consumer goods. Such associations reported assets of \$119,300,000 in 1963, of which members' equity represented 34 p.c., and sales of supplies and farm products of \$358,300,000, an increase of 6 p.c. over 1962.

Service co-operatives, which numbered 1,006 in 1963, provide a wide range of functions such as rural electrification, medical insurance, transportation, grazing, custom grinding, seed cleaning, operation of farm machinery and restaurant operation. Membership in these associations rose from 297,616 in 1962 to 303,624 in 1963 and assets from \$106,700,000 to \$117,800,000, mainly as a result of the reclassifications mentioned above. Fishermen's co-operatives operate in all provinces and in 1963 reported a membership of 9,846, sales of fish amounting to \$20,200,000 and sales of supplies amounting to \$2,000,000; comparable figures for 1962 were 9,239, \$18,400,000 and \$1,500,000, respectively.

Eskimo co-operatives operating in the Canadian North have increased rapidly in number and in diversity of service (see p. 215). Fifteen societies reported a membership of 401 in 1963, sales of \$410,834, share capital of \$114,930, and reserves of \$70,210. Four new societies have since been formed.

27.—Summary Statistics of Co-operative Marketing and Purchasing Associations, Crop Years Ended July 31, 1959-63 and by Province, 1962 and 1963

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Year and Province	Associ- ations	Share- holders or Members	Sales of Products	Sales of Merchan- dise	Total Business ¹
	No.	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1959	1,982	1,290,462	963,330	332,943	1,315,167
	1,934	1,319,187	973,958	368,090	1,362,596
	1,914	1,324,270	1,019,819	391,761	1,430,197
	1,877	1,287,562	928,502	423,302	1,372,605
	1,632	1,305,880	1,109,800	462,200	1,592,200
Province, 1962 and 1963					
Newfoundland 1962 1963	56 45	9,105 9,372	_ 57	5,782 5,800	6,147 5,800
Prince Edward Island	19	6,090	2,915	4,717	7,745
	20	9,602	4,900	5,000	10,100
Nova Scotia	84	25,952	16,032	19,806	36,446
	81	25,924	17,300	19,300	37,100
New Brunswick	56	15,033	9,780	10,526	20,560
	54	15,472	10,600	11,500	22,400
Quebec	548	93,545	123,705	101,331	227,794
	492	91,830	137,700	105,900	245,400
Ontario	265	112,262	89,171	78,257	171,152
	239	114,463	96,200	81,700	181,600
Manitoba	108	169,578	93,424	30,520	126,413
	115	179,552	134,200	34,900	171,900
Saskatchewan	450	460,392	275,209	84,646	366,560
	340	461,540	355,600	95,600	458,100
Alberta	192	221,910	185,782	42,007	229,881
	150	221,918	183,000	49,700	234,000
British Columbia	93	52,620	60,091	30,215	91,560
	90	49,929	66,700	32,200	101,100
Interprovincial	6	121,075	72,336	15,495	88,347
	6	126,278	103,600	20,600	124,700

¹ Includes other revenue.