

Michigan Credit Unions: The Real Story

Tax-paying Michigan 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 \$2.1 trillion industry, with many indistinguishable from banks. The BIG difference—they don't pay federal income taxes, depriving the U.S. Treasury of nearly \$4.5 billion every year.

Who Pays the Taxes?

Taxes Paid in 2021

MI Credit Unions
\$0

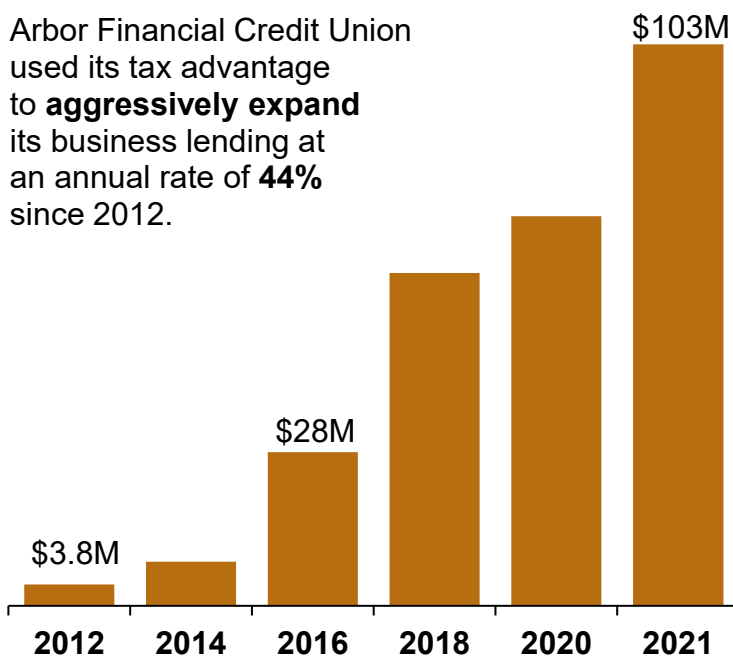
MI Banks*
\$368,402,000

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

Lake Michigan Credit Union would have paid \$33 million in taxes during 2021, had it paid its fair share.

Indistinguishable from Banks

Arbor Financial Credit Union used its tax advantage to **aggressively expand** its business lending at an annual rate of **44%** since 2012.

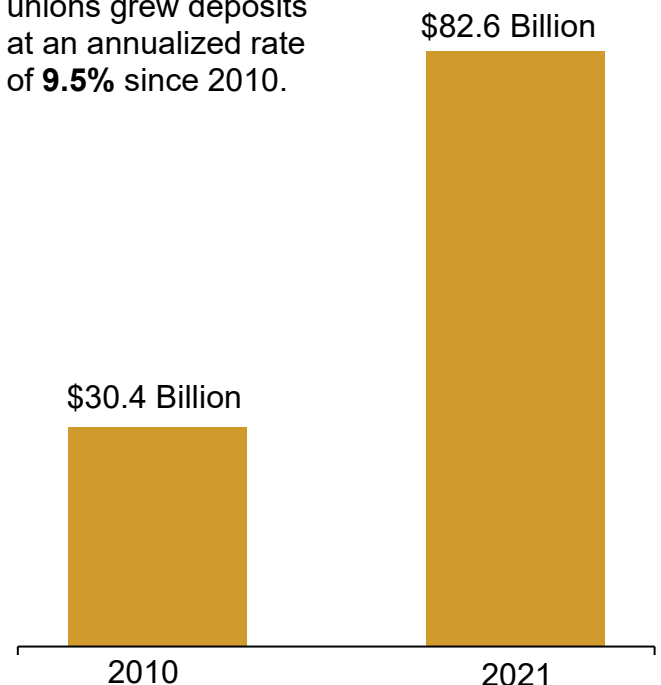


Larger than Most Michigan Banks

Lake Michigan Credit Union, with **\$11.7 billion in assets**, is the largest credit union in Michigan, **larger than all but one** Michigan-headquartered banks.

Michigan Credit Unions Leverage Their Tax Exemption to Grow Deposits

Michigan credit unions grew deposits at an annualized rate of **9.5%** since 2010.



Large Credit Union Deposits

Credit Unions are the **three of the top four largest** MI headquarterd depository institutions.

Institution	Deposits (\$000)
Flagstar Bank FSB	17,578,901
Lake Michigan CU	8,948,960
DFCU Financial	5,408,684
Michigan State University FCU	5,322,223
Independent Bank	3,928,765