

QuickStats about dairying – NORTHLAND REGION



HERDS AND COWS

Total number of herds **1,030**

Average herd size **300**

Number of cows (milking) **308,587**



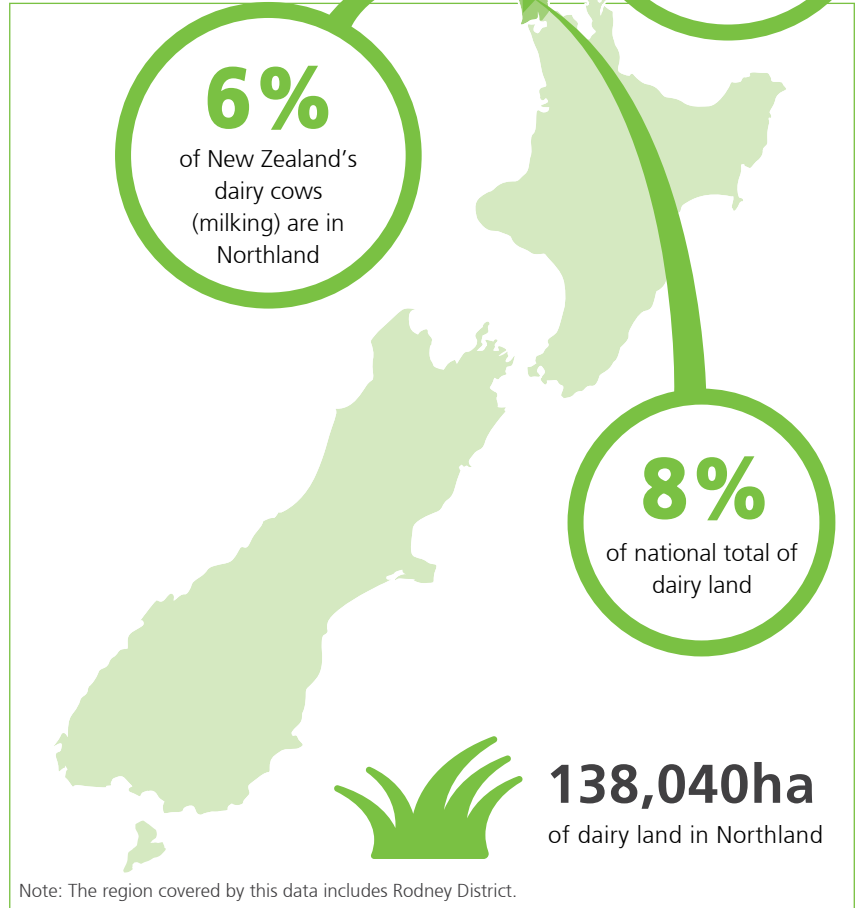
FARMERS AND DAIRY LAND

Number of farm owner/
operators **788**

Number of sharemilkers **242**

Average farm size **134ha**

Average cows per ha **2.2**



The value of dairying in Northland

Value of milk production to the regional economy

\$580 million (2016/17)

(99 million kilograms of milksolids produced)

What farmers spend (on average) per cow

2016/17 farm working expenses on-farm per cow **\$1,240***

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



DAIRY JOBS CONTRIBUTE

4.9%

of the total regional employment in Northland.

Numbers employed in the dairy industry in Northland

Number employed

On-farm  **2,430**

Processing and wholesaling  **488**

Total dairy employment  **2,918**



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