

## NZSA Jean Thompson Award

The NZSA Jean Thompson Award recognizes excellence in the application of statistics in New Zealand industry, including business, Crown Research Institutes, government agencies and departments, media, etc. The award celebrates the insightful use of statistical thinking and practice in solving practical problems and creating value.

### Award Details

#### Criteria

This award celebrates statistical excellence by practitioners in New Zealand industry. It recognises outstanding levels of impact in the application of existing or new statistical methods to New Zealand industry, and the exemplification of good statistical practice.

We look for candidates that have demonstrated statistical leadership in one or more of the following:

- The judicious application of existing statistical methods leading to positive and significant practical impact to industry
- The development of a new statistical method or tool that has led to an important industry outcome or impact
- The encouragement and promotion of statistical thinking and practice in New Zealand industry. Examples include statistical education, mentoring, coaching, development of industry guidelines
- Actions that lead to better use of data, and/or improve the quality of statistical research (including data quality, management, analysis, communication of statistical concepts and outputs, data sovereignty, etc)
- A focus on building strong and productive professional relationships with stakeholders and clients, in order to better understand and effectively address their needs

Candidates must be financial members of the Association.

Previous recipients of the award are ineligible for nomination for a period of five years following their win.

#### Nominations

Candidates can self-nominate, be nominated by an individual, or a group of individuals. Nominators may be non-NZSA members.

Nominations will be assessed by the NZSA Awards Committee.

The nomination must provide evidence of sustained and/or significant positive impact to New Zealand industry through the application of statistical excellence. This could include, but is not limited to:

- Testimonials from colleagues, managers or stakeholders
- Evidenced documentation of impact or outcomes

- Scientific papers or other outputs
- Work (or the core methodology of the work) that is in the public domain and adheres to Open principles

The nomination should include a citation of max 40 words that summarizes the application.