

2016 Iowa Farm Business Management Career Development Event

INDIVIDUAL EXAM (150 pts.)

Select the best answer to each of the 75 questions to follow (2 pts. ea.). Code your answers on the answer sheet provided. Be sure to erase completely any answers that you change. You have 120 minutes (maximum) to complete this exam. Section A contains 25 questions over 'Principles of Economics and Management'. Section B contains 30 questions over 'Financial Statements and Records Analysis'. Section C contains 20 questions over 'Marketing and Risk Management'.

Section A. Principles of Economics and Management (Questions #1-#25)

1. Supply and _____ determine the market price of an item.
 - a. consumer income
 - b. population
 - c. demand
 - d. tastes and preferences

2. Determining the equivalent value today of a given number of dollars to be paid or received at some time in the future is known as:
 - a. discounting
 - b. compounding
 - c. annuitizing
 - d. refinancing

3. What balances on a balance sheet?
 - a. cash inflows and cash outflows
 - b. debt capital and equity capital
 - c. assets and liabilities
 - d. claims on assets and assets

4. UNLIKE an investor-owned corporation, a cooperative corporation:
 - a. is controlled on a one share of stock, one vote basis
 - b. does not pay any taxes
 - c. is owned by its customers
 - d. all of the above

5. What is a firm's profit-maximizing output rule? Produce where:
 - a. $\text{marginal revenue} = 0$
 - b. $\text{marginal product} = \text{marginal cost}$
 - c. average total cost is at a minimum
 - d. $\text{marginal revenue} = \text{marginal cost}$

6. A debt obligation that must be paid within one year is known as:
 - a. a current liability
 - b. a current asset
 - c. an intermediate liability
 - d. a cash outflow

7. If a farmer keeps adding fertilizer to an acre of corn ground, the additional corn yield per additional pound of fertilizer applied will eventually decline. This is an example of the “Law of _____”?
 - a. Supply
 - b. Diminishing marginal utility
 - c. Diminishing marginal product
 - d. Diminishing total output

8. A “1040” tax form is used to calculate _____ taxes that are owed.
 - a. sales
 - b. property
 - c. inheritance
 - d. income

9. Limited owner liability means an investor in a corporation has a limited amount of:
 - a. money invested that they can lose
 - b. control over decisions made by management
 - c. earnings potential
 - d. shares of stock they can own

10. A “progressive marginal income tax” is one that increases with what?
 - a. number of deductions
 - b. number of dependents
 - c. taxable income brackets
 - d. interest rates

11. If the government establishes a price support for cheese that is above the market price for cheese, what is the likely impact?
 - a. excess supply
 - b. excess demand
 - c. the demand curve for cheese will shift to the left
 - d. no impact because government policies are typically ignored by buyers and sellers

12. If a wheat producer believes wheat prices are going to increase in the near future, what term best describes that producer’s wheat price expectations?
 - a. irrational
 - b. bullish
 - c. bearish
 - d. inverted

13. Planning, organizing, and directing are examples of:
- functions of management
 - control in a business
 - employee motivation
 - management by objective
14. Mary can buy a house taking out a loan. Her monthly payment would be \$800, which includes mortgage interest and property taxes that are tax deductible. After taking taxes into consideration, the cost of the house per month is likely to be:
- \$800
 - < \$800 by the amount of the mortgage interest and the property taxes
 - > \$800 by the amount of the mortgage interest
 - < \$800 by the amount of the tax savings associated with the mortgage interest and property taxes
15. Which of the following costs is most likely to decrease with increases in output?
- Total fixed costs
 - Average fixed costs
 - Total variable costs
 - a and c
16. Ralph expects to be in a lower marginal income tax bracket next year versus this year. Which of the following would likely lower Ralph's combined income taxes paid this year and next year?
- postpone reporting some taxable income until next year
 - postpone reporting some tax deductible expenses until next year
 - both of the above
 - none of the above
17. Jeff has decided to NOT sell a crate of fresh strawberries he won at a raffle. Jeff was offered the following dollar amounts for the strawberries by a few of his friends: Sue = \$10, Bill = \$15, Ann = \$17. What is Jeff's opportunity cost of not selling the strawberries, assuming nobody else expressed an interest in buying them?
- \$0
 - \$42
 - \$17
 - \$10
18. Depreciation is:
- the total cost of a tangible asset
 - a cash cost
 - a portion of the total cost of a tangible asset that is a tax-deductible expense
 - the opposite of appreciation

19. A change in inventory will likely be used to calculate:
 - a. net farm income
 - b. cash outflow
 - c. interest expenses
 - d. depreciation

20. What are the two basic 'accounting methods' for recording income and expenses?
 - a. fixed, variable
 - b. cash, accrual
 - c. first in first out, last in first out
 - d. after tax, before tax

21. What does the term 'marginal' in economics usually mean?
 - a. not very good
 - b. average
 - c. incremental
 - d. a and b

22. A point on a production possibilities curve is said to be:
 - a. efficient
 - b. unattainable
 - c. scarce
 - d. the same as the point of diminishing returns

23. What type of insurance offers a farmer a guaranteed level of gross income?
 - a. revenue protection
 - b. life
 - c. liability
 - d. casualty

24. Dollars of sales (or revenues) divided by dollars of total assets for a firm is usually called this kind of financial ratio:
 - a. debt
 - b. liquidity
 - c. asset turnover
 - d. solvency

25. Jackson farms 1,000 acres of corn ground that yields 200 bushels per acre. If Jackson received \$4.00 per bushel for his corn, what was his total revenue from producing corn on his farm?
 - a. \$200,000.00
 - b. \$800.00
 - c. \$4,000.00
 - d. \$800,000.00

**Section B. Financial Statements, Records Analysis, Marketing, Risk Management.
(Questions #26-#75)**

Use the attached net worth statement (balance sheet) and net farm income statement to answer questions #26-37.

26. Which of the following is an example of a noncurrent liability?
- farm machinery
 - loan on feeder livestock
 - loan on farm machinery
 - prepaid expense
27. Another term which has the same meaning as owner's equity is?
- net worth
 - net farm income
 - total asset value
 - total liabilities
28. What was this farm's working capital on January 1, 2016?
- 3.18
 - \$31,916
 - \$471,481
 - \$1,903,072
29. The farm's market value net worth changed by _____ from a year ago.
- \$49,021
 - \$55,685
 - \$681,107
 - \$2,535,158
30. How would you characterize FFA Farms' financial condition at the end of the year?
- They are insolvent and illiquid
 - They are solvent but illiquid
 - They are insolvent but liquid
 - They are solvent and liquid
31. What percent of the farm's total liabilities are due and payable in the next 12 months?
- 20%
 - 25%
 - 33%
 - 75%

32. One purpose of making accrual adjustments to cash income at the end of the year is:
- to reduce taxable income
 - to compare the profitability of the various crop and livestock enterprises
 - to show net worth based on both cost values and market values
 - to allocate the value of crops and livestock to the accounting year in which they were produced
33. Which of the following transactions would NOT be included as revenue on the net farm income statement?
- receipt of hay from your neighbor in exchange for custom baling
 - change in inventory of 800 50-pound feeder pigs
 - receipt of \$175,000 operating loan from First U.S. Bank
 - sold 30,000 bushels of corn at \$3.75 to the local
34. How much was FFA Farms' net farm income from operations in 2015?
- \$85,406
 - \$46,403
 - \$123,284
 - \$744,794
35. Which of the following measures is NOT a measure of profitability?
- Net farm income
 - Debt to asset ratio
 - Return to Labor and Management
 - Rate of Return on Equity
36. How much would FFA Farm's accrual adjustment for investment in growing crops be this year?
- \$25,300
 - \$1,800
 - +\$1,800
 - +\$23,535
37. Most farms in the Midwest use the calendar year for their accounting year because:
- The IRS requires it.
 - Their crops are always sold before December 31
 - Commercial farm accounting systems are set up that way
 - Most of the crops are planted in the spring and harvested in the fall

Use the attached **cash flow budget projection** to answer questions #38-45.

38. How many dollars' worth of seed does FFA Farm plan to purchase in March and April?
- \$14,800
 - \$29,600
 - \$88,800
 - \$168,376

39. In which period does this farm expect to have its largest ending cash balance deficit?
- January - February
 - March-April
 - May-June
 - July-August
40. How much operating capital does FFA Farm need to borrow in January-February in order to have a cash balance of \$2,000 at the end of February?
- \$ 14,441
 - \$ 16,441
 - \$ 18,096
 - \$ 20,096
41. In which period does this farm expect to have its largest cash inflow?
- January - February
 - March-April
 - May-June
 - July-August
42. What is FFA Farm's projected total cash outflows for all of 2016?
- \$30,554
 - \$206,942
 - \$1,080,645
 - \$1,287,587
43. When does FFA farm expect to pay real estate taxes?
- March-April and September-October
 - March-April and November-December
 - May-June and November-December
 - May-June
44. In how many periods does FFA farm expect to have a negative net cash flow?
- none
 - two
 - three
 - six
45. Which of the following would not appear on a cash flow budget?
- feed purchases
 - depreciation
 - family living expenses
 - cost of new tractor

Use the partial budget below to answer questions 46-47.

Switch from Raising Replacement Heifers to Buying Heifers

Added Revenue		Reduced Revenue	
Sell raised heifer calf: 500 lb. @ \$1.20	\$600	None	
Reduced Costs		Added Costs	
Pasture maintenance	\$ 20	Purchase bred heifer:	\$1,200
Grain fed	\$ 40		
Supplement and mineral	\$ 45		
Hay fed	\$120		
Health, utilities and other costs	\$ 55		
Labor	<u>\$ 50</u>		
Subtotal			

46. What is the expected net change from switching to buying heifers?
- \$270
 - \$270
 - \$600
 - \$600
47. What would the purchase price for a bred heifer need to be to just breakeven by switching from raising replacements to buying them?
- \$ 330
 - \$ 600
 - \$ 930
 - \$1200
48. In the short run, a farmer should go ahead and produce an enterprise as long as the expected revenue exceeds
- Total costs
 - Total fixed costs
 - Total variable costs
 - Gross margin
49. An acre of alfalfa requires \$100 of operating capital and 4 hours of labor. A farm has 70 acres of land, 200 hours of labor, and \$6,000 of operating capital available. What is the maximum amount of acres that can be produced?
- 50 acres
 - 60 acres
 - 70 acres
 - 80 acres

50. An enterprise budget is best suited for answering which of the following questions?
- How much net farm income do you expect the entire farm to make this year?
 - How much operating capital will you need to borrow in the spring to plant your crops?
 - Should you buy or raise replacement heifers?
 - How much will you need to sell your milk for this year to at least pay all your variable costs?

Refer to the attached budget for oats to answer questions 51-55.

51. If the price of oats is \$4.00 and the price of straw is \$30 per ton, how much is the expected gross margin (i.e. return over variable costs per acre)?
- \$ -59.54
 - \$ 116.10
 - \$ 174.36
 - \$ 409.54
52. What selling price for oats is needed to just cover total costs assuming no revenue from straw?
- \$ 5.12 per bu.
 - \$ 2.93 per bu.
 - \$ 2.20 per bu.
 - \$11.25 per bu.
53. What would total costs be if the farmer decided to produce 20 acres of oats assuming total costs per acre do not change?
- \$409.54
 - \$4,095.40
 - \$4,678.00
 - \$8,190.80
54. In an enterprise budget, the annual cost for land that is owned by the farmer can be estimated by:
- The opportunity cost, or market rent, the farmer could have obtained renting it to someone else
 - The principle and interest payments that are owed each year on a loan used to purchase it
 - The sum of property taxes and maintenance costs
 - The current potential selling price for the land
55. If output decreases with no change in total cost, breakeven selling price will:
- increase
 - decrease
 - remain constant
 - initially decrease and then begin to increase

Section C. Marketing and Risk Management. (Questions #56-#75)

56. Which of the following provides protection against property damage?
- chattel
 - mortgage
 - insurance
 - hedging
57. Who has the right to buy the underlying futures contract?
- a call option buyer
 - a put option buyer
 - a put option seller
 - a call option seller
58. A good description of a hedger is:
- a risk avoider
 - a risk taker
 - one who is risk neutral
 - a speculator
59. Grain basis is typically the widest
- just prior to harvest
 - right after harvest
 - in the spring
 - at a futures contract delivery location
60. Everything else the same, an increase in the strike price will:
- increase the premium on a call option
 - increase the commission fee to trade an option
 - increase the premium on a put option
 - all of the above
61. One member one vote is a form of ownership control most commonly associated with this type of corporation:
- investor-owned
 - partnership
 - subchapter S
 - cooperative
62. If a soybean farmer can gain 20 cents per bushel by doing a better job of marketing, how much will they add to their gross income per acre if they produce an average of 70 bushels of soybeans per acre on 2,000 acres?
- \$2,800.00
 - \$400.00
 - \$1.40
 - \$14.00

63. A market with large, erratic price movements is described as:
- highly stable
 - highly volatile
 - highly profitable
 - bullish
64. Which of the following is most often associated with a cooperative but not other businesses?
- patronage refunds
 - stock dividends
 - no liabilities
 - no taxes
65. What is typically specified or fixed in a forward cash contract?
- the quantity
 - the price
 - the delivery locator
 - all of the above
66. Assume the demand curve for orange juice has shifted to the left and the price of orange juice has also increased. What is the most logical economic explanation of this?
- the Law of Demand
 - the supply curve for oranges has shifted to the right
 - the supply curve for oranges has shifted to the left
 - there are fewer substitute products for orange juice than before
67. A hog farmer who hedges using futures has these types of market 'positions':
- long cash, short futures
 - long futures, short cash
 - long futures, long cash
 - short futures, short cash
68. Which of the following would make selling corn today more appealing versus storing the corn and selling it one year from now?
- greater storage costs or losses
 - greater interest rates
 - expected decline in cash corn prices over the next year
 - all of the above
69. Assume a corn producer's total costs per acre = \$750.00 and yield = 150 bu./acre. The producer's:
- breakeven yield = 50 bu./acre
 - breakeven price = \$5.00/bu.
 - profits are maximized at 50 bu./acre
 - average variable costs per bu. = \$5.00

70. A wheat farmer sold a wheat futures contract at \$7.00 per bushel and paid a commission fee of \$0.02 per bushel. If the expected basis is \$0.40 when the farmer lifts the hedge and sells the wheat, what is the most likely net price per bushel this farmer will receive for their wheat?
- \$6.58
 - \$6.98
 - \$7.00
 - \$7.42
71. Market equilibrium is where:
- profit is maximized
 - supply = demand
 - imports = exports
 - price = average variable cost
72. Adding a new enterprise to a farming operation would most likely?
- reduce overall profit
 - have the same impact as just expanding the size of an existing enterprise
 - spread and reduce profit risk
 - all of the above
73. Evaluating alternative buying and selling strategies is part of this economic subject matter area?
- leasing
 - financing
 - speculating
 - marketing
74. If the demand curve for lettuce has shifted to the right, which of the following has most likely caused this to happen?
- increased population
 - decrease in the price of lettuce
 - increase in the supply of lettuce
 - all of the above
75. What is the economic definition of marginal revenue?
- price x quantity
 - change in total revenue \div change in quantity of output
 - enough revenue to barely cover costs
 - total revenue \div quantity of output

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Section A. Principles of Economics and Management

1. C
2. A
3. D
4. C
5. D
6. A
7. C
8. D
9. A
10. C
11. A
12. B
13. A
14. D
15. B
16. A
17. C
18. C
19. A
20. B
21. C
22. A
23. A
24. C
25. D

Section B. Financial Statements, Records Analysis

26. C The term on farm machinery loans would be longer than one year.
27. A Net worth is another term for owner's equity.
28. C Working capital = (current assets - current liabilities)
= \$687,843 - \$216,362 = \$471,481
29. A Change in market value net worth = (Market Value Farm Net Worth this year –
Market Value Farm Net Worth Last Year) = (\$2,584,179 - \$2,535,158) = \$49,021
30. D They are solvent (Total Assets>Total Liabilities) and liquid (Current
Assets>Current Liabilities)

31. B Current Liabilities / Total Liabilities = $\$216,362 / \$872,289 = 25\%$
32. D
33. C Receipt of loan funds is not considered revenue (does not result from production or services provided)
34. B Net farm income from operations = Gross farm revenue – gross farm expenses
 $\$744,794 - \$698,391 = \$46,403$
35. B Debt/Asset ratio measures solvency.
36. B The adjustment would subtract ending values and add beginning values for investment in growing crops: $(\$21,735 - \$23,535) = -\$1,800$
37. D
38. A See 14,800 under March and April outflows.
39. A $-\$14,441$ during the January-February period.
40. B Net operating loans needed in January-February = (negative net cash flow Jan. and Feb.) – (beg. Cash balance) – (ending cash balance)
 $\$18,096 - \$3,655 + \$2,000 = \$16,441$
41. B The projected cash inflows are largest at $\$312,110$ for March-April.
42. C Total cash inflows for the whole year = $\$1,080,645$.
43. A $\$8,000$ in March-April and $\$8,000$ in September-October.
44. B There is a projected negative net cash flow in Jan-Feb and July-August.
45. B Depreciation would be a non-cash expense.
46. A Net Change = Added Revenue + Reduced Costs – Reduced Revenue – Added Costs = $\$600 + \$330 - 0 - \$1,200 = -\270
47. C Needed purchase price = Added Revenue + Reduced Costs = $600 + 330 = \$930$
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48. C
49. A Labor is the limiting resources. $200 \text{ hours} / 4 \text{ hours per acres} = 50 \text{ acres}$.
50. D

51. C Gross margin = gross revenue – variable costs = $(\$4.00 \times 80 \text{ bu} + \$30) - \$175.64$
= \$174.36.
52. A (Total cost) / bushels to sell
= $\$409.54 / 80 \text{ bu.} = \5.12 per bu.
53. D Total costs x 20 acres = $\$409.54 \times 20 = \$8,190.8$
54. A
55. A

Section C. Marketing, Risk Management

56. C
57. A
58. A
59. B
60. C
61. D
62. D
63. B
64. A
65. B
66. C
67. A
68. D
69. B
70. A
71. B
72. C
73. D
74. A
75. B

Team Participation Event = “Individual” Portion (5 Questions @ 1 pt ea)

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(Maximum possible pts = 5 per individual and 15 per team)**

Instructions: The questions below are related to the problems you just worked on as a team. Select the best answer (1 pt. each). Code your answers on the answer sheet provided. Be sure to erase completely any answers that you change.

1. The “DIRTI 5” in farm management refers to:
 - a. The five main factors that determine a farmer’s profit
 - b. Five different accounting methods used to record cash flows
 - c. Examples of variable costs
 - d. Examples of fixed costs

2. Economics suggests that if the price of corn goes down, everything else the same, the profit-maximizing quantity of corn to produce per acre will:
 - a. Increase (to make up for the lower revenue per bushel)
 - b. Stay the same
 - c. Decrease
 - d. Equal maximum bu.

3. Total fixed costs typically:
 - a. Do NOT change with changes in output
 - b. Have no impact on breakeven output
 - c. Both of the above
 - d. None of the above

4. If a corn farmer’s yield (i.e. bu./acre) = 180, total variable costs per acre = \$400.00 and total fixed costs per acre = \$140.00, what is the breakeven selling price?
 - a. \$2.22
 - b. \$0.33
 - c. \$3.00
 - d. There is no breakeven selling price for this farmer

5. If a corn producer is able to do a better job of buying his/her inputs so they lower total variable costs by \$40 per acre, everything else the same this will:
 - a. Lower the breakeven selling price
 - b. Lower the breakeven yield
 - c. Increase profit per acre (or reduce loss per acre)
 - d. All of the above

Team Participation Event – “TEAM” Portion (7 questions @ 5 pts. ea.)

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(Maximum possible pts = 35 per team)**

As a group (or team), you are to collectively select the best answer to each question below (5 pts. each). Code your answers on the answer sheet provided (one answer sheet per team). Be sure to erase completely any answers that your team changes.

This activity is designed to test your ability as a group to 1) apply your knowledge of economic and business concepts to actual firm decisions, and 2) generalize and summarize the basic content and implications of economic articles and reports. The applications will focus on information summarized in selected publications previously cited as reference materials for this event.

In particular, this activity this year focuses on sub topics related to ANALYSIS OF PROFIT AND BREAKEVEN in farm management.

1. Based on the attached corn enterprise budget, what is the breakeven selling price needed to cover total costs?
 - a. \$3.55
 - b. \$2.03
 - c. \$2.65
 - d. \$4.88

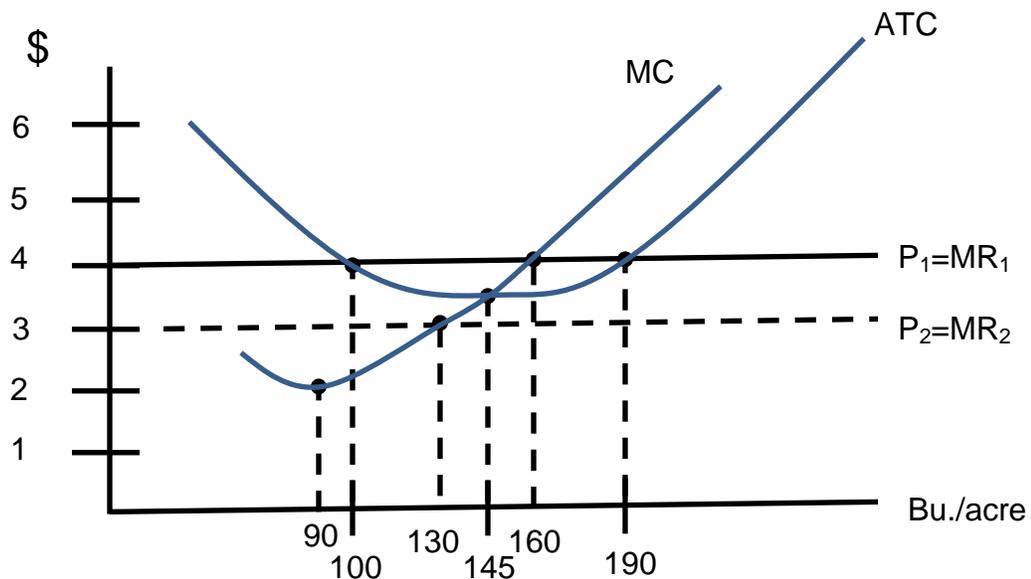
2. Based on the attached corn budget, what is the breakeven yield (i.e. bu. per acre) needed to cover total costs if the selling price were \$4.25/bu.?
 - a. 165
 - b. 190
 - c. 201
 - d. 79

3. Based on the attached corn budget, what is the breakeven selling price needed to cover total costs if a) the yield is 185 bu./acre and b) the subtotal of spring machinery and supplies costs = \$400.00?
 - a. \$4.88
 - b. \$2.16
 - c. \$4.56
 - d. \$5.11

4. Which of the following increases the breakeven yield for a corn producer?
 - a. ↑ total fixed costs
 - b. ↑ total variable costs
 - c. ↓ P of corn
 - d. All of the above

5. If a corn farmer is producing 165 bu./acre and selling the corn at \$3.55 per bushel with total fixed costs per acre = \$350.00, this farmer would be breaking even if total variable costs per acre are:
- \$235.75
 - \$585.75
 - \$1.43
 - \$935.75

Assume in the graph below MC = marginal cost, ATC = average total cost, and P = price = MR = marginal revenue. Use the graph to answer questions #6-7.



6. At an initial $P = \$4.00$, what is the minimum breakeven yield (i.e. bu./acre)?
- 100
 - 145
 - 160
 - 190
7. If the price drops to $P = \$3.00$:
- The profit-maximizing yield is 130
 - There is no possible breakeven yield
 - The producer will lose about \$65 per acre
 - All of the above

Crop Enterprise Budget (1 acre)

A. Crop Corn following Corn, conventional tillage

B. Gross Revenue \$ per acre
Yield 165 Price 3.55 \$585.75

<u>C. Machinery Operating Costs - spring (fuel, oil, repairs)</u>	<u>Estimated Cost/acre</u>	
<u>Chisel</u>	\$3.70	<u>\$3.70</u>
<u>NH3 applicator (N)</u>	\$5.00	<u>\$5.00</u>
<u>Tandem Disk</u>	\$2.60	<u>\$2.60</u>
<u>Field Cultivator</u>	\$2.40	<u>\$2.40</u>
<u>Planter</u>	\$4.90	<u>\$4.90</u>
<u>Sprayer</u>	\$1.90	<u>\$1.90</u>

<u>D. Supplies</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Units</u>	
<u>Seed</u>	30,000	kernals/acre	\$3.71	per 1000 kernals	<u>\$111.30</u>
<u>Nitrogen (Anhyd. Ammon)</u>	186	lbs/acre	\$0.50	per lb.	<u>\$93.00</u>
<u>Phosphate</u>	62	lbs/acre	\$0.48	per lb.	<u>\$29.76</u>
<u>Potash</u>	50	lbs/acre	\$0.38	per lb.	<u>\$19.00</u>
<u>Lime</u>	0.5	ton /acre	\$18.00	per ton	<u>\$9.00</u>
<u>Herbicide</u>	6	pints/acre	\$53.00	per gallon	<u>\$39.75</u> * 8 pints in a gallon
<u>Insecticide</u>	3	oz / acre	\$6.00	per ounce	<u>\$18.00</u>
<u>Crop Insurance</u>					<u>\$12.20</u>
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					<u>\$10.00</u>

Subtotal of spring machinery and supplies costs: \$362.51

E. Interest on spring machinery and supplies costs:

362.51 X 5.2% X 0.67 (interest for 8 months) \$12.57

F. Machinery Operating- Harvest (fuel, oil, repairs) see crop budget info tab

<u>Combine</u>				<u>\$9.10</u>
<u>Grain cart</u>				<u>\$2.70</u>
<u>Haul</u>	<u>165</u>	bu. @	<u>\$0.07</u>	<u>\$11.55</u>
<u>Drying (1 gal of LP for 8 bushels)</u>	<u>20.625</u>	gal. @	<u>\$1.75</u>	<u>\$36.09</u>

G. Labor:

2.85 (hours) X \$ 13.00 (wage value) = \$37.05

H. Machinery Ownership Costs (fixed) \$68.19

I. Land: Land Rent (fixed) \$266.00

<u>J. Total Costs:</u>	<u>Fixed (H & I)</u>	<u>Variable (C through G)</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>\$334.19</u>	<u>\$471.57</u>	<u>\$805.76</u>

K. Gross Margin Per Acre (Gross revenue - Variable Costs) \$114.18

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(Maximum possible pts = 5 per individual and 15 per team = sum of team's top 3 individual scores)

1. D DIRT = depreciation, interest, rent and repairs, taxes, and insurance
 = fixed costs
2. C See graph on team portion of this test (for example). When $P \downarrow$ from 4 to 3, profit-max Q (where $MR = MC$) \downarrow from 160 to 130.
3. A
4. C = $TC/Q = \$540/180 = \3.00
5. D

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1. D $P = TC/Q \Rightarrow \$805.76/165 = 4.88$
2. B $(P)(Q) = TC \Rightarrow 4.25Q = 805.76$
 $\Rightarrow Q = 805.76/4.25 = 190$
3. C $(P)(Q) = TC \Rightarrow P(185) = 843.25$
 $\Rightarrow P = 843.25/185 = 4.56$ (note TC would be \$37.49 higher than in original budget).
4. D $BEQ = \frac{TFC+TVC}{P}$ so $\uparrow TFC$, $\uparrow TVC$, and $\downarrow P$ all $\uparrow BEQ$.
5. A $BE \Rightarrow TR = TFC + TVC \Rightarrow TR - TFC = TVC$
 $\Rightarrow (3.55)(165) - 350 = TVC$
 $\Rightarrow 585.75 - 350 = TVC = 235.75$
6. A Min BEQ is where $P_1 = 4.00 = ATC$ which is at $Q = 100$.
7. D Profit-max Q is where $MR = MC$ (at $Q = 130$)
 $P_2 < ATC$ for all Q, so is no BEQ
At profit-max $Q=130$, $P = 3.00$, $ATC = 3.50$
 \Rightarrow loss per bu. = \$0.50
 \Rightarrow loss per acre = $(\$0.50)(130 \text{ bu.}) = \65.00

VIII. 2016 Event Resources

Theme: Analysis of Profit and Breakeven in Farm Management Decision Making

Suggested Resources:

- 1) Breakeven Selling Price, April, 2007
<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/agdm/wholefarm/pdf/c5-202.pdf>
- 2) Breakeven Sales Volume, April, 2007
<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/agdm/wholefarm/pdf/c5-201.pdf>
- 3) Ag Decision Maker Newsletter (pages 5-7): Iowa crop farming profitability in the 21st century, December, 2015
<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/agdm/newsletters/nl2015/dec15.pdf>
- 4) Break-Even Method of Investment Analysis, March, 2012
<http://extension.colostate.edu/docs/pubs/farmmgmt/03759.pdf>
- 5) Cost and Revenue Considerations In Farm Management Decision Making, 1991
https://www.arec.umd.edu/sites/default/files/_docs/Cost%20and%20Revenue%20Considerations_0.pdf

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Ending Net Worth Statement

Name		FFA Farm		Date		01/01/16	
Farm Assets		Cost Value	Market Value	Farm Liabilities		Market Value	
Current Assets				Current Liabilities			
Checking, savings accounts (Sch. A)	\$23,468	\$23,468		Accounts payable (Sched. O)		\$18,654	
Crops held for sale/feed (Sched. B)	\$331,490	\$331,490		Farm taxes due (Sched. P)		\$4,490	
Investment in growing crops (Sch. C)	\$23,535	\$23,535		Current notes and credit lines (Sched. Q)		\$88,088	
Commercial feed on hand (Sch. D)	\$12,000	\$12,000		Accrued interest - short (Sched. Q)		\$668	
Prepaid expenses (Sched. E)	\$20,250	\$20,250		- fixed (Sched. R)		\$30,403	
Market livestock (Sched. F)	\$277,100	\$277,100		Due in 12 months - fixed (Sched. R)		\$74,059	
Supplies on hand (Sched. G)	\$0	\$0		Deferred tax liabilities			
Accounts receivable (Sched. H)	\$0	\$0		Other current liabilities			
Other current assets		\$0					
A) Total Current Assets	\$687,843	\$687,843		C) Total Current Liabilities		\$216,362	
Fixed Assets				Fixed Liabilities			
Unpaid coop. distributions (Sch. I)	\$16,275	\$16,275		Notes and contracts remainder (Sched. R)		\$655,927	
Breeding livestock (Sched. J)	\$59,750	\$59,750		Deferred tax liabilities			
Machinery & equipment (Sched. K)	\$335,895	\$455,600		Other fixed liabilities			
Buildings/improvements (Sched. L)	\$515,597	\$617,000		Total Fixed Liabilities		\$655,927	
Farmland (Sched. M)	\$1,160,000	\$1,620,000					
Farm securities, certificates (Sch. N)	\$0	\$0					
Other fixed assets		\$0					
Total Fixed Assets	\$2,087,518	\$2,768,625					
B) Total Farm Assets	\$2,775,361	\$3,456,468		D) Total Farm Liabilities		\$872,289	
E) Farm Net Worth (B - D)	\$1,903,072	\$2,584,179					
F) Farm Net Worth Last Year	\$1,847,387	\$2,535,158		Working Capital (A - C)			
G) Change in Farm Net Worth (E - F)				Current Asset-to-Debt Ratio (A / C)			
Percent Change in Net Worth (G / F)				Total Debt-to-Asset Ratio (D / B)			

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Name		FFA Farm		Year		2015	
Income							
Cash Income (can come from IRS Schedule F)		Income Adjustments		Beginning	Ending		
Sales of livestock bought for resale		Crops held for sale or feed (Sched. B)		\$453,800	\$331,490		
Sales of market livestock, grain, etc.	\$724,689	Market livestock (Sched. F)		\$204,610	\$277,100		
Cooperative distributions paid	\$460	Accounts receivable (Sched. H)		\$0	\$0		
Agricultural program payments	\$18,540	Other current assets		\$0	\$0		
Crop insurance proceeds		Unpaid cooperative distributions (Sched. I)		\$14,435	\$16,275		
Custom hire income		Breeding livestock (Sched. J)		\$61,650	\$59,750		
Other cash income	\$15,300	Subtotal of adjustments		\$734,495	\$684,615		
Sales of breeding livestock	\$35,685	(b) Net adjustment (beginning - ending)		\$49,880			
(a) Total Cash Income	\$794,674	(c) Gross Farm Revenue		\$744,794			
Expenses							
Cash Expenses (can come from IRS Schedule F)		Expense Adjustments (paid in advance)		Beginning	Ending		
Car and truck expenses	\$1,894	Investment in growing crops (Sched. C)		\$21,735	\$23,535		
Chemicals	\$30,760	Commercial feed on hand (Sched. D)		\$8,750	\$12,000		
Conservation expenses		Prepaid expenses (Sched. E)		\$0	\$20,250		
Custom hire		Supplies on hand (Sched. G)		\$0	\$0		
Employee benefits	\$2,400	Subtotals		\$30,485	\$55,785		
Feed purchased	\$137,210	(e) Net adjustment (beginning - ending)		(\$25,300)			
Fertilizer and lime	\$105,500	Expense Adjustments (due)		Beginning	Ending		
Freight, trucking	\$12,290	Accounts payable (Sched. O)		\$24,250	\$18,654		
Gasoline, fuel, oil	\$23,650	Farm taxes due (Sched. P)		\$4,490	\$4,490		
Insurance	\$7,000	Accrued interest (Sched. Q, R)		\$37,632	\$31,071		
Interest paid	\$37,632	Subtotals		\$66,372	\$54,215		
Labor hired	\$36,000	(f) Net adjustment (ending - beginning)		(\$12,157)			
Pension and profit-share plans		(g) Depreciation (Sched. K, L)		\$64,458			
Rent or lease payments	\$132,000	(h) Gross Farm Expenses		\$698,391			
Repairs, maintenance	\$12,333	(j) Net Farm Income from Operations					
Seeds, plants	\$64,925	(j) Sales of farmland (Sched. M)		\$0			
Storage, warehousing		(k) Cost value of farmland sold (Sched. M)		\$0			
Supplies purchased	\$3,675	(l) Capital gains or losses (j - k)		\$0			
Taxes (farm)	\$8,980	Net Farm Income (accrual)					
Utilities	\$17,358						
Vet. fees, medicine, breeding	\$11,623						
Other cash expenses	\$4,560						
Livestock purchased	\$21,600						
(d) Total Cash Expenses	\$671,390						
Value of Farm Production							
Net Farm Income (cash)	\$123,284	(NFI - purchases of feed & livestock)		\$585,984			

Production Costs for Oat Crop or other Small Grain

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Estimated Costs of Pasture and Hay Production has information on using small grains as a companion crop for hay production. This worksheet calculates the annual costs for small grain production.

Place the cursor over cells with red triangles to read comments.

Enter your input values in shaded cells.

Crop

Oats	Acres	10	
Field Name	Expected Grain Yield	80	bu. / acre
Example	Straw Production Level	1	tons / acre

	Cost per Acre		Total	Total Cost All Acres
	Fixed	Variable		
Preharvest Machinery				
Spray herbicide	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Tandem disk (2 times)	7.60	5.20	\$12.80	\$128
Spread fertilizer	1.90	1.40	\$3.30	\$33
Harrow	2.00	1.30	\$3.30	\$33
Seed (drill)	4.40	3.70	\$8.10	\$81
Other	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Total per acre	\$15.90	\$11.60	\$27.50	\$275
Total all acres	\$159	\$116	\$275	---

Seed, fertilizer, etc.

Seed		21.54	\$21.54	\$215
price per bushel	\$10.77			
bushels per acre	2			
Other		0.00	\$0.00	\$0
price per pound	\$1.50			
pounds per acre	0			
Total Seed Cost		\$21.54	\$21.54	\$215
Nitrogen		24.00	\$24.00	\$240
price per pound	\$0.40			
pounds per acre	60			
Phosphorus		\$20.25	\$20.25	\$203
price per pound	\$0.45			
pounds per acre	45			
Potash		\$45.50	\$45.50	\$455
price per pound	\$0.35			
pounds per acre	130			
Total Fertilizer Costs		\$89.75	\$89.75	\$898
Herbicide		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Lime (total cost for hay lifetime)		\$31.00	\$31.00	\$0
Insurance		\$3.50	\$3.50	\$35
Labor (seeding and harvesting)		\$52.00	---	\$52.00
Hours per acre	4			
Rate per hour	\$13.00			

Land

Cash rent equivalent, before seeding	\$134.00	---	\$134.00	\$1,340
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Harvesting Costs

Combine	\$11.70	\$4.30	\$16.00	\$160
Haul grain	3.43	2.38	\$5.81	\$58
fixed cost per bushel	0.04			
variable cost per bushel	0.03			
Rake	3.50	2.10	\$5.60	\$56
Bale	11.50	7.00	\$18.50	\$185
Haul Straw	1.87	2.47	\$4.34	\$43
fixed cost per ton	1.87			
variable cost per ton	2.47			
Total Grain/Straw Harvest	\$32.00	\$18.25	\$50.25	\$502

Costs and Returns

Total Costs Per acre	Cost per Acre		Total	Total Cost All Acres
	Fixed	Variable		
	\$233.90	\$175.64	\$409.54	\$4,095