

# Payment Integrity Scorecard

**Program or Activity**  
Economic Injury Disaster Loan Emergency Assistance (Advance)

**Reporting Period**  
Q4 2023

**FY 2022 Overpayment Amount (\$M)\*** **\$766**

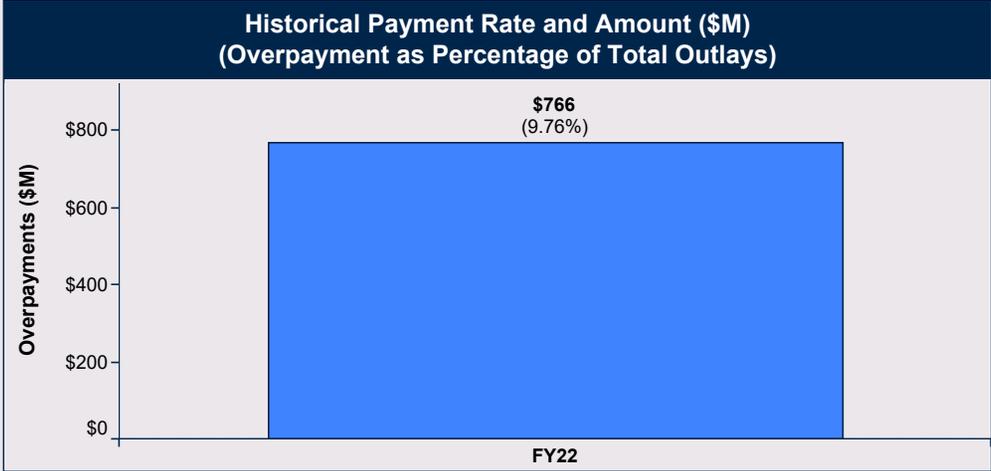
\*Estimate based a sampling time frame starting 4/2021 and ending 3/2022



**SBA**  
Economic Injury Disaster Loan Emergency Assistance (Advance)

**Brief Program Description & summary of overpayment causes and barriers to prevention:**

The Economic Injury Disaster Loan Emergency Assistance (EIDL Advance) Program provided funding to help small businesses recover from the economic impact of the COVID -19 pandemic. The EIDL Advances are not required to be repaid. SBA ceased accepting new applications as January 1, 2022, and requests for loan increases or reconsideration as of May 6, 2022. The primary cause of overpayments was due to failure to access data/information needed. There are no known barriers to prevention as loan increase and reconsideration requests have not been accepted since May 6, 2022; no program funds remain available for approval or disbursement. Currently, the SBA is only re-issuing previously obligated funds, if any, obligated prior to January 1, 2022.



**Discussion of Actions Taken in the Preceding Quarter and Actions Planned in the Following Quarter to Prevent Overpayments**

The SBA ceased accepting new applications as of January 1, 2022. As of May 6, 2022, requests for loan increases or reconsideration of previously declined loan applications, were no longer being accepted. Currently, the SBA is only performing re-issuance of EIDL Advance funds obligated prior to January 1, 2022, that were not deliverable due to technical issues such as incorrect routing numbers or bank accounts numbers; eligibility for these loans were determined in FY2022. Since there is no additional funding, no further training or corrective actions are being performed.

**Accomplishments in Reducing Overpayment** **Date**

1	If tested, the estimated improper payment rate is expected to be in compliance for FY2024.	Jun-23
2	The SBA has neared, if not completed, re-issuance of funds obligated prior to January 1, 2022, that were rejected due to technical issues such as incorrect routing numbers or bank account numbers.	Jun-23

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Goals towards Reducing Overpayments	Status	ECD	Recovery Method	Brief Description of Plans to Recover Overpayments	Brief Description of Actions Taken to Recover Overpayments
1  The SBA ceased accepting new applications as of January 1, 2022. As of May 6, 2022, requests for loan increases or reconsideration of previously declined loan applications were no longer being accepted. The SBA continues to perform Improper Payment Audits on funds obligated before the program ended but re-issued due to technical issues and will identify root cause(s) and complete corrective actions accordingly.	On-Track	Apr-23	1 <b>Recovery Activity</b>	EIDL Advance has no remaining funding, thus there is no opportunity for further overpayments under this program. Recovery efforts in response to OIG Audit 22-01 have concluded.	

Amt(\$)	Root Cause of Overpayment	Root Cause Description	Mitigation Strategy	Brief Description of Mitigation Strategy and Anticipated Impact
N/A	Overpayments outside the agency control that occurred because of an Inability to Access the Data/Information Needed.	Prevalent causes of overpayments due to Failure to Access Data/Information Needed stemmed from failure to provide proof of citizenship, existence of the business, or that the business was located a low-income area, and required applicants missing from the loan application.	Training – teaching a particular skill or type of behavior; refreshing on the proper processing methods.	The Training mitigation strategy includes training the Departments' staff on causes and prevention of improper payments: business and citizenship eligibility. The corrective action process may include obtaining required documentation. Impact is nil as the program has ended.