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# **Credit Card Management Series**

# Credit Card Market Overview & Credit Union Performance

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# **The CCMS Purpose**

- Provide market intelligence including performance trends, competitive events and market evolution.
- Build staff skills and expertise in managing your credit card program to growth, profitability and member value.
- Share proven tactical approaches and specific action items which you can use immediately.
- Design and provide fair and competitive products that your entire organization can deliver with pride.
- Put you in a position to demonstrate your program's future potential and advocate for the resources it merits.



# Logistics

- We target 45-60 minutes, and will stick around for Q&A
- We'll try to handle all questions at the end.
- Downloadable slides available via the link sent by Callahan (but happy to send myself: tkolk@trkadvisors.com)
- Callahan will provide a link to the recording once ready
- We have two more session later in the year:

August: Calculating Credit Card Profitability

September: Mapping Products to Members (Segmentation)



# Ok, Enough of That

### Today we look to include the following:

- The four critical priorities of any loan product
- A look at market trends and how credit unions have performed as compared to large bank competitors
- Discuss why credit card is the most important asset-side product you offer
- Quick review of some market developments and research



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### **Profitability**

All of that PLUS Operating Expenses, Cost of funds, Marketing Campaigns, Rewards...

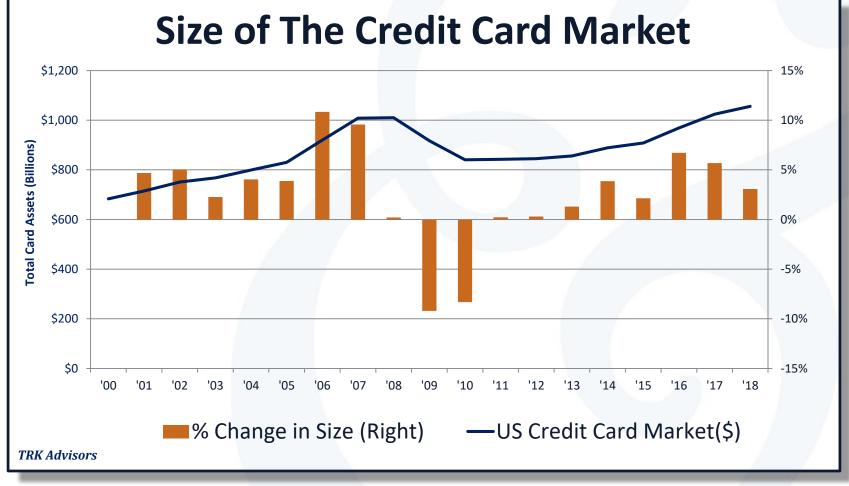


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# Market Trends (Feel good, but don't admit it)



### **Every Increase is a New Record**

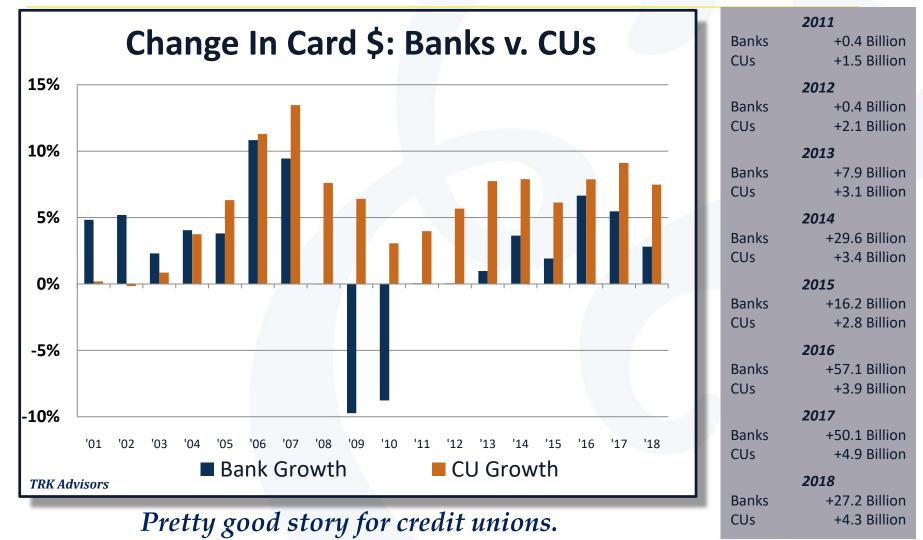


### Is slowing growth a signal?

Sources: Banks: Federal Reserve G.19, All Unsecured Lending



### **How Have Credit Unions Done?**



Sources: Banks: Federal Reserve G.19, All Unsecured Lending; Credit Unions: NCUA 5300 Reports



### Large Issuer Results (so many #s!)

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CitiBank	108,570	404,930	56,654	38,500	68%	\$2,820	\$10,518	3.7
Bank of America	107,408	357,646	42,827	28,555	67%	\$3,761	\$12,525	3.3
Capital One	100,210	336,910	90,470	47,700	53%	\$2,101	\$7,063	3.4
Wells Fargo	41,239	131,704	17,510	9,870	56%	\$4,178	\$13,344	3.2
US Bank	39,582	144,731	22,442	11,323	50%	\$3,496	\$12,782	3.7
Barclays	26,391	79,060	10,920	7,680	70%	\$3,436	\$10,294	3.0
Synchrony	23,131	54,369	25,874	14,347	55%	\$1,612	\$3,790	2.4
USAA	17,388	42,901	5,395	4,260	79%	\$4,082	\$10,071	2.5
Navy FCU	16,661	21,714	3,146	2,286	73%	\$7,288	\$9,499	1.3
Total, Top 10	\$ 637,212	\$2,313,449	348,989	204,731	59%	\$3,112	\$11,300	3.6
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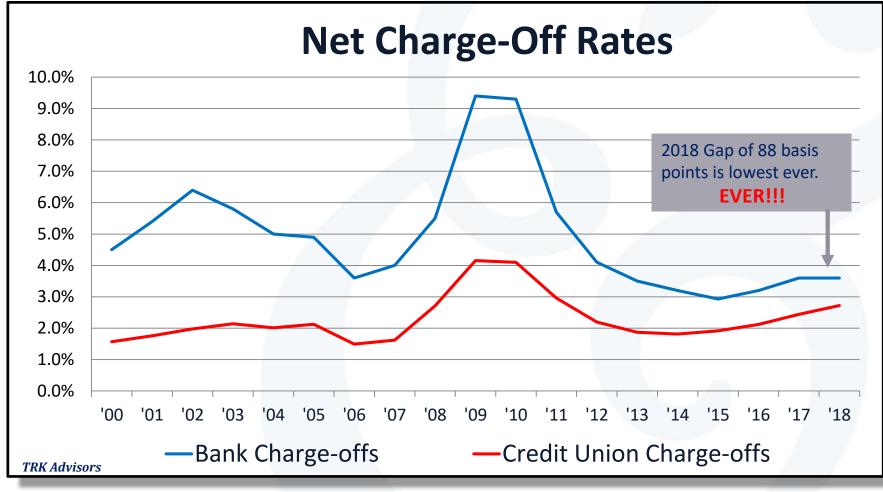
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### Work Pays Off, Cruise Control Does Not

- Big get most: Navy has 27% of all CU balances, took 52% of CU growth
- Without Navy FCU credit union market grew at 4.6%... oh my
- % falling behind is increasing. Even largest are not immune



# **Credit Risk: A Change?**



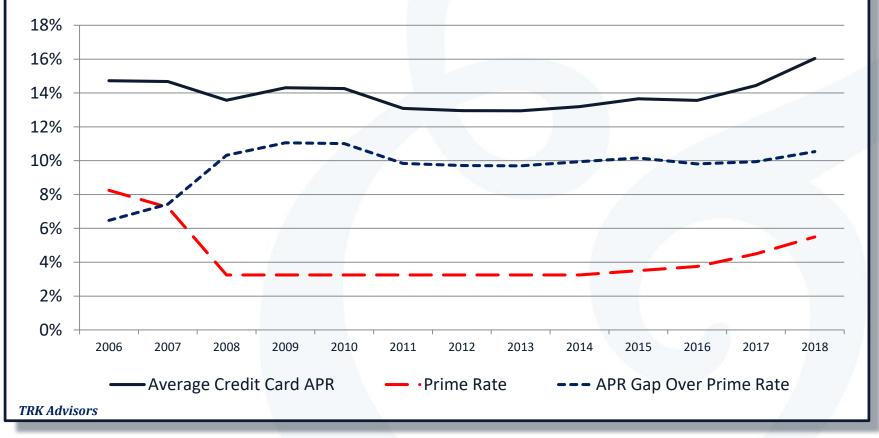
### Compression & Uptick (more to come?)

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### Tell Me About Rates, Please



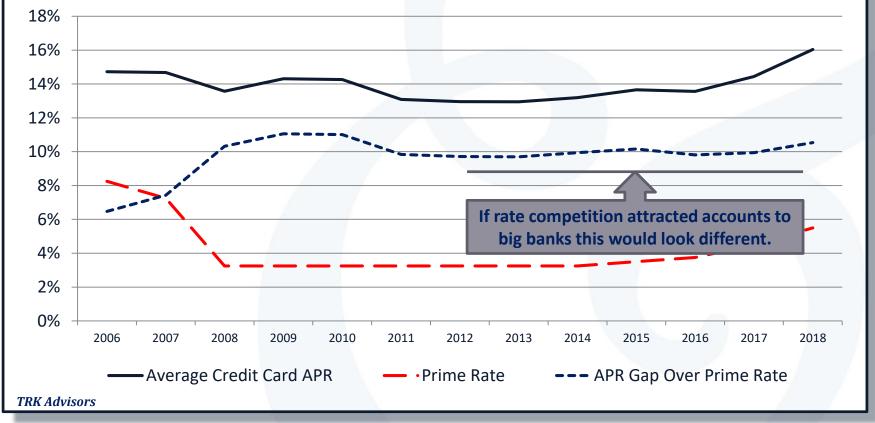


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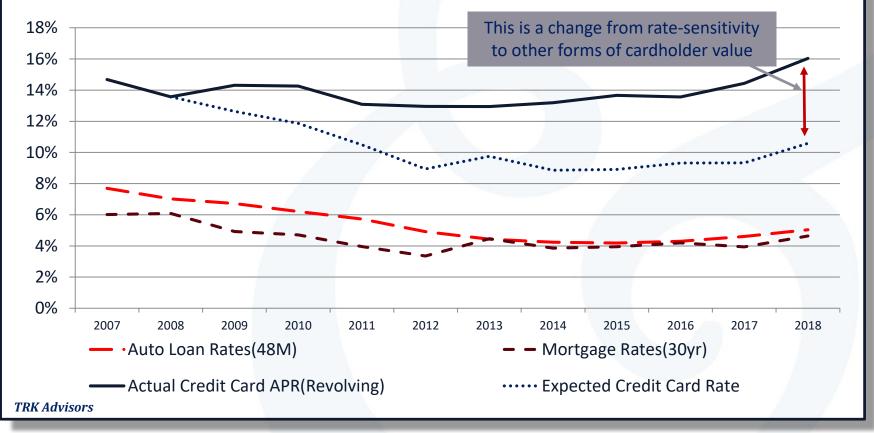
### How much do you talk about rate? About rewards (& how)?

Sources: Federal Reserve G.19



### **Card: Permanently Higher Rates**

### Avg. Card APR vs Other Consumer Loans

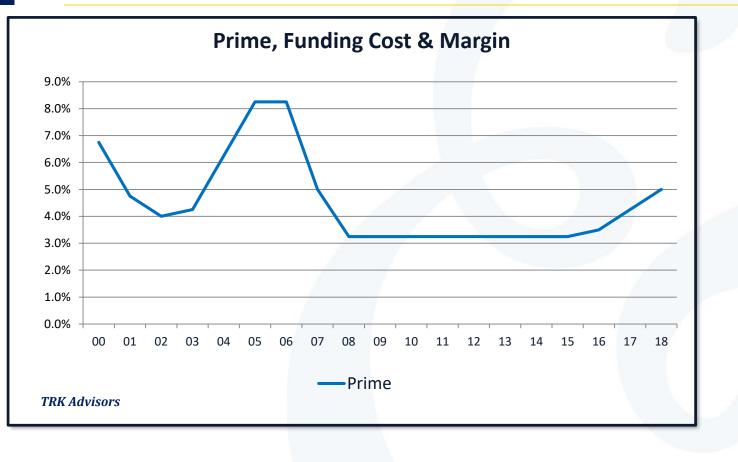


### See card value from consumers eyes, not old-timey CU eyes.

Sources: Federal Reserve G.19 for auto and credit card rates; Mortgage News Daily for mortgage rates.



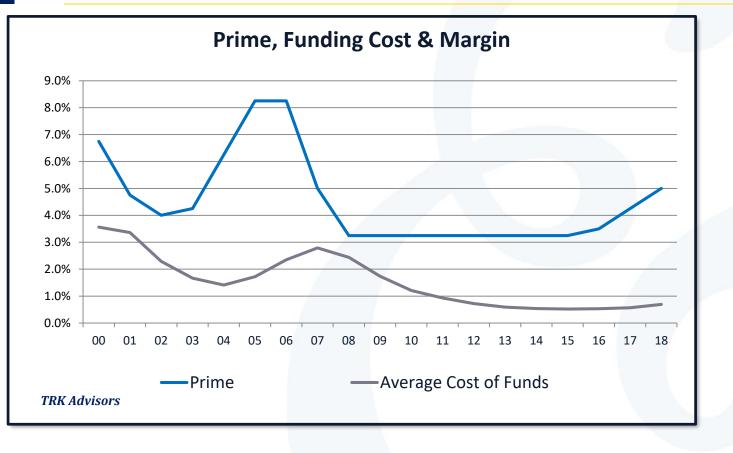
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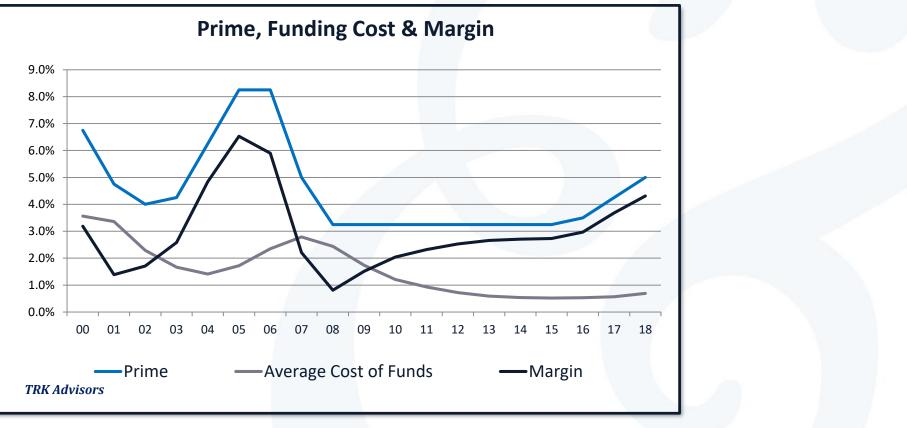
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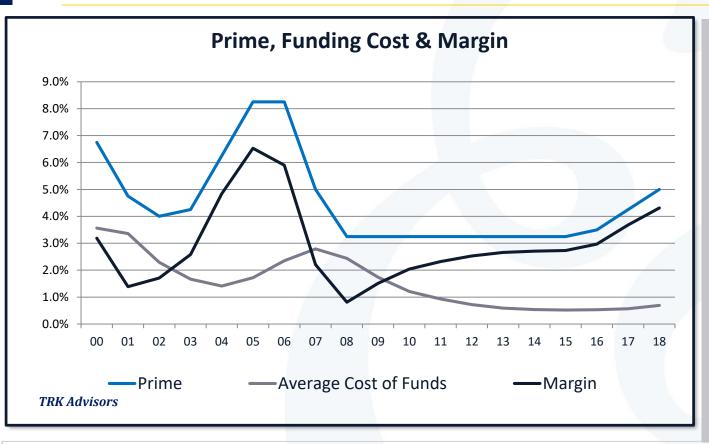
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### **This Is Fundamentally Important**



#### **For Variable Rate Cards**

- When Prime rises, margins rise.
- When margins rise, profits rise.
- Like all profits: keep them, or use them to grow. A nice option.

#### For Non-Variable Cards

- You missed the increase
- You do not have the same \$ to invest for member value.
- Great for some members, but a failure for most.

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## Four Realities from All of This

- 1. Take advantage of improving margins to either:
  - a) Make extra money and spend on other things, or
  - b) Make extra money and invest in the card program
- 2. Promotional offers matter (rate & rewards)
- 3. 1% reward value is weak
- 4. Signature/World are now mass market

**Card program failure is a slow motion wreck.** Did I mention that 80% of CU programs grew at below CU average rates?



## **Profitability Expectations?**

- Coming out of the recession, profitability moved toward record highs: historically low charge-offs, historically low cost of funds, APR's permanently increased.
- Last few years has remained high: increasing marketing competition and reward costs, offset by increasing Prime Rate (unless you were fixed rate...oops)





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Told ya!

### **Possible Paths**

1) Prime does not change

- ✓ Yield level, Cost of Funds up
- ✓ Profitability takes a modest hit

### 2) Prime increases

- ✓ Yield up, Cost of Funds up
- ✓ Profitability probably keeps improving
- ✓ But for many the 18% cap is becoming a problem

### 3) Prime decreases

- ✓ Yield down, Cost of Funds probably still up
- ✓ Profitability takes an immediate hit





## **Regulators Making Business Decisions**

# The NCUA is disadvantaging credit union credit card programs for no good reason.

18% Rate Cap

- NCUA voted to maintain the cap as rates were rising
- Most credit unions now have variable rates and riskbased pricing. This is new(ish).
- If you have a tier at P+12.5% you are now at the cap. All future rate increases will only hurt profitability.
- Figure out what % of balances are capped. And what % are close enough to worry about (e.g. P+ 11.9%).

And don't get me started on risk-based capital against unused card lines...



## **The Point: Prepare Your Credit Union**

- Start with current P&L (You have this right? And you proved the card program's value, right?)
- Start to think through each path with Senior Management (including the Finance folks... they're actually decent people)
- Already some downward pressure on profitability: charge-offs creeping up, rewards are definitely not getting cheaper, operating expenses never come down...
- If a recession peeks around the corner entire organizations will be under stress: be the cool, knowledgeable expert in the room. In tough times credit cards becomes even MORE important to the CU



# **A Quick Look at Market Offers**

# Mass-market cards are kind of boring (and that's ok)

APRs level (to Prime) Rewards at 1.5% value (mostly) Teasers: 12-18 months Rewards: 15,000+ pts No annual fee



# **Market Offers: Chase**

### Chase Freedom Unlimited<sup>®</sup> credit card



ddddd(9,963 cardmember reviews)

NEW OFFER!

### NEW CARDMEMBER OFFER

Earn 3% cash back on all purchases in your first year up to \$20,000 spent.

Cash back on every purchase. Earn up to \$600 cash back. That's 3% cash back on all purchases in your first year up to \$20,000 spent. After that, earn 1.5% cash back on all purchases.

AT A GLANCE

APR ANNUAL FEE 0% intro APR for 15 \$0<sup>†</sup> months from account opening on purchases and balance transfers.<sup>+</sup> After that, 17.24%-25.99% variable APR.<sup>+</sup>

### Chase Freedom<sup>®</sup> credit card



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(14,811 cardmember reviews)

#### NEW CARDMEMBER OFFER

\$150 bonus after you spend \$500 on purchases in the first 3 months from account opening.

#### APR AT A GLANCE 0% intro APR for 15 Earn cash back for every purchase Earn 5% cash back on up to \$1,500 in combined purchases in bonus categories each quarter you activate and unlimited 1% cash back on all other purchases.

ANNUAL FEE

\$0<sup>†</sup>

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# Market Offers: Citi

#### Cash Back Credit Cards (1)

#### Citi<sup>®</sup> Double Cash Card

Citi® Double Cash Card is one of the most popular cash back cards, earning you 2% cash b for those purchases.



Earn 2% cash back on purchases: 1% when you buy and 1% as you pay.

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Simplicity Credit Card (1)

Citi Simplicity<sup>®</sup> Card

Keep it simple with no late fees, no annual fee and our lowest introductory APR. Save time



Peace of mind with no late fees or a penalty

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rate.

Purchase and Balance Transfer Rate: 0% Intro APR on balance transfers and purchases for 18 months, after that the variable APR will be 16.24% - 26.24% based on your creditworthiness. Balance transfer fee of 3% or \$5 of the amount of each transfer, whichever is greater.

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Thank You<sup>®</sup> Credit Cards (4)

#### NEW: Citi Rewards+<sup>SM</sup> Card

Earn points for great rewards while having fun with the Citi Rewards+™ Card. Earn ThankYo anything through the ThankYou<sup>®</sup> Rewards program.



New Card Offer: Earn 15,000 bonus points after spending \$1,000 within the first 3 months of account opening.

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Purchase and Balance Transfer Rate: 0% Intro APR on purchases and balance transfers for 12 months: after that the variable APR will be 15.74% - 25.74%. based on your creditworthiness.1

You don't have to match every proposition from the big banks \$-for-\$, but you can't be too far off.



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# Market Offers: Capital One

### Quicksilver® Rewards



### VentureOne® Rewards



Earn a one-time \$150 cash bonus once you spend \$500 on purchases within 3 months from account opening\*

Earn unlimited 1.5% cash back on every purchase, every day

0% intro APR for 15 months; 16.24% - 26.24% variable APR after that Earn 20,000 bonus miles once you spend \$1,000 on purchases within the first 3 months from account opening\*

Earn unlimited 1.25 miles per dollar on every purchase, every day — plus 10X miles on thousands of hotels, through January 2020

0% intro APR for 12 months; 14.24% - 24.24% variable APR after that



# **Market Offers: Discover**



### Discover it® card

Get cash rewards on every purchase, everyday.

5% cash back in categories that change each quarter, up to the quarterly maximum when you sign up.
0 5% Cashback Calendar

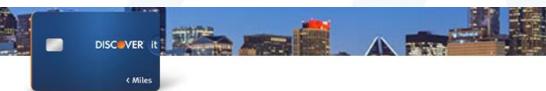
1% cash back on all other purchases.

We'll match all the cash back you've earned at the end of your first year- for new cardmembers only.1

**0% Intro APR<sup>†</sup>** for **14 months** on purchases and balance transfers.

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### Discover it® Miles card

Earn Miles on every purchase, and then redeem Miles to pay for airline, hotel and other travel purchases.

1.5x Unlimited Miles on every purchase and your Miles never expire1

We'll Match All the Miles You've Earned at the end of your first year – for new cardmembers only.<sup>2</sup>

No blackout dates. Redeem your Miles for any amount to credit travel purchases such as airlines, hotels and more.<sup>3</sup>

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4% CB on Dining & Entertainment, 2% Grocery, 1% Other Prime + (11.24 – 20.24%), \$500 Bonus if spending \$3,000 in 3 months \$95 Fee (waived first year)

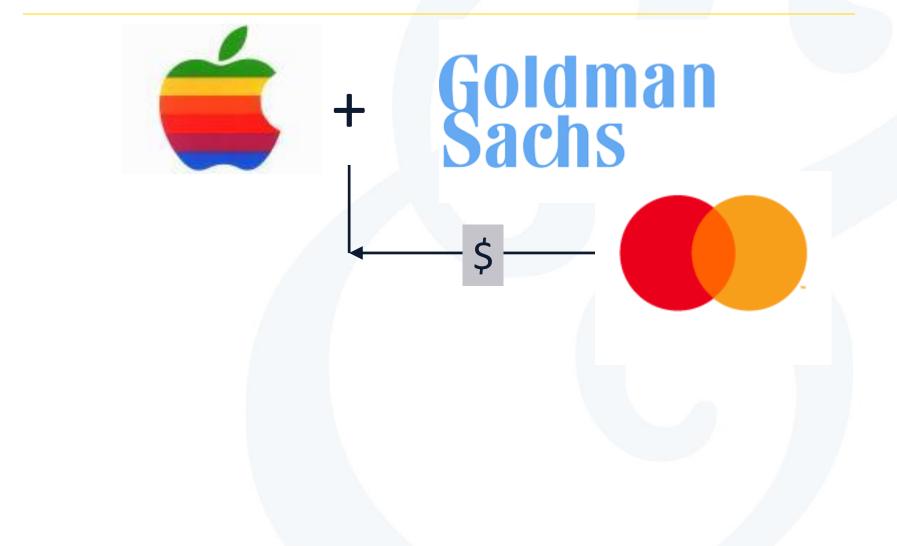


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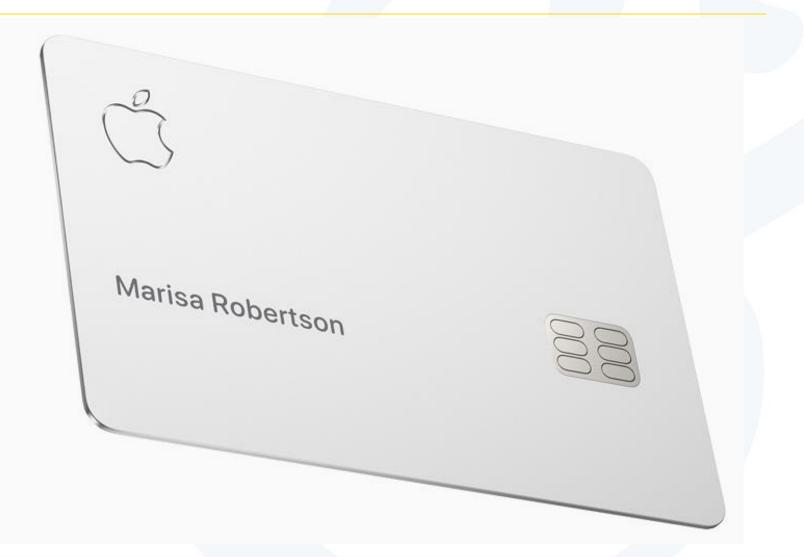


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# Why Is This Relevant

### • The proposition is .... decent:

- ✓ Rates P+ (7.74% 18.74%)
- ✓ 1% cash back physical card, 2% ApplePay, 3% Apple
- ✓ Daily credit to account
- ✓ No fees. At all.
- ✓ High-end titanium physical card
- The technology is cool:
  - ✓ Instant approval and card on iPhone immediately!
  - ✓ Cutting edge account security
  - ✓ Very cool spending and calculation tools
- But have we ever seen a cobrand card that doesn't provide redemption for brand merchandise?



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- If you were Goldman Sachs who would you target for the card? I'd target the people who use ApplePay. Maybe the people to whom you provided ApplePay? Huge bummer.



# **CU Advantages: Now More Than Ever**

## *Having them* ≠ *using them*

### **Financial**

Strong Revolver loyalty Better credit loss rates Lower funding costs Lower ROA Hurdles Lower new account costs Longer-term horizons

### <u>Other</u>

Better member access Internal member data Can be more nimble More trust, better reputation Better servicing support Relationship rewards!

**Biggest CU Weakness** 

Having no data-anchored information to focus strategy conversations



# **It's Worth The Effort**

## Credit Card is Central to Strategy

- For almost all of your members who can get one, credit card is a critical product (but maybe not yours?)
- It gets used more than any other (and in public)
- It is used for specific reasons and with specific intent
- A strong card relationship is supportive of a strong total relationship; others in use are an active threat
- Can be the keystone to an overall loyalty program
- You have advantages the competition cannot match



# So, What Are Your Going to Do?

- Credit Card is too important to your bottom line to avoid working on it.
- Credit Card is too important to your member's interests to let your products stagnate.
- Competition is too intense to assume past successes will continue because your members love you.
- Plus, it's super interesting, a lot of fun, and really can advance individual careers.

But Tim, you ask, "How can I stay focused on these things?"



# How On Earth Will I Stay Current?

## Callahan & Associates Credit Card Management Series

Today	CARD MARKET OVERVIEW
Aug 8	CALCULATING PROFITABILITY
Sept 19	MAPPING PRODUCTS TO Members (Segmenting)



# Thank You!

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