

# Climate Change, Livestock Management Change and Adaptation Strategies



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# Outlines

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# Background

- Global warming
  - higher temperature
  - more intensity of precipitation
- What farmers could do?
  - “leave it”: do nothing
  - “live it”: adapt to it
- How?
  - switch crop land to pasture land or mix
  - lower cattle stocking rate (=animal/acre)

# Literature Review

- Crop production shifts over space
  - McCarl and Reilly (2008)
  - Reilly et al. (2003)
- Livestock production loss
  - Mader et al. (2009)
- Land use changes among crops, livestock and forest
  - Seo (2010) etc.

# Research Questions

- ❑ How do climatic factors impact livestock management?
  - land use allocation decisions between crop and livestock production
  - cattle stocking rate
- ❑ Under projected climate change, what are the directions and magnitudes of likely adaptation?

# Random Utility Model

- Assume the net revenue from agriculture operation  $j$  can be written as,

$$\pi_j = U_j + \varepsilon_j$$

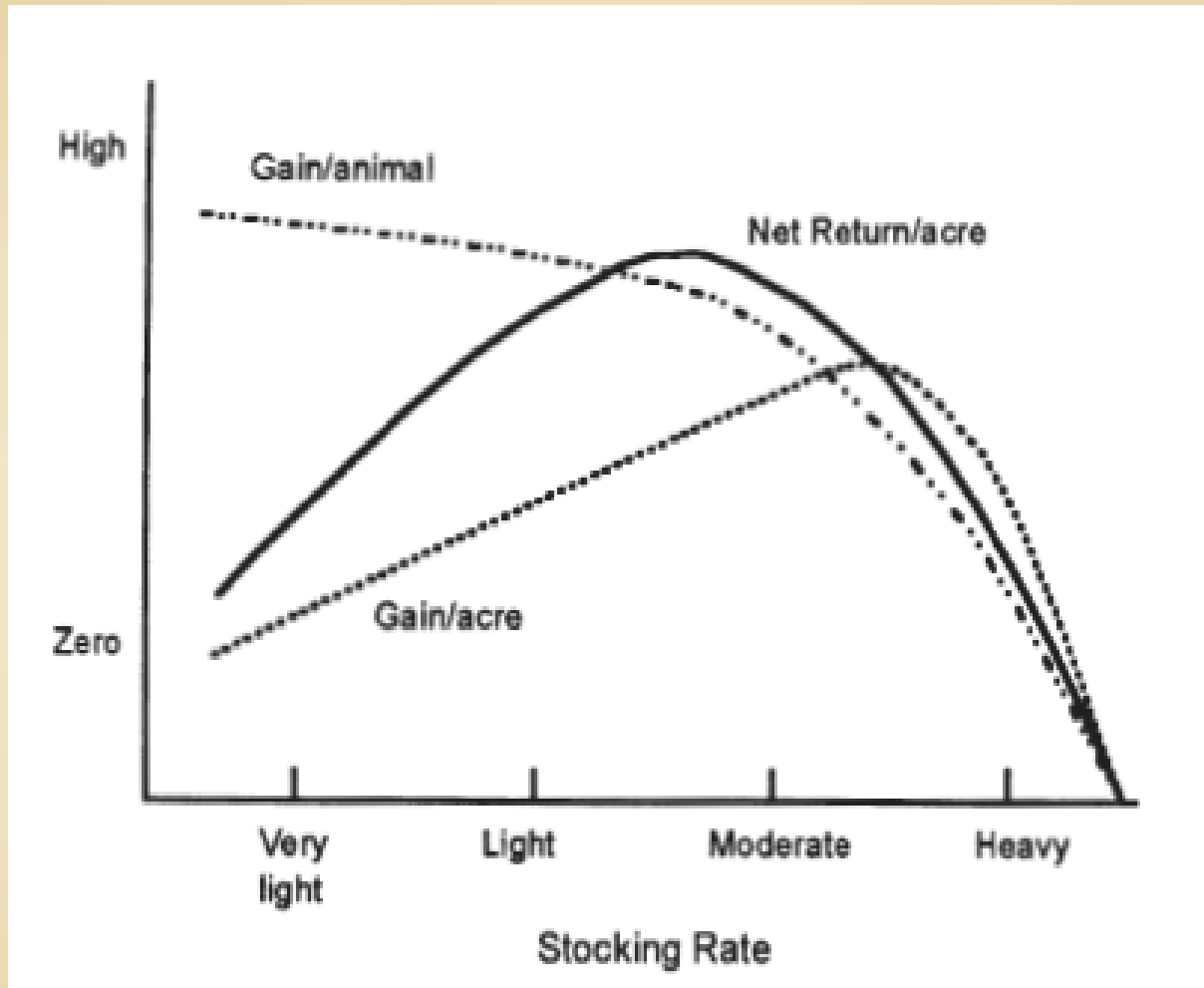
- The probability of choosing operation  $j$  is

$$P_{ij} = \frac{e^{U_{ij}\beta_j}}{\sum_{k=1}^3 e^{U_{ik}\beta_k}} \quad \forall j = 1, 2, 3$$

- Fractional Multinomial Logit estimation with

$$\sum_{j=1}^3 P_{ij} = 1$$

# Economics of Stocking Rate



Source: Redfearn and Bidwell

# Data

## ☐ Panel data

- 5 agricultural census years
- over 200 crop production districts

## ☐ Livestock management data

- land use: crop land, pasture land, total land
- cattle stocking rate
- market value of crop and livestock products

## ☐ Climate data

- temperature (F), precipitation (inch)
- extreme hot days, Palmer drought index,...

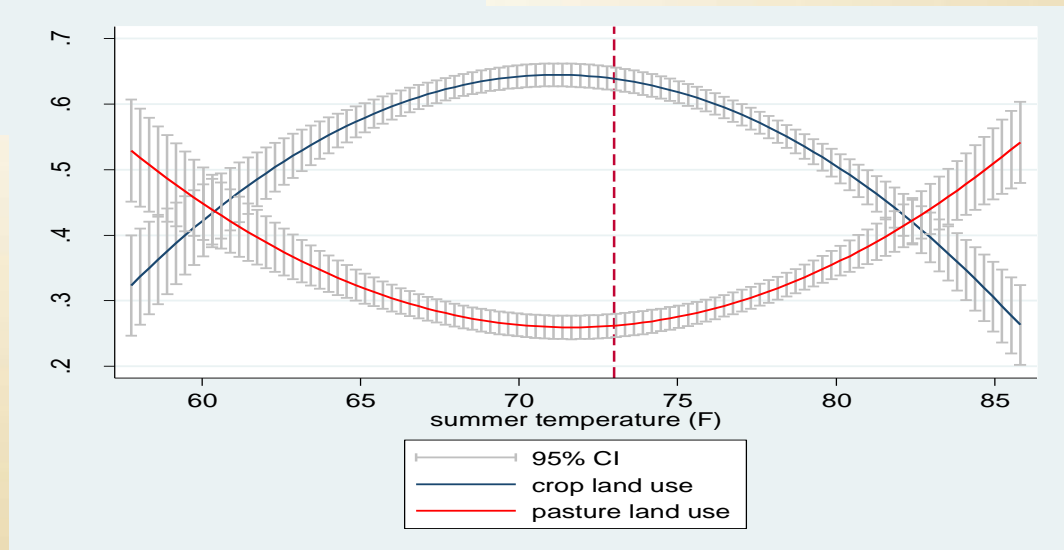
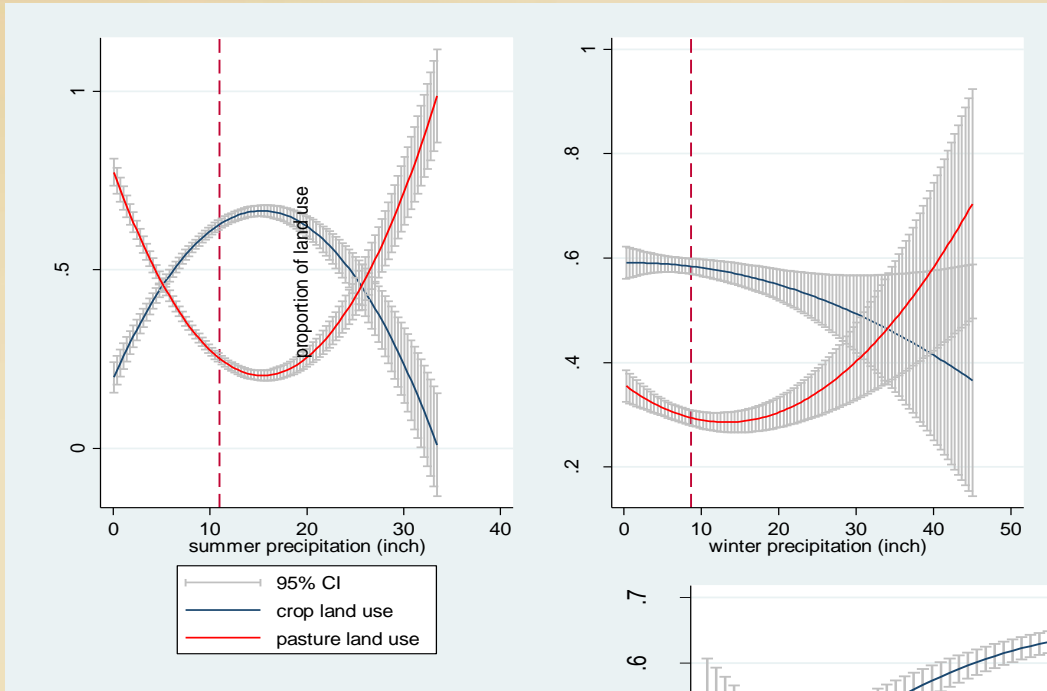


# Results1: climate effects

Variables	Crop land use		Pasture land use	
	APE	APE (w/o)	APE	APE (w/o)
Spring precipitation	0.0150** (0.0067)	0.0224*** (0.0062)	-0.0107** (0.0064)	-0.0194*** (0.0063)
Squared spring precipitation	-0.0004** (0.0002)	-0.0005*** (0.0002)	0.0004** (0.0002)	0.0006*** (0.0002)
Summer precipitation	0.0252*** (0.0071)	0.0352*** (0.0063)	-0.0379*** (0.0079)	-0.0543*** (0.0063)
Squared summer precipitation	-0.0007*** (0.0002)	-0.0009*** (0.0003)	0.0012*** (0.0002)	0.0015*** (0.0002)
Winter precipitation	0.0170*** (0.0042)	0.0136*** (0.0044)	-0.0185*** (0.0046)	-0.0188*** (0.0049)
Squared winter precipitation	-0.0003*** (0.0001)	-0.0002** (0.0001)	0.0003*** (0.0001)	0.0004*** (0.0001)
Spring temperature	0.0048 (0.0128)	-0.0240** (0.0145)	-0.0087 (0.0124)	0.0107 (0.0153)
Squared spring temperature	-0.0002 (0.0001)	0.0001 (0.0001)	0.0003 (0.0001)	0.0001 (0.0002)
Summer temperature	0.0924*** (0.0381)	0.0811*** (0.0357)	-0.1514*** (0.0373)	-0.1600*** (0.0329)
Squared summer temperature	-0.0008*** (0.0003)	-0.0007*** (0.0003)	0.0012*** (0.0003)	0.0013*** (0.0002)
Winter temperature	-0.0003 (0.0048)	0.0049 (0.0050)	-0.0037 (0.0052)	-0.0061 (0.0052)
Squared winter temperature	0.0000 (0.0001)	-0.0002 (0.0001)	0.0000 (0.0001)	0.0001 (0.0001)

Asterisk of \*\*\*, \*\* and \* represents significance at 1%, 5% and 10% confidence level, respectively, and robust standard errors are in parentheses.

# Nonlinear Climate Effects



# Results1: other effects

Variables	Crop land use		Pasture land use	
	APE	APE (w/o)	APE	APE (w/o)
Spring Palmer drought index	-0.0024 (0.0069)	0.0019 (0.0073)	0.0023 (0.0076)	-0.0084 (0.0077)
summer Palmer drought index	<b>-0.0218***</b> (0.0067)	<b>-0.0366***</b> (0.0055)	<b>0.0212***</b> (0.0065)	<b>0.0433***</b> (0.0058)
Winter Palmer drought index	<b>0.0081*</b> (0.0062)	<b>0.0150***</b> (0.0064)	<b>-0.0106*</b> (0.0070)	<b>-0.0145**</b> (0.0071)
Precipitation intensity index	0.0077 (0.0401)	<b>0.0833**</b> (0.0455)	0.0275 (0.0416)	<b>-0.0763*</b> (0.0474)
Number of hot days with temp>32°C	<b>-0.0017***</b> (0.0006)	<b>-0.0020***</b> (0.0005)	<b>0.0016***</b> (0.0006)	<b>0.0025***</b> (0.0004)
Log term of crop market value	<b>0.1153***</b> (0.0078)	<b>0.1292***</b> (0.0079)	<b>-0.1064***</b> (0.0075)	<b>-0.1090***</b> (0.0076)
Log term of livestock market value	<b>-0.0205***</b> (0.0083)	<b>-0.0327***</b> (0.0084)	<b>0.0298***</b> (0.0083)	<b>0.0352***</b> (0.0077)
Time dummy if year=1992	-0.0013 (0.0323)	0.0210 (0.0712)	0.0076 (0.0253)	-0.0011 (0.0446)
Time dummy if year=1997	-0.0476 (0.0594)	-0.0597 (0.0625)	0.0223 (0.0724)	0.0350 (0.0952)
Time dummy if year=2002	-0.1015 (0.1553)	-0.1139 (0.2022)	0.0323 (0.1503)	0.0341 (0.2043)
Time dummy if year=2007	<b>-0.2280*</b> (0.1398)	<b>-0.2393*</b> (0.1535)	0.1263 (0.3435)	0.1346 (0.3892)

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# Results2: climate effects

Variable	OLS	Quantile Regression
Spring precipitation	-0.0017 (0.0042)	0.0031 (0.0040)
Squared spring precipitation	0.0003 (0.0001)	0.0000 (0.0001)
Summer precipitation	<b>0.0091*</b> <b>(0.0051)</b>	<b>0.0123***</b> <b>(0.0044)</b>
Squared summer precipitation	-0.0003** (0.0002)	-0.0003** (0.0001)
Winter precipitation	<b>0.0210***</b> <b>(0.0048)</b>	<b>0.0126***</b> <b>(0.0030)</b>
Squared winter precipitation	-0.0004** (0.0002)	-0.0002** (0.0001)
Spring temperature	<b>0.0613***</b> <b>(0.0145)</b>	<b>0.0425***</b> <b>(0.0133)</b>
Squared spring temperature	-0.0009*** (0.0002)	-0.0006*** (0.0002)
Summer temperature	-0.0315 (0.0479)	0.0131 (0.0418)
Squared summer temperature	0.0005 (0.0004)	0.0000 (0.0004)
Winter temperature	0.0039 (0.0053)	0.0010 (0.0038)
Squared winter temperature	0.0001 (0.0001)	0.0001 (0.0001)

Asterisk of \*\*\*, \*\* and \* represents significance at 1%, 5% and 10% confidence level, respectively, and robust standard errors are in parentheses.

# Results2: other effects

Variable	OLS	Quantile Regression
Spring Palmer drought index	-0.0104 (0.0072)	-0.0069 (0.0057)
summer Palmer drought index	0.0007 (0.0061)	-0.0021 (0.0042)
Winter Palmer drought index	0.0066 (0.0079)	0.0034 (0.0055)
Precipitation intensity index	<b>-0.1992***</b> (0.0619)	<b>-0.0900*</b> (0.0473)
Number of hot days with temp>32°C	<b>-0.0007**</b> (0.0004)	<b>-0.0009***</b> (0.0003)
Log term of livestock market value	<b>0.0502***</b> (0.0084)	<b>0.0415***</b> (0.0039)
Spring THI index	<b>0.1627***</b> (0.0290)	<b>0.0918***</b> (0.0204)
Summer THI index	-0.0590** (0.0258)	-0.0157 (0.0190)
Winter THI index	-0.0707 (0.0484)	-0.0807* (0.0444)
constant	-3.6922 (3.4528)	-1.8639 (3.2979)
R-Square	0.3601	0.2631

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# Projection of Adaptation

- ❑ Climate data
  - the third version of Hadley Center Coupled Model (HadCM3)
  - changes of temperature and precipitation
- ❑ Timelines
  - 2010-2039, 2040-2069, 2070-2099
- ❑ SRES scenarios
  - B1, A1B, A2

# Adaptation Possibility

	Base	2010-2039	2040-2069	2070-2099
HadCM3-B1 emission scenario				
Crop (proportion of crop land)	0.60	-0.20	-0.26	-0.31
Pasture (proportion of pasture land)	0.29	0.27	0.34	0.40
Other land use (proportion of other land)	0.11	-0.07	-0.08	-0.08
Cattle stocking rate (%)	0.25	-35	-42	-49
HadCM3-A1B emission scenario				
Crop (proportion of crop land)	0.60	-0.29	-0.36	-0.41
Pasture (proportion of pasture land)	0.29	0.37	0.45	0.50
Other land use (proportion of other land)	0.11	-0.08	-0.09	-0.10
Cattle stocking rate (%)	0.25	-50	-58	-66
HadCM3-A2 emission scenario				
Crop (proportion of crop land)	0.60	-0.26	-0.33	-0.43
Pasture (proportion of pasture land)	0.29	0.34	0.42	0.52
Other land use (proportion of other land)	0.11	-0.08	-0.09	-0.10
Cattle stocking rate (%)	0.25	-48	-55	-70

# Conclusion

- ❑ Analysis over observed data suggest prior changes in climate have potentially caused current livestock management changes
- ❑ Projected climate is likely to play an even greater role in the future
- ❑ We expect less crop land, more pasture land and lower stocking rate under projected climate change
- ❑ Fractional Multinomial Logit (FMNL) Model lets us estimate the substitution effect between crop and pasture land use



# Discussion

- ❑ Alternative adaptation strategies include changing livestock species, moisture, soil and water management, etc.
- ❑ Adaptation could in turn affect climate change, especially through land use changes, which could impact mitigation results
- ❑ Climate change policies should consider the interacted effect of adaptation and mitigation

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Questions & Comments?

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