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We will continue to share traffic and market data, along with our analysis, on a regular basis.

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**TRAFFIC**
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MOBILE TRAFFIC
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Global traffic in mobile networks
The graph below shows total global monthly data and voice traffic from Q3 2010 to Q2 2015. It depicts a gradual increase in data traffic, as well as voice traffic growth in the mid-single digits per year. The growth in data traffic is being driven by the rise of mobile data subscriptions, along with a continued increase in average data volume per subscription.

Data traffic grew around 15 percent quarter-on-quarter and 55 percent year-on-year. It should be noted that there are large differences in traffic levels between markets, regions and operators.

1 Traffic does not include DVB-H, Wi-Fi, or Mobile WiMax. Voice does not include VoIP.

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