling**



- Trust in the voice channel continues to diminish.
- Must remain an important channel for enterprises' communications with their end customers.
- Complex ecosystem of players
  - Disparate approaches to the development of services
- Initial adoption is in North America
  - Slower adoption in other countries, but Europe expected to follow.



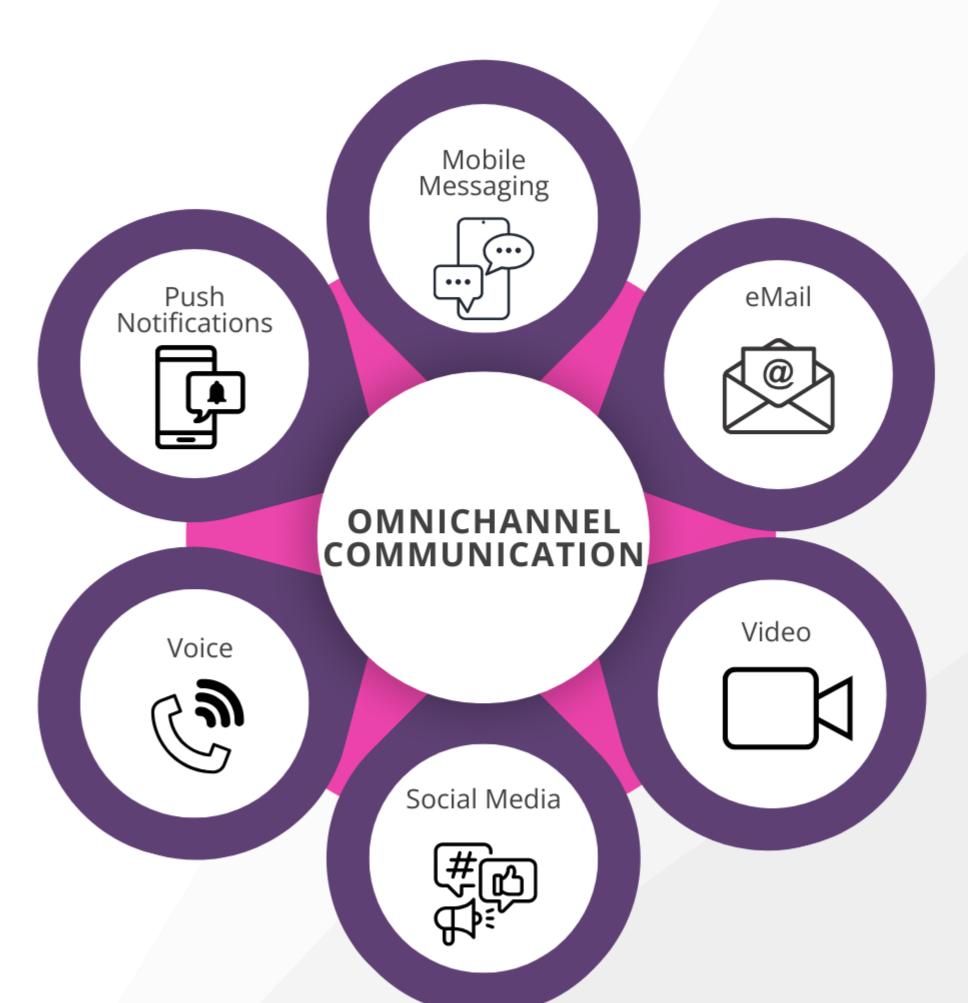
#### The Role of Regulatory Intervention

- Protecting the value of the voice channel is centred on protecting mobile subscribers.
- The onus is on both operators and telecommunications regulatory bodies to make sure that technologies are in place to accomplish this.
- There are additional sources of fraud over the voice channel, such as SIM swap and call forwarding fraud, that must be considered alongside Branded Calling.
- Protecting consumers against Al-generated voice fraud can also be aided by Branded Calling.



#### The Value of the Voice Channel for Businesses

- The accessibility and ubiquity of the voice channel are key, as businesses can contact any mobile subscriber through this channel.
- Evolution of networks is creating opportunities for the voice channel – operators are currently underutilising the voice channel.
- In some instances, voice remains necessary; for example, in the healthcare industry.
- Progression to omnichannel strategies is occurring, and voice will remain a critical constituent.

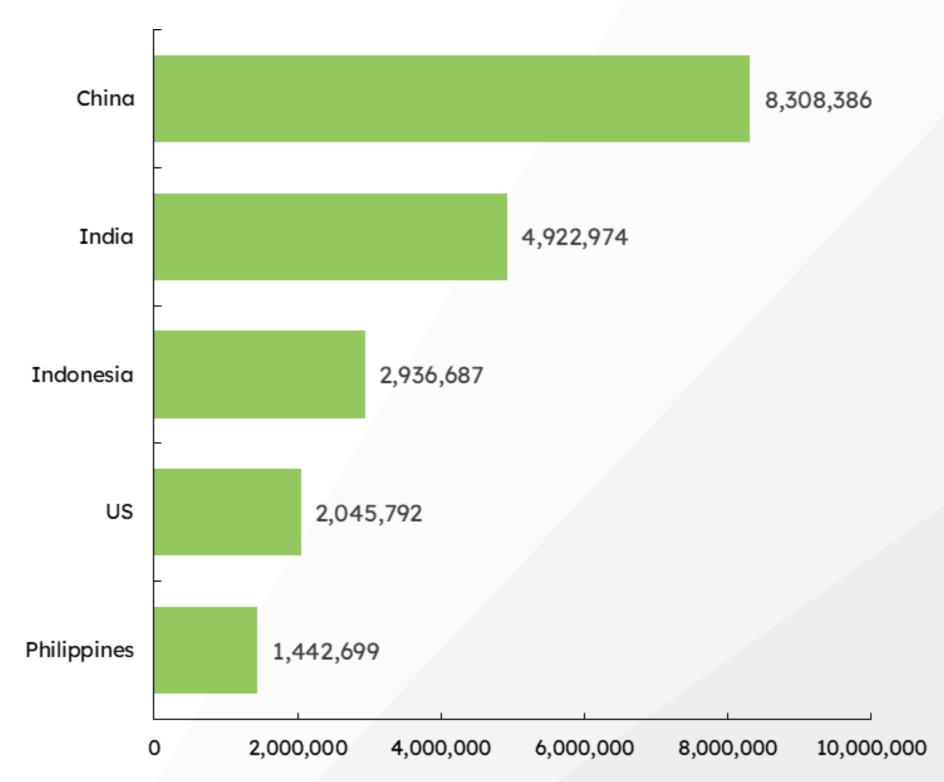




# Disparities in Branded Calling Technologies Create Large Degrees of Fragmentation

- Branded Caller ID adoption varies significantly across regions, with uneven implementation.
- It enables enterprises to display their name, logo, and call reason on recipients' phones.
- The US leads in anti-fraud efforts due to its longstanding battle with robocalls and fraud over the voice channel.
- Other countries are developing their own frameworks, separate from the US-centric STIR/SHAKEN standards.
- This global divergence may drive the need for international regulation within the next five years.

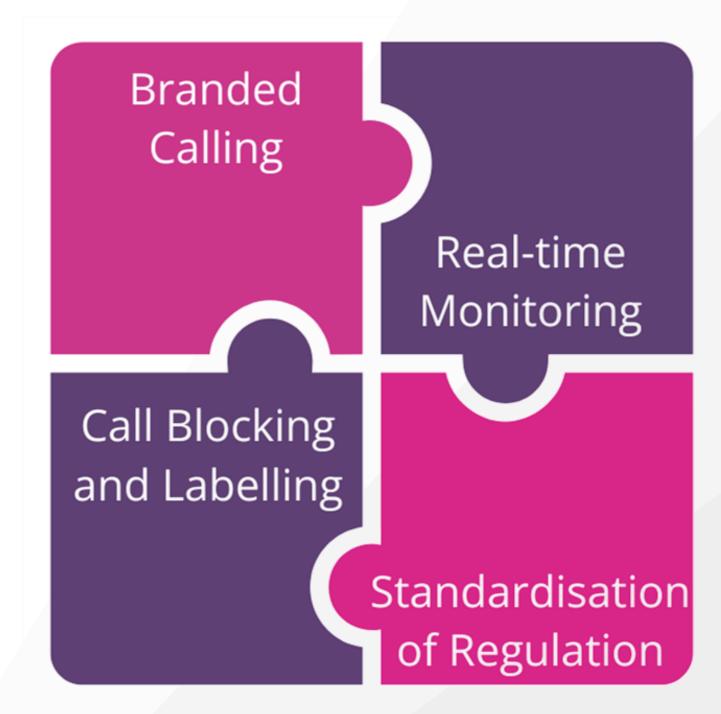






#### The Role of Al in Fraud is Growing - Branded Calling Must Respond

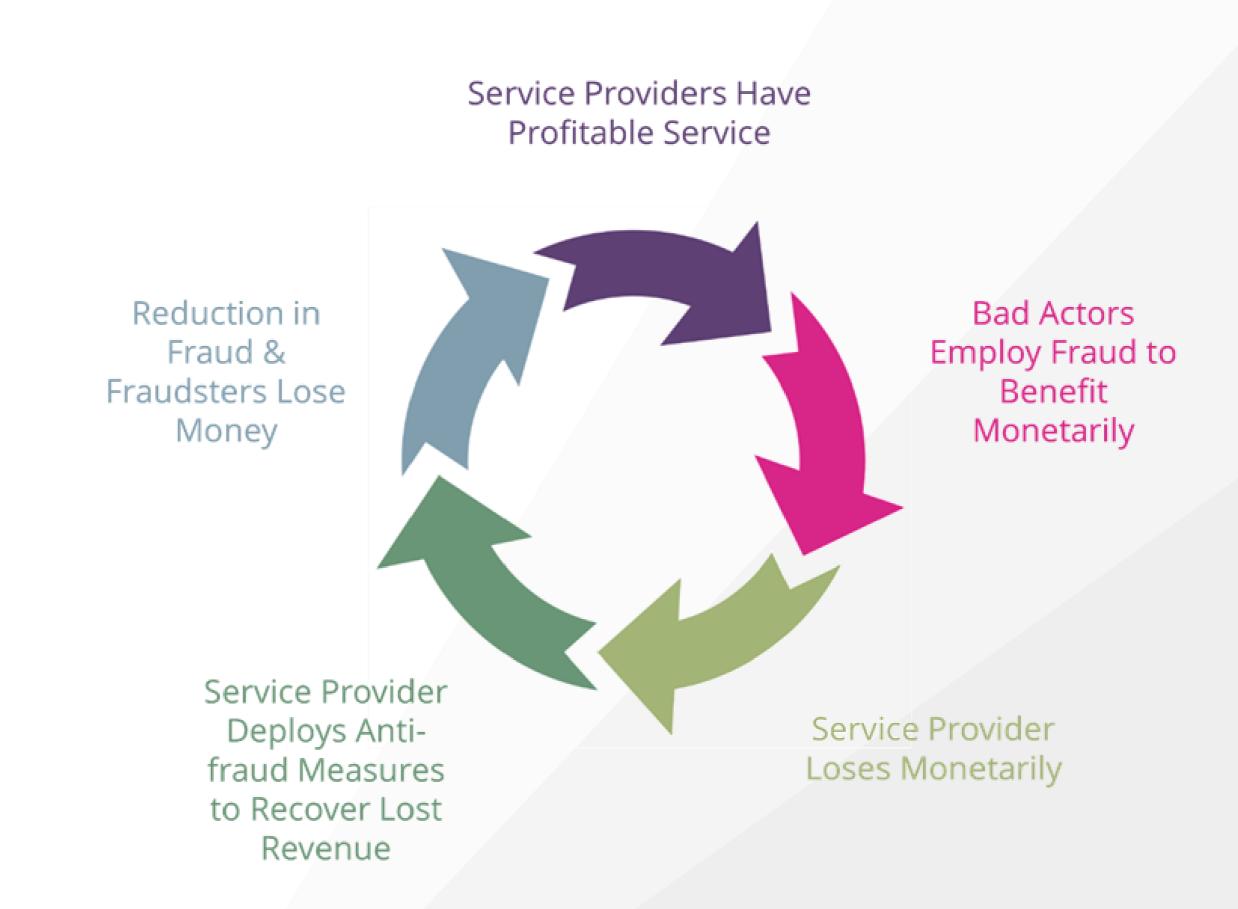
- Al is accelerating the sophistication of fraud; enabling attackers to mimic legitimate branding and caller behaviour more convincingly.
- Branded Calling solutions must evolve to counter Aldriven threats by enhancing verification and authentication mechanisms.
- Real-time analytics and adaptive defences are essential to detect and respond to AI-generated spoofing attempts.
- Cross-industry collaboration is needed to share threat intelligence and develop unified standards against Al-enabled fraud.
- Consumer trust hinges on transparency and security;
  making it critical for Branded Calling to stay ahead of emerging AI threats.





#### **Omnichannel Attacks Necessitate Closer Collaboration**

- With the rise of omnichannel communications, there is always an opportunity for fraudulent players to capitalise.
- Indeed, the voice channel has become a key channel in which fraudulent players can commit fraud.
- Circular nature of fraud means that fraud will never fully disappear, rather migrate to other channels.
- Making the voice channel more appealing is not about eliminating voice fraud over the channel, but rather increasing friction to the point where fraud over voice channels is unprofitable.





# **Enterprise Verification Relevant to More Than the Voice Channel**

- Today, customers can be reached through a variety of channels.
- Customer preference has never been as valuable as it is today.
- Omnichannel communication solutions are wellestablished amongst B2C enterprises.
- However, current enterprise verification methods must be streamlined:
  - Amongst operators in each country
  - Amongst technologies in the omnichannel communication stack.
- Enterprise verification must be 'essential' for customer engagement moving forward.



Questions?

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