

ONLINE APPENDIX FOR PERSISTENT EFFECTS OF THE PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM AND THE PPPLF ON SMALL BUSINESS LENDING

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ABSTRACT. This online appendix for "Persistent Effects of the Paycheck Protection Program and the PPPLF on Small Business Lending" contains additional robustness checks and data information. See text for variable definitions and other details.

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TABLE OA.1. Summary Statistics for Conditioning Variables by Size

| SAMPLE | | N | Median | Mean | SD | Min | Max |
|--------|-----------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| FULL | <i>LIQUID</i> | 3,960 | 0.068 | 0.088 | 0.070 | 0.013 | 0.324 |
| | <i>COMMIT</i> | 3,960 | 0.023 | 0.032 | 0.032 | 0.000 | 0.132 |
| | <i>DEPOSITS</i> | 3,960 | 0.849 | 0.837 | 0.055 | 0.650 | 0.909 |
| | <i>TIER1CAP</i> | 3,960 | 0.151 | 0.172 | 0.069 | 0.104 | 0.483 |
| | <i>PROB</i> | 3,960 | 0.012 | 0.017 | 0.016 | 0.000 | 0.070 |
| SMALL | <i>LIQUID</i> | 3,852 | 0.069 | 0.089 | 0.070 | 0.013 | 0.324 |
| | <i>COMMIT</i> | 3,852 | 0.022 | 0.031 | 0.030 | 0.000 | 0.132 |
| | <i>DEPOSITS</i> | 3,852 | 0.851 | 0.838 | 0.054 | 0.650 | 0.909 |
| | <i>TIER1CAP</i> | 3,852 | 0.152 | 0.173 | 0.070 | 0.104 | 0.483 |
| | <i>PROB</i> | 3,852 | 0.012 | 0.017 | 0.016 | 0.000 | 0.070 |
| MID | <i>LIQUID</i> | 83 | 0.033 | 0.042 | 0.032 | 0.013 | 0.169 |
| | <i>COMMIT</i> | 83 | 0.063 | 0.068 | 0.041 | 0.000 | 0.132 |
| | <i>DEPOSITS</i> | 83 | 0.790 | 0.789 | 0.057 | 0.650 | 0.905 |
| | <i>TIER1CAP</i> | 83 | 0.124 | 0.133 | 0.037 | 0.104 | 0.354 |
| | <i>PROB</i> | 83 | 0.012 | 0.014 | 0.001 | 0.070 | |
| LARGE | <i>LIQUID</i> | 25 | 0.072 | 0.098 | 0.090 | 0.013 | 0.324 |
| | <i>COMMIT</i> | 25 | 0.132 | 0.102 | 0.046 | 0.000 | 0.132 |
| | <i>DEPOSITS</i> | 25 | 0.788 | 0.781 | 0.058 | 0.650 | 0.909 |
| | <i>TIER1CAP</i> | 25 | 0.123 | 0.129 | 0.026 | 0.104 | 0.207 |
| | <i>PROB</i> | 25 | 0.014 | 0.016 | 0.008 | 0.003 | 0.040 |

Note: Winsorized at 2.5%-97.5% levels. *LIQUID* measures bank cash and security holdings as a share of total assets, as a measure of bank liquidity. *DEPOSITS* measures core deposits relative to total assets to capture a bank's reliance on deposit funding. *TIER1CAP* is a measure of tier one capital relative to total risk-weighted assets. *COMMIT* is a measure of outstanding loan commitments. *PROB* is an aggregate measure of past-due and non-accrual "problem" loans relative to total assets all at the bank level.

TABLE OA.2. Half-Yearly Univariate Results

| | 2018h1 | 2018h2 | 2019h1 | 2019h2 | 2020h1 | 2020h2 | 2021h1 |
|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| PPP | 1.010*** (0.155) | -0.200 (0.143) | 0.0340 (0.0442) | 0.373** (0.160) | 15.22*** (0.827) | -1.014*** (0.115) | -0.497** (0.220) |
| CONSTANT | 0.149*** (0.00485) | 0.158*** (0.00407) | 0.0731*** (0.00110) | 0.0610*** (0.00642) | 0.388*** (0.0375) | 0.0140*** (0.00542) | 0.0827*** (0.00501) |
| N | 3960 | 3975 | 3971 | 3991 | 4000 | 4002 | 4007 |

Note: IV univariate regression of average 6-month annualized SME lending growth ending on specified date on instrumented *PPP* variable for 2018h1-2021h1. See text for instruments included in first stage. Results reported in text Figure 2. Standard errors in parentheses. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$

| | 2021h2 | 2022h1 | 2022h2 | 2023h1 | 2024h1 | 2024h2 |
|----------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| PPP | -3.578*** (0.319) | -2.226*** (0.188) | -4.552*** (0.320) | 0.103*** (0.0289) | -0.942*** (0.0764) | -0.122*** (0.0243) |
| CONSTANT | 0.0986*** (0.00853) | 0.184*** (0.00652) | 0.367*** (0.0114) | 0.0632*** (0.00161) | 0.150*** (0.00174) | 0.0399*** (0.00317) |
| N | 4010 | 4016 | 4027 | 4023 | 4035 | 4043 |

Note: Note: IV univariate regression of average 6-month annualized SME lending growth ending on that date on our instrumented *PPP* variable. Results correspond to coefficient estimates in Figure 2. Shows 2018H1 through 2024H2. Standard errors in parentheses. * $p < 0.1$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.3. DFAST Banks in Sample

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Ally Financial Inc. | Category IV |
| American Express Company | Category IV |
| Bank of America Corporation | Category I |
| The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation | Category I |
| BMO Financial Corp. | Category IV |
| Capital One Financial Corporation | Category III |
| The Charles Schwab Corporation | Category III |
| Citigroup Inc. | Category I |
| Citizens Financial Group, Inc. | Category IV |
| Discover Financial Services | Category IV |
| Fifth Third Bancorp | Category IV |
| The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. | Category I |
| HSBC North America Holdings Inc. | Category IV |
| Huntington Bancshares Incorporated | Category IV |
| JPMorgan Chase & Co. | Category I |
| KeyCorp | Category IV |
| M&T Bank Corporation | Category IV |
| Morgan Stanley | Category I |
| Northern Trust Corporation | Category II |
| The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. | Category III |
| Regions Financial Corporation | Category IV |
| TD Group US Holdings LLC | Category III |
| Truist Financial Corporation | Category III |
| U.S. Bancorp | Category III |
| Wells Fargo & Company | Category I |

Note: List of 34 DFAST banks required to participate in the 2022 Federal Reserve Stress Test. Sample reflects 25 observations due to missing values. Column 2 differentiates banks by category as defined by the Federal Reserve: Category I banks are U.S. global systemically important banks. Category II banks are banks that do not meet the criteria for Category I with at least \$700 billion in total assets or at least \$75 billion in cross-jurisdictional activity. Category III banks are banks that do not meet the criteria for Category I or II with at least \$250 billion in total assets or at least \$75 billion in nonbank assets. Category IV banks are banks that do not meet the criteria for Category I, II, or III with at least \$100 billion in total assets.

TABLE OA.4. OLS Estimation

| | Small | Medium | Large | Small | Medium | Large |
|-----------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| PPP | 0.823*** (0.0606) | 1.644** (0.708) | 8.849** (3.114) | | | |
| PPPLF | | | | 0.322*** (0.0344) | 0.0309 (0.171) | -0.695*** (0.230) |
| LIQUID | 0.0637* (0.0331) | -0.442 (0.378) | 1.614*** (0.490) | 0.104*** (0.0339) | -0.665 (0.423) | 1.138 (0.625) |
| COMMIT | -0.412*** (0.0717) | -1.325*** (0.374) | -0.437 (0.659) | -0.00851 (0.0629) | -1.092*** (0.383) | -0.0547 (0.904) |
| DEPOSITS | 0.00327 (0.0409) | -0.274 (0.302) | -1.115 (0.876) | 0.0482 (0.0417) | -0.308 (0.282) | 0.141 (0.609) |
| TIER1CAP | 0.130*** (0.0410) | -0.986*** (0.292) | 1.906 (2.643) | 0.0990** (0.0425) | -1.125*** (0.279) | -1.275 (2.418) |
| SME19H2 | -0.216*** (0.0194) | -1.186*** (0.381) | 0.216 (0.354) | -0.192*** (0.0199) | -0.690* (0.370) | 0.475 (0.520) |
| PROB | 0.161 (0.119) | -0.708 (1.136) | 10.44** (3.952) | -0.0393 (0.120) | -0.957 (1.111) | 8.691* (4.726) |
| TRADEABLE | -0.0236 (0.0169) | 0.152 (0.118) | 1.132** (0.442) | -0.0248 (0.0173) | 0.192 (0.132) | 0.658 (0.462) |
| CONSTANT | 0.0477 (0.0359) | 0.487 (0.300) | 0.0600 (0.402) | 0.0315 (0.0368) | 0.571** (0.269) | -0.241 (0.451) |
| <i>N</i> | 4070 | 83 | 25 | 4070 | 83 | 25 |

Note: OLS estimation. Columns 1, 2, and 3 for PPP participation. Columns 4, 5, and 6 for PPPLF participation. Columns 1 and 4 represent the sample of small banks. Columns 2 and 5 represent the sample of medium banks. Columns 3 and 6 represent the sample of large banks. Standard errors in parentheses. * $p < 0.1$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.5. First Stage Regressions, PPP

| | Full | Small | Mid | Large | WLS |
|------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| SBA | 0.317 (0.0550) | 0.405*** (0.0947) | 0.740** (0.349) | 0.0972 (0.163) | -0.0871 (0.0276) |
| INDMIX | 7.944** (0.245) | 7.528*** (0.633) | 1.971 (5.122) | 28.19*** (7.779) | 14.83* (2.018) |
| COUNT | 0.0114** (0.000184) | 0.0115*** (0.00145) | | | -0.00440 (0.00401) |
| COLLATERAL | 0.00713 (0.00251) | 0.0101*** (0.00201) | 0.00319 (0.00666) | 0.00488 (0.00370) | -0.0176 (0.00821) |
| CONSTANT | 0.0328*** (0.0000188) | 0.0327*** (0.00120) | 0.0288*** (0.00644) | 0.00349 (0.00335) | 0.0379** (0.000754) |
| N | 4104 | 3988 | 90 | 26 | 4104 |

Note: First stage IV estimation with dependent variable *PPP*, the ratio of a bank's PPP participation to total assets in 2020H1. *SBA* is the ratio of bank Small Business Administration lending to total small business and farm lending in 2019H2; *INDMIX* estimates the similarity of a bank's lending portfolio to that of the SBA at 2019H2 (see text for specification); *COUNT* is a count of documents on file for a bank at the discount window; *COLLATERAL* is the bank's total collateral pledged to the discount window program. Columns 2, 3, and 4 represent the sample of small, medium, and large banks respectively. Column 5 estimated by weighted least squares, with observations weighted by total assets. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.6. High & Low Covariates, PPP

| | Deposits High | Deposits Low | Tier1Cap High | Tier1Cap Low |
|-----------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| PPP | 0.386*** (0.000513) | 0.620*** (0.0116) | 0.455*** (0.00372) | 0.473*** (0.0185) |
| COMMIT | -0.259*** (0.0112) | -0.186*** (0.0228) | -0.107*** (0.0146) | -0.264*** (0.0220) |
| DEPOSITS | 0.355*** (0.0334) | -0.0530** (0.0251) | 0.0529*** (0.00537) | 0.0367* (0.0201) |
| TIER1CAP | 0.194*** (0.0298) | 0.173*** (0.00997) | 0.177*** (0.00847) | -0.0229 (0.0178) |
| SME19H2 | -0.243*** (0.00192) | -0.201*** (0.00196) | -0.313*** (0.000152) | -0.144*** (0.00416) |
| PROB | 0.212*** (0.00762) | -0.0383*** (0.0110) | 0.169*** (0.0191) | -0.0420 (0.0321) |
| TRADEABLE | -0.0788*** (0.00706) | -0.0393*** (0.0000127) | -0.0761*** (0.00307) | -0.000942*** (0.000123) |
| SMALLBANK | -0.0233*** (0.000473) | -0.0335*** (0.000286) | -0.0106*** (0.000674) | -0.0393*** (0.00161) |
| MIDBANK | -0.0549*** (0.000116) | -0.0522*** (0.000190) | -0.0976*** (0.000730) | -0.0446*** (0.000127) |
| CONSTANT | -0.209*** (0.0330) | 0.128*** (0.0233) | 0.0477*** (0.00618) | 0.0841*** (0.0210) |
| <i>N</i> | 2023 | 1937 | 1839 | 2121 |

Note: Sample divided into two subsets by high and low covariate values. Observations are considered high if they are greater than the sample median, and low otherwise. Columns 1 and 2 report results for high and low sub-samples based on *DEPOSITS* respectively. Columns 3 and 4 report results for high and low sub-samples based on median value of *TIER1CAP* respectively. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.7. High & Low Covariates, PPP

| | SME19H2 High | SME19H2 Low | Prob High | Prob Low |
|-----------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| PPP | 0.573*** (0.000578) | 0.476*** (0.0255) | 0.584*** (0.00886) | 0.440*** (0.0181) |
| COMMIT | -0.281*** (0.000440) | -0.165*** (0.0144) | -0.457*** (0.00294) | -0.0652*** (0.0188) |
| DEPOSITS | -0.0860*** (0.00154) | 0.155*** (0.0376) | 0.202*** (0.0120) | -0.107*** (0.0173) |
| TIER1CAP | -0.00260*** (0.000736) | 0.191*** (0.0231) | 0.187*** (0.00636) | 0.138*** (0.0240) |
| SME19H2 | -0.115*** (0.0000768) | -0.612*** (0.0116) | -0.275*** (0.000935) | -0.169*** (0.00403) |
| PROB | 0.0460*** (0.000157) | 0.224*** (0.0250) | -0.115*** (0.00924) | -1.854*** (0.113) |
| TRADEABLE | -0.0590*** (0.000156) | -0.0281*** (0.00512) | -0.0778*** (0.000344) | -0.0285*** (0.00511) |
| SMALLBANK | -0.0365*** (0.000319) | 0.00184 (0.00190) | -0.0361*** (0.00102) | -0.0792*** (0.00143) |
| MIDBANK | -0.0261*** (0.000233) | -0.0320*** (0.000233) | -0.0582*** (0.0000226) | -0.0959*** (0.000150) |
| CONSTANT | 0.175*** (0.00107) | -0.0369 (0.0335) | -0.0447*** (0.0102) | 0.231*** (0.0193) |
| <i>N</i> | 2089 | 1871 | 1925 | 2035 |

Note: Sample divided into two subsets by high and low covariate values. Observations are considered high if they are greater than the sample median, and low otherwise. Columns 1 and 2 report results for high and low sub-samples based on *SME19H2* respectively. Columns 3 and 4 report results for high and low sub-samples based on median value of *PROB* respectively. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.8. First Stage Regressions, PPPLF

| | Full | Small | Mid | Large | Weighted |
|------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| SBA | 0.362*** (0.00467) | 0.426** (0.211) | 0.846 (1.211) | -0.623 (0.650) | -2.160 (0.544) |
| INDMIX | 8.427** (0.270) | 8.315*** (1.428) | -15.92 (11.49) | 1.521 (2.768) | 14.21** (0.231) |
| COUNT | 0.0201*** (0.000206) | 0.0201*** (0.00173) | | | 0.0291 (0.00794) |
| COLLATERAL | 0.0130 (0.00265) | 0.0125*** (0.00418) | 0.0479*** (0.0179) | 0.0124 (0.0145) | 0.0460** (0.000903) |
| CONSTANT | -0.000518* (0.0000790) | -0.000587 (0.000999) | 0.00528 (0.0123) | 0.00850 (0.0110) | 0.00487 (0.00141) |
| <i>N</i> | 4004 | 3895 | 84 | 25 | 4004 |

Note: First stage IV estimation with dependent variable *PPPLF*, the ratio of bank PPPLF borrowing to total assets in 2020H1. *SBA* is ratio of bank SBA lending to total business and farm lending in 2019H2; *INDMIX* estimates the similarity of a bank's lending portfolio to that of the SBA at 2019H2 (see text for specification); *COUNT* is a count of documents on file for a bank at the discount window; *COLLATERAL* is the bank's total collateral pledged to the discount window program. Columns 2, 3, and 4 represent the sample of small, medium, and large banks respectively. Column 5 estimated by weighted least squares, with observations weighted by total assets. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.9. Changes in Specification PPPLF

| | Drop Cov. | Total Cap. | Lag %ΔSME | %ΔSMEPPP | %ΔSMELT | HighPPPLF |
|-----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| PPPLF | 0.278*** (0.00703) | 0.300*** (0.00161) | 0.351*** (0.000581) | 0.748*** (0.00994) | 0.0601*** (0.00661) | |
| SMALLBANK | -0.0236*** (0.000105) | 0.000857 (0.000759) | -0.00906*** (0.000177) | 0.0286*** (0.00369) | 0.0120*** (0.000302) | -0.00571*** (0.0000290) |
| MIDBANK | -0.0391*** (0.000227) | -0.0308*** (0.000529) | -0.0339*** (0.000372) | -0.00787*** (0.00105) | -0.0520*** (0.00000497) | -0.0372*** (0.000273) |
| LIQUID | | 0.153*** (0.00205) | 0.112*** (0.00250) | -0.0880*** (0.0115) | 0.0289*** (0.00752) | 0.121*** (0.00394) |
| COMMIT | | -0.0906*** (0.0175) | -0.0526** (0.0239) | 0.0934*** (0.0147) | -0.0779*** (0.0174) | -0.0441 (0.0274) |
| DEPOSITS | | 0.0212** (0.0102) | 0.0433*** (0.0135) | -0.0307 (0.0226) | 0.0516** (0.0256) | 0.0503*** (0.0170) |
| TOTCAP | | 0.0780*** (0.0101) | | | | |
| SME19H2 | | -0.209*** (0.00138) | -0.181*** (0.000141) | 0.168*** (0.00536) | -0.0720*** (0.00525) | -0.206*** (0.000173) |
| PROB | | -0.00265 (0.0205) | -0.0603*** (0.0171) | -0.537*** (0.0219) | 0.0569** (0.0231) | -0.0372*** (0.0102) |
| TRADEABLE | | -0.0164*** (0.00124) | -0.0271*** (0.00337) | 0.0402*** (0.000661) | -0.0266*** (0.00447) | -0.0351*** (0.00366) |
| %ΔSME18 | | | 0.00753*** (0.0000727) | | | |
| TIER1CAP | | | 0.0938*** (0.0135) | 0.0517*** (0.0123) | 0.0617*** (0.0171) | 0.131*** (0.0158) |
| HIGHPPPLF | | | | | | 0.0680*** (0.000322) |
| CONSTANT | 0.0834*** (0.0000699) | 0.0612*** (0.0111) | 0.0421*** (0.0140) | -0.0167 (0.0171) | -0.00582 (0.0218) | 0.0334* (0.0171) |
| N | 3960 | 3960 | 3915 | 3981 | 3989 | 3960 |

Note: Column 1 drops all covariates. Column 2 replaces *TIER1CAP* with *TOTCAP*, total bank capital. Column 3 includes %ΔSME18, lagged growth in SME lending 2018H2 to 2019H2. Column 4 replaces %ΔSME with %ΔSMEPPP, average annualized growth in the sum of SME lending and PPP lending between 2019H2 and 2024H2. Column 5 replaces dependent variable %ΔSME with %ΔSMELT, cumulative growth in SME lending between 2019H2 and 2024H2. Column 6 replaces *PPPLF* with *HIGHPPPLF*, equal to 1 if a bank's *PPPLF* value is greater than the median value and 0 otherwise. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. Standard errors in parentheses. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.10. Changes in Sample, PPPLF

| | Truncate | 1-99 | 9-95 | DFAST | NONDFAST |
|-----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| PPPLF | 0.276*** (0.00208) | 0.398*** (0.0137) | 0.358*** (0.000399) | -0.138 (2.186) | 0.325*** (0.103) |
| LIQUID | 0.0570*** (0.000378) | 0.180*** (0.00214) | 0.0867*** (0.00236) | 1.031*** (0.339) | 0.0952*** (0.0292) |
| COMMIT | 0.0156 (0.0113) | -0.126*** (0.0281) | -0.0240 (0.0189) | -0.0462 (0.772) | -0.0457 (0.0664) |
| DEPOSITS | 0.0362*** (0.000907) | 0.0584** (0.0245) | 0.0404*** (0.0100) | 0.327 (0.568) | 0.0710* (0.0375) |
| TIER1CAP | 0.0718*** (0.00257) | 0.239*** (0.0144) | 0.0798*** (0.0120) | -0.118 (0.870) | 0.150*** (0.0351) |
| SME19H2 | -0.108*** (0.000595) | -0.296*** (0.00177) | -0.156*** (0.000626) | 0.590 (0.586) | -0.191*** (0.0197) |
| PROB | -0.0558*** (0.00809) | 0.00960 (0.0368) | 0.00994 (0.00847) | 8.337** (3.943) | -0.0497 (0.113) |
| TRADEABLE | -0.0165*** (0.00178) | -0.0587*** (0.00354) | -0.0227*** (0.00313) | 0.477 (0.387) | -0.0424** (0.0166) |
| SMALLBANK | 0.0257*** (0.00134) | -0.0969*** (0.000884) | 0.00792*** (0.0000516) | | |
| MIDBANK | 0.00305*** (0.000796) | -0.128*** (0.00174) | -0.0147*** (0.0000816) | | |
| CONSTANT | 0.00233** (0.00113) | 0.126*** (0.0239) | 0.0229** (0.0103) | -0.491 (0.445) | 0.00817 (0.0344) |
| <i>N</i> | 3787 | 3960 | 3960 | 30 | 3930 |

Note: Column 1 truncates base specification data set at 2.5%-97.5%. Column 2 winsorizes at the 1%-99% level. Column 3 winsorizes at the 5%-95% level. Column 4 reduces the sample to DFAST banks only. Column 5 reduces the sample to NONDFAST banks only. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.11. Changes in Estimation PPPLF

| | OLS | Std. SE | Robust SE | Reg. Cluster | TOBIT | WLS SME Share |
|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| PPPLF | 0.311** (0.0164) | 0.335*** (0.103) | 0.335*** (0.104) | 0.335*** (0.0776) | 0.311*** (0.0696) | 0.634*** (0.0199) |
| LIQUID | 0.118** (0.00261) | 0.112*** (0.0291) | 0.112*** (0.0354) | 0.112*** (0.0406) | 0.119** (0.0513) | 0.104*** (0.0134) |
| COMMIT | -0.0320 (0.0287) | -0.0426 (0.0668) | -0.0426 (0.0698) | -0.0426 (0.0603) | -0.0317 (0.0451) | -0.143 (0.141) |
| DEPOSITS | 0.0296 (0.0190) | 0.0507 (0.0377) | 0.0507 (0.0439) | 0.0507 (0.0309) | 0.0296 (0.0375) | 0.0457*** (0.0117) |
| TIER1CAP | 0.0808 (0.0175) | 0.129*** (0.0353) | 0.129*** (0.0500) | 0.129** (0.0633) | 0.0811 (0.0677) | 0.0414 (0.0990) |
| SME19H2 | -0.193*** (0.00123) | -0.194*** (0.0201) | -0.194*** (0.0223) | -0.194*** (0.0189) | -0.193*** (0.0238) | -0.0301*** (0.00149) |
| PROB | -0.0429 (0.0194) | -0.0342 (0.113) | -0.0342 (0.122) | -0.0342 (0.121) | -0.0428 (0.118) | -0.225 (0.155) |
| TRADEABLE | -0.0202* (0.00298) | -0.0357** (0.0166) | -0.0357* (0.0189) | -0.0357 (0.0258) | -0.0202 (0.0312) | -0.000788 (0.0106) |
| SMALLBANK | -0.00193 (0.000436) | -0.00637 (0.0233) | -0.00637 (0.0362) | -0.00637 (0.0426) | -0.00191 (0.0476) | -0.0318*** (0.00562) |
| MIDBANK | -0.0309** (0.0000523) | -0.0335 (0.0255) | -0.0335 (0.0376) | -0.0335 (0.0250) | -0.0308 (0.0281) | -0.0388*** (0.00351) |
| CONSTANT | 0.0513 (0.0197) | 0.0331 (0.0380) | 0.0331 (0.0514) | 0.0331 (0.0390) | 0.0511 (0.0517) | 0.0286 (0.0364) |
| <i>N</i> | 4178 | 3960 | 3960 | 3960 | 4177 | 3960 |

Note: Column 1 uses OLS estimation. Column 2 replaces clustered SEs with standard SEs. Column 3 replaces clustered SEs with robust SEs. Column 4 clusters by region using the 4 standard regions of the U.S.: Northeast, South, Midwest, and West. Column 5 uses tobit estimation. Column 6 reports WLS with weights by SME share. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. Standard errors in parentheses. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.12. High & Low Covariates, PPPLF

| | Deposits High | Deposits Low | Tier1Cap High | Tier1Cap Low |
|-----------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| PPPLF | 0.334*** (0.00111) | 0.386*** (0.00115) | 0.320*** (0.00556) | 0.341*** (0.00256) |
| COMMIT | -0.104*** (0.00802) | 0.0369 (0.0521) | 0.0683*** (0.0131) | -0.0748* (0.0391) |
| DEPOSITS | 0.435*** (0.0308) | 0.0149 (0.0129) | 0.0919*** (0.00562) | 0.101*** (0.0194) |
| TIER1CAP | 0.222*** (0.0286) | 0.189*** (0.00820) | 0.185*** (0.00931) | 0.119*** (0.00476) |
| SME19H2 | -0.213*** (0.000350) | -0.172*** (0.000742) | -0.298*** (0.000379) | -0.104*** (0.00179) |
| PROB | 0.127*** (0.0110) | -0.224*** (0.0368) | 0.0965*** (0.0196) | -0.244*** (0.0475) |
| TRADEABLE | -0.0790*** (0.00850) | -0.0401*** (0.00117) | -0.0789*** (0.00290) | 0.00322*** (0.000573) |
| SMALLBANK | -0.0122*** (0.000405) | -0.0108*** (0.00306) | 0.00803*** (0.000355) | -0.0263*** (0.000857) |
| MIDBANK | -0.0597*** (0.000244) | -0.0374*** (0.00191) | -0.0830*** (0.000631) | -0.0383*** (0.00115) |
| CONSTANT | -0.291*** (0.0299) | 0.0585*** (0.0174) | 0.00364 (0.00652) | 0.00282 (0.0205) |
| <i>N</i> | 2023 | 1937 | 1839 | 2121 |

Note: For PPPLF participation. Sample is divided in to two subsets by high and low covariate values. Observations are considered high if they are greater than the median value and low otherwise. Columns 1 and 2 are based on the median value of *DEPOSITS*, with column 1 restricting to the high subset and column 2 low. Columns 3 and 4 are based on the median value of *TIER1CAP*, with column 3 restricting to the high subset and column 4 low. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. Standard errors in parentheses. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.13. High & Low Covariates, PPPLF

| | SME19H2 High | SME19H2 Low | Prob High | Prob Low |
|-----------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| PPPLF | 0.419*** (0.000445) | 0.177*** (0.0184) | 0.426*** (0.00427) | 0.261*** (0.000786) |
| COMMIT | -0.0569*** (0.000225) | 0.0352 (0.0374) | -0.304*** (0.0160) | 0.142*** (0.0359) |
| DEPOSITS | -0.0324*** (0.00166) | 0.186*** (0.0399) | 0.269*** (0.00301) | -0.0610*** (0.0208) |
| TIER1CAP | -0.00249*** (0.000765) | 0.206*** (0.0251) | 0.212*** (0.00271) | 0.146*** (0.0237) |
| SME19H2 | -0.117*** (0.0000820) | -0.506*** (0.0135) | -0.241*** (0.00124) | -0.143*** (0.00222) |
| PROB | -0.0838*** (0.000299) | 0.0804*** (0.0235) | -0.236*** (0.0108) | -1.937*** (0.0800) |
| TRADEABLE | -0.0643*** (0.000167) | -0.0349*** (0.00525) | -0.0785*** (0.00160) | -0.0316*** (0.00734) |
| SMALLBANK | -0.0341*** (0.000329) | 0.0180*** (0.000230) | -0.0245*** (0.000967) | -0.0563*** (0.000474) |
| MIDBANK | -0.0160*** (0.000232) | -0.0205*** (0.000835) | -0.0552*** (0.000535) | -0.0820*** (0.000960) |
| CONSTANT | 0.146*** (0.00115) | -0.0771** (0.0378) | -0.107*** (0.00484) | 0.176*** (0.0228) |
| N | 2089 | 1871 | 1925 | 2035 |

Note: For PPPLF participation. Sample divided by high and low covariate values. Observations high if above median value, and low otherwise. Columns 1 and 2 are based on the median value of *SME19H2*, with column 1 restricting to the high subset and column 2 low. Columns 3 and 4 are based on the median value of *PROB*, with column 3 restricting to the high subset and column 4 low. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. Standard errors in parentheses. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.14. Late Sample PPP Conditioned for Lagged Growth

| | Full | Small | Medium | Large | WLS |
|-------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| PPP | -0.275*** (0.0251) | -0.262** (0.128) | 10.13 (31.91) | -0.0374 (2.283) | 0.933** (0.420) |
| LIQUID22 | 0.0460*** (0.00230) | 0.0474* (0.0249) | 0.237 (1.006) | 0.326 (0.458) | 0.0411 (0.0429) |
| COMMIT22 | 0.107*** (0.00810) | 0.116 (0.100) | -2.166 (4.425) | -0.0445 (0.649) | -0.339*** (0.107) |
| DEPOSITS22 | -0.0382*** (0.00992) | -0.0264 (0.0436) | -0.429 (0.673) | -0.715 (0.441) | -0.617*** (0.0379) |
| TIER1CAP22 | -0.0504*** (0.00112) | -0.0487** (0.0234) | -0.148 (1.613) | -1.428 (1.184) | -0.164 (0.181) |
| SME22H1 | 0.0509*** (0.00138) | 0.0486** (0.0231) | -5.480 (17.02) | 0.910** (0.377) | 0.129*** (0.0210) |
| %ΔSME1922 | 0.00116*** (0.00000373) | 0.00117*** (0.000221) | -0.250 (0.655) | -0.0310 (0.0412) | -0.00148*** (0.000133) |
| PROB22 | -0.0115 (0.0206) | -0.0156 (0.179) | -0.291 (4.064) | 7.478* (4.364) | 1.708 (1.098) |
| TRADEABLE22 | 0.0197*** (0.00118) | 0.0189 (0.0143) | -0.276 (1.566) | 0.703* (0.372) | 0.0282 (0.0206) |
| SMALLBANK | 0.0671*** (0.000487) | | | | -0.0419*** (0.00404) |
| MIDBANK | 0.0179*** (0.000481) | | | | -0.0633*** (0.00495) |
| CONSTANT | 0.0126 (0.00983) | 0.0687* (0.0366) | 0.349 (0.780) | 0.480 (0.328) | 0.544*** (0.0887) |
| N | 3960 | 3852 | 83 | 25 | 3960 |

Note: Table 5 estimation with % Δ SME1922, average annual SME lending growth from 2019 through 2022, added. IV estimation with dependent variable % Δ SME22, average annualized growth in small business and farm lending between 2022H1 and 2023H1. PPP is the ratio of PPP participation to total assets in 2020H1; LIQUID22 is total liquidity in 2022H1; COMMIT22 is unused commitments in 2022H1; DEPOSITS22 is total deposits in 2022H1; TIER1CAP22 represents tier 1 capital ratio; SME22H1 is a measure of small business and farm lending normalized by total assets in 2022H1; PROB22 is aggregate measure of past-due and non-accrual loans relative to total assets in 2022H1; and SMALLBANK and MIDBANK indicate small and medium-sized banks, respectively. Columns 2, 3, and 4 represent small, medium, and large bank samples respectively. Column 5 reports WLS results for full sample. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.15. Late Sample PPP Conditioned for Lagged Growth with Lending Levels Dropped

| | Full | Small | Medium | Large | WLS |
|-------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| PPP | -0.275*** (0.0242) | -0.263** (0.129) | -3.919 (3.511) | 0.368 (2.179) | 0.545* (0.298) |
| LIQUID22 | 0.0427*** (0.00239) | 0.0443* (0.0250) | -0.225 (0.360) | 0.279 (0.458) | 0.0277 (0.0393) |
| COMMIT22 | 0.105*** (0.00856) | 0.115 (0.101) | -0.320 (0.571) | -0.482 (0.646) | -0.310*** (0.111) |
| DEPOSITS22 | -0.0240** (0.00985) | -0.0125 (0.0436) | -0.424 (0.329) | -0.730 (0.476) | -0.599*** (0.0404) |
| TIER1CAP22 | -0.0570*** (0.00135) | -0.0549** (0.0231) | -1.219 (0.813) | -1.498 (1.152) | -0.220 (0.188) |
| %ΔSME1922 | 0.00115*** (0.00000460) | 0.00116*** (0.000218) | 0.0520 (0.0863) | -0.0392 (0.0407) | -0.00121*** (0.000149) |
| PROB22 | 0.0168 (0.0205) | 0.0120 (0.178) | -2.615 (1.906) | 5.718 (4.144) | 1.548 (1.075) |
| TRADEABLE22 | 0.0150*** (0.00114) | 0.0144 (0.0141) | 0.379* (0.218) | 0.523 (0.361) | 0.0270 (0.0280) |
| SMALLBANK | 0.0721*** (0.000574) | | | | -0.0154*** (0.00335) |
| MIDBANK | 0.0181*** (0.000452) | | | | -0.0498*** (0.00130) |
| CONSTANT | 0.00422 (0.00989) | 0.0652* (0.0367) | 0.686** (0.306) | 0.632 (0.399) | 0.544*** (0.0883) |
| <i>N</i> | 3960 | 3852 | 83 | 25 | 3960 |

Note: Table 5 estimation with % Δ SME1922, average annual growth in SME lending from 2019 through 2022 added and SME22H1, SME lending stock in 2022H1, dropped. IV estimation with dependent variable % Δ SME22, average annualized growth in small business and farm lending between 2022H1 and 2023H1. *PPP* is the the ratio of a bank's PPP participation to total assets in 2020H1; *LIQUID22* is total liquidity in 2022H1; *COMMIT22* is unused commitments in 2022H1; *DEPOSITS22* is total deposits in 2022H1; *TIER1CAP22* represents tier 1 capital ratio; *PROB22* is aggregate measure of past-due and non-accrual loans relative to total assets in 2022H1; and *SMALLBANK* and *MIDBANK* indicate small and medium-sized banks, respectively. Columns 2, 3, and 4 represent small, medium, and large bank samples respectively. Column 5 reports WLS results for full sample. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.16. Late Sample PPPLF Conditioned for Lagged Growth

| | Full | Small | Medium | Large | WLS |
|-------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| PPPLF | -0.261*** (0.0197) | -0.251** (0.111) | -0.0557 (0.680) | -3.993 (4.120) | -1.591*** (0.0796) |
| LIQUID22 | 0.0285*** (0.00352) | 0.0301 (0.0249) | -0.0844 (0.229) | 0.781 (0.568) | 0.106 (0.116) |
| COMMIT22 | 0.0297*** (0.0114) | 0.0385 (0.0714) | -0.745* (0.431) | 0.437 (1.124) | 0.208 (0.299) |
| DEPOSITS22 | -0.0776*** (0.0150) | -0.0627 (0.0433) | -0.468 (0.461) | -1.576** (0.737) | -1.212*** (0.0134) |
| TIER1CAP22 | -0.0506*** (0.00150) | -0.0485** (0.0236) | -0.630 (0.393) | -0.741 (1.475) | -0.273 (0.203) |
| SME22H1 | 0.0323*** (0.00108) | 0.0315 (0.0249) | -0.146 (0.648) | 0.462 (0.649) | -0.00596 (0.126) |
| %ΔSME1922 | 0.00105*** (0.0000128) | 0.00107*** (0.000237) | -0.0392 (0.0385) | -0.106 (0.0572) | -0.00146*** (0.000503) |
| PROB22 | 0.121*** (0.00314) | 0.104 (0.176) | -1.104 (1.789) | 3.596 (3.974) | 1.410*** (0.240) |
| TRADEABLE22 | 0.0125*** (0.000901) | 0.0117 (0.0154) | 0.200 (0.176) | 0.609* (0.349) | 0.235*** (0.0129) |
| SMALLBANK | 0.0602*** (0.000257) | | | | 0.0789*** (0.0215) |
| MIDBANK | 0.0153*** (0.000346) | | | | 0.0258 (0.0171) |
| CONSTANT | 0.0536*** (0.0142) | 0.100*** (0.0381) | 0.520 (0.399) | 1.134* (0.609) | 1.004*** (0.0648) |
| <i>N</i> | 3960 | 3852 | 83 | 25 | 3960 |

Note: Table 6 estimation with % Δ SME1922, average annual growth in SME lending from 2019 through 2022 added. IV estimation with dependent variable % Δ SME22, average annualized growth in small business and farm lending between 2022H1 and 2023H1. *PPP* is the ratio of PPP participation to total assets in 2020H1; *LIQUID22* is total liquidity in 2022H1; *COMMIT22* is unused commitments in 2022H1; *DEPOSITS22* is total deposits in 2022H1; *TIER1CAP22* represents tier 1 capital ratio; *PROB22* is aggregate measure of past-due and non-accrual loans relative to total assets in 2022H1; and *SMALLBANK* and *MIDBANK* indicate small and medium-sized banks, respectively. Columns 2, 3, and 4 represent small, medium, and large bank samples respectively. Column 5 reports WLS results for full sample. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$

TABLE OA.17. Late Sample PPPLF Conditioned for Lagged Growth
with Lending Levels Dropped

| | Full | Small | Medium | Large | WLS |
|-------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| PPPLF | -0.281*** (0.0190) | -0.271** (0.109) | 0.393 (0.746) | -3.809 (4.068) | -1.590*** (0.0743) |
| LIQUID22 | 0.0259*** (0.00344) | 0.0275 (0.0249) | -0.0245 (0.232) | 0.717 (0.535) | 0.106 (0.108) |
| COMMIT22 | 0.0350*** (0.0116) | 0.0442 (0.0715) | -0.924** (0.470) | 0.187 (0.950) | 0.209 (0.266) |
| DEPOSITS22 | -0.0705*** (0.0156) | -0.0555 (0.0437) | -0.308 (0.498) | -1.528 (0.786) | -1.212*** (0.00337) |
| TIER1CAP22 | -0.0544*** (0.00141) | -0.0522** (0.0234) | -0.612* (0.353) | -0.854 (1.436) | -0.272 (0.175) |
| %ΔSME1922 | 0.00105*** (0.0000124) | 0.00107*** (0.000241) | -0.0616 (0.0386) | -0.106* (0.0552) | -0.00146*** (0.000499) |
| PROB22 | 0.143*** (0.00273) | 0.125 (0.174) | -1.967 (2.151) | 2.866 (3.568) | 1.411*** (0.207) |
| TRADEABLE22 | 0.00852*** (0.00110) | 0.00773 (0.0149) | 0.199 (0.174) | 0.521 (0.329) | 0.235*** (0.0194) |
| SMALLBANK | 0.0642*** (0.000136) | | | | 0.0785** (0.0280) |
| MIDBANK | 0.0162*** (0.000320) | | | | 0.0258 (0.0173) |
| CONSTANT | 0.0497*** (0.0146) | 0.100*** (0.0383) | 0.379 (0.408) | 1.181* (0.607) | 1.003*** (0.0611) |
| <i>N</i> | 3960 | 3852 | 83 | 25 | 3960 |

Note: Table 6 estimation with % Δ SME1922, average annual growth in SME lending from 2019 through 2022 added and *SME22H1*, SME lending stock in 2022H1, dropped. IV estimation with dependent variable % Δ SME22, average annualized growth in small business and farm lending between 2022H1 and 2023H1. *PPP* is the ratio of PPP participation to total assets in 2020H1; *LIQUID22* is total liquidity in 2022H1; *COMMIT22* is unused commitments in 2022H1; *DEPOSITS22* is total deposits in 2022H1; *TIER1CAP22* represents tier 1 capital ratio; *PROB22* is aggregate measure of past-due and non-accrual loans relative to total assets in 2022H1; and *SMALLBANK* and *MIDBANK* are indicator variables for small and medium-sized banks, respectively. Columns 2, 3, and 4 represent small, medium, and large bank samples respectively. Column 5 reports wLS results for full sample. Standard errors in parentheses are clustered by bank size. * $p < 0.10$, ** $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.01$