

Helping the poor weather life's storms

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The poor do not buy insurance – why?



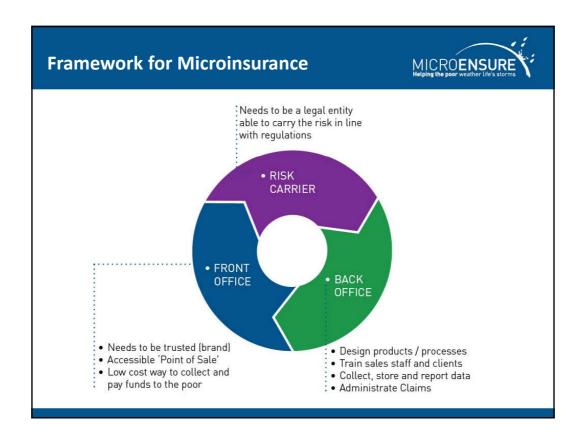
	Premiums (in USDmn) 2009	Premiums (in % of GDP) 2009	Premiums per capita (in USD) 2009
North America	\$1,239,586	7.9	\$3,635
Latin America & Caribbean	\$110,910	2.8	\$192
Europe	\$1,610,620	7.6	\$1,862
Asia	\$989,451	6.1	\$243
Africa	\$49,287	3.3	\$49
World	\$4,066,095	7.0	\$595
Industrialised Countries	\$3,532,716	8.6	\$3,405
Emerging Markets	\$533,379	2.9	\$92

Source: Swiss Re Sigma No2/2010

Microinsurance landscape



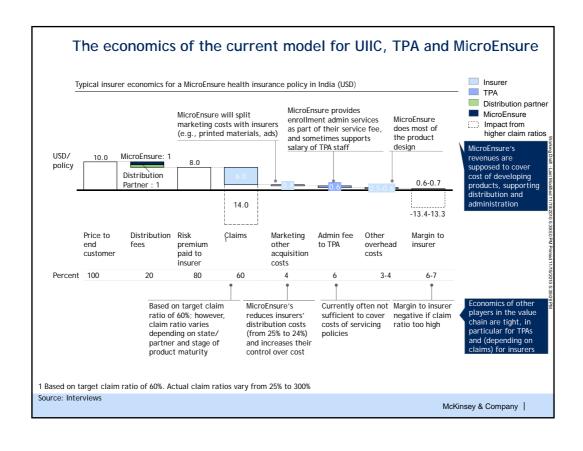
- Market estimated to be 3bn people by Swiss Re
- Less than 3% have access to any insurance products
- Most dominant form of micro insurance is credit life sold to borrowers of MFI's
- Limited benefit to the poor person; it protects the lender
- Strong demand for a "safety net" from the poor
- Increasing interest in the market from insurers
- Issue is how to cost effectively provide access, education and claims servicing whilst generating profit across the value chain.



Microinsurance challenges



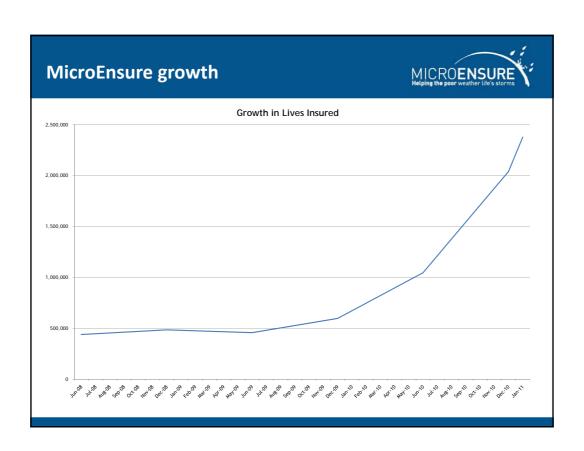
- Risk carrier: relatively easy to find willing risk carrier for life and property, weather index and health are harder.
- Back office: key driver to cost but more importantly a key driver to level of service and hence "success"
- Front office: we have to "white label" with companies that have existing client bases. Why will they partner with us?



Profit drives scale



- MicroEnsure works with a range of "front office" partners
- Strong brand, accessible points of sale and ability to transact cash are all key attributes for a "front office"
- Started by partnering with microfinance lenders
 - 67 MFI's together serving 12m active borrowers
 - To date, less than 1m insured with MicroEnsure
 - Economics: loan = \$10, insurance = \$0.20
- Now working with mobile network operators, doubled the Ghana life insurance market this year. Why? Economics!





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