

Co-operatives Australia has published its 2nd top 100 list to facilitate greater awareness of the co-operative option and demonstrate the economic and social impact of co-operatives, credit unions and mutual businesses in Australia.

Australia's Top 100 Co-operatives, Credit Unions and Mutuals by Annual Turnover

Member Ownership

Co-operatives worldwide operate under the following seven key principles:

1. Voluntary and open membership
2. Democratic member control
3. Member economic participation
4. Autonomy and independence
5. Education, training and information
6. Co-operation among co-operatives
7. Concern for their community

Co-operatives Australia, as the national body for State Co-operative Federations, has compiled the following list of the top revenue generating co-operatives, mutuals and credit unions in Australia to increase the public awareness of the sector. Industries represented in the top 100 list include agriculture, financial services, insurance and retailing.

Contributions to the list are invited and can be directed to -

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In Australia the top one hundred businesses that operate as Co-operatives, Mutuals and Credit Unions control a combined annual turnover in the order of \$14.5 billion on behalf of the members who own those businesses.

1. Co-operative Bulk Handling Ltd (WA) \$3.55 billion
2. Murray Goulburn (VIC) \$2.45 billion
3. HBF (WA) \$1.02 billion
4. Capricorn Society Ltd (WA) \$944,787,000
5. Australian Unity (VIC) \$617,437,000
6. Dairy Farmers Milk Co-op (NSW) \$526,670,000
7. National Roads and Motorists Association (NSW) \$469,590,000
8. RACV (VIC) \$381,300,000
9. Norco Co-op (NSW) \$345,500,000
10. Credit Union Australia (QLD) \$257,660,000

51. Coleambally Irrigation (NSW) \$22,560,000
52. Lenswood Cold Stores Co-operative Ltd (SA) \$21,600,000
53. Sydney Credit Union (NSW) \$21,175,000
54. Batlow Fruit Co-operative (NSW) \$20,000,000
55. Poultry Farmers of WA Co-operative Ltd (WA) \$20,000,000
56. Nambucca River Co-operative Society (NSW) \$19,342,000
57. Hume Building Society (VIC) \$19,299,000
58. Holiday Coast Credit Union (NSW) \$17,823,000
59. Community Alliance Credit Union (NSW) \$17,615,000
60. Satisfac Credit Union (SA) \$17,546,000
61. Maritime Workers of Australia Credit Union (NSW) \$17,300,000
62. Big Sky Credit Union (VIC) \$17,162,000
63. Commercial Fishermen's Co-operative (NSW) \$17,000,000
64. Wesbuilders Co-operative Ltd (WA) \$16,700,000
65. Terang & District Co-operative (VIC) \$16,500,000
66. Legion Cabs (NSW) \$15,800,000
67. B & E Ltd (TAS) \$15,054,000
68. Chester Hill RSL & Bowling Club Co-operative (NSW) \$14,750,000
69. York & District Co-operative Ltd (WA) \$14,300,000
70. Genetics Australia Co-operative Ltd (VIC) \$13,724,000
71. Ingleburn RSL Sub-Branch Club (NSW) \$13,500,000
72. Macleay Regional (NSW) \$13,486,000
73. RegionalOne Credit Union (VIC) \$13,460,000
74. Railways Credit Union (QLD) \$13,374,000
75. Riverina Co-operative Society (NSW) \$12,920,000
76. Coffs Harbour Fishermen's Co-operative Limited (NSW) \$12,000,000
77. Junee District Co-operative Society Limited (NSW) \$12,000,000
78. Auburn RSL Club Co-op (NSW) \$11,707,000
79. Ord River District Co-operative Ltd (WA) \$10,800,000
80. Kojonup Co-operative Ltd (WA) \$10,000,000
81. WAW Credit Union Co-operative (VIC) \$9,580,000
82. HICO (VIC) \$9,200,000
83. BKW Co-operative Ltd (WA) \$9,100,000
84. Bowral Co-op (Trading) Ltd (NSW) \$8,500,000
85. Alliance One Credit Union (SA) \$8,462,000
86. Estate Agents Co-operative Limited (NSW) \$8,457,000
87. Maitland Mutual (NSW) \$8,390,000
88. Beresfield Bowling Club Co-op Ltd (NSW) \$8,360,000
89. Aboriginal Medical Service Co-operative Limited (NSW) \$8,300,000