

QuickStats about dairying – NORTHLAND REGION



HERDS AND COWS

Total number of herds **1,061**

Average herd size **304**

Number of cows (milking) **322,577**



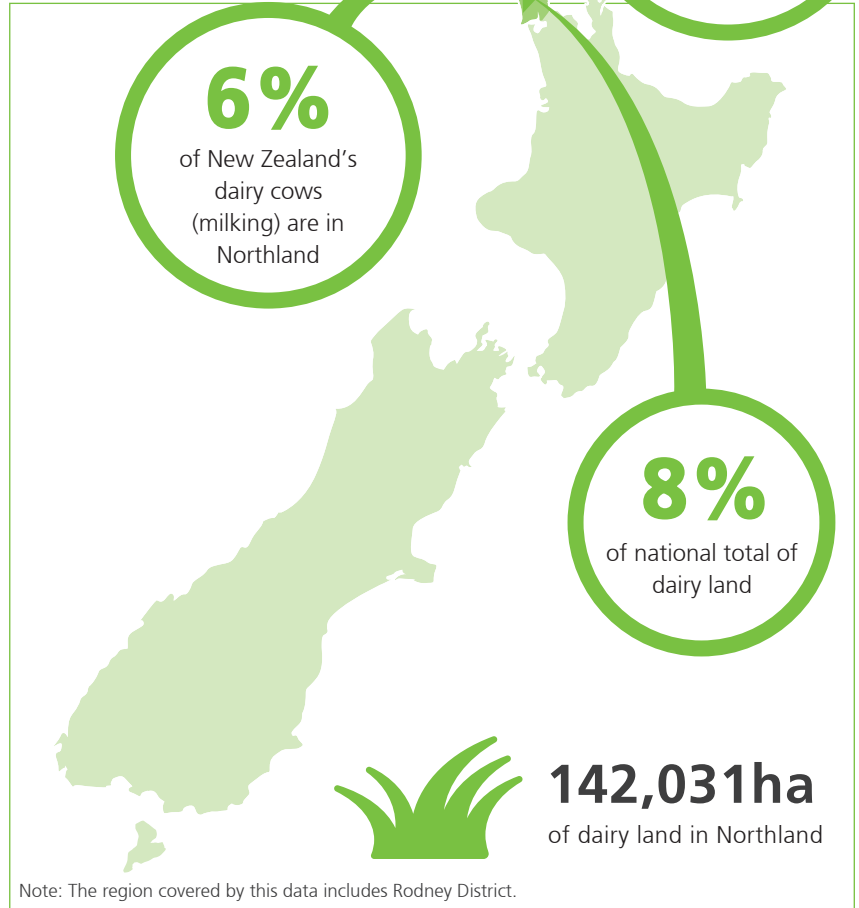
FARMERS AND DAIRY LAND

Number of farm owner/
operators **797**

Number of sharemilkers **255**

Average farm size **134ha**

Average cows per ha **2.3**



The value of dairying in Northland

Value of milk production to the regional economy

\$407 million (2015/16)
(104 million kilograms of milksolids produced)

What farmers spend (on average) per cow

2015/16 farm working expenses on-farm per cow **\$1,226***

*this includes feed, veterinary services, fertiliser, dairy shed supplies (estimate)



DAIRY JOBS CONTRIBUTE

6.5%

of the total regional employment in Northland.

Numbers employed in the dairy industry in Northland

Number employed

On-farm  **2,855**

Processing and wholesaling  **617**
(estimate)

Total dairy employment  **3,472**



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