There are 5,829 non-profit organizations in NS – About 45% of the 12,882 non-profit organizations serving the Atlantic region

In Nova Scotia there are 271 co-operatives and 31 credit unions

Revenues of non-profit and voluntary organizations in 2003 = $1,424,000,000

In NS 65% of the non-profit organizations are registered charities

An average of 24 co-operatives are incorporated per year

Types of NS Non-financial Co-operatives

Co-operatives had 40,000 memberships and 3,359 employees

Total sales revenues = $728.4 million
Total assets = $352.4 million

The average number of years in business for both non-financial co-ops & credit unions is 27 years

For credits unions the average is 64 years
For non-financial co-ops the average is 22 years

36,098 Nova Scotians are employed in the sector - About 34% of the workers employed in the Atlantic region

NS has 442,533 volunteers - About 43% of the volunteers in the Atlantic region

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