



TOP 50 CANADIAN CO-OPERATIVES^a 1996

Rank by		Name of Co-operative	Sales & Service Revenues	Assets	Members Equity to Assets ^b	Liabilities to Equity ^c	Total Members	Employees Full	Part	Year End	Major Activities
1996	1995		(\$)	(\$)	(%)						
1	1	Saskatchewan Wheat Pool ^d (Sask.)	4 133 241 000	1 203 818 000	38.9	1.5	75 923	3 391	293	7.31.96	Grain marketing & processing, livestock marketing, farm supply, printing & publishing
2	2	Federated Co-operatives Limited (Sask.)	2 295 948 000	884 890 000	67.5	0.4	337 ^e	2 296	-	10.31.96	Wholesaler, consumer goods, petroleum refinery, building materials
3	4	Alberta Wheat Pool ^d (Alta.)	2 128 120 000	625 807 000	29.3	2.4	57 136	1 366	343	7.31.96	Grain marketing, farm supplies
4	5	Coopérative fédérée de Québec (Qué.)	1 790 946 000	515 709 000	31.0	2.2	96 ^{e,f}	5 849	-	10.31.96	Wholesaler, farm supplies, petroleum, livestock and poultry processing
5	3	XCAN Grain Pool Ltd. (Man.)	1 333 377 000	66 626 000	30.0	2.3	3 ^e	110	-	7.31.96	Commodities brokerage
6	8	Manitoba Pool Elevators ^d (Man.)	1 220 534 000	383 181 000	28.6	2.4	25 000	692	-	7.31.96	Grain marketing, farm supplies, livestock auction
7	6	Agrifoods International Cooperative Ltd. (B.C.)	1 131 685 000	383 681 000	-N/A-	-N/A-	2 100	3 000	-	1.04.97	Dairy products
8	7	Agropur (Qué.)	1 038 420 000	305 423 000	48.9	1.0	4 600	2 100	-	11.02.96	Dairy products
9	9	Calgary Co-op Assn. Ltd. (Alta.)	538 156 272	154 009 000	68.2	0.4	329 238	812	2 628	11.02.96	Supermarkets, petroleum, building materials
10	11	United Farmers of Alberta (Alta.)	534 903 334	176 998 000	71.4	0.3	233 487	540	172	12.31.96	Petroleum, farm supplies
11	10	Co-op Atlantic (N.B.)	476 247 089	121 337 065	42.1	1.3	168 ^e	717	-	11.29.96	Wholesaler, consumer goods, feed, petroleum
12	12	Lilydale Co-op Ltd. (Alta.)	298 828 421	88 258 504	34.1	1.9	1 200	1 400	100	1.31.96	Poultry products, hatchery
13	13	Western Co-operative Fertilizers Ltd. (Alta.)	286 751 024	165 699 374	11.7	7.4	3 ^e	77	10	6.30.96	Purchaser and distributor of fertilizer
14	14	C.U. & C. Health Services Society (B.C.)	231 650 898	55 093 823	55.8	0.7	220 522	162	15	12.31.96	Health insurance services
15	22	Groupe Dorchester / St-Damase, La Coop Avicole (Qué.)	210 675 103	66 853 773	32.3	2.0	260	1 020	129	1.26.96	Slaughtering and marketing of poultry products, hatchery
16	16	Interprovincial Co-operatives Ltd. (Sask.)	205 335 000	11 860 000	79.4	0.2	8 ^e	30	-	10.31.96	Wholesale purchasing for consumer & farm supplies, chemical manufacturing
17	15	Gay Lea Foods Co-op Ltd. (Ont.)	200 816 000	54 665 000	56.3	0.7	4 028	368	50	9.28.96	Dairy products
18	17	Scotsburn Co-op Services Ltd. (N.S.)	193 915 203	51 819 588	26.6	2.7	1 800	610	110	9.28.96	Dairy products, farm supplies
19	18	Agrinove (Qué.)	152 502 814	34 122 380	59.0	0.6	1 368	40	-	10.31.96	Dairy Products
20	19	Purdel (Qué.)	147 215 206	54 396 095	53.9	0.8	1 252	90	-	11.30.96	Dairy products, farm supplies
21	-	Cotter Canada Hardware and Variety Co-operative Inc. (Man.)	139 191 000	30 547 000	34.2	1.9	466	285	53	12.28.96	Wholesale distributor of hardware and variety consumer goods
22	20	Farmers' Co-op Dairy Ltd. (N.S.)	138 258 500	43 622 400	38.1	1.6	267	367	60	10.26.96	Dairy products
23	21	Hensall District Co-op Inc. (Ont.)	121 437 596	50 595 916	27.4	2.6	4 326	181	94	7.31.96	Grain marketing, feedmill, farm supplies, petroleum
24	23	Nutrinor (Qué.)	110 202 774	56 677 223	37.5	1.6	1 400	260	30	11.01.96	Dairy products, farm supplies, machinery, petroleum
25	28	Comax (Qué.)	105 706 330	30 822 055	37.7	1.6	802	122	-	11.29.96	Feedmill, grain marketing, pork, agri supplies

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1996	1995		Revenues (\$)	Assets (\$)	Equity to Assets ^b (%)	Equity to Ratio ^c	Total Members	Full	Part	End	
26	25	Mountain Equipment Co-op (B.C.)	105 545 000	37 537 000	68.7	0.4	912 110	426	118	12.31.96	Outdoor recreational equipment
27	24	Groupe Dynaco, coopérative agro-alimentaire (Qué.)	98 110 866	39 361 860	39.8	1.5	1 083	165	49	10.31.96	Dairy products, farm supplies, building materials
28	26	East Chilliwack Agricultural Co-op (B.C.)	96 174 000	38 714 000	17.9	4.5	1 760	233	39	12.31.96	Feedmill, fertilizer and chemicals
29	31	Norfolk Co-op Company Ltd. (Ont.)	85 137 158	19 849 274	28.6	2.4	4 464	124	10	12.31.96	Grain marketing, farm supplies, petroleum
30	32	Unicoop (Qué.)	84 882 822	33 299 175	28.3	2.5	878	178	36	10.31.96	Feedmill, hardware and machinery
31	30	Saskatoon Co-op Assn. Ltd. (Sask.)	80 419 883	22 321 698	92.7	0.1	40 518	138	261	01.31.96	Supermarkets, petroleum, building materials, farm supplies
32	29	Sincere Trading of K.B.A. Co-operative Inc. (Ont.)	71 895 831	5 663 627	2.9	33.1	2 465	58	10	8.31.96	Wholesaler, tobacco, confectionery
33	35	Pioneer Co-op Assn. Ltd. (Sask.)	69 135 998	35 532 972	82.2	0.2	16 925	117	211	01.31.96	Supermarkets, petroleum, farm supplies
34	34	Northumberland Co-op Ltd. (N.B.)	67 826 606	19 316 165	43.4	1.3	371	235	38	12.31.96	Dairy products, farm supplies, building materials
35	36	Island Farms Dairies Co-operative Assn. (B.C.)	64 450 386	24 065 000	59.1	0.6	126	191	16	12.31.96	Dairy Products
36	41	Granny's Poultry Co-operative (Man.)	64 413 239	18 591 014	41.0	1.4	192	250	100	12.31.96	Poultry processing
37	38	A.C.A. Co-operative Limited (N.S.)	63 165 000	23 886 000	31.8	2.1	61	275	35	3.02.96	Poultry processing, farm supplies
38	39	La Coop de Pointe-Aux-Roches (Ont.)	57 957 594	12 818 181	19.1	4.2	945	58	27	8.31.96	Grain marketing, farm inputs, petroleum
39	45	Orford Farmer's Co-op Co. Ltd. (Ont.)	57 769 719	10 650 170	30.8	2.2	589	51	20	8.31.96	Crop inputs, grain marketing, feed mill, farm supplies
40	-	Coopérative Forestière Laterrière (Qué.)	57 571 101	43 727 144	21.0	3.7	1 147	325	40	4.30.96	Workers co-operative, forestry products
41	-	Waterloo Oxford Co-operative Inc. (Ont.)	56 509 349	20 508 122	20.0	3.9	1 400	101	18	8.31.96	Grain marketing, farm inputs, petroleum
42	40	Arctic Co-operatives Limited (Man.)	52 559 011	15 711 086	77.6	0.2	43 ^e	68	20	12.31.96	Wholesaler, consumer goods, handicrafts
43	46	Société coop agricole des Bois-Francs (Qué.)	52 058 574	20 705 658	46.6	1.1	750	77	17	10.31.96	Feedmill, farm supplies, petroleum
44	42	Simcoe District Co-op Services (Ont.)	51 875 556	19 886 934	27.6	2.6	3 000	75	65	9.28.96	Farm supplies, consumer products, grain marketing, petroleum
45	44	Prince Albert Co-op Assn. Ltd. (Sask.)	51 406 935	24 218 904	83.4	0.1	17 997	161	95	10.31.96	Supermarkets, petroleum
46	43	Sherwood Co-op Assn. Ltd. (Sask.)	49 836 987	19 532 541	59.9	0.6	45 959	55	147	01.31.96	Supermarkets, petroleum
47	-	Red River Co-operative Ltd. (Man.)	48 118 838	21 011 689	83.0	0.2	26 641	15	-	10.31.96	Petroleum
48	37	B.C. Livestock Producers Co-op Assn. (B.C.)	47 553 981	2 368 551	51.6	0.9	2 473	13	96	12.31.96	Livestock marketing
49	-	Perth County Co-operative Inc. (Ont.)	45 819 448	14 207 625	47.8	1.0	3 156	63	22	8.31.96	Grain marketing, farm inputs, petroleum
50	48	Otter Farm & Home Co-operative (B.C.)	45 229 611	16 717 657	74.2	0.3	20 725	85	56	2.29.96	Department store, feedmill, petroleum

^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-op associations representing many thousand individual members

^f Also has over 1 200 direct individual members and 96 corporate members

