

Farmers' Marketing and Purchasing Associations in North Dakota¹

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THE Farm Credit Administration has recently published a statistical summary of the numbers of marketing and purchasing associations in the United States by commodities, together with the estimated number of members and the estimated amount of business transacted for the 1942-43 marketing season. The data for North Dakota associations follow:

Commodity	Associations Listed	Estimated Members	Estimated Business
Marketing Associations			
Dairy Products	37	10,600	\$ 6,840,000
Fruits and Vegetables	7	330	350,000
Poultry and Poultry Products	2	600	300,000
Wool and Mohair	6	10,000	2,840,000
Grain	321	40,000	66,000,000
Livestock	78	10,000	18,400,000
Miscellaneous	18	2,800	700,000
Purchasing Associations	121	25,000	8,000,000
Total Marketing and Purchasing Associations	590	99,330	103,430,000

¹Wantsall, Grace and Elsworth, R. H., "Statistics of Farmers' Marketing and Purchasing Cooperatives 1942-43 Marketing Season." Cooperative Research and Service Division, Farm Credit Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, Miscellaneous Report No. 70, January, 1944.

The following table sets forth the distribution of estimated business by geographic divisions:

Distribution of Estimated Business of Farmers' Marketing and Purchasing Associations by Geographic Divisions
1942-43 Marketing Season

Geographic Division	Estimated Amount of Business	Percent of Total Estimated Business of all Marketing and Purchasing Associations of the United States
New England States (Maine, N.H., Vt., Mass., R. I., Conn.)	\$ 135,490,000	3.6
Middle Atlantic (N. Y., N. J., Pa.)	333,560,000	8.8
East North Central (Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis.)	907,510,000	24.0
West North Central (Minn., Iowa, Mo., N. Dak., S. Dak., Nebr., Kans.)	1,051,350,000	27.8
South Atlantic (Del. Md., D. C., Va., W. Va., N. C., S. C., Ga., Fla.)	230,750,000	6.1
East South Central (Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss.)	105,530,000	2.8
West South Central (Ark., La., Okla., Tex.)	257,030,000	6.8
Mountain Mont., Idaho, Wyo., Colo., N. Mex., Ariz., Utah, Nev.)	170,800,000	4.5
Pacific (Wash., Oreg., Calif.)	587,980,000	15.6