

Australia – Land of co-operators

- Australia has around 1800 co-operatives and 108 mutual banking institutions
- There are more than 13 million memberships of co-operatives, including credit unions and mutuals, in Australia
- Industries with a co-operative presence in Australia include agriculture, consumer goods, financial services, purchasing and marketing, manufacture, automotive, childcare, renewable energy, housing, healthcare, transport, insurance and education
- The top 100 co-ops, mutuals and credit unions in Australia turned over \$14.7 billion in 2011
- Australia has the third largest mutual banking sector (credit unions, mutual building societies and mutual banks) after the United States and Canada
- Australian agricultural co-operatives made \$6.9 billion in 2011
- Australian consumer co-operatives made \$2.5 billion in 2011 and have over eight million members
- Australian mutual banking institutions hold \$83b in assets and serve over 4.6 million Australians



Recommendations

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