

Arkansas Credit Unions: The Real Story

Tax-paying Arkansas banks compete head to head with tax-exempt credit unions. Although they portray themselves as mom and pop shops for people of modest means, today credit unions are a \$2.3 trillion industry, with many indistinguishable from banks. The BIG difference—they don't pay federal income taxes, depriving the U.S. Treasury of nearly \$3.25 billion every year.

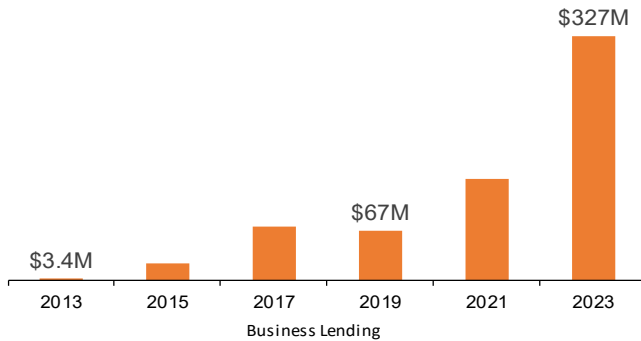
Who Pays the Taxes?

Taxes Paid in 2023		Arkansas Federal Credit Union would have paid \$3.99 million in taxes during 2023, had it paid its fair share.
<u>AR Credit Unions</u>	<u>AR Banks*</u>	
\$0	\$424,426,000	

*Includes all applicable federal, state and local, and foreign income taxes

Indistinguishable from Banks

Arkansas Federal Credit Union used its tax advantage to **aggressively expand** its business lending at an annual rate of **58%** since 2013.

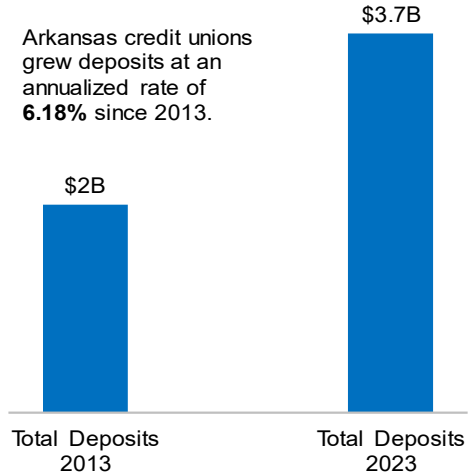


Larger than Most Arkansas Banks

Arkansas Federal Credit Union, with **\$2.4 billion in assets**, is the largest credit union in Arkansas, **larger than 78%** of Arkansas-headquartered banks.

Arkansas Credit Unions Leverage Their Tax Exemption to Grow Deposits

Arkansas credit unions grew deposits at an annualized rate of **6.18%** since 2013.



Large Credit Union Auto Lenders

All of the top five Arkansas-headquartered auto lenders are credit unions.

Institution	Auto Loans (\$000)
Arkansas Federal Credit Union	255,238
Telcoe Federal Credit Union	3,681
Timberline Federal Credit Union	3,125
Alcoa Community Federal Credit Union	759
TruService Community Federal Credit Union	168

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