

SUBSIDIES AND DUTIES

A NEW ZEALAND DAIRY PERSPECTIVE

Who is DCANZ



- Association representing the collective position of New Zealand manufacturing and exporting companies
- Members
 - account for 98% of milk processed in NZ
 - export 95% of production to 100+ countries
 - Deliver 1/3 of NZ goods export earnings

















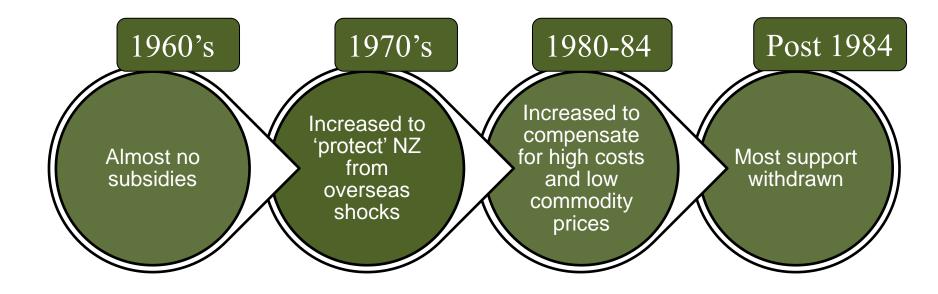






The last 50 years of NZ agricultural policy has featured subsidies and subsidy reform





The reform represented a total shift in policy objective



1970s-1984

 Aimed at increasing production for exports through government support

1984-today

 Aimed at ensuring the market and regulatory environment allow agriculture to operate efficiently and profitably in response to market signals

There is no desire to go back to subsidies or import protection



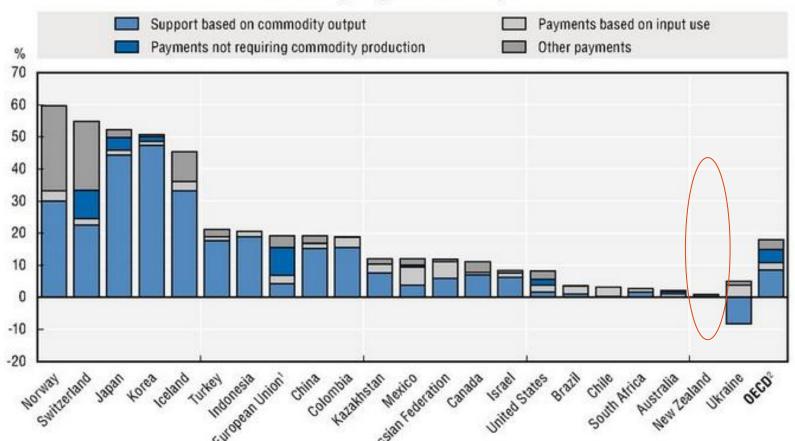
- Farms are businesses
- Farmers respond to market signals, including by utilising land use flexibility
- Industry is focused on meeting market and customer demands:
 - Product innovation; quality and safety; Sustainability
- Imports of dairy, and two way foreign investment, support our integration into global value chains

We would welcome more countries following this lead



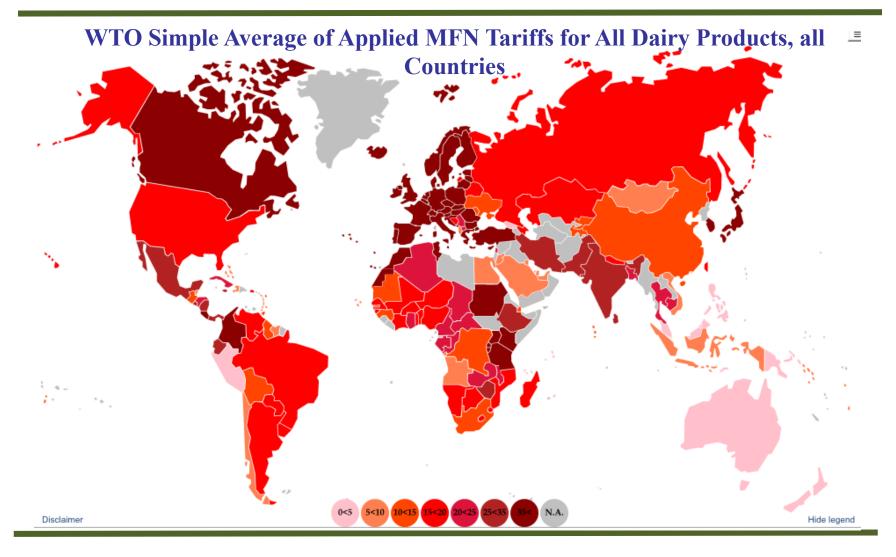
Figure 1.11. Composition of Producer Support Estimate by country, 2012-14

Percentage of gross farm receipts



Global dairy remains highly protected





Market distortions are exacerbating volatility





The need for further agricultural trade reform is well recognised



We reaffirm our determination to ensure a rules-based, transparent, non-discriminatory, open and inclusive multilateral trading system and commit to advancing negotiations on the remaining DDA issues as a matter of priority, including all three pillars of agriculture (i.e. market access, domestic support and export competition)......

G20 Leaders declaration (5 September 2016)

Protectionism trends are moving in the wrong direction



Expanding global stock of non-tariff measures

Industry led schemes to subsidise product onto world markets

Moves back to coupled production

Its time for the rhetoric on trade reform to be matched by action



Subsidies

 WTO agreement to remove production and market price linked support measures

Tariffs

 Bring down tariff protection levels via WTO, regional and bilateral agreements

Non tariff barriers

 Increased alignment with international standards, avoid discrimination, focus on equivalence and mutual recognition