



## **Missisippi Credit Unions: The Real Story**

Tax-paying Mississippi 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?	
MS Credit Unions MS Banks*   \$0 \$418,783,000   *Includes all applicable federal, state and local, and foreign income taxes	<b>Keesler Federal Credit Union</b> would have paid <b>\$9.5M in taxes</b> during 2022, had it paid its fair share.
Indistinguishable from Banks	Larger than Most Mississippi Banks
Hope Federal Credit Union used its tax advantage to <b>aggressively expand</b> its business lending at an annual rate of <b>9%</b> since 2012.	Keesler Federal Credit Union, with <b>\$4.2 billion in assets</b> , is the largest credit union in Mississippi, <b>larger than 90%</b> of all Mississippi-headquartered banks.
\$37.5M 2012 2014 2016 2018 2020 2022	Mississippi Credit Unions Leverage Their Tax Exemption to Grow Deposits Mississippi credit unions grew deposits at an \$6.7 Billion annualized rate of <b>5.7%</b>
Large Credit Union Auto Lenders	since 2012.
three out of the top six Mississippi- headquartered auto lenders are credit unions. AutoAutoInstitutionLoans (\$000)Keesler FCU1,501,959Navigator CU134,935Singing River FCU133,694Hancock Whitney Bank126,731	\$3.9 Billion
Sunbelt FCU 89,346 Magnolia FCU 65,475	2012 2022

