

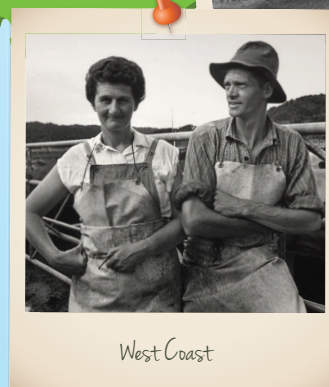
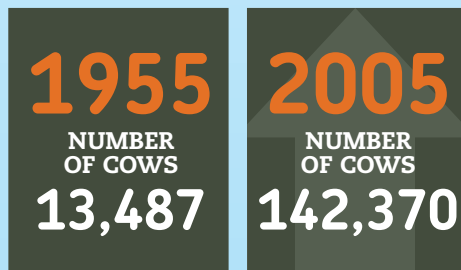
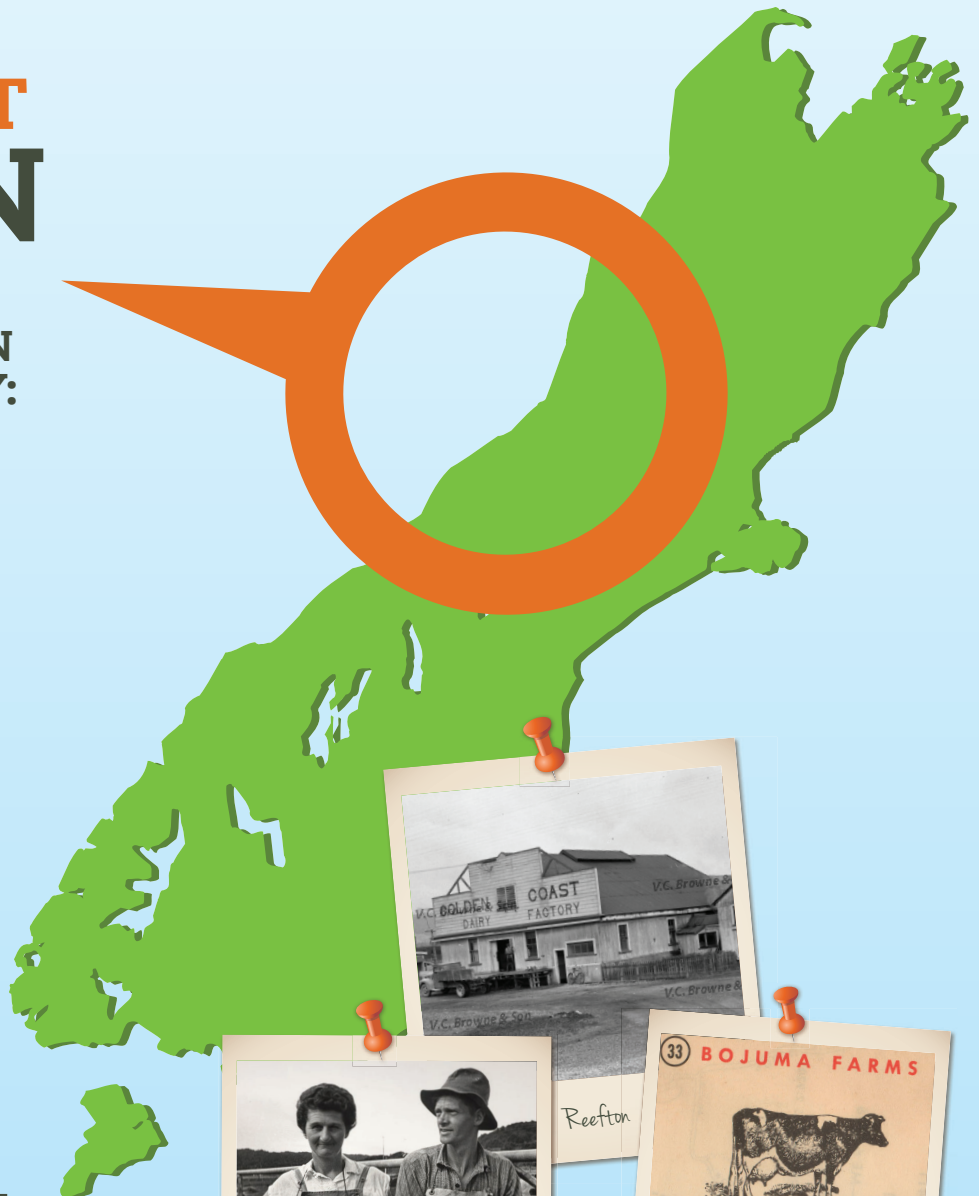
# WEST COAST REGION

DAIRY FACTORIES IN  
THIS REGION TODAY:

**Westland**

START YOUR  
RESEARCH  
WITH THESE  
HISTORIC SITES:

**Karamea, Hokitika  
and Kokatahi**



## HISTORICAL FACTS ABOUT DAIRYING IN THE WEST COAST REGION

Agriculture was largely at subsistence level until the road to Westport was opened. The first co-operative butter factory was opened in 1911. The dairy industry gradually expanded, and the

manufacture of milk powder started in the 1970s.

Milk is now collected daily from farms by tanker and transported to Hokitika for processing. Westland Milk Products,

on the outskirts of Hokitika, has the only milk processing plant on the West Coast. Tankers collect milk daily from farms between Karamea and Fox Glacier.

Have been sourced from [www.teara.govt.nz](http://www.teara.govt.nz)

Regional museums that might be able to help you with your research: **Hokitika Museum, Karamea Centennial Museum and Westland Industrial Heritage Park**. For more museums that may be able to assist, visit [www.nz museums.co.nz](http://www.nz museums.co.nz)

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