



TOP 50 CANADIAN CO-OPERATIVES^a 1998

Rank by		Name of Co-operative	Sales & Service Revenues	Assets	Members Equity to Assets ^b	Liabilities to Equity Ratio ^c	Total Members	Employees Full	Part	Year End	Major Activities
1998	1997		(\$)	(\$)	(%)						
1	1	Saskatchewan Wheat Pool ^d (Sask.)	4 322 348 034	1 521 450 000	43.7	1.2	74 291	3 494	494	7.31.98	Grain marketing & processing, livestock marketing, farm supply, printing & publishing
2	2	Federated Co-operatives Limited (Sask.)	2 383 079 000	971 237 000	56.6	0.7	334 ^e	2 414	-	10.31.98	Wholesaler, consumer goods, petroleum refinery, building materials
3	3	Alberta Wheat Pool ^d (Alta.)	1 875 170 000	711 766 000	35.0	1.8	57 823	1 472	-	7.31.98	Grain marketing, farm supplies
4	4	Coopérative fédérée de Québec (Qué.)	1 833 935 000	524 166 000	27.5	2.6	98 ^f	7 448	-	10.31.98	Wholesaler, farm supplies, petroleum, livestock and poultry processing
5	5	Manitoba Pool Elevators ^d (Man.)	1 472 814 950	391 092 000	37.7	1.6	32 000	631	167	7.31.98	Grain marketing, farm supplies, livestock auction
6	7	Agropur (Qué.)	1 444 899 000	497 031 000	33.1	2.0	4 832	2 805	-	10.31.98	Dairy products
7	6	XCAN Grain Pool Ltd. (Man.)	1 240 637 000	47 540 000	37.6	1.6	3 ^e	77	2	7.31.98	Commodities brokerage
8	8	Agrifoods International Cooperative Ltd. (B.C.)	1 208 546 000	513 158 000	20.9	3.7	1 774	2 385	415	1.2.99	Dairy products
9	9	United Farmers of Alberta (Alta.)	587 807 000	225 457 000	69.4	0.4	100 000	652	189	12.31.98	Petroleum, farm supplies
10	10	Calgary Co-op Assn. Ltd. (Alta.)	583 024 675	190 701 000	62.6	0.5	349 155	993	2 584	10.31.98	Supermarkets, petroleum, building materials
11	11	Co-op Atlantic (N.B.)	454 371 977	141 189 175	41.1	1.4	172 ^e	564	76	11.27.98	Wholesaler, consumer goods, feed, petroleum
12	13	Lilydale Co-op Ltd. (Alta.)	350 256 492	100 669 773	34.4	1.9	1 010	1 700	50	1.31.98	Poultry products, hatchery
13	12	Western Co-operative Fertilizers Ltd. (Alta.)	335 782 648	128 808 509	9.5	9.4	3 ^e	104	2	6.30.98	Purchaser and distributor of fertilizer
14	15	Interprovincial Co-operatives Ltd. (Sask.)	232 217 000	14 060 000	49.5	1.0	7 ^e	30	-	10.31.98	Wholesale purchasing for consumer & farm supplies, chemical manufacturing
15	16	Gay Lea Foods Co-op Ltd. (Ont.)	202 549 000	63 749 000	59.1	0.6	4 246	351	38	10.03.98	Dairy products
16	14	Exceldor, Coop Avicole (Qué.)	195 088 315	71 834 268	24.2	3.1	228	974	65	1.31.98	Slaughtering and marketing of poultry products, hatchery
17	18	Nutrinor (Qué.)	192 289 662	69 031 588	43.6	1.2	1 405	387	30	10.31.98	Dairy products, farm supplies, machinery, petroleum
18	17	Scotsburn Co-op Services Ltd. (N.S.)	191 249 761	55 244 570	21.8	3.5	675	600	150	10.03.98	Dairy products, farm supplies
19	21	Cotter Canada Hardware and Variety Co-operative Inc. (Man.)	160 233 000	34 380 000	37.4	1.6	494	291	65	01.02.99	Wholesale distributor of hardware and variety consumer goods
20	19	Agrinove (Qué.)	158 985 283	36 212 511	57.6	0.7	1 191	42	-	10.31.98	Dairy Products
21	22	Farmers' Co-op Dairy Ltd. (N.S.)	145 171 500	53 342 600	32.3	2.0	253	487	68	10.31.98	Dairy products
22	23	Hensall District Co-op Inc. (Ont.)	135 871 869	55 120 671	32.8	2.0	4 450	227	103	7.31.98	Grain marketing, feedmill, farm supplies, petroleum
23	24	Mountain Equipment Co-op (B.C.)	130 374 000	53 083 000	64.6	0.5	1 190 041	458	418	12.31.98	Outdoor recreational equipment
24	25	Groupe Dynaco, coopérative agro-alimentaire (Qué.)	106 666 154	47 934 113	34.6	1.8	900	160	60	10.31.98	Dairy products, farm supplies, building materials
25	20	Purdel (Qué.)	98 237 215	44 070 350	59.4	0.6	644	100	20	11.30.98	Dairy products, farm supplies

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Revenues			Revenues	Assets	Equity to Assets ^b	Equity to Ratio ^c	Total Members	Full	Part	End	Major Activities	
1998	1997	Name of Co-operative	(\$)	(\$)	(%)							
26	28	Unicoop (Qué.)	93 913 518	44 241 532	24.1	3.1	759	216	32	10.31.98	Feedmill, hardware and machinery	
27	29	Saskatoon Co-op Assn. Ltd. (Sask.)	88 986 717	27 146 601	92.6	0.0	41 660	180	250	1.31.98	Supermarkets, petroleum, building materials, farm supplies	
28	26	Comax (Qué.)	88 385 077	36 024 940	37.4	1.6	788	124	10	11.27.98	Feedmill, grain marketing, pork, agri supplies	
29	30	Sincere Trading of K.B.A. Co-operative Inc. (Ont.)	84 430 346	6 300 714	4.7	19.8	1 808	58	13	8.31.98	Wholesaler, tobacco, confectionery	
30	27	Norfolk Co-op Company Ltd. (Ont.)	83 148 894	24 362 303	45.2	1.2	4 501	78	15	12.31.98	Grain marketing, farm supplies, petroleum	
31	33	Granny's Poultry Co-operative (Man.)	79 476 080	23 331 588	37.6	1.6	207	380	70	12.31.98	Poultry processing	
32	31	Coopérative Forestière Laterrière (Qué.)	76 725 752	64 229 066	25.8	2.8	981	400	100	5.3.98	Workers co-operative, forestry products	
33	32	Pioneer Co-op Assn. Ltd. (Sask.)	75 813 187	39 742 264	84.6	0.1	17 568	95	250	1.31.98	Supermarkets, petroleum, farm supplies	
34	35	Island Farms Dairies Co-operative Assn. (B.C.)	69 371 012	25 716 251	61.3	0.6	154	205	20	12.31.98	Dairy Products	
35	34	Northumberland Co-op Ltd. (N.B.)	67 052 667	18 454 411	55.2	0.8	272	219	61	12.31.98	Dairy products, farm supplies, building materials	
36	36	A.C.A. Co-operative Limited (N.S.)	66 828 000	30 489 000	20.5	3.8	55	422	73	2.28.98	Poultry processing, farm supplies	
37	37	B.C. Livestock Producers Co-op Assn. (B.C.)	64 764 875	3 914 424	37.0	1.7	2 485	11	53	12.31.98	Livestock marketing	
38	42	Arctic Co-operatives Limited (Man.)	60 810 252	21 148 238	69.0	0.4	41 ^e	60	-	12.31.98	Wholesaler, consumer goods, handicrafts	
39	43	Simcoe District Co-op Services (Ont.)	60 619 787	23 678 746	28.0	2.5	3 197	88	89	9.26.98	Farm supplies, consumer products, grain marketing, petroleum	
40	44	Société coop agricole des Bois-Francs (Qué.)	58 350 165	27 244 345	41.1	1.4	792	88	22	10.31.98	Feedmill, farm supplies, petroleum	
41	45	Red River Co-operative Ltd. (Man.)	57 766 097	25 202 358	95.4	0.0	37 872	14	1	10.31.98	Petroleum	
42	41	Prince Albert Co-op Assn. Ltd. (Sask.)	57 168 229	28 517 284	85.7	0.1	19 121	86	253	10.31.98	Supermarkets, petroleum	
43	40	Orford Farmer's Co-op Co. Ltd. (Ont.)	56 855 191	13 304 914	32.1	2.1	669	54	10	8.31.98	Crop inputs, grain marketing, feed mill, farm supplies	
44	47	Perth County Co-operative Inc. (Ont.)	53 620 049	17 485 827	47.3	1.1	2 931	67	24	8.31.98	Grain marketing, farm inputs, petroleum	
45	38	Waterloo Oxford Co-operative Inc. (Ont.)	52 868 818	21 533 436	24.5	3.0	1 540	100	30	8.31.98	Grain marketing, farm inputs, petroleum	
46	39	La Coop de Pointe-Aux-Roches (Ont.)	52 040 398	12 665 546	31.2	2.1	949	57	27	8.31.98	Grain marketing, farm inputs, petroleum	
47	46	Otter Farm & Home Co-operative (B.C.)	51 772 066	18 965 395	79.5	0.2	21 349	93	52	2.28.98	Department store, feedmill, petroleum	
48	48	Sherwood Co-op Assn. Ltd. (Sask.)	51 475 752	20 233 006	73.2	0.3	47 927	53	148	1.31.98	Supermarkets, petroleum	
49	-	Fédération des coopératives québécoises en milieu scolaire (Qué.)	48 409 129	8 782 627	16.3	5.1	95 ^e	69	-	12.31.98	Computer manufacturing and assembly, school books and student supplies	
50	-	Coopérative Forestière du Nord Ouest (Qué.)	39 846 877	20 699 640	55.6	0.7	225	200	100	5.31.98	Workers co-operative, forestry products	

^a Includes only non-financial co-operatives

^b Members loans and patronage dividends portion of long term debt is included with members equity

^c Total liabilities to members equity

^d Sales include grain purchases for the account of and delivered to the Canadian Wheat Board

^e Member co-operatives representing many thousand individual members

^f Also has 1 315 direct individual members as well as the 98 co-op associations representing over 31 000 individual members

