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Abstract: Trade unions generally emerged from efforts of workers to seek an improvement in existing working conditions through collective action. This is on the basic assumption of workers’ belief that they can benefit more through membership of a union than by going it alone. This paper analyses the activities of trade unions in the Nigerian state between 1980-2007, concluding that in spite of the various challenges including repressions faced by trade unions in Nigeria over the years, they have succeeded in acting as pressure groups and dynamic force for social change in the country. The paper suggests some measures that can still help to consolidate and advance the present achievements of trade unions in the country.