

## **ABSTRACT**

*Islamic Commercial Bank are a type of bank operating in Indonesia that conducts their business activities based on Sharia (Islamic law) principles. Since their initial establishment in 1992, the growth of Islamic commercial banks has relatively lagged behind that of conventional commercial banks, despite the fact that the majority of the Indonesian population is Muslim.*

*It is interesting to examine how asset growth—commonly used as one of the indicators of a company’s performance, including that of Islamic commercial banks—is influenced by internal factors. This study investigates the influence of core capital, capital expenditure, the number of branch offices, labor costs, and educational fund expenditure (independent variables) on the asset growth of Islamic commercial banks (dependent variable).*

*Based on research conducted using sample data from seven Islamic commercial banks over the period 2011–2022, the findings indicate that core capital and the number of branch offices have a significant effect on asset growth. Meanwhile, capital expenditure, labor costs, and educational fund expenditure do not have a significant effect on the asset growth of Islamic commercial banks.*

**Keywords:** *asset growth, core capital, capital expenditure, branch network, labor costs, educational fund*

