DAILYPAY USE AND OUTCOMES
A SUMMARY OF SURVEY FINDINGS
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Study commissioned by dailypay.
DailyPay commissioned Aite-Novarica Group to conduct a survey of its Earned Wage Access customer base.

**Research questions**

- What types of strategies were customers using before DailyPay?
- To what extent is DailyPay a substitute for these previous strategies?
- Have customers’ financial circumstances changed since using DailyPay?
- How do these results differ among users of varying frequency/intensity of DailyPay use?

**Key takeaways**

- **Prior use of expensive/inferior strategies.** Over half of respondents had trouble with financial obligations, and a disproportionate share used payday loans or overdrew their bank account.

- **Substitution not addition.** Users report that DailyPay has allowed them to end or reduce their use of more expensive strategies such as using payday loans, incurring overdraft fees, or paying bills or loans late. Users also report less reliance on friends and family.

- **Perception of overall better financial management.** At least three-quarters of respondents report worrying about money less and being better able to plan and budget since using DailyPay.

**Methodology**

Online survey of 1,114 DailyPay customers
Conducted May 2021
95% confidence interval with 3-point margin of error
Survey respondents were asked about their use of costly (or otherwise arguably inferior) strategies they used before DailyPay—many used more than one.

- Prior to using DailyPay, a disproportionate share of customers took out payday loans or incurred overdraft fees.
- One in seven survey respondents used payday loans and had overdrafts before using DailyPay. An additional 32% either used payday loans or overdrew their accounts before using DailyPay.
The vast majority of prior payday loan users and overdrafters were able to move away from these strategies and attribute this change to DailyPay.

**Payday loans: Before and after**

Q. Before you began using DailyPay, what best describes how frequently you were in payday loan debt? (n=232 DailyPay customers who had used payday loan(s) before using DailyPay)

- Rarely in payday loan debt: 20%
- From time to time throughout the year: 35%
- Much of the year: 17%
- Every month: 28%

95% stopped using payday loans (81%) or reduced use (15%) after using DailyPay (n=232)

Credit DailyPay for this change in payday loan use (n=221)

**Overdrafts: Before and after**

Q. Before you began using DailyPay, about how often did you overdraw your bank account? (n=430 respondents who overdrew/had an overdraft on their bank account before using DailyPay)

- More than once per month: 38%
- About once a month: 21%
- Once every couple of months: 19%
- Occasionally, fewer than four times per year: 22%
- Never or rarely: 20%

97% overdrew their account rarely/never (79%) or less often than they used to (18%) after using DailyPay (n=430)

Credit use of DailyPay for this change in overdrafts (n=416)

Aite Group survey of 1,114 DailyPay customers, May 2021
Similarly, DailyPay users report being able to better manage their bill and loan payments, and to reduce requests for help from friends or family.

**Bill and loan payments: Before and after**

- Q. Before you began using DailyPay, about how often did you have trouble paying bills or making on-time loan payments? (n=656 DailyPay customers whose bill/loan payment(s) were late or missed before using DailyPay)
  - Rarely: 9%
  - A few times per year: 24%
  - Most months: 28%
  - Every month: 39%

- 88% had less trouble with bills and loan payments after using DailyPay (n=656)

**Credit use of DailyPay for this change in ability to make bill/loan payments** (n=575)

- Credit use of DailyPay for this change: 94%

**Help from friends or family: Before and after**

- Q. Before you began using DailyPay, about how often did you ask friends or family for money? (n=543 DailyPay customers who borrowed money from friends or family before using DailyPay)
  - More than once per month: 35%
  - About once a month: 21%
  - Once every couple of months: 18%
  - Occasionally, fewer than four times per year: 26%
  - About once a month: 21%

- 96% don’t ask family or friends for money (64%) or ask less often (33%) after using DailyPay (n=543)

- Credit use of DailyPay for this change in asking friends or family for help (n=522)

- 88%
Overall, a majority of DailyPay users agree that the product has caused them to worry about money less, improved their ability to budget and plan, and allowed them to reduce debt.

- Those respondents who used payday loans and/or incurred overdrafts the most frequently before DailyPay are more likely to strongly agree with many of these statements than those who did not use payday loans or incur overdrafts in the past.
- Likewise, those using DailyPay the most frequently are more likely to agree with many of these statements compared to those who are more occasional DailyPay users.
- Based on the cost of payday loans and overdrafts and reported frequency of use, Aite-Novarica Group estimates that previous frequent payday borrowers saved between US$624 and US$930 per year by switching to DailyPay, and that the most frequent overdrafters saved US$660.
About DailyPay

DailyPay, powered by its industry-leading technology platform, is on a mission to build a new financial system. Partnering with America's best-in-class employers, including Dollar Tree, Berkshire Hathaway and Adecco, DailyPay is the recognized gold-standard in on-demand pay. Through its massive data network, proprietary funding model and connections into over 6,000 endpoints in the banking system, DailyPay works to ensure that money is always in the right place at the right time for employers, merchants and financial institutions. DailyPay is building technology and the mindset to reimagine the way money moves, from the moment work starts. DailyPay is headquartered in New York City, with operations based in Minneapolis.

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