

# Maine Credit Union League

# **Metrics that Matter**

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One mission.

One focus.

For nearly 40 years.



#### **OUR MISSION**

We empower credit unions to impact their members and communities in meaningful ways.

#### **OUR VISION**

We inspire credit union leaders to be catalysts of hope and prosperity for their communities.







### What we'll discuss today

- Introductions
  - What's Going on in the US and Maine?
  - The Power of Purpose
- (Financial) Metrics that Matter

Tying it Together



What's Going on in Credit Unions?





#### The latest economic news: Continued resilience

#### The economic "soft landing" narrative continues to gain steam

- Job growth was higher than expected in September 2024
- Unemployment is down, hourly wages are up
- Federal Reserve's interest rate cuts are expected to continue through 2024
- Inflation is nearing the Fed's target rate

#### Consumer sentiment remains cautious

- Less than ¼ of Americans rate the economy as "good" or "excellent"
- Lower and middle income families are under strain
- Consumers continue to cut back on non-essential spending



#### What does this mean for credit unions?

- Asset Growth is flat, share growth is up, loan growth is down
- Delinquency increases continue
- Higher provision expense means lower net income YoY

#### Consumers look to credit unions when the going gets tough

- A slow economic cycle allows our business model to shine
- Opportunities abound to lean into our strengths and grow impact



What do we see in Maine?





#### The latest economic news in Maine

- GDP is slowing
- Housing challenges persist in both affordability and availability
- Labor market remains tight
- Federal funding has been secured for future economic and community development efforts

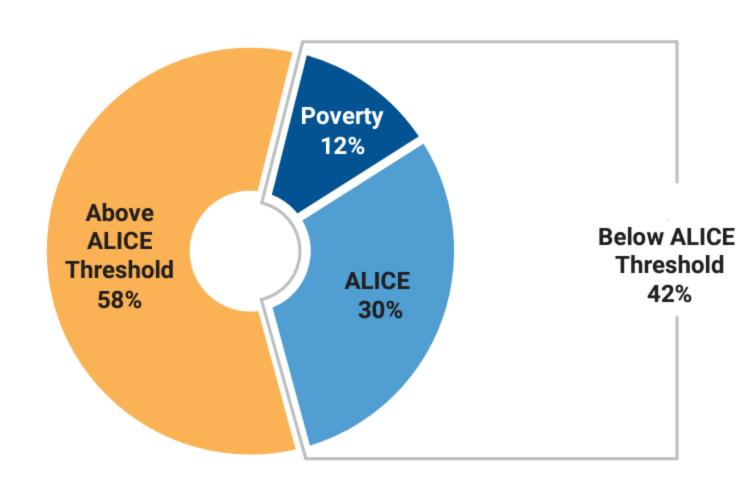
#### In Maine Credit Unions we see:

- ROA is falling due to higher operating expenses and loan loss provisions
- Strong member relationships



#### What does this mean for consumers in Maine?

- 49% of Mainers believe their financial condition has gotten worse since last year
- 79% of Mainers are unable to afford the median home price
- Only 41% under the Alice threshold have emergency savings





# The Power of Purpose





"People don't buy what you do, they buy WHY you do it."

- SIMON SINEK





# **Credit Unions are Facing Challenges**





# Callahan's Strategic Growth Framework





Purpose defined: the intersection of

Who are we - what are our authentic and distinctive strengths?

What human need do we fulfill in society?

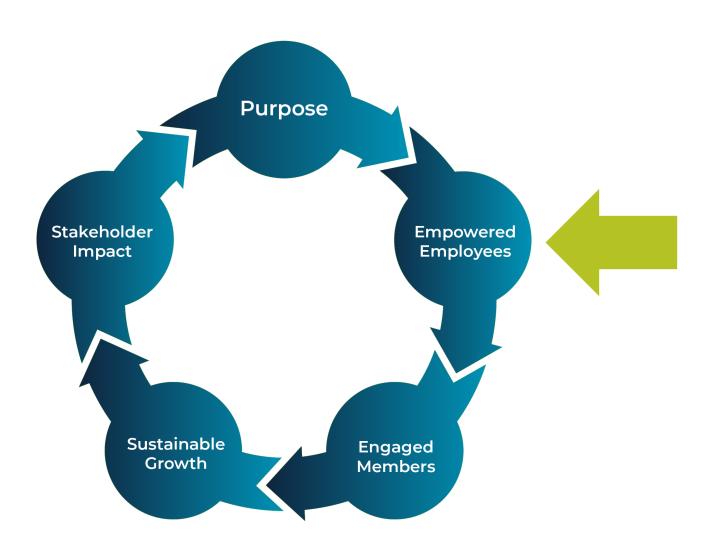


# Why does Purpose Matter?

- 1. Your **Purpose** is the foundation on which everything else in the credit union is built.
- 2. A **well-embedded purpose** guides long-term strategy, provides a clear context for daily decision-making, and unifies and motivates stakeholders.



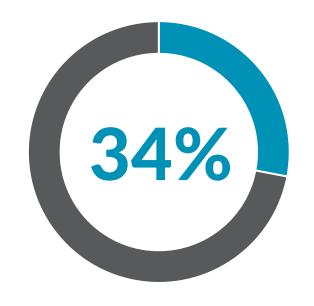
# Employees want Purpose



A PwC survey found that employees consider purpose to be ~ 2 times more important than measures like career advancement and compensation.

# **Employees Identify A Purpose Gap**







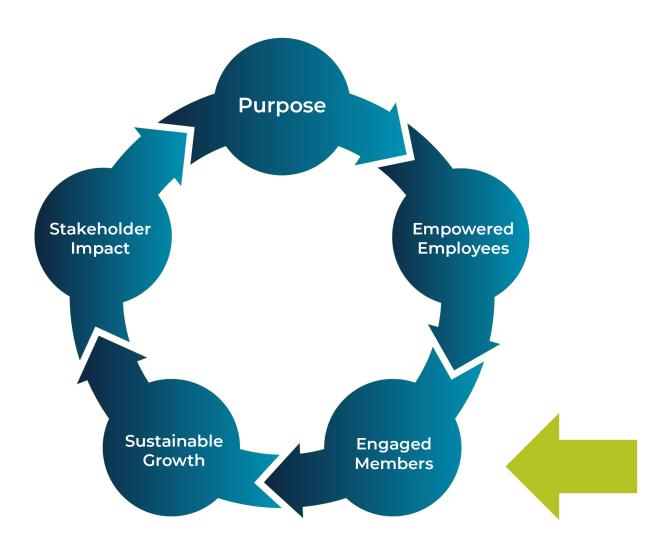
Reported feeling fully connected to their company's purpose.

Thought they strongly contributed to their company's success.

Said they could clearly see the value they create.



# Members want to Feel Purpose

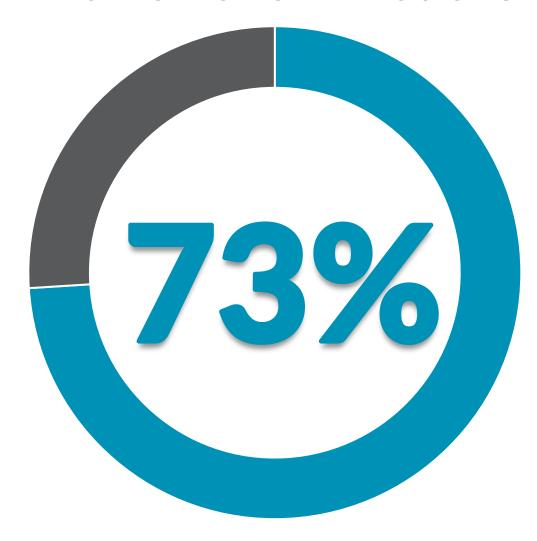


## Making an Emotional Connection





#### The Power of Emotional Connection



of credit union members are fully engaged when they strongly agree that their credit union cares about their financial wellbeing.

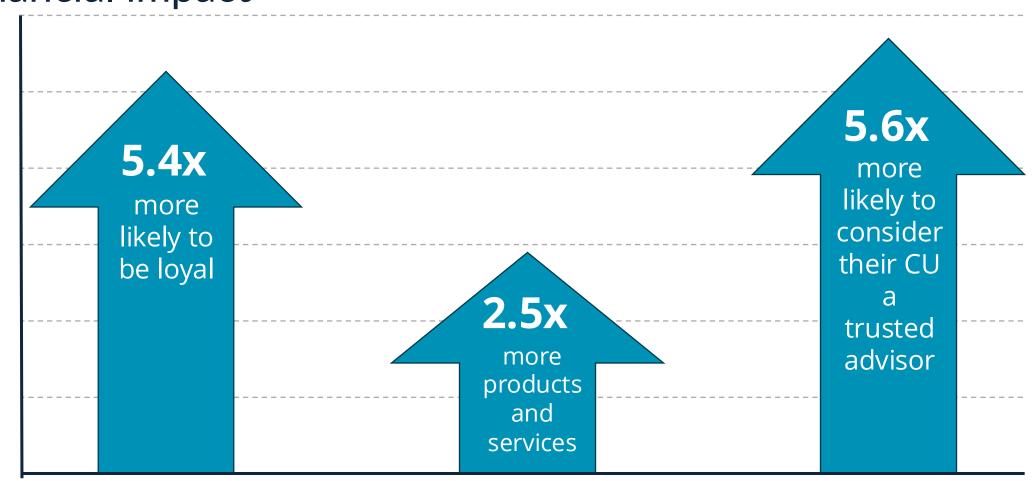




# Purpose and the Bottom Line



When members feel cared about, there is a positive financial impact





# Metrics that Matter

Begin and end with Purpose.

Stakeholder Impact

Sustainable Engaged
Growth Members

Purpose

**Empowered** 

Employees



# Metrics that Matter



Growth



Earnings



Loans



Capital



Efficiency



Relationships

# Setting the Stage: What are we looking at?

- All credit union in Maine are represented with a blue trend line
- National CUs between \$150-250M are represented with a yellow trend line





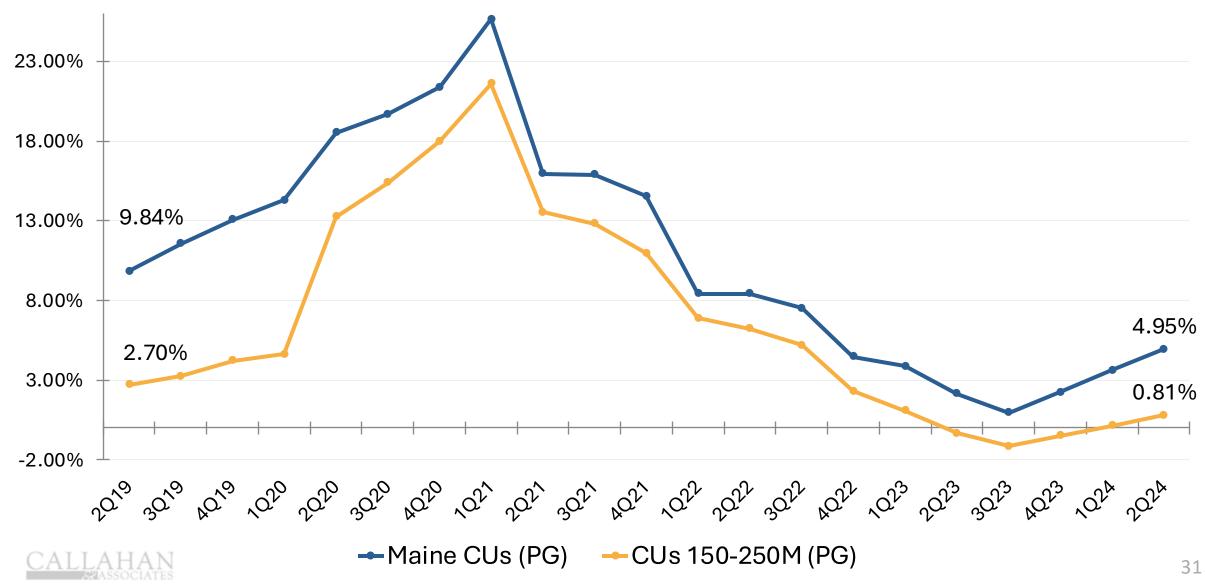
# Why **Growth** Matters

- Allows us to amplify purpose
- Strengthens our financial foundation
- Increases visibility and relevance



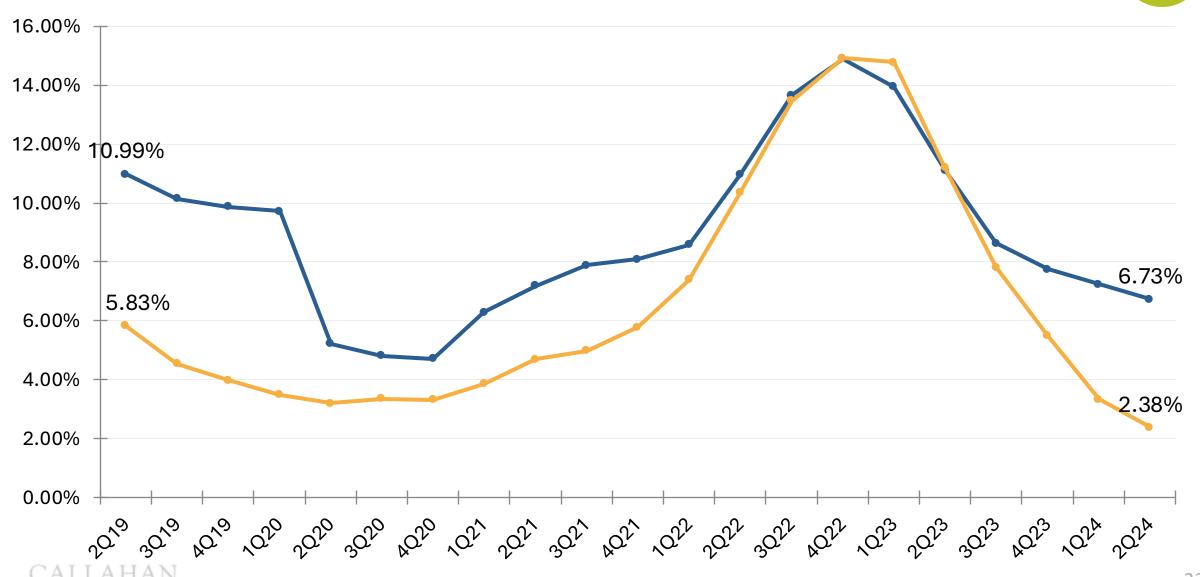
### **Share Growth**





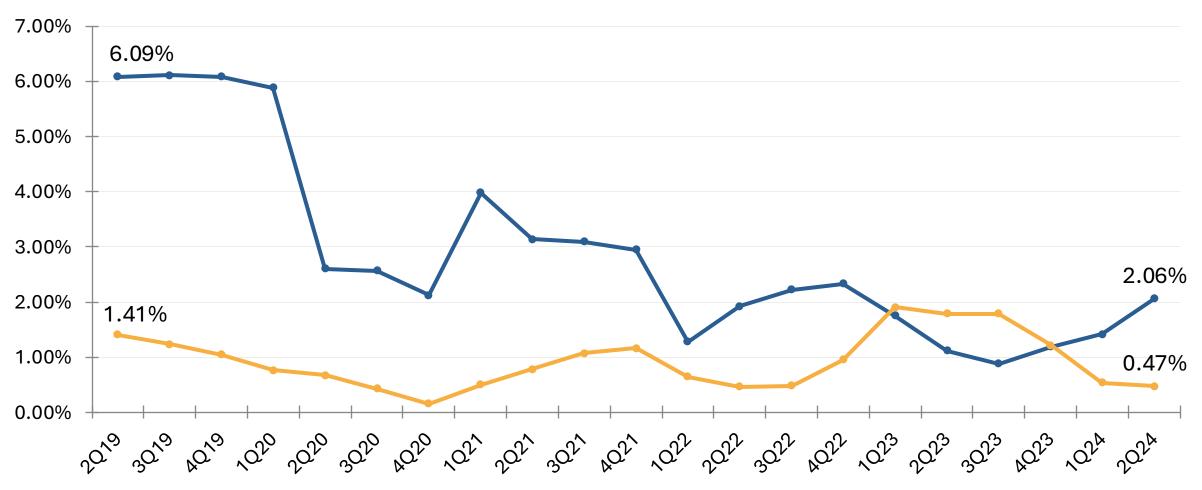
### **Loan Growth**





### **Member Growth**









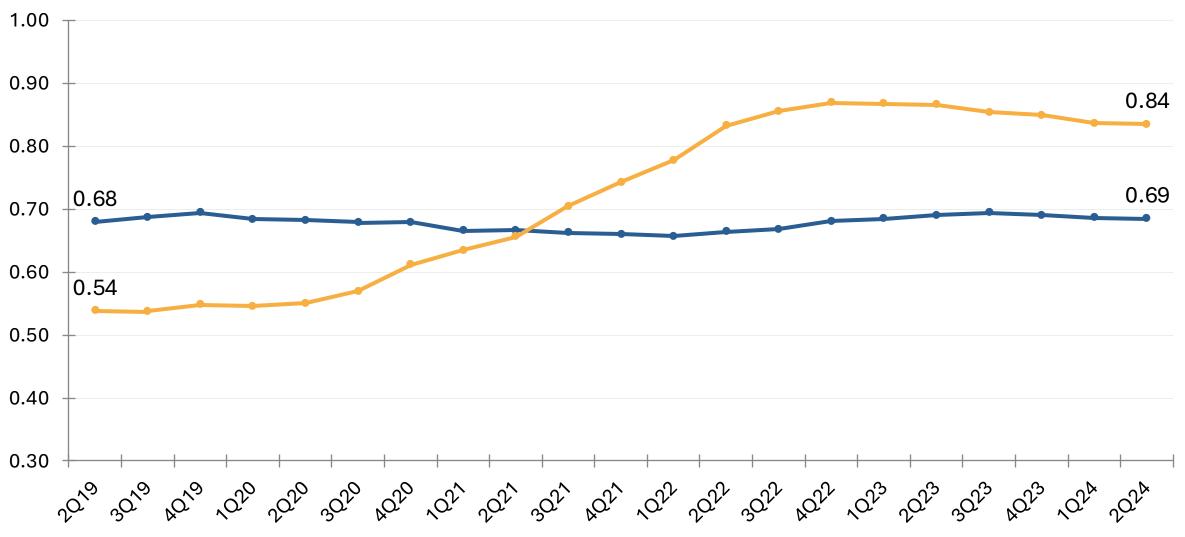
# Why **Lending** Matters

- Indicator of member engagement
- Supports financial inclusion
- Generates revenue



### Loans per Member



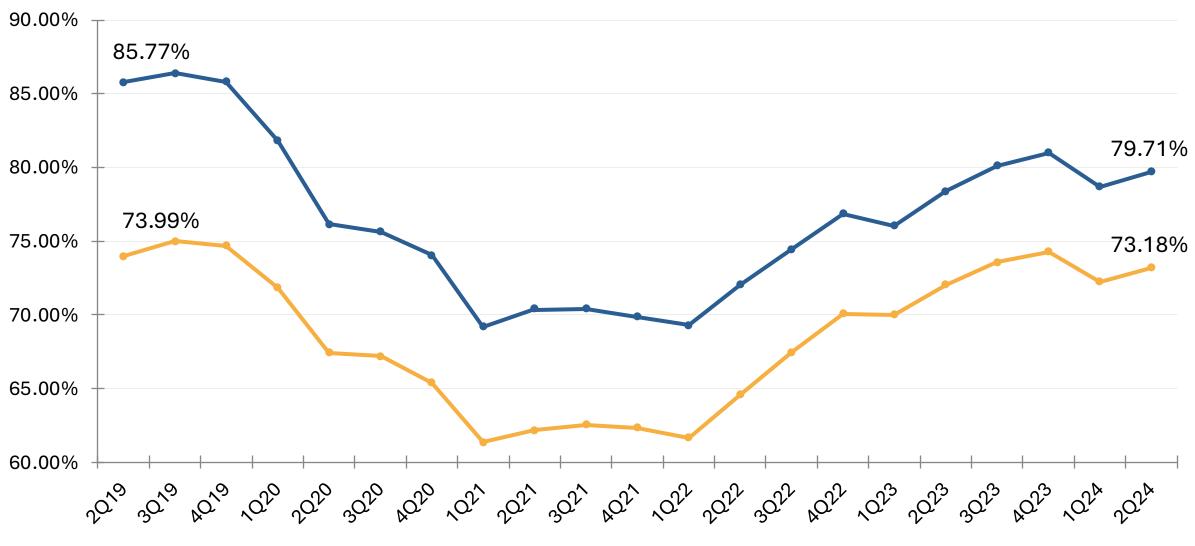




→ Maine CUs (PG) 
→ CUs 150-250M (PG)

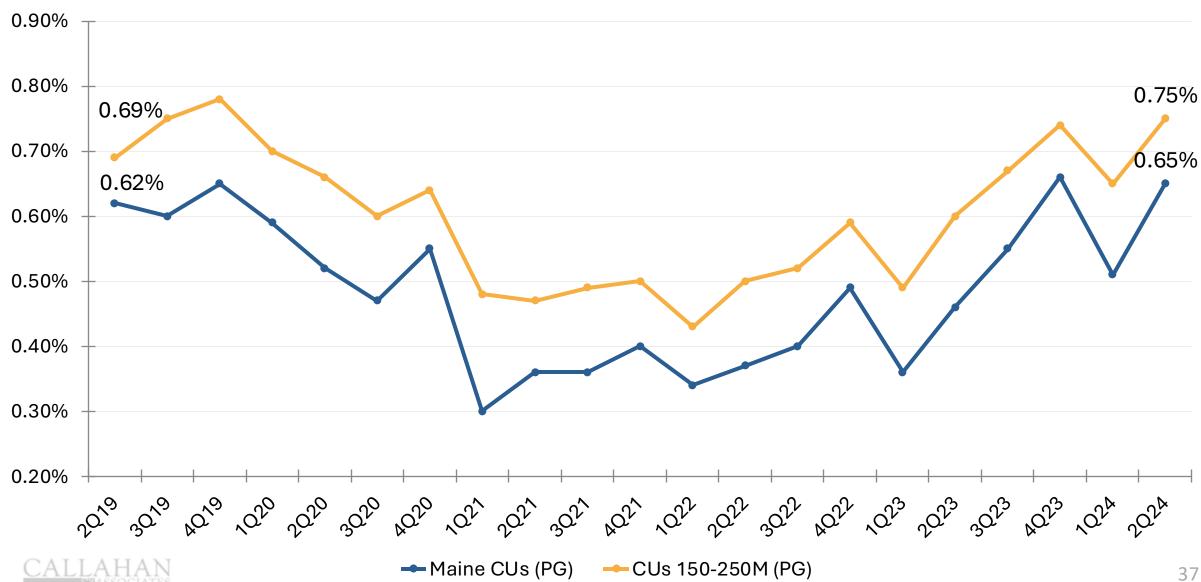
#### **Loans-to-Shares**





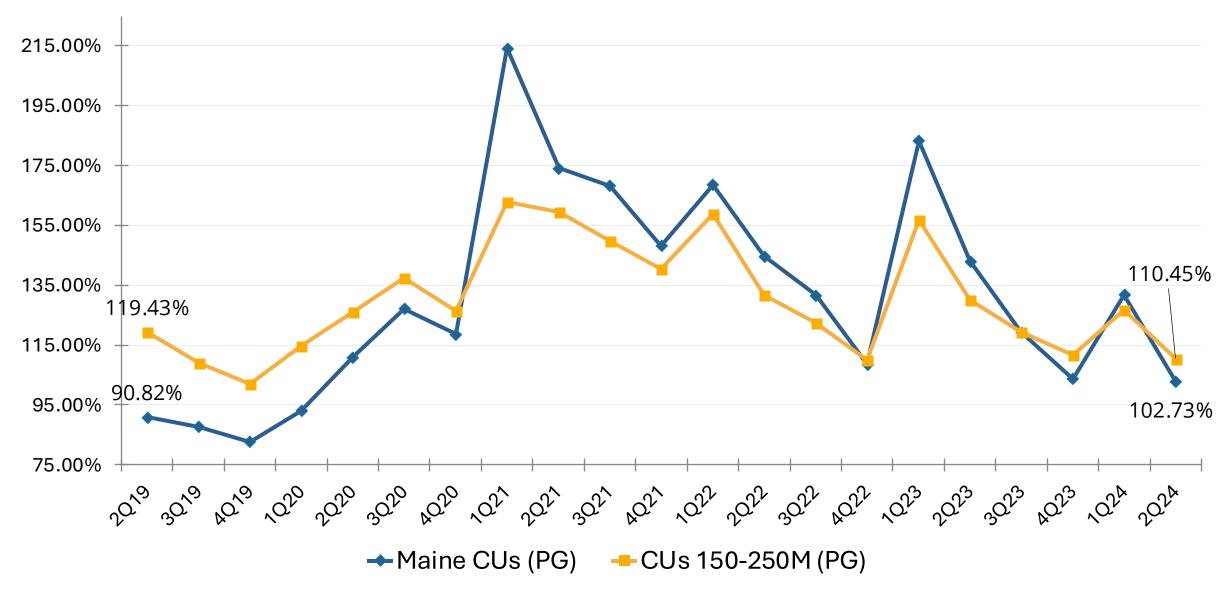
### **Delinquency Ratio**





### Coverage Ratio: allowance / delinquent loans







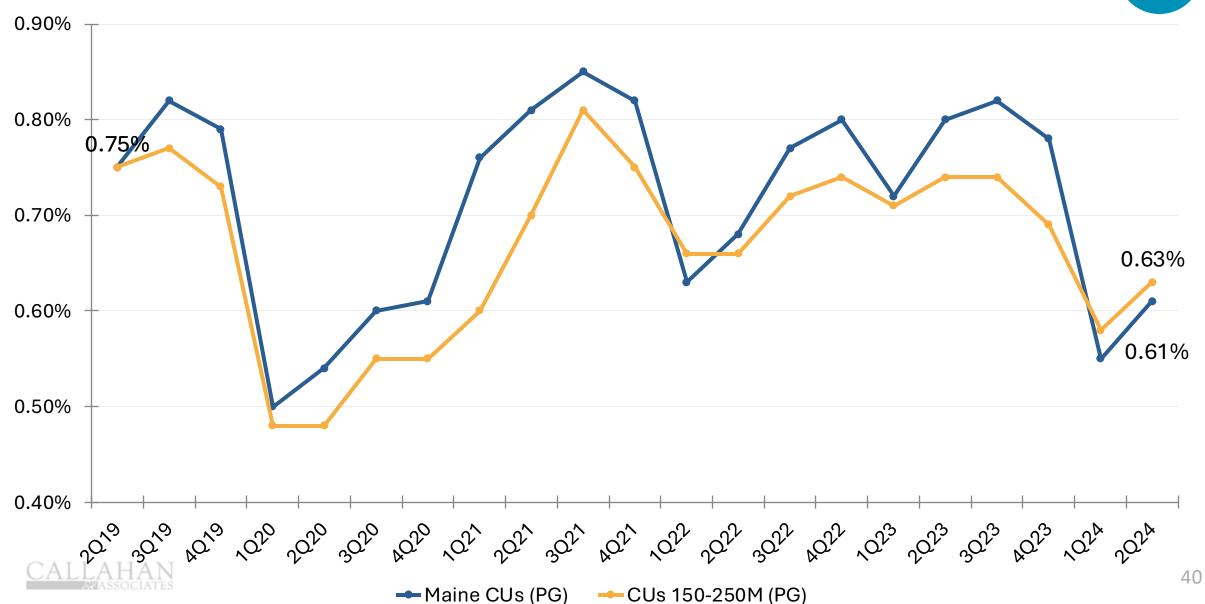
## Why Earnings Matter

- Aligns with purpose
- Indicator of financial health
- Demonstrates financial resilience



#### **Return on Assets (ROA)**





### **Earnings Model Comparisons**

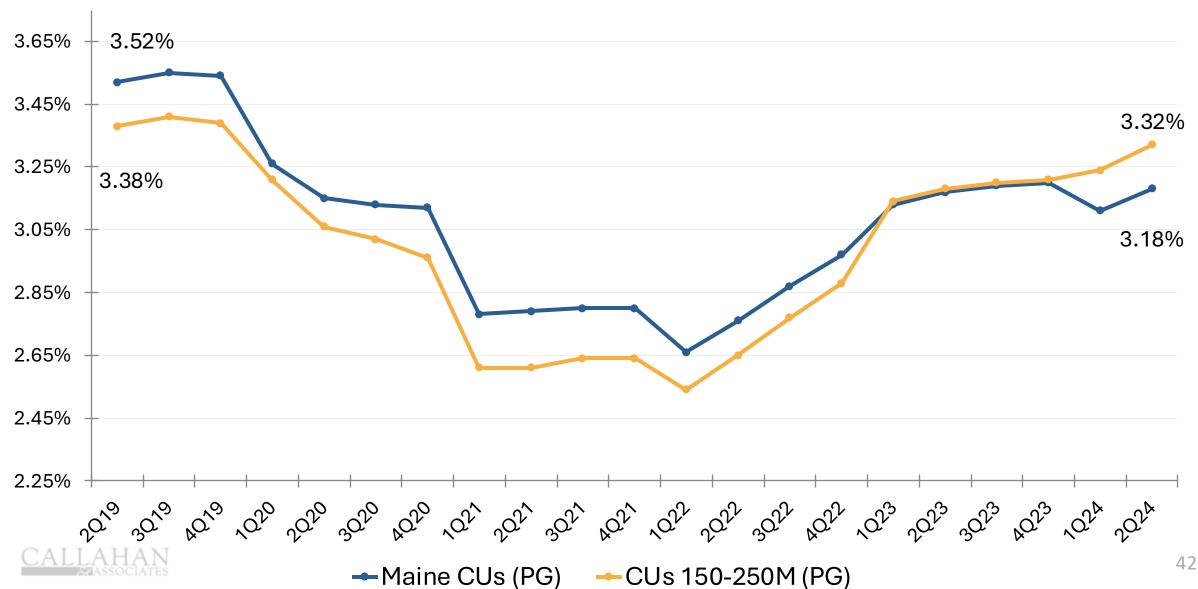
Data as of 6.30.2024

	Maine CUs	National CUs \$150- \$250M
Interest Income	4.84%	4.60%
Interest Expense	1.66%	1.28%
Net Interest Margin	3.18%	3.32%
Non-interest Income	1.25%	1.20%
Operating Expenses	3.64%	3.60%
Provision for Loan Losses	0.19%	0.29%
= ROA	0.61%	0.63%



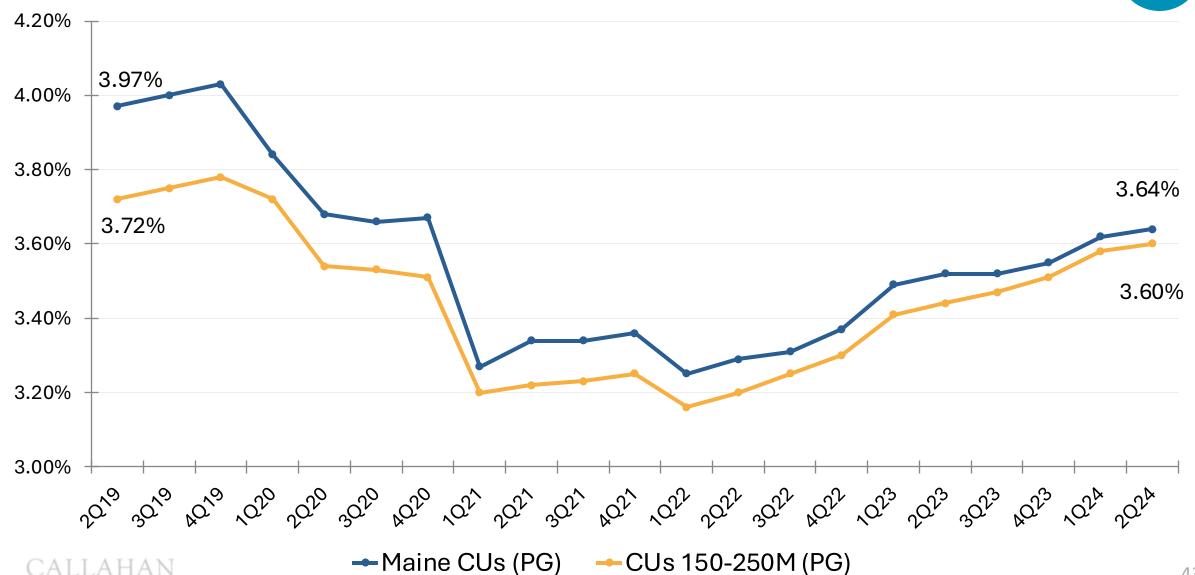
### **Net Interest Margin**



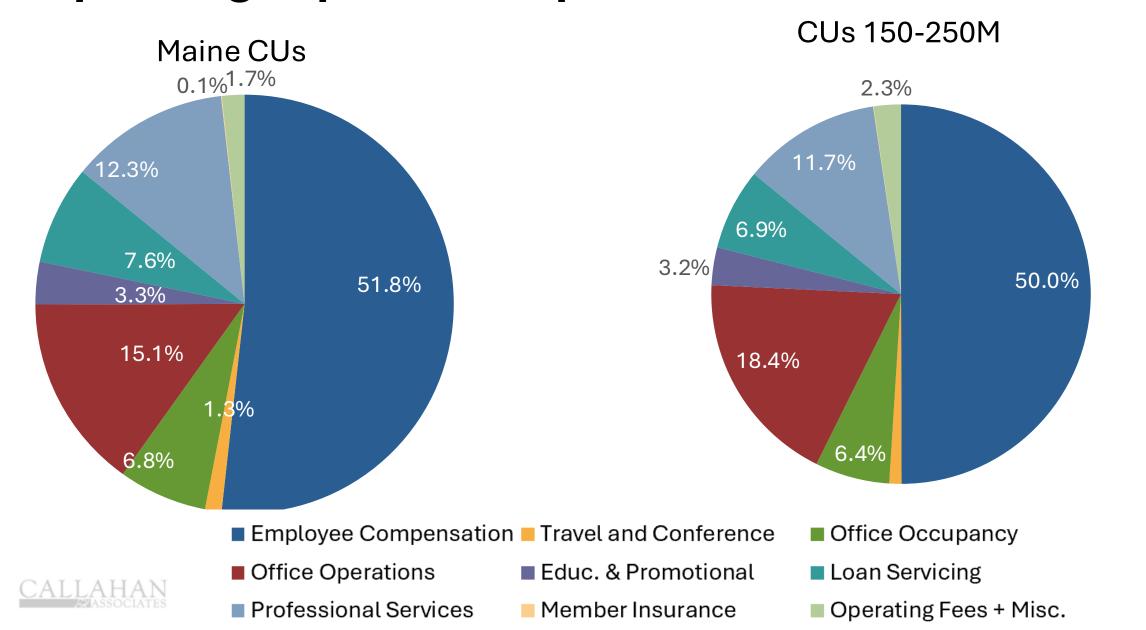


### **Operating Expense Ratio**



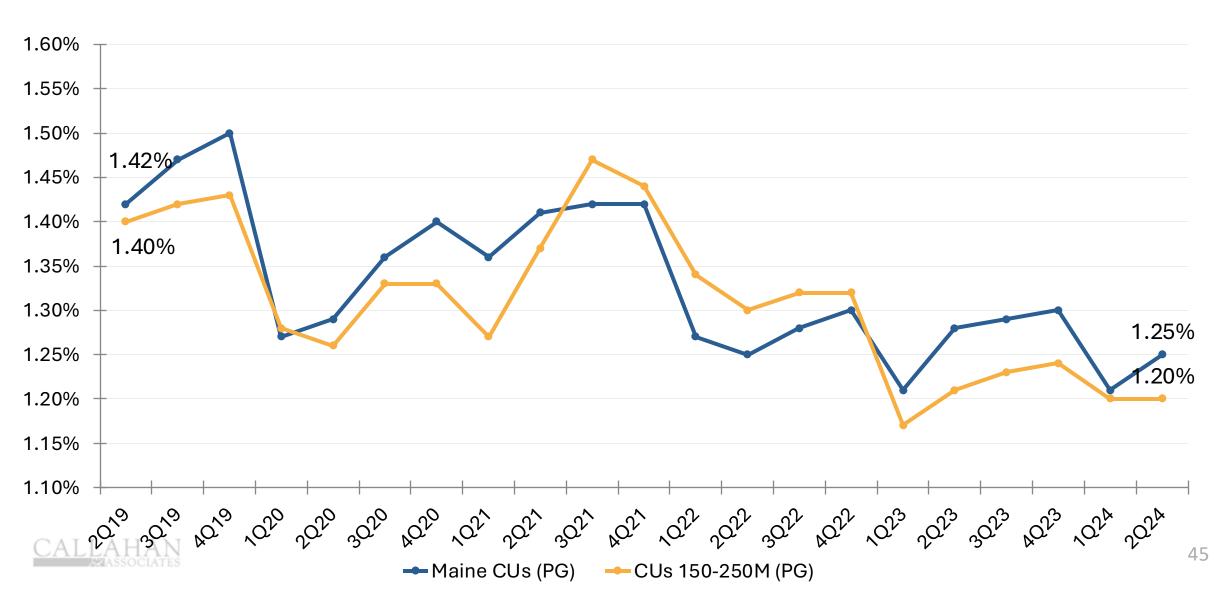


### **Operating Expense Compisition**

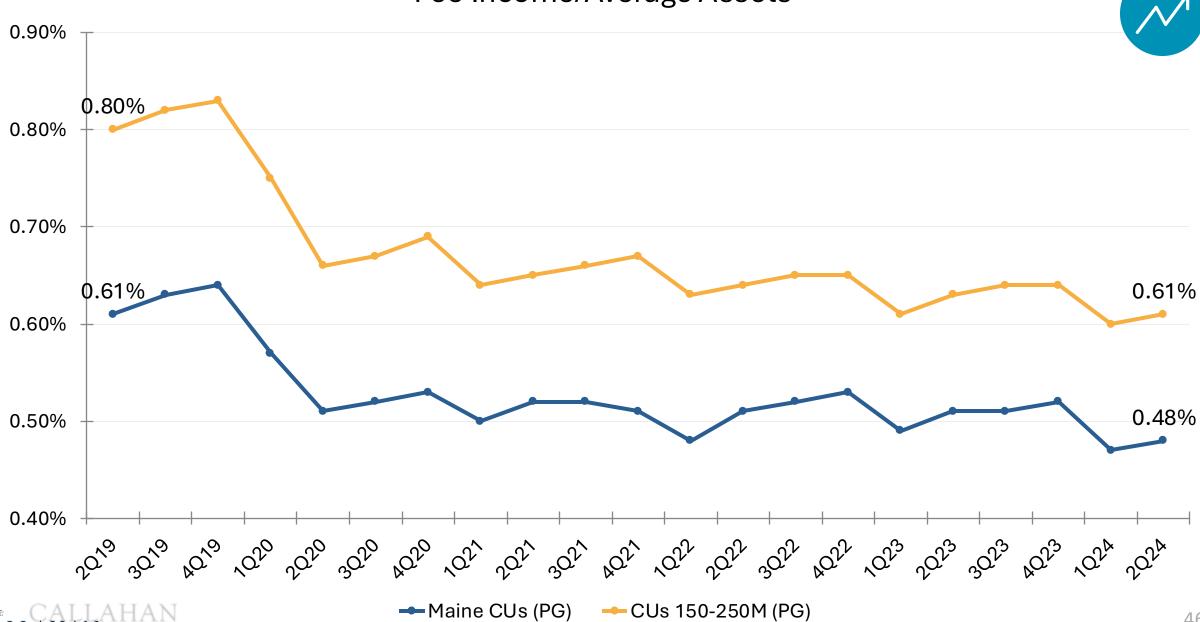


#### Non-interest income





#### Fee Income/Average Assets

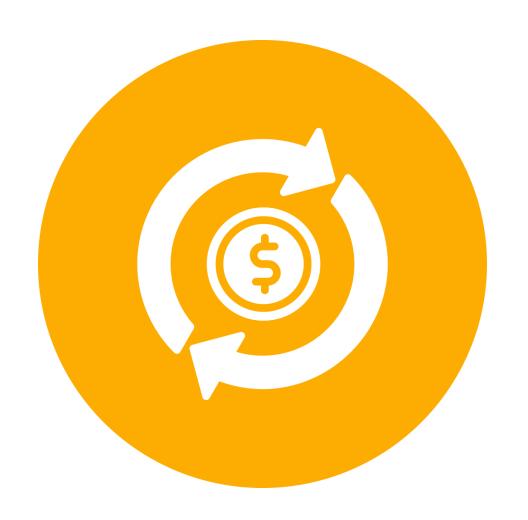












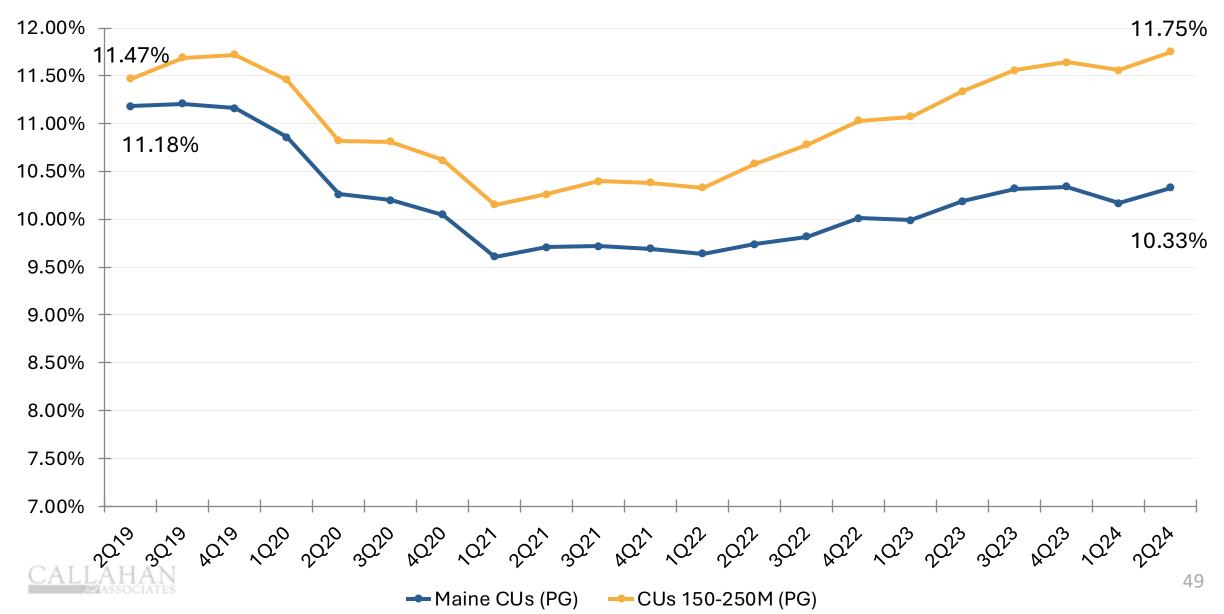
### Why Capital Matters

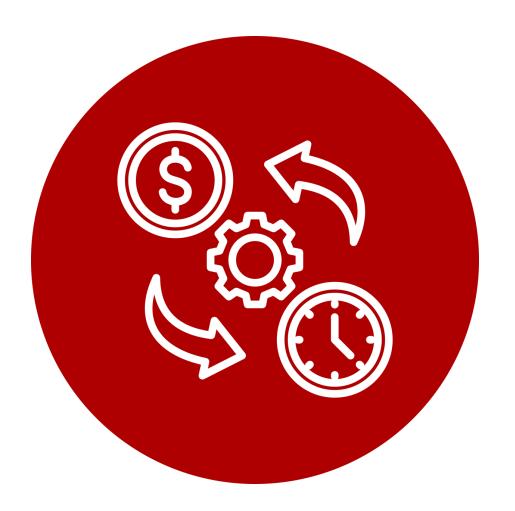
- Supports our purpose
- Provides a financial buffer
- Offers flexibility for calculated risks



#### **Net Worth Ratio**







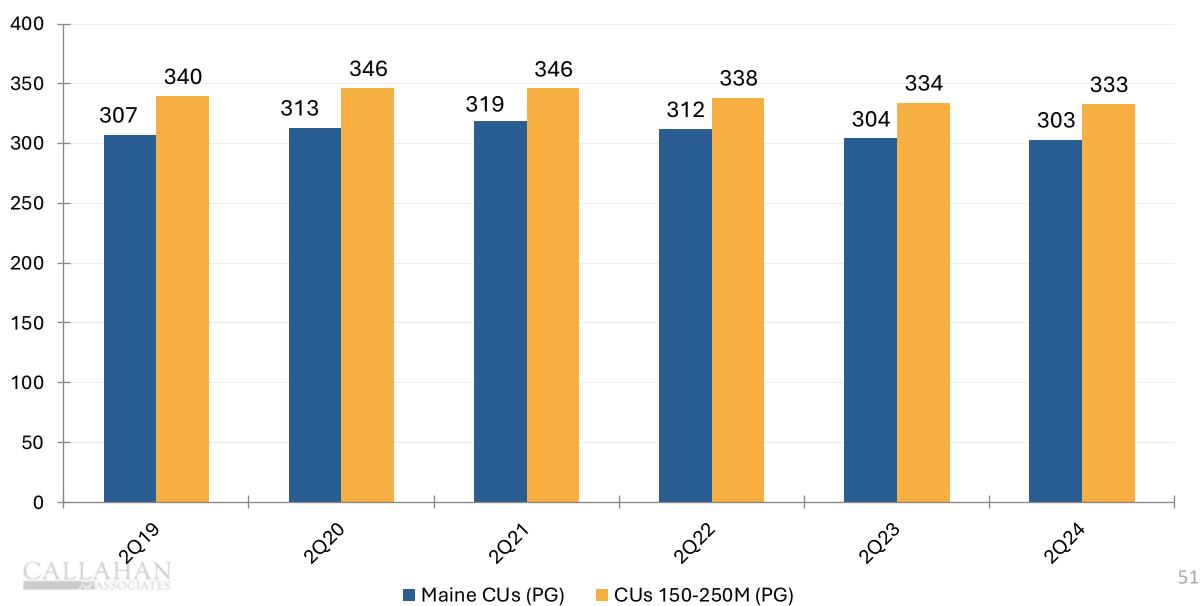
### Why **Efficiency** Matters

- Enables Purpose
- Improves member value
- Supports community impact



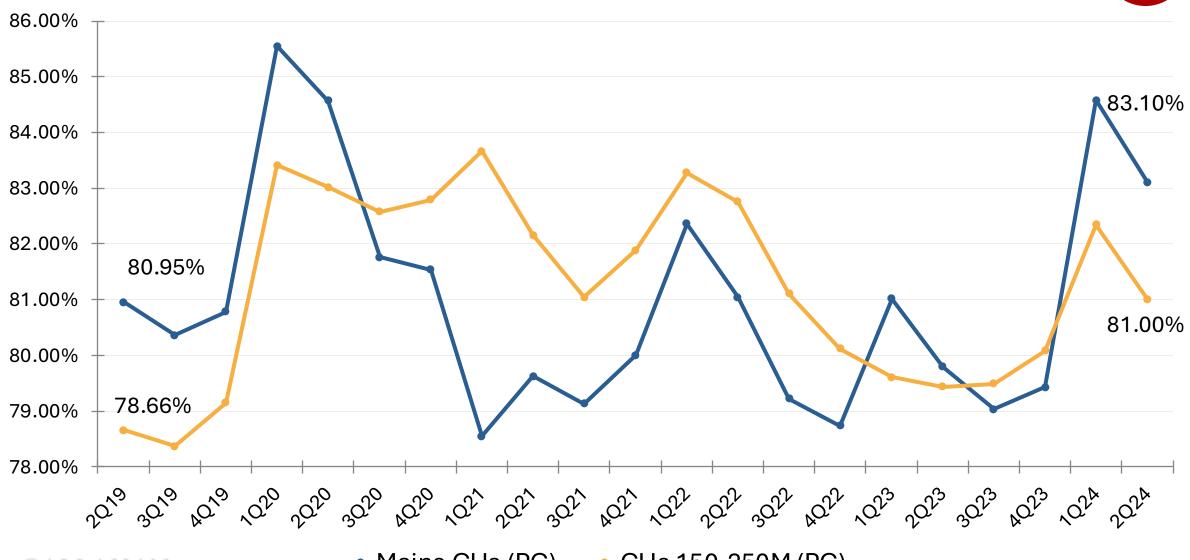
### Members per Employee





### **Efficiency Ratio (excl. PLL)**







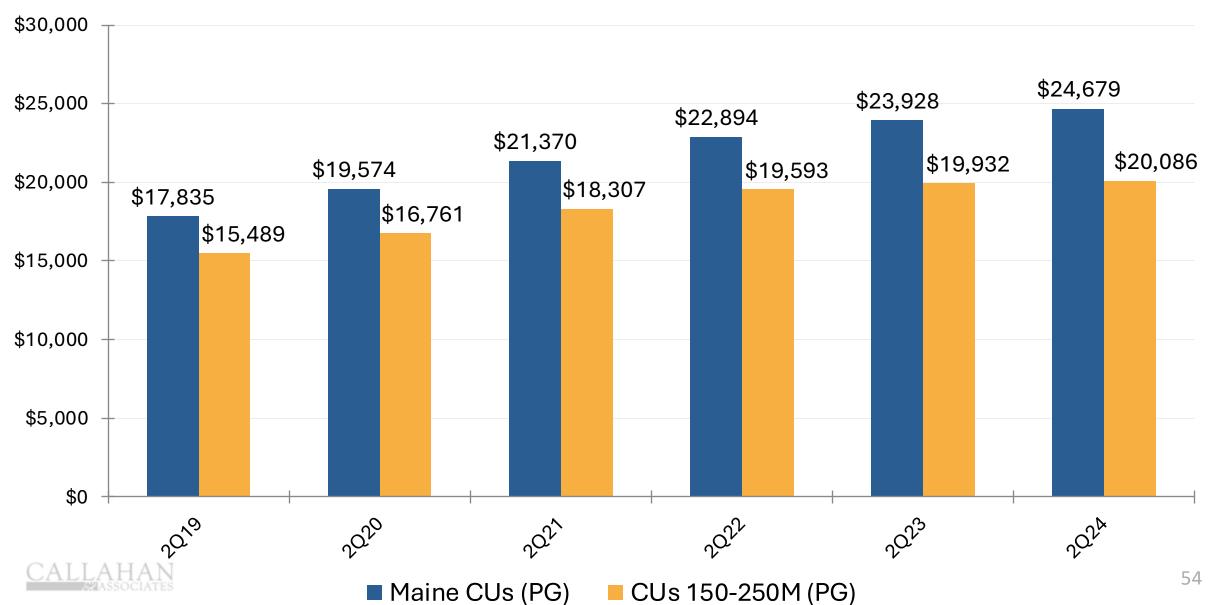
### Why Relationships Matters

- Drives Purpose
- Builds trust and credibility
- Supports community impact



### **Average Member Relationship (excl. Commercial)**

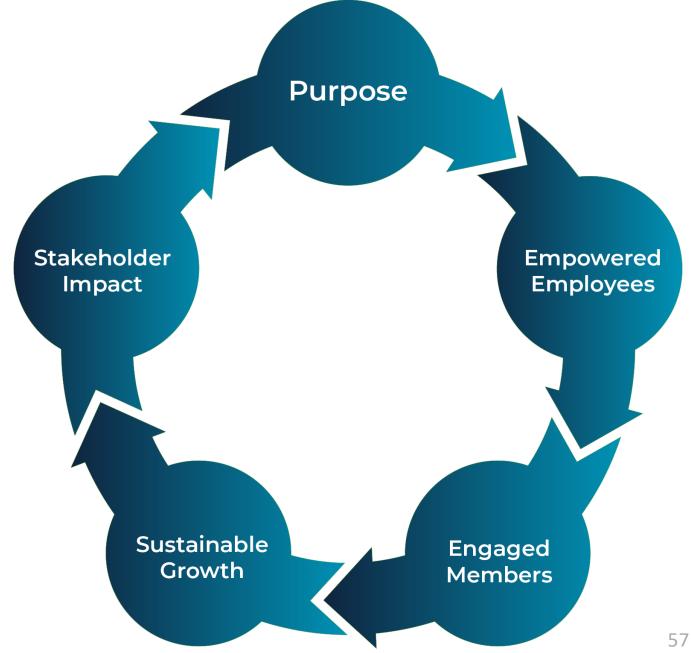








### **Purpose Matters**





#### **Metrics also Matter**



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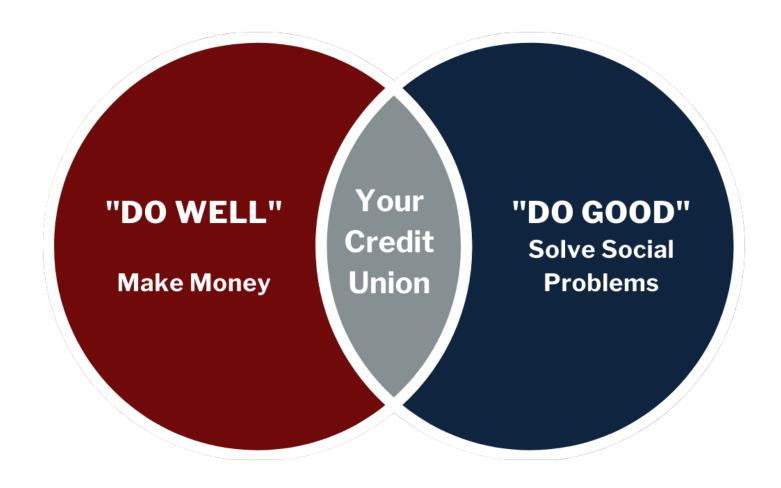
Efficiency



Relationships



# It is not only possible to do well, while doing good - in fact, it's an imperative to do both.





### **Metrics that Matter** Purpose Stakeholder **Empowered** Begin and end Impact Employees

with Purpose.

Sustainable

Growth

Engaged Members



#### Thank You!

15 Key Ratios Reference guide



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