

NATIONAL WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMAN COVID-19 SMALL BUSINESS SURVEY More Than Half of Small Businesses Awaiting Loans from Paycheck Protection Program, Community Banks Leading Approval Process

## How Small Businesses Have Adapted Due to COVID-19



**31<sup>%</sup>** have had to lay off or furlough employees

**13**<sup>%</sup> have had to shut down their business operations

**40%** have had to change the way they do business (restructure, implement new technologies, etc.)

**37**<sup>%</sup> have been able to keep their employees and run business as usual with only a few modifications

**1%** of businesses are growing during this time



**76**<sup>%</sup> of small businesses applied for the loans with a community bank with which they had a prior lending relationship

Satisfaction with the Paycheck Protection Program

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**85**<sup>%</sup> of small business owners want to see changes with the Paycheck Protection Program:

**45**<sup>%</sup> increasing the available funds for small businesses;

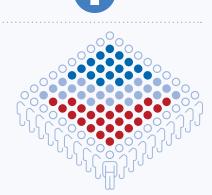
**20**<sup>%</sup> creating an easier approval process from banks, and;

**12**<sup>%</sup> adding relief in the form of health care benefits, tax credits, or forgiven past loans

**27<sup>%</sup>** Satisfied

**35**<sup>%</sup> Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

**38**<sup>%</sup> Dissatisfied





## Survey Methodology

NWYC collected data using an online survey administered April 16 to 18, 2020. A total of 1,561 respondents participated. Respondents represent 49 of the 50 states in the U.S. Fifty-four percent of business owners surveyed employ 1-9 employees and 44 percent employ 10-99 employees. The predominant industries represented are construction, services, automotive repair, health, legal, accounting, engineering, advertising, education, manufacturing, agriculture, and retail trade.