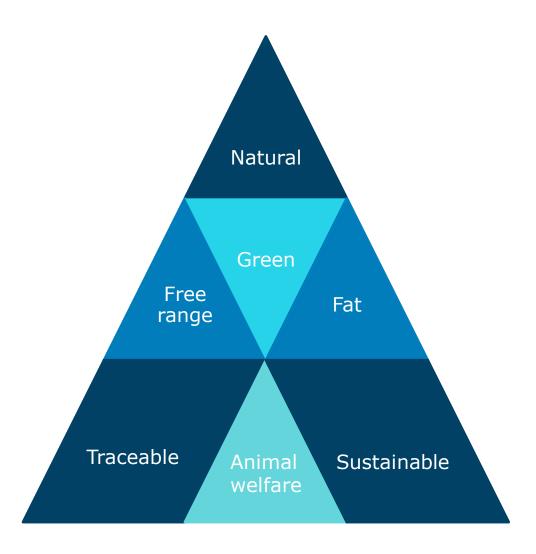




# **Food trends**





Milk price volatility will continue – NZ farmers more exposed to downside milk price risk than their global counterparts.

Potential for costs to rise

- environmentally sustainable
- tight labour market
- Debt burden limits ability to manage through downturns
- Land values easing can no longer rely on capital gains



# Farmgate milk price movements 2013 - 2017

2x

New Zealand



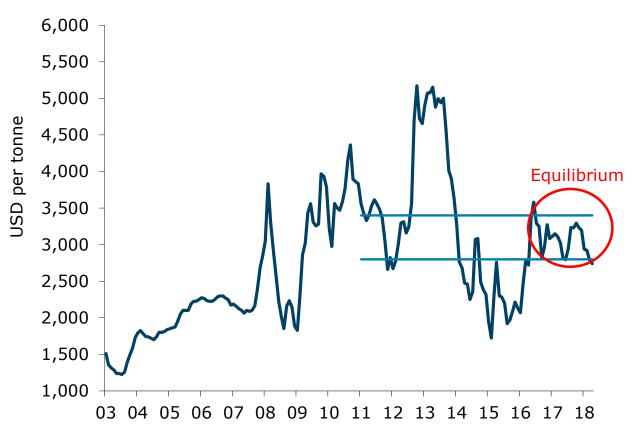
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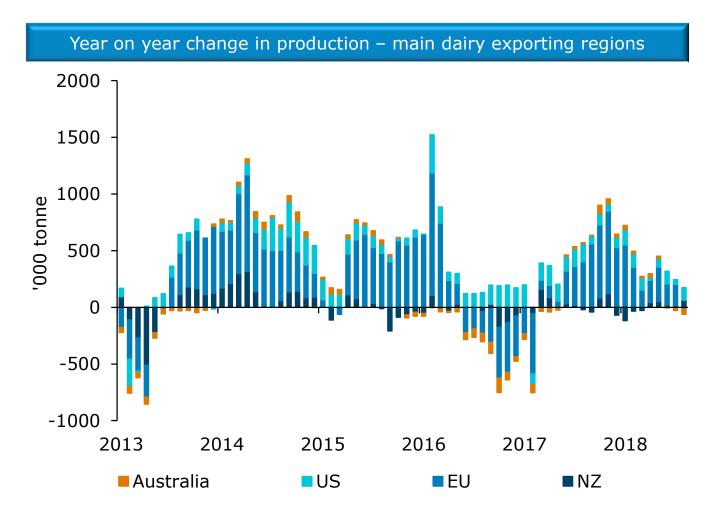
## **Dairy commodity market prices**



- Changes in global milk supply drives prices
- Opportunity for higher prices limited by supply response
- NZ farmers feel full impact of downside risk

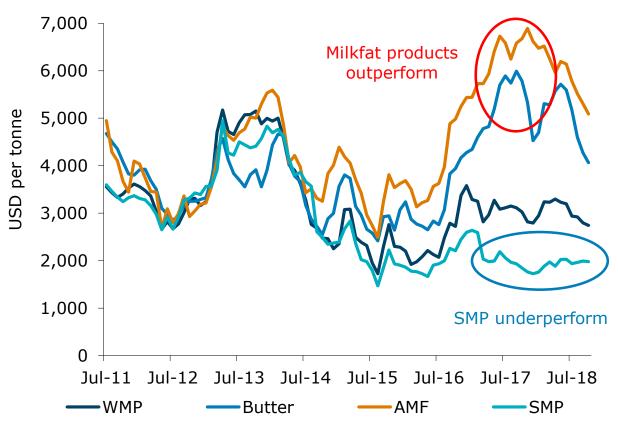


# **Global milk production**





# **Dairy commodity market prices**

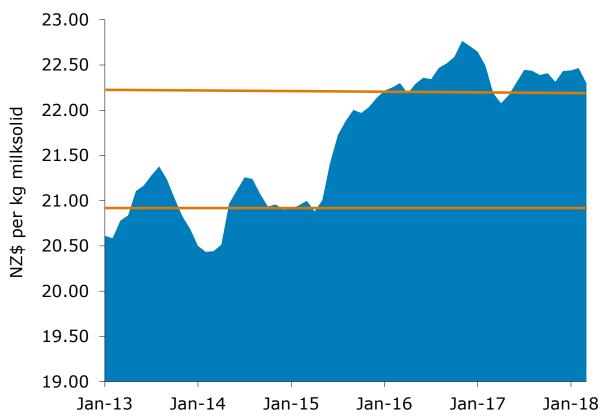


- Milkfat lift driven by dietary trends
- SMP prices curbed by global stocks
- High milkfat prices encourages substitution





# **Dairy sector debt**

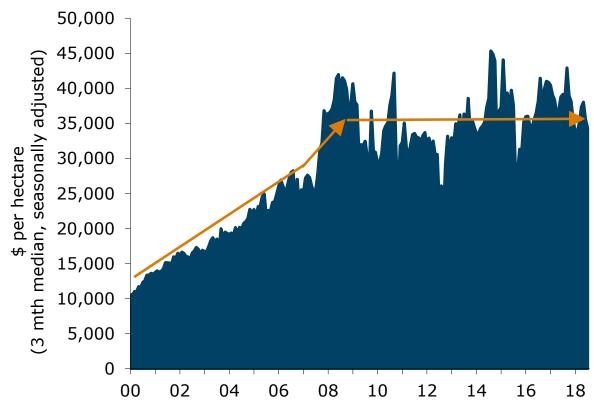


- Debt high
- Unevenly distributed
- \$1.50/kg MS added from 2015 to 2017





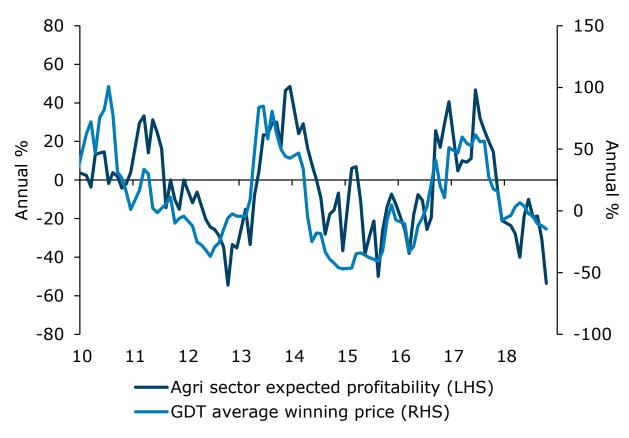
# **Dairy land prices under pressure**







# **Agriculture confidence versus GDT**

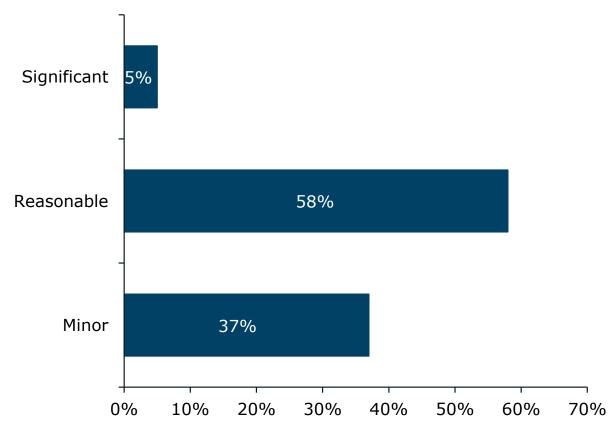


 Agriculture business confidence normally led by dairy returns – but current fall in business confidence not justified by GDT prices.





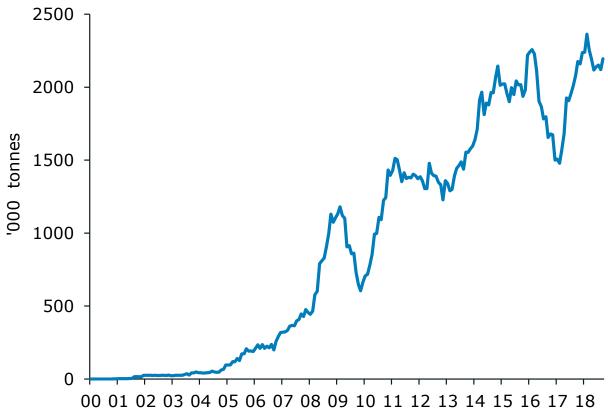
# Impact of tighter environmental rules on farm profits







# **PKE import volumes** rolling 12 month average



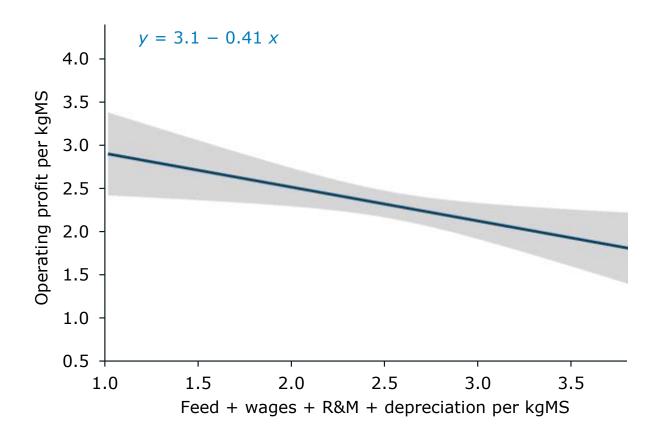
- Lift in imports correspond with droughts periods
- Majority of extra milk is from supplements
- Pasture harvest flat



# **ANZ Insights – Canterbury**

# Higher costs lowers profits

## **Profit vs costs – Canterbury data**



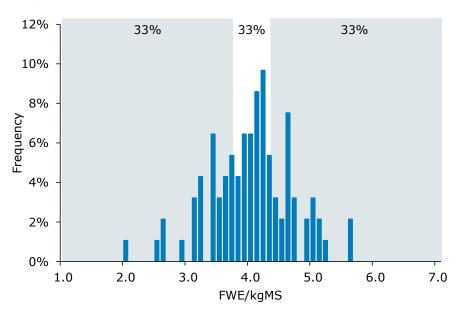
 Extra \$1/kgMS spent on feed, wages, R&M, depreciation lowered profits by 40c.

## **High cost vs low cost – sample selection**

"The region has been broken into high cost versus low cost systems. This is based upon whether the customer sits in the top 1/3 or bottom 1/3 for their average FWE/kgMS from 2013-17".

### **Canterbury Sample**

#### **Expenses/kgMS distribution**



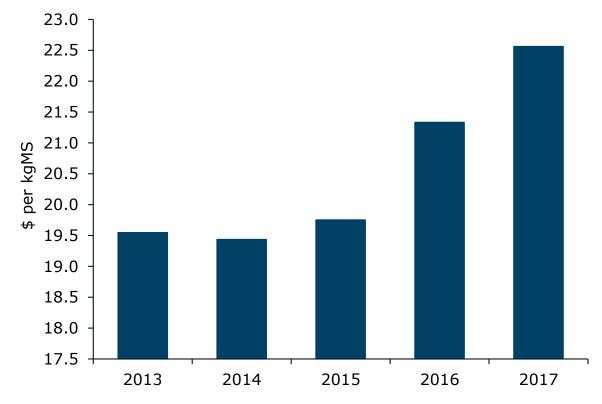
#### **Average feed cost**

per kgMS	Low cost FWE<3.72	High cost FWE>4.30
Quartile 25%	0.33	0.81
Median	0.51	1.02
Quartile 75%	0.71	1.19

# Debt increased by \$1 million

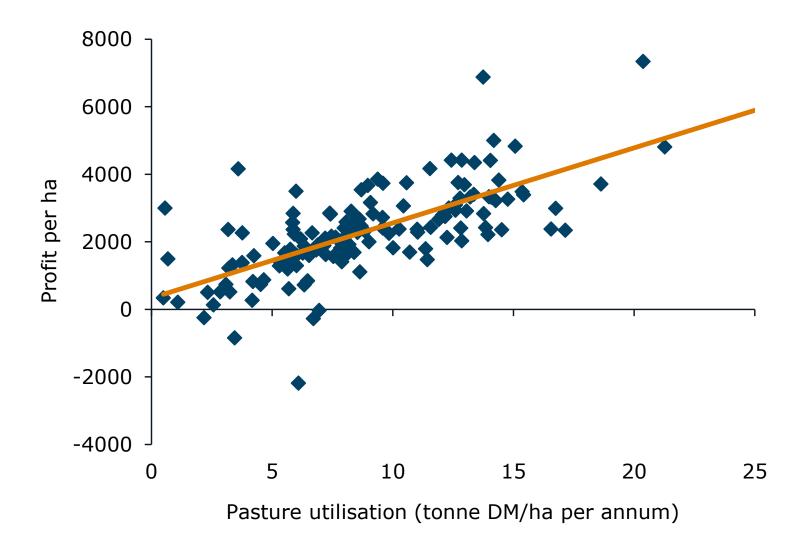
# **Debt levels - Canterbury**

Change in debt	2013 to 2015	2015 to 2017
Increase	49%	83%
Decrease	51%	17%



Source: ANZ Analysis

# **Pasture utilisation vs profit**





# Impact of a 2% increase in interest costs on profits – Canterbury

Profit after interest & tax (\$/kgMS)	Current return	2% interest rate lift
Low cost group	0.87	0.45
High cost group	0.49	0.09

- A 2% increase in interest rates would add \$165,000 in interest costs for the average farm.
- Combine this with a milk price below \$5.50/kg MS and only the really low cost farms will breakeven.

# Resilience key to managing risk

1 Milk price volatility to continue with limited upside.

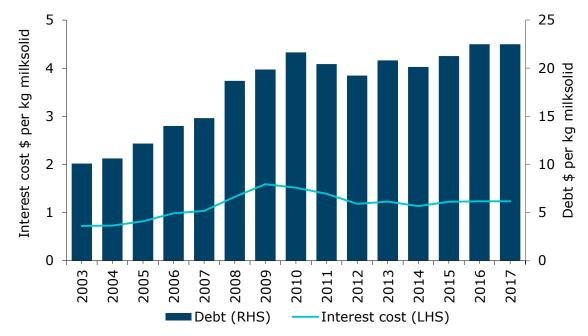
Upward pressure on farm operating costs

- Sustainability
  - Labour
  - Debt
- Low cost operating systems tend to be more resilient
- High pasture utilisation equates to higher profits

# **BRINGING IT HOME**

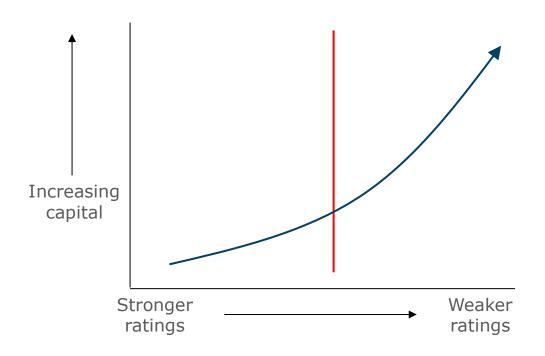


# Dairy debt doubles - debt servicing stable



- Low interest rate has offset additional borrowing
  - Debt levels doubled
  - Interest rates halved

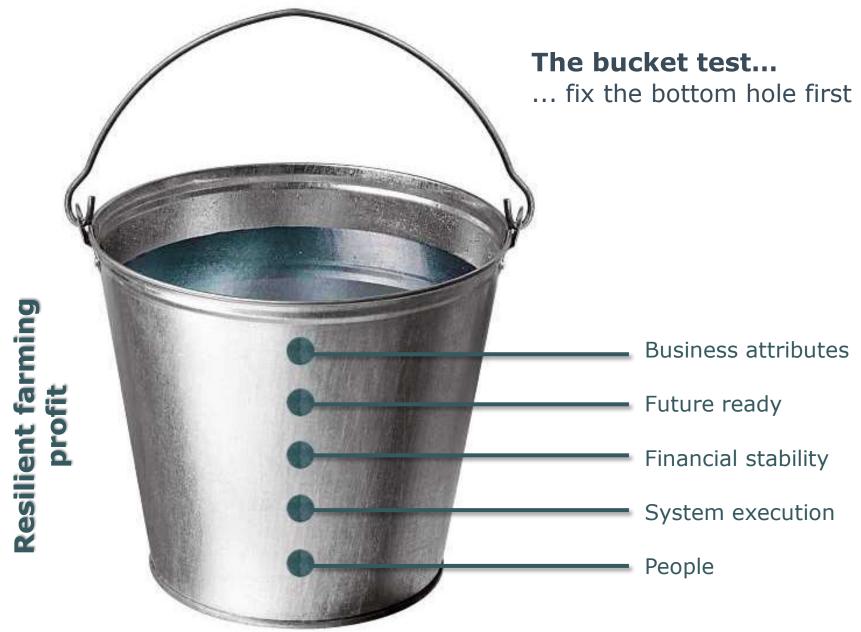
# Customer risk profile



There is a "tipping point" where capital required increase exponentially

### **Risk grading**

- Conduct
- Viability
- Security ratio
- = Flexibility of terms



# **THANK YOU**

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