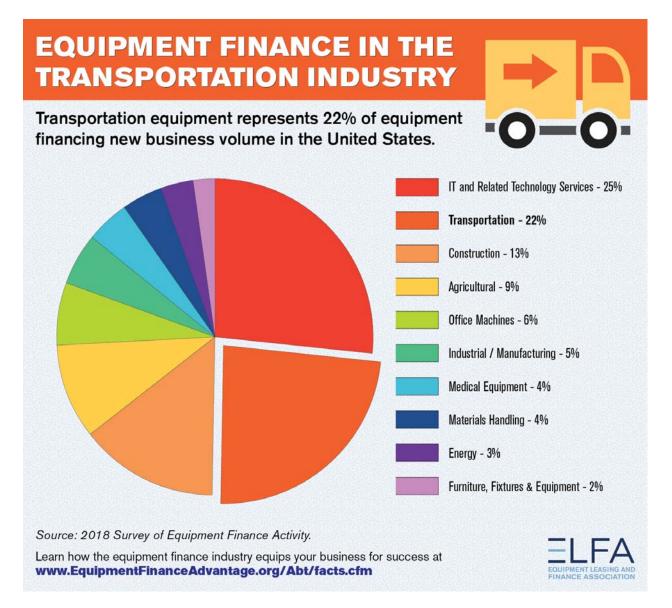


# Fact Sheet: Equipment Finance in the Trucking Industry



# **Equipment Financing Volume**

According to the Equipment Leasing and Finance Association's (ELFA) <u>2018 Survey of</u> <u>Equipment Finance Activity</u>, in 2017:

- As an end-user of equipment finance, the trucking industry represented 5.7% of new business volume reported by ELFA member companies, down from 6.2% in 2016.
- Trucks/trailers represented 11.9% of equipment financing new business volume reported by ELFA member companies, down from 12.2% in 2016.

The Equipment Leasing & Finance Foundation's <u>U.S. Equipment Finance Market Study: 2016-</u> 2017 reported that in 2015:

• 78% of respondents in a survey of businesses used at least one form of financing when acquiring equipment.

- This is an increase from 72% of respondents from the 2012 Foundation market study, and represents an increase in the overall propensity to finance.
- 68% of the total value of equipment and software acquired was financed, a significant increase from the previous estimate of 55% forecast in the 2012 Foundation market study.

#### Investment

According to the Equipment Leasing & Finance Foundation's <u>Q3 2018 Equipment Leasing &</u> <u>Finance U.S. Economic Outlook</u>:

- Investment in trucks increased at an 11% annualized rate in Q1 2018, and in July 2018 was up 14% year over year.
- Trucks investment growth may soften through the end of 2018.

# **Truck and Trailer Market**

According to the <u>"What's Hot, What's Not 2018"</u> Equipment Leasing Trends Report authored by Carl Chrappa of The Alta Group LLC, based on a survey of ELFA members to measure industry perceptions of equipment types:

- Truck and trailer equipment tied for second place in portfolio preference among equipment finance executives surveyed after ranking fifth last year.
- Sales of used trucks and trailers remain good.
- This sector has benefited greatly from low fuel prices and interest rates.
- There is continued optimism for this equipment type among equipment finance executives.

According to information from <u>ACT Research</u>:

- Preliminary Class 8 net orders reached a new all-time high record of 52,400 units in July 2018, increasing 24% month to month and 180% year over year.
- Net trailer orders in June 2018 decreased for the first time in 18 months by 1.3% year over year and 13% month to month.

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