

# Small business How to establish credit and access capital

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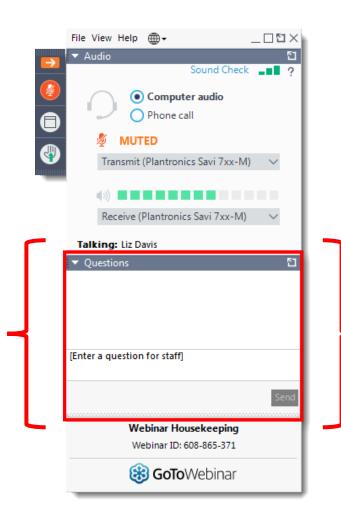
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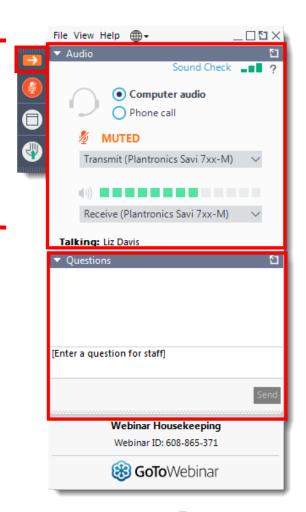


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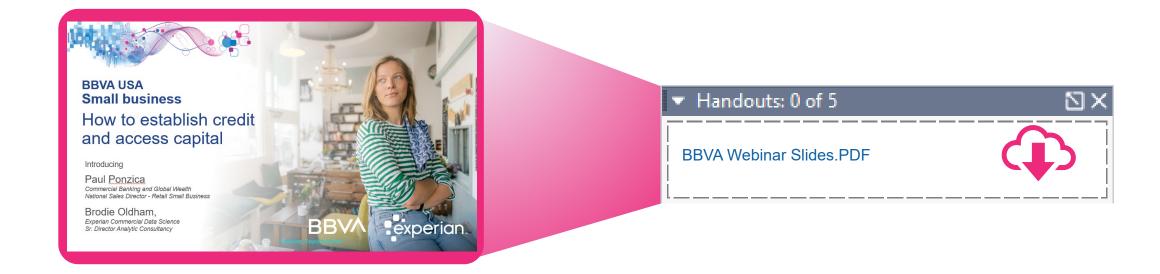
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# Small Businesses are at the core of our economy

Generate 44 Percent Of U.S. Economic Activity - SBA Office of Advocacy

- √ 99.7% of businesses
- ✓ Create 2/3 net new jobs
- ✓ Cultivate innovation producing <u>13 times</u> more patents than large businesses
- ✓ International: accounting for 97 percent of U.S. exporters
- ✓ Urban, suburban, and rural
- Creating opportunities, inclusive of women and minorities, to achieve financial success and independence







## Small Businesses are at the core of our economy

Why is business credit important?





- Your credit bureau report is at the heart of building business credit
- Should be separate and distinct from your personal credit
- Provides utilization and debt relief to balance credit health
- Creates opportunity for greater access to more affordable funds





# Average business owner vs. average consumer

Consumer attributes		Consumer average	Owner average
Trade	Open trade count	3	8
	Trades opened in last 6 months	0.3	0.4
	Age of oldest trade (years)	16	21
	Utilization	38%	59%
Derogatories	Derogatory public records	0.2	0.2
	Collections	1.6	0.3
Delinquency	Percentage of trades 90+ days delinquent or derogatory	27%	4%

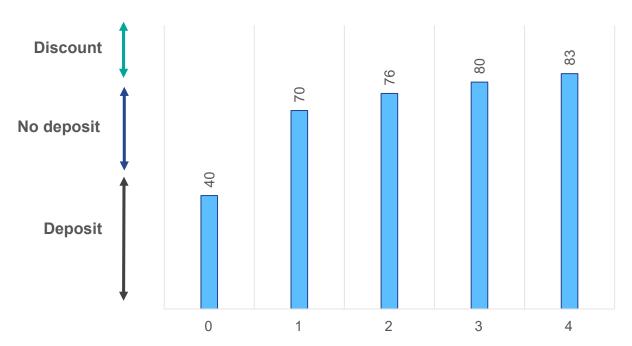
- On average business owners have five more tradelines
- Business owner utilization is 55% higher
- Business owners are lower risk however....
- Funding business through consumer credit is detrimental to consumer credit health





## How to build commercial credit

#### Commercial credit score



Total commercial accounts/ loans

#### Act like a business

✓ Establish accounts in your business name, not your personal name

#### Be visible

Ensure that your good behavior is reported

## Borrow and pay on time

✓ Stay current to agreed upon terms

## Monitor your company's profile

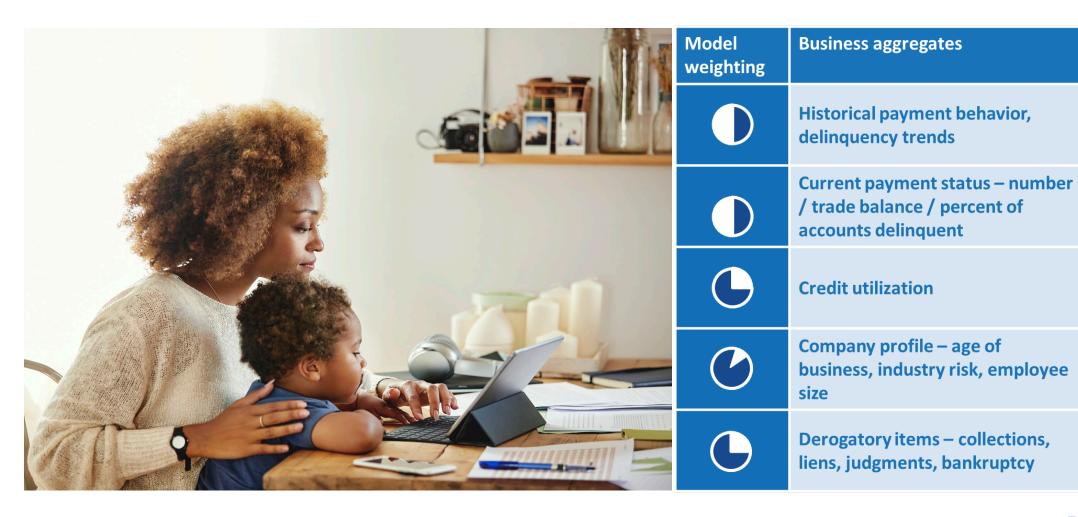
- Check and correct outdated information
- ✓ Be alerted of important changes in your company's name





## Establishing business credit profile

Primary factors of your score





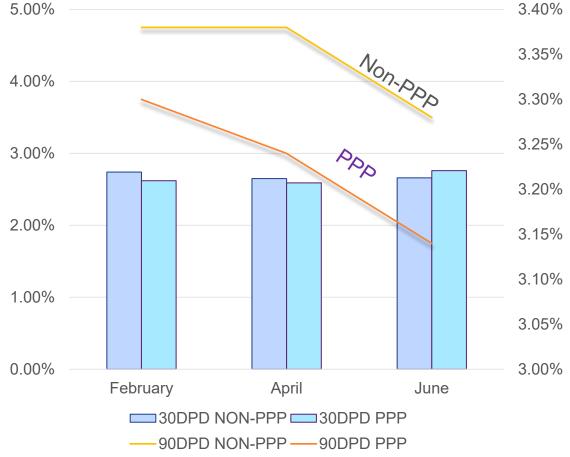


# Paycheck Protection Program

# Number of PPP Loans by Loan Amount



## Delinquency observation







## The "5 C's" of Credit

# How lenders decide whether or not to lend your business money.

#### Character

When lenders evaluate character, they look at stability — for example, how long you've lived at your current address, how long you've been in your current job, and whether you have a good record of paying your bills on time and in full. If you want a loan for your business, the lender may consider your experience and track record in your business and industry to evaluate how trustworthy you are to repay.

#### Capacity

Capacity refers to considering your other debts and expenses when determining your ability to repay the loan. Creditors evaluate your debt-to-income ratio, that is, how much you owe compared to how much you earn. The lower your ratio, the more confident creditors will be in your capacity to repay the money you borrow.

#### **Capital**

Capital refers to your net worth — the value of your assets minus your liabilities. In simple terms, how much you own (for example, car, real estate, cash, and investments) minus how much you owe.





## The "5 C's" of Credit



#### Collateral

Collateral refers to any asset of a borrower (for example, a home) that a lender has a right to take ownership of and use to pay the debt if the borrower is unable to make the loan payments as agreed.

Lenders generally require a personal guarantee in addition to collateral. A personal guarantee means that the business owner/guarantor promises to repay the loan if the business can not.

#### **Conditions**

Lenders consider a number of outside circumstances that may affect the borrower's financial situation and ability to repay, for example what's happening in the local economy. If the borrower is a business, the lender may evaluate the financial health of the borrower's industry, their local market, and competition.

\*Some lenders develop their own loan decision "scorecards" using aspects of the 5 C's and other factors. Example: borrower's credit used vs. credit available.





# Access to Capital to Maintain or Grow Your Business

With interest rates at all time lows, now is the time to secure financing to help maintain or grow your business

- Benefits of a Business Credit Card
  - Gives you purchasing power everywhere you go
  - Can assign individual card limits and track expenses
  - Keeps business expenses separate from personal for tax reporting
  - Take advantage of Rewards Programs
  - Fraud Protection
- Benefits of a Business Line of Credit
  - Take advantage of trade discounts
  - Help with seasonality in cash flow fluctuations
  - Provides working capital
  - Helps with acquiring inventory
  - Easy access to cash when you need it









# Access to Capital to Maintain or Grow Your Business

- Benefits of a Term Loan
  - Helps finance major expenses and keeps your cash in hand
  - Fixed monthly payments provides for better budgeting
  - Used to purchase equipment, commercial vehicles, or unsecured



- Benefits of a Commercial Real Estate Loan
  - Provides ability to fund leasehold improvements
  - Use for new purchase or construction
  - Investment property opportunities
  - Flexible terms with up to 20 years amortization







# Access to Capital to Maintain or Grow Your Business

- Benefits of SBA Financing
  - Longer maturities to help improve cash flow
  - Lower equity requirements with as little as 10% down for real estate
  - Creative loan structures and more flexible underwriting parameters
  - Ability to use projections when calculating cash flow requirements
  - No balloon payments
  - Closing costs and soft costs can be rolled into the loan
  - BBVA USA is a SBA Preferred Lender which speeds up approval and closing timeframes
  - Designated SBA Specialists to help you throughout your project

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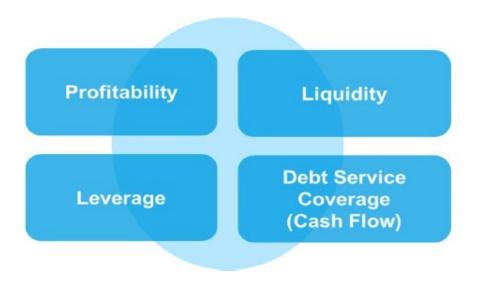




# **Conventional Underwriting**

How do I qualify?

## **4 Core Underwriting Criteria**



Conventional financing generally requires at least 2 years in business and a minimum of \$100,000 in annual revenue (sales).





# Conventional Underwriting How do I qualify?

If applicant does not meet conventional financing criteria, we also look to determine if it may qualify for various SBA programs.

## 4 Core Underwriting Criteria

- **Profitability:** Is key to success of any business. Lack of profitability affects the other core criteria. Pre-tax earnings should be positive for the years reviewed.
- **Liquidity (business):** Measures the ease with which a company can meet their financial obligations with the liquid assets available to them. Current assets divided by current liabilities=current ratio.
- **Leverage:** The amount of money borrowed in relationship to the amount invested by the owner. Total liabilities divided by tangible net worth. The higher the leverage, the more the company has borrowed, therefore the higher the risk to the bank.
- **Debt Service Coverage (DSC):** A measure of the cash flow available to pay current debt obligations. BBVA underwrites on a "Global Cash Flow" basis, including both business and personal obligations and income.





# **SBA Programs**

## **BBVA USA Participates In**

#### 7 (a) Up to \$5 Million

Fully amortizing government guaranteed loan up to \$5MM for general business purposes

#### 504 Up to \$15 Million

Partnership financing between BBVA and a Certified Development Company(CDC)/SBA for owner-occupied real estate acquisitions, construction and heavy equipment purchases

#### ■ SBA Express Loans Up to \$350,000

A 50% government guaranteed loans up to 10 years. Uses can be for working capital, equipment, business acquisition, and facility expansion. Expedited application processing and quick turnaround. Requires only 1 year in business. \*SBA guaranty fee waiver for Express Loans up to \$350,000





# Documents Required to Apply for Business Credit

- Business Credit Application
- 2 or 3 years personal and business tax returns for all requests greater than \$100,000
- Current Year End Business Financial statement or interims
- Current Personal Financial statement
- If equipment purchase, a copy of the sales contract or purchase order
- If Commercial Real Estate, a copy of the sales contract
- Construction Bid or estimate

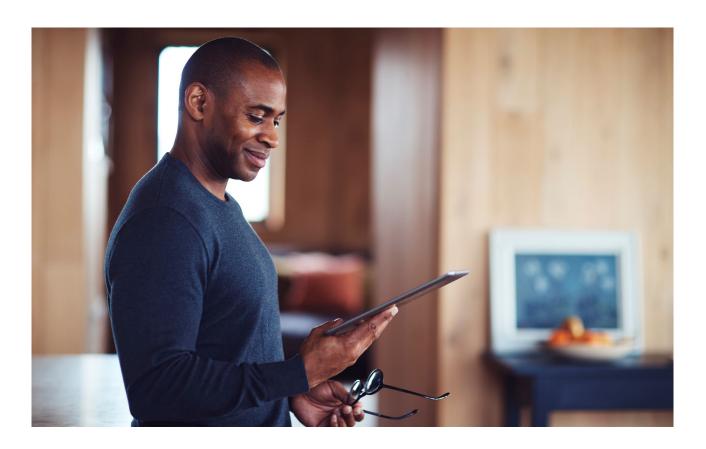
Our dedicated small business sales professionals will work with you through every stage of the application process to ensure a smooth and beneficial experience







# What you should take with you



- ✓ Act like a business
- √ Be visible
- ✓ Monitor your credit
- ✓ Plan ahead

Don't be afraid to use credit to maintain and grow your business





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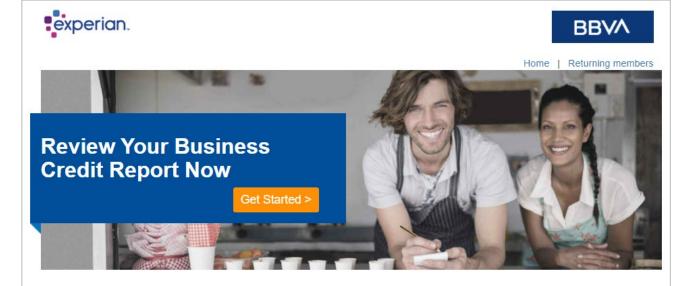
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