

Beef Steer Backgrounding, Projected Budget for Cattle Sold in 2012

Description of production: Winter backgrounding - steer purchased in fall, sold 4 months later, 235 lb. gain.
 Pasture backgrounding - steer purchased in spring, sold 4 months later, 195 lb. gain.

	Winter Backgrounding	Pasture Backgrounding
ESTIMATED INCOME/ STEER		
Market steer sales: 815 lbs. @ \$140/cwt.	\$1,141.00	--
775 lbs. @ \$145/cwt.	--	\$1,123.75
Less death loss, 1%	11.41	11.24
ESTIMATED TOTAL INCOME/STEER	\$1,129.59	\$1,112.51
ESTIMATED OPERATING COSTS/STEER		
Fall purchased steer: 580 lbs. @ \$145/cwt.	\$841.00	--
Spring purchased steer: 580 lbs. @ \$155/cwt.	--	\$899.00
Summer pasture (rental rate)	--	22.53
Fescue hay	52.28	--
Grain	87.52	--
Soybean meal	12.04	35.44
Salt, minerals, limestone	10.80	10.80
Labor	27.50	16.50
Veterinary, drugs, and supplies	18.00	15.00
Marketing	22.82	22.48
Utilities and all machinery costs	47.65	23.57
Livestock facility repairs	3.75	.75
Professional fees (legal, accounting, etc.)	1.00	1.00
Miscellaneous	3.50	3.50
Interest on feeder and 1/2 of operating costs x 6.5%	18.26	18.01
Total Operating Costs	\$1,146.12	\$1,068.58
ESTIMATED OWNERSHIP COSTS/STEER		
Depreciation on livestock facilities	\$ 3.87	\$.62
Interest on livestock facilities	3.57	.77
Insurance and taxes on capital items	8.29	.18
Total Ownership Costs	\$ 15.73	\$ 1.57
ESTIMATED TOTAL COSTS/STEER	\$1,161.85	\$1,070.15
Income over Operating Costs/Steer	- \$16.53	\$ 43.93
Income over Total Costs/Steer	- \$32.26	\$ 42.36
Cwt. of gain per steer purchased	2.27	1.87
Feed cost per cwt. of gain	\$ 71.69	\$ 36.72
Breakeven market steer price per cwt.	\$144.00	\$139.48

For more details see website <http://agebb.missouri.edu/mgt/budget/index.htm>

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