

# Industrial credit growth slipped in July

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While the pace of lending in the retail segment moderated slightly year-on year (Y-o-Y), the credit to services and agriculture and allied activities gathered further steam amid resilient economic growth.

The growth of the industrial segment, however, saw a sharp decline YoY across all three segments – micro and small, medium, and large industry, Reserve Bank of India data (RBI) showed.

Coinciding with the kharif season during monsoon, the credit growth to agriculture and allied activities improved to 16.8 per cent Y-o-Y in July from 13.2 per cent a year ago.

The credit to industry grew 5.2 per cent Y-o-Y in July as compared with 10.5 per cent in July 2022, the RBI said in statement. The MSME segment grew 10.2 per cent in July, down from 27.9 per cent a year

ago, and medium-size industry to 9.7 per cent from 37.5 per cent in July 2022.

The retail loans grew 18.4 per cent Y-o-Y in July (it was 18.7 per cent a year ago), supported by housing and vehicle loans. Housing credit grew by 13.1 per cent YoY in July against 16.1 per cent a year ago. Vehicle loans saw traction with 21.2 per cent YoY growth, up from 9.2 per cent.

## **House Price Index rises**

The all-India House Price Index (HPI) rose by 5.1 per cent in the April-June quarter of 2023-24 as compared with 3.4 per cent a year ago, according to data released by the RBI on Thursday. The RBI releases quarterly HPI based on transaction-level data received from the registration authorities in ten major cities. The cities are Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Chennai, Delhi, Jaipur, Kanpur, Kochi, Kolkata, Lucknow, and Mumbai.

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