



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

Tax-paying Oklahoma 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?

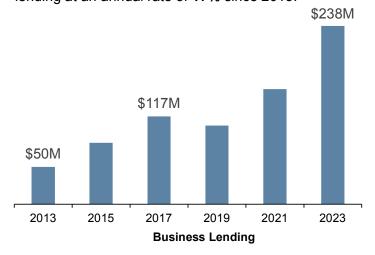
Taxes Paid in 2023

OK Credit Unions \$0 OK Banks\* \$311,288,000 **Tinker Federal Credit Union** would have paid \$15.4 million in taxes during 2023, had it paid its fair share.

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

#### Indistinguishable from Banks

Weokie Federal Credit Union used its tax advantage to **aggressively expand** its business lending at an annual rate of **17%** since 2013.



#### **Large Credit Union Auto Lenders**

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

Institution	Auto Loans (\$000)
Tinker Federal Credit Union	306,291
Weokie Federal Credit Union	249,634
WeStreet Federal Credit Union	222,251
Truity Federal Credit Union	80,814
Oklahoma's Credit Union	80,354

### **Larger than Most Oklahoma Banks**

Tinker Federal Credit Union, with \$5.9 billion in assets, is the largest credit union in Oklahoma, larger than 98% of Oklahoma headquartered banks.

## Oklahoma Credit Unions Leverage Their Tax Exemption to Grow Deposits

