

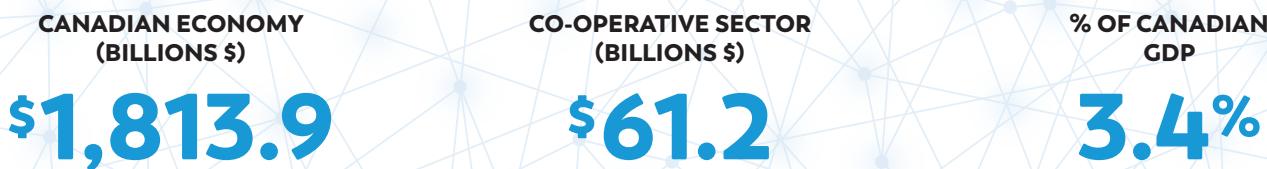
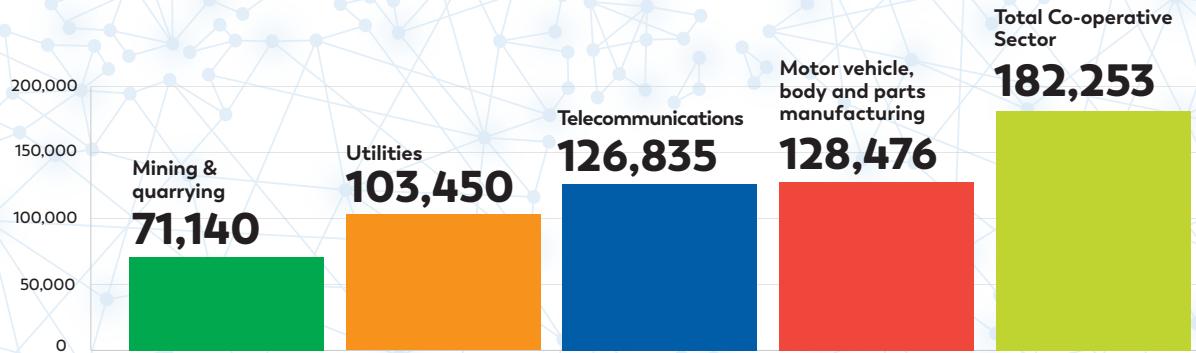
# Economic Impact of the Co-operative Sector in Canada



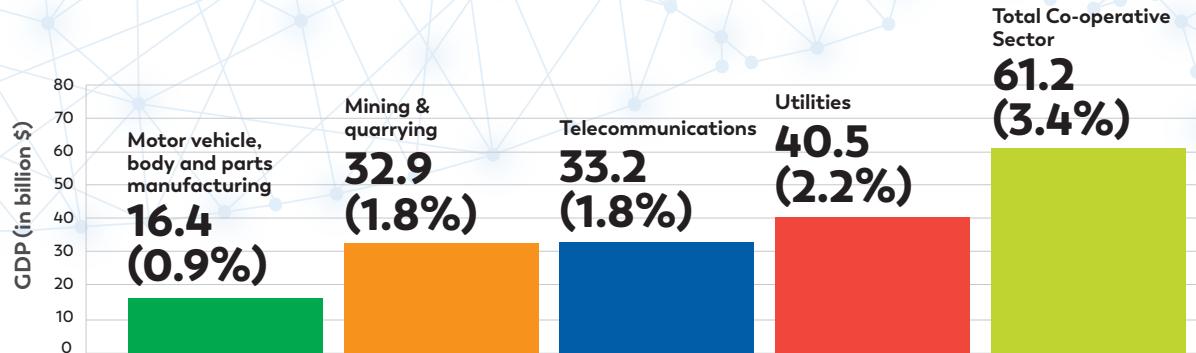
## GROWTH RATE OF THE CO-OPERATIVE SECTOR IN CANADA FROM 2010-2015

VOLUME OF BUSINESS (BILLIONS \$)	ASSETS (BILLIONS \$)	NUMBER OF MEMBERSHIPS (MILLIONS)	NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES
<b>\$85.9</b>	<b>\$503.2</b>	<b>31.8</b>	<b>182,253</b>
<b>+20.9%</b>	<b>+42.5%</b>	<b>+13.3%</b>	<b>+2.4%</b>

## COMPARISON OF JOBS IN THE CO-OPERATIVE SECTOR TO OTHER INDUSTRIES (2015)



## GDP BY SECTORS IN THE TOTAL CANADIAN ECONOMY (2015)



# Co-ops are key economic players across Canada open to increased participation in the economy by newcomers, Indigenous people, youth, and women entrepreneurs.

In Quebec, 3,000 co-operatives and mutuals represent 116,000 jobs and 8 million memberships, making it the strongest network in Canada. These include:



8,800 Employees  
161 Members  
\$6.7 B Revenues



19,000 Employees  
120,000 Members  
\$9.5 B Revenues



46,000 Employees  
7 million Members  
\$ 295.5 B in assets

In Western Canada, co-operatives are omnipresent and some of the largest employers, including:



Federated Co-operatives Limited

2,300 Employees  
170 Co-operatives  
\$10.7 B Revenues



950 Employees  
110,974 Members  
\$1.5 B Revenues



80 Natural Gas Utilities  
52 Gas Co-ops  
90% of the supply

In Canada's North, Indigenous-leadership co-operatives provide internet, construction services, cable television, retail, and telecommunications services in Nunavik and the Territories.



Arctic Co-operatives Limited

780 Employees  
14,980 Members  
32 Co-operatives  
\$221 M Revenues



700 Employees  
8,700 Members  
14 Co-operatives

## Housing

- The average 2 bedroom co-op residence costs approximately 30% less than a condo.
- In housing markets like Vancouver and Toronto, the co-op difference is approximately 53%.
- In Canada, 90,000 households live in 2,212 housing co-operatives.

## Childcare

- 375 daycare and preschool co-operatives serve 34,000 families.
- Co-ops reduce costs up to 50%, according to a UK study.

## Funeral

- Services are 41% less expensive when provided by a funeral co-operative.
- There are more than 50 funeral co-operatives in communities across Canada.

## Seniors

- Co-ops provide housing solutions as well as Assisted Living, Health, Social, Recreational and Home Care services.
- In Quebec, up to 29% of healthcare co-op members are over the age of 65, allowing them to have proximity health services.