Racial and Economic Disparities in the Mortgage Market

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Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA)

- HMDA is a data collection, reporting, and disclosure statute that was enacted in 1975.
- HMDA data are used to assist in
 - determining whether financial institutions are serving the housing needs of their local communities;
 - facilitate public entities' distribution of funds to local communities to attract private investment;
 - help identify possible discriminatory lending patterns.
- Institutions covered by HMDA are required to annually collect and report specified information on each mortgage application acted upon and purchased during the prior calendar year.



Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA)

- The 2020 HMDA data are the third year of data that incorporate amendments made to HMDA by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 (DFA) and 2015 HMDA Rule.
- HMDA data provide good insights on the racial and economic disparities in the mortgage market.
- HMDA data alone cannot determine whether a financial institution is engaged in discriminatory lending.



Recent CFPB Reports Based on HMDA Data

- "2020 Mortgage Market Activity and Trends," forthcoming.
- "Asian American and Pacific Islanders in the Mortgage Market,"
 July 2021.
- "A Brief Note on General Lending Patterns of Small to Medium Size Closed-end HMDA Reporters," June 2021.
- "Manufactured Housing Finance: New Insights from the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act Data," June 2021.
- "An Updated Review of the New and Revised Data Points in HMDA," August 2020.

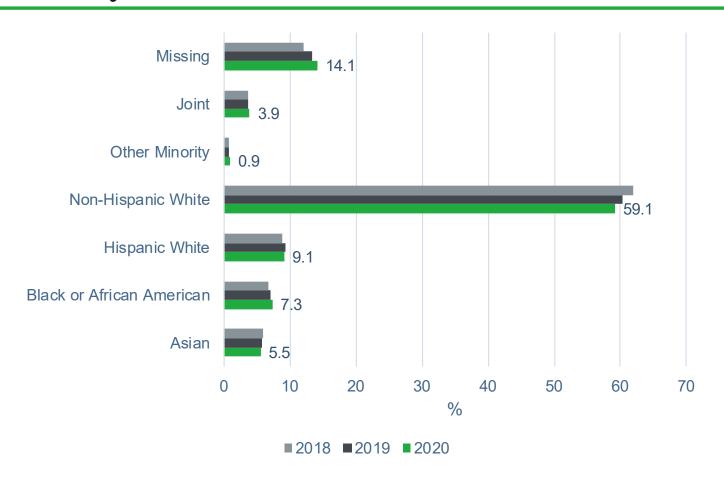


Racial Disparities as Observed in HMDA Data

- Racial Composition of Originated Loans
- Denial Rates
- Characteristic of Mortgage
 - Credit characteristics
 - Mortgage Pricing

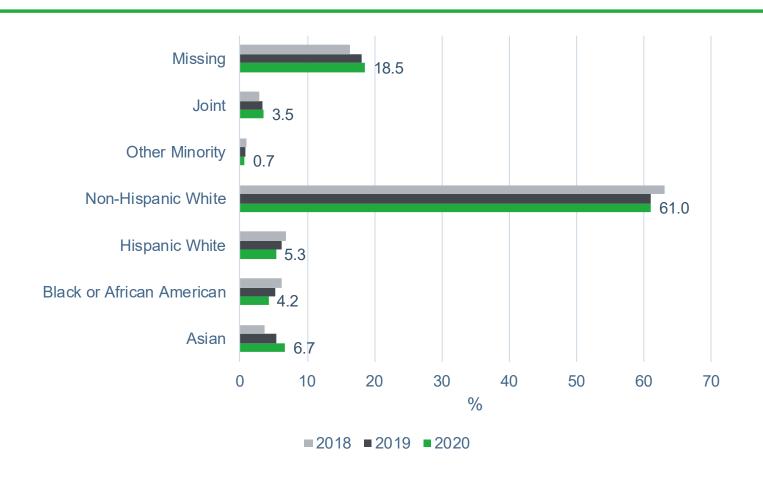


Share of Home-Purchase Loans by Race and Ethnicity



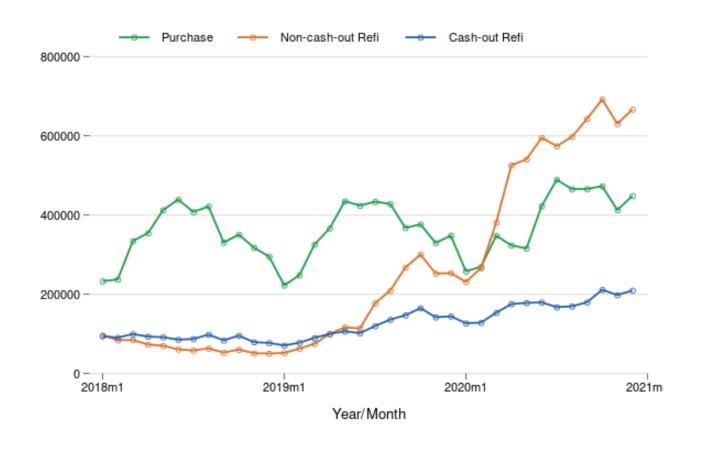


Share of Refinance Loans by Race and Ethnicity



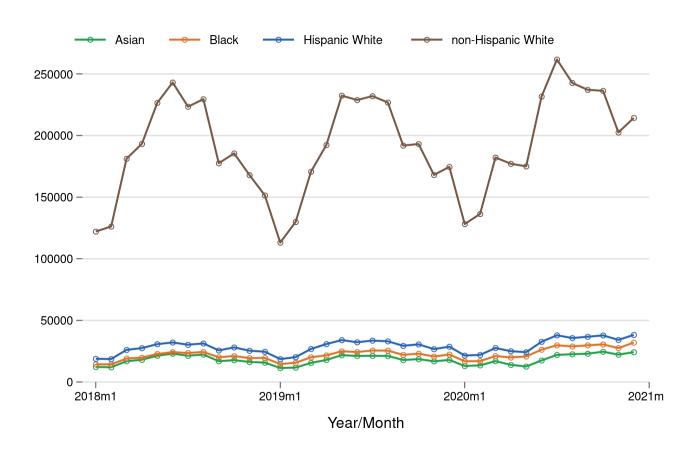


Monthly Trend (# of originations)



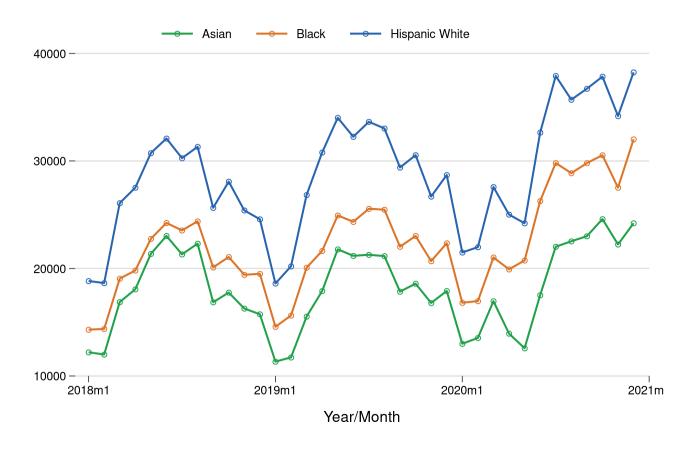


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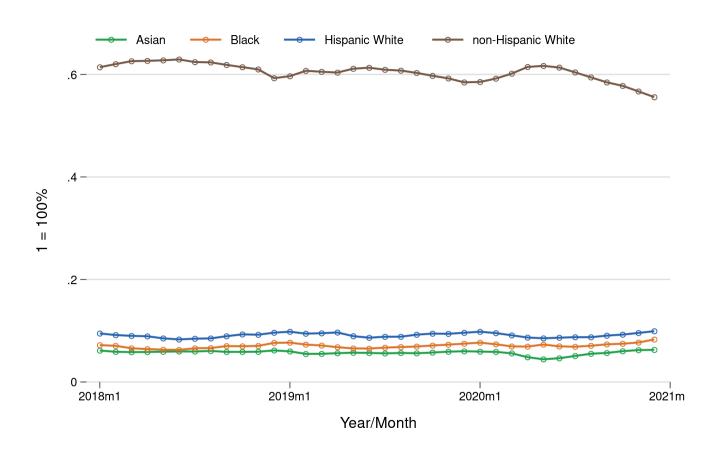


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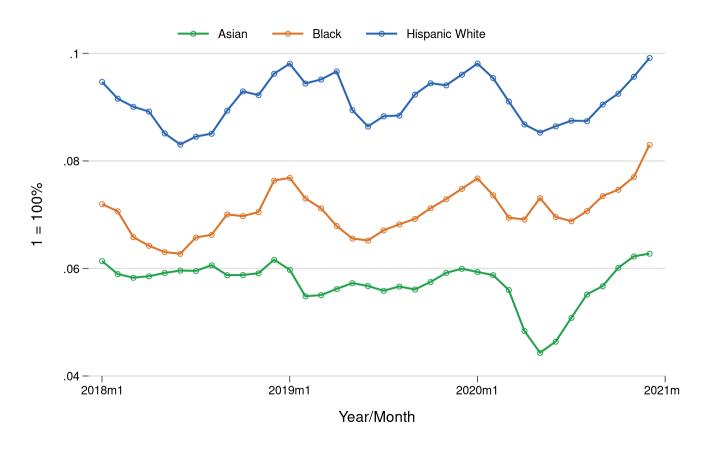


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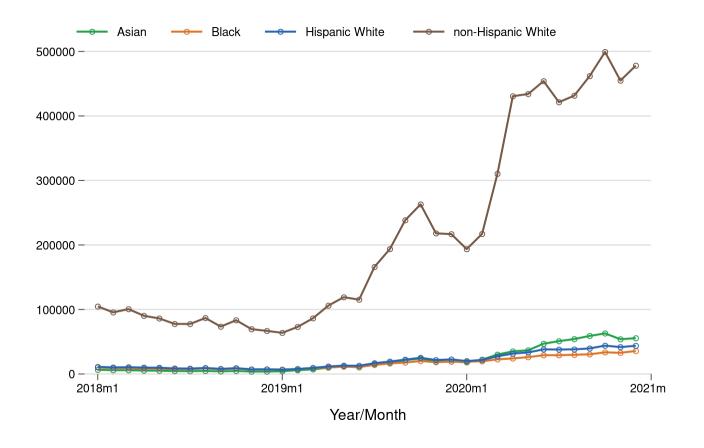


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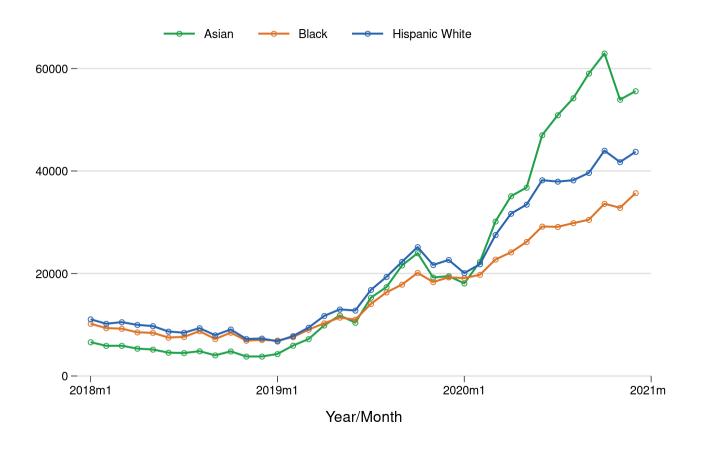


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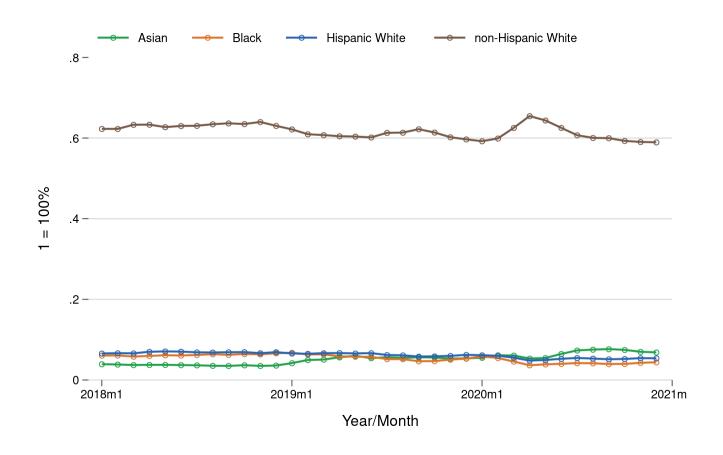


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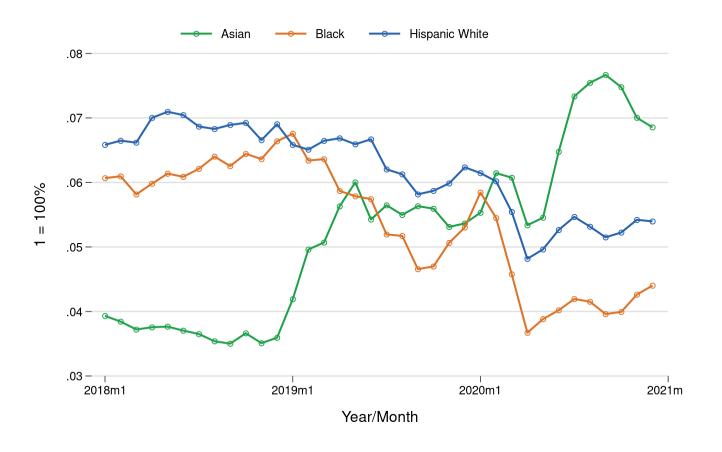


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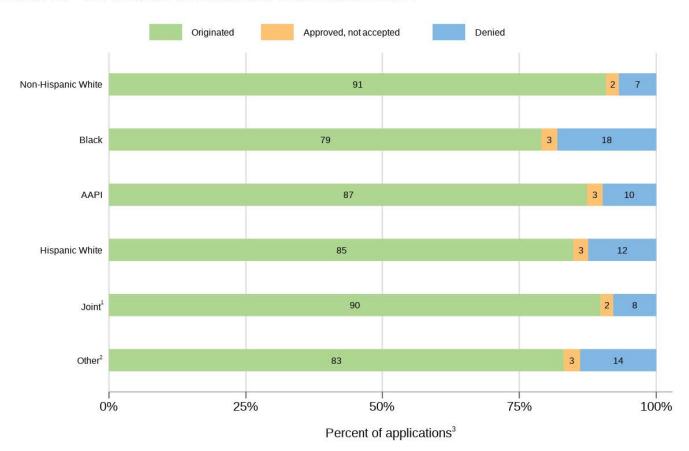
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Denial Rates by Race and Ethnicity

FIGURE 7: APPLICATION OUTCOMES BY RACE AND ETHNICITY

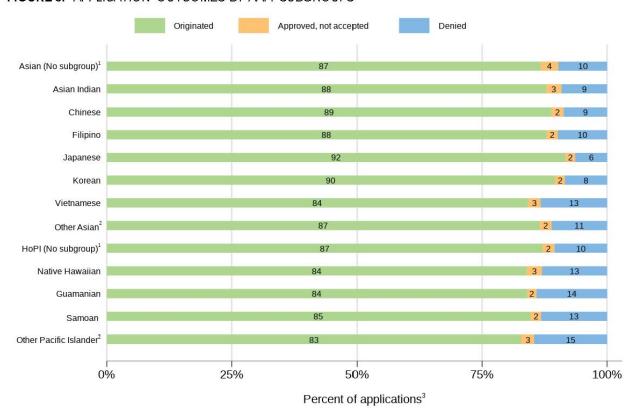




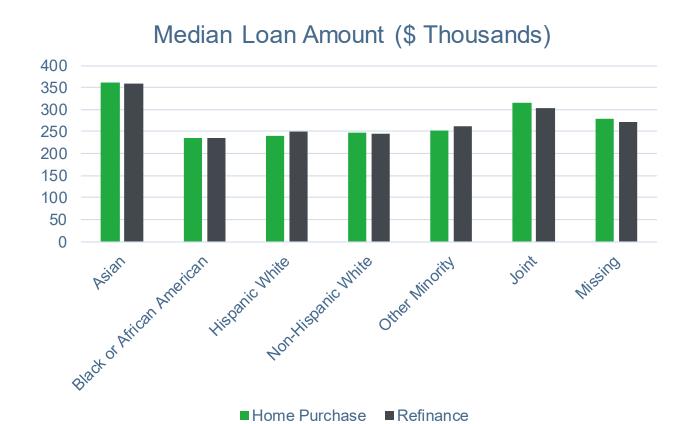
Source: "AAPIs in the Mortgage Market," available at https://www.consumerfinance.gov/data-research/research-reports/asian-american-and-pacific-islanders-in-the-mortgage-market/.

Denial Rates across AAPI Subgroups

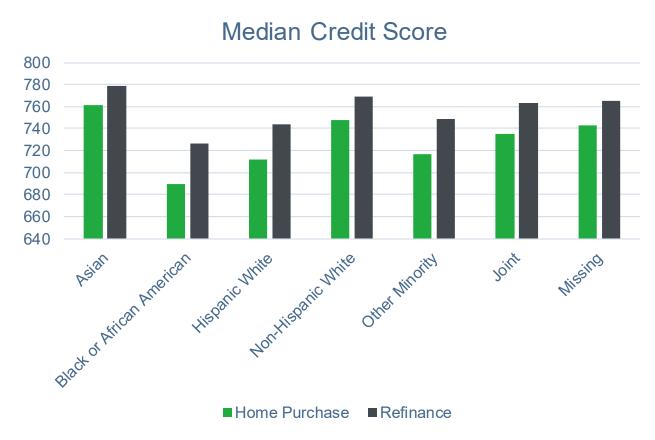
FIGURE 8: APPLICATION OUTCOMES BY AAPI SUBGROUPS



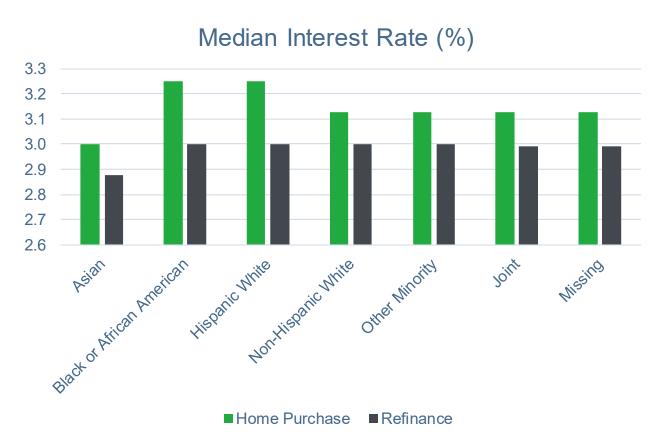




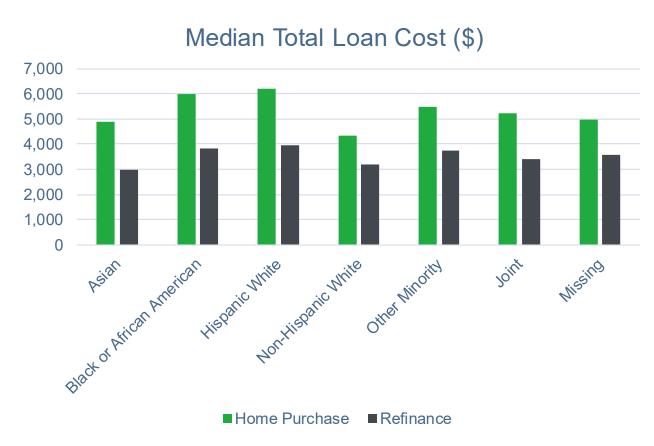






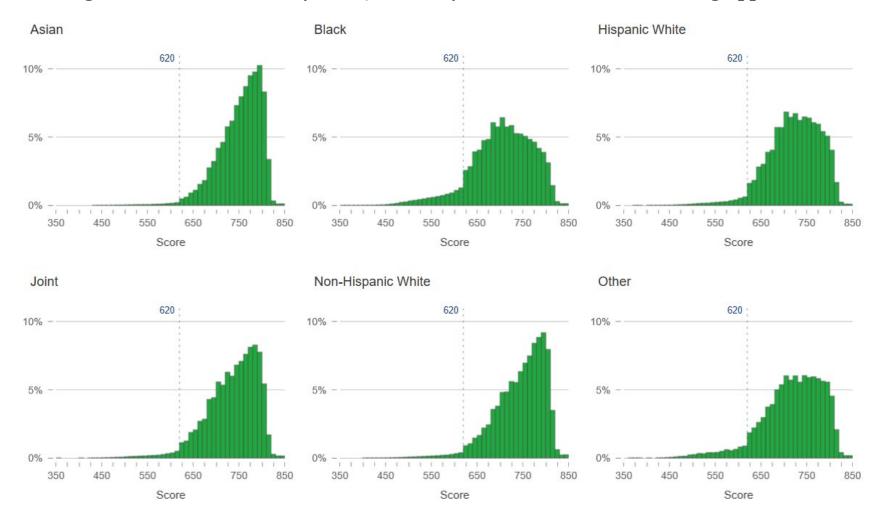






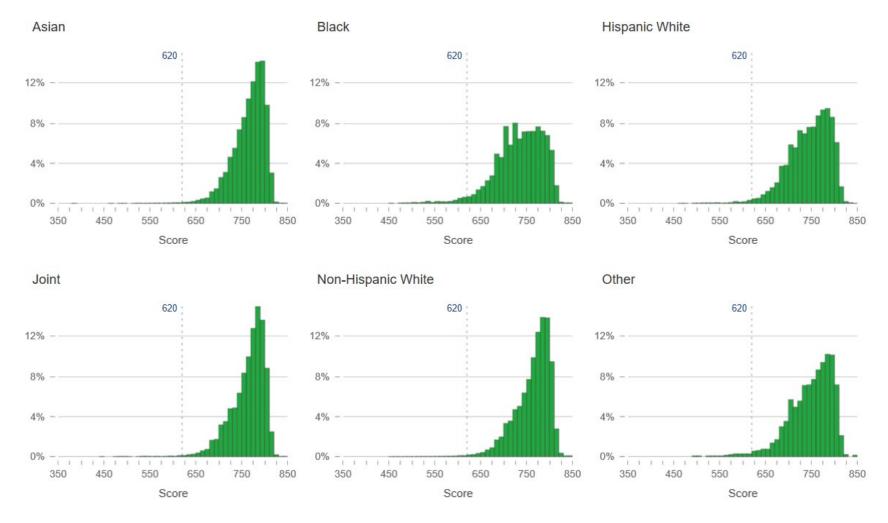


Histogram of Credit Scores by Race/Ethnicity: Conventional Conforming Applications



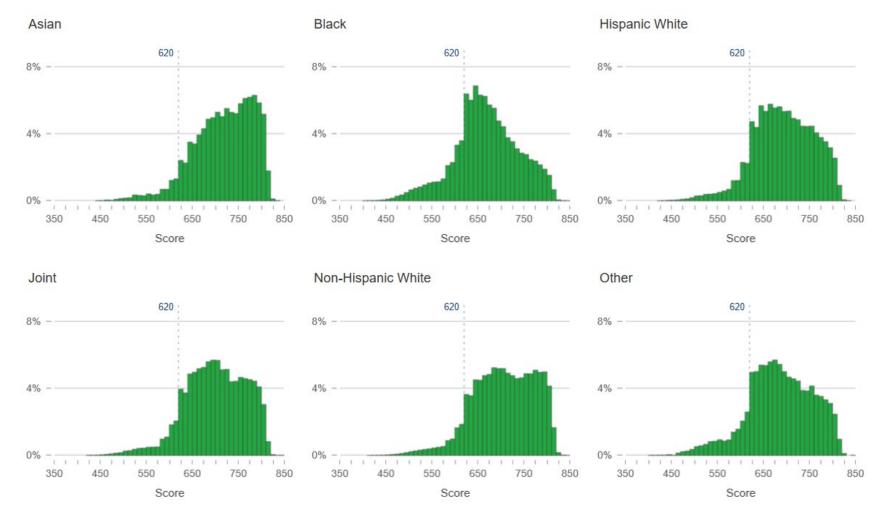


Histogram of Credit Scores by Race/Ethnicity: Jumbo Applications



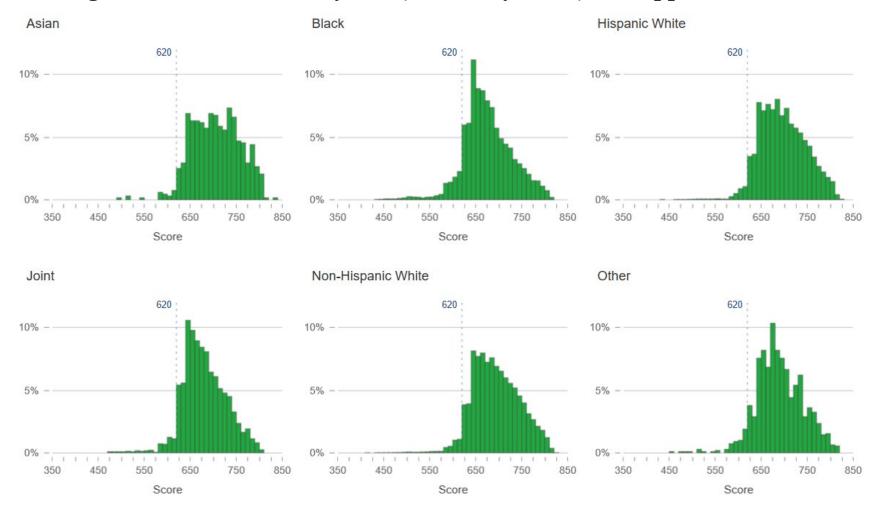


Histogram of Credit Scores by Race/Ethnicity: VA Applications





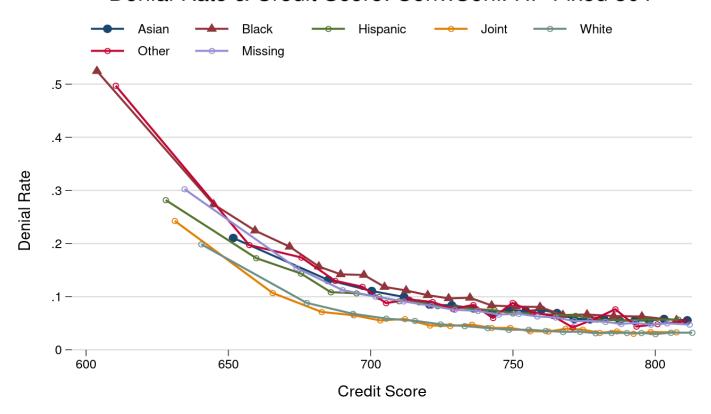
Histogram of Credit Scores by Race/Ethnicity: RHS/FSA Applications





Denial Rates by Credit Score: Conventional Conforming Home-Purchase, 30-Year Fixed Rate Application

Denial Rate & Credit Score: Conv.Conf. HP Fixed 30Y





CLTV by Credit Score: Conventional Conforming Home-Purchase, 30-Year Fixed Rate Application

CLTV & Credit Score: Conv.Conf. HP Fixed 30Y

