

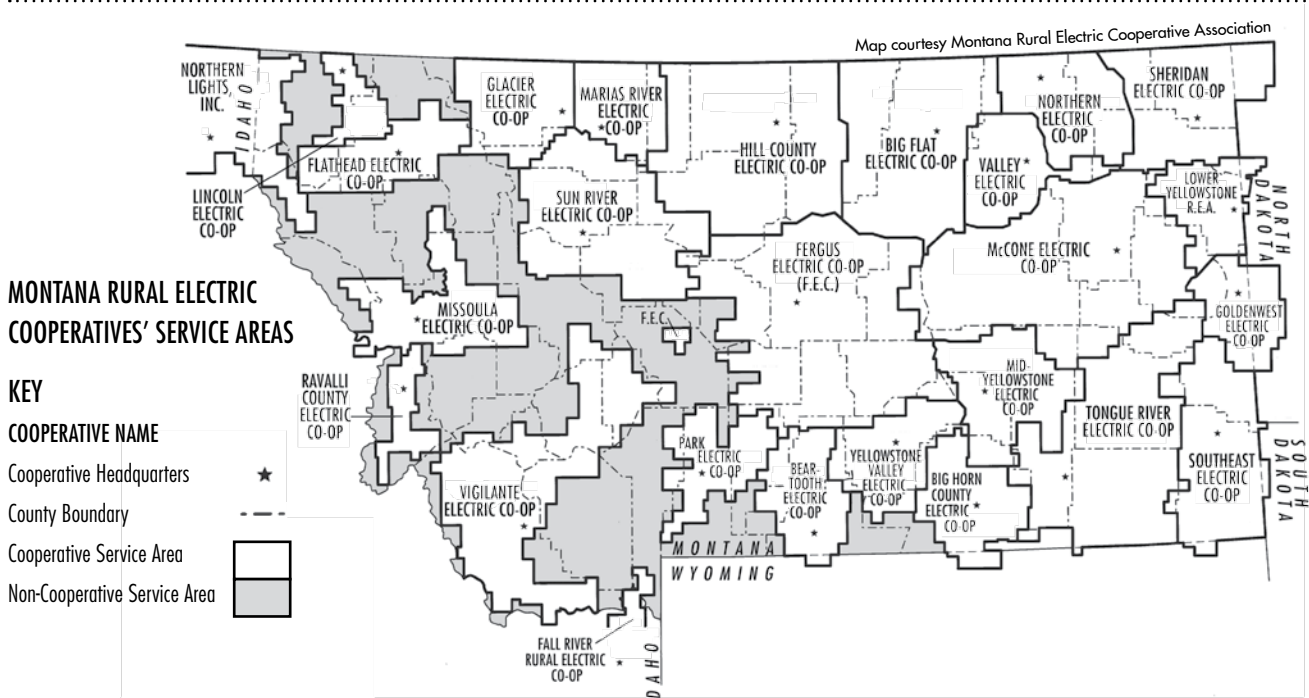
CHAPTER 20 / Map Skills

Using the chart and map below, answer the questions that follow.

MONTANA'S ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES

as of December 31, 1955

Cooperative	Date Energized	Estimated Consumers	To Serve Miles of Line	Cooperative	Date Energized	Estimated Consumers	To Serve Miles of Line
Ravalli County Electric Cooperative, Corvallis	1-14-38	1,066	375	Big Horn County Electric Cooperative, Lodge Grass	6-10-41	1,471	775
Sun River Electric Cooperative, Fairfield	1-21-38	2,380	1,876	Big Flat Electric Cooperative, Malta	10-13-47	864	968
Lower Yellowstone Rural Electric Assn., Sidney	12-14-37	1,503	1,081	Sheridan County Electric Cooperative, Medicine Lake	11-6-46	2,169	1,875
Yellowstone Valley Electric Cooperative, Huntley	12-24-37	2,681	1,028	Northern Electric Cooperative, Opheim	10-25-45	1,049	1,018
Vigilante Electric Cooperative, Dillon	12-31-37	2,076	1,407	Valley County Electric Cooperative, Glasgow	10-21-47	844	580
Missoula Electric Cooperative, Missoula	1-28-38	1,473	702	McCone County Electric Cooperative, Circle	10-14-45	2,759	2,485
Flathead Electric Cooperative, Kalispell	12-16-38	2,807	792	Goldenwest Electric Cooperative, Wibaux	6-14-48	806	726
Fergus Electric Cooperative, Lewistown	3-14-39	2,806	2,187	Glacier Electric Cooperative, Cut Bank	6-28-46	2,957	1,136
Park Electric Cooperative, Livingston	11-4-39	1,256	735	Marias River Electric Cooperative, Shelby	6-28-46	2,037	767
Mid-Yellowstone Electric Cooperative, Hysam	5-16-40	844	552	Hill County Electric Cooperative, Havre	7-3-47	1,750	2,306
Beartooth Electric Cooperative, Red Lodge	2-15-41	1,683	981	Tongue River Electric Cooperative, Ashland	8-8-49	1,304	979
				Southeast Electric Cooperative, Ekalaka	11-7-49	1,167	1,101
				Lincoln Electric Cooperative, Eureka	12-20-49	1,206	362



- Which cooperative served the most consumers as of 1955?
- Which cooperative had the greatest number of miles of lines as of 1955?

Critical Thinking

- Looking at the map and the information on the chart, what conclusions, if any, can you draw about the size of a cooperative's service area and the number of customers it serves? Explain your answer.
- Why do you think no electric cooperatives were created in 1942, 1943, or 1944?