

Festival season pushes credit growth across sectors in Sept

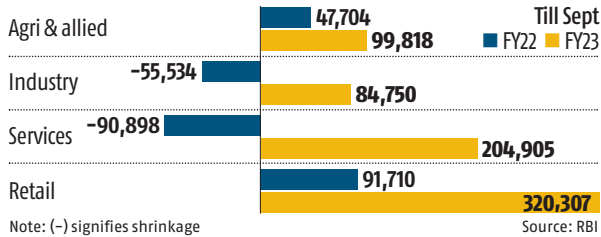
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Reflecting the surge in demand during the festive season and economic upturn, credit offtake across all sectors — farming, industry, services and retail — remained robust in September 2022 compared to the same period a year ago.

The pace of retail credit — demand from households and individuals — was 19.6 per cent year-on-year (YoY) this September. The figure was 13.2 per cent a year ago. The rise in credit was largely driven by

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housing and vehicle loan segments. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) data showed that credit to industry — small, medium and large — registered 12.6 per cent growth

against a mere 1.7 per cent growth in September 2021. The credit growth was low in FY22 due to the impact of the second wave of the pandemic. Size-wise, credit to large

industry accelerated to 7.9 per cent against a contraction of 2.1 per cent a year ago. Medium industries recorded credit growth of 36.2 per cent in September 2022 as compared with 37.1 per cent last year. The credit to micro and small industries rose by 27.1 per cent (13.1 per cent a year ago). Credit growth to the services sector was accelerated to 20.0 per cent in September 2022 from just 1.2 per cent a year ago. It was mainly due to improved credit off-take to NBFCs and trade sectors, RBI said.