



Nebraska Credit Unions: The Real Story

Tax-paying Nebraska 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

NE Credit Unions \$0

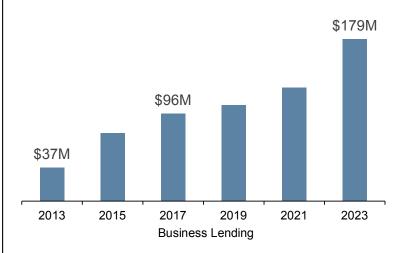
NE Banks* \$180,998,000

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

Centris Federal Credit Union would have paid \$2.51 million in taxes during 2023, had it paid its fair share.

Indistinguishable from Banks

Cobalt 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 Nebraska-headquartered auto lenders are credit unions.

Institution	Auto Loans (\$000)
Cobalt Federal Credit Union	186,074
Centris Federal Credit Union	85,305
The Archer Cooperative Credit Union	45,166
Liberty First Credit Union	13,451
Siouxland Federal Credit Union	3,454

Larger than Most Nebraska Banks

Centris Federal Credit Union, with \$1.3 billion in assets, is the largest credit union in Nebraska, larger than 93% of Nebraska-headquartered banks.

Nebraska Credit Unions Leverage Their Tax Exemption to Grow Deposits

Nebraska credit unions

grew deposits at an annualized rate of 5.56% since 2013.

\$3.2B

Total Deposits 2023