Business Owner Demographics from Emergency Business Assistance Grants

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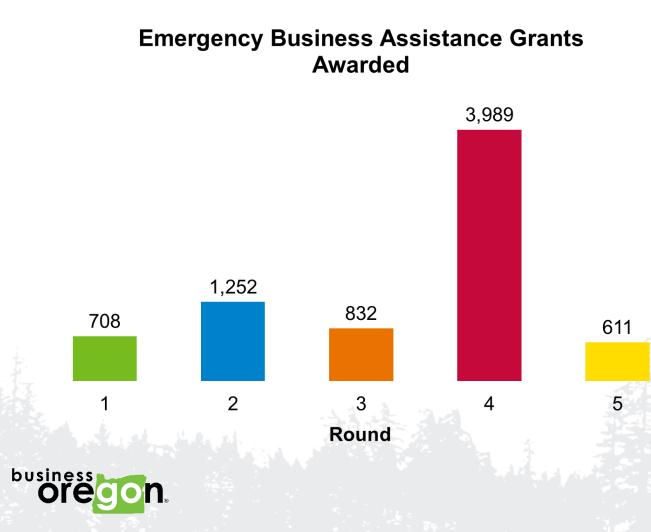
Business Owner Demographics

Business Oregon and partners collected the following demographic information from businesses that received Emergency Business Assistance Grants in 2020:

- Sex
- Race
- Ethnicity

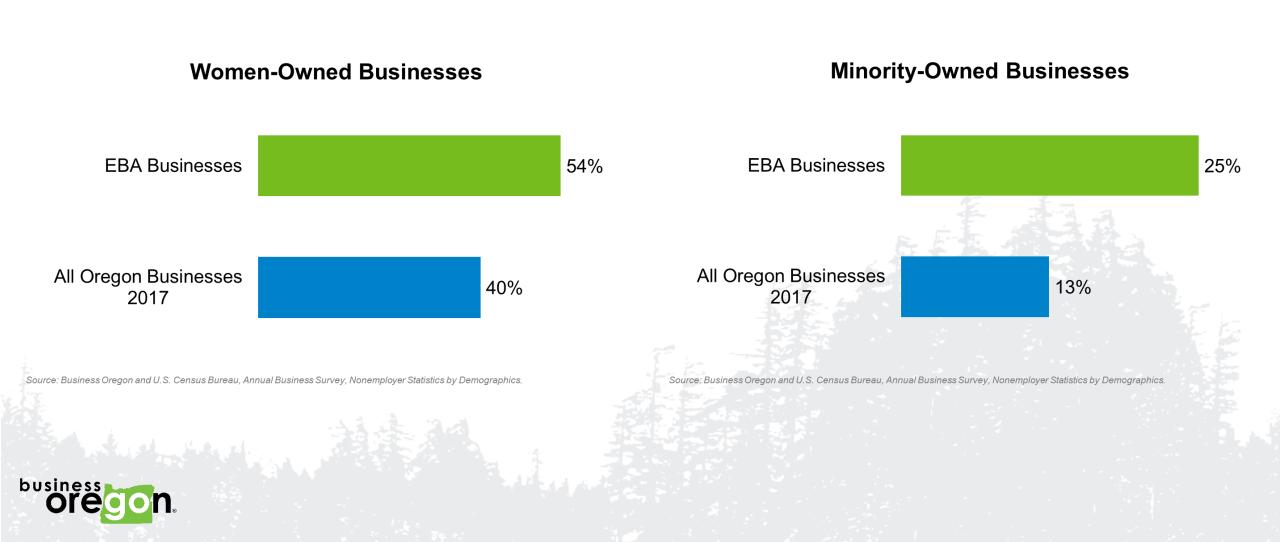


Emergency Business Assistance Grants

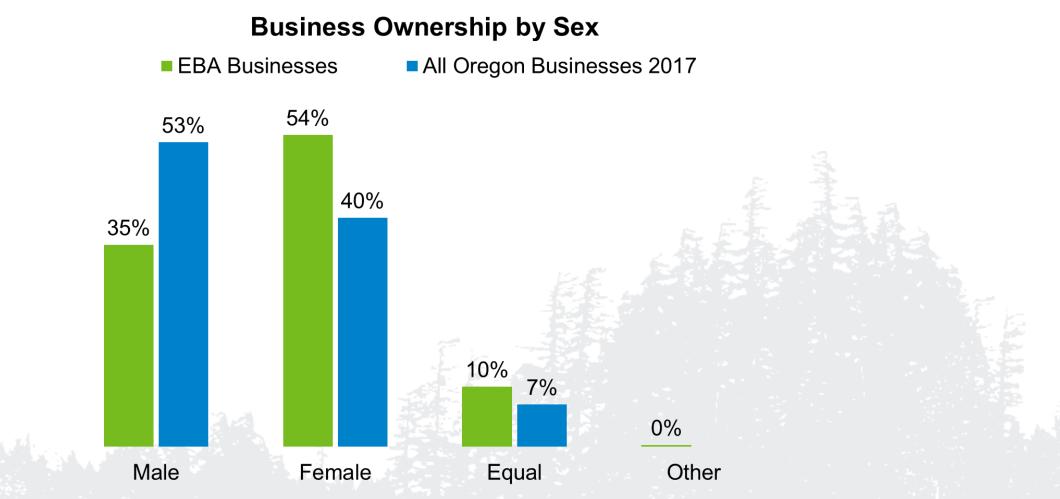


- Grants awarded from June to December 2020
- 7,392 total grants
- \$48.9M in grants awarded
- 5,952 total businesses
- 1,376 businesses (23%) received more than one grant

Women & Minority-Owned Businesses



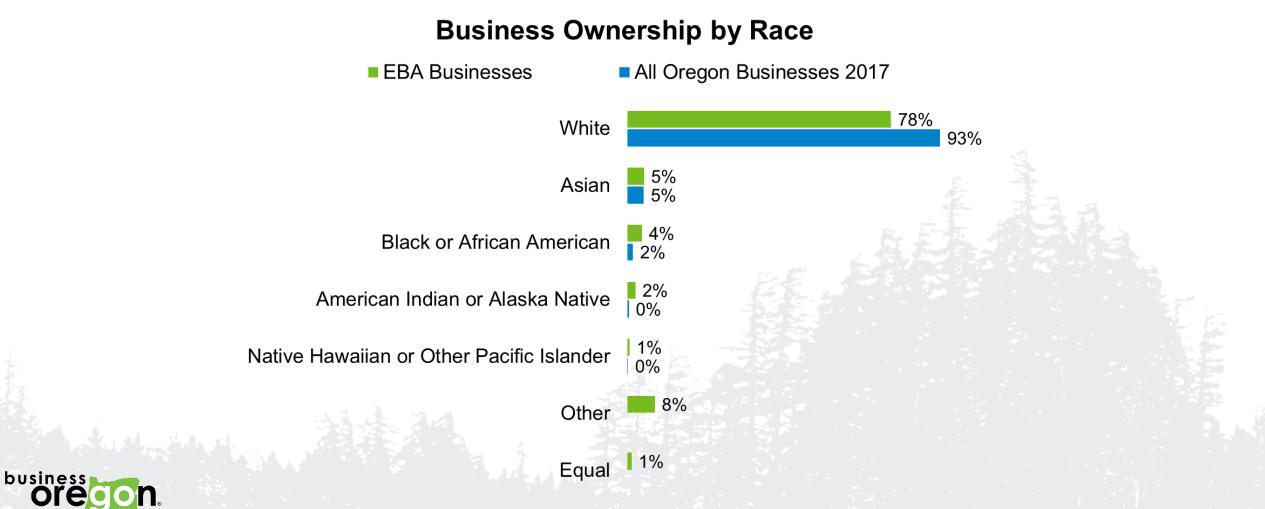
Majority of Businesses that Received Grants Were Women-Owned



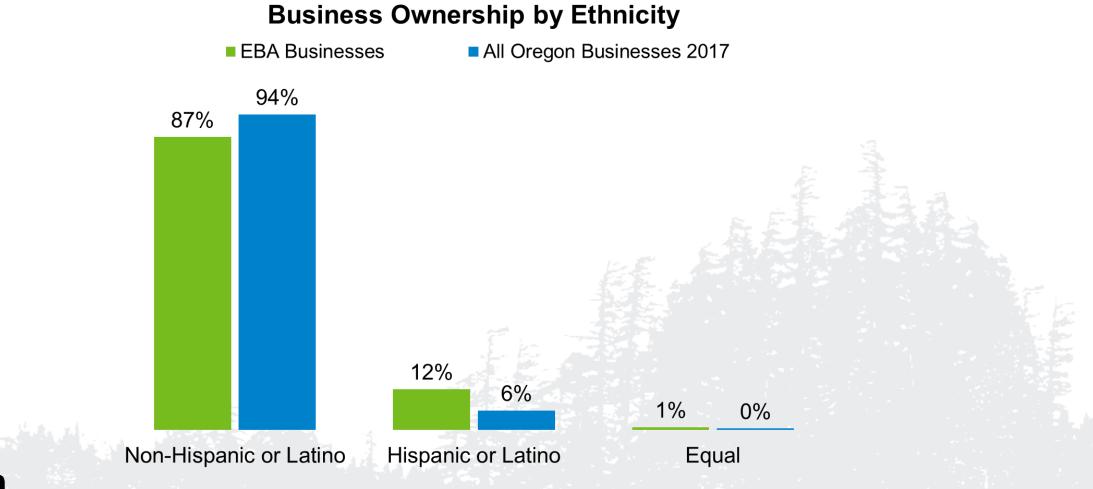
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Grants Went to Diverse Businesses



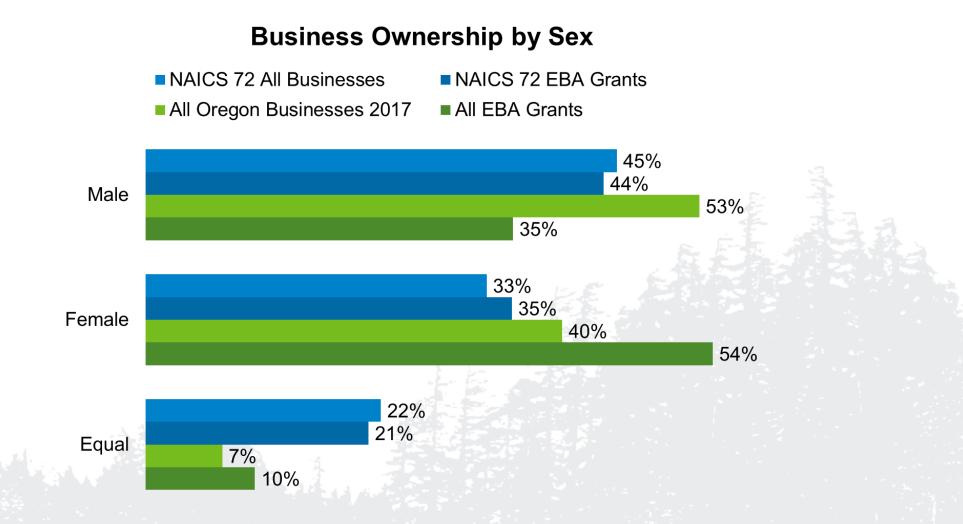
12 Percent of Businesses that Received Grants Were Hispanic or Latino-Owned



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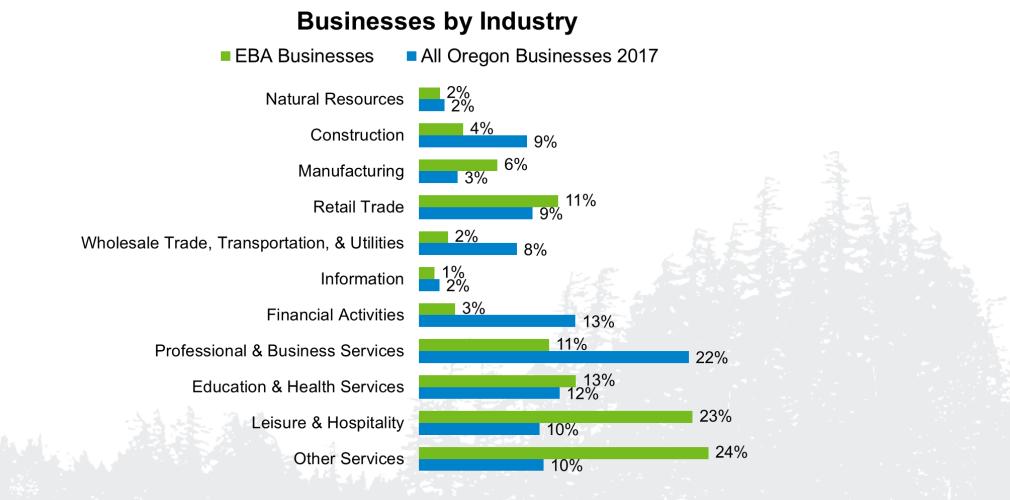
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Comparing Results by Industry More Useful





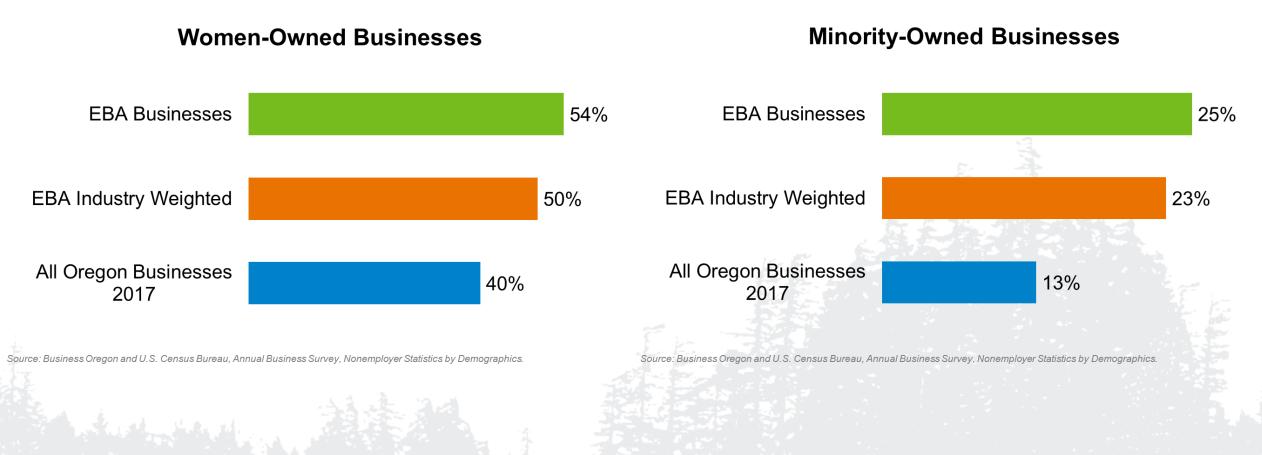
Industry Mix of Businesses Receiving Grants Different than State Overall



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Industry Mix a Factor in High Number of Women & Minority-Owned Businesses

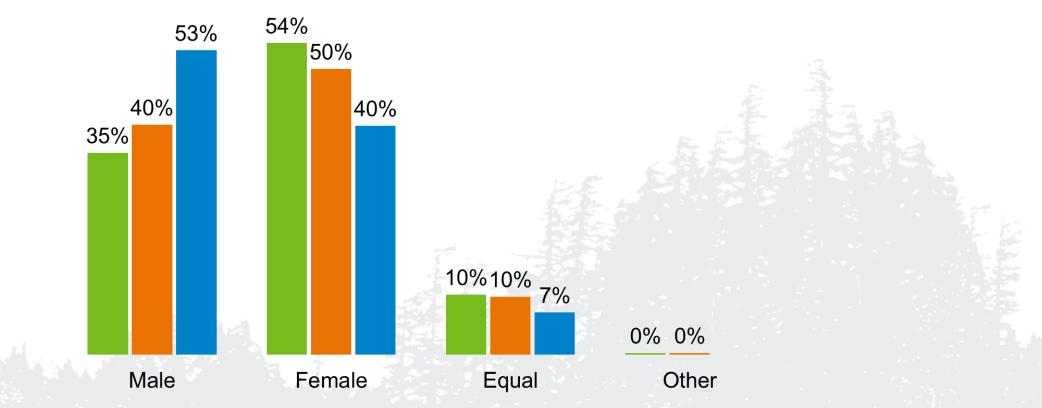




Women-Owned Businesses Still High After Adjusting for Industry Mix

Business Ownership by Sex

EBA Businesses = EBA Industry Weighted = All Oregon Businesses 2017

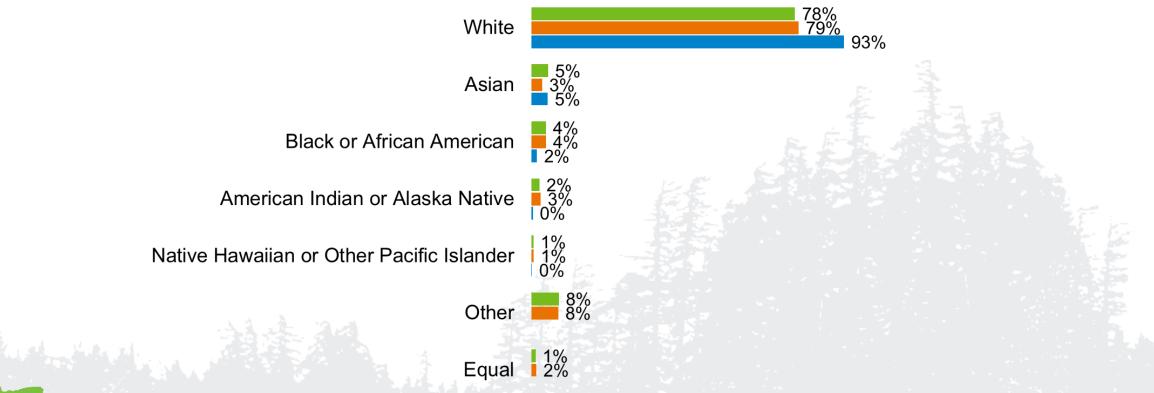


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Industry Mix Also Doesn't Explain Most of Difference in Minority-Owned Businesses

Business Ownership by Race

EBA Businesses EBA Industry Weighted All Oregon Businesses 2017

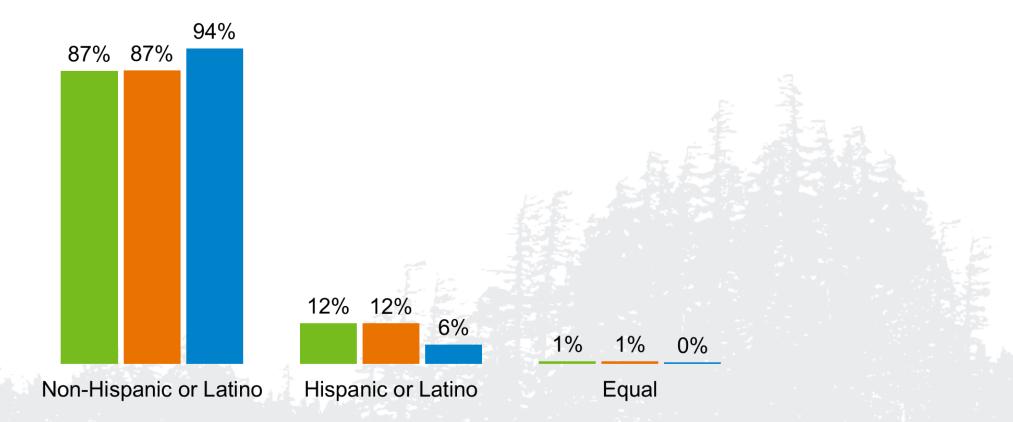




Hispanic and Latino Ownership Rate Unchanged After Adjusting for Industry Mix

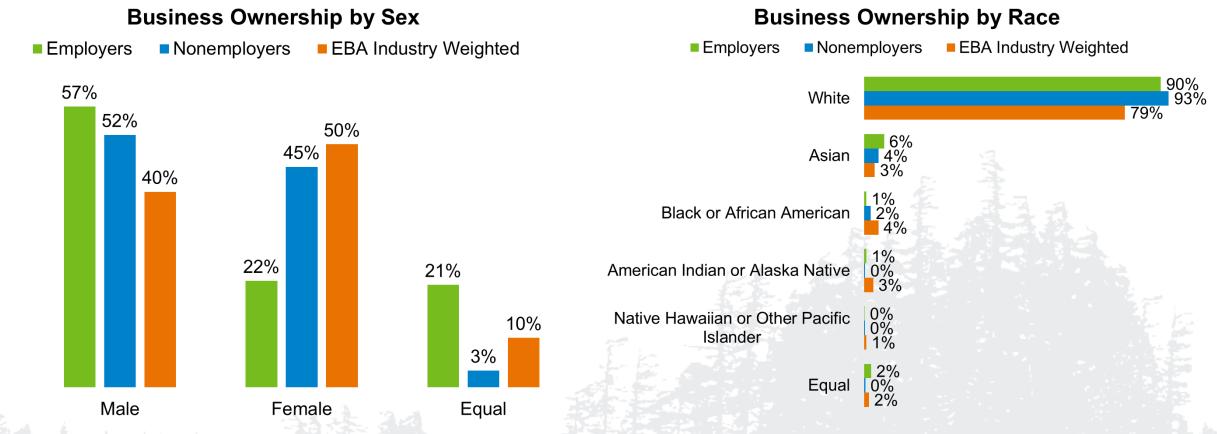
Business Ownership by Ethnicity

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High Number of Self-Employed May Be Factor in High Women & Minority Ownership



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Why Were Businesses Receiving Grants More Likely to be Women and Minority-Owned?

- Businesses were in industries with higher rates of women and minority ownership (industry mix).
- May be higher than average number of self-employed businesses, which have higher women and minority ownership.
- Women and minority-owned businesses may have faced greater negative impacts from COVID-19.
- Self-employed may have faced greater negative impacts from COVID-19.
- Business Oregon and partners were more intentional in targeting women and minority-owned businesses.





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