Missouri Credit Unions: The Real Story

Tax-paying Missouri 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

MO Credit Unions

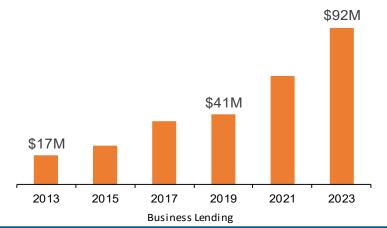
MO Banks* \$706,443,000

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

First Community Credit Union would have paid \$4.4 million in taxes during 2023, had it paid its fair share.

Indistinguishable from Banks

Assemblies of God Credit Union used its tax advantage to **aggressively expand** its business lending at an annual rate of 18% since 2013.



Large Credit Union Auto Lenders

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

Institution	Auto Loans (\$000)
Whitefish Credit Union Association	146,531
Clearwater Federal Credit Union	122,022
Grasslands Federal Credit Union	43,065
Altana Federal Credit Union	31,257
Richland Federal Credit Union	29,927

Larger than Most Missouri Banks

First Community Credit Union, Inc., with **\$4.1 billion in assets**, is the largest credit union in Missouri, **larger than 98%** of Missouri-headquartered banks.

Missouri Credit Unions Leverage Their Tax Exemption to Grow Deposits

