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## The adoption and diffusion outcome prediction tool

Adoption report for:  
WOW

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# Project Details

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## MODEL

Standard

## YOUR INNOVATION

WOW for sheep outdoor

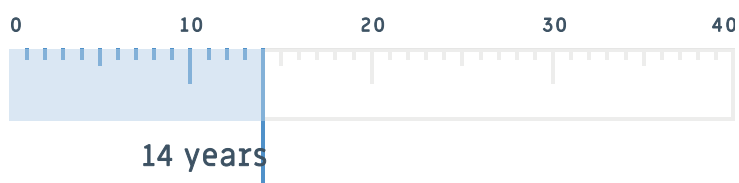
## YOUR POPULATION

farmers

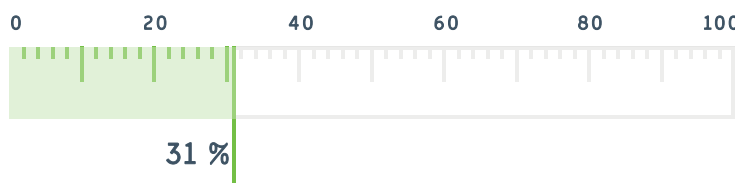
# Adoption Level

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TIME TO NEAR-PEAK  
ADOPTION LEVEL  
(years)

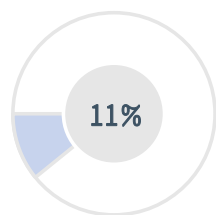


PEAK ADOPTION LEVEL  
(percent %)

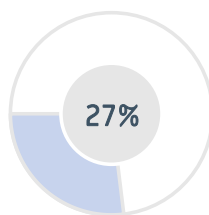


# Predicted adoption levels

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IN 5 YEARS FROM START



IN 10 YEARS FROM START



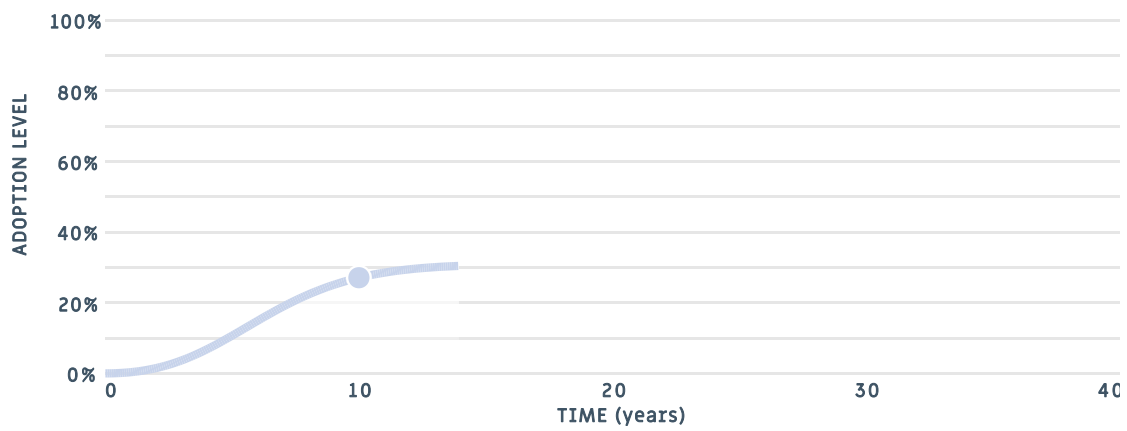
TIME TO 50% OF PEAK ADOPTION  
(years)

**NOTES:** The predictions of Peak Adoption Level and Time to Peak Adoption Level are numeric outputs that are provided to assist with insight and understanding and like any forecasts should be used with caution. Time to Near Peak Adoption represents the time to 99% of the maximum predicted adoption level.

## Adoption level S-Curve

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The following chart shows how the level of adoption in the relevant population of farmers changes over time.



## Yearly Adoption Levels

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Year	Adoption %
1	0
2	2
3	4
4	7
5	11
6	15
7	19
8	22
9	25
10	27
11	29
12	29
13	30
14	31

(Peak Adoption)

# Changing the adoption levels

Many of the factors can be changed by activities such as extension. Based on the data entered, the ADOPT model suggests that changing the following factors would have the biggest effect on adoption.

## Changing the peak adoption level

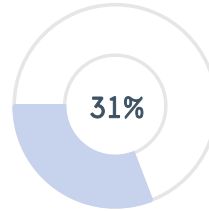
### MOST SENSITIVE QUESTION

16 Profit benefit in years that it is used

To what extent is the use of the innovation likely to affect the profitability of the farm business in the years that it is used?

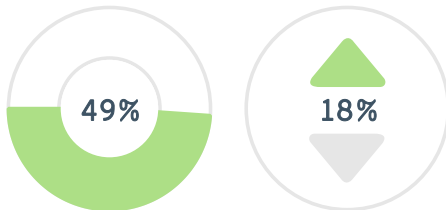
### YOUR RESPONSE

Moderate profit advantage in years that it is used



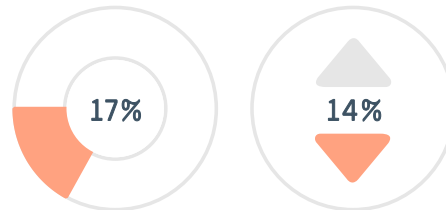
### STEP UP RESPONSE

Large profit advantage in years that it is used



### STEP DOWN RESPONSE

Small profit advantage in years that it is used



## Changing the time to peak adoption level

### MOST SENSITIVE QUESTION

12 Relevant existing skills & knowledge

What proportion of the target population will need to develop substantial new skills and knowledge to use the innovation?

### YOUR RESPONSE

About half will need new skills and knowledge



### STEP UP RESPONSE

A minority will need new skills and knowledge



### STEP DOWN RESPONSE

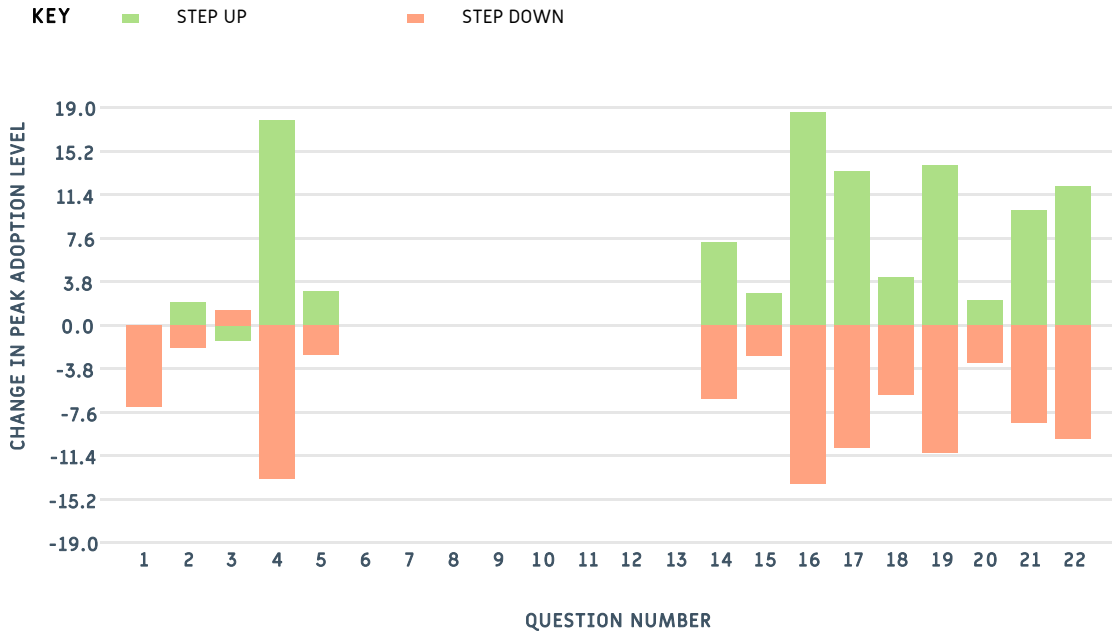
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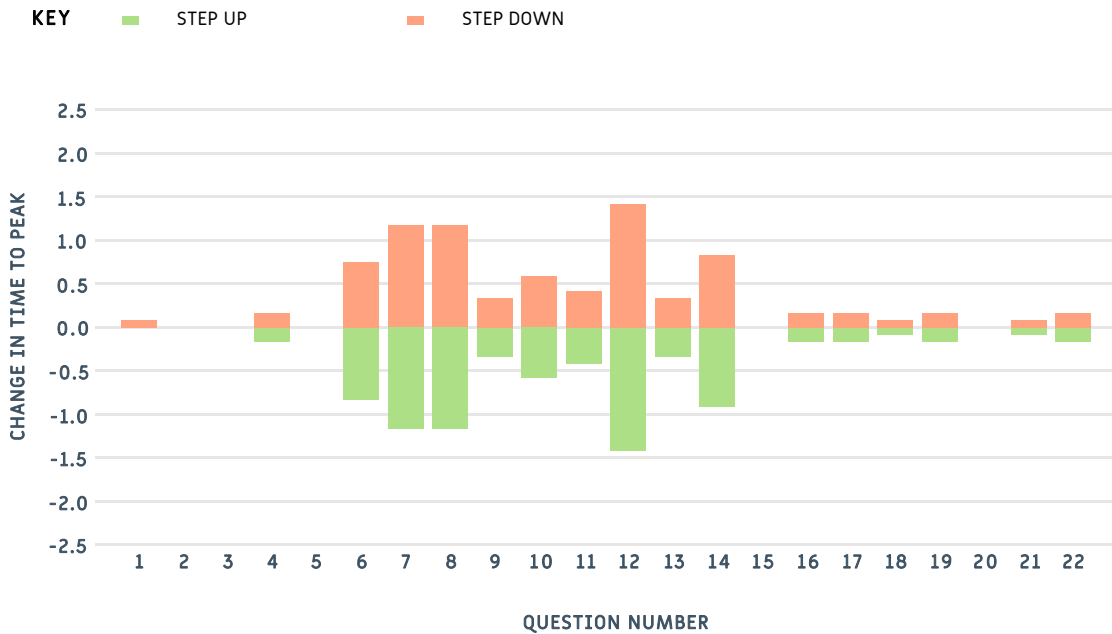
# Sensitivity Analysis

The following charts show the effects on Peak Adoption Level and Time to Peak Adoption of single step changes up and down for all questions.

## Peak level, sensitivity analysis

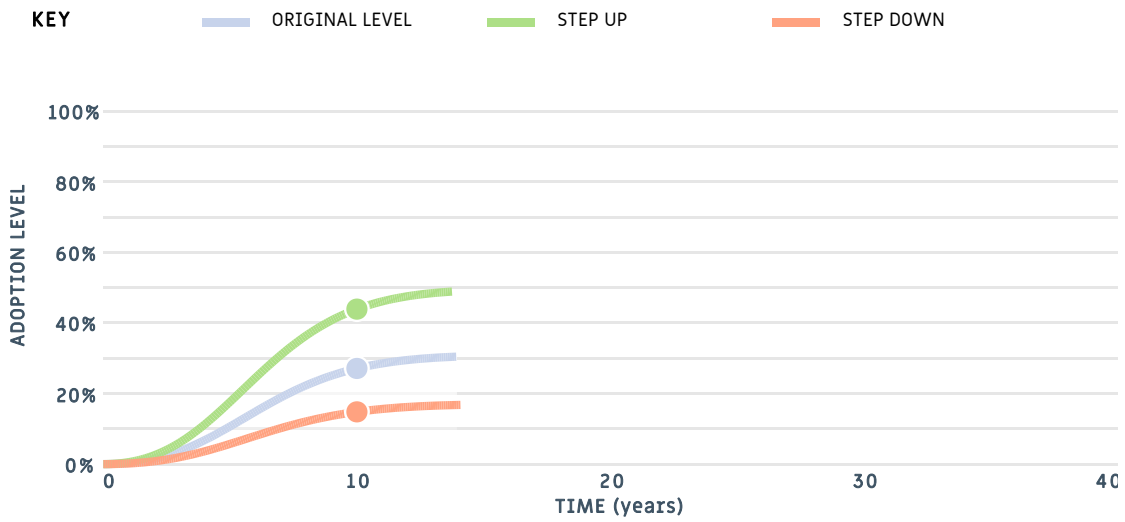


## Time to peak, sensitivity analysis

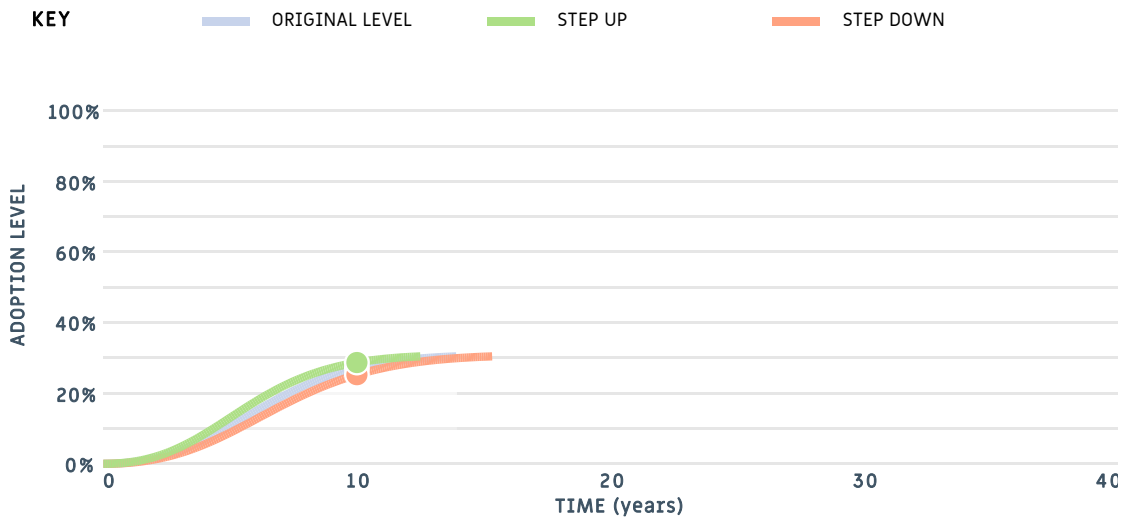


# S-Curve Sensitivity

The following chart shows how the S-Curve is predicted to change when a single step change is made to the most sensitive question(s) with respect to Peak Adoption Level



The following chart shows how the S-Curve is predicted to change when a single step change is made to the most sensitive question(s) with respect to Time to Near Peak Adoption.



# Responses

Question	Response	Reasoning
<b>Relative Advantage for the Population</b>		
1. Profit orientation	Almost all have maximising profit as a strong motivation	
2. Environmental orientation	A majority have protection of the environment as a strong motivation	
3. Risk orientation	A minority have risk minimisation as a strong motivation	
4. Enterprise scale	A minority of the target farms have a major enterprise that could benefit	
5. Management horizon	A minority have a long-term management horizon	
6. Short term constraints	A majority currently have a severe short-term financial constraint	
<b>Learnability Characteristics of the Innovation</b>		
7. Trialable	Difficult to trial	
8. Innovation complexity	Slightly difficult to evaluate effects of use due to complexity	
9. Observability	Easily observable	
<b>Learnability of Population</b>		
10. Advisory support	A minority use a relevant advisor	
11. Group involvement	About half are involved with a group that discusses farming	
12. Relevant existing skills & knowledge	About half will need new skills and knowledge	
13. Innovation awareness	A majority are aware that it has been used or trialed in their district	

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## Relative Advantage of the Innovation

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14. Relative upfront cost of the project	Large initial investment
15. Reversibility of the innovation	Easily reversed
16. Profit benefit in years that it is used	Moderate profit advantage in years that it is used
17. Future profit benefit	Moderate profit advantage in the future
18. Time until any future profit benefits are likely to be realised	3 - 5 years
19. Environmental costs & benefits	Small environmental advantage
20. Time to environmental benefit	3 - 5 years
21. Risk exposure	Small increase in risk
22. Ease and convenience	Small increase in ease and convenience

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