



Maryland Credit Unions: The Real Story

Tax-paying Maryland 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 \$2.2 trillion industry, with many indistinguishable from banks. The BIG difference—they don't pay federal income taxes, depriving the U.S. Treasury of nearly \$3.1 billion every year.

Who Pays the Taxes?	
MD Credit Unions MD Banks* \$0 \$217,051,000 *Includes all applicable federal, state and local, and foreign income taxes	Lafayette Federal Credit Union would have paid \$14.7 million in taxes during 2022, had it paid its fair share.
Indistinguishable from Banks	Larger than Most Maryland Banks
Municipal Employees Credit Union of Baltimore used its tax advantage to \$120.9M aggressively expand its business lending at an annual rate of 26% since 2012.	State Employees Credit Union of Maryland, with \$5.3 billion in assets , is the largest credit union in Maryland, larger than all but two Maryland-headquartered banks.
	Maryland Credit Unions Leverage Their Tax Exemption to Grow Deposits
\$34.8M	\$30.6 Billion
\$12.3M	Maryland credit unions grew deposits at an annualized rate of 5.4% since 2012.
2012 2014 2016 2018 2020 2022	\$17.1 Billion
Large Credit Union Auto Lenders	
The top five Maryland- headquartered auto lenders are credit unions	
InstitutionAuto Loans (\$000)NASA FCU948,243Tower FCU882,534Aberdeen Proving Ground FCU854,571State Employees Credit Union of Maryland384,023	
Educational Systems FCU 368,327	2012 2022

