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Executive Summary

- In 2020 and 2021, the Youngstown region (Mahoning and Trumbull counties in Ohio) received 13,061 PPP loans totaling **\$1 billion**.
- PPP had a broad reach across the region. **100% of zip codes** in the region had at least one small business receiving a PPP loan in 2020 or 2021.
- The average size of the PPP loan in the region was \$80,680, higher than the national average of \$67,647.
- 70% of approved loans covered payroll only, although eligible expenses included rent, utilities, mortgage interest, etc.
- PPP loans helped to keep 130,170 workers in the region on payroll.
- In 2021, PPP reached smaller businesses, 5 employees per business compared to 17 during 2020.



About SBA's PPP Loan Program



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Paycheck Protection Program

- Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans administrated by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) aimed to provide a direct incentive for small businesses affected by the coronavirus pandemic to keep workers on payroll.
- PPP has been one of the largest economic stimulus programs in U.S. history with 12 million loans totaling \$800 billion.
- SBA issues **loan forgiveness** if the funds are used for eligible expenses, i.e., payroll, rent, utilities, mortgage interest.



U.S. Small Business Administration

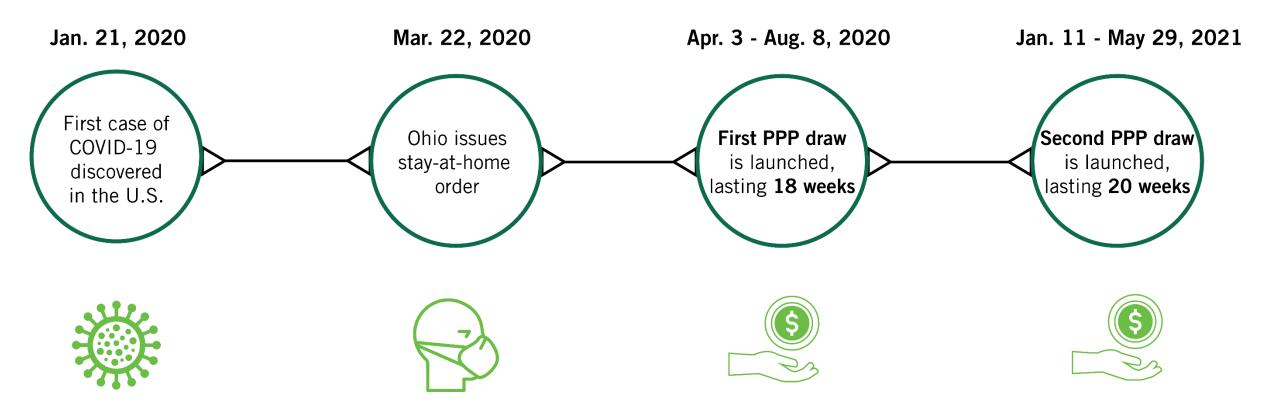


Paycheck Protection Program

- Eligibility for the first draw in 2020 included small businesses with 500 or less employees.
- The **second draw in 2021** was eligible to businesses with **300 or fewer employees** that have sustained a **25% reduction in gross revenues** between comparable quarters in 2019 and 2020.
- PPP closed on May 31, 2021.



• PPP lasted for 18 weeks in 2020 and 20 weeks in 2021





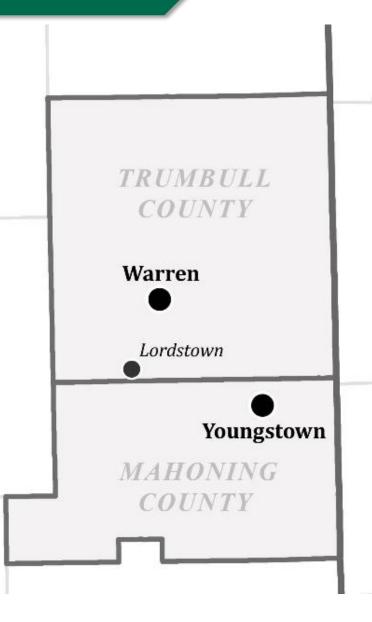
PPP Loans in Youngstown



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Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) in Youngstown, OH

- The Youngstown region (Mahoning and Trumbull Counties in Ohio) received 13,061 loans totaling \$1 billion.
- The average size of the loan in the region was \$80,680 compared to \$67,647 in the U.S.
- PPP loans helped to retain 130,170 jobs.
- 100% of the region's zip codes in Trumbull and Mahoning counties received a PPP loan in 2020 or 2021.





PPP Loan Distribution

- The maximum PPP loan amount was \$10 million.
- Many businesses used PPP loans to cover costs associated with payroll although allowable expenses included utilities, rent, mortgage interest, etc.
 70% of approved loans covered payroll only.
- Appendix Table 1 lists the top 20 PPP recipients. These businesses received 11% of the total PPP amount distributed in the Youngstown region. Almost half (9 recipients) of the top 20 companies were in the Accommodation and Food Services Industry.



PPP Loan Distribution in LMI Zones

- Low income and poverty are persistent issues in Youngstown. Small Business Administration uses LMI (Low-to-Moderate Income) Zones to identify areas of low-income or moderate-income.
- Businesses in LMI zones received 26% of the total amount disbursed in Youngstown (\$271M), and 32% of all loans. On average, these businesses were smaller as they retained 7 employees compared to 11 employees in businesses located outside of LMI Zones.

Table 1. PPP Loan Distribution to Businesses in LMI Zones

LMI Indicator	Loan Amount	% of Total Amount	Number of Loans	% of all Loans	Jobs Retained	Average Jobs Retained per Business	Average Cost per Job Retained
Yes	\$271M	26%	4,233	32%	30,106	7	\$9,007
No	\$783M	74%	8,828	68%	100,064	11	\$7,821
Total	\$1,054M		13,061		130,170	10	\$8,095



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- **2,696** small businesses received **PPP loans in 2020 and 2021** showing they had at least **25% reduction in gross revenues** due to the coronavirus pandemic.
- The largest PPP recipients in both years included (Appendix Table 1):
 - AVI FOODSYSTEMS INC. (Accommodation and Food Services)
 - COVELLI FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (Accommodation and Food Services)
 - BRILEX TECH SERVICES, INC. (Administrative Services)
 - THE DEARING COMPRESSOR AND PUMP COMPANY (Manufacturing)













- In 2020, small businesses in Youngstown received almost \$700 million in PPP loans. In 2021, the region received \$355 million.
- In 2021, the average PPP loan was smaller, \$45,402 compared to \$133,367 in 2020. Also, in 2021, the number of PPP loans increased 50%, from 5,238 to 7,823.

Table 2. 2020 vs 2021 PPP Distribution in Youngstown Region

Year	Loan Amount	Number of Loans	Median	Average	
			Loan Amount	Loan Amount	
2020	\$699M	5,238	\$31,300	\$133,367	
2021	\$355M	7,823	\$19,885	\$45,402	
Total	\$1,054M	13,061	\$20,832	\$80,680	



PPP Loan Distribution and Jobs Retained by Year

- PPP loans helped retain more jobs in 2020 compared to 2021, 86,162 jobs vs 41,008 jobs.
- In 2021, PPP reached smaller businesses, 5 employees per business compared to 17 during 2020.

Table 3, 2020 vs 2021 PPP Distribution and Jobs Retained

Year	Jobs Retained	Average Jobs Retained per Business
2020	89,162	17
2021	41,008	5
Total	130,170	10

Source: 2020 and 2021 PPP data released by SBA on June 1, 2021.

Jobs retained: Number of employees reported by the business.



PPP Loans and Business Characteristics



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PPP Loan Distribution by Business Size in Youngstown

• Businesses with 1 to 4 employees received 66% of PPP loans in Youngstown

Table 4. PPP Recipients in Youngstown by Business Size

Business Size	Loan Amount	% of Total Amount	Number of Loans	% of All Loans
1 to 4 Employees	\$133.9M	13%	8,683	66%
5 to 9 Employees	\$85.6M	8%	1,230	9%
10 to 19 Employees	\$124.5M	12%	139	1%
20 to 49 Employees	\$218.6M	21%	898	7%
50 to 99 Employees	\$177.3M	16%	37	0.3%
100 to 249 Employees	\$160.5M	15%	1,764	14%
250 to 499 Employees	\$75.8M	7%	291	2%
Missing Employee data	\$77.6M	7%	19	0.1%
TOTAL	\$1,053.8M		13,061	



PPP Loan Distribution by Business Age in Youngstown

- Startups and new businesses received 2% of PPP loans.
- The average loan was smaller compared to businesses older than 2 years, \$62,692 vs \$80,020.

Table 5. PPP Loan distribution by Business Age

Business Age	Loan Amount	% of Total Amount	Number of Loans	% of All Loans	Average Loan Amount
2 years or more	\$964M	91%	12,048	92%	\$80,020
2 years or less	\$19M	2%	305	2%	\$62,692
Not Stated	\$70M	7%	707	5%	\$99,798
Total	\$1,054M		13,061		\$80,680

Note: 2 years or less includes 1 startup



PPP Loans Distribution by Industry



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PPP Loan Distribution by Industry

- Manufacturing was the top PPP recipient accounting for 16% of all loans with the average loan size of \$234,762.
- 8 industries in Table 6 received average loans above the region's average (>\$80,680). See Appendix Table 2 for more details.

Table 6. Top Average Loans by Industry

NAICS code	NAICS Code Description	Average Loan Amount
31-33	Manufacturing	\$234,762
72	Accommodation and Food Services	\$151,848
42	Wholesale Trade	\$130,591
21	Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	\$114,756
23	Construction	\$110,688
62	Health Care and Social Assistance	\$98,389
55	Management of Companies and Enterprises	\$96,390
51	Information	\$93,906
	Average Across All Industries	\$80,680



Note: 131 observation were dropped for missing data

Jobs Retained by Industry

- Accommodation and Food Services retained 25,382 jobs (19%).
- The top 5 industries in Table 7 accounted for 75% of all jobs retained.

Table 7. Top 5 Industries by Jobs Retained

NAICS	Description	Jobs Retained	% of Jobs Retained
72	Accommodation and Food Services	25,382	19%
62	Health Care and Social Assistance	22,232	17%
31-33	Manufacturing	13,893	11%
23	Construction	11,867	9%
44-45	Retail Trade	10,738	8%
	All other industries	46,058	35%
	Total	130,170	

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Appendix Table 1: Top 20 PPP Recipients

Position	n Draw	Approval Date	Company Name	Industry	Loan Amount	Jobs Retained	% of Loan Used on Payroll
1	1st Draw	04/15/20	AVI FOODSYSTEMS INC.	Accommodation and	\$10M	500	70%
1	2nd Draw	03/23/21	AVI FOODSTSTEIVISTING.	Food Services	\$2M	300	100%
2	1st Draw	04/09/20	SCHWEBEL BAKING COMPANY	Manufacturing	\$10M	500	100%
3	1st Draw	05/01/20	EMPOWERING PEOPLE MANAGEMENT INC.	Healthcare	\$8.5M	500	100%
4	1st Draw	04/13/20	SIMON ROOFING AND SHEET METAL CORP	Construction	\$8.4M	464	100%
5	1st Draw	04/08/20	CAD CAPITAL LLC	Accommodation	\$7.1M	500	100%
6	1st Draw	04/08/20	DALCAN LLC	Accommodation	\$6.5M	500	100%
7	1st Draw	04/08/20	CADLE LLC	Accommodation	\$6.3M	500	100%
8	1st Draw	04/28/20	HBK PROFESSIONAL LLC	Professional Services	\$6.1M	392	100%
9	1st Draw	04/08/20	COVELLI FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP II	Accommodation	\$5.1M	500	100%
10	1st Draw	04/28/20	XALOY LLC	Manufacturing	\$4.5M	272	100%
11	1st Draw	05/01/20	MSSL WIRING SYSTEM INC.	Manufacturing	\$4.2M	384	100%
12	1st Draw	04/09/20	COVELLI ENTERPRISES, INC.	Accommodation	\$4.2M	250	100%
13	1st Draw	04/09/20	COVELLI FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	Accommodation and	\$4.2M	500	100%
13	2nd Draw	03/06/21	COVELLI FAIVIILI LIIVII LED PARTINERSHIP	Food Services	\$1.5M	300	100%
14	1st Draw	04/04/20	ANDERSON AND DUBOSE, INC.	Accommodation	\$4.1M	249	100%
15	1st Draw	04/06/20	BRILEX TECH SERVICES, INC.	Administrative	\$4.1M	245	100%
13	2nd Draw	03/04/21	BRILEX TECH SERVICES, INC.	Services	\$2M	217	100%
16	1st Draw	04/08/20	FLAPAN LLC	Accommodation and	\$3.9M	500	100%
10	2nd Draw	03/04/21	FLAPAIN LLC	Food Services	\$0.4M	300	100%
17	1st Draw	04/08/20	THE DEARING COMPRESSOR AND PUMP COMPANY	Manufacturing	\$3.8M	226	100%
17	2nd Draw	01/23/21	THE DEAKING COMPRESSOR AND POMP COMPANY	ivianuracturing	\$2M	199	100%
18	1st Draw	04/28/20	VEC, INC.	Construction	\$3.8M	144	100%
19	1st Draw	04/10/20	JARO TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, INC.	Transportation	\$3.5M	172	92%
20	1st Draw	04/12/20	SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN RETIREMENT SERVICES, INC.	Healthcare	\$3.4M	249	100%
			Top 20 total		\$119.6M	8,863	97%
T_E			All other recipients		\$934M	121,307	99%
∞ ∃			Total		\$1,054M	130,170	99%

Appendix Table 2: PPP Loan Distribution by Industry

NAICS	Description	Loan Amount	Number of Loans	Average Loan Amount
11	Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	\$3.4M	147	\$23,032
21	Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	\$6.3M	55	\$114,756
22	Utilities	\$0.6M	14	\$45,289
23	Construction	\$148.5M	1,342	\$110,688
31-33	Manufacturing	\$162.5M	692	\$234,762
42	Wholesale Trade	\$62.9M	482	\$130,591
44-45	Retail Trade	\$73M	1,254	\$58,245
48-49	Transportation and Warehousing	\$47M	701	\$66,983
51	Information	\$8.5M	91	\$93,906
52	Finance and Insurance	\$12M	275	\$43,844
53	Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	\$15.6M	388	\$40,158
54	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	\$64M	1,137	\$56,299
55	Management of Companies and Enterprises	\$0.7M	7	\$96,390
56	Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	\$59M	1,007	\$58,593
61	Educational Services	\$9.4M	161	\$58,482
62	Health Care and Social Assistance	\$149M	1,515	\$98,389
71	Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	\$11.2M	330	\$34,010
72	Accommodation and Food Services	\$130.6M	860	\$151,848
81	Other Services (except Public Administration)	\$67.5M	2,378	\$28,364
92	Public Administration	\$2.6M	46	\$55,757
99	Unclassified	\$2.8M	48	\$57,644
	Total	\$1,037M	12,930	\$80,217



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