Fact Sheet: Equipment Finance in the Office Equipment Industry

EQUIPMENT FINANCE IN THE OFFICE MACHINES INDUSTRY

Office Machines equipment represents 5.6% of equipment financing new business volume in the United States.

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Equipment Financing Volume
According to the Equipment Leasing and Finance Association’s (ELFA) 2019 Survey of Equipment Finance Activity, in 2018:

Office machines represented:
  o 5.6% of new business volume reported by all surveyed ELFA member companies, a decrease from 6% in 2017, and ranked 5th most financed among equipment types.
  o 2.4% of new business volume reported by ELFA captive member companies, down from 2.7% in 2017.
6.8% of new business volume reported by ELFA bank member companies, down from 7.2% in 2017.

12.8% of new business volume reported by ELFA independent member companies, down from 13.1% in 2017.

Office furniture & equipment represented:
- 0.7% of new business volume reported by all surveyed ELFA member companies, a decrease from 0.9% in 2017.
- 1% of new business volume reported by ELFA bank member companies, down from 1.4% in 2017.
- 1.7% of new business volume reported by ELFA independent member companies, unchanged from 2017.

The Equipment Leasing & Finance Foundation’s 2019 Equipment Leasing & Finance Industry Horizon Report end-user survey, which focused on private sector investment, revealed that among businesses that acquired equipment and software in 2018:
- Nearly 8 in 10 (79%) used at least one form of financing to do so (i.e., lease, secure loan, or line of credit).
- Leasing was the most common financing method (used by 24%); 16% used lines of credit, 12% used secured loans and 3% used other forms of finance.

According to “What’s Hot, What’s Not: Equipment Market Forecast 2019,” based on a survey of ELFA members to measure industry perceptions of equipment types:
- The copier segment is challenged and is expected to remain so.
- In response to new copier sales, original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) first fought for market share and control of the secondary market but have progressed to reductions and restructuring.

Investment
According to the Equipment Leasing & Finance Foundation’s Q3 2019 Equipment Leasing & Finance U.S. Economic Outlook:
- Investment in equipment and software is expected to grow 3.9% in 2019.

Office Machines Industry
According to First Research:
- The U.S. computer and office equipment distribution industry includes about 16,000 establishments with combined annual revenue of about $275 billion.
- The U.S. industry is concentrated with the top 50 companies accounting for about 70% of revenue.

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