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THREE NATION-WIDE SURVEYS

Three nation-wide surveys have been made to determine the extent and intensity of the agricultural cooperative movement. The first of these was begun in 1913 and was continued through 1915, when data for the years 1912, 1913, 1914, and 1915 were collected. Reports were obtained from 5,424 organizations and this collection of data was the basis of the statistical portion of Department of Agriculture Bulletin No. 547, published in 1917.

In 1919, data relative to the extent of cooperative buying and selling by farmers were collected as a part of the agricultural census, made by the Bureau of the Census. These were so compiled as to show the number of farms in each State reporting sales or purchases, and the amount of business involved in these transactions. As the census enumerators covered every township in the United States, the data, so far as the items covered are concerned, are complete and are of great value in connection with statistical studies of the subject. Furthermore, the data make possible a comprehensive picture of the status of agricultural cooperation in 1919.

Early in 1922 the third survey of cooperative buying and selling was undertaken. This contemplated an enumeration and listing of all active farmers' business organizations by kinds of products handled and by States, cities, and villages. Sixty thousand individuals scattered through the 48 States, assisted in obtaining the

¹ Much of the work in connection with compiling the statistical tables was done by William H. Baker and Grace Wanstall.

names and addresses of associations of farmers engaged in selling or buying or both. Approximately 40,000 names were reported. After the elimination of duplicates there remained between 25,000 and 30,000 names of associations.

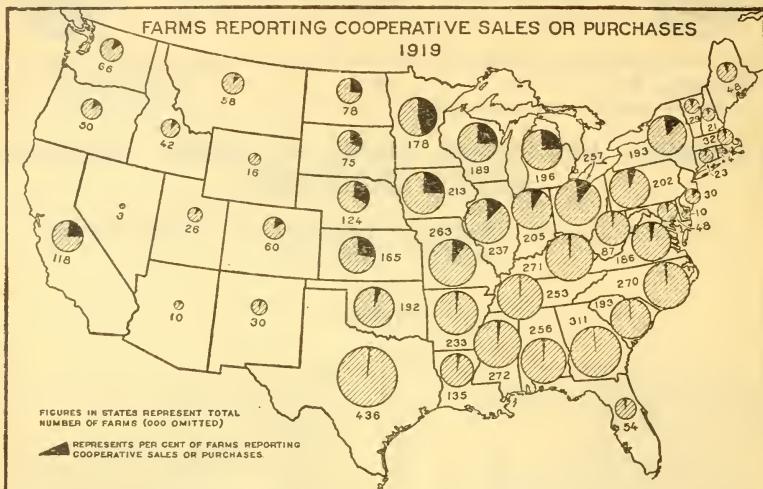


FIG. 1.—About a fourth of the farms in California, North Dakota, Kansas, Iowa, Wisconsin, and Michigan reported purchases or sales through cooperative associations in 1919, and considerably more than a fourth of the farms in Minnesota, South Dakota, and Nebraska made similar reports. (See Table 5.)

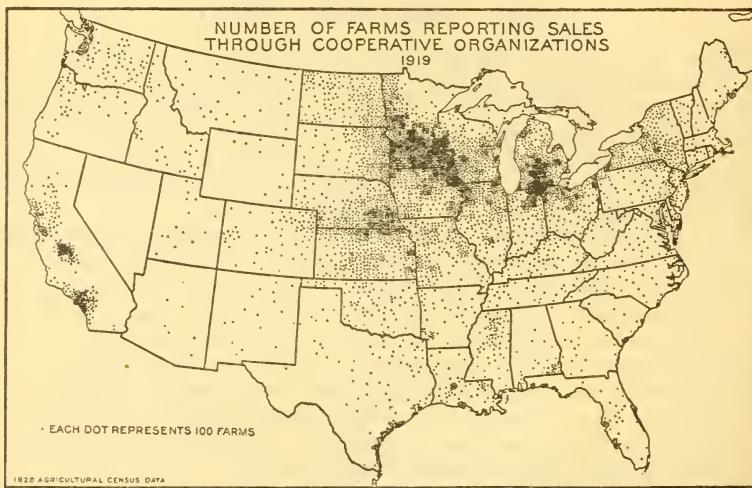


FIG. 2.—Cooperators were numerous in parts of Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, and California in 1919; and cooperators were few in number in New England, the Southern States, and the Mountain States. (See Table 5.)

Subsequent follow-up work revealed that many organizations had been reported under two and three different names and some under four. Some of the associations reported were merely proposed organizations which had never been formed, and others had ceased

to function. As a result of a sifting process, extending over two years, and a continuous search for new associations, in March, 1924, the department files contained information regarding 10,160 active

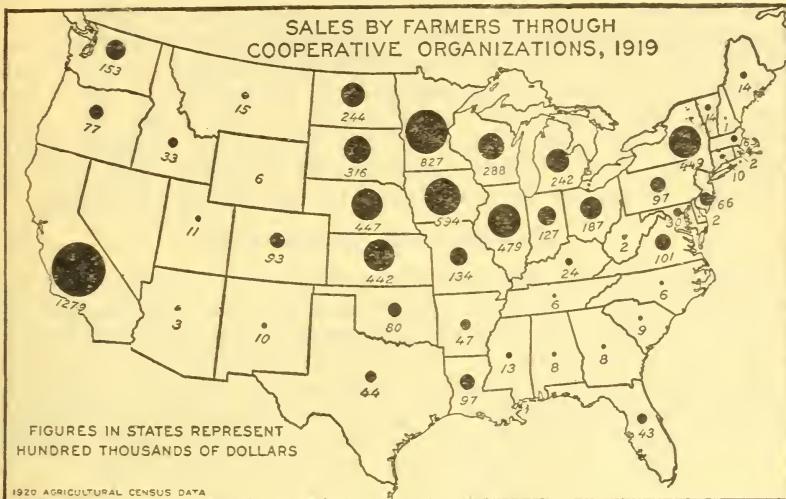


FIG. 3.—Sales by California farmers were greater than those by Minnesota and New York farmers combined. Most of the cooperative selling was done by the farmers in the North Central, the Middle Atlantic, and the Pacific States. (See Table 5.)

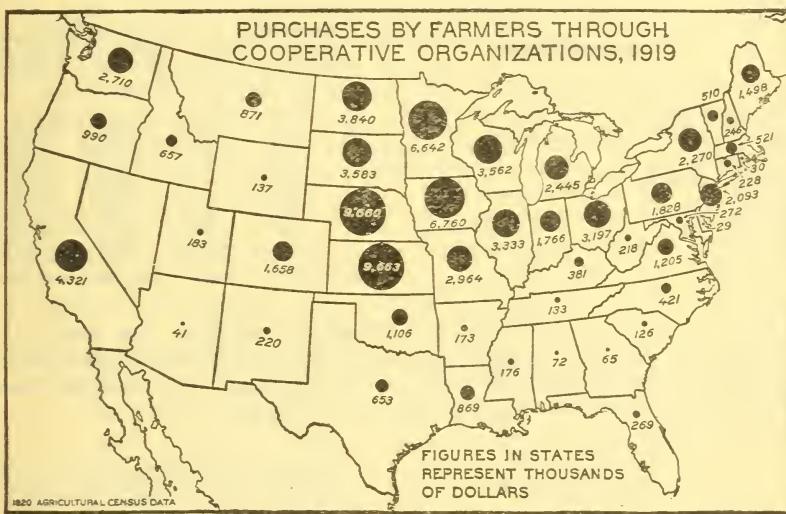


FIG. 4.—Kansas farmers made heavier purchases through cooperative associations than the farmers of any other State; Nebraska came close on the heels of Kansas and Iowa followed Nebraska. (See Table 5.)

organizations. These data, classified and tabulated, fill a majority of the following pages.

The character of the agricultural cooperative movement has been undergoing a change since about 1920. Prior to that year farmers' business organizations were mostly local enterprises with occasional

federations of locals for selling purposes. Both the total membership and the total amount of business were made up of a large number of relatively small items.

Since 1920 the "large" organization operating over an entire producing section or even an entire State has developed. The importance of this change in the development of agricultural cooperation in the United States will be appreciated when it is noted that 50 of these new "large" organizations have a membership that is larger than the total estimated membership of the 5,424 associations included in the 1915 study, and the amount of business handled annually by these "large" associations is greater than the total estimated amount of business for all the associations in 1915.

COOPERATION IN 1913-1915

Questionnaires returned by associations and covering the years 1912, 1913, 1914, and 1915 were used as the basis of the first comprehensive study. A total of 3,099 reports were received for 1913. These reports were from 1,187 associations handling dairy products, 960 handling grain, 111 general merchandise (farmers' cooperative stores), 79 cotton, 456 fruit and produce, 44 livestock, 18 tobacco, and 244 engaged in miscellaneous selling or buying or both. Business to the amount of \$310,300,000 was reported. (See Table 1, p. 14.) This was an average volume of business of \$100,133. Over 70 per cent of the 3,099 associations were in the 12 North Central States.

The 5,424 included in the statistical tabulations for 1915 were distributed through the geographic divisions as follows:

Geographic division	Number of associations	Per cent of total	Estimated number of members	Estimated amount of business
West North Central.....	2,577	47.5	254,425	\$286,534,775
East North Central.....	973	17.9	107,331	90,113,770
Pacific.....	416	7.7	65,950	150,510,979
South Atlantic.....	329	6.1	37,097	10,269,102
West South Central.....	315	5.8	30,793	7,683,734
Mountain.....	232	4.3	34,731	20,485,811
East South Central.....	215	3.9	35,834	7,170,323
Middle Atlantic.....	210	3.9	63,971	56,096,060
New England.....	157	2.9	20,952	6,974,130
Total.....	5,424	100.0	651,084	635,838,684

When arranged according to products handled, the number of associations and percentages are as shown in the table below, which also shows the estimated number of members and the estimated amount of business for each group of associations.

Kind of associations	Number of associations	Per cent of total	Estimated number of members	Estimated amount of business
Dairy products.....	1,708	31.5	140,567	\$89,061,370
Grain.....	1,637	30.2	166,726	289,689,218
Fruits and vegetables.....	871	16.0	109,916	201,542,646
Merchandise (farmers' stores).....	275	5.1	59,503	11,677,355
Cotton and cotton products.....	213	3.9	18,404	1,502,007
Livestock.....	96	1.8	13,438	5,623,800
Tobacco.....	43	.8	17,849	6,450,000
All others.....	581	10.7	124,681	30,292,288
Total.....	5,424	100.0	651,084	635,838,684

¹ Table 3, p. 18.

² Table 4, p. 20.

The average number of members per association and the average amount of business per association for the groups of associations handling the various products have been determined to be as follows:

Kind of association	Average number of members per association, 1915 ¹	Average amount of business per association, 1912-1915 ²
Dairy products	83	\$48,806
Grain	102	143,268
Fruits and vegetables	124	161,458
Merchandise (farmers' stores)	220	52,919
Cotton and cotton products	87	161,465
Livestock	140	98,777
Tobacco	336	156,890
All others	231	82,986
All associations	122	115,402

¹ From reports from 4,683 associations, Department Bulletin 547, p. 25.

² Averages based on 7,399 reports received during 1912-1915.

Statistical Tables 1 to 4 (pp. 14 to 20) contain in condensed form much of the data collected in connection with the survey of 1913-1915.

COOPERATIVE SALES AND PURCHASES IN 1919

Census data collected in 1919 give the number of farms in the United States that reported cooperative selling or purchasing as 624,527. This number was 9.7 per cent of all the farms. The amount of the sales and purchases was \$806,599,308. Over 500,000 (511,383) farms reported sales through farmers' marketing organizations to the amount of \$721,983,639, and 329,449 farms reported purchases through similar organizations to the amount of \$84,615,669.

Minnesota led all the States in the total number of farms reporting sales or purchases, being credited with 81,145 farms; Iowa was second with 51,630 farms; Wisconsin third, 48,190 farms; Michigan fourth, 47,021; and Kansas fifth, 43,188. The States in which 20 per cent of all farms reporting cooperative sales or purchases are: Minnesota, 45.5 per cent; Nebraska, 32.4 per cent; South Dakota, 30.2 per cent; Kansas, 26.1 per cent; North Dakota, 25.5 per cent; Wisconsin, 25.5 per cent; Iowa, 24.2 per cent; Michigan, 23.9 per cent; California, 22.4 per cent. (See Tables 5 and 6, pp. 22, 24.)

The amounts of the sales and purchases in those States with the largest totals were: California, \$132,312,110; Minnesota, \$89,402,621; Iowa, \$66,164,578; Nebraska, \$54,415,247; Kansas, \$53,954,008; Illinois, \$51,254,154; New York, \$47,177,223; South Dakota, \$35,235,015; Wisconsin, \$32,447,211; North Dakota, \$28,325,369. (See Table 6, p. 24.) Figures 1, 2, 3, and 4 picture the situation in the United States in 1919 as revealed by the reports obtained by the census enumerators.

COOPERATION IN 1921-1924

The third survey was begun at about the time the Capper-Volstead cooperative law was enacted. (Capper-Volstead Act, Public No. 146. 67th Cong., approved, February 18, 1922.) At that time it



FIG. 5.—Recent development of the cotton, tobacco, grain, and milk marketing associations has completely changed the cooperative map of the United States as will be shown by comparison of this map with Figure 2.

Farmers' Business Organizations, 1924

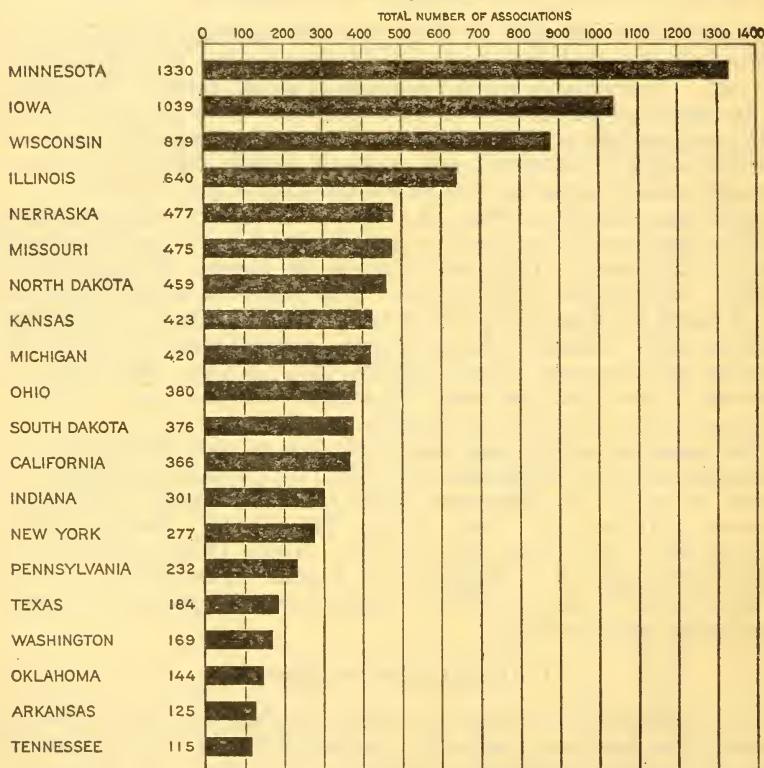


FIG. 6.—Minnesota leads all other States in regard to total number of associations; Iowa holds second place and Wisconsin third. (See Table 8.)

Associations by Geographic Divisions, 1915 and 1924

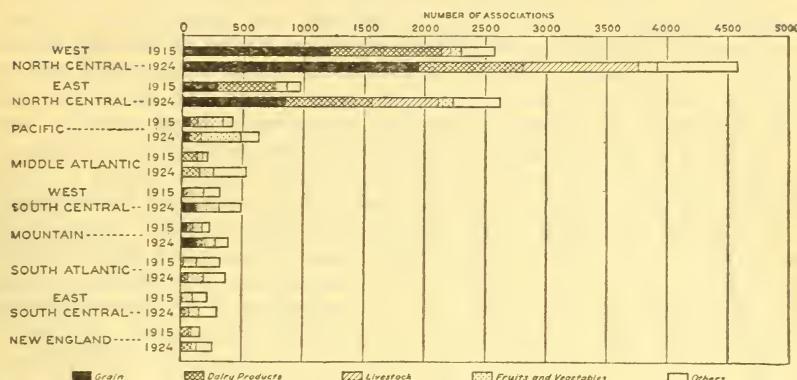


FIG. 7.—Sixty-five per cent of all associations in 1915 were in the 12 North Central States. In 1924 the proportion was 70 per cent. (See Tables 2 and 7.)

Kinds of Associations in Leading States, 1915 and 1924

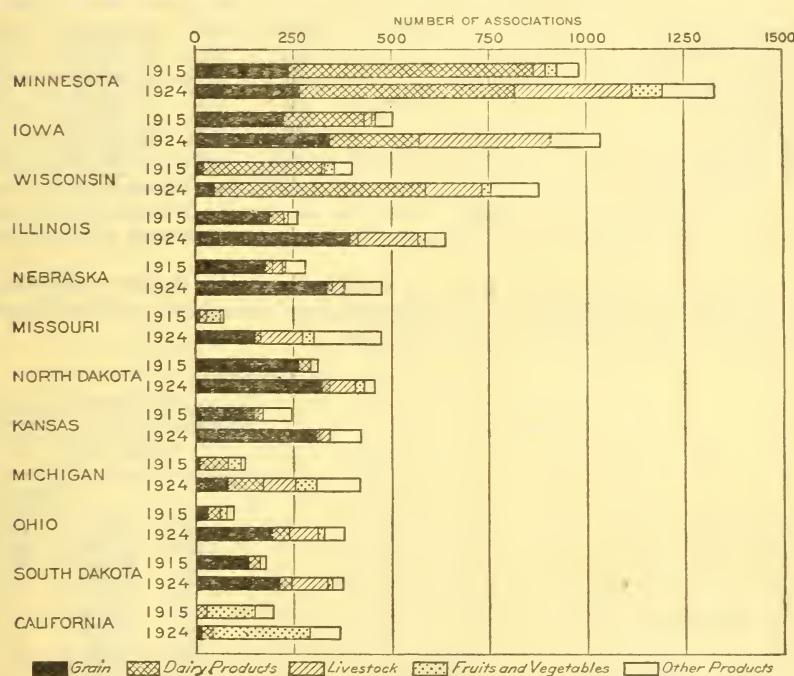


FIG. 8.—Minnesota led in number of associations in 1915 and 1924. The other leading States, in the order of importance, were Iowa, Wisconsin, and Illinois. (See Tables 3 and 8.)

was felt that there was need for definite information regarding the status of the agricultural cooperative movement in the various States in order that the Secretary of Agriculture might the more intelligently carry out the provisions of the law as occasion required.

In planning the survey more attention was given than formerly to obtaining information regarding the legal status of existing organizations. A greater amount of follow-up work with supplemental questionnaires and personal letters was conducted in connection with the 1922-1924 survey than had previously been possible, and as a result a much larger quantity of information was obtained, classified, and tabulated. A portion of the data collected is made available in the tables comprising the major portion of this bulletin.

At the end of March, 1924, reports had been received from 10,160 associations. In addition to certain basic tables given in the following pages, a number of tables give comparisons for different years. The data given are sufficient for the compiling of many such tables by those who wish to make a more intensive study of the subject.

The 10,160 associations included in the 1924 study were distributed through the nine geographic divisions as indicated in the following table which also shows estimated amount of business for 1923:

Geographic divisions	Associations		Estimated business, 1923	
	Number	Per cent	Amount	Per cent
West North Central.....	4,579	45.1	\$635,800,000	28.9
East North Central.....	2,620	25.8	338,800,000	15.4
Pacific.....	634	6.2	413,600,000	18.8
Middle Atlantic.....	531	5.2	275,000,000	12.5
West South Central.....	492	4.9	92,400,000	4.2
Mountain.....	387	3.8	41,800,000	1.9
South Atlantic.....	363	3.6	145,200,000	6.6
East South Central.....	298	2.9	189,200,000	8.6
New England.....	256	2.5	68,200,000	3.1
United States.....	10,160	100.0	1 2,200,000,000	100.0

¹ Not including \$200,000,000 of business by cooperative selling agencies in 19 livestock terminal markets.

Classified according to kind of associations the figures indicating number of associations, estimated number of members, and estimated amount of business are as given below:

Kind	Number reporting, 1924	Estimated number of members, April, 1924	Estimated business, 1923
<i>Thousands</i>			
Cotton.....	107	250,000	\$100,000
Dairy products.....	1,966	200,000	400,000
Fruits and vegetables.....	1,232	200,000	300,000
Grain.....	3,134	400,000	600,000
Livestock.....	1,598	250,000	1 250,000
Nuts.....	51	50,000	50,000
Poultry and poultry products.....	56	15,000	50,000
Tobacco.....	25	290,000	150,000
Wool.....	115	50,000	20,000
Miscellaneous selling.....	729	70,000	160,000
Merchandise (farmers' stores).....	717	150,000	50,000
Collective buying.....	430	100,000	70,000
Total.....	10,160	2,025,000	1 2,200,000

¹ Not including \$200,000,000 of business by cooperative selling agencies in 19 livestock terminal markets.

The changes in relative importance of the several geographic divisions are shown by the following percentages:

Geographic division	Number of associations		Estimated number of members	Estimated amount of business	
	1915	1924		1915	1923
	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent
West North Central.....	47.5	45.1	39.1	45.1	28.9
East North Central.....	17.9	25.8	16.5	14.2	15.4
Pacific.....	7.7	6.2	10.1	23.7	18.8
Middle Atlantic.....	3.9	5.2	9.8	8.8	12.5
West South Central.....	5.8	4.9	4.7	1.2	4.2
Mountain.....	4.3	3.8	5.4	3.2	1.9
South Atlantic.....	6.1	3.6	5.7	1.6	6.6
East South Central.....	3.9	2.9	5.5	1.1	8.6
New England.....	2.9	2.5	3.2	1.1	3.1
United States.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Changes in the number of associations in the various geographic divisions has not been great but the changes in the distribution among the different divisions of the amount of business transacted is marked. The West North Central, Pacific, and Mountain States have lost in relative importance, and the Middle Atlantic, South Central, South Atlantic, and New England States have gained. These changes seem to indicate that cooperative selling and buying, which 10 years ago was largely confined to the North Central and Pacific States, is becoming more generally established in all parts of the United States.

The total figures for number of associations, estimated number of members, and estimated amount of business, broken up according to kind of associations and converted into percentages, point out further tendencies of the agricultural cooperative movement, as will be noted by the following:

Kind of association	Number of associations		Estimated number of members			
	1915	1924	1924	1915	1923	
	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent
Grain.....	30.2	30.8	25.6	19.8	45.6	27.3
Dairy products.....	31.5	19.4	21.6	9.9	14.0	18.2
Fruits and vegetables.....	16.0	12.1	16.9	9.9	31.7	13.6
Livestock.....	1.8	15.7	2.1	12.3	.9	11.4
Cotton.....	3.9	1.1	2.8	12.3	.2	4.5
Tobacco.....	.8	2	2.7	14.3	1.0	6.8
Merchandise (farmers' stores).....	5.1	7.1	9.1	7.4	1.8	2.3
All others.....	10.7	13.6	19.2	14.1	4.8	15.9
Total.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

While there has been a marked increase in the total number of associations, the estimated membership, and the estimated amount of business, the gains for some kinds of associations have been much greater than for others, so that the relative importance of the different kinds of associations has changed materially during the 10-year

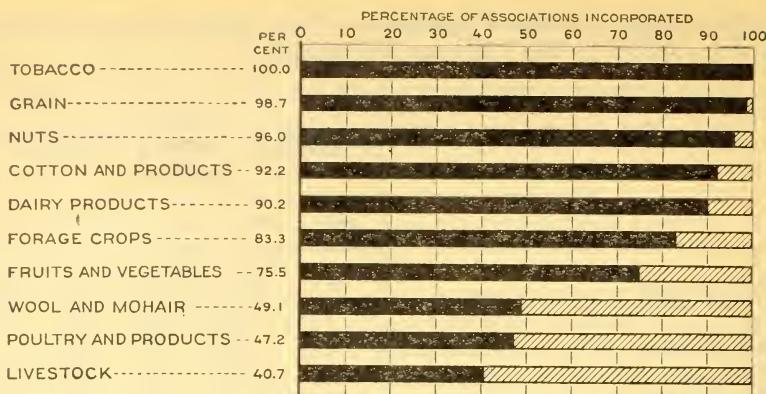


FIG. 9.—The percentage of all associations which are incorporated varies from 40 for those handling live stock to 100 for those handling tobacco. (See Table 20.)

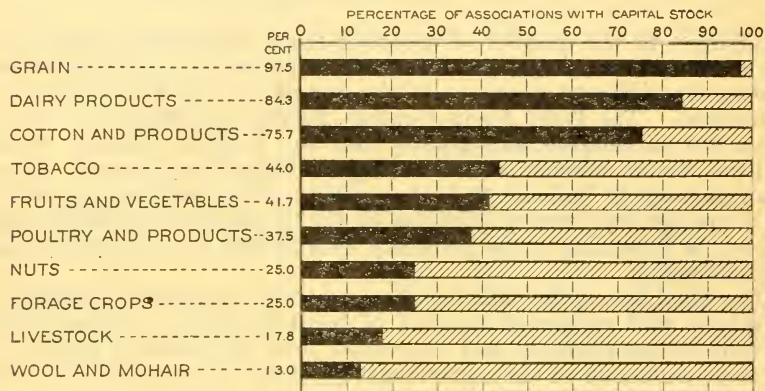


FIG. 10.—The percentage of all associations having capital stock for the various lines of commodities varied from 13 for associations handling wool to 97.5 for those handling grain. (See Table 20.)

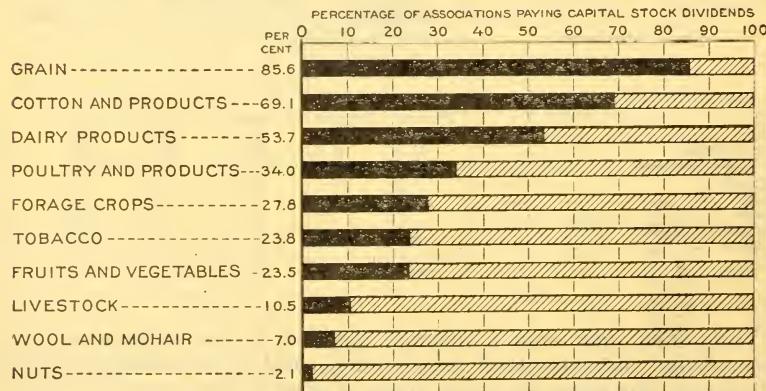


FIG. 11.—Approximately 85 per cent of the associations handling grain pay dividends on capital stock, 69 per cent of those handling cotton or cotton products, and 53 per cent of those marketing dairy products. Only 2 per cent of those handling nuts pay dividends. (See Table 20.)

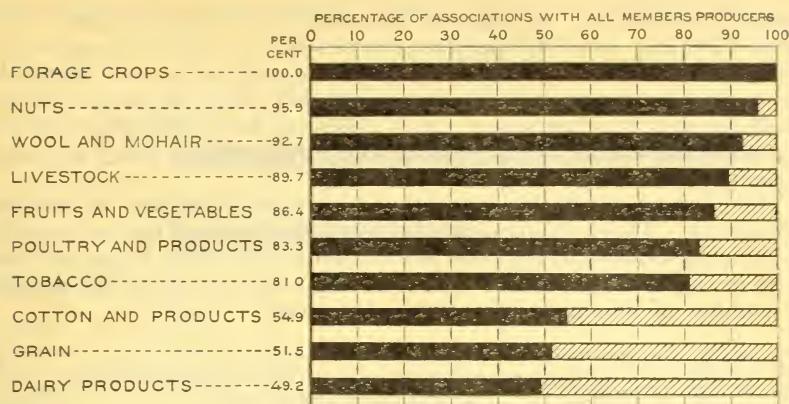


FIG. 12.—Most of the farmers' business organizations are composed only of producers of the product or products handled. (See Table 20.)

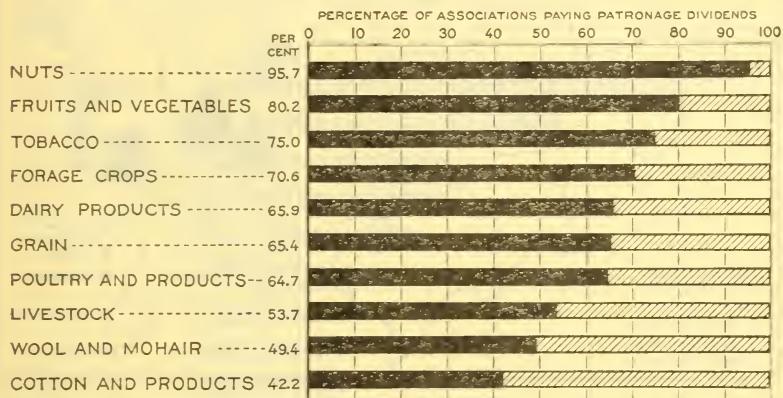


FIG. 13.—Whether patronage dividends are paid by an association depends largely upon the business methods employed. Such dividends are paid from funds accumulated by charging the members more than the cost of the service rendered. If all but actual cost is returned to members in connection with current transactions, no fund is accumulated from which dividends can be paid at the close of the season or year. (See Table 20.)

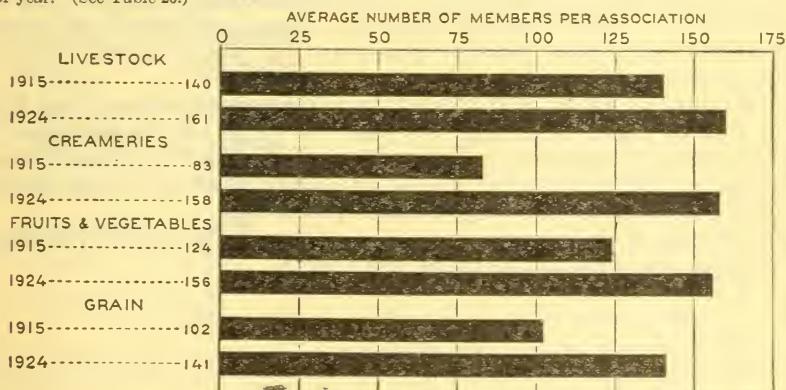


FIG. 14.—During the nine years, 1915-1924, the average number of members of associations handling livestock increased from 140 to 161, the average number for associations operating creameries from 83 to 158, for associations handling fruit and vegetables from 124 to 156, and for associations handling grain from 102 to 141. (See Table 21.)

period, 1915-1924. As regards the number of organizations, livestock shipping associations have increased in relative importance, while associations handling dairy products and fruits and vegetables are a smaller fraction of the total number than formerly. Many small associations marketing dairy products have been absorbed by larger organizations. In this way the marketing of dairy products is rapidly becoming a large-scale activity.

The changes in relative importance as regards number of members is marked. These changes are largely the result of the appearance of the state-wide and regional associations with their large memberships in the tobacco and cotton producing sections and to the increase in number of livestock shipping associations.

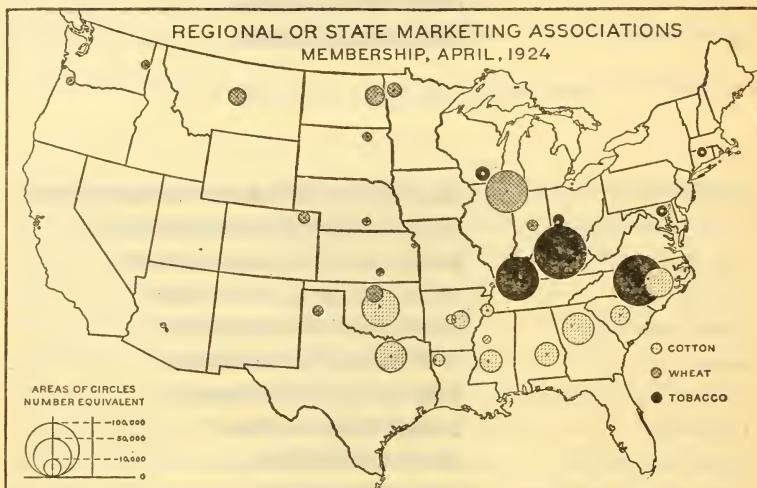


FIG. 15.—Since 1920 nearly 50 associations have been formed which handled but a single commodity and aim to serve an entire producing region or the producers within the boundaries of a State. The most important of the organizations of this new type are the tobacco, cotton, and wheat associations. (See Tables 42, 43, 56, 57, and 58.) The dots in the center of the circles indicate headquarters of associations

The percentages for estimated amount of business show relative losses by the grain associations and those marketing fruits and vegetables, and show relative gains by the organizations handling dairy products, livestock, cotton, and tobacco.

Such data as are available regarding the organizations which have gone out of business during the past 10 years are incorporated in Tables 64 to 70, inclusive. Tables 71 to 95, inclusive, give statistical information for a period of years for about 20 of the larger or best known associations handling various products.

Comments of an interpretative nature have been included in many of the legends beneath the maps and charts.

Average Number of Members for Associations Handling Tobacco, Cotton, and Rice for 1915 and 1924

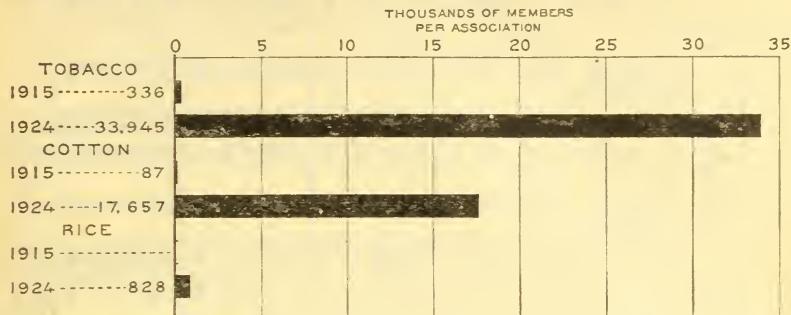


FIG. 16.—About 1920 the State-wide or region-wide marketing organizations appeared. In the tobacco, cotton, and rice producing sections this new type of association has largely replaced the local association which aimed to serve the farmers tributary to a single shipping point. (See Table 21.)

Estimated Business of Associations in Leading States, 1922

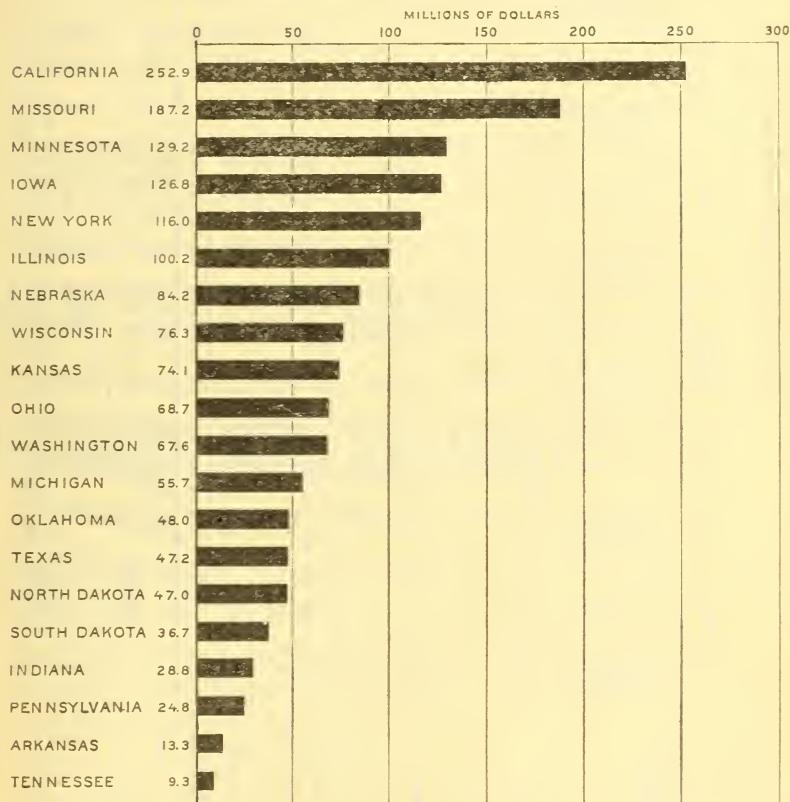


FIG. 17.—The estimated amount of business was determined by multiplying the average amount of business for the associations reporting amount of business by the total number of associations credited to each State

TABLE 1.—Associations of different kinds reporting amount of business, by States, 1913

[Source of data: Department Bulletin No. 547.]

TABLE 2.—Number and per cent of associations, by kinds and geographic divisions, 1915

[Source of data, Department Bulletin No. 547]

Geographic divisions	Cotton		Dairy products		Fruit and produce		Grain		Livestock		Tobacco		Stores		Miscellaneous		Total	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
New England	61	3.6	27	3.1	1	0.1					2	4.6	19	6.9	49	8.4	157	2.9
Middle Atlantic	125	7.3	45	5.2	101	11.6	285	17.4	10	10.4	7	16.3	15	5.4	23	4.0	210	3.9
East North Central	461	27.0	919	53.8	88	10.1	1,217	74.3	80	83.3			45	16.4	64	11.0	973	17.9
West North Central	1	0.5	17	1.0	102	11.7			2	2.1			108	39.3	164	28.2	2,677	47.5
South Atlantic	70	32.8	8	.5	85	9.8	1		1	1.1	23	25.6	25	9.1	102	17.6	329	6.1
East South Central	37	17.4	18	1.0	137	15.7	18	1.1	2	2.1	53	5	20	7.3	40	6.9	215	3.9
West South Central	102	47.9	43	2.5	70	8.0	51	3.1	1	1.0			5	1.8	33	5.7	315	5.8
Mountain	1	.5	56	3.3	216	24.8	64	3.9					7	2.5	59	10.1	232	4.3
Pacific	2	.9											31	11.3	47	8.1	416	7.7
United States	243	100.0	1,708	100.0	871	100.0	1,637	100.0	96	100.0	43	100.0	275	100.0	581	100.0	5,424	100.0

Percentage of Associations Reporting Business of Various Amounts, 1923

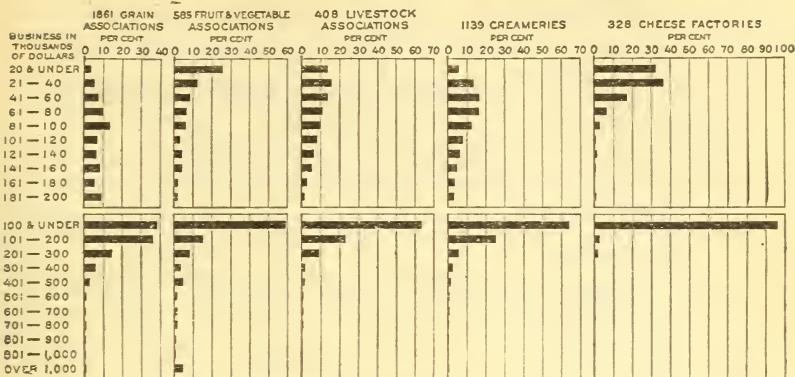


FIG. 18.—Reports from 4,321 associations of amount of business transacted annually indicates that a majority of the associations handling fruits, vegetables, and livestock, and operating creameries and cheese factories are in the group credited with less than \$100,000 per year. Grain-marketing associations fall largely in two groups; that is, under \$100,000 and between \$100,000 and \$200,000. (See Table 26.)

**PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL COOPERATIVE BUSINESS
IN EACH DIVISION**

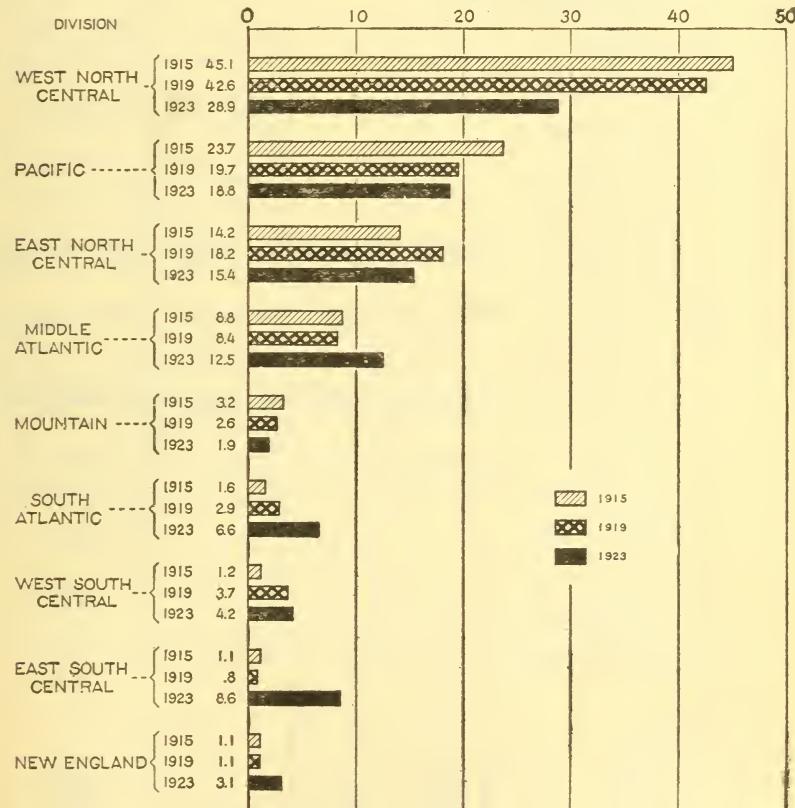


FIG. 19.—During the years from 1915 to 1923 the West North Central, Pacific, and Mountain States lost in relative importance as regards total amount of cooperative business handled. The other groups of States made gains.

TABLE 3.—Number of associations and membership, by kinds and States, 1915

Source of data. Department Bulletin No. 547

State and geographic division		Cotton	Dairy products	Fruit and produce	Grain	Livestock	Tobacco	Stores	Miscellaneous	Total
Number report.	Average berthsip mem.	Estimated mem.	Estimated mem.	Estimated mem.	Estimated mem.	Estimated mem.	Estimated mem.	Estimated mem.	Estimated mem.	Estimated mem.
Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut.		7 81	567 19	63 1,197	1 102	—	—	—	—	71 8,071
New England.		61 1—	6,147 27	— 2,021	1 102	—	—	—	—	157 21,054
New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania.		75 49	3,075 32	162 4,864	—	—	—	—	—	121 10,326
Middle Atlantic.		2 52	9 448	4,038	—	—	—	—	—	20 7,339
Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin.		48 51	2,438 4	77 77	—	—	—	—	—	66 1,052
East North Central.		125 1—	6,175 45	— 9,204	—	—	—	—	—	31 6,657
Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas.		29 228	6,612 16	63 1,008	31 106	3,286 1	90 70	553 4,253	1,012 9 201	890 14,370
West North Central.		27 45	2,125 19	26 2,808	27 104	19,968 2	174 105	— 294	588 11 276	525 5,342
Missouri.		34 100	3,400 11	67 737	192 104	— 210	—	7 76	5,012 15 128	84 3,107
North Dakota.		70 114	7,980 31	168 5,208	12 176	2,112 2	—	32 140	4,480 15 184	127 21,162
South Dakota.		301 74	22,274 24	82 1,968	23 122	2,866 7	—	—	—	402 35,380
Nebraska.		461 1—	1,381 101	— 9,415	285 10	—	1,392 7	—	11,092 45 4—	12,418 107,331
Kansas.		624 78	45,048 28	75 2,100	241 125	3,025 30	4,410 27	553 103	3,000 147 197	2,619 990,329
Iowa.		204 15	22,032 34	79 632	228 119	27,132 20	2,580 129	— 134	2,156 31 149	505 59,151
Missouri.		1 14	43 408	102 3,468	13 115	1,495 140	1,140 93	6 608	3 189 405 6	567 73 6,737
North Dakota.		29 47	1,363 47	— 204	74 19,536	— 186	—	12 74	888 6 80	480 313 22,453
South Dakota.		26 89	2,314 1	— 7	135 98	1,230 2	—	16 121	244 12 138	178 17,451
Nebraska.		15 111	1,665 2	117 819	183 99	18,117 25	3,975 159	— 6 616	6,964 46 89	4,094 29,366
Kansas.		6 50	300 10	137 1,370	153 83	14,229 2	185 370	36 205	7,380 39 134	5,226 246 28,375
West North Central.		14 919	— 76,367	88 8—	8,396 1,217	— 123,864	80 80	— 11,661	— 108 14,862 164 1—	19,201 2,577 254,423

Delaware	31,837	249	11,200	1,200	1,452
Maryland	1,541	54	1,016	127	6
Virginia	8,511	408	13	5,252	19,760
West Virginia	6	404	5	352	12,228
North Carolina	10,135	1,350	4	933	5,150
South Carolina	14,611	854	1	161	7
Georgia	44,751	3,300	1	66	1,190
Florida	2,161	30	1	51	1,712
South Atlantic	70	5,531	17	1,411	102
Kentucky	7,689	413	6	63	1,047
Tennessee	19,131	2,489	2	136	1,751
Alabama	11,261	286	---	26	1,003
Mississippi	71	112	7,952	9	1,070
East South Central	37	3,188	8	511	85
Arkansas	16,491	735	1	183	63
Louisiana	3,515	810	8	31	100
Tennessee	13,633	919	3	406	644
Texas	71,112	7,952	9	387	1,008
West South Central	102	9,521	18	1,118	137
Montana	12	95	1,140	7	82
Idaho	6	150	900	17	70
Wyoming	2	35	2	70	1,313
Colorado	13	27	351	28	1,63
New Mexico	4,187	87	9	78	3,40
Arizona	1	183	1	83	3,73
Utah	1	183	1	83	2,10
Nevada	1	87	1	83	2,064
Mountain	1	87	43	3,216	70
Washington	14	95	1,330	32	287
Oregon	16	35	880	40	115
California	2	30	26	124	127
Pacific	2	60	56	4,108	216
United States	18,404	1,708	213	1,00,567	871
					100,916
					1,437
					166,828
					96
					13,438
					43
					17,849
					275
					50,563
					581

					124,081
					5,424
					651,180

¹ Average number of members per association for the United States for the kind of commodities handled.

TABLE 4.—Number of associations and estimated business, by kinds and States, 1915

[Source of data, Department Bulletin No. 547]

State and geographic division	Cotton	Dairy products	Fruit and produce	Grain	Livestock	Tobacco	Stores	Miscellaneous	Total	
									Businesses ported	Businesses ported
Maine	7	\$490,000	19	\$17,500	1	\$145,460			5	\$195,000
New Hampshire	8	140,000							11	633,776
Vermont	22	1,221,000							3	122,565
Massachusetts	10	469,140	5	556,410						
Rhode Island	14	341,712	3	333,846						
Connecticut										
New England	61	2,631,852	27	937,756	1	145,460			19	951,341
New York	75	1,939,075	32	48,000,000					7	285,985
New Jersey	2	932,825	9	22,500					4	44,616
Pennsylvania	48	2,468,304	4	300,000					89,352	8
Middle Atlantic	125	4,521,207	45	48,322,500					2	\$30,000
Ohio	29	725,000	16	1,280,060	31	2,325,000	1	\$58,400	7	1,050,000
Indiana	1	485,000	19	1,47,500	27	1,215,000				
Illinois	34	134,300	11	27,500	192	31,320,000			2	81,710
Michigan	70	3,685,100	31	4,650,000	12	1,800,000	2		285,985	5
Wisconsin	301	30,965,375	24	2,670,768	23	2,506,080	7		32,173,344	15
East North Central	461	36,987,835	101	8,675,768	285	39,166,080	10	315,200	7	1,050,000
Minnesota	624	26,060,736	28	1,120,000	241	28,042,037	30	1,290,000	30	1,290,000
Iowa	204	10,361,772	8	32,000	228	93,183,600	20	1,168,000	14	571,970
Missouri	1	\$7,975	15	105,000	34	345,100	13	520,000	6	67,500
North Dakota	29	357,657							12	450,452
South Dakota	407	654							4	163,420
Nebraska	15	703,710	7	778,974	135	2,775,495	25	6,180,000	6	7,532,500
Kansas	6	63,198	10	2,000,000	153	27,045,111	2	116,800	36	1,182,852
West North Central	1	7,975	919	38,059,727	85	4,346,074	14	221,336,373	80	4,938,200

United States		1,562,007	1,708	89,001,370	871,201	542,646,1637	289,689,218	96	5,023,800	43	6,450,000	275,111,677,355	581	30,202,288	5,424	635,838,684
Delaware	3	140,742	1	111,282												46,484
Maryland	1	54,914	8	40,000												19
Virginia	8	375,312	13	338,000												208,508
West Virginia	4	445,128	4	445,128												386,914
North Carolina	10	960,000	9	1,000,000												1,674,836
South Carolina	14	111,650	1	5,500												538,128
Georgia	44	132,000		5												63,000
Florida	2	45,950		5												74,122
South Atlantic	70	339,350	17	1,528,468	102	4,037,963		2	116,800	11	1,650,000	25	917,245	102	1,610,276	329
Kentucky	6	281,484	15	19,125	1	145,460		21	3,150,000	6	245,130	17	68,000	66	3,909,199	
Tennessee	7	24,500	2	93,828	18	426,000		1	150,000	13	377,000	15	574,905	56	1,646,023	
Alabama	19	28,500		26	827,658			1	150,000	1	120,000	4	80,000	51	1,114,358	
Mississippi	11	124,707		26	39,000			1	150,000		1		4	185,936	42	1,481,258
East South Central	37	177,707	8	375,312	85	1,312,383	1	145,460	1	58,400	23	3,450,000	20	742,130	40	908,931
Arkansas	15	13,875	1	8,800	63	442,764							3	122,565	7	325,388
Louisiana	3	13,925		34	1,627,172								2	81,710	3	325,388
Oklahoma	13	276,250	8	163,032	9	20,250	11	1,705,663	2	116,800			2	81,710	3	44,385
Texas	71	639,000	9	137,250	31	328,600	7	1,018,220					2	223,040	16	2,346,110
West South Central	102	983,050	18	302,082	137	2,418,786	18	2,814,883	2	116,800			5	204,275	33	873,858
Montana	12	562,968	7	70,000	27	3,969,000							2	81,710	3	139,452
Idaho	6	900,000	17	1,891,794	9	1,309,140							1	80,855	4	1,823,130
Wyoming	2	320,000		28	3,500,000	3							2	81,710	3	5,370,373
Colorado	13	158,041		3	300,000								1	40,855	8	1,763,242
New Mexico	1	7,975		3	333,846								1	40,855	10	464,810
Arizona	1	162,000	9	1,335,381	4	360,000							1	40,855	3	180,000
Nevada	1	46,914											1	40,855	5	2,348,239
Mountain	1	7,975	43	2,149,923	70	7,431,024	51	7,551,820	1	58,400			7	285,985	59	3,000,684
Washington	14	1,050,000	52	5,786,684	48	9,929,136							12	1,830,000	8	371,872
Oregon	16	195,200	1	1,000,000	16	8,000,000							8	326,840	5	232,420
California	2	15,950	26	1,219,764	124,117,213,728								11	449,405	34	2,860,000
Pacific	2	15,950	56	2,464,964	216,124,000,392	64	17,929,136						31	2,606,245	47	3,494,292
United States	213	1,562,007	1,708	89,001,370	871,201	542,646,1637	289,689,218	96	5,023,800	43	6,450,000	275,111,677,355	581	30,202,288	5,424	635,838,684

TABLE 5.—*Cooperative marketing and purchasing through farmers' organizations, 1919*

[Bureau of the Census]

Division and State	Farms reporting sales or purchases			Sales through farmers' marketing organizations			Purchases through farmers' marketing organizations		
	Number	Farms reporting		Total	Amount	Farms reporting	Total	Amount	
		Per cent of all farms	Number						
Geographic divisions:									
New England:									
Middle Atlantic:	10,229	6.5	4,060	2.6	\$5,016,681	7,579	4.8	\$3,035,806	\$401,346
East North Central:	45,079	10.6	33,864	8.0	6,224,128	17,684	4.2	6,168,447	171,171
West North Central:	173,672	16.0	143,339	13.3	132,639,430	919	83,518	14,365,931	260,220
South Atlantic:	284,123	25.9	243,288	22.2	300,820,976	1,236	166,084	43,115,568	213,639
East South Central:	18,770	1.6	9,517	1.2	20,639,636	2,169	12,230	2,607,639	144,213
West South Central:	15,488	1.5	12,705	1.2	5,271,001	415	5,285	763,654	300,314
Mountain:	19,697	1.9	15,635	1.6	26,934,455	1,723	9,332	2,803,314	272,213
Pacific:	38,714	16.5	35,200	15.0	17,443,431	4,364	13,475	3,769,213	587,587
United States	624,527	9.7	511,383	7.0	721,983,639	1,412	329,449	5.1	84,615,669
New England:									
Maine:	4,062	8.4	1,264	2.6	1,121,022	1,124	3,407	7.1	1,488,395
New Hampshire:	1,027	5.0	122	.6	120,127	987	946	4.6	246,559
Vermont:	2,513	8.6	1,239	4.3	1,449,389	1,70	1,672	5.8	510,305
Massachusetts:	5,447	4.8	747	2.3	1,671,039	2,237	1,009	3.2	521,847
Rhode Island:	145	3.6	95	2.3	222,078	2,338	86	2.1	30,534
Connecticut:	935	4.1	593	2.6	1,032,666	1,741	459	2.0	228,966
Middle Atlantic:	27,283	14.1	23,494	12.2	44,906,247	1,911	7,106	3.7	2,270,976
New York:	4,282	14.4	2,758	9.3	6,063,253	2,394	2,758	9.4	2,063,705
Pennsylvania:	13,514	6.7	7,602	3.8	9,714,235	1,278	7,860	3.9	1,828,966
East North Central:	30,621	11.9	19,952	7.8	18,762,020	940	21,250	8.3	3,197,047
Ohio:	19,212	9.4	14,638	7.1	12,778,640	873	10,019	4.9	1,766,268
Indiana:	28,623	12.1	24,797	10.5	47,920,487	1,383	12,303	5.2	3,333,667
Illinois:	47,021	23.9	42,104	21.4	24,294,688	577	18,154	9.2	2,445,953
Michigan:	48,190	25.5	42,848	22.6	28,884,215	674	21,792	11.5	3,522,996
Wisconsin:	81,145	45.5	78,314	43.9	82,760,459	1,057	26,611	16.6	6,612,162
Minnesota:	51,630	24.2	43,350	20.3	59,403,626	1,370	32,530	15.6	6,760,952
Iowa:	25,496	9.7	17,738	6.7	16,474,902	1,759	17,054	6.8	2,984,714
Missouri:	19,814	25.5	17,438	22.4	24,454,558	1,404	15,379	16.2	3,840,311

South Dakota--	22,517	30.2	20,241	31,651,244	1,564	13,754	3,583,771	261
Nebaska-----	40,333	32.4	32,543	26,2	44,755,140	1,775	27,335	353
Kansas-----	43,188	26.1	33,654	20,4	44,290,957	1,316	32,321	9,663,051
South Atlantic:								299
Delaware-----	6,110	6.0	548	5.4	218,034	398	275	2.7
Maryland-----	2,177	4.5	1,865	3.9	3,080,290	1,656	637	1.3
Virginia-----	7,537	4.0	3,849	2.1	10,180,062	2,646	5,161	2.8
West Virginia-----	2,565	2.9	625	.7	284,150	435	2,203	1,205,659
North Carolina-----	3,521	1.3	830	.3	633,227	780	2,976	2.5
South Carolina-----	358	.2	203	.1	961,999	739	186	1.1
Georgia-----	586	.2	210	.1	800,605	4,241	411	1.1
Florida-----	1,433	2.7	1,367	2.5	4,316,379	3,180	381	.7
East South Central:								706
Kentucky-----	4,543	1.7	3,498	1.3	2,430,792	695	2,344	.9
Tennessee-----	2,121	.8	1,255	1.5	637,671	484	1,174	384,406
Alabama-----	2,825	1.1	2,678	1.0	837,658	313	1,222	114
Mississippi-----	5,999	2.2	5,274	1.9	1,365,640	265	1,345	72,257
West South Central:								131
Arkansas-----	3,144	1.4	2,885	1.2	4,726,491	1,638	1,072	.5
Louisiana-----	4,329	3.2	4,284	3.2	9,715,944	2,268	1,591	1.2
Oklahoma-----	7,718	4.0	5,980	3.1	8,055,084	1,347	4,900	2.6
Texas-----	3,564	.8	2,486	.6	4,437,836	1,785	1,750	.4
Mountain:								370
Montana-----	3,804	6.6	1,948	3.4	1,588,303	790	2,926	5,1
Idaho-----	2,739	8.9	2,336	5.5	3,300,358	1,455	2,653	6,3
Wyoming-----	7,757	4.7	370	2.3	616,748	1,748	611	3.9
Colorado-----	7,789	13.0	5,847	9.8	9,303,346	1,591	5,613	9.4
New Mexico-----	1,247	4.2	975	3.3	1,047,105	1,074	574	1.9
Arizona-----	224	2.2	180	1.8	391,808	2,192	121	1.2
Utah-----	2,145	8.4	1,127	4.4	1,105,623	981	1,377	41,170
Nevada-----	2,145	.2	.1	.2	8,300	4,150	5,4	183,112
Pacific:								133
Washington-----	7,447	11.2	5,583	8.4	15,356,226	2,751	5,355	8.1
Oregon-----	4,832	9.6	3,846	7.7	7,746,624	2,015	2,515	5.0
California-----	22,4	22.4	25,772	21.9	127,940,981	4,966	5,792	4.9

TABLE 6.—*Farms reporting sales and purchases through cooperative associations, by States, 1919*

[Data from Agricultural Census, 1919]

Farms reporting sales and purchases				Amount of sales and purchases				Average amount per farm			
State and rank	Number of farms	Cumulative per cent	Per cent	State and rank	Amount	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	State and rank	Amount	Per cent	Amount
1. Minnesota-----	81,145	12.99	1.21	1. California-----	\$12,312,110	16.40	1. California-----	1. California-----	\$5,000	4.150	-----
2. Iowa-----	51,630	8.27	21.26	2. Minnesota-----	89,402,621	11.08	2. Nevada-----	2. Nevada-----	-----	4.150	-----
3. Wisconsin-----	7,722	7.72	2.38	3. Iowa-----	66,164,578	8.20	3. Florida-----	3. Florida-----	-----	3.219	-----
4. Michigan-----	47,021	7.53	36.51	4. Nebraska-----	53,415,247	6.75	4. South Carolina-----	4. South Carolina-----	-----	4.445	-----
5. Kansas-----	43,188	6.92	4.43	5. Kansas-----	53,654,008	6.69	5. Louisiana-----	5. Louisiana-----	-----	2.423	-----
6. Nebraska-----	40,332	6.46	49.89	6. Illinois-----	51,234,154	6.35	6. Washington-----	6. Washington-----	-----	2.423	-----
7. Ohio-----	30,621	4.90	54.70	7. New York-----	47,177,223	5.85	7. New Jersey-----	7. New Jersey-----	-----	2.031	-----
8. Illinois-----	28,628	4.58	59.37	8. South Dakota-----	36,235,015	4.37	8. Arizona-----	8. Arizona-----	-----	1.945	-----
9. New York-----	27,283	4.37	63.74	9. Wisconsin-----	32,447,211	4.02	9. Oregon-----	9. Oregon-----	-----	1.904	-----
10. Missouri-----	26,415	4.23	67.97	10. North Dakota-----	28,325,309	3.51	10. Illinois-----	10. Illinois-----	-----	1.742	-----
11. South Dakota-----	25,496	4.08	72.05	11. Michigan-----	26,740,641	3.32	11. Rhode Island-----	11. Rhode Island-----	-----	1.729	-----
12. North Dakota-----	22,517	3.61	75.66	12. Ohio-----	21,939,067	2.72	12. New York-----	12. New York-----	-----	1.631	-----
13. Indiana-----	19,814	3.17	78.83	13. Washington-----	18,066,428	2.24	13. Georgia-----	13. Georgia-----	-----	1.631	-----
14. Pennsylvania-----	19,212	3.08	81.91	14. Missouri-----	16,439,706	2.04	14. South Dakota-----	14. South Dakota-----	-----	1.565	-----
15. Colorado-----	13,514	2.16	84.07	15. Indiana-----	14,544,308	1.80	15. Arkansas-----	15. Arkansas-----	-----	1.544	-----
16. Oklahoma-----	7,780	1.25	85.32	16. Pennsylvania-----	11,543,594	1.43	16. Maryland-----	16. Maryland-----	-----	1.511	-----
17. Virginia-----	7,718	1.24	86.56	17. Virginia-----	11,301,751	1.41	17. Virginia-----	17. Virginia-----	-----	1.511	-----
18. Louisiana-----	7,537	1.21	87.77	18. Colorado-----	10,961,704	1.36	18. North Dakota-----	18. North Dakota-----	-----	1.430	-----
19. Washington-----	7,457	1.19	88.96	19. Louisiana-----	10,585,233	1.31	19. Texas-----	19. Texas-----	-----	1.428	-----
20. Mississippi-----	5,949	.96	89.92	20. Oklahoma-----	9,101,354	1.14	20. Massachusetts-----	20. Massachusetts-----	-----	1.417	-----
21. Oregon-----	8,812	.73	90.72	21. Oregon-----	8,736,700	1.08	21. Colorado-----	21. Colorado-----	-----	1.407	-----
22. Kentucky-----	4,543	.73	91.43	22. New Jersey-----	8,696,958	1.08	22. Connecticut-----	22. Connecticut-----	-----	1.349	-----
23. Louisiana-----	4,329	.69	92.12	23. Texas-----	94,783	.63	23. Nebraska-----	23. Nebraska-----	-----	1.349	-----
24. New Jersey-----	4,282	.69	92.81	24. Arkansas-----	4,900,213	.61	24. Iowa-----	24. Iowa-----	-----	1.282	-----
25. Maine-----	4,062	.65	93.46	25. Florida-----	4,615,388	.57	25. Kansas-----	25. Kansas-----	-----	1.249	-----
26. Montana-----	3,804	.61	94.07	26. Idaho-----	4,057,550	.50	26. Oklahoma-----	26. Oklahoma-----	-----	1.187	-----
27. Idaho-----	3,749	.60	94.67	27. Maryland-----	3,361,620	.42	27. Minnesota-----	27. Minnesota-----	-----	1.102	-----
28. Texas-----	3,564	.57	95.24	28. Maine-----	2,919,417	.36	28. Idaho-----	28. Idaho-----	-----	1.082	-----
29. North Carolina-----	3,524	.56	95.80	29. Kentucky-----	2,812,198	.35	29. Wyoming-----	29. Wyoming-----	-----	1.064	-----
30. Arkansas-----	3,144	.50	96.30	30. Montana-----	2,403,495	.30	30. New Mexico-----	30. New Mexico-----	-----	1.016	-----
31. Alabama-----	2,825	.45	96.75	31. Massachusetts-----	2,192,646	.27	31. Pennsylvania-----	31. Pennsylvania-----	-----	.855	-----
32. West Virginia-----	2,615	.41	97.16	32. Vermont-----	2,093,694	.24	32. Vermont-----	32. Vermont-----	-----	.750	-----
33. Vermont-----	2,513	.40	97.56	33. Mississippi-----	1,571,131	.20	33. Indiana-----	33. Indiana-----	-----	.757	-----
34. Maryland-----	2,177	.36	97.91	34. Utah-----	1,288,635	.16	34. Maine-----	34. Maine-----	-----	.719	-----
35. Utah-----	2,145	.34	98.25	35. New Mexico-----	1,267,131	.16	35. Ohio-----	35. Ohio-----	-----	.717	-----
36. Tennessee-----	2,121	.34	98.59	36. Connecticut-----	1,261,632	.16	36. Wisconsin-----	36. Wisconsin-----	-----	.673	-----
37. Massachusetts-----	1,547	.25	98.84	37. North Carolina-----	1,088,189	.14	37. Missouri-----	37. Missouri-----	-----	.645	-----
38. Florida-----	1,433	.23	99.07	38. North Carolina-----	1,084,369	.14	38. Montana-----	38. Montana-----	-----	.433	-----
39. New Mexico-----	99.27	.20	99.27	39. Georgia-----	99,48	.12	39. Kentucky-----	39. Kentucky-----	-----	.619	-----

40. New Hampshire	1,027	16	90,43	40. Alabama	900,785	.11	90,50	40. Utah	90,50
41. Connecticut	935	15	90,58	41. Wyoming	784,151	.10	99,69	41. Michigan	569
42. Wyoming	737	12	99,70	42. Tennessee	740,941	.09	99,78	42. Delaware	406
43. Delaware	610	10	99,80	43. West Virginia	562,369	.06	99,84	43. New Hampshire	357
44. Georgia	586	09	99,89	44. Arizona	435,678	.05	99,89	44. Tennessee	340
45. South Carolina	338	05	99,94	45. New Hampshire	306,486	.05	99,94	45. Alabama	308
46. Arizona	224	04	99,98	46. Rhode Island	252,612	.03	99,97	46. North Carolina	262
47. Rhode Island	165	02	100,00	47. Douthwaite	247,588	.03	100,00	47. Mississippi	196
48. Nevada	2	00	100,00	48. Nevada	8,300	1,00	100,00	48. West Virginia	
United States	624,527	100,00		United States	806,599,308	100,00			

1. Less than .01 per cent.

TABLE 7.—Number and per cent of associations, by kinds and geographic divisions, March, 1924.

Geographic division	Cotton	Dairy products	Forage crops	Fruits and vegetables	Grain	Livestock	Nuts	Poultry	Tobacco	Wool	Miscellaneous farmers' stores	Mercantile-discount stores	Miscellaneous buying	Total
	Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent
New England	80	4.1	42	3.4	106	3	1	1.8	4	16.0	4	3.5	30	4.2
Middle Atlantic	137	7.0	2	10.0	89	7	2	4	1	1.8	1	3.4	21	3.4
West North Central	710	36.1	116	9.7	852	27.2	549	34.4	6	21.0	6	32.2	57	18.4
South Atlantic	852	43.3	1	5.0	1,633	12.4	1,953	62.3	593	59.0	5	8.9	24.0	14.2
East South Central	3	2.8	23	1.2	1	5.0	1,344	10.9	5	17.1	7	12.5	23	26.1
West South Central	24	22.4	2	10.0	89	7.2	1	(1)	5	9.8	3	6.4	4	16.0
Mountain	31	1.6	2	10.0	180	14.6	113	3.6	33	2	3.9	10	17.9	12
Pacific	18	16.8	10	5	2	10.0	84	6.8	135	4.3	27	1.7	1	4.0
United States	107	100.0	1,906	100.0	20	100.0	1,232	100.0	3,131	100.0	1,508	100.0	56	100.0
											25,100.0		709	100.0
											115,100.0		717	100.0
											23,100.0		709	100.0

1. Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

TABLE 8.—Farmers' business organizations, by kinds and States, March, 1924

State and geographic division	Cotton and cotton products	Dairy products	Forage crops	Fruits and vegetables	Grain	Livestock	Nuts	Poultry and poultry products	Tobacco	Wool	Miscellaneous selling	Merchandise (farmers' stores)	Miscellaneous buying	Total, reporting
Maine	8			32	1						2	12	21	8
New Hampshire	4			1	1						1	2	2	6
Vermont	42			7	1						2	11	11	16
Massachusetts	16										1	4	4	60
Rhode Island	2										1	1	1	47
Connecticut	8													7
New England	80			42	3						1	4	30	42
New York	78	2		89	3						2	1	31	24
New Jersey	59			7	4						1	5	3	66
Pennsylvania	137	2	109	7	4						1	6	34	256
Middle Atlantic											3	6	37	100
Ohio	41			16	196	74					3	7	16	41
Indiana	23			8	126	95					1	6	11	84
Illinois	19			17	307	164					1	20	22	301
Michigan	89			55	83	32					2	77	77	640
Wisconsin	538			23	60	144					1	3	38	420
East North Central	710			119	852	549					3	6	37	151
Minnesota	548			78	268	300					1	7	18	531
Iowa	228			5	345	334					2	6	12	277
Missouri	13	1	29	153	107	1					1	1	1	222
North Dakota	3													1
South Dakota	17			24	326	64					1	4	1	459
Nebraska	28			10	215	98					1	3	3	376
Kansas	12			4	337	30					1	4	3	477
West North Central	6			3	309	26					2	6	68	423
West	832	1	153	1,953	938	7					6	14	182	4,579
Delaware											1	23	109	74
Maryland	1			2							1	6	86	9
District of Columbia	2			4							1	1	35	11
Virginia	1													1
West Virginia	11	1	10	1	14	1					1	1	11	22
North Carolina	6		12	2	1	1					1	1	5	91
South Carolina	4		9	1							2	10	5	31
												9	8	16

TABLE 9.—*Associations in leading States, March, 1924*

State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
1. Minnesota-----	1,330	13.1	13.1	13. Indiana-----	301	3.0	74.5
2. Iowa-----	1,039	10.2	23.3	14. New York-----	277	2.7	77.2
3. Wisconsin-----	879	8.7	32.0	15. Pennsylvania-----	232	2.3	79.5
4. Illinois-----	640	6.3	38.3	16. Texas-----	184	1.8	81.3
5. Nebraska-----	477	4.7	43.0	17. Washington-----	169	1.7	83.0
6. Missouri-----	475	4.7	47.7	18. Oklahoma-----	144	1.4	84.4
7. North Dakota-----	459	4.5	52.2	19. Arkansas-----	125	1.2	85.6
8. Kansas-----	423	4.2	56.4	20. Tennessee-----	115	1.1	86.7
9. Michigan-----	420	4.1	60.5	All others-----	1,349	13.3	100.0
10. Ohio-----	380	3.7	64.2				
11. South Dakota-----	376	3.7	67.9	United States-----	10,160	100.0	-----
12. California-----	366	3.6	71.5				

TABLE 10.—*Grain marketing associations, March, 1924*

State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
1. Illinois-----	397	12.7	12.7	9. Missouri-----	153	4.9	81.3
2. Iowa-----	345	11.0	23.7	10. Indiana-----	126	4.0	85.3
3. Nebraska-----	337	10.7	34.4	11. Oklahoma-----	89	2.8	88.1
4. North Dakota-----	326	10.4	44.8	12. Michigan-----	83	2.6	90.7
5. Kansas-----	309	9.9	54.7	All others-----	290	9.3	100.0
6. Minnesota-----	268	8.5	63.2				
7. South Dakota-----	215	6.9	70.1	United States-----	3,134	100.0	-----
8. Ohio-----	196	6.3	76.4				

TABLE 11.—*Dairy marketing associations, March, 1924*

State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
1. Minnesota-----	548	27.9	27.9	8. Oregon-----	42	2.1	82.6
2. Wisconsin-----	538	27.4	55.3	9. Ohio-----	41	2.1	84.7
3. Iowa-----	228	11.6	66.9	10. South Dakota-----	28	1.4	86.1
4. Michigan-----	89	4.5	71.4	All others-----	273	13.9	100.0
5. New York-----	78	4.0	75.4				
6. Pennsylvania-----	59	3.0	78.4	United States-----	1,966	100.0	-----
7. Vermont-----	42	2.1	80.5				

TABLE 12.—*Fruit and vegetable marketing associations, March, 1924*

State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
1. California-----	246	20.0	20.0	8. Washington-----	50	4.1	60.4
2. Arkansas-----	90	7.3	27.3	9. Tennessee-----	42	3.4	63.8
3. New York-----	89	7.2	34.5	10. Colorado-----	38	3.1	66.9
4. Florida-----	82	6.6	41.1	All others-----	408	33.1	100.0
5. Minnesota-----	78	6.3	47.4				
6. Michigan-----	55	4.5	51.9	United States-----	1,232	100.0	-----
7. Texas-----	54	4.4	56.3				

TABLE 13.—*Livestock marketing associations, March, 1924*

State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
1. Iowa-----	334	20.9	20.9	8. Michigan-----	82	5.1	81.9
2. Minnesota-----	300	18.8	39.7	9. Ohio-----	74	4.6	86.5
3. Illinois-----	154	9.6	49.3	10. North Dakota-----	64	4.0	90.5
4. Wisconsin-----	144	9.0	58.3	All others-----	151	9.5	100.0
5. Missouri-----	107	6.7	65.0				
6. Indiana-----	95	6.0	71.0	United States-----	1,598	100.0	-----
7. South Dakota-----	93	5.8	76.8				

TABLE 14.—*Cotton marketing associations, March, 1924*

State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
1. Texas.....	43	40.2	40.2	8. Mississippi.....	3	2.8	91.6
2. Georgia.....	14	13.1	53.3	9. Missouri.....	3	2.8	94.4
3. Alabama.....	12	11.2	64.5	10. Tennessee.....	3	2.8	97.2
4. Arkansas.....	8	7.5	72.0	11. Arizona.....	2	1.9	99.1
5. Oklahoma.....	8	7.5	79.5	12. Louisiana.....	1	.9	100.0
6. North Carolina.....	6	5.6	85.1	United States.....	107	100.0	-----
7. South Carolina.....	4	3.7	88.8				

TABLE 15.—*Wool marketing associations, March, 1924*

State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
1. New York.....	31	27.0	27.0	7. Pennsylvania.....	6	5.2	67.8
2. Minnesota.....	12	10.4	37.4	8. Tennessee.....	5	4.4	72.2
3. West Virginia.....	10	8.7	46.1	All others.....	32	27.8	100.0
4. Ohio.....	7	6.1	52.2	United States.....	115	100.0	-----
5. Indiana.....	6	5.2	57.4				
6. Iowa.....	6	5.2	62.6				

TABLE 16.—*Miscellaneous selling associations, March, 1924*

State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
1. Missouri.....	125	17.6	17.6	8. Tennessee.....	23	3.2	56.5
2. Michigan.....	77	10.9	28.5	9. Illinois.....	20	2.8	59.3
3. Wisconsin.....	58	8.2	36.7	10. New York.....	20	2.8	62.1
4. Pennsylvania.....	34	4.8	41.5	All others.....	269	37.9	100.0
5. Texas.....	31	4.4	45.9	United States.....	709	100.0	-----
6. Minnesota.....	26	3.7	49.6				
7. Mississippi.....	26	3.7	53.3				

TABLE 17.—*Associations engaged in retailing, March, 1924*

State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
1. Minnesota.....	86	12.0	12.0	8. South Dakota.....	23	3.2	65.5
2. Nebraska.....	86	12.0	24.0	9. North Dakota.....	22	3.1	68.6
3. Iowa.....	84	11.7	35.7	10. Illinois.....	22	3.1	71.7
4. Kansas.....	68	9.5	45.2	All others.....	203	28.3	100.0
5. Wisconsin.....	49	6.8	52.0	United States.....	717	100.0	-----
6. Washington.....	39	5.4	57.4				
7. Missouri.....	35	4.9	62.3				

TABLE 18.—*Collective buying associations, March, 1924*

State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	State and rank	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
1. Pennsylvania.....	100	23.3	23.3	8. Massachusetts.....	16	3.7	61.0
2. New York.....	41	9.6	32.9	9. Ohio.....	16	3.7	64.7
3. Connecticut.....	28	6.5	39.4	10. Wisconsin.....	13	3.0	67.7
4. Virginia.....	22	5.1	44.5	All others.....	139	32.3	100.0
5. Indiana.....	19	4.4	48.9	United States.....	430	100.0	-----
6. Iowa.....	18	4.2	53.1				
7. Michigan.....	18	4.2	57.3				

TABLE 19.—Associations, by organization characteristics and States, March, 1924.

State and geographic division	Incorporation	Capital stock	Stock dividends				All members producers		Patronage dividends			
			Number reporting	Per cent incorporated	All reporting	Not incorporated	All producers	Not all producers	Per cent with mem bers reporting	Not paying partners	Paying partners	Percent paying dividends
Maine.....	80	78	97,5	81	71	10	87,7	77	34	55,8	80	30
New Hampshire.....	15	11	73,3	16	11	56	68,8	15	9	60,0	16	8
Vermont.....	59	56	94,3	59	56	3	94,9	53	39	73,6	59	26
Massachusetts.....	44	36	81,8	46	29	17	63,0	39	22	17	40	25
Rhode Island.....	6	6	100,0	7	41	33	100,0	6	5	83,3	7	3
Connecticut.....	41	37	90,2	4	33	8	80,5	39	19	48,7	38	25
New England.....												
New York.....	245	224	91,4	250	207	43	82,8	229	137	92	240	137
New Jersey.....	249	225	90,4	290	83	177	31,9	236	59	177	25,0	259
Pennsylvania.....	218	18	92	90,0	21	9	42,9	18	10	55,6	19	12
Middle Atlantic.....	487	394	93	80,9	506	178	328	35,2	458	125	333	
Ohio.....	366	311	55	85,0	369	301	68	81,6	350	206	144	
Indiana.....	297	209	88	70,4	292	174	118	59,6	274	138	136	
Illinois.....	615	494	88	80,3	447	183	71,0	57,7	360	217	62,4	
Michigan.....	405	372	33	91,9	402	201	50,0	37,6	138	238	36,7	
Wisconsin.....	823	681	147	82,2	837	679	178	79,2	825	460	365	
East North Central.....												
Minnesota.....	2,511	2,067	444	82,3	2,550	1,802	748	70,7	2,402	1,302	1,100	
Iowa.....	1,241	975	78,6	1,204	931	333	72,9	1,216	644	572	53,0	
Missouri.....	1,006	839	83,7	102,0	681	339	66,8	936	476	460	50,9	
North Dakota.....	4,655	3,19	70,1	453	321	138	69,9	405	264	141	65,2	
South Dakota.....	344	384	84,6	451	370	81	82,0	434	328	129	75,4	
Nebraska.....	373	293	80	78,6	371	277	94	74,7	349	238	68,2	
Kansas.....	414	428	27	47,3	444	29	93,9	466	375	91	80,5	
West North Central.....												
4,398	3,617	781	82,2	4,494	3,426	1,068	76,2	4,202	2,644	1,558	62,9	

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Delaware-----	11	8	3	72.7	11	5	0	45.5	9	3	0	33.3	9	6	3	66.7	9	2	7	22.2
Maryland-----	18	16	3	83.3	16	9	7	66.2	17	10	7	58.8	17	13	4	76.5	17	8	9	47.1
District of Columbia-----	1	1	1	100.0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100.0	1	1	1	1
Virginia-----	80	49	40	55.1	80	45	44	50.6	85	37	48	43.5	87	66	21	75.9	76	31	45	40.8
West Virginia-----	29	7	22	41	29	4	25	13.8	27	1	26	3.7	28	16	12	57.1	26	8	18	30.8
North Carolina-----	53	36	17	67.9	52	31	21	59.6	49	27	22	55.1	40	35	14	71.4	44	26	18	59.1
South Carolina-----	15	12	3	80.0	15	10	5	66.7	15	6	9	40.0	16	9	7	66.2	16	9	6	60.0
Florida-----	49	33	16	67.3	47	25	22	43	19	24	44.2	48	32	16	7	66.7	41	24	17	58.5
Georgia-----	70	63	17	75.7	83	15	68	18.1	72	13	59	18.1	83	69	14	83.1	77	62	15	80.5
South Atlantic-----	335	214	121	63.9	343	144	199	42.0	318	116	202	36.5	338	217	91	73.1	306	170	136	65.6
Kentucky-----	57	35	22	61.4	57	22	35	38.6	51	15	36	29.4	53	45	8	84.9	42	28	14	66.7
Tennessee-----	113	43	70	38.1	114	27	87	23.7	100	15	85	15.0	100	82	24	77.4	91	67	24	73.6
Alabama-----	72	35	37	48.6	72	11	55	23.6	11	10	45	13.4	11	67	6	83.8	64	32	22	59.3
Mississippi-----	47	19	28	40.4	49	12	37	24.3	64	5	36	12.4	47	38	9	80.9	43	25	18	58.1
East South Central-----	289	132	157	45.7	292	78	214	26.7	257	45	212	17.5	274	222	52	81.0	230	152	78	66.1
Arkansas-----	116	58	50.0	117	35	82	29.9	104	19	85	18.3	119	100	19	84.0	93	70	23	75.3	
Louisiana-----	34	22	12	64.7	36	13	23	36.1	31	12	19	38.7	36	34	2	94.4	31	25	6	80.6
Oklahoma-----	142	129	13	90.8	144	122	22	84.7	135	98	72.6	140	86	54	61.4	131	107	24	81.7	
Texas-----	164	117	47	71.3	173	89	84	51.4	159	70	89	44.0	180	137	43	76.1	150	94	66	62.7
West South Central-----	456	326	130	71.5	470	259	211	55.1	429	199	230	46.4	475	357	118	75.2	406	296	100	73.1
Montana-----	99	92	7	92.9	105	87	18	82.9	98	70	28	71.4	104	75	20	72.1	99	68	31	68.7
Idaho-----	58	49	9	84.5	60	39	21	65.0	52	27	25	51.9	58	35	23	60.3	50	33	17	66.0
Wyoming-----	20	12	8	60.0	19	10	47.4	17	8	9	47.1	19	11	11	15	15	8	46.7	8	
Colorado-----	100	80	11	89.0	107	72	35	67.3	95	53	42	55.8	111	77	34	69.4	99	74	25	74.7
New Mexico-----	18	14	7	77.8	18	11	7	61.1	16	8	8	50.0	18	11	7	61.1	18	12	6	66.7
Arizona-----	21	14	7	66.7	22	8	14	36.4	22	2	20	9.1	23	17	6	73.9	19	13	6	68.4
Utah-----	34	22	12	64.7	35	21	14	60.0	32	19	13	59.4	38	31	7	81.6	30	15	15	50.0
Nevada-----	3	2	1	66.7	4	1	3	25.0	4	4	4	3	1	4	3	75.0	3	2	1	66.7
Mountain-----	353	294	69	83.3	370	248	122	67.0	336	187	149	55.7	375	290	115	69.3	333	224	100	67.3
Washington-----	156	142	14	91.0	158	129	29	81.6	154	81	73	52.6	166	104	62	62.7	141	68	73	48.2
Oregon-----	97	86	12	87.6	96	78	18	81.2	94	50	44	53.2	98	69	29	70.4	91	65	26	71.4
California-----	319	300	19	94.0	338	163	175	48.2	318	66	252	20.8	355	329	35	90.1	315	271	44	86.0
Pacific-----	572	527	45	92.1	592	370	222	62.5	566	197	369	34.8	619	493	126	79.6	547	404	143	73.9
United States-----	9,646	7,795	1,851	80.8	9,867	6,712	3,155	68.0	9,197	4,245	33.8	9,747	6,328	3,419	61.9	8,807	5,649	3,188	64.1	

TABLE 20.—Associations, by kinds and organization characteristics, March, 1924

Distribution of Cooperative Business by Kinds of Associations, 1913, 1915, 1921, 1922

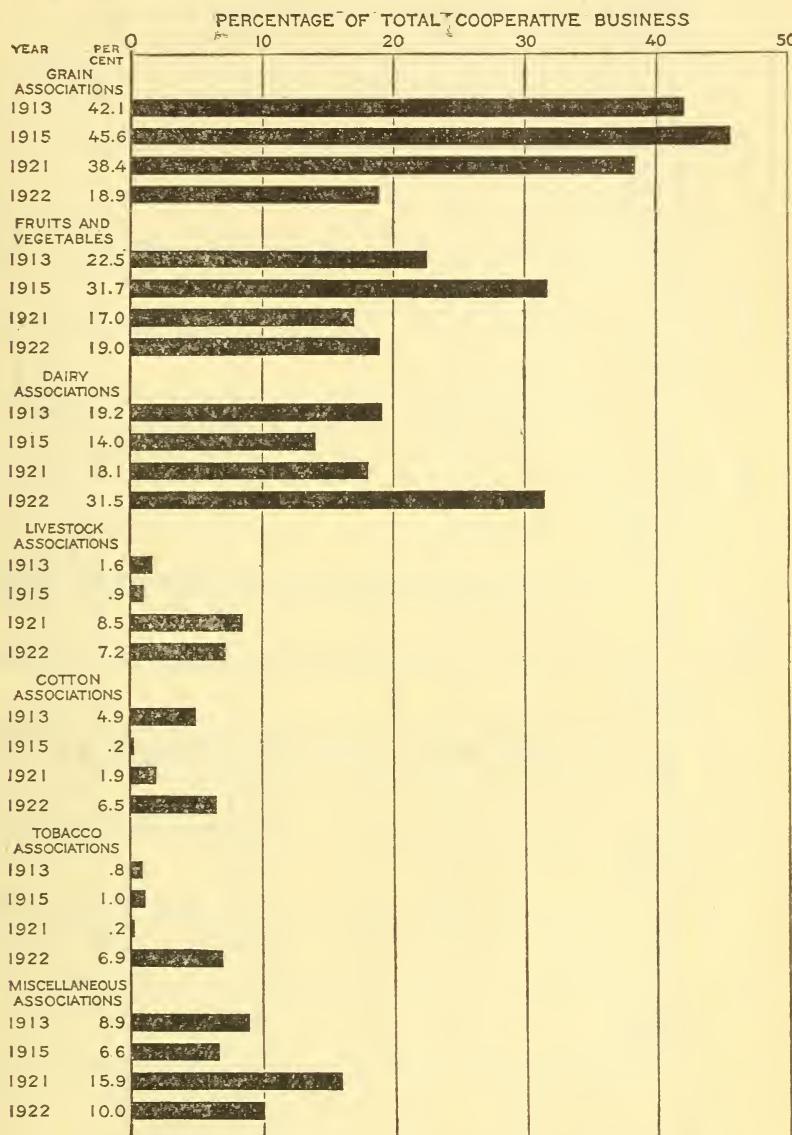


FIG. 20.—Whereas in 1913 over 42 per cent of the total agricultural cooperative business in the United States was transacted by grain-marketing associations, 18.9 per cent was handled by such organizations in 1922. Gains in relative importance were made during the 10-year period by the associations handling dairy products, cotton, and tobacco. (See Table 25.)

South Carolina	1	13,610	6	430		
Georgia	1	36,302	3	977		
Florida		1	76	54		
				4,524		
South Atlantic	3	81,794	8	1,007		
Kentucky		2	288	4		
Tennessee	1	6,180	12	3,167	14	
Alabama	1	20,300	1	14	13	
Mississippi	2	20,510	2	111	2	
				851	50	
East South Central	4	47,396	17	3,673	33	
Arkansas	1	10,676		37	2,709	
Louisiana	1	5,150		5	801	
Oklahoma	1	52,570		4	222	
Texas	1	30,134	2	68	21	
				1,089	12	
West South Central	4	98,539	2	68	67	
Montana		4	2940	3	325	
Idaho		6	3,937	7	2,444	
Wyoming		1	66	2	110	
Colorado		6	1,160	9	834	
New Mexico		2	285	2	78	
Arizona	1	1,283		3	245	
Utah		2	78	4	312	
Nevada					382	
Mountain	1	1,283	19	5,523	30	
Washington		9	1,459	28	4,318	
Oregon		9	2,538	14	111	
California		15	5,943	103	13,610	
Pacific		33	0,930	205	45,237	
United States	13	229,539	6,173	185,717	629	98,329
Average		17,657		138	156	
					141	
					161	
						33,945
						828

¹ Data collected in summer of 1923.

TABLE 22.—Distribution of associations, by membership groups, March, 1924

Membership group	Grain			Fruit and vegetable ¹			Livestock			Creameries ¹			Cheese factories				
	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	Number	Per cent	Cumulative per cent		
				25 or fewer	101 to 150	151 to 200	201 to 250	251 to 300	301 to 350	351 to 400	401 to 450	451 to 500	Over 500	Total			
50 or fewer ²	368	14.3	14.3	306	46.0	98	16.3	213	17.0	297	85.6	85.6	140	42.9	140	42.9	
51 to 100	962	37.4	51.7	137	20.6	164	43.5	433	51.4	33	9.5	93.1	3	1	33	9.5	
101 to 150	575	22.3	74.0	92	13.8	80.4	19.2	62.7	27.2	70.7	2.6	97.7	1	1	9	2.6	
151 to 200	301	11.7	85.7	38	5.7	86.1	14.6	77.3	11.4	82.1	1	98.0	1	1	1	1	
201 to 250	160	6.2	91.9	18	2.7	88.8	8.3	85.6	7.3	87.9	3	98.9	1	1	3	9	
251 to 300	86	3.3	95.2	19	2.9	91.7	5.8	91.4	3.1	91.0	0	98.9	0	0	0	0	
301 to 350	44	1.7	96.9	8	1.2	92.9	1.2	93.4	2.0	93.4	0	98.9	0	0	0	0	
351 to 400	29	1.1	98.0	6	.9	93.8	1.4	2.3	2.3	23	1	99.2	1	1	1	1	
401 to 450	11	.4	98.4	5	.8	94.6	.5	96.2	.7	95.8	0	99.2	0	0	0	0	
451 to 500	7	.3	98.7	8	1.2	95.8	.6	1.0	.7	96.7	0	99.2	0	0	0	0	
Over 500	34	1.3	100.0	28	4.2	100.0	.17	2.8	42	3.3	100.0	100.0	3	1	3	1	100.0
Total	2,576	100.0	100.0	665	100.0	100.0	100.0	603	100.0	1,257	100.0	100.0	347	100.0	347	100.0	

¹ Data collected in summer of 1923.² Includes 25 or fewer.

Average Amount of Business per Association, 1913 and 1922

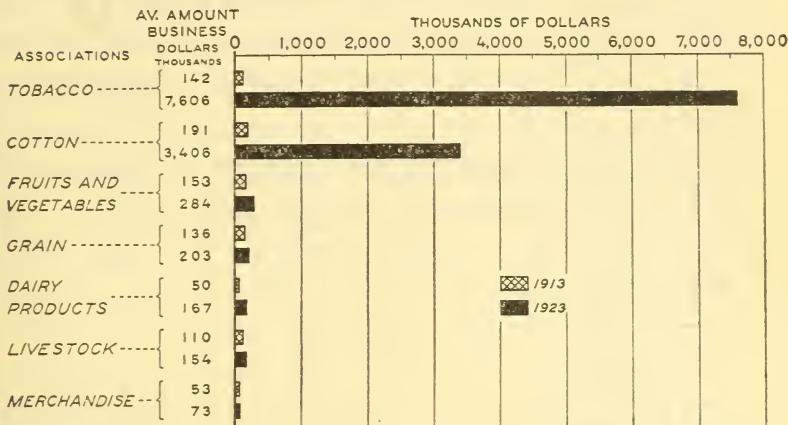


FIG. 21.—In 1913 the average amount of business per association for the 3,099 associations reporting was \$100,000 and in 1922 the average amount for the 4,103 associations reporting was \$215,000. While the averages for the tobacco and cotton associations increased greatly, the average for the other groups of associations also increased. (See Table 28.)

Years of Organization for Associations Active March, 1924

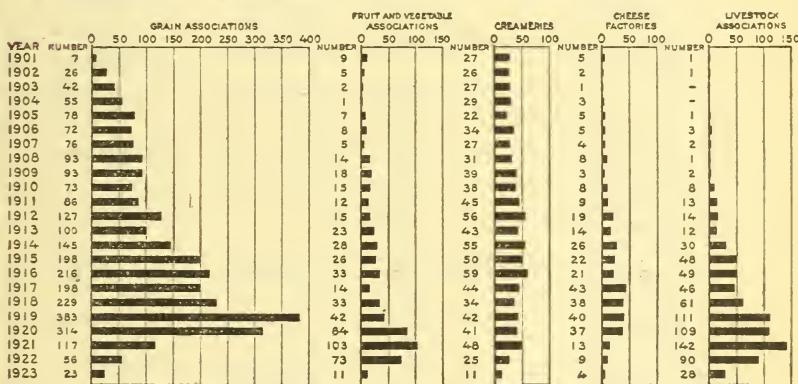


FIG. 22.—Reports regarding year of organization have been received from 5,352 associations now active. A larger number of the grain associations were formed in 1919 than in any other year. The banner year for fruit and vegetable associations was 1921, for creameries 1916, for cheese factories 1917, and for live-stock-shipping associations 1921. (See Table 29.)

TABLE 23.—*Associations reporting amount of business, by kinds and States, 1921*

[In thousands of dollars]

FARMERS' COOPERATIVE BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS

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Delaware	12	93	1	1	4	763	1	300	9	316	1	32,428	1	1,2725	1	103	1	225	2	25	6	222		
Maryland	1	180	574	1	40	5	22,477	1	33	9	316	1	32,428	1	1,2725	1	103	1	225	2	32	12	4,320	
Virginia	7	61	167	5	6	1,935	1	1	12	6	415	1	6,221	14	1,065	19	198	66	27,412	66	27,412	24	330	
West Virginia	6	161	1	1	9	6	2,589	1	1	7	261	1	6,221	4	46	5	43	5	43	5	37	24	330	
North Carolina	4	40	1	1	3	807	1	1	200	1	200	1	1,2725	1	1,2725	1	1,2725	1	1,2725	1	1,2725	1	1,2725	
South Carolina	2	311	1	1	3	842	1	42	8,469	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	
Georgia	4	1	3	842	1	42	8,469	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	
Florida	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
South Atlantic	10	512	16	860	2	49	73	37,290	2	333	10	328	2	2,628	1	2	1,2725	10	1,2725	10	1,2725	10	1,2725	
Kentucky	3	460	1	12	1,214	1	10	3	1,225	5	415	3	5	—	—	2	17	5	60	4	244	6	83	
Tennessee	5	134	1	121	1	10	24	1,569	1	7	9	261	1	6,221	6	81	12	691	1	2,396	4	2,396	1	2,396
Alabama	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Mississippi	2	75	1	75	1	7	486	1	9	320	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	
East South Central	5	134	19	1,870	1	10	50	4,165	1	7	23	996	—	—	4	7	7	98	41	1,726	6	400	11	1,55
Arkansas	4	2,353	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Louisiana	4	8,468	1	28	5	41	5	1,976	2	4,050	1	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Texas	21	10,428	3	420	2	158	26	5,226	10	4,129	2	25	17	3,280	2	17	—	2	937	17	3,386	8	732	
West South Central	20	21,249	4	448	2	158	91	3,850	84	20,829	3	40	17	3,280	2	17	—	3	942	31	7,428	21	1,710	
Montana	4	412	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Idaho	7	1,290	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Wyoming	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Colorado	7	980	2	175	2	55	34	8,375	5	8,240	5	1,880	5	985	37	10,155	1	1,50	3	32	2	310	1	147
New Mexico	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Arizona	1	1,500	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Utah	4	47	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Nevada	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Mountain	1	1,500	22	2,738	2	175	33	5,772	107	17,920	13	1,952	—	—	2	6	—	5	345	33	2,741	26	2,034	
Washington	18	4,214	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Oregon	37	2,828	1	100	23	18,340	7	302	2	85	1	17	1	3,000	—	—	5	134	27	2,602	3	195		
California	22	16,659	3	185	179	120,400	9	7,295	3	985	37	10,155	7	10,566	1	1,300	8	562	3	2,396	2	36		
Pacific	77	23,701	4	285	230	138,124	63	17,523	5	1,070	38	10,172	9	14,351	—	—	6	912	7	818	4	801		
United States	47	23,498	1,579	227,982	14	852	734	213,242	2,458	482,461	902	106,845	57	16,080	26	15,011	9	3,221	70,9,786	490,96,515	587,42,186	311,15,535	7,374	
Average	500	—	—	—	144	—	61	—	—	291	—	196	—	108	—	—	282	—	577	—	358	140	—	
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																							50	—

TABLE 24.—Associations reporting amount of business, by States, 1912-1917, 1921-22

State and geographic division	1912		1913		1914		1915		1916		1917		1921		1922				
	Number of associations reporting	Average (in thousands)	Number of associations reporting	Average (in thousands)	Number of associations reporting	Average (in thousands)	Number of associations reporting	Average (in thousands)	Number of associations reporting	Average (in thousands)	Number of associations reporting	Average (in thousands)	Number of associations reporting	Average (in thousands)	Number of associations reporting	Average (in thousands)			
Maine.....	5	\$203,000	\$41	\$3,118,482	\$120	31	\$3,847,191	\$124	2	\$34	\$17	4	\$153	\$38	5	\$3,745	\$749		
New Hampshire.....	14	563,640	40	5,121,158	24	5	2,922,221	50	6	450	75	5	516	103	5	334	71		
Vermont.....	3	1,019,470	340	6,986,472	46	5	8,111,223	48	2	25	12	1	78	73	2	334	71		
Massachusetts.....	4	161,906	40	1,921,600	107	17	3,344,000	34	1	39	35	4	64	16	6	115	19		
Rhode Island.....	1	1,949,310	75	6,564,442	83	69	5,565,392	81	11	648	50	14	811	58	18	4,548	253		
Connecticut.....	2	1,484,912	41	2,155,174	269	8	2,009,260	251	2	2,002,100	1	1	109	100	12	1,433	124		
New England.....	26	11,457,739	233	71	11,579,997	163	71	5,241,364	74	7	627	75	12	1,345	124	8	1,345	124	
New York.....	2	1,403,000	702	36	1,484,912	41	36	1,266,186	29	2	3,323	81	2	2,056	127	4	1,116	507	
New Jersey.....	13	985,252	76	1,373,086	230	115	1,220,063	132	122	8,516,810	70	13	2,852	219	20	1,848	92		
Pennsylvania.....	11	502,332	46	6	3,976,506	65	5	5,002,920	89	6	624	104	17	2,747	140	22	4,568	208	
Middle Atlantic.....	16	1,457,003	91	1,484,912	46	5	2,052,071	47	5	355	71	9	919	102	10	1,428	102		
Ohio.....	27	4,301,784	159	14,656,600	46	46	8,222,576	95	62	1,092	78	14	8,355	101	41	11,133	272		
Indiana.....	14	4,148,277	46	2,016,533	47	218	10,768,704	49	54	3,148	58	88	22	5,356	116	23	8,357	106	
Illinois.....	91	4,148,277	46	2,016,533	47	218	10,768,704	49	54	3,148	58	88	6,431	73	60	6,385	106		
Michigan.....	11	502,332	46	6	3,976,506	65	5	5,002,920	89	6	624	104	17	2,747	140	22	4,568	208	
Wisconsin.....	11	502,332	46	6	3,976,506	65	5	5,002,920	89	6	624	104	17	2,747	140	22	4,568	208	
East North Central.....	16	11,054,996	70	641	51,024,499	80	554	47,570	530	86	96	7,958	83	180	20,665	115	156	27,371	175
Minnesota.....	208	11,507,739	55	645	40,125,835	62	529	32,345	315	61	115	7,724	67	189	15,292	81	131	40,994	313
Iowa.....	141	15,919,193	113	371	38,420,808	104	261	24,679	403	95	70	7,036	101	117	14,649	125	96	18,518	193
Missouri.....	4	201,830	50	2,445,446	45	2	2,023,420	51	2	406	67	47	7	320	46	6	411	57	
North Dakota.....	76	11,172,889	147	16,602,937	145	16	16,908	148	12	6,774	212	83	12,333	149	97	15,194	157		
South Dakota.....	18	2,056,839	114	10,112,120	110	112	8,133	124	126	3,164	122	116	7,972	147	64	10,975	171		
Nebraska.....	33	6,080,103	124	14,377,659	118	106	10,062	938	125	2,853	114	116	7,149	339	89	21,794	245		
Kansas.....	42	6,641,996	158	12,883,671	109	139	21,364	329	154	30	3,675	122	60	9,720	162	63	13,905	221	
West North Central.....	522	53,579,605	103	1,584	130,810,333	88	1,307	130,580,034	93	305	31,506	103	507	76,538	128	224	3,469	533,814	
																	154	1,828,255,993	

Delaware-----	1	500,000	530	21	64,300	140	3	60,075	140	3	64,300	21	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
Maryland-----	1	1,250,000	1,250	7	1,488,539	213	8	288,304	36	28	110,000	20	2	28	14	4	42	10	3	67	10	12	2,222	37	2,90	45	
Virginia-----	6	4,227,000	701	15	5,925,600	396	18	365,000	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
West Virginia-----	1	9,000	9	3	25,000	8	-----	-----	-----	-----	110	55	3	51	17	24	21	24	21	24	21	24	21	24	21	24	21
North Carolina-----	6	107,000	33	40	4,995,732	125	33	6,040,600	183	3	58	19	9	247	27	6	157	26	37	2,701	75	24	20,915	871	19,874	710	44
South Carolina-----	13	700,222	61	23	6,685,100	36	2	813,406	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Georgia-----	1	2,250,000	2230	19	2,021,600	107	18	2,021,600	112	2	60	60	1	100	100	1	100	100	1	100	100	27	2,187	81	8,808	101	
Florida-----	1	90,000	90	23	1,982,600	68	33	2,340,630	71	3	152	51	3	250	83	1	110	110	48	10,757	221	51	11,329	222	11,329	222	
South Atlantic-----	16	8,514,000	632	128	17,789,588	139	139	11,853,332	86	12	1,053	88	23	1,006	44	16	1,034	65	230	50,662	220	135	58,260	432	58,260	432	
Kentucky-----	3	33,200	11	34	2,491,479	73	32	2,506,367	78	3	187	62	3	110	37	7	761	100	31	2,518	81	15	54,635	3,339	54,635	3,339	
Tennessee-----	1	2,000	2	16	3,633,383	23	32	3,500,350	25	3	70	23	2	185	26	7	78	39	47	1,930	58	15	43	81	8,484	81	
Alabama-----	1	42,624	43	11	5,663,177	406	20	6,670,200	334	2	33	16	2	185	26	7	78	39	23	1,205	52	15	21,070	1,005	11,323	63	
Mississippi-----	1	-----	22	806,210	41	31	1,536,701	18	-----	-----	1	4	4	4	4	2	17	8	23	1,205	52	15	21,070	1,005	11,323	63	
East South Central-----	5	77,824	16	86	9,417,804	110	115	10,633,708	92	8	230	26	13	377	29	9	778	86	168	9,768	57	81	76,562	945	76,562	945	
Arkansas-----	4	501,979	125	46	2,024,504	44	52	1,812,285	35	2	60	30	3	43	14	1	150	150	1	125	125	67	11,050	165	39	1,163	107
Louisiana-----	4	235,330	64	22	1,61,330	54	26	1,930,745	75	4	516	136	5	805	161	13	3,137	241	220	8,002	391	90	25,293	284	35,11,677	334	
Oklahoma-----	6	2,912,000	485	46	5,309,947	120	64	4,380,305	72	6	168	28	8	315	39	5	222	44	112	24,078	215	48	12,361	256	12,361	256	
Texas-----	14	3,609,309	262	136	9,550,464	70	162	8,785,261	64	12	774	61	17	1,313	77	20	3,692	185	291	69,023	237	131	37,191	284	37,191	284	
West South Central-----	3	187,000	62	23	2,224,735	97	25	3,504,551	110	9	1,303	145	21	2,833	135	22	3,178	144	85	10,030	118	28	2,911	105	2,911	105	
Montana-----	2	7,000	4	28	1,118,207	76	32	2,691,631	84	4	407	102	4	842	210	4	25	25	34	4,722	139	17	2,771	163	2,771	163	
Idaho-----	3	-----	15	2,618,175	175	29	3,315,951	81	25	6,77,602	38	5	105	105	3	369	184	502	187	14	1,107	70	6	458	76	458	76
Wyoming-----	1	287,278	96	6	451,467	75	6	422,751	70	2	425	85	8	2,143	155	6	2,824	471	69	15,303	225	15	7,246	212	4,184	146	
Colorado-----	3	40,000	40	2	157,500	79	6	316,500	158	1	40	40	2	105	52	1	53	53	13	2,316	178	4	2,166	542	13,780	60	
New Mexico-----	3	55,903	19	16	1,305,162	82	17	1,362,702	80	2	75	38	2	102	61	2	43	22	19	842	44	13	780	60	13,780	60	
Arizona-----	1	-----	1	-----	7,850	8	1	8,000	8	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	2	14	7	2	32	16	104	159		
Utah-----	1	-----	1	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	2	14	7	2	32	16	104	159		
Nevada-----	27	3,195,356	118	108	9,002,872	84	118	10,188,451	86	22	2,335	107	39	5,494	141	35	6,685	191	251	35,309	111	104	16,584	159	16,584	159	
Washington-----	18	4,153,387	231	78	14,882,011	191	81	16,594,201	205	12	3,543	295	17	2,791	164	25	6,080	243	119	20,455	218	71	28,419	400	28,419	400	
Oregon-----	12	3,008,034	251	42	6,822,221	162	41	3,902,311	89	2	125	62	6	2,03	49	5	202	58	86	13,556	158	65	16,072	217	16,072	217	
California-----	58	26,640	166	439	102	30,159,918	296	76	20,050,696	261	11	1,658	151	13	3,465	267	9	12,520	1,391	277	168,776	600	176,776	600			
Pacific-----	88	33,801,587	384	222	51,804,210	234	201	40,546,698	202	25	5,326	213	36	6,510	182	39	18,892	484	482	211,787	439	312,166	118	532			
United States-----	889	123,215,073	139	3,093,310,313,295	100	2,857,274,140,216	95	501	52,722	105	939	114,001	122	859	192,136	221	7,374,1,256,214	170	4,103,885,183	216	4,103,885,183	216					

1 Source of data: Department Bulletin No. 547.

TABLE 25.—*Amount of business, by kind of association, 1913, 1915, 1921, and 1922*

Kind of association	1913 ¹		1915 ²		1921 ³		1922 ⁴	
	Amount	Per cent						
Grain	\$130,555,221	42.1	\$289,689,218	45.6	\$482,461,000	38.4	\$167,610,000	18.9
Fruit and vegetables	69,821,381	22.5	201,512,646	31.7	213,242,000	17.0	168,176,000	19.0
Dairy products	59,701,105	19.2	89,061,370	14.0	227,982,000	18.1	279,195,000	31.5
Livestock	4,823,539	1.6	5,623,800	.9	106,845,000	8.5	63,424,000	7.2
Cotton	15,097,844	4.9	1,502,007	.2	23,498,000	1.9	57,895,000	6.5
Tobacco	2,555,420	.8	6,450,000	1.0	3,221,000	.2	60,849,000	6.9
Merchandise (farmers' stores)	5,928,117	1.9	11,677,355	1.8	42,186,000	3.4	23,507,000	2.7
All others	21,730,668	7.0	30,292,288	4.8	156,779,000	12.5	64,524,000	7.3
Total	310,313,295	100.0	635,838,684	100.0	1,256,214,000	100.0	885,183,000	100.0

¹ Based on reports from 3,099 associations. See Table 1.² Based on estimated business for 5,424 associations. See Table 4.³ Based on reports from 7,374 associations. See Table 23.⁴ Based on reports from 4,103 associations. See Table 24.TABLE 26.—*Associations grouped according to amount of business transacted*

Group	Grain ¹			Fruit and vegetables ²			Livestock ¹			Creameries ²			Cheese factories ²		
	Number of associations	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	Number of associations	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	Number of associations	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	Number of associations	Per cent	Cumulative per cent	Number of associations	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
\$20,000 and under	57	3.1	3.1	149	25.5	25.5	55	13.5	13.5	65	5.7	5.7	109	33.2	33.2
\$21,000 to \$40,000	96	5.2	8.3	71	12.1	37.6	65	15.9	29.4	151	13.3	19.0	120	36.6	69.8
\$41,000 to \$60,000	132	7.1	15.4	50	8.6	46.2	55	13.5	42.9	190	16.7	35.7	56	17.1	86.9
\$61,000 to \$80,000	180	9.7	25.1	39	6.7	52.9	44	10.8	53.7	185	16.2	51.9	21	6.4	93.3
\$81,000 to \$100,000	249	13.4	38.5	37	6.3	59.2	39	9.6	63.3	142	12.5	64.4	9	2.8	96.1
\$101,000 to \$120,000	129	6.9	45.4	18	3.1	62.3	33	8.1	71.4	89	7.8	72.2	1	.3	96.4
\$121,000 to \$140,000	119	6.4	51.8	24	4.1	66.4	25	6.1	77.5	71	6.2	78.4	4	1.2	97.6
\$141,000 to \$160,000	156	8.4	60.2	25	4.3	70.7	21	5.1	82.6	53	4.7	83.1	1	.3	97.9
\$161,000 to \$180,000	103	5.5	65.7	11	1.9	72.6	10	2.4	85.0	40	3.5	86.6	-----	-----	-----
\$181,000 to \$200,000	165	8.9	74.6	10	1.7	74.3	5	1.2	86.2	34	3.0	89.6	2	.6	98.5
\$201,000 to \$300,000	268	14.4	89.0	48	8.2	82.5	37	9.1	95.3	61	5.4	95.0	5	1.5	100.0
\$301,000 to \$400,000	108	5.8	94.8	20	3.4	85.9	7	1.7	97.0	27	2.4	97.4	-----	-----	-----
\$401,000 to \$500,000	49	2.6	97.4	27	4.6	90.5	6	1.5	98.5	13	1.1	98.5	-----	-----	-----
\$501,000 to \$1,000,000	40	2.1	99.5	30	5.1	95.6	6	1.5	100.0	13	1.1	99.6	-----	-----	-----
Over \$1,000,000	10	.5	100.0	26	4.4	100.0	-----	-----	-----	5	.4	100.0	-----	-----	-----
Total	1,861	100.0	-----	585	100.0	-----	408	100.0	-----	1,139	100.0	-----	328	100.0	-----

¹ Business of 1923.² Business of 1922.

TABLE 27.—Associations reporting amount of business in 1913 compared with 1921 and 1922

State and geographic division	1913 and 1921 business			1913 and 1922 business				
	Number of associations reporting	1913	1921	Increase or decrease	Number of associations reporting	1913	1922	Increase
		In thousands \$2,328	In thousands \$5,400	Per cent 132.0		In thousands \$2,162	In thousands \$4,404	Per cent 103.7
Maine.....	6				2			
New Hampshire.....								
Vermont.....	2	50	282	464.0	3	131	477	264.1
Massachusetts.....	5	1,449	1,724	19.0	3	1,309	2,047	56.4
Rhode Island.....	1	69	49	1 29.0				
Connecticut.....	4	163	228	39.9	4	163	214	31.3
New England.....	18	4,059	7,683	89.3	12	3,765	7,142	89.7
New York.....	12	797	1,199	50.4	13	845	1,380	63.3
New Jersey.....	1	1,053	1,759	67.0	1	1,053	1,428	35.6
Pennsylvania.....	8	244	1,375	463.5	7	218	465	113.3
Middle Atlantic.....	21	2,094	4,333	106.9	21	2,116	3,273	54.7
Ohio.....	12	1,288	3,069	138.3	3	125	193	54.4
Indiana.....	8	535	721	34.8	6	246	315	28.0
Illinois.....	64	10,693	14,657	37.4	22	3,046	4,652	52.7
Michigan.....	27	2,246	4,701	109.3	28	1,670	5,572	233.7
Wisconsin.....	88	6,276	13,113	108.9	79	5,857	12,753	117.7
East North Central.....	199	21,038	36,291	72.5	138	10,944	23,485	114.6
Minnesota.....	253	16,091	27,629	71.7	203	10,695	20,387	90.6
Iowa.....	123	13,744	15,586	13.4	76	6,760	9,368	38.6
Missouri.....	16	1,096	1,619	47.7	13	825	3,125	278.8
North Dakota.....	42	5,111	5,618	9.9	9	522	528	1.1
South Dakota.....	39	5,019	6,927	38.0	13	1,649	1,949	18.2
Nebraska.....	46	5,874	8,862	50.9	17	2,007	3,286	63.7
Kansas.....	41	4,779	11,787	146.6	13	1,339	1,873	39.9
West North Central.....	560	51,714	78,028	50.9	344	23,797	40,516	70.3
Delaware.....								
Maryland.....	1	90	225	150.0				
Virginia.....	4	4,548	9,260	103.6	4	4,548	9,831	116.2
West Virginia.....	1	9	8	1 11.1				
North Carolina.....	4	89	564	533.7	4	89	703	639.9
South Carolina.....								
Georgia.....								
Florida.....	11	976	3,521	260.8	10	812	3,482	328.8
South Atlantic.....	21	5,712	13,578	137.7	18	5,449	14,016	157.2
Kentucky.....	2	268	705	163.1	2	160	420	162.5
Tennessee.....	5	56	203	262.5	2	52	85	63.5
Alabama.....	3	3,795	145	1 96.2				
Mississippi.....								
East South Central.....	10	4,119	1,053	1 74.4	4	212	505	138.2
Arkansas.....	3	52	557	971.2	4	64	248	287.5
Louisiana.....	4	118	327	177.1				
Oklahoma.....	5	329	1,415	330.1	1	110	296	169.1
Texas.....	6	369	564	52.8	1	22	101	359.1
West Sou' h Central.....	18	868	2,863	229.8	6	196	645	229.1
Montana.....	5	423	615	45.4	3	214	362	69.2
Idaho.....	2	57	550	864.9	3	83	748	801.2
Wyoming.....	1	90	100	11.1				
Colorado.....	6	763	1,672	119.1	3	669	952	42.3
New Mexico.....	1	61	75	23.0				
Arizona.....	1	40	250	525.0	1	40	75	87.5
Utah.....	4	98	148	51.0	2	80	152	90.0
Nevada.....								
Mountain.....	20	1,532	3,410	122.6	12	1,086	2,289	110.8
Washington.....	30	4,995	8,752	75.2	10	1,902	2,479	30.3
Oregon.....	6	804	496	1 38.3	3	362	540	49.2
California.....	21	8,534	42,864	402.3	15	7,513	43,251	475.7
Pacific.....	57	14,333	52,112	263.6	28	9,777	46,270	373.3
United States.....	924	105,469	199,351	89.0	583	57,342	138,141	140.9

¹Decrease.

TABLE 28.—*Average amount of business, by kind of association, 1913 and 1922*

Kind of organization	1913			1922		
	Number reporting	Total amount of business	Average amount of business per association	Number reporting	Total amount of business	Average amount of business per association
Grain	960	\$130,551,221	\$135,995	826	\$167,610,000	\$202,918
Dairy products	1,187	59,701,105	50,296	1,675	279,195,000	166,683
Fruit and vegetables	456	69,921,381	153,336	592	168,176,000	284,081
Cotton	79	15,097,844	191,112	17	57,898,000	3,405,765
Merchandise (farmers' stores)	111	5,928,117	53,406	320	23,507,000	73,459
Tobacco	18	2,555,420	141,968	8	60,849,000	7,606,125
Livestock	44	4,823,539	109,626	413	63,424,000	153,569
All others	244	21,730,668	89,060	252	64,524,000	256,048
Total	3,099	310,313,295	100,133	4,103	885,183,000	215,740

TABLE 29.—*Active associations reporting date of organization, 1863–1923*

Year	Year					Year	Year					Total	
	Grain	Fruit and vegetables	Creameries	Cheese factories	Livestock		Grain	Fruit and vegetables	Creameries	Cheese factories	Livestock		
1863			1		1	1900	11	5	33	6		55	
1870			1		1	1901	7	27	5	5	1	49	
1873			3		3	1902	26	26	26	2	1	60	
1878		1			1	1903	42	2	27	1		72	
1879		1			1	1904	55	1	29	3		88	
1880		1			1	1905	78	7	22	5	1	113	
1881						1906	72	8	34	5	3	122	
1882			2		2	1907	76	5	27	4	2	114	
1883		4	1		5	1908	93	14	31	8	1	147	
1884		1	1		2	1909	93	18	39	3	2	155	
1885		3			3	1910	73	15	38	8	8	142	
1886	1	2			3	1911	86	12	45	9	13	165	
1887	2	5	1		8	1912	127	15	56	19	14	231	
1888	3	9	2		14	1913	100	23	43	14	12	192	
1889	3	12	2		17	1914	145	28	55	26	30	284	
1890	2	1	15	1	1	20	1915	198	26	50	22	48	344
1891	3	1	17	1	22	1916	216	33	59	21	49	378	
1892	6	1	21	1	29	1917	198	14	44	43	46	345	
1893	4	7	18		29	1918	229	33	34	38	61	395	
1894	3	1	31		35	1919	383	42	42	40	111	618	
1895	4	3	24	3	34	1920	314	84	41	37	109	585	
1896	5	2	38	2	47	1921	117	103	48	13	142	423	
1897	5	5	33	1	1	1922	56	73	25	9	90	253	
1898	5	4	38	3	50	1923	23	11	11	4	28	77	
1899	7	3	18	3	31								

TABLE 30.—Associations purchasing supplies, by States, 1924

State and geographic division	Building materials											Spray materials	General merchandise	Miscellaneous	Number of associations reporting
	Containers	Feeds	Fencing	Fertilizers	Fuel	Hardware	Implements and machinery	Seeds							
Maine	12	20	2	30	—	3	5	6	15	13	11	47	3	1	10
New Hampshire	4	1	8	—	8	1	6	1	8	5	1	19	8	1	19
Vermont	4	5	12	—	9	1	6	1	8	5	1	25	2	2	25
Massachusetts	2	4	15	—	19	—	—	3	11	6	2	4	1	4	4
Rhode Island	1	1	3	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Connecticut	3	3	28	2	20	4	2	2	13	2	—	13	13	13	31
New England	14	26	86	4	89	5	11	11	45	29	17	50	136	—	—
New York	10	82	49	7	66	16	9	3	42	18	6	38	135	—	—
New Jersey	3	8	9	—	12	2	1	—	10	5	—	13	18	—	—
Pennsylvania	35	78	69	3	112	16	9	25	62	13	32	69	165	—	—
Middle Atlantic	48	168	127	10	190	34	19	28	114	36	38	120	318	—	—
Ohio	91	75	198	98	122	141	12	20	51	5	2	121	265	—	—
Indiana	34	87	145	58	106	123	7	8	59	2	3	72	216	—	—
Illinois	126	108	290	115	28	273	47	51	118	11	23	106	437	—	—
Michigan	72	75	199	40	134	114	20	27	124	47	17	109	278	—	—
Wisconsin	23	83	190	10	9	69	25	41	7	19	148	302	—	—	—
East North Central	346	428	1,022	321	399	720	111	131	393	72	64	559	1,498	—	—
Minnesota	44	136	301	32	3	231	32	49	42	27	16	150	511	—	—
Iowa	152	139	402	119	7	349	31	26	84	4	21	140	532	—	—
Missouri	14	81	258	13	74	77	36	23	71	5	11	132	321	—	—
North Dakota	14	84	163	17	1	212	6	32	41	7	10	16	282	—	—
South Dakota	14	82	157	23	—	165	10	22	28	2	7	31	221	—	—
Nebraska	77	44	151	29	—	240	21	73	20	1	22	64	309	—	—
Kansas	21	52	257	11	7	217	27	76	57	2	32	68	308	—	—
West North Central	336	618	1,689	244	92	1,491	163	301	346	48	119	601	2,484	—	—
Delaware	5	2	—	8	—	—	3	2	1	2	4	10	—	—	—
Maryland	3	5	6	2	8	3	2	1	6	2	—	9	13	—	—
Virginia	4	12	9	5	33	3	3	7	31	3	6	19	47	—	—
West Virginia	9	7	15	3	20	2	2	3	15	4	1	10	25	—	—
North Carolina	1	7	6	1	15	1	3	5	8	3	11	9	31	—	—
South Carolina	6	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	3	10	—	—
Georgia	1	7	4	—	16	—	—	1	9	2	1	8	28	—	—
Florida	22	9	—	39	—	1	10	12	11	4	25	59	—	—	—
South Atlantic	18	71	53	11	141	9	11	30	89	26	25	87	223	—	—
Kentucky	2	5	12	1	16	5	2	2	12	2	1	8	28	—	—
Tennessee	5	34	16	5	37	2	2	4	23	4	1	26	73	—	—
Alabama	11	12	—	—	40	1	7	4	22	5	5	10	51	—	—
Mississippi	1	20	13	1	34	—	—	1	29	—	1	18	41	—	—
East South Central	8	70	53	7	127	8	9	11	86	11	8	62	193	—	—
Arkansas	1	43	7	—	29	2	—	2	15	3	2	15	71	—	—
Louisiana	15	6	—	19	—	—	—	—	10	—	1	8	25	—	—
Oklahoma	4	26	68	7	—	74	13	7	12	—	13	18	103	—	—
Texas	33	34	4	14	19	6	4	23	2	4	32	86	—	—	—
West South Central	5	117	115	11	62	95	19	13	60	5	20	73	285	—	—
Montana	1	26	49	5	—	26	6	7	10	3	1	18	68	—	—
Idaho	1	23	9	2	1	4	5	10	4	8	4	9	35	—	—
Wyoming	1	10	10	2	—	4	2	2	5	2	1	4	15	—	—
Colorado	4	38	36	6	—	29	12	19	15	6	3	24	79	—	—
New Mexico	1	7	8	1	—	5	4	1	3	2	—	4	14	—	—
Arizona	8	1	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	1	1	11	—	—	—
Utah	8	5	—	1	4	4	5	2	2	2	—	8	16	—	—
Nevada	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	3	3	3
Mountain	8	120	119	17	2	74	35	44	39	24	10	71	241	—	—
Washington	7	45	38	12	9	28	21	13	6	14	5	32	86	—	—
Oregon	23	15	5	8	4	—	—	3	4	8	3	18	44	—	—
California	4	80	21	5	78	2	14	32	12	44	8	143	225	—	—
Pacific	11	148	74	22	95	34	35	48	22	66	16	193	355	—	—
United States	794	1,766	3,338	647	1,197	2,470	413	617	1,194	317	317	1,816	5,733	—	—

TABLE 31.—Associations purchasing supplies, by kind of association, 1924

Kind	Total reporting	Building material		Containers		Feeds		Fencing		Fertilizers		Fuel	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Cotton	31			6	19.4	10	32.3	1	3.2	8	25.8	7	22.6
Dairy products	441	6	1.4	121	27.4	119	27.0	2	.5	11	2.5	80	18.1
Fruit and vegetables	818	18	2.2	460	56.2	126	15.4	16	2.0	329	40.2	26	3.2
Forage	10			6	60.0	2	20.0	1	10.0	3	30.0	3	30.0
Grain	2,836	608	21.4	682	24.0	2,144	75.6	510	18.0	232	8.2	2,015	71.1
Livestock	433	30	6.9	134	30.9	287	66.3	34	7.9	104	24.0	133	30.7
Nuts	9			4	44.4					2	22.2		
Poultry and poultry products	29	1	3.4	6	20.7	17	58.6					1	3.4
Tobacco	6			3	50.0	2	33.3			2	33.3	1	16.7
Wool	57	6	10.5	47	82.5	12	21.1	3	5.3	14	24.6	6	10.5
Miscellaneous selling	638	58	9.1	154	24.1	378	59.2	48	7.5	218	34.2	119	18.7
Miscellaneous buying	425	67	15.8	143	33.6	242	56.9	32	7.5	270	63.5	79	18.6
Total	5,733	794	13.8	1,766	30.8	3,339	58.2	647	11.3	1,193	20.8	2,470	43.1

Kind	Hardware		Implements, machinery		Seeds		Spraying materials		General merchandise		Miscellaneous	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Cotton	1	3.2	2	6.5	7	22.6			3	9.7	9	29.0
Dairy products	46	10.4	17	3.9	14	3.2	1	.2	11	2.5	246	55.8
Fruit and vegetables	34	4.2	62	7.6	159	19.4	199	24.3	37	4.5	297	36.3
Forage	2	20.0	4	40.0	3	30.0					4	40.0
Grain	196	6.9	302	13.8	548	19.3	16	.6	121	4.3	576	20.3
Livestock	18	4.2	19	4.4	59	13.6	4	.9	22	5.1	144	33.3
Nuts							6	66.7			1	11.1
Poultry and poultry products	1	3.4							1	3.4	17	58.6
Tobacco											2	33.3
Wool	1	1.8			9	15.8	1	1.8	2	3.5	6	10.5
Miscellaneous selling	69	10.8	92	14.4	226	35.4	49	7.7	58	9.1	319	50.0
Miscellaneous buying	38	8.9	29	6.8	168	39.5	35	8.2	59	13.9	184	43.3
Total	406	7.1	617	10.8	1,193	20.8	311	5.4	314	5.5	1,805	31.5

TABLE 32.—Grain marketing associations, estimated membership and amount of business, February, 1924

Geographic division	Number associations	Per cent	Estimated membership ¹	Per cent	Estimated amount of business ²	Per cent
West North Central	1,953	62.3	255,843	57.8	\$359,074,674	60.8
East North Central	852	27.2	122,688	27.7	146,845,608	24.9
Mountain	135	4.3	16,605	3.8	22,572,675	3.8
West South Central	113	3.6	30,397	6.9	24,189,345	4.1
Pacific	65	2.1	14,105	3.2	34,945,820	5.9
Middle Atlantic	7	.2	1,351	.3	1,946,000	.3
South Atlantic	5	.2	1,525	.3	1,000,000	.2
New England	3	.1	204	.0	159,750	.0
East South Central	1	.0	65	.0	10,000	.0
United States	3,134	100.0	3442,783	100.0	\$590,743,872	100.0

¹ The average number of members for the associations reporting membership in each geographic division multiplied by the total number of associations credited to the geographic division, based on 2,358 reports regarding membership.

² The average amount of business for the associations reporting business in each geographic division multiplied by the total number of associations credited to the geographic division, based on 1,848 reports regarding amount of business.

³ The sum of the estimates for the several geographic divisions.

⁴ Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

TABLE 33.—*Grain marketing associations reporting membership, by geographic divisions, February, 1924*

Geographic division	Number of associations reporting	Number of members		
		Number	Per cent	Average
West North Central	1,418	186,505	55.9	132
East North Central	684	98,392	29.5	144
West South Central	79	21,296	6.4	270
Mountain	111	13,640	4.1	123
Pacific	53	11,506	3.4	217
Middle Atlantic	5	967	.3	193
South Atlantic	3	915	.3	305
New England	4	274	.1	68
East South Central	1	65	1.0	65
United States	2,358	333,560	100	141

¹ Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.TABLE 34.—*Grain marketing associations reporting membership, by leading States, February, 1924*

State and rank	Number of associations reporting	Number of members			
		Total	Per cent of 333,560 ¹	Cumulative per cent	Average number
1. Illinois	328	39,318	11.8	11.8	120
2. Minnesota	204	31,803	9.5	21.3	156
3. Iowa	232	31,295	9.4	30.7	135
4. Nebraska	247	30,177	9.0	39.7	122
5. Kansas	217	29,911	9.0	48.7	138
6. North Dakota	251	25,901	7.8	56.5	103
7. Ohio	155	24,136	7.2	63.7	156
8. South Dakota	148	19,274	5.8	69.5	130
9. Missouri	119	18,144	5.4	74.9	152
10. Oklahoma	² 67	² 17,227	5.2	80.1	³ 130
11. Michigan	67	14,716	4.4	84.5	220
12. Indiana	91	12,887	3.9	88.4	142
All others	232	38,771	11.6	100.0	167
United States	2,358	333,560	100.0	-----	141

¹ Total membership for the 2,358 associations reporting membership.² Including Oklahoma Wheat Growers' Association with 8,627 members.³ Omitting Oklahoma Wheat Growers' Association with 8,627 members.TABLE 35.—*Grain marketing associations reporting amount of business, by geographic divisions, 1923*

Geographic division	Number of associations reporting	Business reported, 1923		
		Amount	Per cent	Average
West North Central	1,115	\$205,002,000	58.7	\$183,858
East North Central	543	83,588,000	26.8	172,354
Pacific	43	23,118,000	6.6	537,628
West South Central	62	13,272,000	3.8	214,065
Mountain	73	12,206,000	3.5	167,205
Middle Atlantic	5	1,390,000	.4	278,000
South Atlantic	2	400,000	.1	200,000
New England	4	213,000	.1	53,250
East South Central	1	10,000	1.0	10,000
United States	1,848	349,199,000	100.0	188,960

¹ Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.



FIG. 23.—Grain-marketing associations are found in large numbers in the 12 North Central States, in Oklahoma, in a corner of Colorado, and in Washington. Illinois leads in number of associations and Iowa comes second. (See Table 8.)

Grain-Marketing Associations in Leading States, 1924

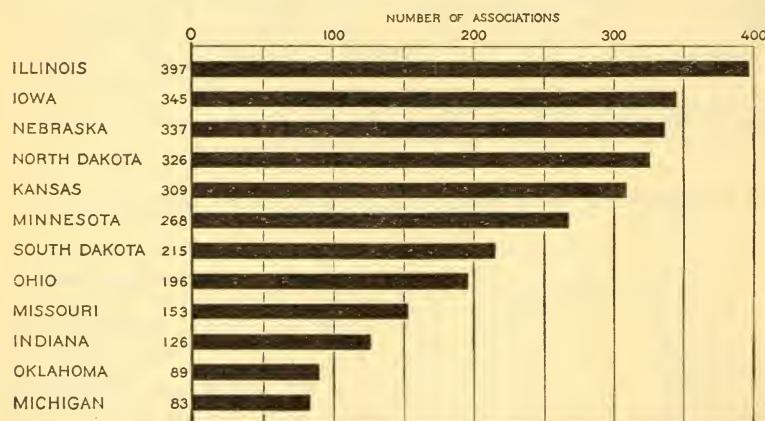


FIG. 24.—Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota, and Kansas, in the order named, lead in the number of organizations engaged in the marketing of grain. (See Table 10.)

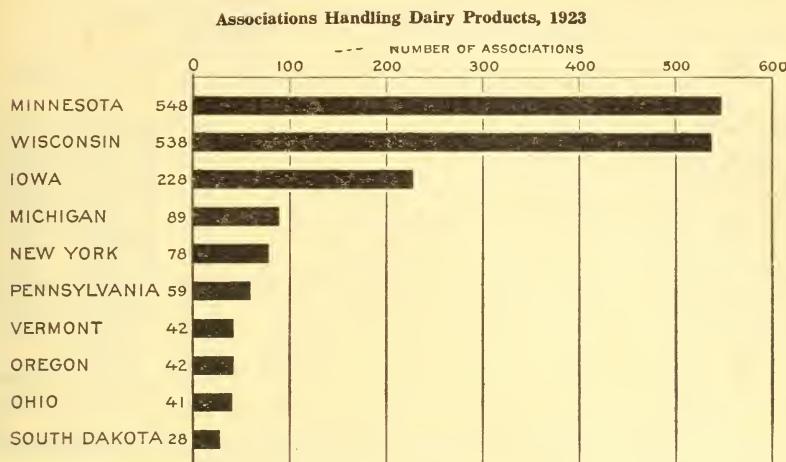


FIG. 25.—Nearly 70 per cent of all associations handling dairy products are in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Iowa. (See Table 11.)



FIG. 26.—Over 40 per cent of all the farmer-controlled creameries from which reports were received in 1923 were in Minnesota, 17 per cent in Iowa, and 16.7 per cent in Wisconsin. (See Table 44.)

TABLE 36.—*Grain marketing associations reporting amount of business, by leading States, 1923*

State and rank	Number of associa- tions report- ing	Business reported, 1923	
		Amount	Average per asso- ciation
1. Washington.....	28	\$7,920,000	\$282,857
2. Missouri.....	90	22,648,000	251,644
3. Iowa.....	181	39,459,000	218,006
4. Kansas.....	160	32,160,000	201,000
5. Oklahoma.....	54	10,814,000	200,259
6. Illinois.....	269	52,445,000	194,963
7. Michigan.....	48	8,805,000	183,438
8. Nebraska.....	185	33,341,000	180,222
9. North Dakota.....	211	35,246,000	167,043
10. Ohio.....	127	20,403,000	160,654
11. Montana.....	41	6,226,000	151,854
12. South Dakota.....	112	16,743,000	149,491
13. Minnesota.....	176	25,405,000	144,347
14. Indiana.....	73	9,717,000	133,110
All others.....	93	27,867,000	-----
United States.....	1,848	349,199,000	188,960

TABLE 37.—*Grain marketing associations reporting both number of members and amount of business, by leading States, 1923*

State and rank	Number of associa- tions report- ing	Number of mem- bers	Business	
			Amount	Average per member
1. Montana.....	40	4,262	\$11,671,000	\$2,738
2. Illinois.....	264	20,005	51,199,000	1,765
3. North Dakota.....	209	22,088	34,949,000	1,582
4. Iowa.....	177	23,784	36,689,000	1,543
5. Washington.....	28	5,230	7,920,000	1,514
6. Kansas.....	158	22,082	31,397,000	1,422
7. Nebraska.....	187	23,664	33,544,000	1,418
8. Minnesota.....	175	23,020	25,305,000	1,099
9. South Dakota.....	114	15,778	17,108,000	1,084
10. Missouri.....	85	11,716	12,588,000	1,074
11. Ohio.....	130	21,117	21,200,000	1,004
12. Indiana.....	68	10,206	9,169,000	891
13. Michigan.....	50	10,436	9,130,000	875
14. Oklahoma.....	54	16,053	10,983,000	684
All others.....	88	23,238	19,674,000	-----
United States.....	1,827	261,769	332,526,000	1,270

TABLE 38.—*Grain marketing associations reporting amount of business, by geographic divisions, in both 1913 and 1923*

Geographic division	Number of associa- tions report- ing	Amount of business		
		1913	1923	Increase per cent
West North Central.....	176	\$23,043,000	\$31,423,000	36.4
East North Central.....	62	9,289,000	12,583,000	35.5
Pacific.....	17	3,132,000	2,962,000	15.4
All others.....	3	226,000	495,000	119.0
United States.....	258	35,690,000	47,463,000	33.0

¹ Decrease.

TABLE 39.—*Grain marketing associations reporting amount of business, by leading States, in both 1913 and 1923*

State and rank	Number of associations reporting	Amount of business		
		1913	1923	Increase per cent
1. North Dakota.....	25	\$2,411,000	\$3,669,000	52.2
2. Kansas.....	21	2,192,000	3,171,000	44.7
3. Nebraska.....	26	4,051,000	5,814,000	43.5
4. Minnesota.....	46	4,900,000	6,859,000	40.0
5. South Dakota.....	25	3,664,000	5,018,000	37.0
6. Illinois.....	48	7,972,000	10,727,000	34.6
7. Iowa.....	31	5,679,000	6,742,000	18.7
8. Washington.....	16	2,732,000	2,939,000	7.6

TABLE 40.—*Quantity of grain of the 1922 crop handled by 1,882 associations*

Grain	Bushels	Per cent
Wheat.....	134,064,000	42.0
Oats.....	63,520,000	19.9
Rye.....	12,908,000	4.0
Other grain.....	108,897,000	34.1
Total.....	319,389,000	100.0

TABLE 41.—*Quantity of grain of the 1922 crop handled by 1,882 associations, by leading States*

State and rank	Number of associations reporting	Number of bushels			
		Wheat	Other grains	Total	Average per association
1. Oregon.....	7	8,771,000	60,000	3,831,000	547,285
2. California.....	9	2,130,000	2,149,000	4,279,000	475,444
3. Montana.....	39	10,810,000	703,000	11,513,000	295,205
4. Washington.....	28	7,181,000	225,000	7,406,000	264,500
5. Illinois.....	276	11,075,000	53,923,000	64,998,000	235,500
6. Iowa.....	189	1,462,000	42,899,000	44,361,000	234,714
7. Missouri.....	89	11,149,000	3,471,000	14,620,000	164,270
8. North Dakota.....	224	24,252,000	12,067,000	36,319,000	162,138
9. Oklahoma.....	58	7,593,000	1,445,000	9,038,000	155,828
10. Minnesota.....	177	5,095,000	22,025,000	27,120,000	153,220
11. South Dakota.....	122	6,674,000	11,618,000	18,292,000	149,934
12. Nebraska.....	181	10,802,000	15,047,000	25,849,000	142,812
13. Kansas.....	173	21,233,000	3,415,000	24,648,000	142,474
14. Indiana.....	73	1,562,000	6,394,000	7,956,000	108,986
15. Ohio.....	127	3,979,000	5,590,000	9,569,000	75,346
All others.....	110	5,296,000	4,294,000	9,590,000	-----
United States.....	1,882	134,064,000	185,325,000	319,389,000	169,707

TABLE 42.—*State and regional grain marketing associations, June, 1924*

Association	Address	Date organized	Number of mem- bers, 1924	Bushels of grain, 1922 crop	Amount of business, 1922-23	Bushels of grain, 1923 crop
Arizona Grain Growers' Association	Phoenix, Ariz.	June, 1922	280	3,086,474	\$2,585,609	2,061,333
California Farm Bureau Exchange	San Francisco, Calif.	June, 1922	830	87,500	120,000	1,300,000
Colorado Wheat Growers' Association	Sterling, Colo.	September, 1922	5,185	424,000	—	—
Idaho Wheat Growers' Association ²	American Falls, Idaho	September, 1920	3,296	—	—	—
Indiana Wheat Growers' Association	Indianapolis, Ind.	September, 1924	4,500	—	—	—
Kansas Wheat Growers' Association ⁴	Wichita, Kans.	September, 1921	2,500,000	3,500,000	2,100,000	—
Kansas Wheat Marketing Association ⁴	Kansas City, Kans.	September, 1923	1,000	—	—	—
Kansas Cooperative Wheat Marketing Association	Wichita, Kans.	February, 1924	2,500	0	0	0
Kansas Wheat Growers' Cooperative Marketing Association	Thief River Falls, Minn.	July, 1922	7,552	40,000	513,002	—
Montana Wheat Growers' Cooperative Marketing Association	Lewistown, Mont.	September, 1923	10,869	6,048,000	4,360,579	—
Montana Wheat Growers' Association ²	Hastings, Neb.	April, 1922	2,325	400,000	440,000	550,000
Nebraska Wheat Growers' Association	Grand Forks, N. Dak.	May, 1922	14,545	3,141,464	3,000,000	2,100,000
North Dakota Wheat Growers' Association ²	Enid, Okla.	September, 1921	11,652	3,122,373	3,500,000	5,775,000
Oklahoma Wheat Growers' Association ⁶	Portland, Ore.	July, 1921	3,200	2,375,000	3,000,000	3,500,000
Oregon Cooperative Grain Growers ²	Aberdeen, S. Dak.	June, 1923	3,000	0	0	—
South Dakota Wheat Growers' Association ⁵	Amarillo, Tex.	May, 1922	4,100	218,520	1,000,000	—
Texas Wheat Growers' Association ⁵	Spokane, Wash.	December, 1920	3,017	2,750,000	3,500,000	4,086,496
Washington Wheat Growers Association ³	Portland, Oreg., and Minne- apolis, Minn.	1921	6,5	16,000,000	—	—
Northwest Wheat Growers Associated (selling agency for Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, and North Dakota State associations). Supplanted Aug. 1, 1923, by American Wheat Growers Association (Inc.).	Endl., Okla.	1921	0 2	3,179,594	5,632,595	—
Southwest Wheat Growers Associated (selling agency for Oklahoma and Texas State associations).	Minneapolis, Minn.	December, 1922	0 9	0	0	—

¹ Date incorporated.² Grain sold through Portland and Minneapolis offices of Northwest Wheat Growers Associated.³ In hands of receiver.⁴ Merged into Kansas Cooperative Wheat Marketing Association, Wichita, Kans. (1924).⁵ Grain sold through the Southwest Wheat Growers Associated.⁶ State associations.



FIG. 27.—More than 60 per cent of the farmer-controlled cheese factories in the United States are in Wisconsin. Oregon has the second largest number. There are a few cheese factories in New York, Michigan, and Ohio.



FIG. 28.—In nearly all the States there are producer-controlled associations engaged in the marketing of milk as fluid milk, cream, ice cream, condensed milk, or milk powder. The amount of business transacted by these associations varies from a few thousand dollars in the case of the smallest to over \$80,000,000 in the case of the largest.

TABLE 43.—*Terminal grain marketing associations, 1923*

Association	Date organized	Members, 1923	Bushels grain, 1922 crop	Amount of business, 1922-23	Bushels grain, 1923 crop
Equity Cooperative Exchange, St. Paul, Minn. ¹	1908 ²	³ 10,000			⁴ 1,447,600
Farmers' Union Jobbing Association, Kansas City, Mo.	May, 1914	1,225	3,429,780	\$4,423,636	3,780,640
Equity Union Grain Co., Kansas City, Mo.	1916	40	4,500,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
Farmers' Elevator Commission Co., Minneapolis, Minn.	July, 1919	100	1,500,000	1,000,000	
Farmers' Terminal Elevator Co., Sioux City, Iowa. ¹	August, 1919				
National Grain Commission Co., Omaha, Nebr.	October, 1919 ⁵	⁶ 9			272,000
United States Grain Growers (Inc.), Chicago, Ill. ⁷	April, 1921	⁸ 62,980	0	0	
United States Grain Growers Co., Minneapolis, Minn.	October, 1922	(9)			

¹ In hands of receiver.² Incorporated Mar. 21, 1911.³ Estimated.⁴ Does not include grain handled on consignment.⁵ Reorganized January, 1923. Began business Aug. 1, 1923.⁶ Associations.⁷ Began operating December, 1923.⁸ April, 1924.⁹ Capital stock purchased by the Montana Wheat Growers' Association and the Minnesota Wheat Growers' Cooperative Marketing Association.TABLE 44.—*Creameries, estimated membership, and amount of business, by geographic divisions*

Geographic division	Associations re-reporting		Estimated membership, 1923		Estimated amount of business, 1922	
	Number reporting	Per cent of total	Number ¹	Per cent	Amount ²	Per cent
West North Central	778	61.1	122,146	60.5	\$72,518,936	50.6
East North Central	299	23.5	48,139	23.8	39,474,578	27.5
Middle Atlantic	56	4.4	4,138	2.1	4,658,920	3.3
New England	52	4.1	4,742	2.4	5,868,876	4.1
Pacific	38	3.0	11,457	5.7	14,799,784	10.3
Mountain	21	1.6	6,102	3.0	3,204,348	2.2
East South Central	19	1.5	4,104	2.0	2,136,930	1.5
South Atlantic	8	.6	1,006	.5	543,000	.4
West South Central	2	.2	68	.0	147,000	.1
United States	1,273	100.0	201,902	100.0	143,352,372	100.0

LEADING STATES

Minnesota	510	40.1	67,371	33.4	\$45,466,500	31.9
Iowa	216	17.0	31,492	15.6	21,163,464	14.8
Wisconsin	212	16.7	30,803	15.3	30,356,492	21.2
Michigan	65	5.1	15,294	7.6	7,069,530	5.0
Vermont	35	2.7	3,643	1.8	4,723,810	3.3

¹ The average number of members for the associations reporting membership in each State, multiplied by total number of associations credited to the State, based on 1,173 reports regarding membership.² The average amount of business for the associations reporting amount of business in each State multiplied by the total number of associations credited to the State, based on 1,139 reports regarding amount of business.³ Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

TABLE 45.—*Creameries reporting membership and amount of business, by geographic divisions*

Geographic division	Membership			Amount of business		
	Associations reporting	Number of members 1923	Average number of members per association	Associations reporting	Amount of business 1922	Average per association
West North Central.....	716	112,420	157	701	\$65,342,000	\$93,213
East North Central.....	279	44,945	161	272	35,910,000	132,022
Middle Atlantic.....	52	3,843	74	46	3,827,000	83,196
New England.....	47	4,288	91	44	4,966,600	112,864
Pacific.....	33	9,950	302	32	12,463,600	389,469
Mountain.....	19	5,523	291	17	2,594,000	152,588
East South Central.....	17	3,673	216	17	1,912,000	112,471
South Atlantic.....	8	1,007	126	8	543,000	67,875
West South Central.....	2	68	34	2	147,000	73,500
United States.....	1,173	185,717	158	1,139	127,704,000	112,119

TABLE 46.—*Creameries reporting membership, by leading States, 1923*

State and rank	Number of associations reporting membership	Number of members	Average number of members per association
1. Minnesota.....	472	62,367	132
2. Iowa.....	199	29,026	146
3. Wisconsin.....	197	28,643	145
4. Michigan.....	62	14,590	255
5. Vermont.....	32	3,334	104
6. Pennsylvania.....	32	2,237	70
7. New York.....	20	1,606	80
8. South Dakota.....	20	7,993	400

TABLE 47.—*Creameries reporting amount of business, by leading States, 1922*

State and rank	Number of associations reporting	Amount of business	Average per association
1. Minnesota.....	460	\$41,009,000	\$89,150
2. Iowa.....	195	19,106,000	97,979
3. Wisconsin.....	193	27,636,000	143,192
4. Michigan.....	59	6,417,000	108,763
5. Pennsylvania.....	31	2,452,000	79,097
6. Vermont.....	30	4,049,000	134,967
7. South Dakota.....	20	1,565,000	78,250
8. New York.....	15	1,375,000	91,667

TABLE 48.—*Fruit and vegetable associations, by geographic divisions, 1923*

Geographic divisions	Total number of associations reporting	Estimated membership	Per cent
Pacific.....	322	71,382	39.0
South Atlantic.....	134	25,509	13.9
West North Central.....	153	19,987	10.9
East North Central.....	119	14,471	7.9
West South Central.....	180	14,178	7.8
Mountain.....	84	12,595	6.9
East South Central.....	89	11,672	6.4
Middle Atlantic.....	109	10,386	5.7
New England.....	42	2,750	1.5
United States.....	1,232	182,930	100.0

TABLE 49.—*Fruit and vegetable associations, by States, 1923*

State and rank	Total number of associations	Associations reporting number of members	Number of members	Average number of members	Estimated membership	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
1. California.....	246	163	35,385	217	53,382	29.2	29.2
2. Virginia.....	10	5	6,426	1,285	12,850	7.0	36.2
3. Oregon.....	26	14	5,951	425	11,050	6.0	42.2
4. New York.....	89	62	6,365	103	9,167	5.0	47.2
5. Missouri.....	29	16	4,684	293	8,497	4.6	51.8
6. Michigan.....	55	35	5,148	147	8,085	4.4	56.2
7. Minnesota.....	73	35	3,508	100	7,800	4.3	60.5
8. Idaho.....	20	7	2,444	349	6,980	3.8	64.3
9. Washington.....	50	28	3,901	139	6,950	3.8	68.1
10. Florida.....	82	54	4,524	84	6,888	3.8	71.9
11. Arkansas.....	90	37	2,709	73	6,570	3.6	75.5
12. Tennessee.....	42	14	2,097	150	6,300	3.4	78.9
13. Louisiana.....	24	5	861	172	4,128	2.3	81.2
14. Wisconsin.....	23	6	946	158	3,634	2.0	83.2
15. Alabama.....	25	13	1,851	142	3,550	1.9	85.1
16. Colorado.....	38	9	834	93	3,534	1.9	87.0
17. Texas.....	54	21	1,089	52	2,808	1.5	88.5
18. Georgia.....	8	3	977	326	2,608	1.4	89.9
19. Kentucky.....	6	4	948	237	1,422	.8	90.7
20. Massachusetts.....	7	2	396	198	1,386	.8	91.5
21. Ohio.....	16	10	863	86	1,376	.7	92.2
22. Maryland.....	4	3	1,003	334	1,336	.7	92.9
23. North Dakota.....	24	10	546	55	1,320	.7	93.6
24. Illinois.....	17	3	191	64	1,088	.6	94.2
25. Pennsylvania.....	13	10	761	76	988	.5	94.7
26. Nebraska.....	4	2	453	226	904	.5	95.2
27. Maine.....	32	5	139	28	896	.5	95.7
28. North Carolina.....	12	8	564	70	840	.5	96.2
29. Utah.....	10	4	312	78	780	.4	96.6
30. Iowa.....	5	2	270	135	675	.4	97.0
31. Oklahoma.....	12	4	222	56	672	.4	97.4
32. South Dakota.....	10	3	194	65	650	.4	97.8
33. South Carolina.....	9	6	430	72	648	.4	98.2
34. Montana.....	6	3	325	108	648	.4	98.6
35. Arizona.....	5	3	245	82	410	.2	98.8
36. Mississippi.....	16	2	50	25	400	.2	99.0
37. Connecticut.....	2			2 156	312	.2	99.2
38. Indiana.....	8	3	107	36	288	.2	99.4
39. New Jersey.....	7	3	98	33	231	.1	99.5
40. West Virginia.....	7	4	109	27	189	.1	99.6
41. Wyoming.....	3	2	110	55	165	.1	99.7
42. Vermont.....	1			2 156	156	.1	99.8
43. Delaware.....	2	1	75	75	150	.1	99.9
44. Kansas.....	3	3	140	47	141	.1	100.0
45. New Mexico.....	2	2	78	39	78	.0	-----
United States.....	1,232	629	98,329	156	1 182,930	100.0	-----

¹ Total of estimates for all States.² Average for United States.³ Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

TABLE 50.—*Quantity and value of fruits and vegetables, by products, handled cooperatively, 1922*

Commodity	Cars	Value	Commodity	Cars	Value
FRUITS					
Apples.....	16,099	\$13,794,341	Watermelons.....	2,637	\$287,525
Citrus fruits.....	43,620	69,202,327	Lettuce.....	1,821	1,048,920
Grapes.....	15,889	42,510,669	Onions.....	870	435,597
Strawberries.....	5,987	6,169,964	Asparagus.....	190	321,702
Peaches.....	6,025	9,346,380	Rhubarb.....	212	250,004
Pears.....	2,829	2,431,286	Cucumbers.....	518	347,807
Cherries.....	199	499,354	Celery.....	1,162	759,502
Plums and prunes (all).....	3,195	12,453,720	Lima beans.....	1,262	3,800,000
Raspberries (all).....	383	672,346	Green beans.....	237	118,796
Cranberries.....	1,685	3,906,510	Broccoli.....	173	119,030
Apricots.....	391	3,083,932	Peas.....	312	241,944
Loganberries.....	353	312,327	Spinach.....	103	31,281
Figs.....	190	1,130,000	Escarole.....	53	53,000
Blackberries.....	313	268,851	Romaine.....	11	11,000
Pineapples.....	100	85,000	Peppers.....	150	156,000
Currants.....	121	93,918	Squash.....	22	15,000
Gooseberries.....	1	2,230	Turips.....	8	840
Olives and olive oil.....	111	579,260	Chicory.....	3	3,000
Quinces.....	25	13,020	Cantaloupes.....	503	209,879
Total.....	97,516	166,555,435	Garlic.....	5	14,000
Miscellaneous fruits.....	10,271	15,564,576	Eggplant.....	13	13,000
Total fruits.....	107,787	182,120,011	Radishes.....	2	2,000
VEGETABLES					
Potatoes.....	19,943	\$11,061,852	Cauliflowers.....	2	800
Cabbage.....	1,216	314,193	Sweet corn.....	2	1,000
Sweet potatoes.....	5,149	1,792,204			
Tomatoes.....	4,440	2,993,999	Total.....	41,019	24,398,875
			Miscellaneous vegetables.....	18,925	5,104,488
			Total vegetables.....	59,944	29,503,363
			Cars		Value
Total fruits.....					
Total vegetables.....				107,787	\$182,120,011
Mixed fruits and vegetables.....				59,944	29,503,363
				9,475	9,565,603
Total fruits and vegetables.....				177,206	221,188,977

TABLE 51.—*Federations and associations selling citrus fruits, 1922*

Name of association	Number of locals	Total number of organizations ¹	Cars handled	Estimated f. o. b. value
California Fruit Growers' Exchange.....	195	² 216	27,138	\$48,647,800
Mutual Orange Distributors (California).....	21	22	5,000	7,430,000
Florida Citrus Exchange.....	79	³ 92	10,572	12,062,648
Gulf Coast Citrus Exchange (Alabama).....	12	13	325	443,000
Florida East Coast Growers' Association.....	8	9	100	80,000
Federations total.....	315	352	43,135	68,663,448
Four independent associations.....	4	4	485	538,879
Grand total.....	319	356	43,620	69,202,327

¹ Including overhead organization in each case.² Including 12 districts or subexchanges.³ Including 20 districts or subexchanges.³ Including 12 districts or subexchanges.

TABLE 52.—*Fruit and vegetable associations reporting amount of business in 1913 compared with 1921 and 1922*

State and geographic division	1913 and 1921 business				1913 and 1922 business			
	Number of associations reporting			Per cent increase or decrease	Number of associations reporting			Per cent increase or decrease
		1913	1921			1913	1922	
Maine	2	\$45,000	\$50,000	11.1				
New Hampshire								
Vermont								
Massachusetts	1	1,186,600	1,300,000	9.6	1	\$1,186,000	\$1,905,000	60.6
Rhode Island								
Connecticut								
New England	3	1,231,000	1,350,000	9.7	1	1,186,000	1,905,000	60.6
New York	5	530,000	591,000	11.5	4	525,000	698,000	33.0
New Jersey	1	1,053,000	1,759,000	67.0	1	1,053,000	1,428,000	35.6
Pennsylvania								
Middle Atlantic	6	1,553,000	2,350,000	48.4	5	1,578,000	2,126,000	34.7
Ohio	2	406,000	1,250,000	207.9	1	95,000	43,000	-54.7
Indiana	1	17,000	40,000	135.3	1	5,000	30,000	500.0
Illinois	1	25,000	13,000	-48.0	1	25,000	38,000	52.0
Michigan	4	231,000	1,260,000	348.4	6	356,000	2,732,000	667.4
Wisconsin	5	323,000	1,676,000	418.9	4	240,000	1,384,000	476.7
East North Central	13	1,052,000	4,239,000	302.9	13	721,000	4,227,000	486.3
Minnesota	2	59,000	68,000	15.3	3	129,000	115,000	-10.9
Iowa	3	124,000	220,000	77.4	1	66,000	125,000	89.4
Missouri	12	917,000	1,383,000	50.8	9	719,000	2,908,000	304.4
North Dakota								
South Dakota								
Nebraska								
Kansas	1	51,000	3,000	-94.1	1	51,000	10,000	-80.4
West North Central	18	1,151,000	1,674,000	45.4	14	965,000	3,158,000	227.3
Delaware								
Maryland								
Virginia	1	4,500,000	9,157,000	103.5	1	4,500,000	9,721,000	116.0
West Virginia								
North Carolina	1	4,000	400,000	9,900.0	1	4,000	450,000	1,115.0
South Carolina								
Georgia								
Florida	11	976,000	3,521,000	260.8	10	812,000	3,482,000	328.8
South Atlantic	13	5,480,000	13,078,000	138.6	12	5,310,000	13,653,000	156.8
Kentucky	1	225,000	600,000	166.7	1	117,000	300,000	156.4
Tennessee	3	30,000	31,000	3.3	1	24,000	11,000	-54.2
Alabama	1	15,000	75,000	400.0				
Mississippi								
East South Central	5	270,000	706,000	161.5	2	141,000	311,000	120.6
Arkansas	3	52,000	557,000	971.2	4	64,000	248,000	287.5
Louisiana	4	118,000	327,000	177.1				
Oklahoma								
Texas	3	51,000	59,000	15.7				
West South Central	10	221,000	943,000	326.7	4	64,000	248,000	287.5
Montana	1	35,000	125,000	257.1	1	35,000	65,000	85.7
Idaho					2	41,000	148,000	261.0
Wyoming								
Colorado	4	723,000	1,573,000	117.6	2	649,000	909,000	40.1
New Mexico								
Arizona	1	40,000	250,000	525.0	1	40,000	75,000	87.5
Utah	1	30,000	60,000	100.0	1	30,000	70,000	133.3
Nevada								
Mountain	7	828,000	2,008,000	142.5	7	795,000	1,267,000	59.4
Washington	4	1,473,000	3,212,000	118.1	2	1,015,000	1,000,000	-1.5
Oregon	4	371,000	471,000	27.0	3	362,000	540,000	49.2
California	12	6,689,000	38,149,000	470.3	10	6,118,000	39,539,000	546.3
Pacific	20	8,533,000	41,832,000	390.2	15	7,495,000	41,079,000	448.1
United States	95	20,319,000	68,180,000	235.1	73	18,261,000	67,974,000	272.2

TABLE 53.—*Livestock marketing associations reporting amount of business, by leading States, 1923*

State and rank	Number of associations reporting	Number reporting amount of business, 1922	Amount of business, 1922	Average amount of business per association
1. Iowa.....	334	98	\$14,931	\$152
2. Minnesota.....	300	117	10,249	88
3. Illinois.....	154	34	3,756	110
4. Wisconsin.....	144	43	4,855	113
5. Missouri.....	107	11	705	64
6. Indiana.....	95	12	1,030	86
7. South Dakota.....	93	25	1,251	50
8. Michigan.....	82	23	1,938	87
9. Ohio.....	74	16	3,538	221
All others.....	215	32	3,938	123
Total.....	1,598	411	46,251	113

TABLE 54.—*Terminal livestock selling agencies, by cities, 1924*

Market	Number of agencies	Number of cars handled 1923	Number of animals 1923	Total sales 1923
Chicago.....	2	22,190	1,473,836	\$31,441,316
East St. Louis.....	2	24,205	1,891,969	30,930,884
South St. Paul.....	3	23,988	7,161,346	29,168,446
Indianapolis.....	1	12,822	909,032	15,748,151
St. Joseph, Mo.....	1	12,529	849,666	15,410,814
Kansas City.....	13	13,241	7,266,438	16,232,835
Omaha.....	1	10,177	624,333	13,251,897
Buffalo.....	1	5,078	502,511	11,027,480
Sioux City.....	1	6,015	365,167	7,616,640
Detroit.....	1	4,654	376,356	7,000,000
Fort Worth.....	1	4,082	181,228	4,046,231
Cleveland.....	21	2,650	252,476	3,842,718
Peoria.....	1	2,116	144,250	2,524,786
Milwaukee.....	1	2,264	155,529	2,131,187
Denver.....	1	1,537	115,328	1,686,919
Pittsburgh.....	31	675	68,111	1,024,962
Sioux Falls.....	41	520	35,405	591,633
Evansville, Ind.....	51	443	32,275	351,080
Oklahoma City.....	61	406	19,206	266,988
Lexington, Ky.....	81			
Total.....	26	149,592	9,939,512	194,291,907

¹ One began operating Mar. 5, 1923.² Began operating May 15, 1923.³ Began operating Oct. 8, 1923.⁴ Began operating May 3, 1923.⁵ Began operating Sept. 1, 1923.⁶ Began operating July 2, 1923.⁷ Only two reporting.⁸ Began operating Feb. 19, 1924.

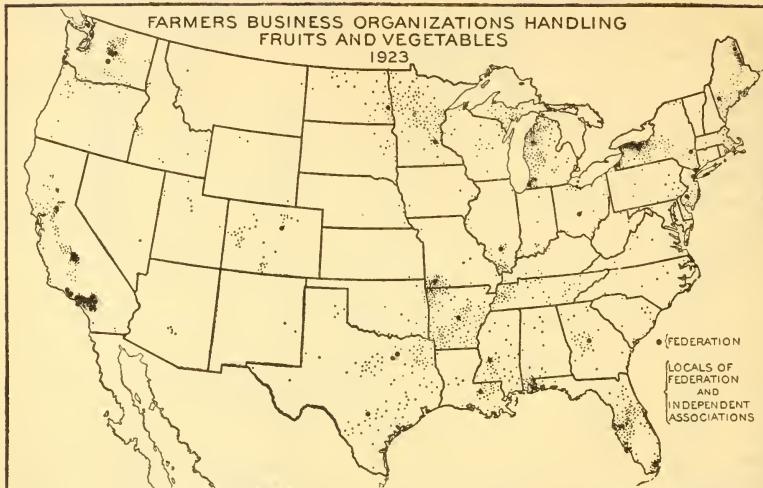


FIG. 29.—The marketing of fruits and vegetables is carried on by independent local associations and by federations of affiliated local associations. California leads in the number of associations. (See Table 8.)

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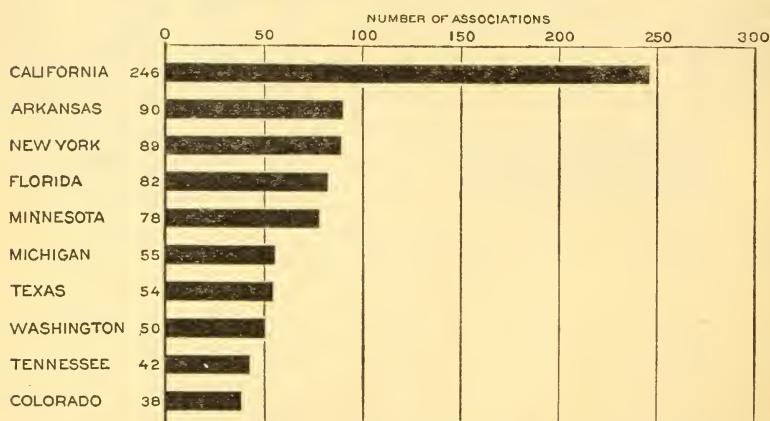


FIG. 30.—There are more than twice as many associations handling fruits and vegetables in California as in any other State. Reports from Arkansas, New York, and Florida indicate about the same number of organizations in each State. (See Table 12.)



FIG. 31.—Geographic distribution of 1,598 livestock-shipping associations and 26 cooperative selling agencies located in 20 terminal livestock markets. Iowa and Minnesota lead in the number of active livestock-shipping associations. (See Tables 8 and 55.)

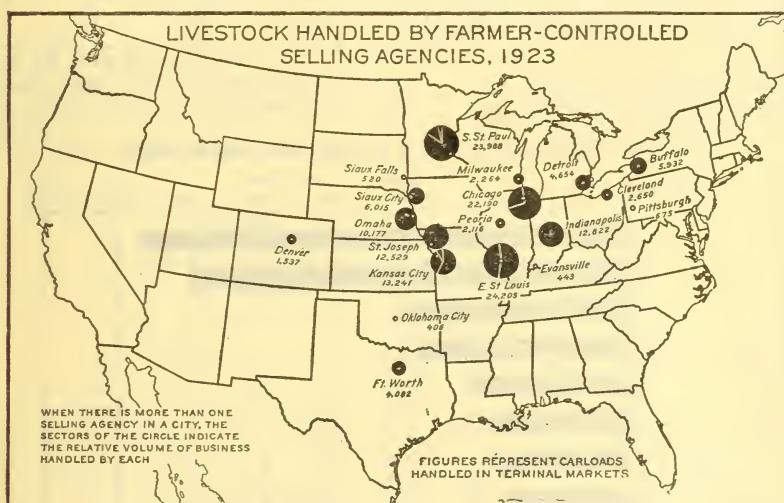


FIG. 32.—Twenty-five producer-controlled livestock-selling agencies operating in 19 terminal markets handled 149,592 cars of livestock in 1923. (See Table 55.) The white dot in each circle indicates location of terminal market

TABLE 55.—*Terminal livestock selling agencies, by associations, 1924*

Association	Location	Began operating	Cars handled, 1923	Total sales, 1923	Patronage dividends, 1923
Farmers Union Live Stock Commission.	Omaha, Nebr.	1917	10,177	\$13,251,897	\$111,394
Farmers Union Live Stock Commission.	St. Joseph, Mo.	1917	12,529	15,410,814	125,963
Farmers Union Live Stock Commission.	Sioux City, Iowa	1918	6,015	7,616,640	51,265
Farmers Union Live Stock Commission.	Kansas City, Mo.	1919	7,688	8,979,258	28,861
Farmers Union Live Stock Commission, (Inc.)	Denver, Colo.	1919	1,537	1,686,919	0
Central Cooperative Commission Association.	South St. Paul, Minn.	1921	20,339	24,723,051	72,753
Farmers Live Stock Commission Co.	East St. Louis, Ill.	1921	13,104	16,674,153	152,323
Producers Live Stock Commission Association.	do	1922	11,101	14,256,701	83,673
Michigan Live Stock Exchange	Detroit, Mich.	1922	4,654	7,000,000	17,000
Farmers Union Live Stock Commission.	Chicago, Ill.	1922	6,335	8,725,123	30,292
Farmers Union Live Stock Commission.	St. Paul, Minn.	1922	2,909	3,519,077	15,982
Producers Commission Association	Indianapolis, Ind.	1922	12,822	15,748,151	232,000
Chicago Producers Commission Association.	Chicago, Ill.	1922	15,855	22,716,223	69,084
Peoria Producers Commission Association.	Peoria, Ill.	1922	2,116	2,524,786	6,000
Cattle Raisers and Producers Commission Co.	Fort Worth, Tex.	1922	4,082	4,046,231	0
Producers Cooperative Commission Association, (Inc.).	East Buffalo, N. Y.	1922	5,078	11,027,480	24,246
Equity Cooperative Live Stock Sales Association, (Inc.).	Milwaukee, Wis.	1922	2,264	2,131,187	10,605
Producers Commission Association	Kansas City, Mo.	1923	4,462	5,862,131	0
Peoples Cooperative Sales Agency, (Inc.).	South St. Paul, Minn.	1923	740	926,318	795
Producers Commission Association	Sioux Falls, S. Dak.	1923	520	591,633	0
Producers Cooperative Commission Association.	Cleveland, Ohio	1923	2,650	3,842,718	0
United Live Stock Shippers Association.	Kansas City, Mo.	1923	1,091	1,391,446	0
Producers Commission Association	Oklahoma City, Okla.	1923	406	266,988	0
Evansville Producers Commission Association.	Evansville, Ind.	1923	443	351,080	0
Producers Cooperative Commission Association.	Pittsburgh, Pa.	1923	675	1,024,962	0
Farmers Union Cooperative Stockyards Co.	Lexington, Ky.	1924	0	0	0
Total...			149,592	194,294,967	822,236

¹ Year ending Apr. 30, 1923.² Estimated.

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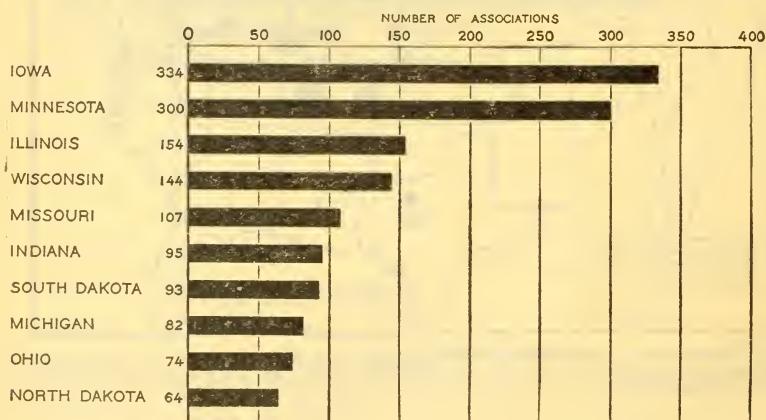


FIG. 33.—There are few livestock-shipping associations outside of the 12 North Central States. Nearly one-half of all associations reporting are in Iowa, Minnesota, and Illinois. (See Table 13.)

TABLE 56.—*State and regional cotton marketing associations, June, 1924*
 [Compiled from data obtained from associations]

Association	Year formed	Members, 1924	Bales handled			Estimated value 1922-23 cotton crop handled
			1921-22 crop	1922-23 crop	1923-24 crop	
Alabama Farm Bureau Cotton Association, Montgomery, Ala.	1922	21,853	0	57,407	65,314	\$8,200,000
Arizona Pimacoton Growers', Phoenix, Ariz.	1921	1,285	10,700	10,249	7,950	1,800,000
Arkansas Cotton Growers' Cooperative Association, Little Rock, Ark.	1922	12,077	0	68,548	37,812	8,600,000
Arkansas Farmers Union Cotton Growers' Association, Little Rock, Ark.	1921	4,000			3,340	500,000
Georgia Cotton Growers' Cooperative Association, Atlanta, Ga.	1922	38,500	0	53,942	70,812	7,500,000
Louisiana Farm Bureau Cotton Growers Cooperative Association, Shreveport, La.	1923	5,501	0	0	29,885	0
Staple Cotton Cooperative Association, Greenwood, Miss.	1921	2,588	156,357	168,019	107,435	24,100,000
Mississippi Farm Bureau Cotton Association, Jackson, Miss.	1923	19,434	0	0	33,758	0
Missouri Cotton Growers' Cooperative Association, New Madrid, Mo.	1923	574	0	0	3,674	0
North Carolina Cotton Growers' Cooperative Association, Raleigh, N. C.	1922	35,000	0	135,912	130,553	18,000,000
Oklahoma Cotton Growers' Association, Oklahoma City, Okla.	1921	53,233	92,200	65,868	118,694	8,600,000
South Carolina Cotton Growers' Cooperative Association, Columbia, S. C.	1922	13,842	0	121,848	121,123	16,000,000
Tennessee Cotton Growers' Association, Memphis, Tenn.	1923	6,600	0	0	15,144	0
Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association, Dallas, Tex.	1921	37,328	93,812	77,706	182,321	11,300,000
Total		251,815	353,069	759,499	928,115	104,600,000

TABLE 57.—*Rice marketing associations, April, 1924*

Association	Year organized	Number of members, 1924 ¹	Rice handled, 1922-23	Amount of sales, 1922-23
American Rice Growers' Association, Lake Charles, La.	1921	1,300	Pounds 232,763,518	\$4,764,830
Rice Growers' Association of California, Sacramento, Calif.	1921	2,600	180,000,000	4,219,582
Arkansas Rice Growers' Cooperative Association, Stuttgart, Ark.	1921	1,075	158,760,000	3,340,000
Louisiana Farm Bureau Rice Growers' Cooperative Association, Crowley, La.	1922	1,179	48,394,746	1,123,000
Total		4,154	619,918,264	13,447,412

¹ April, 1924.

² Estimated.

TABLE 58.—*Tobacco marketing associations, June, 1924*
 [Compiled from data obtained from associations]

Association	Year organized	Number of members, 1924 ¹	Tobacco handled, 1922-23	Amount of business, 1922-23	Tobacco handled, 1923-24
Burley Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association, Lexington, Ky.	1921	102,300	Pounds 196,978,673	\$41,000,000	244,500,000
Dark Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association, Hopkinsville, Ky.	1922	2,70,200	175,000,000	25,700,000	173,571,342
Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association, Raleigh, N. C.	1922	2,95,000	163,000,000	40,000,000	180,000,000
Northern Wisconsin Cooperative Tobacco Pool (Inc.), Madison, Wis.	1922	7,635	30,630,692	9,000,000	25,000,000
Connecticut Valley Tobacco Association, Hartford, Conn.	1922	3,604	27,000,000	10,000,000	24,142,145
Maryland Tobacco Growers' Association, Baltimore, Md.	1920	4,862	9,500,000	2,160,000	14,700,675
Miami Valley Tobacco Growers' Association, Dayton, Ohio	1923	4,901	0	0	25,000,000
Total		288,502	602,109,365	127,860,000	686,914,162

¹ April, 1924.

² Estimated.

TABLE 59.—*Growers' associations handling wool, 1922 and 1923*

Name	Address	Year formed	Number of members, 1923	Pounds of wool		Amount of business	
				1922	1923	1922	1923
Illinois Agricultural Association (Wool Pool).	Chicago, Ill.	1919	766	147,000	198,000	\$58,800	\$81,180
Indiana Farm Bureau Federation (Wool Pool).	Indianapolis, Ind.	1921	2,000	240,000	398,000	90,240	168,433
Iowa Fleece Wool Growers' Association.	Bloomfield, Iowa	1919	12,125	825,000	800,000	128,000	311,250
Kansas Sheep & Wool Growers' Cooperative Association.	Manhattan, Kans.	1921	1,180	55,000	72,567	24,700	27,700
Maine Sheep & Wool Growers' Association.	Augusta, Me.	1920	576	86,000	59,961	27,337	29,980
Michigan Wool Growers' Cooperative Marketing Association, ¹	Lansing, Mich.	1924	-----	330,000	420,000	145,000	190,000
New York State Sheep Growers' Association (Inc.).	Syracuse, N. Y.	1919	37 assns.	532,821	475,000	235,000	216,000
North Dakota Federation of Wool Growers' Association.	Fargo, N. Dak.	1920	700	160,000	415,000	75,000	180,000
Ohio Wool Growers' Cooperative Association.	Columbus, Ohio	1918	-----	2,750,000	3,743,962	1,210,000	1,933,207
Pacific Cooperative Wool Growers' Association.	Portland, Oreg.	1921	2,600	1,000,000	2,000,000	420,000	900,000
South Dakota Sheep & Wool Growers' Association.	Brookings, S. Dak.	1920	2,996	520,000	1,520,000	150,000	750,000
Tennessee Wool Sales (conducted annually under direction of specialists of State College of Agriculture), 32 sales 1923.	-----	1919	² 1,586	135,877	248,303	51,475	118,932
Southwestern Farm Bureau Wool & Mohair Association.	Houston, Tex.	1921	600	295,007	225,000	146,114	95,000
Uintah Wool Marketing Co.	Vernal, Utah	1917	25	680,000	-----	200,000	250,000
Virginia Cooperative Sheep & Wool Growers' Association.	Richmond, Va.	1921	1,200	87,316	210,000	40,000	107,000
Campbell County Wool Growers' Association.	Gillette, Wyo.	1921	62	280,000	325,000	99,400	146,250
Northern California Wool Warehouse Co. ⁴	Red Bluff, Calif.	1921	28	589,387	1,063,038	-----	-----
National Wool Warehouse & Storage Co. ⁵	Chicago, Ill.	1909	600	4,862,666	14,108,192	2,400,000	6,719,266
Total.				13,576,074	26,282,028	5,501,066	12,224,198

¹ Wool clips of 1922 and 1923 handled through Michigan State Farm Bureau.² 535 shippers, 1923.³ Thirty-two sales for 1,586 farmers in 34 counties in 1923.⁴ Selling agency for wool growers in California.⁵ Selling agency for wool handled by the Illinois Agricultural Association, Iowa Fleece Wool Growers' Association, Kansas Sheep & Wool Growers' Cooperative Association, South Dakota Sheep & Wool Growers' Association, Montana Wool Growers' Association, Montana Wool Cooperative Marketing Association, Wyoming Wool Growers' Association, and Idaho Wool Marketing Committee.TABLE 60.—*Wool sold by Tennessee county wool pools, 1919–1923*

[Compiled from data obtained from Tennessee College of Agriculture]

Year	Number of counties	Wool sold	
		Pounds	Value
1919	8	31,337	\$16,194
1920	15	92,750	33,557
1921	12	123,031	22,747
1922	16	135,877	51,475
1923	34	248,308	118,932

TABLE 61.—*Agricultural consumer cooperative associations, by membership groups, 1920*

[Source of data, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Bulletin 313]

Number of members	Number of associations	Per cent of total associations	Cumulative per cent
Under 100	93	34.4	34.4
100 and under 200	116	43.0	77.4
200 and under 300	34	12.6	90.0
300 and under 400	12	4.4	94.4
400 and under 500	5	1.9	96.3
500 and under 1,000	6	2.2	98.5
1,000 and under 2,000	2	.7	99.2
2,000 and under 5,000	1	.4	99.6
5,000 and over	1	.4	100.0
Total	270	100.0	-----

TABLE 62.—*Agricultural consumer cooperative associations, by length of time of operation, 1920*

[Source of data, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Bulletin 313]

Length of time in operation	Number of associations	Per cent of total	Length of time in operation	Number of associations	Per cent of total
1 month or more	278	100.0	4 years or more	151	54.3
1 year or more	244	87.8	5 years or more	124	44.6
2 years or more	211	75.9	10 years or more	24	8.6
3 years or more	177	63.7	25 years or more	5	1.8

TABLE 63.—*Publications issued by farmers' business associations, June, 1924*

Commodity associations	Number of periodicals	Commodity associations	Number of periodicals
Dairy products	20	Nuts	3
Fruit	13	Beans	2
Cotton	9	Peanuts	2
Grain	7	Rice	1
Poultry products	6	Wool	1
Potatoes	6	Miscellaneous	4
Tobacco	4	Total	82
Livestock	4		

TABLE 64.—*Associations which ceased to operate, by geographic divisions, 1900–1923*

Geographic division	Number of associations reporting	Per cent	Geographic division	Number of associations reporting	Per cent
West North Central	258	33.5	Middle Atlantic	40	5.2
East North Central	158	20.5	South Atlantic	40	5.2
Mountain	79	10.2	East South Central	36	4.7
Pacific	59	7.7	United States	770	100.0
West South Central	57	7.4			
New England	43	5.6			

TABLE 65.—*Associations which ceased to operate, by leading States, 1900–1923*

State	Number of associations	Per cent of 770 ¹	State	Number of associations	Per cent of 770 ¹
Minnesota.....	87	11.3	California.....	30	3.9
Wisconsin.....	63	8.2	Illinois.....	28	3.6
North Dakota.....	45	5.8	Maine.....	26	3.4
Iowa.....	36	4.7	Michigan.....	26	3.4
Kansas.....	32	4.2	All others.....	335	43.5
Montana.....	31	4.0	Total.....	770	100.0
Nebraska.....	31	4.0			

¹ Number reporting.TABLE 66.—*Associations which ceased to operate, by kinds, 1900–1923*

Type of association	Number of associations	Per cent	Cumulative per cent
Selling:			
Grain.....	171	22.2	22.2
Dairy products.....	203	26.4	48.6
Livestock.....	45	5.8	54.4
Fruits and vegetables.....	116	15.1	69.5
Wool and mohair.....	8	1.0	70.5
Cotton and cotton products.....	19	2.5	73.0
Nuts.....	0	.0	73.0
Poultry and poultry products.....	5	.7	73.7
Forage crops.....	4	.5	74.2
Tobacco.....	0	.0	74.2
Miscellaneous selling.....	67	8.7	82.9
Buying:			
Merchandise (farmers' stores).....	78	10.1	93.0
Miscellaneous buying.....	54	7.0	100.0
Total.....	770	100.0	-----

TABLE 67.—*Number of years active for associations which ceased to operate, 1900–1923*

Years in business	Number of associations	Per cent reporting	Cumulative per cent
Less than 1 year.....	73	7.9	7.9
1 to 2 years.....	126	13.6	21.5
2 to 3 years.....	145	15.6	37.1
3 to 4 years.....	116	12.5	49.6
4 to 5 years.....	93	10.0	59.6
5 to 6 years.....	81	8.7	68.3
6 to 7 years.....	41	4.4	72.7
7 to 8 years.....	38	4.1	76.8
8 to 9 years.....	30	3.2	80.0
9 to 10 years.....	21	2.3	82.3
10 to 11 years.....	37	4.0	86.3
11 to 14 years.....	52	5.6	91.9
15 to 19 years.....	35	3.8	95.7
20 to 24 years.....	24	2.6	98.3
25 to 29 years.....	8	.9	99.2
30 years and over.....	7	.8	100.0
Total.....	927	100.0	-----

TABLE 68.—Associations which ceased to operate, by amount of business for last year active, 1900–1923

Amount of business	Number of associations	Per cent reporting	Cumulative per cent
Less than \$25,000	202	48.0	48.0
\$25,000 to \$49,000	103	17.0	65.0
\$50,000 to \$99,000	87	14.3	79.3
\$100,000 to \$199,000	74	12.2	91.5
\$200,000 to \$299,000	31	5.1	96.6
\$300,000 to \$399,000	6	1.0	97.6
\$400,000 to \$499,000	2	.3	97.9
\$500,000 and over	13	2.1	100.0
Total	608	100.0	-----

TABLE 69.—Associations which ceased to operate, by years, 1900–1923

Year	Number	Year	Number	Year	Number	Year	Number
1900	2	1907	2	1914	59	1921	153
1901		1908	7	1915	71	1922	132
1902	3	1909	7	1916	63	1923	72
1903	1	1910	15	1917	39		
1904		1911	17	1918	63	Total	970
1905		1912	31	1919	65		
1906	2	1913	56	1920	110		

TABLE 70.—Number of associations reporting reasons for ceasing to operate, 1900–1923

Reason given	Number of times	Reason given	Number of times
Inefficient management	558	Inadequate accounting system	114
Lack of interest	556	Lack of proper audit	103
Insufficient business	326	Dishonest management	100
Insufficient working capital	282	Capital stock falling into hands of too few	32
Insufficient membership	222	Property damaged by fire	12
Too liberal credit	187		

TABLE 71.—California Fruit Growers Exchange, Los Angeles, Calif., 1913–1923

Year	Cars shipped	Per cent of total shipments from State	F. o. b. value	Boxes shipped		
				Oranges and grapefruit	Lemons	Total
1913	12,443	61.5	\$13,500,000			4,940,068
1914	28,186	61.9	19,246,757			11,264,185
1915	29,805	62.5	19,537,850	9,648,283	2,241,553	11,889,836
1916	29,823	67.0	27,703,000	9,694,288	2,407,232	12,101,520
1917	36,218	69.0	33,611,000	12,835,804	2,656,536	15,492,340
1918	19,248	76.0	36,422,200	6,452,896	2,191,281	8,644,177
1919	33,174	72.3	55,000,000	11,126,985	3,728,110	14,855,095
1920	34,461	73.7	59,221,329	12,371,230	3,452,534	15,823,764
1921 ¹	43,592	72.5	61,080,003	15,390,105	4,175,239	19,565,344
1922	² 27,138	68.7	48,647,800	8,121,080	3,496,223	11,617,303
1923	45,258	75.8	55,223,450	14,645,070	3,212,347	17,857,417

¹ Previous to 1921 the fiscal year ended Aug. 31. Beginning with 1921 date was changed to Oct. 31.² Basis of 400 boxes to a car.

Wool-Marketing Associations in Leading States, 1924

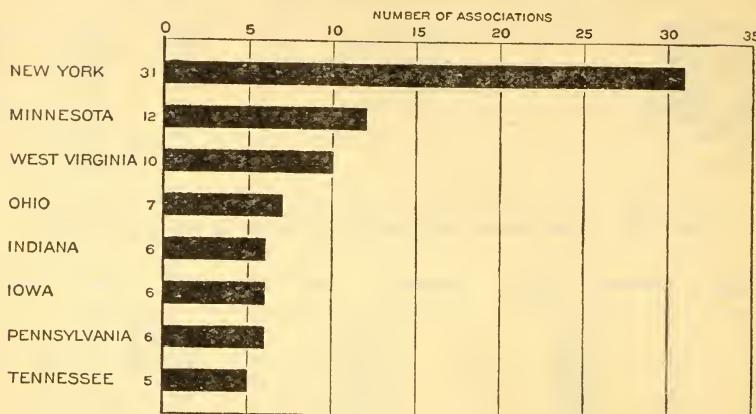


FIG. 34.—Although more than twice as many reports were received from wool-marketing associations in New York State as from any other State, the quantity of wool handled is less than that reported by single associations in several of the other States. (See Table 15.)

Associations Engaged in Handling Merchandise, March, 1934

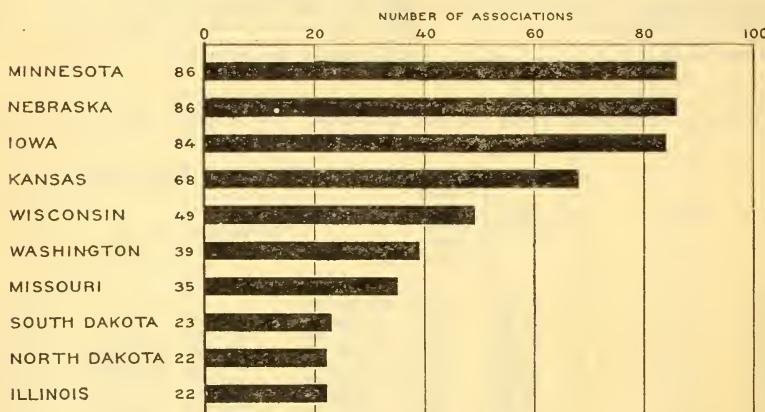


FIG. 35.—A total of 717 associations reported as engaged in handling commodities at retail. Most of these associations were operating cooperative stores and handling general merchandise, a few were buying only special lines of goods, as fertilizers, dairy feeds, etc. An equal number of reports were received from Minnesota and Nebraska. (See Table 17.)

Miscellaneous Selling Associations, 1924

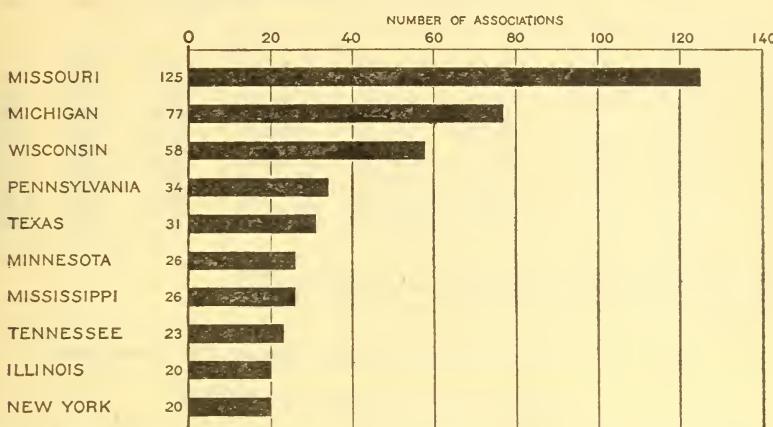


FIG. 36.—More than 700 marketing organizations which could not be included in any of the commodity groups have been grouped together as miscellaneous selling associations. Some of these sell but a single product, honey for instance, whereas others undertake to market any and all products which their members may deliver. (See Table 16.)

Collective-Buying Associations, 1924

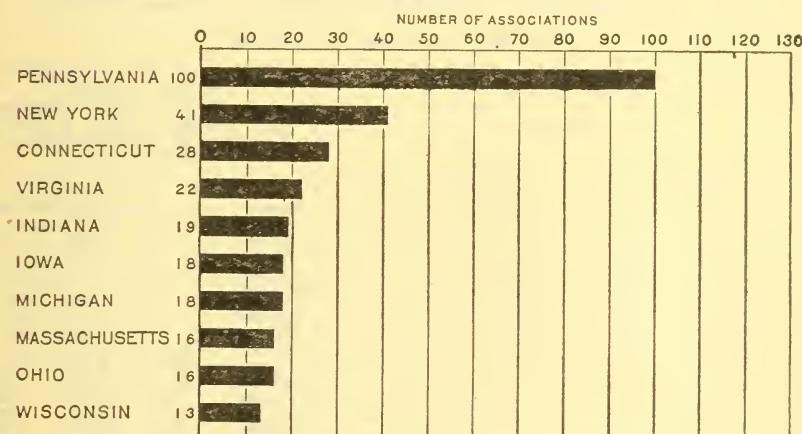


FIG. 37.—Four hundred and thirty of the 10,160 associations reporting were engaged in buying supplies for their members. One hundred of the total number were in Pennsylvania. (See Table 18.)

TABLE 72.—*Sun-Maid Raisin Growers, Fresno, Calif., 1912–1922*

[Data obtained from association]

Year	Tons handled	Gross sales	Received by growers	Per cent of gross sales to growers	Price per pound to growers	Advertising expenditures
1912	24,512	\$2,106,450	\$1,499,470	71.2	3.059	
1913	59,228	6,187,117	4,275,743	69.1	3.609	
1914	73,635	8,414,660	5,244,725	62.3	3.561	\$120,803
1915	98,405	11,969,494	7,370,808	61.6	3.846	240,035
1916	107,039	13,595,227	10,252,597	75.4	4.793	219,592
1917	127,212	16,685,244	13,992,787	83.9	5.499	287,000
1918	149,713	23,200,184	15,530,045	66.9	5.520	291,756
1919	159,262	43,280,254	36,345,138	84.0	11.410	374,147
1920	152,497	144,293,287	38,416,827	86.7	12.695	1,261,342
1921	123,665	² 38,634,053	25,395,730	65.7	7.280	2,139,567
1922	204,630	² 30,830,087	13,151,954	42.7	3.214	2,399,704

¹ Including fruit valued at \$5,724,360 carried over into the next season.² Including fruit valued at \$3,214,328 carried over into the next season.³ Including fruit valued at \$4,413,552 carried over into the next season.TABLE 73.—*Florida Citrus Exchange, Tampa, Fla., 1909–1923*

[Compiled from data obtained from Association]

Season	Boxes shipped	Amount of business	Season	Boxes shipped	Amount of business
1909–10	1,482,359	\$1,986,361	1916–17	1,289,984	\$2,592,867
1910–11	832,310	1,373,311	1917–18	1,184,711	4,099,100
1911–12	741,917	1,639,636	1918–19	2,238,084	7,878,055
1912–13	1,780,301	3,489,389	1919–20	3,770,511	12,706,622
1913–14	1,481,471	2,711,091	1920–21	3,905,841	10,350,478
1914–15	1,945,602	2,762,754	1921–22	3,805,942	12,064,836
1915–16	1,735,422	3,401,427	1922–23	5,205,910	13,823,676

TABLE 74.—*American Cranberry Exchange, New York City, 1909–1923*

[Compiled from data obtained from exchange]

Year	Total crop	Per cent of total shipped by exchange	Average price Cranberry Exchange	Expense of exchange ¹
	Barrels		Per barrel	Per cent
1909	568,000		\$5.15	
1910	544,000		5.63	
1911	446,000			
1912	457,000			
1913	470,000			
1914	638,000		3.97	
1915	454,000			
1916	545,000		6.50	
1917	276,000	56.0	10.40	
1918	352,000	59.6	8.89	
1919	562,000	59.5	7.86	4.702
1920	440,000	64.0	10.39	4.39
1921	371,000	66.0	13.54	4.085
1922	565,000	66.0	10.33	4.35
1923	625,000	63.0	7.95	5.057

¹ Per cent of selling price at shipping point.

TABLE 75.—*South Jersey Farmers' Exchange, Woodstown, N. J., 1909-1923*
 [Compiled from reports of exchange]

Year	Capital stock outstanding	Amount of business	Profits carried to surplus
1909	\$11,050	\$363,249	\$5,233
1910	26,330	445,092	4,438
1911	26,330	877,883	11,902
1912	26,505	734,746	17,801
1913	28,410	703,220	15,016
1914	28,470	750,085	15,895
1915	28,470	748,686	14,123
1916	28,470	1,087,347	29,737
1917	28,470	1,602,588	45,970
1918	62,305	1,750,539	18,493
1919	62,305	2,073,687	30,576
1920	125,000	2,841,833	20,037
1921	125,000	1,961,004	15,966
1922	250,000	1,677,954	22,554
1923	250,000	1,553,614	23,281

TABLE 76.—*Spokane Valley Growers Union, Opportunity, Wash., 1912-1921*
 [Compiled from data obtained from union]

Year	Total number packed boxes	Total money received	Average gross price received	Total union expense	Cost of boxes	Net to grower
1912	24,512	\$17,500	\$0.71	\$0,239	\$0,1025	\$0,365
1913	11,272	15,155	1.34	.225	.09	1.025
1914	26,332	16,092	.61	.32	.0875	.2025
1915	23,064	22,192	.96	.32	.095	.545
1916	70,619	65,675	.93	.28	.09	.56
1917	56,867	65,355	1.15	.35	.13	.67
1918	74,767	104,626	1.40	.30	.155	.945
1919	193,374	372,160	1.92	.40	.16	1.36
1920	205,067	282,257	1.38	.485	.26	.645
1921	158,659	271,388	1.71	.3975	.16	1.1525
Ten-year average			1.212	.3316	.133	.8474

TABLE 77.—*Beaufort Truck Growers Association, Beaufort, S. C., 1915-1922*
 [Compiled from data obtained from association]

Year	Number of packages	Gross Sales	Operating expense	Per cent of gross sales
1915	191,725	\$301,276	\$4,805	1.6
1916	135,551	290,608	5,576	1.9
1917	106,530	557,813	5,678	1.0
1918	160,700	450,584	8,413	1.9
1919	132,007	393,386	8,725	2.2
1920	218,626	949,112	10,856	1.1
1921	338,654	811,812	18,715	2.3
1922	312,644	802,143	25,873	3.2

TABLE 78.—Door County Fruit Growers Union, Sturgeon Bay, Wis., 1916–1923

[Compiled from reports of union]

Year	Crates of cherries	Total packages of fruit	Growers' supplies sold	Fruit sales	Total business
1916	31,371	43,832			
1917	104,758	117,174			
1918	32,792	39,625			
1919	205,453	210,211	\$38,916	\$557,882	\$607,483
1920	188,080	211,469	77,762	551,149	629,299
1921	344,695	380,545	101,014	977,999	1,089,201
1922	425,517	495,699	140,694	896,738	1,048,597
1923	238,224	330,686	117,743	434,795	578,494

TABLE 79.—Eastern Shore of Virginia Produce Exchange, Onley, Va., 1906–1923

[Compiled from data obtained from exchange]

Year	Packages handled	Total sales	Expenses	Per cent expense of sales	Profit or loss	Patron- age dividend	Balance in surplus account Dec. 31
1906	1,043,912	\$1,647,414					
1907	1,091,232	2,085,945					
1908	1,325,523	2,489,573					
1909	1,435,382	2,227,791					
1910	2,031,091	2,474,451					
1911	992,188	2,798,616					
1912	1,858,018	3,583,745					
1913	2,850,722	4,643,802					
1914	2,489,955	5,893,942	\$233,180	4.0	+\$93,225	\$46,612	\$155,098
1915	2,995,151	3,395,082	197,384	5.8	-18,169	None.	136,948
1916	3,122,970	6,971,786	272,319	3.9	+113,043	56,521	193,550
1917	2,852,150	10,832,571	356,946	3.3	+81,767	45,178	230,189
1918	1,884,795	8,690,426	269,990	3.1	+32,756	21,628	241,317
1919	2,932,327	13,081,545	303,601	2.3	+107,162	61,127	294,672
1920	2,937,784	19,269,890	555,929	2.9	-19,710	None.	247,085
1921	2,853,142	9,156,972	382,786	4.2	+48,746	43,276	246,814
1922	3,212,150	9,199,925	364,641	4.0	+56,755	38,618	265,013
1923	2,808,256	11,638,801	389,455	3.3	+45,969	31,912	276,304

TABLE 80.—Michigan Potato Growers Exchange, Cadillac, Mich., 1918–1924

[Compiled from annual reports of exchange]

Year	Number of affili- ated locals	Cars of potatoes	Total cars	Gross sales	Oper- ating expense	Average operating expense per car
First (1918–19)	52	2,118	2,227	\$1,800,000	\$50,485	\$22.67
Second (1919–20)	97	2,158	1,3,085	4,815,000	95,716	31.03
Third (1920–21)	119	3,250	2,3,622		116,121	32.06
Fourth (1921–22)	128	2,439	3,2,520	1,777,800	74,893	29.72
Fifth (1922–23)	109	2,922		1,097,900		
Sixth (1923–24)	104	3,122		1,850,121		

¹ Apples, 342 cars; hay, 174 cars; cabbage, 113 cars; etc.² Rye, 120 cars; hay, 69 cars; apples, 56 cars; etc.³ Apples, 38 cars; celery, 19 cars; rye, 14 cars; etc.

TABLE 81.—*Turner Centre System, Auburn, Me., 1900–1923*
 [Compiled from annual reports of association]

Year	Receipts from all sources ¹	Carried to surplus ²	Butter fat paid for	Total expenses ³	Receipts from milk, cream, and eggs	Paid patrons for milk, cream, and eggs	Per cent of receipts paid patrons
<i>Pounds.</i>							
1900	\$543,599	\$2,359					
1901	640,187	249					
1902	674,342	5,134					
1903	777,318	4,227					
1904	785,940	6,292					
1905	926,029	5,821					
1906	1,061,948	5,845					
1907	1,290,847	1,689					
1908	1,229,013	3,551					
1909	1,216,200	9,803					
1910	1,650,434	6,318					
1911	1,529,787	12,763					
1912	1,664,039	18,795	3,065,005				
1913	2,056,545	23,201	3,739,417	\$262,768	\$1,859,400	\$1,577,568	84.8
1914	2,236,083	25,081	4,248,378	308,556	2,043,763	1,731,777	84.7
1915	2,638,104	14,843	4,540,809	417,162	2,295,105	1,893,949	82.5
1916	3,057,339	35,038	4,500,363	487,519	2,618,086	2,126,417	81.2
1917	3,468,987	36,750	4,061,892	603,320	3,201,441	2,580,481	80.6
1918	4,759,814	23,596	4,132,587	759,391	4,310,455	3,542,529	82.2
1919	5,605,113	24,229	4,684,213	985,735	4,976,697	4,055,628	81.5
1920	6,699,476	4,905	4,229,370	1,932,281	5,599,314	3,737,594	66.3
1921	4,735,274	94,141	3,816,315	1,538,598	4,236,116	2,646,543	62.5
1922	4,182,202	99,287	3,606,203	1,421,027	6,439,104	1,980,454	57.6
1923	5,334,480	61,855	4,117,924	1,655,255	4,307,457	2,617,231	60.8

¹ Annual income 1900–1914, taken from 1914 report.² Surplus, 1900–1920, taken from 1922 report.³ Including bonus to employees.⁴ Including bonus to patrons.

⁵ During recent years the dairy products marketed by the company have been carried a little farther on the road leading to the consumers than formerly. Because of this fact additional services have been rendered, additional expenses incurred, and an increased price charged for the products sold. It is obvious that the producer can not receive so large a percentage of the price paid by the retail establishments as that paid by wholesales. The figures in the above table indicating per cent for the years since 1920 are not comparable with those for the preceding years.

⁶ Excluding unexpended patrons' bonus, \$14,840.

TABLE 82.—*Twin City Milk Producers Association, St. Paul, Minn., 1918–1923*
 [Compiled from reports of association]

Year	Total sales	Milk	Cream	Butter	Cheese
		Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1918	\$2,103,183	72,598,801	912,986	168,557	951,648
1919	3,113,408	88,217,181	1,298,834	371,128	1,734,298
1920	3,410,943	97,303,379	2,098,150	743,024	664,710
1921	3,796,807	147,031,313	2,262,668	1,705,593	1,260,749
1922	4,313,275	161,502,871	3,480,503	1,868,334	811,860
1923 ¹	4,810,274	161,308,422	3,547,806	1,973,970	828,074

¹ Nine months only.

TABLE 83.—*Wisconsin Cheese Producers' Federation, Plymouth, Wis., 1914–1923*
 [Data from reports of federation]

Year	Num- ber of fac- to- ries	Cheese handled	Value of cheese handled	Average price per pound to fac- to- ries	Year	Num- ber of fac- to- ries	Cheese handled	Value of cheese handled	Average price per pound to fac- to- ries
		Pounds		Cents			Pounds		Cents
1914	45	6,125,480	\$857,941	13.96	1919	120	14,098,021	\$4,341,057	30.10
1915	43	7,558,796	1,144,146	14.70	1920	125	13,982,817	3,736,234	25.71
1916	45	7,490,020	1,332,497	17.13	1921	140	15,564,414	2,968,768	18.02
1917	56	8,981,308	2,193,515	23.53	1922	175	18,873,496	4,025,408	19.23
1918	63	8,522,509	2,327,756	26.24	1923	24	24,602,795	5,959,416	22.62

TABLE 84.—*Tillamook County Creamery Association, Tillamook, Oreg., 1909–1923*

[Compiled from data obtained from association]

Year	Milk handled	Cheese made	Cheese sales	Average price received per pound	Average cost of making per pound	Average price paid for milk
	Pounds	Pounds		Cents	Cents	100 pounds
1909	23,416,524	2,541,057	\$400,044			
1910	23,639,644	2,506,612	386,135			
1911	24,131,802	2,619,229	358,206			
1912	29,139,514	3,211,004	524,718			
1913	31,566,888	3,505,516	541,748			
1914	33,202,518	3,694,458	568,395			
1915	36,577,206	4,043,875	557,596	13.79	11.75	
1916	38,603,101	4,335,817	726,911	16.76	11.75	
1917	44,901,303	4,974,328	2,188,052	23.52	2,311	2.44
1918	45,100,156	5,036,900	2,1,352,694	26.36	2,685	2.66
1919	53,522,289	6,091,259	2,007,500	32.40	3,437	3.31
1920	56,749,190	6,436,600	2,1,937,956	29.63	4,137	2.935
1921	59,952,123	6,722,893	2,1,576,991	23.06		
1922	59,430,293	6,615,957	2,1,741,418	25.79	4,002	2.484
1923	63,877,049	7,113,076	1,834,689	26.50		2.56

¹ Estimate.² Cheese, cream, butter, market milk.TABLE 85.—*Barron Cooperative Creamery Co., Barron, Wis., 1902–1922*

[Compiled from annual reports of creamery]

Year	Butter made	Amount received for butter	Paid patrons for butterfat	Percent- age of returns paid for butterfat	Year	Butter made	Amount received for butter	Paid patrons for butterfat	Percent- age of returns paid for butterfat
	Pounds								
1902	70,416	\$14,593	\$13,383	91.7	1913	993,069	\$282,943	\$260,244	92.0
1903	166,081	34,193	30,938	90.5	1914	1,112,380	318,755	295,031	92.6
1904	320,149	62,807	54,511	86.8	1915	1,319,200	364,203	334,601	91.9
1905	509,925	109,649	97,656	89.1	1916	1,398,820	445,180	417,447	93.8
1906	668,256	148,880	134,435	90.3	1917	1,351,786	552,477	524,472	94.9
1907	679,448	174,070	157,517	90.5	1918	1,501,151	718,238	673,708	93.8
1908	642,697	157,240	149,505	89.4	1919	1,623,562	930,834	885,750	95.2
1909	637,610	173,256	158,182	91.3	1920	1,805,694	1,044,617	977,550	93.6
1910	634,238	177,485	163,491	92.1	1921	2,187,765	869,075	787,639	90.6
1911	665,348	167,943	152,962	91.1	1922	2,507,309	970,826	907,843	93.5
1912	666,556	229,832	212,238	92.3					

TABLE 86.—*Farmers Union Live Stock Commission, Omaha, Nebr., 1921–1923*

[Data obtained from association]

Year	Cattle		Hogs		Sheep		Total		Com- mis- sions col- lected	Oper- ating ex- penses	Aver- age oper- ating ex- penses	Savings	
	Cars	Head	Cars	Head	Cars	Head	Cars	Head				Amount	Per cent
1921	2,079	55,840	5,442	374,138	132	20,409	7,653	450,387	\$137,252	\$46,707	\$6.13	\$90,545	65.9
1922	2,031	54,897	5,511	366,659	92	15,182	7,634	436,738	128,482	43,104	5.63	85,378	67.3
1923	2,022	53,535	7,861	544,278	296	26,520	10,179	624,333	159,790	48,396	4.75	111,394	71.2

TABLE 87.—*Litchfield Livestock Shipping Association,¹ Litchfield, Minn., 1908–1923*

[Compiled from annual reports of association]

Year	Cars	Gross receipts	Returns to farmers	Per-cent	Year	Cars	Gross receipts	Returns to farmers	Per-cent
1908	14	\$11,599			1916	184	\$284,379		
1909	35	39,569			1917	175	389,610	\$377,005	96.8
1910	81	102,163			1918	208	552,775	535,496	96.9
1911	104	114,764			1919	217	625,930	606,432	96.9
1912	146	181,544			1920	210	436,545	417,462	95.6
1913	153	218,116			1921	185	272,805	253,115	92.8
1914	173	256,044			1922	194	298,853	280,789	94.0
1915	172	216,518			1923	236	294,276	272,966	92.8

¹ A typical local livestock shipping association.TABLE 88.—*Adams County Shippers' Association,¹ Quincy, Ill., 1919–1923*

[Data obtained from association]

Year	Number of cars	Number of shippers	Head of live-stock	Amount received	Local charges	Net to producers
1919 ²	101	439	7,679	\$211,640	\$1,409	\$210,231
1920	610	3,335	44,529	1,200,067	12,637	1,187,430
1921	795	4,946	59,775	1,012,051	14,535	997,516
1922	633	4,282	47,230	909,379	12,102	897,277
1923	689	4,360	53,247	836,425	13,943	822,481

¹ A typical county livestock shipping association.² September, October, November, and December.TABLE 89.—*California Farm Bureau Marketing Association, Bakersfield, Calif., 1919–1923*

[Compiled from data obtained from association]

Year ending Oct. 1	Number of auction sales	Number of hogs	Amount of sales
1919	139	39,388	\$1,316,072
1920	195	51,849	1,467,834
1921	181	44,783	940,256
1922	184	43,204	754,247
1923	48,721	716,960	

TABLE 90.—*Poultry Producers of Central California, Inc., San Francisco, Calif., 1917–1922*

[Compiled from reports of association]

Year	Number of stock-holders	Cases of eggs handled	Receipts from sales	Net returns to members	Per cent returns of receipts
1917		213,532	\$2,332,444	\$2,170,626	91.1
1918	1,000	270,313	3,712,523	3,425,717	92.3
1919 ¹	1,201	228,677	3,035,337	2,814,737	92.1
1920	2,193	460,303	6,939,542		
1921	2,839	662,598	6,905,802		
1922	3,159	618,475	² 5,730,000		

¹ Report covers seven months only.² Estimated.

TABLE 91.—*Washington Cooperative Egg and Poultry Association, Seattle, Wash., 1918-1922*

[Data from reports of association]

Year	Number of members	Cases of eggs handled	Op- erating expenses	Net returns to members for eggs	Average net price	
					Per case	Per dozen
<i>Per dozen</i>						
1918-----		4,000				
1919-----		32,716	\$0.016	\$519,476	\$16.56	\$0.552
1920-----	1,196	85,060	.0153	1,323,308	15.56	.518
1921-----	2,371	200,287	.0242	1,985,552	10.105	.333
1922-----	2,800	266,284	.0238	2,229,319		.2791

TABLE 92.—*Staple Cotton Cooperative Association, Greenwood, Miss., April 1, 1922-1924*

Year	Number of bales received	Number of bales sold	Number of bales unsold	Amount distributed to growers	Distribution per pound	<i>Cents</i>	
						1922	1923
1922-----	156,264	101,625	54,639	\$13,648,649			17.47
1923-----	167,418	114,711	52,707	18,136,062			21.39
1924-----	107,338	64,662	42,676	13,875,082			25.96

TABLE 93.—*Fruit Growers Supply Co., Los Angeles, Calif., 1916-1923*

Year	Amount of business	Patronage dividends	Per cent	Year	Amount of business	Patronage dividends	Per cent
				1916	1917	1918	1919
1916 ¹ -----	\$4,092,865	\$159,064	3.9	1920 ¹ -----	\$9,837,073	\$257,459	2.6
1917 ¹ -----	5,759,080	146,902	2.6	1921 ² -----	13,708,556	42,171,249	15.8
1918 ¹ -----	4,281,969	134,872	3.1	1922 ³ -----	10,216,544	20,589	.2
1919 ¹ -----	7,337,666	531,689	7.2	1923 ³ -----	11,339,444	56,461	.5

¹ Fiscal year ending Aug. 31.² Fiscal year ending Oct. 31.³ Fiscal year ending Dec. 31.⁴ Partially paid in capital stock.TABLE 94.—*Eastern States Farmers' Exchange, Springfield, Mass., 1918-1923*

[Compiled from data obtained from exchange]

Year	Tons handled	Amount of business	Year	Tons handled	Amount of business
			1918	1919	1920
1918-----	4,290	\$197,287	1921-----		
1919-----	15,196	967,224	1922-----		
1920-----	31,808	1,612,009	1923-----		

TABLE 95.—*River Falls Cooperative Laundry Co., River Falls, Wis., 1921-1923*

[Compiled from data obtained from company]

Year	Capital stock	Real estate, buildings, and equipment	Amount of business	Salaries	Wages	Net gain	Reserve fund
1921-----	\$8,490	\$10,300	\$13,570	\$500	\$7,798	\$382	\$1,233
1922-----	8,490	10,214	13,227	450	6,883	1,393	182
1923-----	8,540	10,900	16,426	600	7,861	801	551

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