

Our Analysis of Your Farming System Provides:

- Information for any farm business to maximise their operational profit.
 - Clarity to your understanding of your production processes.
 - Reports on potential areas for economic and environmental improvement
 - Reports on likely constraints that may affect your farm system and the cost/value of changes when implemented.
 - A systems implementation plan for each analysis.
 - Our plan will highlight the key inputs and farm resources to monitor for maximum optimal output.
 - Your monitoring will compare predicted with actual and quantify gaps and timing of your management's corrective actions.
- 1) Our process uses Linear Programming (LP) as the means to ensure efficient allocation of the actual resources on any farm whether dairy, sheep, beef, crops or a mixed enterprise, including pastures, supplementary feeds or partial feedlots.
 - 2) LP ensures that all feeds and production are matched to generate the highest economic return through a full farm systems analysis.
 - 3) This includes aspects of animal, pasture and feed production. The LP process adjusts for actual system performance in terms of constraints on animal intakes and pasture performance.
 - 4) The ability to adjust all inputs to reflect the actual circumstances (production and profit) ensure the correct base for comparison using marginal productivity NOT averaged production.
 - 5) Averaging data loses the detail that is required to efficiently and economically improve modern farm systems.

List of work completed:

- a) Individual farmers: - new systems, improved systems, more efficiency to reduce complexity, risk reduction, capital reduction, adjusting resource use to minimise debt exposure and improve cash flows.
- b) Industry Organisations: - efficient Greenhouse Gas reductions, Nitrogen reduction, cost/benefit of specific farm systems changes, forage cropping, implications of stocking rate at farm and district level with regard to both economic and environmental performance; analysis of individual farms to reduce environmental impact of dairy yet improve overall economic return and reduce risk.
- c) Demonstration Farms: - revised systems to improve economic results while capping GHG and N leaching, the role of supplements and concentrates.
- d) Papers; Economics of varying farm systems; Production vs. Profit; the use of LP modelling in real farm systems; The effect on economic outcomes of changes in replacement rate and longevity.