



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

Tax-paying Tennessee 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?	
Taxes Paid in 2022 <u>TN Credit Unions</u> <u>TN Banks*</u> \$0       \$659,162,000         *Includes all applicable federal, state and local, and foreign income taxes         Indistinguishable from Banks	Eastman Credit Union would have paid \$28.3 million in taxes during 2022, had it paid its fair share. Larger than Most Tennessee Banks
Enrichment Federal Credit Union used its tax advantage to <b>aggressively expand</b> its \$77M business lending at an annual rate of 22% since 2012.	Eastman Credit Union, with <b>\$7.5 billion in assets</b> , is the largest credit union in Tennessee, <b>larger than all but three</b> Tennessee-headquartered banks.
\$31M \$10M	Tennessee Credit Unions Leverage Their Tax Exemption to Grow Deposits Tennessee credit unions grew deposits at an annualized rate of 7.7% since 2012.
201220142016201820202022Large Credit Union Auto LendersThe top five Tennesse- headquartered auto lenders are credit unionsInstitutionAuto Loans (\$000)Knoxville TVA Employees Credit Union1,905,060Eastman Credit Union1,711,962Ascend Federal Credit Union1,118,629	\$16.1 Billion
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