Banks: Sector Credit Trends

Growth slows, as expected

Non-food credit growth slowed further to 6.7% YoY (vs. 6.8% in May). We do not find this surprising, given the disruption to real economic activity resulting in muted credit demand and risk aversion at banks. This trend has been led by slowing service credit and personal loan growth, even as industrial credit growth accelerated slightly.

Non-food credit growth can slow further, we believe, as COVID-19 continues to impact real economic activity, especially after the moratorium ends.

- **Industrial credit** accelerated slightly to 2.2% YoY, from 1.7% in May, led by an increase in large industrial credit growth from 2.8% YoY to 3.7%. However, other segments of industrial credit (based on size) continued to see de-growth in outstanding credit. Credit to micro and small industries de-grew 3.7% YoY and that to medium industries de-grew 9% YoY. As a result, the stark difference in credit growth to these segments persisted. Within industrial credit, sectors such as textiles, gems and jewellery, leather and leather products, glass and glassware including all engineering saw persistent YoY de-growth of varying degrees. Infra-credit saw accelerating growth, led by faster growth in credit for roads and telecommunications.
- Service sector credit growth slowed slightly to 10.7% YoY (vs. 11.2% in May). Growth in credit to NBFCs (+25.7% YoY), tourism, hotels and restaurants (+16.8% YoY) was relatively healthy but trending down. CRE credit growth slowed to 11.6% YoY, from 13.6% in May. Trade credit grew 6.1% YoY, led by 10.9% growth in wholesale trade credit, as retail trade credit grew 2.2% YoY.
- Personal loans have seen the most dramatic slowdown in growth (relative to pre-COVID-19 levels and those seen in other loan segments). However, YoY growth in this segment slowed just 10bps to 10.5% (vs. May 20). Similar trends were seen in housing credit (+12.5% YoY) and other personal loans (+12.1%). After slowing dramatically and de-growing 80bps YoY in May, credit card debt grew 2.8% YoY, with MoM growth of 5.1%. We find this intriguing and in line with the commentary of various private sector banks.
- Agri credit growth surprisingly slowed further to just 2.2% YoY, from 3.5% YoY in May. We find this surprising, given that the country has seen a good winter harvest and reasonably well distributed monsoon rainfall so far.

Non-food credit at a glance

(Rs bn)	Mar-14	Mar-15	Mar-16	Mar-17	Mar-18	Mar-19	Mar-20	June-20
Non-Food Credit	55,296	60,030	65,469	70,945	76,884	86,334	92,115	90,470
YoY growth	13.6%	8.6%	9.1%	8.4%	8.4%	12.3%	6.7%	6.7%
Industry	25,165	26,576	27,307	26,798	26,993	28,858	29,052	28,752
YoY growth	12.8%	5.6%	2.7%	-1.9%	0.7%	6.9%	0.7%	2.2%
% of total	45.5%	44.3%	41.7%	37.8%	35.1%	33.4%	31.5%	31.8%
Services	13,375	14,131	15,411	18,022	20,505	24,156	25,949	25,285
YoY growth	16.1%	5.7%	9.1%	16.9%	13.8%	17.8%	7.4%	10.7%
% of total	24.2%	23.5%	23.5%	25.4%	26.7%	28.0%	28.2%	27.9%
Personal Loans	10,097	11,663	13,922	16,200	19,085	22,207	25,537	24,904
YoY growth	12.5%	15.5%	19.4%	16.4%	17.8%	16.4%	15.0%	10.5%
% of total	18.3%	19.4%	21.3%	22.8%	24.8%	25.7%	27.7%	27.5%
Agriculture	6,660	7,659	8,826	9,909	10,216	11,050	11,578	11,529
YoY growth	12.9%	15.0%	15.3%	12.4%	3.8%	7.9%	4.2%	2.4%
% of total	12.0%	12.8%	13.5%	14.0%	13.3%	12.8%	12.6%	12.7%

Source: RBI and HSIE Research

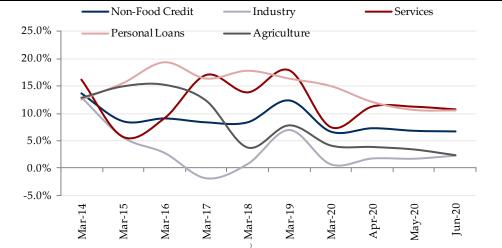
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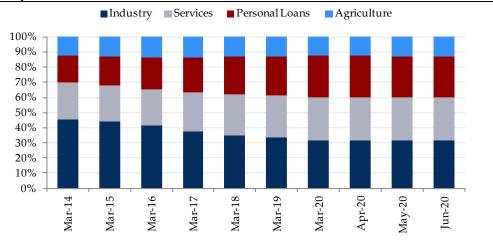


Non-food credit growth slows slightly



Source: RBI and HSIE Research

The split of non-food credit



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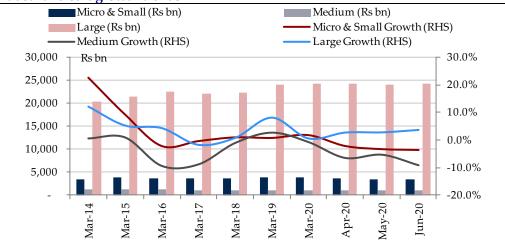
Industrial credit growth accelerated slightly to 2.4% YoY (0.5% MoM growth, vs. MoM de-growth in April and May), from 1.7% YoY in May. This trend was led by growth in large industrial credit (84% of overall industrial credit) at 3.7% YoY (vs. 2.8% YoY). Credit to micro and small industries saw persistent de-growth at 3.7% YoY (flattish MoM) as did credit to medium industries at -9% YoY (-4.2% MoM). These trends are interesting in the context of the government's MSME credit guarantee scheme. The stark contrast in credit growth trends between micro, small and medium and large industries continues.



Within industrial credit, credit for:

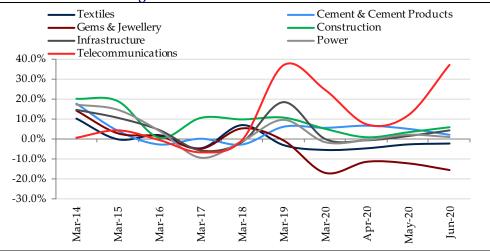
- Petroleum, petroleum products and nuclear fuel continued to see strong but declining YoY growth at 31.5% (-0.7% MoM) since a spurt in March.
- Textiles (however, credit for cotton and jute textiles saw YoY de-growth, credit for man-made textiles grew YoY), gems and jewellery, leather and leather products, glass and glassware including all engineering saw persistent YoY degrowth of varying degrees.
- Basic metals and metal products saw a marginal YoY decline (-50bps YoY), led by
 -2.3% growth in credit for non-ferrous metals.
- Construction accelerated slightly to 5.6% YoY (+2.2% MoM), from 3.1% YoY in May and 50bps YoY in April.
- Infrastructure accelerated to 4.2% YoY, from 1.3% YoY in May. Within infrastructure credit, credit for roads grew at 4.7% YoY, vs. 3.1% YoY. Telecom credit accelerated to 36.8% YoY (+5.7% MoM), from 11.7% YoY in May.

Industrial credit growth trends



Source: RBI and HSIE Research

Select industries' credit growth trends

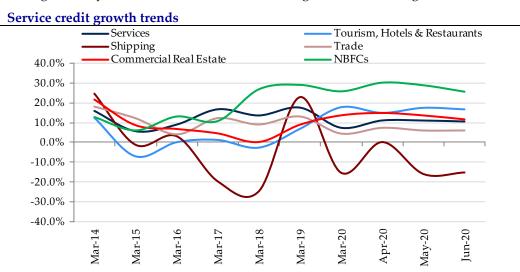


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Service sector credit growth declined slightly to 10.7% YoY, from 11.2% in May, but MoM growth was negative at -60bps. Within this segment, the following trends are noteworthy:

- YoY growth of credit to NBFCs remained strong at 25.7% but was declining (vs. 29% in May and 30.3% in April).
- Similarly, growth in credit to commercial real estate also slowed to 11.6% YoY (MoM growth of 60bps). In FY20, growth in credit to this segment peaked at 18.1% YoY in September.
- Trade credit growth remained at 6.1%. After accelerating from 5.1% in March to 11.4% YoY in May, wholesale trade credit growth slowed slightly to 10.9%. Retail trade credit grew 2.2% YoY. Consequently, the gap between wholesale and retail trade credit growth remains wide at 8.7%.
- The tourism, hotel and restaurant segment saw YoY growth slow slightly to 16.8% YoY from 17.6% YoY in May. Nevertheless, this segment has grown significantly faster than non-food credit, with growth accelerating after 1HFY20.



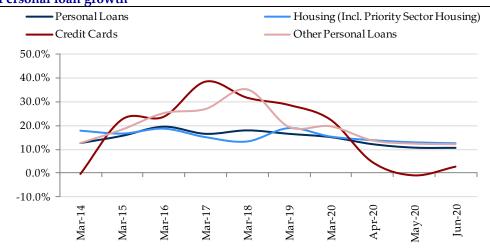
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Personal loan growth has seen the most dramatic decline. However, this trend seems to have been halted for now, as in June, personal loans grew 10.5% YoY, vs. 10.6% YoY in May.

- Home loan growth came in at 12.5% YoY in June, vs. 12.9% in May, and significantly lower than 19.3% YoY growth seen in September.
- Similarly, other personal loans grew at 12.1% YoY in June, vs. 12.3% in May, but significantly slower than 20.9% in September.
- After slowing dramatically to -80bps in May, credit card debt grew 2.8% YoY (+5.1% MoM). This trend is intriguing and in line with the commentary of various private sector banks.



Personal loan growth



Source: RBI and HSIE Research

Sectoral deployment of bank credit at a glance

Rs bn	June-19	Mar-20	May-20	June-20	YoY (%)	MoM (%)	YTD (%)	% of Total
Non-Food Credit	84,764	92,115	90,297	90,470	6.7	0.2	-1.8	99.0
Agriculture & Allied Activities	11,258	11,578	11,462	11,529	2.4	0.6	-0.4	12.6
Industry	28,120	29,052	28,616	28,752	2.2	0.5	-1.0	31.5
Micro & Small	3,662	3,818	3,529	3,527	-3.7	-0.1	-7.6	3.9
Medium	1,052	1,056	998	957	-9.0	-4.2	-9.4	1.0
Large	23,407	24,177	24,088	24,268	3.7	0.7	0.4	26.6
Services	22,847	25,949	25,431	25,285	10.7	-0.6	-2.6	27.7
Transport Operators	1,417	1,445	1,493	1,467	3.5	-1.7	1.6	1.6
Computer Software	183	201	198	206	12.5	3.9	2.7	0.2
Tourism, Hotels & Restaurants	396	460	458	463	16.8	1.0	0.6	0.5
Shipping	61	66	52	52	-15.2	-1.8	-21.4	0.1
Professional Services	1,687	1,771	1,733	1,739	3.1	0.3	-1.8	1.9
Trade	5,116	5,524	5,386	5,430	6.1	0.8	-1.7	5.9
Wholesale Trade	2,301	2,634	2,524	2,552	10.9	1.1	-3.1	2.8
Retail Trade	2,815	2,890	2,862	2,878	2.2	0.6	-0.4	3.2
Commercial Real Estate	2,055	2,298	2,278	2,293	11.6	0.6	-0.2	2.5
NBFCs	6,351	8,074	8,043	7,985	25.7	-0.7	-1.1	8.7
Other Services	5,582	6,113	5,789	5,651	1.2	-2.4	-7.6	6.2
Personal Loans	22,538	25,537	24,789	24,904	10.5	0.5	-2.5	27.3
Consumer Durables	58	93	87	88	53.3	1.7	-4.9	0.1
Housing (incl. PSL)	11,870	13,390	13,291	13,359	12.5	0.5	-0.2	14.6
Advances against FD	671	795	636	615	-8.4	-3.4	-22.7	0.7
Advances to individuals against securities	54	53	45	58	8.1	28.9	8.8	0.1
Credit Cards	949	1,081	929	976	2.8	5.1	-9.7	1.1
Education	676	657	652	650	-3.9	-0.3	-1.1	0.7
Vehicle Loans	2,004	2,206	2,145	2,146	7.1	0.0	-2.7	2.3
Other Personal Loans	6,256	7,261	7,003	7,012	12.1	0.1	-3.4	7.7
Food Credit	712	516	791	890	25.0	12.5	72.5	1.0
Total Gross Bank Credit	85,476	92,631	91,089	91,360	6.9	0.3	-1.4	100.0

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Industry credit at a glance

Rs bn	June-19	Mar-20	May-20	June-20	YoY (%)	MoM (%)	YTD (%)	% of Total	% of Total Industry
Mining & Quarrying	411	439	421	429	4.3	1.9	-2.4	0.5	1.5
Food Processing	1,516	1,541	1,494	1,579	4.2	5.7	2.5	1.7	5.5
Sugar	296	274	266	255	-13.8	-4.0	-6.9	0.3	0.9
Edible Oils & Vanaspati	201	192	180	176	-12.5	-2.2	-8.6	0.2	0.6
Tea	51	54	44	51	-0.0	15.9	-5.0	0.1	0.2
Others	968	1,021	1,004	1,097	13.3	9.3	7.4	1.2	3.8
Beverage & Tobacco	144	165	161	150	4.5	-6.7	-9.1	0.2	0.5
Textiles	1,936	1,924	1,892	1,892	-2.3	-0.0	-1.7	2.1	6.6
Cotton Textiles	919	893	860	864	-6.0	0.4	-3.2	0.9	3.0
Jute Textiles	21	21	20	20	-3.6	4.5	-3.3	0.0	0.1
Man-Made Textiles	260	261	263	268	3.3	1.8	2.9	0.3	0.9
Other Textiles	735	750	749	740	0.6	-1.3	-1.3	0.8	2.6
Leather & Leather Products	112	111	106	109	-1.9	3.1	-1.5	0.1	0.4
Wood & Wood Products	117	122	124	126	7.7	1.3	2.9	0.1	0.4
Paper & Paper Products	301	310	316	317	5.1	0.3	2.3	0.3	1.1
Petroleum , Coal Products & Nuclear Fuels	558	758	738	733	31.5	-0.7	-3.3	0.8	2.6
Chemicals & Chemicals Products	1,745	2,029	1,823	1,800	3.1	-1.3	-11.3	2.0	6.3
Fertiliser	331	491	348	345	4.1	-0.8	-29.7	0.4	1.2
Drugs & Pharmaceuticals	490	534	518	520	6.2	0.5	-2.6	0.6	1.8
Petro Chemicals	395	422	408	395	-0.1	-3.4	-6.6	0.4	1.4
Others	529	582	549	540	2.1	-1.6	-7.2	0.6	1.9
Rubber, Plastic & their Products	458	504	486	484	5.6	-0.5	-4.0	0.5	1.7
Glass & Glassware	98	88	82	81	-17.3	-0.4	-7.3	0.1	0.3
Cement & Cement Products	561	587	582	572	1.8	-1.8	-2.6	0.6	2.0
Basic Metal & Metal Product	3,520	3,503	3,545	3,504	-0.5	-1.2	0.0	3.8	12.2
Iron & Steel	2,662	2,624	2,688	2,665	0.1	-0.9	1.6	2.9	9.3
Other Metal & Metal Product	859	879	857	839	-2.3	-2.1	-4.6	0.9	2.9
All Engineering	1,646	1,573	1,552	1,473	-10.5	-5.1	-6.3	1.6	5.1
Electronics	379	302	304	297	-21.6	-2.3	-1.4	0.3	1.0
Others	1,266	1,271	1,248	1,175	-7.2	-5.8	-7.5	1.3	4.1
Vehicles, Vehicle Parts & Transport Equipment	814	826	845	854	4.9	1.0	3.4	0.9	3.0
Gems & Jewellery	662	595	574	557	-15.9	-3.1	-6.4	0.6	1.9
Construction	972	1,043	1,004	1,026	5.6	2.2	-1.6	1.1	3.6
Infrastructure	10,265	10,539	10,552	10,692	4.2	1.3	1.4	11.7	37.2
Power	5,637	5,598	5,681	5,690	0.9	0.1	1.6	6.2	19.8
Telecommunications	1,068	1,438	1,383	1,462	36.8	5.7	1.7	1.6	5.1
Roads	1,861	1,907	1,920	1,949	4.7	1.5	2.2	2.1	6.8
Other Infrastructure	1,698	1,597	1,568	1,591	-6.3	1.5	-0.4	1.7	5.5
Other Industries	2,284	2,393	2,317	2,374	4.0	2.5	-0.8	2.6	8.3
Total Industry	28,120	29,052	28,616	28,752	2.2	0.5	-1.0	31.5	100.0

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