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The Dairy Project of the Crown Lands Programme was established in order to assist the structural diversification of the economy.

The objectives of the study are to assess the degree of viability being attained, to determine the key relationships associated with viability, and to establish probable future income levels of the dairy farms at Carlsen Field.

The analysis is based on factor/income and factor/factor relationships which provide the basis for budgets used to determine the degree of future viability.

The study found that most of the farms were viable in the year of record. That the major factor associated with income was the number of milk cows, and that there will be little doubt about the future viability of the dairy farms when they are fully stocked.

It is concluded that the multiple objectives of the Dairy Sector of the Crown Lands Programme will probably be fulfilled.