

KEY HIGHLIGHTS – UNITED KINGDOM

This one-pager aims to provide a brief overview of the most salient features of the UK’s national cooperative landscape, based on the detailed input provided by the contributing member organisation, Co-operatives UK.

The UK counts 2 ICA member organisations:

- **Co-operatives UK** is a full ICA member. Co-operatives UK works to promote, develop and unite member-owned business worth more than £37 billion to the UK economy.
- **The Midcounties Co-operative** is a full ICA member and is the UK’s largest independent consumer co-operative.

Members are active in the following sectors:

- Banking
- Agriculture and food industry
- Wholesale and retail trade
- Education
- Human health and social work activities
- Industry
- Information and communication
- Real estate activities
- Transport
- Utilities

The following national figures have been compiled based on the ICA member’s data:

Number of cooperatives	7 063
Number of memberships	14 008 457
Number of employees	241 714

In addition, the following sectoral data was compiled based on member’s replies:

	Number of cooperatives	Number of memberships	Number of employees	Turnover in million EUR	Turnover in million GBP
Banking	464	2 463 133	2 758	250 700	273 869
Agriculture and food industry	652	162 655	11 804	7 938 500	8 672 176
Wholesale and retail trade	700	8 957 507	181 577	26 900 000	29 386 098
Education	286	4 995	6 402	501 800	548 176
Human health and social work	651	369 464	29 121	877 100	395 893
Industry	75	4 819	1 553	362 400	395 893
Information and communication	133	47 474	164	6 800	7 428
Real estate activities	704	76 897	3 303	578 100	631 528
Transport	25	1 383	200	6 000	6 555
Utilities	255	36 520	99	24 000	26 218
Other	3 118	1 883 610	4 733	668 500	705 727

These figures and full typological information are further developed and broken down in the complete UK report, freely available online on the [#coops4dev website](#).