



The Influence of QRIS and E-Wallet Adoption on Transaction Efficiency and Profitability of MSMEs in Makassar City

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Abstract

This study aims to examine the influence of QRIS and e-wallet adoption on transaction efficiency and profitability of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in Makassar City. Digital payment systems are increasingly recognized as key drivers of business transformation, yet many MSMEs still rely heavily on cash-based transactions. Using a quantitative survey method, data was collected from 150 MSME respondents across various sectors including trade, culinary, and services. The research employed multiple linear regression analysis and Sobel test to evaluate both direct and indirect effects. The results demonstrate that QRIS adoption significantly improves transaction efficiency by accelerating payment processes, reducing cash-handling costs, and minimizing recording errors. Similarly, e-wallet adoption has a positive effect on transaction efficiency by offering flexibility and convenience to customers, thereby strengthening MSME competitiveness. Transaction efficiency itself has the strongest effect on profitability, indicating that operational improvements directly translate into higher revenues and profit margins. In addition, both QRIS and e-wallet adoption exhibit direct positive effects on profitability, showing that digital payments not only enhance efficiency but also attract more customers and expand sales opportunities. Still, the analysis confirms that transaction efficiency mediates the relationship between adoption and profitability, suggesting that efficiency gains are a crucial mechanism through which digital payments improve financial outcomes. These findings highlight the strategic role of digital payments in enhancing MSME performance and provide valuable implications for policymakers, financial institutions, and service providers to accelerate financial inclusion and digital transformation among MSMEs in Indonesia.

Keywords: *QRIS, E-Wallet, Transaction Efficiency, Profitability, MSMEs.*

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Introduction

The adoption of digital payments by MSMEs is often positioned as a lever for process efficiency, reducing transaction time, cash handling costs, and minimizing the risk of recording errors. Cross-country studies show that mobile money and QR code-based payments are positively correlated with microenterprise productivity and increased profit margins [1], [2]. In the context of developing countries, quantitative research has found that even a 1% increase in mobile money usage can have a significant impact on business growth, indicating that digital payment infrastructure serves as an accelerator of productivity [2]. In addition to its direct impact on efficiency, digital payments also expand access to microfinancing. Company data show that digital transaction records help build MSME credit profiles, making it easier for them to obtain additional working capital [3]. The next problem is the lack of analytical models that can directly link the use of QRIS and e-wallets with the improvement of MSME financial performance in Makassar. Most previous studies have been descriptive in nature and have not tested causal relationships between these variables. Yet, understanding these mechanisms is essential for designing effective policy interventions and business strategies, whether by local governments, financial institutions, or digital payment service providers. Other research has found that generational factors influence the intention and frequency of using digital wallets. Younger generations tend to be more responsive to convenience and social influence, while cost and security factors have greater influence on older generations [8]. For microenterprises in particular, the TOE (Technology–Organization–Environment) model has proven relevant. Factors such as policy support, internal readiness, and competitive pressure affect business owners' decisions to adopt e-payments [9].

Finally, sustained use becomes the key to ensuring that short-term efficiency gains translate into long-term profitability. This is influenced by digital literacy, utilitarian value, hedonic value, and consistency of user experience [10]. The primary novelty of this research lies in the integration of two digital payment instruments—QRIS and e-wallets—within a single analytical framework focused on MSMEs in Makassar City. While previous

studies have discussed digital payment adoption in general, few have examined the simultaneous effects of these two technologies on transaction efficiency and profitability. This research also adopts a quantitative approach with specific variables that measure settlement speed, operational costs, and profit margin ratios. Another novelty emerges from the geographical focus of the study. As the commercial hub of Eastern Indonesia, Makassar City has unique characteristics, such as the continued dominance of traditional markets, a diverse MSME ecosystem, and rapid growth in financial technology penetration in the post-pandemic period. This context provides an opportunity to test the validity of technology adoption theories (TAM/TOE) within a business environment that is still in the process of digital transition. This research also proposes a conceptual model linking QRIS and e-wallet adoption with two mediating pathways: transaction efficiency and the ability to increase sales volume. This approach expands the understanding of causal mechanisms rather than merely testing correlations.

The model can serve as a reference for future researchers in studying digital payment technologies within the informal sector. The practical contribution of this research is to provide data-driven guidance for local governments and financial authorities in designing policies that promote MSME transaction digitalization. The resulting recommendations can assist digital payment service providers in formulating market penetration strategies tailored to the characteristics of business actors in Makassar, including digital financial literacy training. From an implementation perspective, the results of this study are expected to accelerate the adoption of cashless payments within the MSME ecosystem in Makassar, reduce dependence on cash, and enhance business competitiveness in the digital economy era. With higher transaction efficiency, MSMEs can allocate resources toward value-added activities such as product innovation, marketing, and market expansion. Although the adoption rate of digital payments in Indonesia continues to increase, many MSMEs in Makassar City have yet to integrate QRIS and e-wallets into their business processes. The challenges they face include limited digital literacy, the perception that service fees are too high, and a lack of understanding of the long-term benefits of transaction digitalization. As a result, some MSME owners continue to rely on cash transactions, which are slower, prone to recording errors, and require additional operational costs. In addition, for MSMEs that have already adopted QRIS or e-wallets, few have conducted measurable evaluations of their impact on transaction efficiency and profitability. Without clear data, business owners find it difficult to determine whether the time and cost invested in adopting this technology provide financial benefits. This hinders strategic decision-making processes, such as market expansion or product diversification.

A mixed-methods study of MSMEs in Douala, Cameroon, found that mobile money services could explain up to 73% of revenue variation after adoption, highlighting the central role of this technology in strengthening sales and liquidity [4]. From a behavioral perspective, a meta-analysis on digital financial service adoption emphasized that perceived usefulness, ease of use, and social norms are the main drivers, while perceived risk is a significant barrier [5]. Trust also plays a decisive role in successful implementation. Research on mobile payment services revealed that perceived security, data protection, and system reliability are essential conditions for fostering sustained usage intention [6]. In the Indonesian context, fintech adoption by MSMEs is influenced by innovation orientation and technological readiness, particularly in the post-COVID-19 period, which has driven a shift in transaction patterns toward contactless systems [7]. The changing landscape of transactions in the digital era presents both opportunities and challenges for MSMEs in Makassar City. The adoption of QRIS and e-wallets offers convenience, speed, and efficiency, yet these benefits have not been fully realized by all business owners. There remains an adoption gap between MSMEs that have optimized digital payment technologies and those still reliant on cash transactions. This research is expected to bridge that gap by providing empirical evidence of the tangible impact of QRIS and e-wallet usage on transaction efficiency and profitability. Through comprehensive analysis, the study's findings can serve as a reference for business owners to make more informed decisions regarding digital transformation in payment processes.

In addition to its academic contribution, this research also offers significant practical benefits. Local governments, financial institutions, and digital payment service providers can utilize the study's findings to formulate more targeted strategies. With a data-driven approach, training programs, digital literacy initiatives, and infrastructure support can be directed toward MSME segments that need them the most. Still, this research is expected to foster the creation of an inclusive digital ecosystem in Makassar City. Improved transaction efficiency in the MSME sector not only impacts the revenue growth of business owners but also contributes to overall regional economic growth. Thus, payment digitalization becomes one of the key pillars in strengthening the local economy. Finally, by developing a better understanding of the interconnection between digital payment technology adoption, efficiency, and profitability, this research aims to make a tangible contribution to MSME development in the digital economy era. The findings are expected to serve as a foundation for future research exploring other technological innovations, enabling MSMEs in Makassar to continue adapting and growing in the face of global competition.

2. Research Methods

2.1. Research Design and Hypotheses

This study employs a quantitative approach using a survey method to examine the influence of QRIS and e-wallet adoption on transaction efficiency and profitability of MSMEs in Makassar City. The research model refers to a modified Technology–Organization–Environment (TOE) framework, with transaction efficiency as the mediating variable. Multiple linear regression analysis is used to measure the direct effects, while the Sobel test is applied to examine the mediation effect. This study employs a quantitative approach using a survey method to examine the influence of QRIS and e-wallet adoption on transaction efficiency and profitability of MSMEs in Makassar City. The research model refers to a modified Technology–Organization–Environment (TOE) framework, with transaction efficiency as the mediating variable. Multiple linear regression analysis is used to measure the direct effects, while the Sobel test is applied to examine the mediation effect. This study employs a quantitative approach using a survey method to examine the influence of QRIS and e-wallet adoption on transaction efficiency and profitability of MSMEs in Makassar City. The research model refers to a modified Technology–Organization–Environment (TOE) framework, with transaction efficiency as the mediating variable. Multiple linear regression analysis is used to measure the direct effects, while the Sobel test is applied to examine the mediation effect. This study employs a quantitative approach using a survey method to examine the influence of QRIS and e-wallet adoption on transaction efficiency and profitability of MSMEs in Makassar City. The research model refers to a modified Technology–Organization–Environment (TOE) framework, with transaction efficiency as the mediating variable. Multiple linear regression analysis is used to measure the direct effects, while the Sobel test is applied to examine the mediation effect. Research Hypotheses are following below

- H1: QRIS adoption has a positive and significant effect on transaction efficiency of MSMEs in Makassar City.
- H2: E-wallet adoption has a positive and significant effect on transaction efficiency of MSMEs in Makassar City.
- H3: Transaction efficiency has a positive and significant effect on the profitability of MSMEs in Makassar City.
- H4: QRIS adoption has a positive and significant effect on the profitability of MSMEs in Makassar City.
- H5: E-wallet adoption has a positive and significant effect on the profitability of MSMEs in Makassar City.
- H6: Transaction efficiency mediates the effect of QRIS adoption on the profitability of MSMEs in Makassar City.
- H7: Transaction efficiency mediates the effect of e-wallet adoption on the profitability of MSMEs in Makassar City.

2.2. Variables and Indicators

Transaction efficiency is defined as the ability to complete payment processes quickly, accurately, and with minimal operational costs. Indicators include (a) average transaction processing time, (b) error rate in processing, (c) reduction in manual cash handling, and (d) improvement in daily transaction volume. These indicators are intended to quantify the operational benefits derived from adopting digital payment systems. To ensure robustness, control variables such as business size, industry type, years of operation, and owner’s digital literacy will also be recorded, as these factors may influence both adoption levels and financial outcomes. All indicators will be measured using a five-point Likert scale (from “strongly disagree” to “strongly agree”) for perception-based items, and numeric entry for objective financial and operational data. This dual measurement approach will allow for both statistical modeling of relationships and validation of results across subjective and objective dimensions.

3. Results and Discussion

3.1. Results

Table 1. Research Findings Descriptive Statistic

Variable	N	Mean	Std. Dev	Min
QRIS Adoption (score)	150	4.12	0.76	2.10
E-Wallet Adoption	150	4.25	0.69	2.30
Transaction Efficiency	150	4.05	0.81	2.00
Profitability	150	3.98	0.84	2.10

Table 1 The descriptive analysis results show that the level of QRIS and e-wallet adoption among MSMEs in Makassar City is relatively high. The average score for QRIS adoption was 4.12 with a standard deviation of 0.76, while e-wallet adoption reached an average of 4.25 with a standard deviation of 0.69. This indicates that most business actors frequently use both digital payment instruments in their daily operations. Moreover, digital transactions are considered to provide convenience and flexibility for both consumers and MSME owners, although variations in usage are still evident among respondents, as reflected in the minimum and maximum values. For the variables of transaction efficiency and profitability, the mean scores were 4.05 and 3.98, respectively. These figures show that the use of QRIS and e-wallets is perceived to enhance transaction speed, reduce operational costs, and improve record accuracy. The impact on profitability is also noticeable, as evidenced by increases in profit margins and revenue growth. However, the standard deviations for both variables (0.81 for efficiency and 0.84 for profitability) indicate that these benefits have not been evenly experienced by all MSMEs, suggesting that some business actors still face challenges in optimizing the use of digital payment technologies.

Table 2. Correlation Matrix

Variable	1	2	3	4
1. QRIS Adoption	1.000	-	-	-
2. E-Wallet Adoption	0.582	1.000	-	-
3. Transaction Efficiency	0.615	0.602	1.000	-
4. Profitability	0.487	0.476	0.654	1.000

The correlation analysis demonstrates that QRIS adoption and e-wallet adoption are positively and significantly correlated with both transaction efficiency and profitability. QRIS adoption shows a strong positive correlation with transaction efficiency ($r = 0.615$, $p < 0.01$) and a moderate correlation with profitability ($r = 0.487$, $p < 0.01$). Similarly, e-wallet adoption has a strong correlation with transaction efficiency ($r = 0.602$, $p < 0.01$) and a moderate correlation with profitability ($r = 0.476$, $p < 0.01$). These results suggest that higher levels of digital payment adoption are associated with improvements in both operational and financial performance. Furthermore, the relationship between transaction efficiency and profitability is the strongest among all variables, with a correlation coefficient of 0.654 ($p < 0.01$). This finding indicates that efficiency gains derived from digital payment adoption—such as faster transaction processing, reduced errors, and lower operational costs—are strongly linked to increased profitability among MSMEs. The high level of significance across all relationships provides empirical support for the theoretical assumption that transaction efficiency serves as a crucial mediator between digital payment adoption and financial outcomes.

Table 3. Regression Analysis Results

Model	β	t-value	p-value	Result
QRIS → Efficiency	0.365	5.12	0.000	Significant
E-Wallet → Efficiency	0.342	4.87	0.000	Significant
Efficiency → Profitability	0.541	7.64	0.000	Significant
QRIS → Profitability	0.172	2.31	0.022	Significant (Direct)
E-Wallet → Profitability	0.158	2.07	0.040	Significant (Direct)

The regression results reveal that both QRIS and e-wallet adoption significantly influence transaction efficiency. QRIS adoption shows a standardized coefficient (β) of 0.365 with a t-value of 5.12 ($p < 0.001$), indicating a strong and significant effect on efficiency. Similarly, e-wallet adoption demonstrates a standardized coefficient (β) of 0.342 with a t-value of 4.87 ($p < 0.001$). These findings confirm that the more frequently MSMEs utilize QRIS and e-wallets, the more efficient their transactions become, both in terms of speed and cost reduction. Transaction efficiency itself was found to have the strongest direct effect on profitability, with a standardized coefficient (β) of 0.541 and a t-value of 7.64 ($p < 0.001$). This result suggests that improvements in transaction

processes—such as faster settlement, fewer errors, and lower operational costs—directly translate into higher profitability for MSMEs. Thus, efficiency serves as a critical mechanism through which digital payment adoption contributes to business performance.

The analysis also demonstrates that QRIS adoption has a positive direct effect on profitability, with a coefficient (β) of 0.172 and a significant t-value of 2.31 ($p < 0.05$). Similarly, e-wallet adoption exerts a positive influence, with a coefficient (β) of 0.158 and a t-value of 2.07 ($p < 0.05$). These findings indicate that, beyond efficiency improvements, digital payment technologies can independently increase MSME profitability, likely by attracting more customers and expanding market reach. Overall, the regression results support all proposed hypotheses, confirming that QRIS and e-wallet adoption significantly improve transaction efficiency and profitability, with efficiency playing a key mediating role. This provides empirical evidence for the argument that digital payment systems not only modernize MSME operations but also strengthen their financial performance.

3.2. Discussion

3.2.1. The Effect of QRIS Adoption on Transaction Efficiency

The regression analysis confirms that QRIS adoption has a positive and significant effect on transaction efficiency among MSMEs in Makassar City. This aligns with previous studies that emphasized QRIS as a driver of operational improvements in micro and small enterprises. Rettobjaan et al. found that MSMEs in Denpasar City experienced significant increases in financial and non-financial performance after implementing QRIS, with over 80% of respondents acknowledging enhanced efficiency in transaction processes [11]. Another study by Primasari et al. highlights that QRIS dimensions such as accessibility, ease of use, speed, and security significantly influence operational efficiency and profitability. Their results also indicate that financial literacy strengthens the relationship between QRIS adoption and improved efficiency, making digital capability an essential complement for MSMEs [12]. In addition, a broader study published in the *International Journal of Science and Society* reveals that MSMEs view QRIS not only as a payment innovation but also as a mechanism to reduce transaction costs, accelerate settlement, and ensure safer transactions by minimizing cash handling risks. This underlines the importance of QRIS as a tool for maintaining operational continuity, particularly in times of economic disruption such as the COVID-19 pandemic [13].

3.2.2. The Effect of E-Wallet Adoption on Transaction Efficiency

Regression results also reveal that e-wallet adoption significantly enhances transaction efficiency among MSMEs in Makassar City. This is supported by Anwar et al. (2024), who found that in Indonesia's tourism sector, MSMEs with higher levels of mobile wallet knowledge and innovativeness demonstrated markedly improved operational performance, including faster processing and reduced transaction costs [14]. Moreover, a qualitative study of MSMEs in traditional markets in Yogyakarta reported that 80% of traders are open to adopting e-wallets, citing convenience and transaction efficiency as key drivers that outweigh barriers such as lack of digital familiarity or infrastructure [15]. These firsthand insights indicate that the perceived operational benefits of e-wallets strongly motivate adoption among small merchants. Supporting this, the broader discourse on mobile wallets as business enablers emphasizes that digital wallets improve efficiency in transaction handling, record-keeping, and customer service [16]. Despite variations in adoption levels, the overall narrative consistently underscores e-wallets as significant contributors to streamlining micro-business operations.

3.2.3. The Effect of Transaction Efficiency on Profitability

The analysis results support the hypothesis that **transaction efficiency** has a significant positive impact on **MSME profitability** in Makassar City. This finding aligns with broader SME research indicating that operational efficiency is a critical contributor to financial success. For instance, Serrasqueiro (2023) identified a robust positive relationship between **productivity**—a dimension closely tied to transaction efficiency—and overall SME profitability, emphasizing the efficiency-profitability nexus [17]. In a similar vein, research from Ecuador underscores that digital wallet adoption enhances **cash flow management**, improves **accounts payable operations**, and strengthens operational routines—factors that collectively bolster profitability by ensuring better liquidity and cost control [18]. The study noted that these efficiency gains occurred through faster, more accurate transaction processes and improved supplier relationships, which translate into tangible financial gains. Moreover, in the Indonesian context, investigations into digital payment effects on supply chain performance have uncovered significant positive impacts on **MSME performance**, which—including efficiency improvements—is linked to profitability enhancement [19]. This reinforces the argument that digitalization of payment processes—by streamlining operational flow—provides MSMEs with a solid foundation to not just operate more effectively, but to also grow net income.

3.2.4. The Direct Effect of QRIS and E-Wallet Adoption on Profitability

Beyond the indirect role of transaction efficiency, this study also finds that both QRIS and e-wallet adoption directly influence MSME profitability in Makassar. This is consistent with evidence from banking and fintech studies showing that digital payment tools enhance revenue streams by expanding market access and attracting digitally savvy customers [20]. The availability of multiple payment channels increases customer willingness to purchase, thereby improving sales turnover and profit margins. In addition, global studies highlight that digital wallets not only reduce transaction frictions but also open opportunities for businesses to integrate promotions and loyalty programs. A study in India found that micro-retailers using digital wallets observed significant increases in sales volume due to consumer preference for seamless and cashless transactions [21]. These findings mirror the positive effect observed in Makassar, where e-wallet adoption contributes directly to higher profitability without solely relying on efficiency improvements. Similarly, research on Indonesian SMEs confirms that QRIS adoption strengthens financial performance by reducing cash leakage, minimizing the risk of counterfeit money, and broadening the consumer base that prefers non-cash payments [22]. The study underscores that QRIS, as a national payment standard, provides MSMEs with not only operational stability but also a competitive edge in revenue generation.

3.2.5. The Mediating Role of Transaction Efficiency

The findings confirm that **transaction efficiency mediates** the relationship between QRIS and e-wallet adoption with MSME profitability in Makassar City. This means that while digital payment adoption directly contributes to financial performance, a significant portion of its effect occurs indirectly through efficiency improvements. This result is consistent with a structural model tested by Abubakar et al. (2023), which demonstrated that digital payment adoption significantly increases operational efficiency, and in turn, efficiency serves as a mediator that enhances SME profitability [23]. Moreover, Widyastuti et al. (2024) argue that transaction efficiency plays a bridging role by transforming technological innovation into tangible financial outcomes. Their study on Indonesian MSMEs showed that businesses adopting digital payment systems experienced efficiency gains that reduced cash handling time, minimized errors, and improved financial reporting accuracy—factors that subsequently boosted profitability [24]. Further support is provided by Al-Marroof et al. (2022), who found that in the adoption of mobile payment systems, efficiency acted as a central mediator between perceived ease of use, adoption intention, and financial performance outcomes. Their findings suggest that without measurable improvements in efficiency, the financial benefits of digital payment adoption may not fully materialize [25].

4. Conclusion

The findings of this study provide clear evidence that the adoption of digital payment systems, particularly QRIS and e-wallets, has a significant impact on enhancing the transaction efficiency and profitability of MSMEs in Makassar City. By reducing the reliance on cash transactions, MSMEs benefit from faster and more accurate financial operations, which directly strengthens their competitiveness in an increasingly digitalized marketplace. These results reinforce the idea that digital transformation is not merely an option but a necessity for business sustainability. QRIS adoption plays a crucial role in simplifying transactions, lowering operational costs, and ensuring transparent financial reporting. The implementation of QRIS enables MSMEs to access wider customer bases, as it accommodates various banking platforms in a single system. Similarly, the use of e-wallets provides added convenience for both businesses and customers, increasing transaction flexibility and fostering customer loyalty. Together, these two innovations serve as catalysts for operational modernization in the MSME sector.

The study also confirms that transaction efficiency is a central mechanism linking digital payment adoption to profitability. Efficiency improvements translate into tangible financial benefits, including increased revenue streams, reduced risks of human error in accounting, and greater time savings for entrepreneurs to focus on strategic business growth. This suggests that MSMEs adopting digital payment technologies gain not only operational advantages but also long-term financial resilience. Moreover, the results highlight that profitability does not solely depend on technology adoption itself but is significantly influenced by how effectively businesses leverage these tools to optimize processes. This emphasizes the need for continuous digital literacy training and capacity building for MSME owners and employees. Without adequate understanding and utilization, the full benefits of digital payment systems cannot be realized. In conclusion, the integration of QRIS and e-wallets into MSME operations represents a transformative step toward sustainable business development. Policymakers, financial institutions, and digital service providers must collaborate to create supportive ecosystems that encourage adoption while minimizing barriers such as technological gaps and trust issues. Strengthening digital financial inclusion will ultimately drive not only MSME profitability but also regional and national economic growth in the digital era

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