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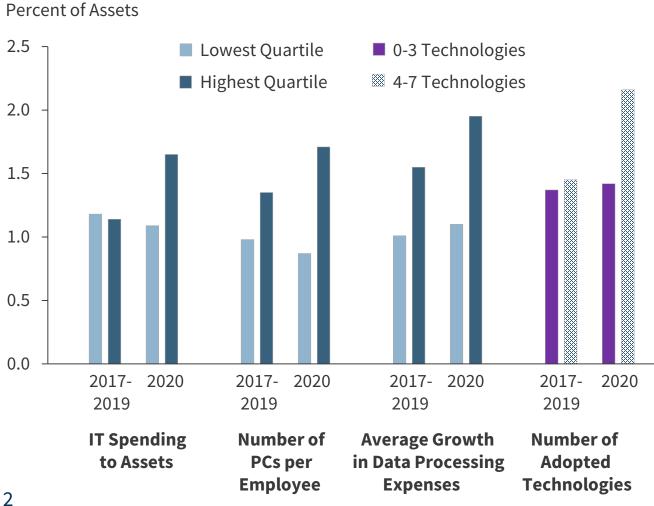
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Community Bank Research



The Importance of Technology Investments for Community Bank Lending and **Deposit Taking During the Pandemic**

Median Average Loan Growth by Previous Technology Investment



Key Question: Did prior technology investment help community banks lend and take deposits during the pandemic?

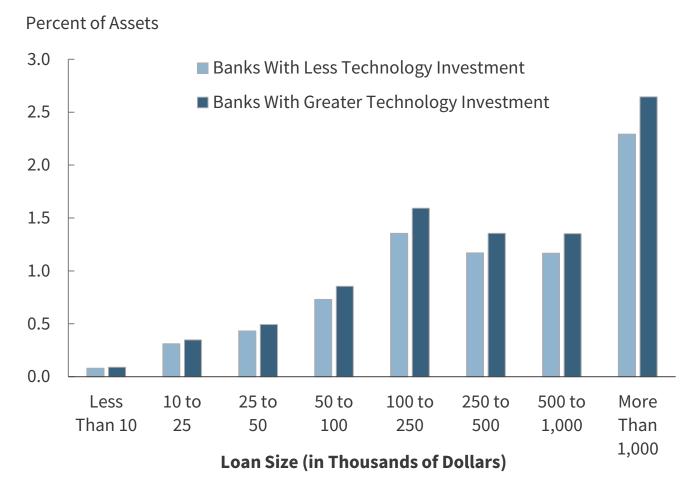
Key Finding:

Community banks that invested more in technology generally reported faster loan growth in 2020 than did banks with less investment.



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Average PPP Loan Volume as a Share of Assets by Loan Size



Key Finding:

Community banks with greater technology investment, on average, originated a greater share of PPP loans regardless of loan size, origination date, or borrower distance from the nearest bank branch.

