

# 5G Private Networks: Better late than later!

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- the most impactful policies

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- 5G readiness index
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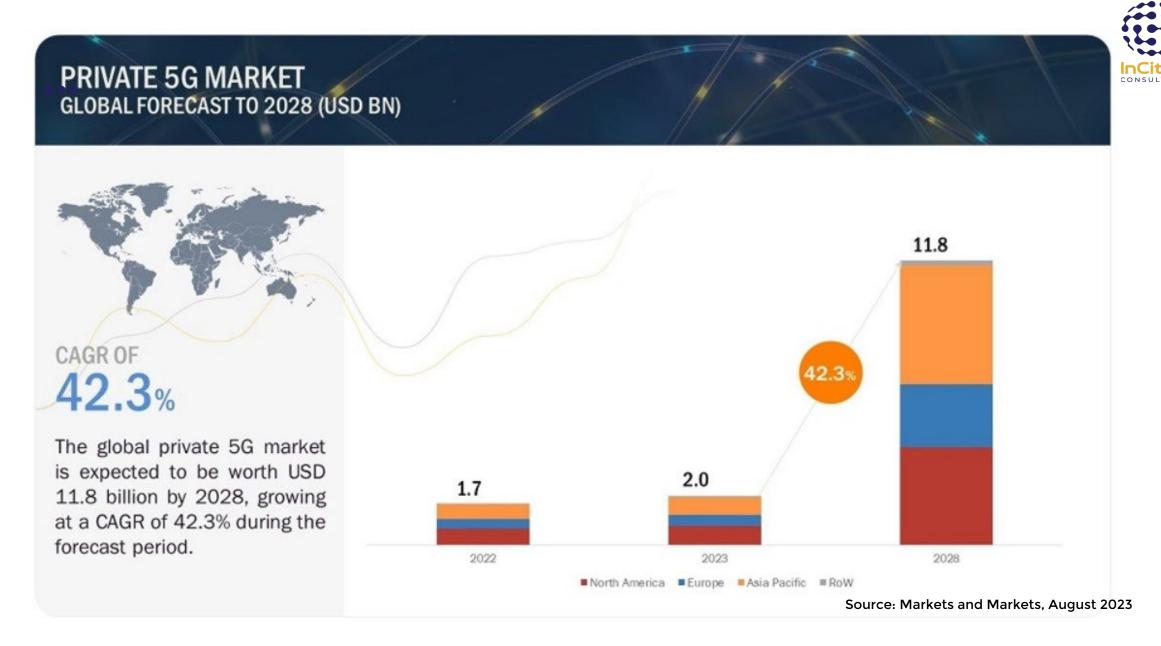
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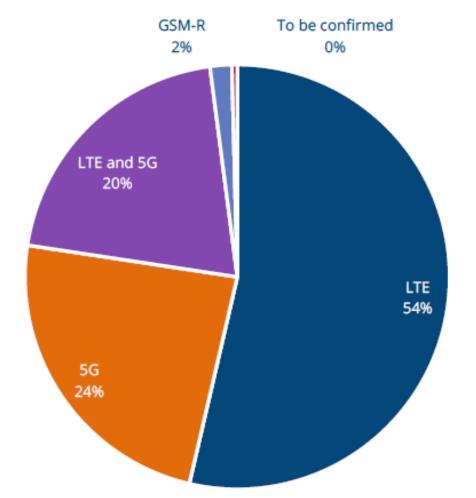
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- 1212 (794) organizations in 74 (68) countries have deployed private networks based on LTE, 5G or both
- 44% (37%) of those use 5G

Source: GSA Private Mobile Networks report, Sept. 2023

#### Definition:

GSA counts customer references as unique organisations or government entities deploying one or more 3GPP-based 4G LTE or 5G networks in a given country that are worth more than €100,000

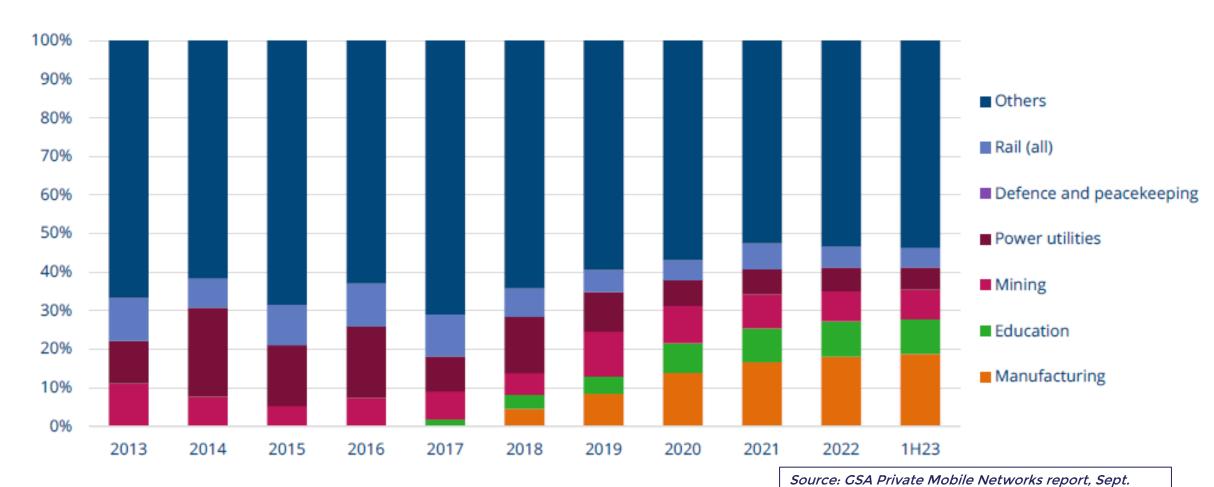
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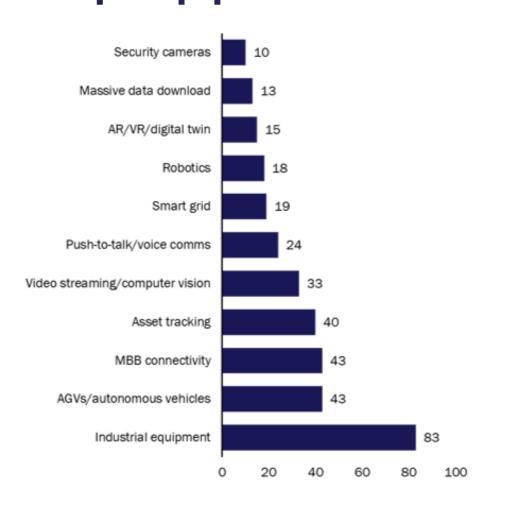
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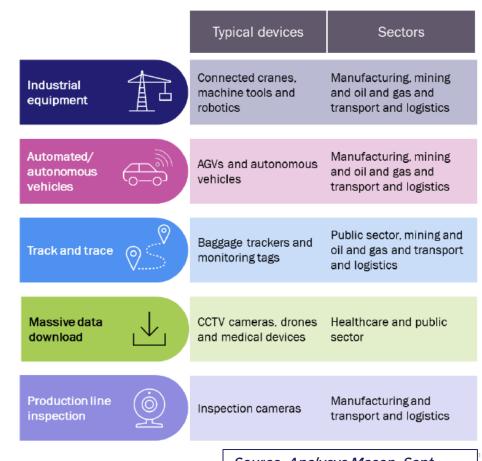






# What are 5G Private Networks used for? Top applications





Source: Analysys Mason, Sept. 2023



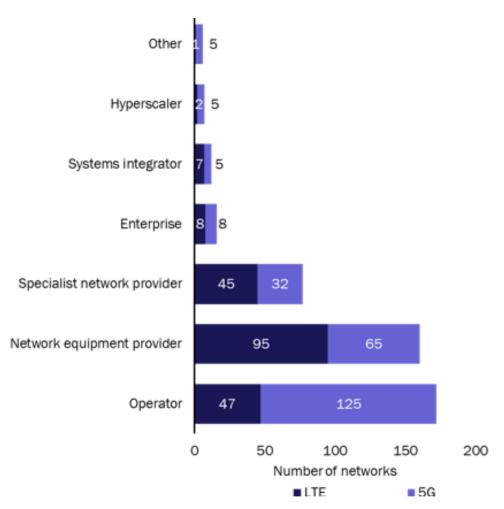


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## Private LTE/5G networks market players, H1 2023





Source: Analysys Mason, Sept.

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Based on publicly available

information only

# Enterprise demand drivers & adoption challenges



- Efficiency improvements
- Bringing Operational Technology (OT) to the Cloud
- One network technology for all use cases/network rationalization

- Support & maintenance of a 5G Private Network
- Managing the complexity of "cloudifying"
  OT
- Need for a holistic security approach across all layers
- For SMEs:
  - Low technology awareness & understanding
  - High complexity & relative cost

### Spectrum Allocation Methods for Private Networks





Dedicated spectrum for private networks and industrial users



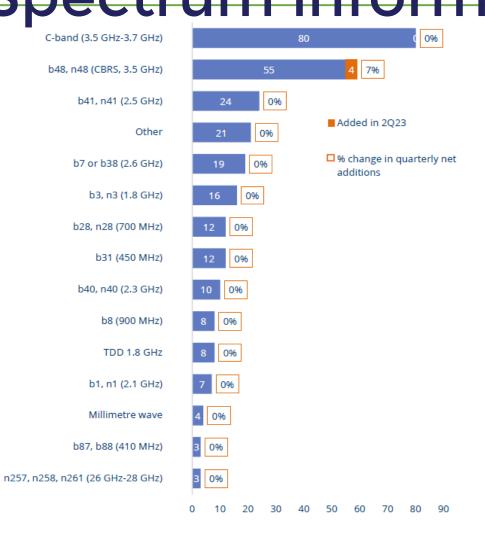
Several users access spectrum simultaneously

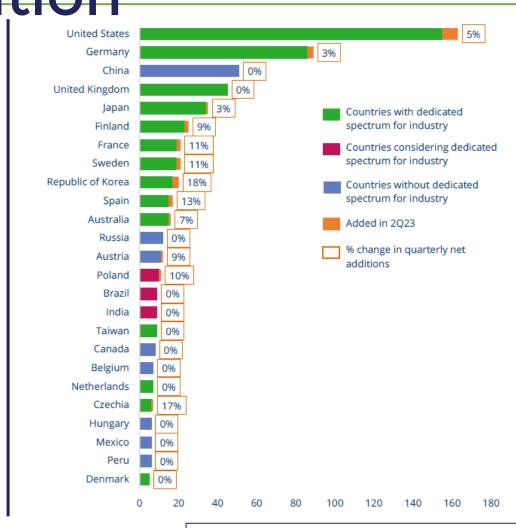


Operators are deploying private networks or leasing their spectrum

## Number of private networks ←→ countries with dedicated spectrum Spectrum Information







Source: CSA Private Mobile Networks report, Sept. 2023

# The UK example of shared access spectrum licensing regime



Shared access licenses offer local access on a first-come, first-served basis, in predefined locations across UK, to:

- the 3.8 4.2 GHz band
- to frequencies not assigned to national mobile operators in the 1800 MHz, 2300 MHz bands
- plans have just been announced for the mmwave band (26 and 40 GHz) as

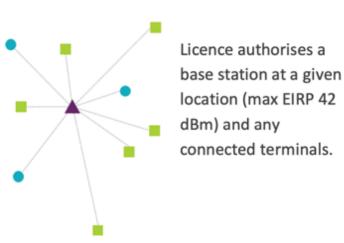
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Licence authorises all base stations within 50 metres of a given location (max EIRP 24 dBm), and any connected terminals.

#### Legend

- ▲ Base station
- Fixed/installed terminal
- Mobile/nomadic terminal

#### **How it works**



Source: Ofcom

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## Way forward



- Rethink spectrum licensing & competition
- Transform & collaborate ecosystem development
- 3. Educate enterprises & incentivize adoption



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