

Alabama Credit Unions: The Real Story

Tax-paying Alabama 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?

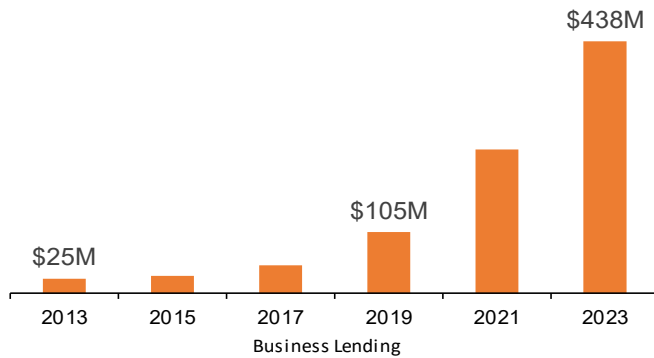
Taxes Paid in 2023	
AL Credit Unions	AL Banks*
\$0	\$728,871,000

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

Redstone Federal Credit Union would have paid \$23.3 million in taxes during 2023, had it paid its fair share.

Indistinguishable from Banks

Alabama Credit Union used its tax advantage to **aggressively expand** its business lending at an annual rate of **33%** since 2013.

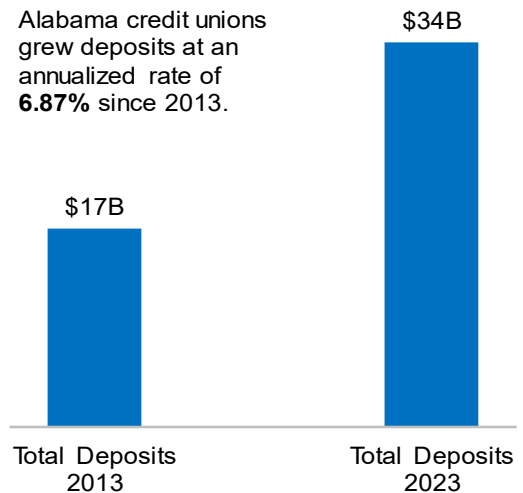


Larger than Most Alabama Banks

Redstone Federal Credit Union, with **\$7.5 billion in assets**, is the largest credit union in Alabama, **larger than 97%** of Alabama-headquartered banks.

Alabama Credit Unions Leverage Their Tax Exemption to Grow Deposits

Alabama credit unions grew deposits at an annualized rate of **6.87%** since 2013.



Large Credit Union Auto Lenders

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

Institution	Auto Loans (\$000)
Redstone Federal Credit Union	371,347
Alabama Credit Union	365,717
Listerhill Credit Union	256,336
Alabama One Credit Union	235,576
MAX Credit Union	227,937