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### RESOURCE INFORMATION FOR ABC ORGANIC FARM

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Andy and Barb Colson began their farming adventure in 1999 when they purchased 8 Registered Black Angus beef heifers. They expanded from that small start to 120 beef cow/calf pairs over the next few years. During that time, both Andy and Barb were maintaining full time, off-the-farm jobs.

In April of 2004, they made the decision to add a dairy operation of 20 cows to the beef operation. They also made the decision that both of them would stay home full time to manage the farm. They both had fond memories of growing up on dairy farms and wanted their children to have that same opportunity, and way of life. The Colsons have 7 children, with the oldest being 13 and interested in farming with his parents in the future.

In 2005, Andy and Barb made the decision to transition to an organic farm, increase the dairy herd to 70 cows, and decrease the beef to 40 cows. In the spring of 2005 they began the 3-year process of transitioning their land and dairy herd to organic. This involved following the approved organic standards for land use and maintaining comprehensive documentation about the steps taken to gain organic certification. The herd fully transitioned to organic in the third year, and Colsons began to sell organic milk to Central States Organic around the middle of the 2007 calendar year. It was at this point that the farm name became ABC Organic Farm.

They also remodeled the existing parlor to their current swing 15 parlor; sold the remaining beef herd; and expanded the dairy herd to 120 cows. They continued to grow and expand the operation with their own replacement heifers. In 2013 the Colsons purchased another small herd of 40 organic cows. With the combination of building on their herd using raised heifers and purchased cows, Colsons have increased their dairy herd to over 280 milk cows.

The farm they purchased and currently operate has been in Barb's family for 5 generations. Over the years the Colsons have also made many improvements to the facilities, the farm house, and the farm site in general. As they increased the size of the dairy operation, they also purchased additional land, totaling 373 acres. Last year was the largest increase in owned land when they purchased three small acreages near their home farm, totaling 183 acres.

They have managed the growth in their crop acres by purchasing/renting additional acreage. This was necessary to ensure adequate feed supplies and better control over achieving organic crop certification. They currently manage almost 1300 acres, as listed below:

Total Acres Owned	526	Total Crop Acres	993
Crop Acres Owned	228	Crop Acres Rented	765
Pasture & Other		Irrigated Acres	703
Acres Owned	298	Dryland Acres	290

ABC Organic Farm produces Corn, Alfalfa (as Haylage), Corn Silage, Barley, Soybeans, Oatlage, Mixed Hay, and pasture (in paddocks). The prior year winter season was colder than normal for the region, with little protection on the alfalfa crop land. As a result, the plant population was reduced on some fields, resulting in significantly reduced yields. Corn silage value per ton is only slightly greater than non-organic corn silage because the local market will not bear full organic value, and corn silage is not easily transported or sold beyond the local area. For the upcoming year, they

have considered purchasing a soybean head for their John Deere Combine and may also consider purchasing a small John Deere tractor for general use around the farm.

The Dairy operation has increased in size from the initial 20 cows in 2005 to the current herd size of 287 milking cows. The increase has generally been gradual with a couple of years where they purchased a small herd of dairy cows to add to the operation. As an organic producer, they are fortunate that their milk is in demand and the processing plant covers the cost of trucking the milk from their farm to the plant; even though the plant is over 100 miles away.

The price per unit of most organic products on the farm is significantly different than non-organic product prices. This can be attributed to the demand for organic products, which could be described as a niche market. The added cost of converting from conventional practices to certified organic practices is a limiting factor for farmers to move to organic production. Currently, the demand for organic products has been strong, but not strong enough to result in more farmers converting to organic production and thereby increasing supply.

Prior to this year, and for past several years, agriculture in the region has been very profitable for crop farmers. Beef and Hog producers have done quite well also. All dairy producers have had ups and downs in profitability, with 2014 and 2015 showing that variability. All production agriculture is currently experiencing a tightening of profit margins and generally weak outlook on commodity prices. Because of the operation is organic, the Colson's have experienced a slightly different environment for milk and crop prices.

ABC Organic Farm has been managed well in recent years. They have been successful in retaining employees, but there is a concern about retaining new employees as current employees retire. Living in a rural area, it is normal to be concerned about the safety of the products you produce; so the Colsons are establishing a plan to limit exposure to damage from hazards outside of their operation. Andy is active in the community, and Barb is continually considering new ways to engage the community in discussions of organic production.

One of their goals is to build a profitable business that will enable their children to become a part of the farm business; if they are interested. They have a young family and need to consider options that will ensure that their children will have a good childhood, a quality education, and opportunities to join the business at a future date or have the necessary tools to move into another profession of their choosing. All areas of planning will be important for them to consider as both they and their children advance in age.

Andy and Barb have been enrolled in the local Farm Business Management program at the area Community College for over 10 years. They understand the importance of quality farm records and the need to analyze those records to support decision making in managing their business. The Colson's use balance sheets, a business analysis, cash flow planning, and goal statements to continue to move their farm business forward.

**ABC Organic Farm**  
**1/1/2015 Balance Sheet**

<b>Current Assets</b>				Value	<b>Current Liabilities</b>					Balance			
Cash and checking (Schd A)				47,673	Accrued interest					7,462			
Prepaid expenses and supplies				-	Accounts payable and other accrued expenses					-			
Growing crops				-									
Accounts receivable (Schd D)				450,000		Int	P & I		Principal				
Hedging accounts				-	Current loans (Schd U)					Rate			
Other current assets (Schd F)				18,000	AgriMax-1					4.00			
							-		141,520				
Crops (Schd G)				Quantity	Value/Unit	Government crop loans					-		
Org C Silage				3,500	45.00/ton	Principal due within 12 months on term liabilities					198,864		
Straw				126	100.00/ton								
Additional crops											593,100		
Crops under gov't loan											-		
Mkt Ivst (Schd H)				No.	Value/Unit								
Dairy Feeder				83	260.96/cwt.						123,825		
Bull Calves				13	100.00/head						1,300		
<b>Total Current Assets</b>				<b>1,403,998</b>		<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>					<b>347,846</b>		
<b>Intermediate Assets</b>					Cost	Market	<b>Intermediate Liabilities (Schd V)</b>						
Brdg Ivst (Schd I)				No.	Value	Value	Int	Principal	P & I	Principal	Intermed		
Dairy Cows				281	463,650	463,650	Rate	Balance	Due	Due	Balance		
Springers				52	62,400	62,400	FSA-Bunker					3.375	
Heifers Short Bred				44	44,000	44,000	AgriMax-12					6.20	
Addl Brdg Ivst (Schd I)				102,950		102,950	AgriMax-123					5.75	
Machinery (Schd J)				1,396,574		1,467,109	AgriMax-1234					8.07	
Titled vehicles (Schd K)				102,494		148,081	John Deere Credit-Baler					3.00	
Other intermediate assets				-		-	Addl loans					440,243	
<b>Total Intermediate Assets</b>				<b>2,172,068</b>		<b>2,288,190</b>	<b>Total Intermediate Liabilities</b>					<b>881,630</b>	
<b>Long Term Assets</b>					Cost	Market	<b>Long Term Liabilities (Schd W)</b>						
Land (Schd M)				Acres	Value	Value	Int	Principal	P & I	Principal	Lg Term		
The Farm				153	153,000	191,250	Rate	Balance	Due	Due	Balance		
McNally Land				80	88,000	88,000	FSA-0123					4.875	
Addl Land (Schd M)				294,821		321,821	FSA-1234					5.00	
Bldgs & improve. (Schd N)				980,570		1,062,387	FNB-Johans Farm					4.90	
Other long term (Schd O)				116,394		150,000							
<b>Total Long Term Assets</b>				<b>1,632,785</b>		<b>1,813,458</b>	<b>Total Long Term Liabilities</b>					<b>345,757</b>	
<b>Total Farm Assets</b>				<b>5,208,851</b>		<b>5,505,645</b>	<b>Total Farm Liabilities</b>					<b>1,575,233</b>	
Personal Assets (Schd P)				297,820		339,820	Personal Liabilities					-	
										Cost	Market		
							Total Liabilities (d)(e)					1,575,233	1,575,233
							Retained Earnings/Contributed Capital					[a-d]	3,931,438
							Market valuation equity					[b-a]	338,794
<b>Total Assets (a)(b)</b>				<b>5,506,671</b>		<b>5,845,465</b>	<b>Net Worth</b>					[b-e]	<b>4,270,232</b>

**ABC Organic Farm**  
**1/1/2016 Balance Sheet**

<b>Current Assets</b>				Value	<b>Current Liabilities</b>				Balance			
Cash and checking (Schd A)				2,949	Accrued interest				6,815			
Prepaid expenses and supplies				-	Payables & accr exp (Schd T)				-			
Growing crops				-								
Accounts receivable (Schd D)				178,000		Int	P & I	Principal				
Hedging accounts				-	Current loans (Schd U)				Rate			
Other current assets (Schd F)				13,600	AgriMax-1				4.00			
							-	Principal				
Crops (Schd G)				Quantity	Value/Unit	Government crop loans				-		
Org C Silage				2,500	45.00/ton	Principal due within 12 months on term liabilities				203,695		
Straw				147	100.00/ton							
Additional crops				568,500								
Crops under gov't loan				-								
Mkt Ivst (Schd H)				No.	Value/Unit							
Bull Calves				7	450.00/head	3,150						
<b>Total Current Assets</b>				<b>893,399</b>		<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>				<b>351,471</b>		
<b>Intermediate Assets</b>				Cost	Market	<b>Intermediate Liabilities (Schd V)</b>						
Brdg Ivst (Schd I)				No.	Value	Value	Int	Principal	P & I	Principal	Intermed	
Dairy Cows				293	483,450	483,450	Rate	Balance	Due	Due	Balance	
Springers				50	60,000	60,000	AgriMax-12				6.20	
Heifers Short Bred				31	31,000	31,000	AgriMax-123				5.75	
Addl Brdg Ivst (Schd I)				122,250		122,250	AgriMax-1234				8.07	
Machinery (Schd J)				1,465,495	1,510,164		John Deere Credit-Baler				3.00	
Titled vehicles (Schd K)				92,245	148,081		JDCC-8310 JD				3.90	
Other intermediate assets				-		-	Addl loans				345,706	
<b>Total Intermediate Assets</b>				<b>2,254,440</b>		<b>2,354,945</b>	<b>Total Intermediate Liabilities</b>				<b>645,009</b>	
<b>Long Term Assets</b>				Cost	Market	<b>Long Term Liabilities (Schd W)</b>						
Land (Schd M)				Acres	Value	Value	Int	Principal	P & I	Principal	Lg Term	
The Farm				153	153,000	191,250	Rate	Balance	Due	Due	Balance	
McNally Land				80	88,000	88,000	First-2015 Refinan				4.80	
Johansen Farm-2013				40	165,000	192,000	First-SouthFarm				5.50	
Addl Land (Schd M)				596,371		621,371						
Bldgs & improve. (Schd N)				1,261,267	1,331,772							
Other long term (Schd O)				116,394	150,000							
<b>Total Long Term Assets</b>				<b>2,380,032</b>		<b>2,574,393</b>	<b>Total Long Term Liabilities</b>				<b>857,780</b>	
<b>Total Farm Assets</b>				<b>5,527,870</b>		<b>5,822,737</b>	<b>Total Farm Liabilities</b>				<b>1,854,260</b>	
Personal Assets (Schd P)				260,618	302,618		Personal Liabilities				-	
										Cost	Market	
							Total Liabilities (d)(e)				1,854,260	1,854,260
							Retained Earnings/Contributed Capital				[a-d]	3,934,229
							Market valuation equity				[b-a]	336,866
<b>Total Assets (a)(b)</b>				<b>5,788,488</b>		<b>6,125,355</b>	<b>Net Worth</b>				[b-e]	<b>4,271,095</b>



## 2015 Financial Analysis Executive Summary

### Income Statement

Crop sales	781,802	
Crop inventory change	-67,500	
Gross crop income		714,302
Livestock sales	2,005,426	
Livestock inventory change	-121,975	
Gross livestock income		1,883,451
Government payments		22,508
Other cash farm income		153,060
Change in accounts receivable		-272,000
Gain or loss on hedging accts		-
Change in other assets		-4,400
Gain or loss on breeding lvst		-20,525
<b>Gross farm income</b>		<b>2,476,396</b>
Cash operating expense	2,117,022	
Change in prepaid exp and supplies	-	
Change in growing crops	-	
Change in accounts payable	-	
Depreciation	196,777	
Total operating expense		2,313,799
Interest paid	74,114	
Change in accrued interest	-648	
Total interest expense		73,466
<b>Total expenses</b>		<b>2,387,265</b>
<b>Net farm income</b>		<b>89,131</b>

### Other Measures

Total crop acres	1,213
Dairy Cows	287
Dairy Replac sold or transferred out	258
Change in earned net worth	2,791      0 %
Change in market value net worth	47,771      1 %

### Financial Standards Measures

<b>Liquidity</b>	<b>Beg</b>	<b>End</b>
Current ratio	4.04	2.54
Working capital	1,056,152	541,928
Working capital to gross revenues	42.6 %	21.9 %
<b>Solvency (market)</b>	<b>Beg</b>	<b>End</b>
Debt to asset ratio	32 %	34 %
Debt to equity ratio	0.47	0.52
<b>Profitability</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Market</b>
Net farm income	89,131	134,111
Rate of return on assets	2.1 %	2.8 %
Rate of return on equity	1.1 %	2.2 %
Operating profit margin	5.8 %	8.1 %
<b>Repayment Capacity</b>		
Term debt coverage ratio (farm only)		0.99
Replacement margin coverage ratio		0.99
<b>Efficiency</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Market</b>
Asset turnover rate	36.1 %	34.3 %
Operating expense ratio		85.5 %
Depreciation expense ratio		7.9 %
Interest expense ratio		3.0 %
Net farm income ratio		3.6 %
<b>Other</b>		
Term debt coverage (farm+personal)		0.99
Term debt to EBITDA		3.42

### Information Accuracy

Cash discrepancy	0
Liability discrepancy	0
Cash discrepancy to gross revenue	0 %

**Income Statement**

<b>Income</b>	Quantity	Price	Amount	<b>Expense</b>	Amount
Soybeans, Organic	3,150 bu.	24.50/bu.	77,175	Seed	103,016
Corn, Organic	57,520 bu.	12.25/bu.	704,627	Fertilizer	245,480
Milk	5,219,067 lb.	34.15/cwt.	1,782,177	Crop insurance	2,309
Bull Calves, Started	43 head	404.02/head	17,373	Irrigation energy	29,328
Dairy Feeder	138 head	157.00/cwt.	205,876	Packaging and supplies	28,115
Cull breeding livestock			123,237	Crop Hauling and trucking	17,960
Direct & CC govt payments			22,508	Crop Consultants	11,634
Crop insurance income			8,320	Purchased feed	536,272
Insurance income			18,265	Breeding fees	11,522
Other farm income			3,238	Veterinary	17,319
				Supplies	67,720
				DHIA	7,806
				Livestock Hauling and trucking	4,820
				Livestock Marketing	12,829
				Bedding	84,900
				Interest	74,114
				Fuel & oil	124,546
				Repairs	255,645
				Custom hire	67,868
				Hired labor	235,761
				Land rent	99,909
				Machinery leases	66,821
				Real estate taxes	7,448
				Farm insurance	17,482
				Utilities	41,047
				Dues & professional fees	13,633
				Organic certification	3,072
				Miscellaneous	2,760
Gross cash income			2,962,796	Total cash expense	2,191,136
				Net cash income	771,660
<b>Inventory Changes</b>	Beginning Inventory	Purchases	Sales	Ending Inventory	Inventory Change
Accounts receivable	450,000			178,000	-272,000
Other current assets	18,000			13,600	-4,400
Crops and feed	763,200			695,700	-67,500
Market livestock	125,125			3,150	-121,975
Breeding livestock	673,000	45,725	1,500	696,700	-20,525
Other assets	116,394	-	-	116,394	-
Accrued interest	7,462			6,815	648
Total inventory change					-485,752
Net operating profit					285,908
<b>Depreciation</b>	Beginning Inventory	Purchases	Sales	Ending Inventory	Depreciation
Machinery and equipment	1,396,574	189,100	-	1,465,495	-120,179
Titled vehicles	102,494	7,500	-	92,245	-17,749
Buildings and improvement	980,570	339,545	-	1,261,267	-58,849
Total depreciation					-196,777
<b>Net farm income</b>					<b>89,131</b>

<b>Profitability Measures</b>		<b>Cost</b>	<b>Market</b>
(A)	Net farm income from operations	89,131	134,111
	Rate of return on assets (E/F)	2.1 %	2.8 %
	Rate of return on equity (G/H)	1.1 %	2.2 %
	Operating profit margin (E/I)	5.8 %	8.1 %
	Asset turnover rate (I/F)	36.1 %	34.3 %
	EBITDA	359,374	404,354
(B)	Change in market valuation	-	44,981
(C)	Interest expense	73,466	73,466
(D)	Value of unpaid oper labor & mgmt	50,000	50,000
(E)	Return on farm assets (A+C-D)	112,597	157,578
(F)	Average farm assets	5,368,361	5,664,191
(G)	Return on farm equity (A-D)	39,131	84,111
(H)	Average farm net worth	3,653,614	3,778,653
(I)	Value of farm production	1,940,124	1,940,124

<b>Liquidity Measures</b>		<b>Begin</b>	<b>End</b>
(J)	Current assets	1,403,998	893,399
(K)	Current liabilities	347,846	351,471
	Current ratio (J/K)	4.04	2.54
	Working capital (J-K)	1,056,152	541,928
	Working capital to gross revenues	42.6 %	21.9 %

<b>Solvency Measures (Market)</b>		<b>Begin</b>	<b>End</b>
(L)	Total assets	5,845,465	6,125,355
(M)	Total liabilities	1,777,878	2,009,996
	Net worth (L-M)	4,067,587	4,115,358
	Net worth change		47,772
	Current debt to assets (K/J)	25 %	39 %
	Intermediate debt to assets	39 %	27 %
	Long term debt to assets	19 %	33 %
	Total debt to assets ratio (M/L)	30 %	33 %

<b>Repayment Capacity</b>			
	Net farm income from operations		89,131
	Depreciation (+)		196,777
	Personal income (+)		5,393
	Family living expense (-)		69,950
	Income taxes accrued (-)		25,156
	Interest on term debt (+)		66,578
(N)	Capital debt repayment capacity (=)		262,773
(O)	Scheduled term debt payments		265,442
(P)	Capital debt repayment margin (N-O)		-2,669
(Q)	Cash replacement allowance		-
	Replacement margin (P-Q)		-2,669
	Term debt coverage ratio (N/O)		0.99
	Replacement coverage ratio (N/O+Q)		0.99

<b>Statement of Owner's Equity</b>			
(a)	Beginning net worth		4,067,587
	Net farm income		89,131
	Personal income (+)		5,393
	Family living expense (-)		69,950
	Income taxes accrued (-)		25,156
	Change in personal assets (+)		3,373
	Change in nonfarm accounts payable (+)		-
(b)	Total change in retained earnings (=)		2,791
	Change in market value of capital assets		-1,927
	Change in deferred liabilities -		-46,908
(d)	Total change in market valuation =		44,981
(e)	Total change in net worth (b+d)		47,771
	Ending net worth		4,115,358

<b>Statement of Cash Flows</b>			
(f)	Beginning cash balance (farm & personal)		93,523
	Gross cash farm income		2,962,796
	Cash farm expenses (-)		2,191,136
(g)	Cash provided by operating activities (=)		771,660
	Sale of breeding livestock		1,500
	Purchase of breeding livestock (-)		45,725
	Purchase of machinery and equipment (-)		189,100
	Purchase of titled vehicles (-)		7,500
	Purchase of farm land (-)		466,550
	Purchase of farm buildings (-)		339,545
	Purchase of personal assets (-)		3,175
(h)	Cash provided by investing activities (=)		-1,050,095
	Money borrowed		977,000
	Principal payments (-)		697,326
	Personal income (+)		5,393
	Family living expense (-)		69,950
	Income taxes paid (-)		25,156
(i)	Cash provided by financing activities (=)		189,961
	Net change in cash (g+h+i)		-88,474
	Ending cash balance (farm and personal)		5,049

**Crop Enterprise Analysis**

	<b>Organic Corn Irrigated Rented Cash Rented</b>	<b>Organic Corn Dryland Rented Cash Rented</b>	<b>Org C Silage Irrigated Owned</b>	<b>Soybeans Irrigated Cash Rented</b>	<b>Alf Haylage Establish Organic Owned</b>	<b>Alf Haylage Establish Organic Cash Rented</b>	<b>Oatlage Double Crop Peas Underse Owned</b>
<b>Returns</b>							
Acres	315.00	80.00	138.00	50.00	140.00	80.00	140.00
Unit	bu.	bu.	ton	bu.	ton	ton	ton
Yield per acre	190.00	100.00	29.00	63.00	3.00	3.00	10.09
Share of production (%)	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Value per unit	11.00	11.00	45.00	25.00	100.00	100.00	40.00
Total product value	2090.00	1100.00	1305.00	1575.00	300.00	300.00	403.64
Crop insurance	-	-	-	-	19.81	19.81	-
Other crop income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross return per acre	2090.00	1100.00	1305.00	1575.00	319.81	319.81	403.64
<b>Direct Expenses</b>							
Seed	96.00	96.00	96.00	60.00	94.00	94.00	30.00
Fertilizer	348.00	348.00	348.00	50.00	125.00	125.00	125.00
Crop insurance	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	-
Drying expense	15.19	15.19	-	-	-	-	-
Packaging and supplies	-	-	-	-	54.07	54.07	-
Custom hire	16.16	16.16	18.12	16.16	15.36	15.36	16.16
Hired labor	75.66	75.66	75.66	75.66	75.66	75.66	75.66
Land rent	108.01	108.01	-	108.01	-	108.01	-
Machinery leases	11.66	11.66	11.66	11.66	11.66	11.66	11.66
Utilities	3.19	3.19	3.19	-	-	-	-
Hauling and trucking	30.81	30.81	30.81	30.81	-	-	-
Consultants	8.12	8.12	8.12	8.12	8.12	8.12	8.12
Organic certification	1.31	1.31	1.31	1.31	1.31	1.31	1.31
Irrigation energy	35.42	-	35.42	35.42	-	-	-
Fuel & oil	84.27	84.27	91.93	45.97	61.29	61.29	61.29
Repairs	140.54	140.54	153.32	76.66	102.21	102.21	102.21
Operating interest	13.28	13.28	14.49	7.24	9.66	9.66	9.66
Total direct expenses	1010.61	975.19	911.02	550.01	581.33	689.34	441.06
Return over direct expenses	1079.39	124.81	393.98	1024.99	-261.52	-369.53	-37.43
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>							
Hired labor	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Machinery leases	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Real estate taxes	-	-	6.60	-	4.40	-	4.40
Farm insurance	10.35	10.35	11.29	5.65	7.53	7.53	7.53
Utilities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dues & professional fees	5.77	5.77	6.29	3.14	4.19	4.19	4.19
Interest on interm. debt	16.66	16.66	18.18	9.09	12.12	12.12	12.12
Interest on lng term debt	-	-	26.59	-	17.73	-	17.73
Machinery depreciation	104.99	104.99	114.53	57.27	76.36	76.36	76.36
Building depreciation	24.89	24.89	27.15	13.57	18.10	18.10	18.10
Miscellaneous	1.17	1.17	1.27	0.64	0.85	0.85	0.85
Total overhead expenses	163.82	163.82	211.90	89.36	141.27	119.14	141.27
Total dir & ovhd expenses	1174.44	1139.02	1122.92	639.37	722.60	808.49	582.33
Net return per acre	915.56	-39.02	182.08	935.63	-402.79	-488.68	-178.70
Government payments	14.45	14.45	14.45	14.45	14.45	14.45	14.45
Net return with govt prmts	930.01	-24.57	196.53	950.08	-388.35	-474.23	-164.25
Labor & management charge	8.46	8.46	9.23	4.61	6.15	6.15	6.15
Net return over lbr & mgt	921.55	-33.03	187.30	945.46	-394.50	-480.38	-170.40
<b>Cost of Production Per Unit</b>							
Total direct expenses	5.32	9.75	31.41	8.73	193.78	229.78	43.71
Total dir & ovhd expenses	6.18	11.39	38.72	10.15	240.87	269.50	57.71
Less govt & other income	6.11	11.25	38.22	9.92	229.45	258.08	56.28
With labor & management	6.15	11.33	38.54	9.99	231.50	260.13	56.89
Net value per unit	11.00	11.00	45.00	25.00	100.00	100.00	40.00
Machinery cost per acre	374.28	374.28	407.73	216.79	278.99	278.99	279.79
Est. labor hours per acre	2.28	2.28	2.49	1.25	1.66	1.66	1.66



**LIVESTOCK ENTERPRISE ANALYSIS -- Dairy**

	<b>Per Cwt. Of Milk</b>		<b>Per Cow</b>		<b>Enterprise Total</b>	
	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b>Returns</b>						
Milk sold	100.00 lb.	34.15	18184.90 lb.	6209.67	5219067.0 lb.	1782177
Cull sales	0.00 head	2.36	0.22 head	429.40	62.0 head	123237
Inventory change	0.00 head	0.38	0.04 head	68.99	12.0 head	19800
Other income		-		-		-
Gross return		36.89		6708.06		1925214
Purchased	0.00 head	-0.35	-0.02 head	-64.46	-6.0 head	-18500
Dairy Replac net cost		-1.85		-336.15		-96475
Gross margin		34.69		6307.45		1810238
<b>Direct Expenses</b>						
Haylage, Alfalfa	90.32 lb.	3.39	16425.09 lb.	615.94	2357.0	176775
Protein Vit Minerals	4.91 lb.	2.65	891.99 lb.	481.85	128.0	138290
Corn Silage, Organic	70.24 lb.	1.58	12773.52 lb.	287.44	1833.0	82494
Corn	0.43	4.30	78.21	782.14	22447.0	224475
Oatlage, Organic	22.99 lb.	0.46	4181.18 lb.	83.62	600.0	24000
Hay, Grass	3.87 lb.	0.19	703.83 lb.	35.19	101.0	10100
Pasture	0.02	0.37	3.78	67.99	1084.0	19512
Breeding fees		0.15		26.90		7720
Veterinary		0.30		54.01		15500
Supplies		1.26		228.22		65500
DHIA		0.15		27.20		7806
Custom hire		0.34		61.39		17620
Hired labor		1.44		261.32		75000
Machinery leases		0.35		64.01		18371
Utilities		0.67		121.95		35000
Hauling and trucking		0.03		5.23		1500
Marketing		0.25		44.70		12829
Bedding		1.34		243.90		70000
Organic certification		0.01		2.44		700
Fuel & oil		0.41		74.91		21499
Repairs		1.48		269.08		77225
Operating interest		0.09		15.74		4517
Total direct expenses		21.20		3855.16		1106432
Return over direct expenses		13.49		2452.29		703806
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>						
Hired labor		0.00		0.00		0
Machinery leases		0.29		53.17		15260
Real estate taxes		0.08		14.56		4178
Farm insurance		0.09		15.77		4527
Utilities		0.00		0.00		1
Dues & professional fees		0.11		20.50		5883
Interest on interm. debt		0.11		19.75		5668
Interest on lng term debt		0.11		19.74		5667
Machinery depreciation		0.23		41.48		11904
Building depreciation		0.49		88.49		25396
Miscellaneous		0.02		4.15		1191
Total overhead expenses		1.53		277.61		79675
Total dir & ovhd expense		22.73		4132.78		1186107
Net return		11.96		2174.67		624131
Labor & management charge		0.66		120.29		34523
Net return over lbr & mgt		11.30		2054.38		589608
Est. labor hours per unit		0.18		32.48		9321
<b>Cost of Prod Per Cwt. Of Milk</b>						
Total direct expenses	21.20		<b>Other Information</b>			
Total dir & ovhd expenses	22.73		Number of cows	287.0	Avg age at first calf (mo)	25.0
With other revenue adjustments	22.19		Milk produced per cow	18,185	Pregnancy rate	13.0
With labor & management	22.85		Total milk sold	5,219,067	Avg calving interval (mo)	13.3
			Lb. of milk sold per FTE	1,567,745	Feed cost per day	6.45
			Culling percentage	21.6	Feed cost per cwt. of milk	12.95
			Turnover rate	24.7	Feed cost per cow	2,354.17
			Cow death loss percent	3.1	Hired labor per cow	261.33
			Percent of barn capacity	111.7	Avg. milk price per cwt.	34.15
			Average SCC	258,000	Milk price / feed margin	21.20
			Average DIM	175		

**LIVESTOCK ENTERPRISE ANALYSIS -- Dairy Replacement Heifers**

	<b>Per Head Per Day</b>		<b>Per Head</b>		<b>Enterprise Total</b>	
	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b>Returns</b>						
Replacements	0.00 head	3.06	0.91 head	1116.24	181.0 head	223249
Transferred out	0.00 head	2.11	0.39 head	770.00	77.0 head	154000
Inventory change	0.00 head	0.05	0.06 head	19.50	11.0 head	3900
Other income		-		-		-
Gross return	0.00 head	5.22	1.35 head	1905.75	269.0 head	381149
Transferred in	0.00 head	-1.31	-1.37 head	-477.75	-273.0 head	-95550
Gross margin	0.00 head	3.91	-0.02 head	1427.99	-4.0 head	285599
<b>Direct Expenses</b>						
Protein Vit Minerals	1.25 lb.	0.81	455.90 lb.	296.34	45.6 ton	59267
Corn Silage, Organic	27.40 lb.	0.62	10000.00 lb.	225.00	1000.0 ton	45000
Oatlage, Organic	38.36 lb.	0.77	14000.00 lb.	280.00	1400.0 ton	56000
Hay, Grass	10.00 lb.	0.50	3650.00 lb.	182.50	365.0 ton	36500
Pasture	0.00 aum	0.07	1.40 aum	25.20	280.0 aum	5040
Breeding fees		0.05		19.01		3802
Veterinary		0.02		9.10		1819
Supplies		0.03		11.10		2220
Hired labor		0.59		214.40		42880
Machinery leases		0.19		70.32		14064
Utilities		0.05		19.97		3994
Hauling and trucking		0.05		16.60		3320
Bedding		0.20		74.50		14900
Organic certification		0.00		1.62		324
Fuel & oil		0.05		17.05		3411
Repairs		0.17		61.25		12251
Operating interest		0.01		3.58		717
Total direct expenses		4.19		1527.54		305508
Return over direct expenses		-0.27		-99.54		-19909
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>						
Hired labor		0.00		0.00		0
Machinery leases		0.03		12.10		2421
Real estate taxes		0.01		3.31		663
Farm insurance		0.01		3.59		718
Utilities		0.00		0.00		0
Dues & professional fees		0.01		4.67		933
Interest on interm. debt		0.01		4.50		899
Interest on lng term debt		0.01		4.49		899
Machinery depreciation		0.03		9.44		1888
Building depreciation		0.06		20.14		4029
Miscellaneous		0.00		0.94		189
Total overhead expenses		0.17		63.20		12640
Total dir & ovhd expense		4.36		1590.74		318148
Net return		-0.45		-162.74		-32549
Labor & management charge		0.08		27.38		5477
Net return over lbr & mgt		-0.52		-190.13		-38025
Est. labor hours per unit		0.02		7.39		1479
<b>Cost of Prod Per Head Per Day</b>			<b>Other Information</b>			
Total direct expenses	5.44	No. purchased or trans in	273	Hired labor per average head	214.40	
Total dir & ovhd expenses	5.61	Number sold or trans out	258	Feed cost/head sold/trans	782.20	
With other revenue adjustments	5.61	Average number of head	200	Total cost/head sold/trans	1,609.59	
With labor & management	5.69	Percentage death loss	1.5	Feed cost per head per day	2.76	
		Feed cost per average head	1,009.04	Avg. sales price / head	1,233.42	

**Contributions to Overhead Expenses**

<b>Enterprise</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Contribution Per Unit</b>	<b>Total Contribution</b>
Organic Corn, Irrigated	315 Acres	1,093.83	344,557
Corn, Organic, Dryland	80 Acres	139.25	11,140
Org C Silage, Irrigated	138 Acres	408.43	56,363
Soybeans, Irrigated	50 Acres	1,039.44	51,972
Barley, Organic, Dryland	110 Acres	52.47	5,772
Alf Haylage, Establish	220 Acres	-286.35	-62,998
Oatlage, Double Crop	220 Acres	-62.26	-13,696
Alf Haylage, Irrigated	200 Acres	403.26	80,651
Hay, Mixed, Organic, Dryland	100 Acres	-322.64	-32,264
Org. Pasture, Irrigated	125 Acres	65.3	8,163
Dairy	287 Cow	2,584.78	741,831
Dairy Replac	200 Head	-99.54	-19,909
Total contributions			1,171,583

**Overhead expenses**

Machinery leases	17,681
Real estate taxes	7,448
Farm insurance	17,482
Dues & professional fees	13,633
Interest on interm. debt	26,271
Interest on lng term debt	17,071
Machinery depreciation	137,928
Building depreciation	58,849
Miscellaneous	2,760
Total overhead expense	299,124
Total return over overhead exp	872,459

**Nonfarm Summary**

<b>Personal Income</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Personal wages & salary	-
Personal business income	-
Personal rental income	-
Personal interest income	-
Personal cash dividends	-
Tax refunds	5,393
Other personal income	-
Total personal income	5,393

**Family Living Expenses**

Food and meals expense	11,547
Medical care	4,840
Health insurance	10,640
Cash donations	2,985
Household supplies	3,753
Clothing	2,247
Personal care	4,428
Gifts	2,495
Education	1,765
Recreation	2,057
Utilities (household share)	5,963
Personal vehicle operating expenses	5,050
Household real estate taxes	850
Household repairs	1,958
Disability / Long term care insurance	647
Life insurance payments	3,475
Miscellaneous	5,250
Total cash family living expense	69,950
Family living from the farm	-
Total family living	69,950
Furnishings and appliances	-
Personal vehicles	1,651
Personal business investment	-
Other intermediate assets	-
Personal real estate	1,524
Other long term assets	-
Personal savings and investments	-
Income and social security tax	25,156
Total cash family living, investment, and Non farm capital purchases	98,281



**Planned vs Actual**

**Income Statement**

Cash Farm Income	Unit	Planned Quantity	Planned Value	Actual Quantity	Actual Value
Barley	bu.	-	6,593	-	-
Soybeans	bu.	2,000	56,000	-	-
Soy, Organic	bu.	-	-	3,150	77,175
Organic Corn	bu.	40,000	440,000	57,520	704,627
Milk	lb.	5,454,000	1,926,520	5,219,067	1,782,177
Bull Calves	head	-	-	43	17,373
Dairy Feeder	lb.	-	-	131,131	205,876
Cull breeding livestock			81,810		123,237
Misc. livestock income			10,226		-
Direct & CC govt payments			10,000		22,508
Patronage dividends, cash			1,100		-
Crop insurance income			-		8,320
Insurance income			-		18,265
Other farm income			-		3,238
Gross cash farm income			2,532,249		2,962,796
Seed			90,866		103,016
Fertilizer			238,125		245,480
Crop insurance			19,798		2,309
Irrigation energy			38,090		29,328
Packaging and supplies			-		28,115
Custom hire			51,800		67,868
Hauling and trucking			-		22,780
Purchased feed			363,542		536,272
Breeding fees			15,150		11,522
Veterinary			6,058		17,319
Supplies			30,288		67,720
DHIA			-		7,806
Marketing			15,150		12,829
Bedding			-		84,900
Interest			74,819		74,114
Fuel & oil			67,000		124,546
Repairs			175,000		255,645
Hired labor			180,000		235,761
Land rent			108,000		99,909
Machinery leases			4,500		66,821
Real estate taxes			5,000		7,448
Farm insurance			15,000		17,482
Utilities			21,000		41,047
Dues & professional fees			1,500		13,633
Organic certification			3,500		3,072
Miscellaneous			27,400		2,760
Consultants			8,500		11,634
Total cash farm expense			1,587,085		2,191,136
Net cash farm income			945,164		771,660
Inventory change			143,081		-485,752
Depreciation			-332,400		-196,777
Net farm income			755,845		89,131

**Cash Flows**

Cash Inflows	Planned	Actual
Beginning cash balance	50,000	47,673
Gross cash farm income	2,532,249	2,962,796
Personal income	-	5,393
Capital sales	-	1,500
Money borrowed	214,231	977,000
Beg personal savings	3,550	45,850
Total inflows	2,800,030	4,040,212
Cash Outflows	Planned	Actual
Cash farm expense	1,587,085	2,191,136
Family living	55,000	69,950
Income taxes	5,300	25,156
Capital purchases	25,000	1,051,595
Principal payments	558,721	697,326
Ending personal savings	3,550	2,100
Ending cash balance	565,374	2,949
Total outflows	2,800,030	4,040,212

**Livestock**

Dairy Cows	303	287
Milk sold (lb.)	5,454,000	5,219,067
Bull Calves sold	-	43
Dairy Feeder sold	-	138

**Ending Inventories**

Silage	3,850	3,300
Hay	1,175	594
Straw	6	147
Organic Corn	25,980	41,000
Bull Calves	-	7

**Crop Production**

Crop	Unit	Planned Acres	Planned Yield	Planned Production	Actual Acres	Actual Yield	Actual Production
Hay, Alfalfa, Dryland	ton	225.0	5.0	1,125	-	-	-
Pasture, Irrigated	aum	180.0	5.5	990	-	-	-
Org C Silage, Irrigated	ton	128.0	18.0	2,304	138.0	29.0	4,002
Hay, Grass, Dryland	ton	100.0	2.0	195	-	-	-
Organic Corn, Irrigated	bu.	313.0	160.0	50,080	315.0	190.0	59,850
Alfalfa Hay, Establish	ton	212.0	2.0	424	-	-	-
Org Oatlage, Double Crop	ton	212.0	5.0	1,060	-	-	-
Corn, Organic, Dryland	bu.	91.0	150.0	13,650	80.0	100.0	8,000
Barley, Irrigated	bu.	125.0	40.0	5,000	-	-	-
Soybeans, Irrigated	bu.	50.0	40.0	2,000	50.0	63.0	3,150
Barley, Organic, Dryland	bu.	-	-	-	110.0	60.0	6,600
Alf Haylage, Establish	ton	-	-	-	220.0	3.0	660
Oatlage, Double Crop	ton	-	-	-	220.0	10.1	2,220
Alf Haylage, Irrigated	ton	-	-	-	200.0	8.0	1,593
Hay, Mixed, Organic, Dryland	ton	-	-	-	100.0	0.9	94
Org. Pasture, Irrigated	aum	-	-	-	125.0	10.3	1,284

**Comparative Trend**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Profitability</b>										
Gross farm income (accrual)	229,890	416,798	626,797	961,775	1,165,791	1,450,360	1,395,207	1,840,961	2,990,855	2,476,396
Total farm expense (accrual)	216,035	242,354	504,158	623,520	877,545	957,613	979,101	1,210,092	1,658,569	2,387,265
Net farm income from oper.	13,855	174,444	122,639	338,255	288,247	492,747	416,106	630,869	1,332,286	89,131
Rate of return on assets	0.0%	23.0%	10.9%	21.3%	17.4%	21.0%	16.9%	20.5%	31.6%	2.1%
Rate of return on equity	-4.9%	49.7%	19.4%	47.2%	29.5%	33.7%	24.9%	31.5%	47.0%	1.1%
Operating profit margin	0.0%	38.8%	21.9%	36.2%	30.9%	37.5%	35.4%	39.7%	52.6%	5.8%
Asset turnover rate	33.7%	59.3%	49.8%	59.0%	56.2%	55.9%	47.6%	51.6%	60.1%	36.0%
<b>Liquidity</b>										
Current ratio	1.39	1.18	1.05	1.47	5.44	2.81	2.79	2.57	5.05	2.54
Working capital	22,789	24,541	6,866	90,661	348,330	477,784	460,878	572,640	947,421	541,928
Working cap. to gross rev.	9.9%	5.9%	1.1%	9.4%	29.9%	32.9%	33.0%	31.1%	31.7%	21.9%
<b>Solvency (market)</b>										
Total assets	822,930	1,193,454	1,583,467	2,061,749	2,457,489	3,165,968	3,662,635	4,717,664	6,217,404	6,125,355
Total liabilities	451,450	574,657	820,267	977,465	1,083,115	1,272,344	1,341,395	1,720,693	1,966,227	2,009,996
Net worth	371,480	618,797	763,200	1,084,284	1,374,374	1,893,624	2,321,240	2,996,971	4,251,177	4,115,358
Debt to asset ratio	54%	50%	54%	49%	45%	41%	33%	39%	33%	34%
Net worth change %	-	-	23%	42%	27%	38%	27%	29%	42%	1%
<b>Repayment Capacity</b>										
Term debt coverage ratio	0.03	4.18	3.85	3.50	2.53	4.75	3.30	3.37	4.68	0.99
Replacement coverage ratio	-	-	3.85	3.50	2.53	3.46	3.30	3.37	4.68	0.99
<b>Efficiency</b>										
Operating expense ratio	85.5%	66.4%	69.4%	58.5%	65.0%	52.8%	53.1%	57.9%	50.4%	85.5%
Interest expense ratio	5.2%	5.3%	5.0%	1.6%	4.4%	3.9%	4.6%	3.2%	2.6%	3.0%
<b>Other Cash Flows</b>										
Personal income	8,097	31,809	7,247	4,383	6,422	5,990	5,198	-	710	5,393
Owner draws/Adj. family living	37,570	34,532	37,274	49,224	46,145	29,845	59,819	72,203	88,370	69,950
<b>Crop and Livestock Summary</b>										
Total crop acres	305	345	480	505	732	643	918	993	1,096	1,213
Crop acres owned	110	105	185	86	138	98	85	157	157	368
Crop acres cash rented	195	240	295	419	594	545	833	836	939	845
<b>Organic Dairy</b>										
Average number of cows	80	82	120	180	211	170	181	206	257	287
Milk (lb.) / Cow	15,596	16,659	18,456	16,376	15,535	17,751	17,819	18,035	17,603	18,185
Price / cwt.	12.04	21.38	26.4	25.97	26.32	25.81	27.69	29.47	31	34.15
--- PER COW ---										
Gross margin	-	-	-	-	-	4,923.01	5,052.11	5,090.07	5,057.82	6,307.45
Total direct expenses	-	-	-	-	-	3,832.68	4,254.60	3,517.71	3,592.85	3,855.16
Total overhead expenses	-	-	-	-	-	477.01	242.80	195.62	195.52	277.61
Total dir & ovhd expenses	-	-	-	-	-	4,309.69	4,497.40	3,713.33	3,788.37	4,132.78
Net return	-	-	-	-	-	613.32	554.71	1,376.74	1,269.45	2,174.67
Net return over lbr & mgt	-	-	-	-	-	289.78	393.17	1,236.45	1,133.83	2,054.38

### Monthly Cash Flow Plan Executive Summary

#### Projected Cash Flow Summary

Total operating inflow		2,730,021
Total operating outflow	(-)	1,968,543
Capital purchases	(-)	25,000
Capital sales	(+)	-
New credit	(+)	-
Loan payments	(-)	294,189
<b>Net cash flow</b>	<b>(=)</b>	<b>442,289</b>
Beginning cash balance	(+)	2,949
Operating loan borrowings	(+)	300,630
Operating loan principal payments	(-)	441,591
Ending cash balance	(=)	304,277

Beginning operating loan balance		140,961
Peak operating loan balance (Sep)		276,400
Ending operating loan balance		-

#### Projected Change in Working Capital

Change in cash		301,328
Change in current inventories	(+)	411,094
Change in operating loan balance	(-)	-140,961
Change in princ due on term loans	(-)	-2,790
Estimated change in working capital	(=)	856,172

#### Projected Income Statement

Gross cash farm income		2,730,021
Inventory change - income items	(+)	407,516
Gross revenue	(=)	3,137,537
Cash farm operating expense		1,888,543
Interest expense	(+)	90,829
Depreciation	(+)	304,583
Inventory change - expense items	(+)	-3,578
Total farm expense	(=)	2,280,377
Net farm income		857,159

#### Projected Earned Net Worth Change

Net farm income		857,159
Family living expense	(-)	55,000
Income taxes accrued	(-)	25,000
Personal asset depreciation	(-)	2,371
Earned net worth change	(=)	774,788

#### Term Debt Coverage

Net farm income from operations		857,159
Depreciation	(+)	304,583
Personal income	(+)	-
Family living expense	(-)	55,000
Income taxes accrued	(-)	25,000
Interest on term debt	(+)	77,938
Capital debt repayment capacity	(=)	1,159,680
Term debt payments		284,876
Capital debt repayment margin		874,804
Term debt coverage ratio		4.07

#### Financial Standards Measures

	Beginning	Ending
<b>Liquidity</b>		
Current ratio	2.5	7.8
Working capital	541,928	1,398,101
Working capital to gross revenue	17.3 %	44.6 %

<b>Solvency (market)</b>		
Debt to asset ratio	31.8 %	24.1 %
Debt to equity ratio	0.5	0.3

<b>Profitability (market)</b>		
Net farm income		857,159
Rate of return on assets		14.8 %
Rate of return on equity		18.5 %
Operating profit margin		35.3 %
EBITDA		1,248,993

<b>Repayment Capacity</b>		
Term debt coverage ratio (farm)		4.07
Replacement margin coverage ratio		3.21

<b>Efficiency</b>		
Asset turnover rate (market)		42.0
Operating expense ratio		60.2 %
Depreciation ratio		9.7 %
Interest expense ratio		2.8 %
Net farm income ratio		27.3 %

<b>Other</b>		
Term debt coverage (farm+personal)		4.07
Term debt to EBITDA		1.20

#### Shocks to Farm Term Debt Coverage Ratio

10% decrease in gross income	2.97
10% increase in operating expenses	3.41
3% increase in interest rates	3.47

	<i>Jan</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>Mar</i>	<i>Apr</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>Jun</i>	<i>Jul</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sep</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec</i>	<i>Total</i>
<b>CASH INFLOWS</b>													
Beg cash bal	2949	-	4893	-	30676	-	-	-	-	-	-	242842	2949
Soybeans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	56000	-	-	56000
Organic Corn	-	77500	-	77500	-	-	-	-	-	-	440000	-	595000
Milk	151826	151826	156704	157314	161406	161406	161406	161406	167662	175795	183302	183302	1973353
Cull stock	7005	7005	7005	7005	7005	7005	7005	7005	7005	7005	7005	7005	84060
Misc. Ivstk	876	876	876	876	876	876	876	876	876	876	876	876	10508
DCP payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10000	-	-	10000
Pat dividend	-	1100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1100
Total inflow	162656	238307	169478	242694	199963	169286	169286	169286	175542	249675	631183	434024	2732970
<b>CASH OUTFLOWS</b>													
Seed	-	-	-	37704	53860	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	91564
Fertilizer	-	-	-	8250	176575	-	24150	24150	-	-	1800	-	234925
Crop insur.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15457	4200	-	-	-	19657
Irrig energy	-	-	-	-	-	7689	13558	12733	3240	-	-	-	37220
C. Cust hire	-	-	-	-	-	360	720	720	-	-	-	-	1800
Pur. Corn	18782	18782	19308	19442	19442	19442	-	164	20204	21175	22108	22108	200959
Pur. Organic	-	-	-	-	-	9000	9000	9000	-	-	-	-	27000
Purch. feed	29267	29267	30111	30302	30302	30302	30302	30302	31486	33003	34448	34448	373540
Breeding	1376	1434	1434	1219	1219	1258	1263	1263	1263	1263	1263	1312	15567
Veterinary	488	488	500	505	505	505	505	505	525	550	575	575	6224
Supplies	2441	2441	2499	2524	2524	2524	2524	2524	2624	2749	2874	2874	31121
L. Marketing	1227	1227	1262	1266	1266	1266	1266	1266	1310	1368	1421	1421	15567
Fuel & oil	20000	-	20000	-	20000	-	20000	-	20000	-	20000	-	120000
Repairs	14583	14583	14583	14583	14583	14583	14583	14583	14583	14583	14583	14583	175000
Cust hire	-	-	-	21667	21667	-	-	-	21667	-	-	-	65000
Labor	16667	16667	16667	16667	16667	16667	16667	16667	16667	16667	16667	16667	200000
Land rent	-	-	-	-	54000	-	-	-	-	-	54000	-	108000
Mach leases	-	-	-	-	-	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000	-	-	50000
RE taxes	-	-	-	-	3750	-	-	-	-	-	3750	-	7500
Farm insur.	1250	1250	1250	1250	1250	1250	1250	1250	1250	1250	1250	1250	15000
Utilities	3333	3333	3333	3333	3333	3333	3333	3333	3333	3333	3333	3333	40000
Marketing	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	12000
Dues & fees	-	-	-	-	750	-	-	-	750	-	-	-	1500
Org certific	875	-	-	875	-	-	875	-	-	875	-	-	3500
Misc.	2283	2283	2283	2283	2283	2283	2283	2283	2283	2283	2283	2283	27400
Consultants	708	708	708	708	708	708	708	708	708	708	708	708	8500
Living/Draw	4583	4583	4583	4583	4583	4583	4583	4583	4583	4583	4583	4583	55000
Income taxes	-	-	25000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25000
Min end bal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tot. outflow	118864	98048	144523	168162	430268	126754	158571	152492	161677	115390	186647	107146	1968543
Opr. surplus	43792	140259	24955	74533	-230305	42532	10715	16794	13865	134285	444535	326878	764427

**Jan      Feb      Mar      Apr      May      Jun      Jul      Aug      Sep      Oct      Nov      Dec      Total**

**CAPITAL PURCHASES**

Bean Head	-	-	-	-	-	-	25000	-	-	-	-	-	25000
Tot. cap pur	-	-	-	-	-	-	25000	-	-	-	-	-	25000

**LOAN PAYMENTS**

AgriMax-12	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	14814
AgriMax-123	5300	5300	5300	5300	5300	5300	5300	5300	5300	5300	5300	5300	63600
AgriMax-1234	905	905	905	905	905	905	905	905	905	905	905	905	10860
JDCC-2 Gra..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5412	-	-	5412
JDCC-2 Mey..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7446	-	-	-	7446
JDCC-8230 JD	-	-	-	24000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24000
JDCC-8310 JD	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	8400
North-Arte..	735	735	735	735	735	735	735	735	735	735	735	735	8820
North-Arte..	806	806	806	806	806	806	806	806	806	806	806	806	9672
JDCC-Baler	-	-	-	-	-	-	4200	-	-	-	-	4200	8400
AgCnt-Case..	-	-	8000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8000
JDCC-Chopper	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10800	-	-	10800
JDCC-JD332D	672	672	672	672	672	672	672	672	672	672	672	672	8064
Unite-Semi..	903	903	903	903	903	903	903	903	903	903	903	903	10836
First-2015..	5911	5911	5911	5911	5911	5911	5911	5911	5911	5911	5911	5911	70932
First-Sout..	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	1235	14820
Tot loan pay	18402	18402	26402	42402	18402	18402	22602	18402	25848	34614	18402	22602	284876
<b>Surp. or def</b>	<b>25390</b>	<b>121857</b>	<b>-1447</b>	<b>32131</b>	<b>-248707</b>	<b>24130</b>	<b>-36886</b>	<b>-1608</b>	<b>-11983</b>	<b>99672</b>	<b>426134</b>	<b>304277</b>	<b>454551</b>

**ANNUAL OPERATING LOAN TRANSACTIONS & BALANCES**

Beg AO bal	140961	116334	-	1447	-	248707	225923	262810	264417	276400	182305	-	140961
AO borrowing	-	-	1447	-	248707	-	36886	1608	11983	-	-	-	300630
AO int. pay	764	630	-	8	-	1347	-	-	-	5577	987	-	9313
AO prin. pay	24627	116334	-	1447	-	22783	-	-	-	94095	182305	-	441591
<b>End AO bal.</b>	<b>116334</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1447</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>248707</b>	<b>225923</b>	<b>262810</b>	<b>264417</b>	<b>276400</b>	<b>182305</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Accrued int.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1224	2647	4080	-	-	-	-
End cash bal	-	4893	-	30676	-	-	-	-	-	-	242842	304277	304277

**BALANCE SHEETS**

	1/1/2016	Projected 1/1/2017
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash and checking	2,949	304,277
Accounts receivable	178,000	80,000
Other current assets	13,600	###,###
Crops	695,700	1,210,966
Mkt Ivst	3,150	-
Total current assets	893,399	1,602,242
<b>Intermediate Assets</b>		
Brdg Ivst	696,700	627,030
Machinery	1,510,164	1,381,648.00
Titled vehicles	148,081	133,273
Total intermediate assets	2,354,945	2,141,951
<b>Long Term Assets</b>		
Land	1,092,621	1,092,621
Bldgs & improve.	1,331,772	1,265,183
Other long term	150,000	150,000
Total long term assets	2,574,393	2,507,804
Total farm assets	5,822,737	6,251,997
Personal assets	302,618	300,247
Total assets	6,125,355	6,552,244
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accrued interest	6,815	3,236
Prin due on term loans	203,695	200,905
Operating loan(s)	140,961	-
Total current liabilities	351,471	204,142
<b>Intermediate Liabilities</b>		
AgriMax-123	249,115	198,477
Northland-ArtexSpd,TMR	54,974	47,699
Northland-ArtexSpd2015	40,730	32,496
John Deere Credit-8230 JD	90,888	70,441
John Deere Credit-Chopper	14,970	4,751
AgCountry-Case Finishe	14,885	7,481
United Lease-Semi 2006	20,790	9,954
John Deere Credit-JD332D	9,960	1,896
JDCC-2 MeyBoxes	14,074	7,682
JDCC-2 GravBoxes	5,238	217
John Deere Credit-8310 JD	42,643	35,779
John Deere Credit-Baler	40,618	33,389
AgriMax-1234	46,124	38,705
Total inter. liabilities	645,009	488,967
<b>Long Term Liabilities</b>		
First-2015 Refinan	692,180	653,536
First National-SouthFarm	165,600	159,716
Total long term liab.	857,780	813,252
Total farm liabilities	1,854,260	1,506,361
Personal liabilities	-	-
Total liabilities	1,854,260	1,506,361
Net worth	4,271,095	5,045,884
Net worth change		774,788
Total debt to asset ratio	30%	23%

**Financial Summary**  
**Area Farm Business Management Data**  
**(Farms Sorted By Net Farm Income)**

	<u>Avg. Of All Farms</u>	<u>Low 20%</u>	<u>40 - 60%</u>	<u>High 20%</u>
<b>Income Statement</b>				
Gross cash farm income	551,703	620,333	276,643	1,122,087
Total cash farm expense	469,847	593,073	240,496	890,566
Net cash farm income	81,857	27,259	36,147	231,521
Inventory change	-5,368	-82,585	10,272	42,014
Depreciation	-40,070	-49,058	-22,131	-74,889
Net farm income from operations	36,419	-104,383	24,288	198,646
Gain or loss on capital sales	763	-479	-152	4,104
Average net farm income	37,182	-104,862	24,136	202,750
Median net farm income	23,730	-52,504	21,107	145,215
<b>Profitability (cost)</b>				
Rate of return on assets	1.4 %	-6.2 %	1.2 %	5.9 %
Rate of return on equity	-0.9 %	-22.1 %	-1.4 %	6.9 %
Operating profit margin	4.7 %	-25.0 %	4.5 %	17.5 %
Asset turnover rate	29.8 %	24.9 %	26.1 %	33.9 %
<b>Profitability (market)</b>				
Rate of return on assets	2.1 %	-3.3 %	2.1 %	5.3 %
Rate of return on equity	0.9 %	-13.2 %	1.2 %	6.8 %
Operating profit margin	8.3 %	-16.4 %	10.2 %	18.0 %
Asset turnover rate	24.6 %	20.4 %	20.8 %	29.4 %
<b>Liquidity &amp; Repayment (end of year)</b>				
Current assets	362,417	429,792	189,732	731,888
Current liabilities	223,790	384,179	123,920	292,926
Current ratio	1.62	1.12	1.53	2.50
Working capital	138,627	45,613	65,811	438,961
Working capital to gross inc	24.7 %	7.9 %	22.3 %	37.4 %
Term debt coverage ratio	0.88	-0.38	1.04	1.75
Replacement coverage ratio	0.76	-0.34	0.87	1.46
Term debt to EBITDA	4.33	-55.87	5.11	2.18
<b>Solvency (end of year at cost)</b>				
Number of farms	588	117	117	118
Total assets	1,665,278	1,817,177	1,069,539	3,050,030
Total liabilities	726,975	1,069,949	482,771	1,008,198
Net worth	938,303	747,227	586,768	2,041,831
Net worth change	14,662	-109,146	18,553	133,136
Farm debt to asset ratio	46 %	63 %	49 %	34 %
Total debt to asset ratio	44 %	59 %	45 %	33 %
Change in earned net worth %	2 %	-13 %	3 %	7 %
<b>Solvency (end of year at market)</b>				
Number of farms	588	117	117	118
Total assets	2,003,026	2,209,958	1,322,157	3,504,564
Total liabilities	895,016	1,252,677	582,158	1,334,090
Net worth	1,108,011	957,282	739,999	2,170,474
Total net worth change	30,645	-74,890	32,784	138,386
Farm debt to asset ratio	47 %	60 %	48 %	39 %
Total debt to asset ratio	45 %	57 %	44 %	38 %
Change in total net worth %	3 %	-7 %	5 %	7 %
<b>Nonfarm Information</b>				
Net nonfarm income	28,964	37,732	25,912	20,450
Farms reporting living expenses	76	24	13	9
Total family living expense	48,783	46,415	39,178	69,336
Total living, invest, cap. purch	74,687	60,973	51,177	181,455
<b>Crop Acres</b>				
Total crop acres	688	821	405	1,175
Total crop acres owned	248	286	175	400
Total crop acres cash rented	428	521	224	754
Total crop acres share rented	12	14	6	21
Machinery value per crop acre	611	585	573	664

**Financial Standards Measures**  
**Area Farm Business Management Data**  
**(Farms Sorted By Net Farm Income)**

	<u>Avg. Of All Farms</u>	<u>Low 20%</u>	<u>40 - 60%</u>	<u>High 20%</u>
<b>Liquidity</b>				
Current ratio	1.62	1.12	1.53	2.50
Working capital	138,627	45,613	65,811	438,961
Working capital to gross inc	24.7 %	7.9 %	22.3 %	37.4 %
<b>Solvency (market)</b>				
Farm debt to asset ratio	47 %	60 %	48 %	39 %
Farm equity to asset ratio	53 %	40 %	52 %	61 %
Farm debt to equity ratio	0.89	1.50	0.91	0.65
<b>Profitability (cost)</b>				
Rate of return on farm assets	1.4 %	-6.2 %	1.2 %	5.9 %
Rate of return on farm equity	-0.9 %	-22.1 %	-1.4 %	6.9 %
Operating profit margin	4.7 %	-25.0 %	4.5 %	17.5 %
Net farm income	37,182	-104,862	24,136	202,750
EBITDA	104,332	-10,711	63,628	312,504
<b>Repayment Capacity</b>				
Capital debt repayment capacity	70,274	-37,110	47,456	235,678
Capital debt repayment margin	-9,279	-134,422	2,030	101,229
Replacement margin	-22,698	-147,120	-6,923	74,457
Term debt coverage ratio	0.88	-0.38	1.04	1.75
Replacement coverage ratio	0.76	-0.34	0.87	1.46
<b>Efficiency</b>				
Asset turnover rate (cost)	29.8 %	24.9 %	26.1 %	33.9 %
Operating expense ratio	81.4 %	101.9 %	78.4 %	73.4 %
Depreciation expense ratio	7.1 %	8.5 %	7.5 %	6.4 %
Interest expense ratio	5.0 %	7.7 %	5.8 %	3.3 %
Net farm income ratio	6.6 %	-18.1 %	8.2 %	17.3 %



**Household and Personal Expenses**  
**Area Farm Business Management Data**  
**(Farms Sorted By Net Farm Income)**

	<u>Avg. Of All Farms</u>	<u>Low 20%</u>	<u>40 - 60%</u>	<u>High 20%</u>
Average family size	3.5	3.3	3.2	4.3
<b>Family Living Expenses</b>				
Food and meals expense	8,439	9,017	6,579	9,740
Medical care	3,078	2,879	1,123	6,780
Health insurance	3,869	3,744	1,811	5,178
Cash donations	1,340	412	1,466	1,988
Household supplies	3,125	1,467	3,151	2,621
Clothing	1,558	1,152	1,056	3,819
Personal care	2,843	4,545	1,933	3,335
Child / Dependent care	771	713	715	1,149
Alimony and child support	5	-	32	-
Gifts	1,603	1,103	1,639	3,665
Education	1,632	1,233	1,833	1,149
Recreation	2,815	2,421	1,497	6,238
Utilities (household share)	2,721	2,835	3,074	3,022
Personal vehicle operating exp	4,156	3,196	4,138	4,126
Household real estate taxes	260	188	274	153
Dwelling rent	564	525	-	1,988
Household repairs	1,544	1,694	1,472	4,255
Personal interest	1,488	1,357	916	1,497
Disability / Long term care ins	270	411	96	502
Life insurance payments	1,476	1,822	1,753	1,777
Personal property insurance	196	237	56	74
Miscellaneous	4,685	4,841	4,565	5,684
Total cash family living expense	48,439	45,791	39,178	68,740
Family living from the farm	344	624	-	597
Total family living	48,783	46,415	39,178	69,336
<b>Other Nonfarm Expenditures</b>				
Income taxes	7,714	6,221	4,487	35,410
Furnishing & appliance purchases	181	-	102	-
Nonfarm vehicle purchases	3,004	1,536	2,046	10,325
Nonfarm real estate purchases	10,241	696	-2,222	51,722
Other nonfarm capital purchases	1,185	-	1,185	8,182
Nonfarm savings & investments	3,923	6,728	6,402	7,077
Total other nonfarm expenditures	26,248	15,182	11,999	112,715
Total cash family living investment & nonfarm capital purch	74,687	60,973	51,177	181,455

**Crop Enterprise Analysis**  
**Area Farm Business Management Data**  
**(Farms Sorted By Return to Overhead)**

	<u>Organic Corn</u>	<u>Organic Alfafa Haylage</u>
Acres	47	111.63
Yield per acre	116.22	5.14
Operators share of yield %	100	100
Value	10.65	72.28
Crop insurance per acre	4.07	5.71
Gross return per acre	1241.99	377.07
<b>Direct Expenses</b>		
Seed	86.15	4.40
Fertilizer	148.09	14.54
Non-chemical crop protect	-	1.54
Crop insurance	30.11	1.18
Storage		0.16
Drying Expense	6.46	
Packaging and supplies		2.15
Fuel & oil	43.12	23.16
Repairs	83.00	31.80
Custom hire	6.88	40.55
Hired labor	35.54	0.55
Land rent	73.86	27.16
Machinery leases	4.96	-
Utilities	1.36	-
Hauling and trucking	13.11	-
Organic Certification	3.50	0.77
Operating interest	10.81	1.62
Miscellaneous	3.45	0.67
Total direct expenses per acre	550.40	150.26
Return over direct exp per acre	691.59	226.81
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>		
Hired labor	1.06	46.40
Machinery leases	0.13	2.43
RE & pers. property taxes	6.45	4.21
Farm insurance	10.17	5.86
Utilities	4.21	4.98
Dues & professional fees	3.51	1.90
Interest	15.34	22.53
Mach & bldg depreciation	88.71	15.54
Miscellaneous	1.96	3.83
Total overhead expenses per acre	131.54	107.68
Total dir & ovhd expenses per acre	681.94	257.94
Net return per acre	560.05	119.13
Government payments	33.64	8.51
Net return with govt payments	593.69	127.65
Labor & Management charge	41.21	31.02
Net return over lbr & mgt	552.48	96.62
<b>Cost of Production</b>		
Total direct expense	4.74	29.23
Total dir & ovhd exp	5.87	50.18
Less govt & other income	5.58	47.44
With labor & management	5.93	53.47
Net value per unit	10.65	72.28
Machinery cost per acre	249.54	126.81
Est. labor hours per acre	2.65	3.08

**Crop Enterprise Analysis**  
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**Irrigated Crops \***

	<u>Corn</u>	<u>Corn Silage</u>	<u>Hay, Alfalfa</u>	<u>Soybeans</u>
Acres	193.00	100.63	75.38	125.71
Yield per acre	186.85	25.42	4.97	52.97
Operators share of yield %	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Value	3.37	34.85	146.90	8.34
Total product return per acre	618.86	885.89	729.93	441.98
Crop insurance per acre	4.76	-	-	12.07
Other crop income per acre	3.10	1.84	0.06	1.37
Gross return per acre	626.72	887.72	729.99	455.43
<b>Direct Expenses</b>				
Seed	98.35	100.70	2.59	54.22
Fertilizer	146.45	114.17	80.29	28.32
Crop chemicals	27.13	33.43	3.12	27.56
Crop insurance	18.04	12.23	0.66	13.20
Marketing	1.19	-	-	1.36
Storage	0.99	-	2.84	0.08
Irrigation energy	25.50	18.57	16.89	22.89
Packaging and supplies	0.43	12.89	17.13	0.34
Fuel & oil	29.23	47.94	34.51	13.74
Repairs	44.98	80.56	56.54	29.40
Custom hire and Trucking	17.40	53.20	48.70	10.47
Hired labor	2.01	-	1.01	3.92
Land Rent	69.98	19.12	73.76	63.78
Operating interest	8.65	6.93	5.02	7.82
Miscellaneous	3.16	7.72	8.36	3.75
Total direct expenses per acre	509.53	507.45	351.42	286.12
Return over direct exp per acre	117.19	380.28	378.58	169.31
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>				
Hired labor	27.08	40.86	22.60	13.64
Mach and bldg leases	10.35	10.62	6.19	2.89
RE & pers. property taxes	8.03	10.81	4.48	7.04
Farm insurance	10.88	13.31	5.91	7.94
Utilities	4.88	8.30	3.29	3.36
Dues & professional fees	4.17	4.13	2.16	1.57
Interest	29.05	53.50	23.40	20.67
Mach & bldg depreciation	67.00	72.18	62.02	32.51
Miscellaneous	6.46	4.29	3.80	4.17
Total overhead expenses per acre	167.91	218.01	133.84	93.80
Total dir & ovhd expenses per acre	677.44	725.46	485.26	379.91
Net return per acre	-50.72	162.27	244.73	75.51
Government payments	38.06	39.27	37.05	40.40
Net return with govt pmts	-12.66	201.54	281.78	115.91
Labor & management charge	51.94	47.35	38.43	31.23
Net return over lbr & mgt	-64.60	154.19	243.35	84.68
<b>Cost of Production</b>				
Total direct expense per bu.	2.73	19.96	70.72	5.40
Total dir & ovhd exp per bu.	3.63	28.54	97.66	7.17
Less govt & other income	3.34	26.92	90.19	6.16
With labor & management	3.62	28.79	97.93	6.75
Net value per unit	3.27	34.85	146.90	8.34
Machinery cost per acre	170.82	269.62	212.74	90.40
Est. labor hours per acre	4.22	4.67	2.81	2.60

\* Combined data for rented and owned land. Actual land cost is the sum of: Land Rent, Interest, & RE taxes.

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**Corn on Cash Rent**

	<u>Avg. Of</u> <u>All Farms</u>	<u>40 - 60%</u>	<u>High 20%</u>
Acres	159.28	201.41	114.44
Yield per acre (bu.)	164.17	158.52	179.77
Operators share of yield %	100.00	100.00	100.00
Value per bu.	3.32	3.37	3.33
Other product return per acre	4.40	4.50	11.87
Total product return per acre	548.80	539.20	610.38
Hedging gains/losses per acre	0.51	-	3.64
Crop insurance per acre	6.82	8.68	1.56
Other crop income per acre	2.10	2.01	2.06
Gross return per acre	558.23	549.88	617.65
<b>Direct Expenses</b>			
Seed	94.78	95.10	85.91
Fertilizer	124.86	135.31	99.36
Crop chemicals	27.35	24.64	24.88
Crop insurance	20.88	22.13	18.51
Drying expense	10.30	11.52	10.48
Storage	0.90	0.58	0.41
Packaging and supplies	1.29	0.04	1.86
Fuel & oil	25.19	23.34	27.76
Repairs	45.82	52.37	37.07
Custom hire	12.91	9.78	10.79
Hired labor	1.49	1.67	0.63
Land rent	102.00	87.26	81.42
Machinery leases	3.73	1.65	3.16
Utilities	0.33	0.88	0.00
Hauling and trucking	2.24	1.54	1.57
Marketing	0.88	1.35	1.00
Operating interest	6.47	7.49	4.70
Miscellaneous	2.41	0.74	2.06
Total direct expenses per acre	483.83	477.39	411.55
Return over direct exp per acre	74.40	72.49	206.09
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>			
Hired labor	15.83	15.48	15.03
Machinery leases	6.92	9.75	4.45
Building leases	0.59	0.52	1.94
Farm insurance	7.54	7.14	5.78
Utilities	4.91	3.57	4.96
Dues & professional fees	3.14	3.31	2.58
Interest	7.83	8.59	6.86
Mach & bldg depreciation	50.05	47.44	48.92
Miscellaneous	4.91	6.43	4.50
Total overhead expenses per acre	101.75	102.22	95.00
Total dir & ovhd expenses per acre	585.59	579.61	506.56
Net return per acre	-27.36	-29.73	111.09
Government payments	33.02	29.81	31.09
Net return with govt pmts	5.66	0.09	142.18
Labor & management charge	45.09	43.74	50.40
Net return over lbr & mgt	-39.43	-43.65	91.79
<b>Cost of Production</b>			
Total direct expense per bu.	2.95	3.01	2.29
Total dir & ovhd exp per bu.	3.57	3.66	2.82
Less govt & other income	3.28	3.37	2.54
With labor & management	3.56	3.65	2.82
Net value per unit	3.32	3.37	3.35
Machinery cost per acre	146.94	149.16	135.23
Est. labor hours per acre	3.79	3.82	4.54

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**Hay, Alfalfa on Owned Land**

	<u>Avg. Of</u> <u>All Farms</u>	<u>40 - 60%</u>	<u>High 20%</u>
Acres	53.47	48.87	50.18
Yield per acre (ton)	3.92	3.92	5.65
Operators share of yield %	100.00	100.00	100.00
Value per ton	153.84	168.48	174.95
Other product return per acre	0.09	0.48	-
Total product return per acre	602.43	660.27	989.20
Crop insurance per acre	17.10	0.49	66.22
Other crop income per acre	1.95	2.60	3.31
Gross return per acre	621.48	663.36	1,058.73
<b>Direct Expenses</b>			
Seed	0.41	1.65	-
Fertilizer	34.89	50.67	25.30
Crop chemicals	5.89	2.38	6.85
Non-chemical crop protect	0.43	2.01	-
Crop insurance	3.70	4.24	6.12
Storage	0.66	1.64	0.41
Packaging and supplies	5.29	3.10	5.88
Fuel & oil	31.30	32.93	33.59
Repairs	51.80	70.38	65.72
Custom hire	21.45	48.73	29.68
Hired labor	0.11	0.58	-
Machinery leases	1.49	3.70	1.22
Operating interest	5.11	2.62	2.79
Miscellaneous	2.28	5.52	1.27
Total direct expenses per acre	164.80	230.15	178.84
Return over direct exp per acre	456.68	433.21	879.89
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>			
Hired labor	18.70	14.99	21.50
Machinery leases	4.84	0.53	5.06
RE & pers. property taxes	13.76	14.47	14.61
Farm insurance	10.67	12.37	9.81
Utilities	6.78	7.26	7.64
Dues & professional fees	3.03	2.77	4.09
Interest	48.44	45.07	59.53
Mach & bldg depreciation	50.95	50.24	69.54
Miscellaneous	7.29	9.22	8.03
Total overhead expenses per acre	164.45	156.91	199.79
Total dir & ovhd expenses per acre	329.25	387.06	378.62
Net return per acre	292.23	276.30	680.10
Government payments	27.91	28.04	35.09
Net return with govt pmts	320.15	304.34	715.19
Labor & management charge	55.40	59.60	67.96
Net return over lbr & mgt	264.75	244.74	647.23
<b>Cost of Production</b>			
Total direct expense per ton	42.09	58.77	31.63
Total dir & ovhd exp per ton	84.09	98.84	66.96
Less govt & other income	72.08	90.77	48.46
With labor & management	86.22	105.99	60.48
Net value per unit	153.84	168.48	174.95
Machinery cost per acre	164.47	211.83	204.90
Est. labor hours per acre	5.19	7.25	5.19

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**Hay, Alfalfa on Cash Rent**

	<u>Avg. Of</u> <u>All Farms</u>	<u>40 - 60%</u>	<u>High 20%</u>
Acres	57.73	54.34	61.88
Yield per acre (ton)	3.80	3.47	5.15
Operators share of yield %	100.00	100.00	100.00
Value per ton	153.93	162.41	163.46
Other product return per acre	0.30	1.59	-
Total product return per acre	585.12	565.91	841.10
Crop insurance per acre	12.81	4.69	44.17
Other crop income per acre	2.18	0.06	4.93
Gross return per acre	600.12	570.66	890.19
<b>Direct Expenses</b>			
Seed	0.74	0.37	1.51
Fertilizer	39.57	44.31	38.40
Crop chemicals	7.17	1.14	2.96
Crop insurance	2.92	1.01	4.33
Storage	0.82	0.68	2.23
Packaging and supplies	7.14	1.14	7.91
Fuel & oil	30.46	24.94	27.57
Repairs	48.00	39.68	50.22
Custom hire	17.99	25.88	11.92
Land rent	86.20	112.92	77.79
Machinery leases	2.69	0.50	3.36
Operating interest	4.61	2.79	3.19
Miscellaneous	2.96	6.44	1.09
Total direct expenses per acre	251.29	261.81	232.47
Return over direct exp per acre	348.83	308.85	657.72
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>			
Hired labor	23.33	30.72	29.65
Machinery leases	4.09	0.44	3.28
Building leases	0.37	0.01	0.87
Farm insurance	7.92	8.29	6.60
Utilities	5.72	4.01	6.05
Dues & professional fees	3.59	3.23	3.74
Interest	8.85	5.87	10.32
Mach & bldg depreciation	45.02	45.06	57.94
Miscellaneous	4.03	3.83	4.19
Total overhead expenses per acre	102.90	101.47	122.63
Total dir & ovhd expenses per acre	354.19	363.28	355.09
Net return per acre	245.93	207.39	535.10
Government payments	26.59	31.18	31.09
Net return with govt pmts	272.52	238.57	566.19
Labor & management charge	42.63	38.90	41.47
Net return over lbr & mgt	229.89	199.67	524.72
<b>Cost of Production</b>			
Total direct expense per ton	66.14	75.35	45.18
Total dir & ovhd exp per ton	93.22	104.55	69.01
Less govt & other income	82.20	93.75	53.43
With labor & management	93.42	104.94	61.49
Net value per unit	153.93	162.41	163.46
Machinery cost per acre	151.74	136.74	157.63
Est. labor hours per acre	4.59	4.44	5.36

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**Soybeans on Cash Rent**

	<u>Avg. Of</u> <u>All Farms</u>	<u>40 - 60%</u>	<u>High 20%</u>
Acres	315.84	369.28	258.32
Yield per acre (bu.)	40.08	37.44	46.82
Operators share of yield %	100.00	100.00	100.00
Value per bu.	8.37	8.28	8.42
Other product return per acre	0.02	-	0.10
Total product return per acre	335.50	310.22	394.38
Hedging gains/losses per acre	-0.02	-0.37	-
Crop insurance per acre	9.24	8.93	20.60
Other crop income per acre	2.87	3.71	2.01
Gross return per acre	347.59	322.49	416.99
<b>Direct Expenses</b>			
Seed	62.71	65.66	57.93
Fertilizer	29.51	26.14	19.56
Crop chemicals	25.33	24.35	26.14
Crop insurance	14.66	15.30	15.08
Fuel & oil	14.82	15.18	11.50
Repairs	22.02	21.71	20.42
Custom hire	6.43	4.47	5.36
Hired labor	1.21	1.54	1.48
Land rent	78.29	74.88	69.83
Machinery leases	3.12	1.58	3.18
Hauling and trucking	0.57	0.41	0.62
Marketing	0.64	0.91	1.00
Operating interest	4.66	5.46	4.53
Miscellaneous	2.08	1.97	1.57
Total direct expenses per acre	266.05	259.59	238.20
Return over direct exp per acre	81.55	62.90	178.79
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>			
Hired labor	7.31	6.74	5.46
Machinery leases	2.31	2.11	0.66
Building leases	1.31	0.71	1.61
Farm insurance	5.19	4.92	4.56
Utilities	3.66	4.20	2.39
Dues & professional fees	2.01	1.77	1.43
Interest	4.03	2.63	5.51
Mach & bldg depreciation	26.59	23.01	25.87
Miscellaneous	2.46	2.20	1.89
Total overhead expenses per acre	54.87	48.29	49.38
Total dir & ovhd expenses per acre	320.92	307.88	287.57
Net return per acre	26.67	14.61	129.41
Government payments	18.42	13.75	25.29
Net return with govt pmts	45.09	28.36	154.70
Labor & management charge	27.22	29.69	23.50
Net return over lbr & mgt	17.88	-1.33	131.20
<b>Cost of Production</b>			
Total direct expense per bu.	6.64	6.93	5.09
Total dir & ovhd exp per bu.	8.01	8.22	6.14
Less govt & other income	7.25	7.53	5.12
With labor & management	7.92	8.32	5.62
Net value per unit	8.37	8.27	8.42
Machinery cost per acre	77.27	68.50	70.73
Est. labor hours per acre	1.65	1.54	1.83

**Livestock Enterprise Analysis**  
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**Organic Dairy - per CWT & per Cow**

	<u>PER CWT</u>		<u>PER COW</u>	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>Returns</b>				
Milk sold (hd)	96.72	33.34	13,916.8	4,797.07
Dairy Calves sold (hd)	0.00	0.31	0.1	45.18
Transferred out (hd)	0.01	0.45	0.9	64.34
Cull sales (hd)	0.00	2.01	0.2	288.89
Other income		1.00		143.88
Purchased (hd)	0.00	-0.10	0.0	-14.06
Transferred in (hd)	0.00	-0.57	0.3	-81.94
Inventory change (hd)	0.00	0.63	0.1	91.21
Dairy repl net cost		-3.93		-564.98
Gross margin		33.21		4,779.43
<b>Direct Expenses</b>				
Protein Vit Minerals (lb.)	5.39	2.15	776.2	309.56
Complete Ration (lb.)	0.57	0.41	82.6	59.11
Corn (bu.)	0.16	1.63	23.4	234.47
Hay, Alfalfa (lb.)	5.80	0.37	834.6	52.99
Hay, Grass (lb.)	4.45	0.26	640.0	37.48
Haylage, Alfalfa (lb.)	24.90	0.93	3,583.2	134.37
Triticale (bu.)	0.01	0.13	2.0	19.42
Corn, Organic (bu.)	0.16	1.65	23.4	237.79
Corn Silage, Organic (lb.)	58.50	1.44	8,417.5	206.95
Hay, Alfalfa, Organic (lb.)	26.55	2.03	3,820.3	292.47
Pasture, Organic (aum)	0.02	0.64	2.6	92.57
Hay, Mixed, Organic (lb.)	9.94	0.28	1,430.5	39.85
Other feed stuffs (lb)	26.58	1.35	3,824.1	195.24
Supplies		2.81		404.6
Repairs		1.21		174.55
Custom hire		0.47		67.12
Hired labor		0.45		65.37
Bedding		0.61		87.6
Total direct expenses		18.84		2,711.54
Return over direct expense		14.37		2,067.89
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>				
Hired labor		1.41		202.9
Interest		0.46		66.46
Mach & bldg depreciation		0.94		134.96
Miscellaneous		1.47		211.76
Total overhead expenses		4.28		616.08
Total dir & ovhd expenses		23.13		3,327.62
Net return		10.09		1,451.81
Labor & management charge		1.82		262.04
Net return over lbr & mgt		8.27		1,189.77
<b>Cost of Production Per Cwt. Of Milk</b>				
Total direct expense per unit		18.84		18.84
Total dir & ovhd expense per unit		23.13		23.13
With other revenue adjustments		24.18		24.18
With labor and management		26		26
Est. labor hours per unit		0.25		35.54
<b>Other Information</b>				
Number of cows			101.2	
Milk produced per cow			14,389	
Total milk sold			1,408,384	
Lb. of milk sold per FTE			1,096,297	
Culling percentage			20.8	
Turnover rate			25.6	
Cow death loss percent			3.8	
Percent of barn capacity			104.2	
Feed cost per day			5.24	
Feed cost per cwt. of milk			13.29	
Feed cost per cow			1,912.28	
Avg. milk price per cwt.			34.47	
Milk price / feed margin			21.18	



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**Organic Dairy Replacement Heifers -- Average Per Head**

	<b>Avg. Of All Farms</b>		<b>Value</b>
	Quantity		
Replacements sold (hd)	0.2		250.26
Transferred out (hd)	0.4		572.80
Other income			6.58
Transferred in (hd)	0.7		-202.99
Inventory change (hd)	0.0		5.02
Gross margin			631.66
<b>Direct Expenses</b>			
Protein Vit Minerals (lb.)	254.3		107.00
Milk (lb.)	348.5		101.38
Creep / Starter (lb.)	13.6		6.56
Hay, Alfalfa (lb.)	677.6		43.55
Hay, Grass (lb.)	807.2		40.88
Barley Silage (lb.)	112.8		3.38
Corn Silage, Organic (lb.)	2,629.3		60.85
Hay, Alfalfa, Organic (lb.)	289.0		20.23
Pasture, Organic (aum)	0.9		31.41
Sorghum Silage, Organic (lb.)	1,096.2		19.18
Hay, Grass, Organic (lb.)	538.1		27.56
Oatlage, Organic (lb.)	3,806.7		70.55
Hay, Mixed, Organic (lb.)	1,140.5		36.54
Other feed stuffs (lb)	877.3		44.47
Supplies			47.55
Repairs			34.58
Custom hire			10.54
Hired labor			43.76
Machinery leases			26.29
Bedding			19.84
Total direct expenses			796.10
Return over direct expense			-164.44
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>			
Hired labor			30.85
Utilities			12.99
Mach & bldg depreciation			26.76
Miscellaneous			40.64
Total overhead expenses			111.24
Total dir & ovhd expenses			907.35
Net return			-275.69
Labor & management charge			50.07
Net return over lbr & mgt			-325.75
<b>Cost of Production Per Head Per Day</b>			
Total direct expense per unit			2.71
Total dir & ovhd expense per unit			3.01
With other revenue adjustments			3.01
With labor and management			3.15
Est. labor hours per unit			6.77
<b>Other Information</b>			
No. purchased or trans in			69
Number sold or trans out			63
Average number of head			100
Percentage death loss			3.2
Feed cost per average head			613.54
Feed cost/head sold/trans			981.95
Total cost/head sold/trans			1,838.64
Feed cost per head per day			1.68

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**Dairy -- Average Per Cow**

	<u>Avg. Of All Farms</u>		<u>40 - 60%</u>		<u>High 20%</u>	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Milk sold (hd)	23,844.5	4,231.96	23,494.1	4,150.66	26,031.5	4,749.25
Dairy Calves sold (hd)	0.3	140.90	0.4	162.53	0.3	137.85
Transferred out (hd)	0.6	47.26	0.6	34.97	0.6	68.23
Cull sales (hd)	0.3	355.40	0.3	347.93	0.3	398.13
Other income		49.68		44.02		45.53
Purchased (hd)	0.0	-26.73	0.0	-17.61	0.0	-8.83
Transferred in (hd)	0.4	-88.83	0.4	-30.29	0.4	-176.95
Inventory change (hd)	0.0	48.48	0.0	43.64	0.0	69.09
Dairy repl net cost		-572.12		-645.55		-438.23
Gross margin		4,186.66		4,090.95		4,844.06
<b>Direct Expenses</b>						
Protein Vit Minerals (lb.)	3,453.0	782.64	2,848.8	677.05	4,055.5	833.27
Complete Ration (lb.)	1,592.9	297.32	2,011.0	476.54	1,705.5	188.40
Corn (bu.)	68.2	239.17	63.6	228.38	75.3	260.60
Corn Silage (lb.)	18,876.3	332.46	18,957.7	334.95	20,214.9	363.88
Hay, Alfalfa (lb.)	2,663.3	188.85	2,782.9	196.19	2,400.5	168.34
Haylage, Alfalfa (lb.)	4,080.7	141.27	4,489.3	151.32	4,504.3	152.29
Other feed stuffs (lb)	2,676.6	126.05	1,874.6	81.11	2,807.5	172.29
Breeding fees		53.40		50.17		53.10
Veterinary		109.20		104.02		111.48
BST		49.95		35.71		59.59
Supplies		255.35		230.06		260.11
Fuel & oil		72.39		60.60		81.63
Repairs		156.98		146.85		163.39
Custom hire		61.29		53.99		74.83
Hired labor		221.17		260.75		87.80
Marketing		46.63		51.60		47.55
Bedding		78.58		94.84		80.74
Total direct expenses		3,212.70		3,234.14		3,159.28
Return over direct expense		973.96		856.81		1,684.78
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>						
Hired labor		208.98		111.70		398.94
Building leases		50.19		30.09		62.28
Utilities		71.98		76.41		73.67
Interest		79.86		90.48		72.87
Mach & bldg depreciation		170.63		167.22		223.18
Miscellaneous		102.85		104.16		103.59
Total overhead expenses		684.48		580.06		934.52
Total dir & ovhd expenses		3,897.18		3,814.20		4,093.80
Net return		289.48		276.74		750.26
Labor & management charge		215.66		208.85		253.44
Net return over lbr & mgt		73.82		67.90		496.82
<b>Cost of Production Per Cwt. Of Milk</b>						
Total direct expense per unit		13.37		13.64		12.07
Total dir & ovhd expense per unit		16.22		16.09		15.64
With other revenue adjustments		16.52		16.46		15.37
With labor and management		17.42		17.34		16.34
Est. labor hours per unit		41.26		39.58		41.30
<b>Other Information</b>						
Number of cows		189.6		163.7		258.4
Milk produced per cow		24,034		23,703		26,173
Total milk sold		4,521,665		3,847,052		6,726,171
Lb. of milk sold per FTE		1,618,202		1,661,967		1,764,852
Culling percentage		30.5		29.3		33.3
Turnover rate		37.5		36.7		39.1
Cow death loss percent		6.5		6.8		5.6
Percent of barn capacity		111.2		110.5		112.7
Feed cost per day		5.77		5.88		5.86
Feed cost per cwt. of milk		8.77		9.05		8.17
Feed cost per cow		2,107.76		2,145.55		2,139.07
Avg. milk price per cwt.		17.75		17.67		18.24
Milk price / feed margin		8.98		8.62		10.07

**Livestock Enterprise Analysis**  
**Area Farm Business Management Data**  
**(Farms Sorted By Return to Overhead)**

**Dairy Replacement Heifers -- Average Per Head**

	<u>Avg. Of All Farms</u>		<u>40 - 60%</u>		<u>High 20%</u>	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Replacements sold (hd)	0.1	58.26	0.1	54.27	0.1	67.70
Transferred out (hd)	0.5	641.49	0.4	628.64	0.4	764.72
Cull sales (hd)	0.0	5.81	0.0	3.69	0.0	11.68
Other income		1.39		0.68		2.52
Purchased (hd)	0.0	-28.66	0.0	-0.17	0.0	-46.47
Transferred in (hd)	0.6	-160.59	0.6	-138.03	0.6	-155.25
Inventory change (hd)	0.0	24.94	0.0	1.35	0.1	87.43
Gross margin		542.63		550.43		732.34
<b>Direct Expenses</b>						
Protein Vit Minerals (lb.)	504.3	72.74	302.3	73.03	227.9	49.39
Milk Replacer (lb.)	10.6	13.55	15.4	16.54	9.6	11.63
Milk (lb.)	135.3	20.66	173.7	21.76	189.9	34.20
Complete Ration (lb.)	326.7	62.02	282.2	52.28	522.5	73.07
Corn (bu.)	5.0	17.23	3.0	10.53	5.2	18.75
Corn Silage (lb.)	4,295.6	73.97	4,191.6	73.75	2,808.1	47.74
Hay, Alfalfa (lb.)	810.0	52.26	897.8	60.41	596.9	38.07
Hay, Grass (lb.)	668.7	29.22	656.9	27.39	516.3	22.04
Haylage, Alfalfa (lb.)	1,034.6	32.55	2,014.0	61.14	586.8	20.18
DDGS, wet (lb.)	363.0	16.64	1,308.3	62.71	228.3	7.07
Other feed stuffs (lb)	1,039.7	28.76	1,104.6	31.58	1,504.3	25.68
Breeding fees		16.23		15.12		14.48
Veterinary		16.87		11.77		17.34
Supplies		20.20		15.94		16.70
Contract production exp.		108.47		65.27		32.15
Fuel & oil		12.42		11.13		12.10
Repairs		26.69		20.08		28.87
Hired labor		23.75		26.33		9.34
Bedding		18.47		18.97		14.65
Total direct expenses		662.70		675.76		493.44
Return over direct expense		-120.08		-125.33		238.89
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>						
Hired labor		35.17		34.36		36.22
Utilities		12.68		10.37		16.70
Interest		13.77		13.98		17.27
Mach & bldg depreciation		27.83		25.77		33.88
Miscellaneous		26.47		23.29		31.33
Total overhead expenses		115.93		107.77		135.40
Total dir & ovhd expenses		778.63		783.53		628.84
Net return		-236.00		-233.10		103.49
Labor & management charge		35.65		29.78		43.58
Net return over lbr & mgt		-271.66		-262.88		59.91
<b>Cost of Production Per Head Per Day</b>						
Total direct expense per unit		2.25		2.21		1.63
Total dir & ovhd expense per unit		2.56		2.51		2.00
With other revenue adjustments		2.56		2.51		2.00
With labor and management		2.66		2.59		2.12
Est. labor hours per unit		7.05		6.43		6.54
<b>Other Information</b>						
No. purchased or trans in		109		121		90
Number sold or trans out		95		106		80
Average number of head		173		211		150
Percentage death loss		7.6		6.7		5.8
Feed cost per average head		419.60		491.14		347.83
Feed cost/head sold/trans		759.94		978.00		650.00
Total cost/head sold/trans		1,759.29		1,883.33		1,443.57
Feed cost per head per day		1.15		1.35		0.95

## Area Averages - Selected Sorts within the Dairy Enterprise

The Area Database includes data from hundreds of dairy farms which provides the opportunity to use special markers on farms to compare different practices. Below is a sample of the sorts which provide a different comparative look at Dairy Data. "Sort - Includes" identifies that types of production practices that are included in each column and "Sort - Excludes" identifies the production practices that are non included in each column.

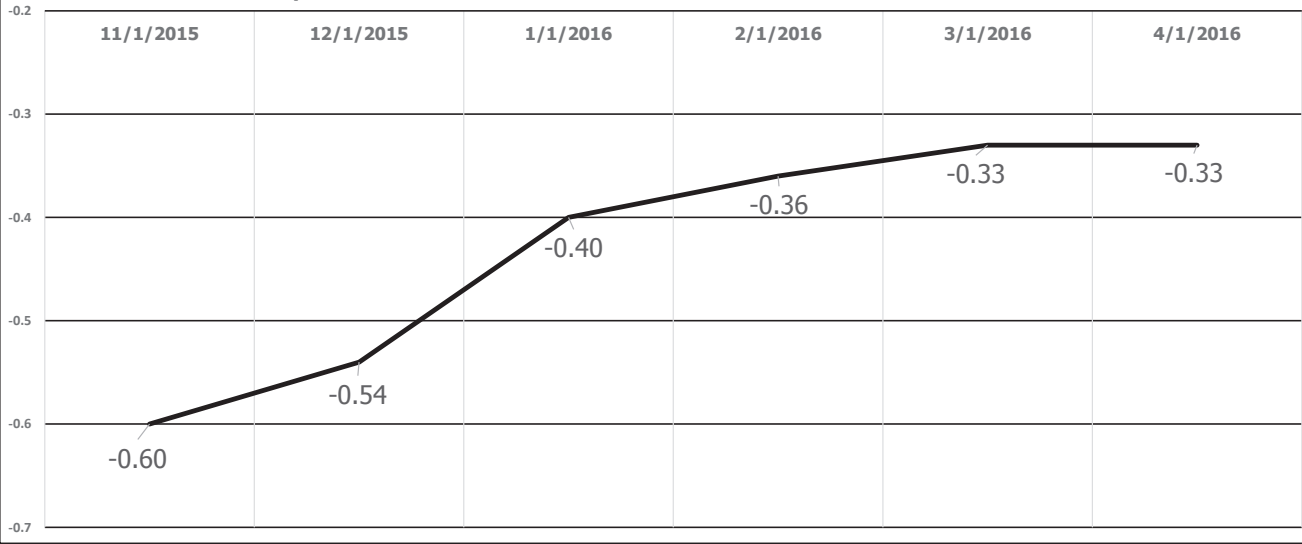
Year	Sort - Includes	All	Robotic Dairy	Non-Robotic Traditional	Non-Robotic 3X Milking	Organic	Dairy Initiatives
	Sort - Excludes	NA	All non-robotic herds	Organic, Org. Transition, 3X Milking, Rot. Grazing, Robotics	Organic, Org. Transition, Rot. Grazing, Robotics, non-3X milk herds	All non-organic herds	All non-Dairy Initiative herds
2014	Number of Cows	180.4	179.6	151.0	558.5	87.7	158.6
	Milk Produced per Cow	23,556	24,742	22,923	26,075	13,041	22,518
	Product/Animals Sold	\$5,716.23	\$5,871.18	\$5,582.60	\$6,229.11	\$3,978.38	\$5,488.87
	Gross Margin	\$5,581.78	\$5,749.94	\$5,423.43	\$6,159.86	\$3,807.30	\$5,368.08
	Feed Cost per Cow	\$2,420.33	\$2,378.86	\$2,369.73	\$2,607.94	\$1,967.27	\$2,308.10
	Veterinary	\$112.47	\$144.85	\$107.21	\$129.98	\$35.24	\$105.77
	BST	\$48.82	\$36.56	\$40.73	\$75.96	\$0.00	\$34.60
	Repairs	\$181.12	\$246.46	\$162.05	\$207.55	\$161.25	\$177.79
	Hired Labor-Dir&Ovhd	\$437.62	\$204.02	\$383.98	\$623.30	\$228.92	\$371.63
	Interest	\$84.90	\$219.92	\$87.43	\$67.78	\$76.46	\$78.48
	Depreciation	\$168.16	\$391.13	\$155.93	\$182.55	\$88.58	\$155.29
	Total Dir & Ovhd Cost	\$4,345.28	\$4,506.81	\$4,194.56	\$4,850.70	\$3,176.84	\$4,098.57
	Net Return	\$1,236.50	\$1,243.13	\$1,228.87	\$1,309.16	\$630.46	\$1,269.51
	Cost of Prod - O&D	\$18.45	\$18.22	\$18.30	\$18.60	\$24.36	\$18.20
	Culling Percentage	30.3	27.8	29.1	33.7	28.9	29.8
	Turnover Rate	37.4	36.1	36.5	40.2	33.6	36.8
	Feed Cost per CWT	\$10.27	\$9.61	\$10.34	\$10.00	\$15.09	\$10.25
Average Milk Price	\$24.43	\$23.98	\$24.48	\$24.10	\$31.25	\$24.56	
2015	Number of Cows	186.3	132.1	165.7	449.9	101.2	158.4
	Milk Produced per Cow	23,840	25,062	23,381	26,355	14,389	22,671
	Milk Sold	\$4,240.55	\$4,139.40	\$4,112.80	\$4,675.56	\$4,797.07	\$4,020.94
	Gross Margin	\$4,195.60	\$4,022.41	\$4,038.99	\$4,732.37	\$4,779.43	\$4,004.49
	Feed Cost per Cow	\$2,103.09	\$2,022.41	\$2,053.46	\$2,316.20	\$1,912.28	\$2,004.56
	Veterinary	\$107.77	\$135.37	\$100.80	\$136.07	\$38.21	\$104.41
	BST	\$48.95	\$14.45	\$45.36	\$69.93	\$0.00	\$35.28
	Repairs	\$157.39	\$197.43	\$146.38	\$191.23	\$174.55	\$153.65
	Hired Labor-Dir&Ovhd	\$426.73	\$118.27	\$381.12	\$629.54	\$268.27	\$353.72
	Interest	\$79.56	\$249.27	\$79.88	\$66.11	\$66.46	\$75.39
	Depreciation	\$169.84	\$367.94	\$153.22	\$213.74	\$134.96	\$147.00
	Total Dir & Ovhd Cost	\$3,884.50	\$4,046.10	\$3,741.06	\$4,446.00	\$3,327.62	\$3,625.08
	Net Return	\$311.11	-\$23.69	\$297.93	\$286.37	\$1,451.81	\$379.40
	Cost of Prod - O&D	\$16.29	\$16.14	\$16.00	\$16.87	\$23.13	\$15.99
	Culling Percentage	30.3	25.5	30.2	32.4	20.8	29.3
	Turnover Rate	37.2	31.6	37.5	38.2	25.6	36.0
	Feed Cost per CWT	\$8.82	\$8.07	\$8.78	\$8.79	\$13.29	\$8.84
Average Milk Price	\$17.93	\$16.64	\$17.69	\$18.01	\$34.47	\$17.93	

**Livestock Enterprise Analysis  
(Farms Sorted By Years)**

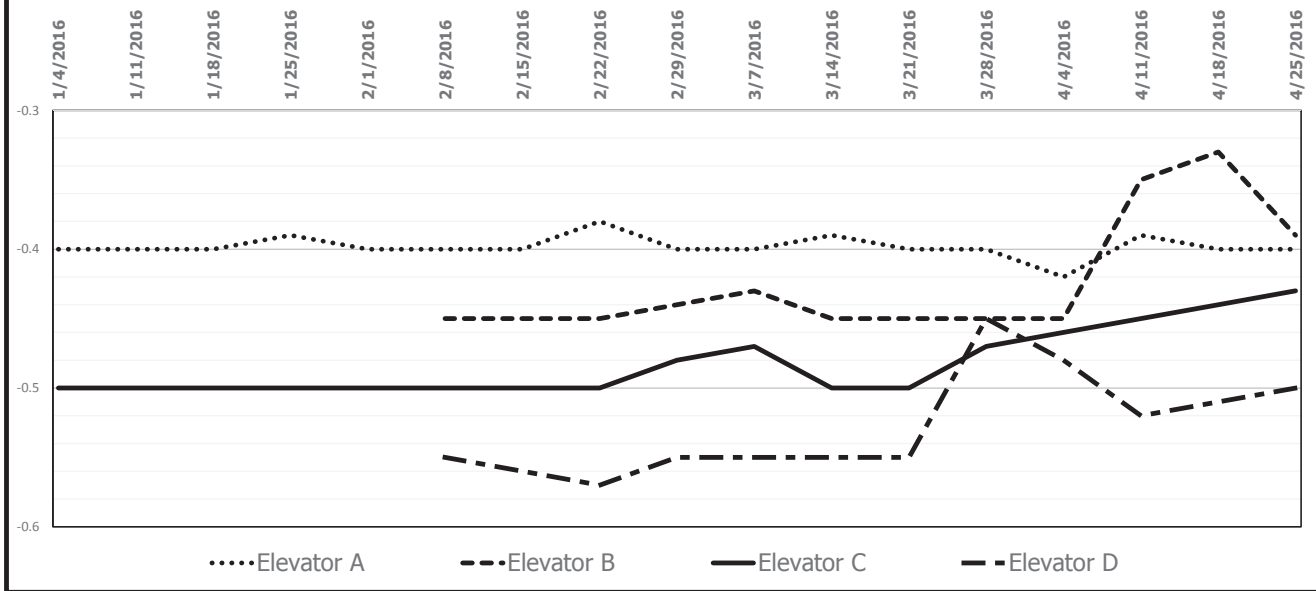
**Dairy -- Average Per Cow**

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Number of farms	67	64	64	64	59
Milk sold	4,521.15	4,528.96	4,603.66	5,839.72	4,244.99
Dairy Calves sold	37.86	47.08	39.81	75.76	126.69
Transferred out	50.58	38.56	54.56	68.92	84.33
Cull sales	210.02	259.29	254.11	332.88	344.36
Other income	10.62	130.73	97.63	50.02	65.02
Purchased	-44.52	-34.86	-46.99	-15.09	-24.26
Transferred in	-65.08	-71.35	-100.24	-137.91	-113.35
Inventory change	56.06	46.87	65.18	82.01	50.11
Dairy repl net cost	-506.80	-538.18	-559.82	-579.49	-555.49
Gross margin	4,269.87	4,407.09	4,407.90	5,717.17	4,224.13
<b>Direct Expenses</b>					
Protein Vit Minerals	561.62	709.22	830.03	937.90	741.81
Complete Ration	456.50	439.87	340.39	391.28	418.12
Corn	273.01	354.35	316.13	257.89	232.13
Corn Silage	294.22	378.99	377.61	347.35	322.40
Hay, Alfalfa	142.14	210.06	257.38	222.77	162.21
Haylage, Alfalfa	157.25	176.44	172.46	183.37	164.81
Other feed stuffs	101.48	122.54	139.70	120.90	163.58
Breeding fees	48.32	47.69	45.51	54.94	52.63
Veterinary	124.92	111.17	116.99	127.78	125.32
BST	37.05	43.67	42.64	51.73	54.58
Supplies	233.38	213.81	215.79	231.46	201.70
Fuel & oil	101.28	99.51	108.53	115.49	72.41
Repairs	137.72	147.79	147.50	193.15	157.29
Custom hire	53.09	53.41	54.80	66.25	56.38
Hired labor	273.72	270.59	232.76	293.10	248.99
Utilities	44.31	31.71	26.97	32.39	33.70
Marketing	49.06	50.76	49.52	46.90	47.97
Bedding	74.48	67.83	70.99	98.92	88.56
Total direct expenses	3,163.55	3,529.39	3,545.71	3,773.56	3,344.59
Return over direct expense	1,106.32	877.70	862.20	1,943.61	879.53
<b>Overhead Expenses</b>					
Hired labor	183.42	152.46	207.61	201.34	231.82
Building leases	56.11	54.46	35.17	64.85	51.18
Farm insurance	38.96	47.35	44.86	51.21	50.79
Utilities	44.91	52.39	63.37	69.80	62.90
Interest	99.27	108.49	109.80	102.00	94.44
Mach & bldg depreciation	129.82	148.24	152.55	185.76	167.49
Miscellaneous	61.02	68.32	65.79	69.57	54.05
Total overhead expenses	613.50	631.71	679.16	744.54	712.67
Total dir & ovhd expenses	3,777.05	4,161.10	4,224.86	4,518.10	4,057.26
Net return	492.82	245.99	183.04	1,199.07	166.87
Labor & management charge	165.07	163.84	169.59	189.13	179.14
Net return over lbr & mgt	327.75	82.16	13.45	1,009.94	-12.27
<b>Cost of Production Per Cwt. Of Milk</b>					
Total direct expense per unit	13.71	15.05	15.40	15.73	13.81
Total dir& ovhd expense per unit	16.37	17.75	18.35	18.84	16.75
With other revenue adjustments	17.58	18.39	19.34	19.53	17.02
With labor and management	18.29	19.09	20.08	20.31	17.76
Est. labor hours per unit	42.07	40.15	35.56	40.02	40.68
<b>Other Information</b>					
Number of cows	299.5	315.1	308.1	311.9	311.7
Milk produced per cow	23,071	23,444	23,027	23,983	24,220
Total milk sold	6,856,363	7,330,860	7,037,071	7,402,904	7,450,758
Pounds of milk sold per FTE	1,523,379	1,622,654	1,798,159	1,660,790	1,645,437
Culling percentage	27.1	30.0	27.8	28.1	30.1
Turnover rate	35.2	36.9	36.4	35.9	37.6
Cow death loss percent	7.9	6.7	8.1	7.1	7.0
Percent of barn capacity	112.0	118.0	116.7	115.7	118.1
Feed cost per day	5.44	6.55	6.67	6.74	6.04
Feed cost per cwt of milk	8.61	10.20	10.57	10.26	9.10
Feed cost per cow	1,986.22	2,391.46	2,433.70	2,461.45	2,205.05
Avg. milk price per cwt.	19.75	19.46	20.16	24.60	17.76

### Spot Corn Basis Bid Trend - Chart A



### New Crop Corn Basis Bid Trend - Chart B



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## PART I – Financial Statements

**NOTE: For the multiple choice questions, circle the letter in front of the BEST answer. Each correct multiple choice answer is 1 point. Correct calculated answers are 2 points. For calculated numbers round to the nearest dollar or nearest percent.**

1. The balance sheet represents the financial position of ABC Organic Farm
  - A. for the accounting period.
  - B. for the tax year.
  - C. after deferred income taxes are paid.
  - D. on the date of the balance sheet.
  
2. One example of an account receivable for ABC Farm would be
  - A. an unpaid fertilizer bill.
  - B. interest that will be paid when the business makes its next loan payment.
  - C. the unpaid amount for custom work that has been completed for you.
  - D. the amount paid for completed custom work.
  
3. Noncurrent assets are sometimes referred to as
  - A. intermediate and long-term assets.
  - B. inventory assets.
  - C. assets that will be sold during the next accounting period.
  - D. assets such as cash, marketable securities, accounts and notes receivable.
  
4. Net worth or owner equity refers to the difference between
  - A. total assets and total liabilities.
  - B. total revenue and total expenses.
  - C. total cash income and total cash expenses.
  - D. beginning net worth or owner equity and ending net worth or owner equity.
  
5. On a balance sheet, using market values for intermediate and long-term assets, the sources of owner equity (net worth) will include which of the following?
  - A. Contributed capital.
  - B. Retained earnings.
  - C. Valuation equity.
  - D. A and B.
  - E. A, B, and C.

6. A nine-year loan has a principal balance of \$61,574, an annual principal and interest payment of \$8,400 due on July 1, and an interest rate of 3% annually. What is the amount of accrued interest for this loan on the 1/1/2016 balance sheet?
- A. \$1,847.22
  - B. \$252.12
  - C. \$931.20
  - D. \$1,049.33
7. What was the change in working capital for the 2015 accounting period?
- A. - \$510,599
  - B. - \$40,786
  - C. \$1,087,559
  - D. \$536,174
  - E. - \$514,224
8. Which of the following items contributed to a positive change in the 2015 owner equity? (There may be more than one correct answer.)
- A. Net farm income
  - B. Personal income
  - C. Income taxes
  - D. Change in the market value of capital assets
9. On the balance sheet, total assets must equal
- A. total liabilities.
  - B. total assets minus total liabilities.
  - C. total assets minus net worth.
  - D. total liabilities plus net worth.
10. When comparing cost and market balance sheets, market valuation is best described as
- A. market value of intermediate and long-term assets minus cost value of intermediate and long-term assets.
  - B. market value of intermediate and long-term assets minus intermediate and long-term liabilities on a cost basis.
  - C. market value of 2015 intermediate and long-term assets minus cost value of 2016 intermediate and long-term assets.
  - D. value of 2016 intermediate and long-term liabilities minus cost value of 2015 intermediate and long-term liabilities.

11. The principal due within 12 months on term liabilities represents
- A. the amount of principal the business plans to pay on its operating loan during the next accounting period.
  - B. the amount of principal that must be paid on intermediate and long-term liabilities during the next accounting period.
  - C. the amount of new borrowing on the operating loan.
  - D. the amount of interest that will be due on intermediate and long-term liabilities during the next accounting period.
12. Gross cash income includes all of the following except
- A. sales of organic grain.
  - B. milk sales.
  - C. cull breeding livestock.
  - D. an increase in inventory value.
13. The total inventory change found on the accrual adjusted income statement for ABC Organic Farm indicates that cash accounting
- A. understates the true net farm income.
  - B. accurately reports the true net farm income.
  - C. overstates the true net farm income.
14. On the ABC Organic Farm income statement (R6), depreciation is calculated using
- A. Machinery purchases and sales.
  - B. The cost value of machinery assets from the balance sheet.
  - C. The market value of machinery assets from the balance sheet.
  - D. A and B.
  - E. A and C.
15. The net farm income reported for ABC Organic Farm on the income statement represents the return to
- A. owner equity, unpaid labor and management.
  - B. owner equity, unpaid labor and borrowed capital.
  - C. owner equity, unpaid labor and family living.
  - D. farm assets and unpaid labor.
16. Cash items on the income statement could represent which of the following?
- A. Revenues from crops produced in 2014.
  - B. Expenses for items that will be used for crop production in 2016.
  - C. Revenue for crops produced in 2015.
  - D. All the above.

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17. The return to unpaid labor, management and equity for ABC Organic Farm is
- A. \$285,908
  - B. \$771,660
  - C. \$89,131
18. The change in the size of the production loan for 2015
- A. increased accrual adjusted revenue for ABC Organic Farm.
  - B. decreased accrual adjusted revenue for ABC Organic Farm.
  - C. did not change accrual adjusted revenues for ABC Organic Farm.
19. The 2015 Statement of Cash Flows, page R7 of the resource information, indicates operating activities provided \$ \_\_\_\_\_ of cash in 2015.
20. ABC Organic Farm's Statement of Cash Flows, page R7 of the resource information, indicates the calculated cash balance (farm and personal) would be
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_
21. In 2015, how much cash was used by ABC Organic Farm for business capital investments?
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_
22. The primary purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows is to indicate
- A. the sources and uses of cash.
  - B. the sources and uses of revenue.
  - C. if there will be future cash flow problems.
  - D. if there is sufficient loan repayment capacity.
23. In the 2015 Statement of Owner's Equity, Page R7, net farm income is reported to be \$89,131. Family living expense and income taxes accrued are reported to be \$95,106. If the change in retained earnings is limited to just these two items, retained earnings will
- A. remain unchanged.
  - B. increase by \$5,975.
  - C. decrease by \$5,975.

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24. The Statement of Owner's Equity can be used for which of the following?

- A. Explaining the change in owner equity for the accounting period.
- B. Explaining the change in the amount of cash for an accounting period.
- C. Explaining the per unit cost of production for the accounting period.
- D. All of the above.

25. The projected cash flows for 2016 indicate

- A. barley will be added to the crop mix.
- B. milk sales will increase about 10%.
- C. cull breeding stock sales decrease.
- D. B and C
- E. A, B, and C

End of Part I – Financial Statements

Total Possible Points 30

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## Part II – Budgeting

**For the multiple choice questions, circle the letter in front of the BEST answer. Make all calculations to the nearest cent or hundredth (0.00). Correct answers are 1 point each.**

1. An enterprise budget is
  - A. a physical and financial plan for the entire farm business for a specified period of time.
  - B. a record of past production performance.
  - C. the tool used in analyzing only changes in the farm operation and the potential change in net income.
  - D. a statement of projected costs and returns associated with one production process, usually for one production cycle.
  
2. If you are considering a change in the farm business that affects only a few items in the total farm budget, this change could most appropriately be evaluated using
  - A. an enterprise budget.
  - B. a partial budget.
  - C. a cash flow budget.
  - D. a total farm budget
  
3. When an increase in the level of production of one enterprise causes a reduction in the level of production of another enterprise, these two enterprises are said to be
  - A. independent.
  - B. complimentary.
  - C. competitive.
  - D. supplementary.
  
4. If the farm business farms more acres, which of the following costs are least likely to change?
  - A. Average fixed costs per acre
  - B. Total variable costs
  - C. Average variable costs per acre
  - D. Average total costs per acre
  
5. Budgets are constructed to show future actions. To improve the accuracy of a budget, the operator may use
  - A. historical data.
  - B. forward contract pricing.
  - C. more than one source for estimated data.
  - D. All of the above.

6. Budgeting is not used to
  - A. estimate the amount of credit needed.
  - B. help plan for the useful life of assets.
  - C. allow for experimentation with possible outcomes before resources are committed.
  - D. All of the above.
  
7. In analyzing the enterprise report for the 40-acre organic alfalfa haylage (R9), which factor, when compared to the area average (R22), is most responsible for the negative return?
  - A. Yield per acre
  - B. Value per unit
  - C. Direct expenses per acre
  - D. Net return over labor and management.

Use the enterprise report for organic corn under irrigation (R8) to answer questions 8 through 15.

8. What is the yield for the corn? (Bushels per acre) \_\_\_\_\_
9. What are the total direct expenses per acre? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
10. How much operating interest was paid per acre? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
11. What is the expected return per acre above direct expenses? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
12. What is a breakeven yield to cover direct expenses? \_\_\_\_\_ bushels per acre
13. If the sale value per unit (bushel) drops to \$6.00, what would the breakeven yield be?  
\_\_\_\_\_ bushels per acre
14. What is the breakeven price per bushel for this corn enterprise to cover total direct and overhead expenses? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
15. What is the net return over direct and overhead expenses? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In analyzing their replacement heifer enterprise records, ABC Organic Farm wonders if it would be better to have the replacement heifers raised in a dairy heifer feedlot. They have found one that would provide everything included in the direct operating expenses and still allow them to maintain their organic certification. The total daily feedlot charge for a year would be \$821.25 for organic dairy heifers. It would take another one-time fee of \$25 per head to transport the heifers. Since there will be no change in returns, they are interested in determining if these costs would be less than their direct operating costs of \$796.10 per head to justify the change. Please fill out and use the partial budget to answer the questions that follow.

**Make all calculations to the nearest cent or hundredth (0.00). Correct answers are 1 point each.**

Column One	Column Two
16. Additional Costs	17. Additional Returns
18. Reduced Returns	19. Reduced Costs
20. Total AC + RR =	21. Total AR + RC =
22. Net Change (Line 21 minus line 20)	

23. Should ABC Organic Farm send their heifers to the feedlot?

- A. Yes
- B. No



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24. The enterprise records for the replacement heifers show that they are operating at a loss. What might be the cause of this loss?
- A. Undervaluing the replacements going back into the herd
  - B. Undervaluing the cost of homegrown feed
  - C. Overvaluing the cost of homegrown feed
  - D. Both A and C

End of Part II – Budgeting

Total Possible Points 24

POINTS EARNED PART II \_\_\_\_\_

## Part III – Cash Flow Planning

**NOTE: For the multiple choice questions, circle the BEST answer. Each correct answer is 1 point. For calculated numbers round to the nearest dollar or nearest tenth of a percent (xx.x%).**

1. Which of the following statements is not a true statement about Cash Flow Projections?
  - A. They include both known and unknown amounts of income and expense.
  - B. The actual results for the year may be better or worse than the projected.
  - C. Although the statement is often requested by a lender, it is of equal or more importance to the producer.
  - D. Adequate “cash flow” assures a positive “projected net farm income”.
  - E. They show whether cash from all sources will be adequate to meet the cash needs during the year.

For questions 2 through 14, use Pages R16-17 in the resource information.

2. Which month is expected to have the most dollars from sales flowing into the farm? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Before any Capital Purchases are made, or Term Loan Payments are paid, which month has the largest demand for cash? \_\_\_\_\_
4. In which month is the JD 8230 tractor loan payment due? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Which month has the largest amount of term loan payments due? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Milk represents \_\_\_\_\_% of total cash operating inflow.
7. Labor represents what percentage of total operating outflow? \_\_\_\_\_%
8. How many dollars are projected to cover family living needs and income tax payments combined?  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_
9. What is the largest single category of projected operating expenses? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What is the projected ending cash balance for ABC Organic Farm in 2016?  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_
11. Is the projected cash flow positive or negative? \_\_\_\_\_

12. What is the projected Net Farm Income in 2016 for ABC Organic Farm?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

13. Which of the following is not a true statement concerning the ABC Organic Farm's proposed 2016 operating loan?

- A. Cash is used before borrowing on the operating loan.
- B. The operating loan borrowing in July includes the amount needed to trade bean heads.
- C. Based on the projected ending operating loan balance, it does not appear to create a cash flow problem to include an equipment purchase in the operating loan borrowings.
- D. The peak operating loan balance is affected by the timing of crop sales.
- E. Since the projected ending cash balance is much greater than the beginning cash balance, an operating loan should not have been necessary.

14. What is the largest total annual term debt payment that ABC Organic Farm is repaying monthly?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

For questions 15 through 26, use Page R15 in the resource information.

15. The summary page of ABC Organic Farm's 2016 Cash Flow Statement calculates some key liquidity and solvency measurements and ratios for the end of the projected year, and compares them to the beginning of the year. Which of the following is a true statement?

- A. The Ending Current Ratio is projected to be dangerously high.
- B. Both Liquidity and Solvency are projected to improve in 2016.
- C. Liquidity is projected to improve in 2016, but Solvency will weaken.
- D. The Debt to Equity ratio projects a dangerous trend.
- E. Solvency is projected to improve in 2016, but Liquidity will weaken.

16. What is the anticipated change in ABC Organic Farm's 2016 earned net worth? (If negative, show a negative sign.)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

17. Which of the following is a true statement concerning projected "Term Debt Coverage Ratio"?

- A. All of the profit is available to service debt.
- B. Depreciation is added to net farm income because it is a fictitious number anyway.
- C. Interest on term debt is added to net farm income because it is not really important.
- D. It is the relationship of payments due and dollars available to make them.
- E. All of the above.

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18. Efficiency ratios show the distribution of gross revenue and always totals \_\_\_\_\_ %.
19. What is the projected operating expense ratio? \_\_\_\_\_%
20. What is the projected net farm income ratio? \_\_\_\_\_%
21. At the beginning of the year, what was the operating loan balance?  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_
22. Both the lender and the farmer need to know the maximum size of the annual operating loan. Based on the projections, the operating loan balance will peak at  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_.
23. The Total Operating Inflow is \$2,730,021. What percent of these dollars are used for principal and interest payments on intermediate and long-term loans? \_\_\_\_\_%
24. What is the projected interest expense ratio? \_\_\_\_\_%
25. Based on the projections, what is the term debt coverage ratio (farm)? (List to the nearest hundredths.) \_\_\_\_\_
26. If operating expenses all increased by 10%, what would be the anticipated term debt coverage ratio? (List to the nearest hundredths.) \_\_\_\_\_

One of the many values of cash flow planning is to compare the plan for the year with what actually happened financially with the business during that same year. Review the 2015 Planned vs. 2015 Actual Income Statement, found on page R13 in the Resource Information, to answer questions 27 through 29.

27. Was the planned gross cash farm income more or less than the actual gross cash farm income? \_\_\_\_\_
28. Which income item had the most impact on increasing the actual farm income? \_\_\_\_\_
29. The actual gross cash farm income exceeded the planned gross cash farm income by what percentage? \_\_\_\_\_%

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Another value of cash flow planning is the fact that a projected balance sheet is available for the producer and lender to review. The projected balance sheet is based on the balance sheet at the beginning of the year and adjusted by the numbers in the cash flow plan. Review the 1/1/2017 Projected Balance Sheet on page R18 and the 2016 Cash Flow Plan on pages R16 and R17 in the Resource Information to answer questions 30 through 33.

30. What line item of the cash flow plan represents the “Cash and Checking” item on the 1/1/17 Projected Balance Sheet?  
\_\_\_\_\_

31. Not including the Cash and Checking, which asset is projected to increase in value on the projected balance sheet?  
\_\_\_\_\_

32. Which loan on the projected balance sheet is projected to have the largest pay down during the year?  
\_\_\_\_\_

33. Is the projected Total Debt to Asset Ratio on 1/1/17 better or worse than the actual 1/1/16 Total Debt to Asset Ratio?

- A. Better
- B. Worse

End of Part III – Cash Flow Planning

Total Possible Points 33

POINTS EARNED PART III \_\_\_\_\_

## Part IV - Marketing

**Circle the letter in front of the correct multiple choice answer and follow the directions for the other questions. Correct answers are 1 point each.**

1. What is the source of economic incentives that can stimulate production?
  - A. Demand
  - B. Supply
  - C. Price
  - D. Cost
  
2. The best reason for producers to use technology is to
  - A. maximize profits.
  - B. stay ahead of the neighbor.
  - C. produce as much as possible.
  - D. not be left behind.
  
3. In modern production agriculture it is important to remember that the producer is
  - A. first in line.
  - B. a price taker.
  - C. always correct.
  - D. market seeking.
  
4. If more farmers start to produce organic milk to the point of oversupply, the result is
  - A. a higher price.
  - B. a lower price.
  - C. no change in price.
  - D. decreased demand.
  
5. A demand curve shows the relationship between quantity purchased and
  - A. quality.
  - B. cost.
  - C. income.
  - D. price.
  
6. The ABC Organic Farm's milk price, compared to non-organic area milk price, is
  - A. higher.
  - B. lower.
  - C. the same.

7. Based on ABC Organic Farm's 2015 Analysis, the price of milk could drop by how many dollars per cwt. before they would lose money if labor and management charges are included?
- A. \$11.30
  - B. \$11.96
  - C. \$22.85
  - D. \$34.15
8. When the market price falls below the cost of production of a commodity, this lower price may force the producer to
- A. produce more of that product.
  - B. produce some other product.
  - C. reduce the cost of production.
  - D. B and C

**For Questions 9 and 10, see Bid Trends A and B on Resource Page R34**

9. Based on the spot bid for corn on Trend Chart A, farmers could have made how much per bushel if they were able to store their corn until January at Elevator A?
- A. 5 cents
  - B. 10 cents
  - C. 15 cents
  - D. 20 cents
10. Based on Trend Chart B and given the four sites with new crop corn bids, which offered the best basis contract?
- A. Elevator A.
  - B. Elevator B.
  - C. Elevator C.
  - D. Elevator D.
11. In the short run what prompts most of the price variability in commodities?
- A. Location
  - B. Demand
  - C. Supply
  - D. Quality
12. When a producer forward contracts his corn but later is concerned that a possible drought may cause the price to go much higher, what could he do to be able to take part in the possible price rally?
- A. Purchase a put option
  - B. Sell a put option
  - C. Purchase a call option
  - D. Sell a call option

13. The price that the producer in question #12 acts on is called the
- A. Selling price
  - B. Buying price
  - C. Breakeven price
  - D. Strike price
14. The person who makes transactions for farmers hedging is
- A. an accountant.
  - B. a broker.
  - C. a banker.
  - D. a commissioner.
15. How many bushels are in a corn futures contract?
- A. 1000
  - B. 3000
  - C. 5000
  - D. 7000
16. An upward trend in market prices is referred to as a
- A. bear market.
  - B. bull market.
  - C. boar market.
  - D. buck market.
17. A downward trend in market prices is referred to as a
- A. bear market.
  - B. bull market.
  - C. boar market.
  - D. buck market.
18. The money on deposit to ensure performance of a futures contract is called
- A. basis.
  - B. commission.
  - C. margin.
  - D. premium.
19. If ABC Organic Farm wanted to lock in the price that they would have to pay for soybean meal, they could
- A. sell a put option.
  - B. buy a put option.
  - C. sell a call option.
  - D. buy a call option.



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20. When taking a position in which one has purchased futures contracts, the producer is said to be
- A. short.
  - B. long.
  - C. supply side.
  - D. demand side.
21. Ag exports generally have what effect on price?
- A. No change
  - B. Increase
  - C. Decrease
22. Ag commodities that trade on the futures market have daily limit moves.
- A. True
  - B. False
23. The marketing time frame for most grains is
- A. Six months
  - B. Twelve months
  - C. Eighteen months
  - D. Twenty-four months

End of Part IV – Marketing

Total Possible Points 23

POINTS EARNED PART IV \_\_\_\_\_

## Part V - Income Taxes

**Circle the letter in front of the correct multiple choice answer. Fill in the blank for both matching and completion questions. Correct answers are 1 point each.**

Taxes are complicated and numerous tax forms are used when filing a tax return with the IRS. Match the 2016 business item with the correct corresponding tax form.

Answers can be used more than once.

- |       |  |               |
|-------|--|---------------|
| _____ | 1. Amount spent on fertilizer                            | A. Schedule A |
| _____ | 2. Deductions detailed for depreciation and amortization | B. Schedule B |
| _____ | 3. Interest received from the bank                       | C. Schedule C |
| _____ | 4. Sale of raised cows                                   | D. Schedule D |
| _____ | 5. Sale of purchased market cattle                       | E. Schedule E |
|       |  | F. Schedule F |
|       |  | G. Form 4797  |
|       |  | H. Form 4562  |

6. Which of the following expenses should not be claimed as a deduction on a cash basis farmer's 2016 tax return?
- A. Fertilizer purchased 11/25/16 for the 2017 crop
  - B. An old repair bill that was paid 2/19/16, but the work was completed on 8/19/15
  - C. Feeder pigs purchased 11/20/16 that will be sold in 2017
  - D. Fuel bill paid 10/1/16 for the 2016 crop, if none of the crop is sold in 2016

On June 12, 2016, a farmer purchased a two-year old tractor from a local dealer that his neighbor had previously owned. He paid \$86,800 plus his old tractor that was fully depreciated. He had read that the Special Depreciation Allowance (50% Bonus Depreciation) and Section 179 Deduction would be available for use in certain circumstances for this year, but did not fully understand the details of them, and would rely on the knowledge of his tax professional for guidance. Since he was using his own funds for the purchase and had not made any other major purchases, he was interested in taking as much depreciation this year as allowed. Use this information to answer questions 7 – 9.

7. What is the maximum amount of 50% Bonus Depreciation he could take on this tractor if he did not take any Section 179 Deduction?
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_
8. What is the maximum amount of Section 179 Deduction he could take on this tractor if he did not take any 50% Bonus Depreciation?
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_
9. If he did not take any 50% Bonus Depreciation or Section 179 Deduction this year, and used Straight Line MACRS depreciation on the tractor, what would be his depreciation deduction in the year 2018?
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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When considering types of business entities for a farm, income tax management should be a consideration. Match the Farm Business Ownership type (A thru E) with the following statements (as used here, the word “owner” could refer to “shareholder”, “member”, “owner”, “partner”, etc.). Use each answer only once.

- A. Sole Proprietorship
- B. Partnership
- C. C Corporation
- D. S Corporation
- E. LLC (Limited Liability Company)

- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Undistributed earnings are taxed when earned, and then are taxed a second time when distributed to the owner(s).
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. Earnings are taxed as personal income to the owner and are subject to Federal Income Tax and Self-Employment Tax.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Unless the decision is made to be taxed as a corporation, it will be taxed as a partnership.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Earnings are distributed to the owners and are subject to Federal Income Tax and Self-Employment Tax.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. Earnings are distributed to owner(s) and are subject to Federal Income Tax but to Self-Employment Tax.

A farm business purchased (no trade-in involved) a tractor several years ago for \$140,000. Since that time they have taken \$110,000 of depreciation (including this year's) on the tractor. Over time, they have used the tractor for their farm operation and have used approximately \$17,000 of fuel. Smaller repairs and maintenance costs totaled \$6,000. However, they did have to do a major engine overhaul of \$23,800 a few years back and were told they had to depreciate that expense. Since that time they have taken \$11,900 of depreciation (including this year's) on the overhaul. In 2016, they sold the tractor to a neighbor (not related) for \$82,000. Using this information, calculate the correct answers to questions 15 – 20.

- 15. What was the original basis of the tractor? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. What was the adjusted basis of the tractor at the time of sale? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. How much of the tractor sale is subject to Federal Income Tax? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 18. How much of the tractor sale is taxed at the Capital Gain Rate? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 19. How much of the taxable gain is Recapture of Depreciation? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 20. How much of the taxable gain is subject to Self-Employment Tax? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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21. If you are self-employed, your gross income from self-employment is taken times 92.35% (to be fair with wage earners). This adjusted figure is then taken times \_\_\_\_\_% to calculate your Self-Employment Tax.
22. Presuming that a farm employee earns in excess of \$150, the employer is required to withhold \_\_\_\_\_% from the wages for FICA tax.
23. After year-end, the employer is required to give or send a Form \_\_\_\_\_ to each employee.
24. Presuming that an independent contractor earns in excess of \$600, the farmer is required to withhold \_\_\_\_\_% from the wages for FICA tax.
25. After year-end, the farmer is required to give or send a Form \_\_\_\_\_ to each independent contractor earning over \$600.

Although not always perfectly clear, the determination of whether someone is hired as an employee versus an independent contractor has evolved based on the circumstances of the arrangement. With the circumstances stated below, indicate whether they tend to be characteristics of:

- A. An Employee
- B. An Independent Contractor

- \_\_\_\_\_ 26. The worker advertises his services and expertise to the public.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 27. The farmer furnishes the equipment for the worker to use.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 28. The farmer instructs how the work is to be done, and supervises the process.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 29. The worker furnishes his own workers compensation insurance.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 30. The farmer tells the worker when to arrive in the morning.

End of Part V – Income Tax

Total Possible Points 30

POINTS EARNED PART V \_\_\_\_\_

## Part VI - Investment Analysis

**Correct answers are 2 points each.**

ABC Organic Farm wants to buy a small 2016 John Deere 1025R tractor. They want this tractor with a loader and blade to clean out the small pens in their calf nursery and calving barn. The dealer will provide them a six-year loan with an interest rate of 0%. The price of the tractor is \$18,000 complete. The payments are due in annual installments. Because they are such good customers, the dealer allowed zero percent down and will carry the note in-house.

Complete the table below. Round numbers to the nearest whole dollar.

Year	Annual Payment	Interest	Principal	Balance
0				\$18,000
1	\$3,000	0		\$15,000
2	\$3,000	0		\$12,000
3		0		
4	\$3,000	0		\$6,000
5	\$3,000	0		\$3,000
6	\$3,000	0		

1. The accumulated interest will actually be equal to one payment?
  - A. True
  - B. False
  
2. The annual payment will vary year to year.
  - A. True
  - B. False
  
3. What is the beginning balance?
  - A. \$12,100
  - B. \$25,000
  - C. \$40,000
  - D. \$18,000

4. What will the balance be after the final payment is made?
  - A. \$17,500
  - B. \$6,000
  - C. \$0
  - D. \$3,000
  
5. What is the annual payment in year 3?
  - A. \$11,050
  - B. \$3,000
  - C. \$2,563
  - D. \$1,700
  
6. The balance on the loan after the third year payment will be
  - A. \$1,000.
  - B. \$4,000.
  - C. \$8,000.
  - D. \$9,000.
  
7. The principal amount in each of the payments on this note will always be the same.
  - A. True
  - B. False
  
8. What is principal?
  - A. The actual amount of money borrowed from the lender.
  - B. The total amount of money you pay to the lender.
  - C. The present value of the money paid to the lender.
  - D. The amount of money left over.
  
9. What is loan amortization?
  - A. The ability to get a loan from the bank.
  - B. Paying off debt with a varying repayment schedule.
  - C. Paying off debt with a fixed repayment schedule.
  - D. The ability to repay a loan from the bank.
  
10. What would the interest be on the first payment if the interest rate were 7%?
  - A. \$1,900
  - B. \$1,119
  - C. \$1,260
  - D. \$1,050

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11. What is the length of time for the term on a machinery loan?
- A. 5 year property
  - B. 7 year property
  - C. 10 year property
  - D. Can be negotiated with the lender
12. The annual payment generally consists of what two things?
- \_\_\_\_\_
13. Interest is
- A. the amount of money borrowed from the lender at the time of the loan.
  - B. half of principal.
  - C. the cost of borrowing money.
  - D. the balance.
14. If the note is carried in-house, it will be construed as a contract for ownership but will not appear on your balance sheet.
- A. True
  - B. False
15. The interest amount on amortized loans will always remain the same during the life of the loan.
- A. True
  - B. False

End of Part VI – Investment Analysis

Total Possible Points 30

POINTS EARNED PART VI \_\_\_\_\_

## Part VII – Risk Management

**NOTE: For the multiple choice questions, circle the letter in front of the BEST answer. Each correct answer is 1 point.**

1. Which of the following is an example of market risk that applies to ABC Organic Farm?
  - A. A change in milk prices
  - B. A change in interest rates
  - C. A change in consumers' tastes and preferences for organic products that affects their prices
  - D. Both A and C
  - E. A, B and C
  
2. Which of the following is an example of legal risk?
  - A. A change in regulations surrounding milk production
  - B. A change in consumers' tastes and preferences
  - C. A change in interest rates
  - D. A and C
  - E. A, B and C
  
3. Which of the following best describes risk avoidance?
  - A. Paying another party to assume a portion of a risk
  - B. A methodology to reduce the severity of a risk
  - C. A methodology to reduce the frequency of a risk
  - D. Ceasing an activity to eliminate the possibility of suffering a loss
  - E. Setting aside funds to pay for any losses that may occur
  
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is an example of risk transfer.
  - A. An insurance policy
  - B. A fire suppression system
  - C. Testing for food borne pathogens
  - D. B and C
  - E. None of the above
  
5. A liquidity ratio is a measure of \_\_\_\_\_ risk.
  - A. market
  - B. legal
  - C. financial
  - D. human
  - E. production



6. If five farms have the following debt to asset ratios, which ratio indicates the greatest risk?
- A. 2.5
  - B. .7
  - C. 1.6
  - D. 3.0
  - E. .9
7. Becoming an LLC can reduce the business owner's \_\_\_\_\_ risk?
- A. market
  - B. legal
  - C. financial
  - D. human
  - E. production
8. Which of the following is an appropriate method of risk transfer for ABC Organic Farm's human risk?
- A. Crop insurance
  - B. The bodily injury portion of ABC's liability insurance policy
  - C. Workers' Compensation Insurance
  - D. A put option
  - E. A Commercial Property Insurance Policy
9. A farmer who wants to establish a floor price for corn to be received at harvest would do what?
- A. Buy a call option.
  - B. Buy a futures contract.
  - C. Buy a put option.
  - D. Sell a put option.
10. When the futures price moves above the price that a farmer sold a futures contract for, the farmer will receive
- A. a better than expected price.
  - B. a margin call.
  - C. a smaller than expected price.
  - D. nothing.
11. Revenue protection coverage insurance protects against
- A. a decline in price or yield.
  - B. a decline in price.
  - C. a decline in yield.

12. A farmer decides to use the futures market to hedge the price of soybeans to be sold at harvest. What should the farmer do to hedge the soybeans?
- A. Buy futures contracts expecting to buy more contracts when the soybeans are sold.
  - B. Buy futures contracts expecting to sell those contracts when the soybeans are sold.
  - C. Sell futures contracts expecting to buy them back when the soybeans are sold.
  - D. Sell futures contracts expecting to sell more contracts when the soybeans are sold.
13. After the farmer is hedged in Question #11, what is the only factor that could change the price received?
- A. An increase in the futures price.
  - B. A decrease in the futures price.
  - C. A change in the basis.
  - D. A larger than expected yield.
14. A farmer would use the futures market with the objective to
- A. transfer risk.
  - B. increase risk.
  - C. participate in government farm programs.
  - D. obtain a loan.
15. When hedging, it is important that farmers close out both the cash and futures position
- A. prior to selling the crop.
  - B. simultaneously when selling the crop.
  - C. but keep the futures position open to protect against price risk.
  - D. at any time.
16. To hedge using commodity futures, a farmer
- A. must use a broker.
  - B. must create a margin account.
  - C. A and B
  - D. does not need to do A or B. A farmer can hedge over the Internet without a broker or margin account.

17. A farmer uses revenue protection insurance to protect a corn crop. This type of insurance would protect against
- A. high prices and high yields.
  - B. low yields and low prices.
  - C. increase in cash rental rates.
  - D. failure of a grain buyer to make a payment upon delivery.
18. The yield portion of revenue protection insurance on land that the producer has continually farmed is based on
- A. the farm's actual production history of yields.
  - B. the county's actual production history of yields.
  - C. the state's actual production history of yields.
  - D. whatever yield coverage the farmer wants to buy.
19. The price portion of revenue protection insurance is based on
- A. the futures market.
  - B. the local cash market.
  - C. the U.S. Marketing-Year Average price.
  - D. a price determined by the USDA.
20. Which of the following is not one of the steps in the risk management process?
- A. Identify
  - B. Monitor
  - C. Plan
  - D. Depreciate
  - E. Prioritize
21. Which of the following risks should realistically be transferred?
- A. A high frequency and high severity risk
  - B. A low frequency and high severity risk
  - C. A low frequency and low severity risk
  - D. A high frequency and low severity risk
  - E. All of these should be transferred.

End of Part VII – Risk Management

Total Possible Points 21

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## Part VIII – Farm Business Organization

**For multiple choice questions circle the letter in front of the correct answer.  
Correct answers are 1 point each.**

1. The most common form of farm business is a
  - A. corporation.
  - B. partnership.
  - C. sole proprietorship.
  - D. Limited Liability Company.
  
2. The simplest association of two or more people to carry on business together is a
  - A. corporation.
  - B. partnership.
  - C. sole proprietorship.
  - D. Limited Liability Company.
  
3. A corporation as a legal entity would normally have a \_\_\_\_\_ existence.
  - A. one year
  - B. ten year
  - C. temporary
  - D. permanent
  
4. In a Sub S Corporation, who can be a shareholder?
  - A. Partnerships
  - B. Other Sub S Corporations
  - C. Other C Corporations
  - D. Individuals
  - E. All of the above
  
5. All are common factors of a C Corporation except
  - A. expanded opportunities for estate planning.
  - B. a possible reduced tax burden.
  - C. unlimited personal liability.
  - D. possible access to more capital.
  
6. The transfer of ownership in a corporation is by the sale or gifting of
  - A. stocks.
  - B. bonds.
  - C. loans.
  - D. capital.

7. The document creating a corporation is called
  - A. Articles of Incorporation.
  - B. Articles of Organization.
  - C. Stock Issuance.
  - D. Bond Issuance.
  
8. The document creating a Limited Liability Company is called
  - A. Articles of Incorporation.
  - B. Articles of Organization.
  - C. Stock Issuance.
  - D. Bond Issuance.
  
9. In a corporation, the ownership relationship between the company and the owners is expressed in terms of
  - A. bonds.
  - B. membership.
  - C. partnerships.
  - D. shares.
  
10. Which of the following entities does not have pass-through taxation?
  - A. C Corporations
  - B. Sub S Corporations
  - C. Partnerships
  - D. Limited Liability Partnerships
  
11. The individual who creates a trust is called the
  - A. trustor.
  - B. trustee.
  - C. grantor.
  - D. manager.
  
12. The individual who manages a trust is called the
  - A. trustor.
  - B. trustee.
  - C. giftee.
  - D. manager.
  
13. When farmers are interested in a collective action to improve their economic well-being, they could form an entity that is member controlled with patronage dividends called a
  - A. partnership.
  - B. Limited Liability Company.
  - C. cooperative.
  - D. trust.

14. A form of ownership in which a person or organization manages property for the benefit of someone else
- A. partnership.
  - B. Limited Liability Company.
  - C. cooperative.
  - D. trust.
15. Which of the following is not a disadvantage of a corporation?
- A. More costly to form
  - B. Likely will continue to need legal advice
  - C. Requires monthly meetings
  - D. Requires a board of directors
16. Which of these entities protects personal assets from legal action against a business?
- A. Limited Liability Company
  - B. Partnership
  - C. Sole Proprietorship
  - D. Joint Venture
17. A Sub S Corporation is like a C Corporation except it has
- A. directors.
  - B. pass-through taxation.
  - C. shares.
  - D. bonds.
18. Factors to consider when selecting a type of business organization include
- A. Simplicity
  - B. Continuity
  - C. Liability of Owners
  - D. All the above
19. A Limited Liability Company is created by filing with the
- A. Internal Revenue Service.
  - B. Secretary of State in the state of domicile.
  - C. Revenue Department in the state of domicile.
  - D. Department of Agriculture in the state of domicile.

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20. When two or more sole proprietors carry on some activities jointly while maintaining individual ownership of resources, they have
- A. a cooperative.
  - B. a partnership.
  - C. an operating agreement.
  - D. a corporation.

End of Part VIII – Farm Business Organization

Total Possible Points 20

POINTS EARNED PART VIII \_\_\_\_\_

## Part IX - Analyzing the Farm Business

**Note: Calculate to whole dollars and percentages to the tenth xx.x%. Multiple choice and completion questions are 1 point each. Computation questions are 2 points each.**

Using the Resource Information for the ABC Organic Farm 1/1/2015 and the 1/1/2016 Balance Sheets, found on Pages R3 and R4, answer the following questions.

Which current asset incurred the greatest reduction in value from the beginning to the end of the year?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. What was the total dollar impact on the reduction in current asset value for this item? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
3. What is the change in total Current Assets? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
4. What percentage reduction in total Current Assets is represented by the reduction in question 2? \_\_\_\_\_ %

Using the Resource Information, answer the questions below from the ABC Organic 2015 Farm Executive Summary, found on Page R5, and the Area Average data, found on Page R20.

5. Working Capital is
  - A. a ratio that shows the ability to pay off current debt.
  - B. a dollar amount only available to pay off term debt.
  - C. the dollar amount that equals current assets minus current debt.
  - D. the difference between total debt payments and current debt payments.
6. What is the 1/1/2016 Ending Working Capital for ABC Organic Farm? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
7. Was the 1/1/2016 ABC Organic Farm's Working Capital better or worse than the Area Average?
  - A. Better
  - B. Worse



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8. Is the 1/1/2016 Working Capital for ABC Organic Farm better or worse than the 1/1/2015 Working Capital?
- A. Better
  - B. Worse

9. What is the 2015 Gross Farm Income for ABC Organic Farm? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

10. Is the 1/1/2016 Working Capital as a % of Gross Farm Income (Revenues) better or worse for ABC Organic Farm compared to the average?

- A. Better
- B. Worse

The owners of ABC Organic Farm are interested in comparing income and expense information, as well as other Financial Standards Measures, Page R5, with the High 20% farms in their area, Pages R19 and R20.

11. ABC Organic Farm has a larger gross farm income than the High 20% Farms.

- A. True
- B. False

12. The Net Farm Income for ABC Organic Farm is greater than the High 20% Farms.

- A. True
- B. False

13. The Term Debt Coverage Ratio for ABC Organic Farms is better than the High 20% Farms.

- A. True
- B. False

Answer the following questions that relate to the Crop enterprises, found on Pages R8 and R9 in the Resource information.

14. Which crop had a negative net return per acre?

- A. Irrigated Organic Corn Silage – 138 acre field
- B. Irrigated Soybeans – 50 acre field
- C. Irrigated Organic Alfalfa Haylage - 115 acre field
- D. Irrigated Organic Alfalfa Haylage – 45 acre field

15. What was the primary reason for the negative returns when compared to the other crops listed in question 14?

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Compare the Corn Enterprises for ABC Organic Farm and the Area Average, Pages R23 to R27, to answer the following questions.

16. When comparing direct and overhead expenses for the ABC Organic Farm irrigated and dryland organic corn, what expense was different?

\_\_\_\_\_

17. For the two fields in question 16, what was the difference in net return per acre for the irrigated field vs. the dryland field?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

18. When comparing only the returns section for organic corn on ABC Organic Farm, for which line is the value significantly larger than the non-organic corn in the Area Averages?

\_\_\_\_\_

Compare the Dairy data for ABC Organic Farm, Page R10, with the Non-organic Dairy enterprise in the Area Averages, Page R30. Calculate your answer the following questions. Round dollar answers to cents.

19. The Area Average for non-organic pounds of milk per cow is 24,034. What is the difference in the pounds of milk produced per cow for ABC Organic Farm compared to the non-organic herds in the Area Average?

\_\_\_\_\_

20. Is the milk produced per cow by ABC Organic Farm more or less than the Area Average?

- A. More
- B. Less

21. The Area Average for non-organic milk price per cwt. is \$17.75. What is the difference in the Average Milk Price per cwt. for ABC Organic Farm compared to the non-organic herds in the Area Average?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

22. The Area Average net return for non-organic dairy is \$289 per cow. Which Dairy enterprise showed a greater Net Return per cow?

- A. ABC Organic Farm
- B. Area Average Farms

23. Was your response in question 22 influenced more by production or by price?

- A. Production
- B. Price

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The Resource Information, Page R32, shows 2014 and 2015 Dairy Sort Information. The Dairy Sort shows six columns of information that compare dairy herds by various production practices. Each type is listed at the top of each column, as "Sort – Includes". Use the data from those columns to respond to the questions below.

24. Overall, which year was better for almost all the different types of dairy operations in the Dairy Sort?

- A. 2014
- B. 2015

25. Which type of operation had the best net income per cow in 2015 and the worst net income per cow in 2014?

\_\_\_\_\_

26. What was the greatest influence on the change in net farm income from 2014 to 2015 for the operations that were NOT organic?

\_\_\_\_\_

Compare the ABC Organic Farm Dairy enterprise, Page R10, to the Organic Dairy enterprise in the Area Average, Page R28.

27. What was the primary reason that ABC Organic Farm Dairy had a better Net Return per cow than the Organic Dairy enterprises in the Area Average?

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28. Feed costs are often presented on a per cow and a per cwt. of milk produced. For which of these is ABC Organic Farm better than the average Organic Dairy enterprise?

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Using the Contributions to Overhead section of the ABC Organic Farm data, Page R12, of the Resource Information, answer the following question.

29. Which Crop Enterprise contributed the most income to cover Overhead Expenses

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Based on the Comparative Trend Data, Page R14, and considering the years the farm has been involved in organic production (2007 – present), list the year that each of these factors were best.

30. Net farm income from operations \_\_\_\_\_

31. Rate of Return on Assets \_\_\_\_\_

32. Rate of Return on Equity \_\_\_\_\_

33. Current Ratio \_\_\_\_\_

34. Operating Expense Ratio \_\_\_\_\_

End of Part IX – Analyzing the Farm Business

Total possible points 40

POINTS EARNED PART IX \_\_\_\_\_

## Part X – Family Living

Review the story of ABC Organic Farm, Pages R1 and R2, the 2015 Family Living Expense Summary, Page R12, and the Area Average Household and Personal Living Expenses, Page R21, before answering the following questions. Round answers to whole numbers and percentages to tenths, xx.x%. Answers are worth 1 point each except for questions 1 and 2 and 14 through 18, which are worth 2 points each.

1. What is the total cash family living expense amount per ABC Organic Farm family member?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is the total cash family living expense amount per Area Average family member?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Of the following, what are three annual cash family living expenses that ABC Organic Farm would find most difficult to reduce?

Clothing

Gifts

Household and real estate taxes

Health insurance

Medical care

Recreation

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

Of the following, what are three annual cash family living expenses that ABC Organic Farm would find least difficult to reduce?

Cash donations

Gifts

Life insurance premiums

Health insurance

Utilities

Recreation

6. \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_\_\_

8. \_\_\_\_\_

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For the following expense items, indicate whether ABC Organic Farm spends more or less than the Area Average on a per family member basis.

9. Food and meals \_\_\_\_\_

10. Clothing \_\_\_\_\_

11. Health insurance \_\_\_\_\_

12. Utilities \_\_\_\_\_

13. When reviewing the total cash family living expenses for ABC Organic Farm. In which category were the expenses the highest?

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As the children of ABC Organic Farm grow, we expect the food and meals expense along with the clothing expense will increase over time. What percent of total family living expense do each of these areas comprise for ABC Organic Farm? (2 points each)

14. Food and meals expense \_\_\_\_\_%

15. Clothing expense \_\_\_\_\_%

In the list below, indicate which expenses account for more or less than 5% of the Total cash family living and investment and nonfarm capital purchases / Total Personal Expenditures. (2 points each)

16. Miscellaneous for ABC Organic Farm \_\_\_\_\_

17. Household supplies for Area Average \_\_\_\_\_

18. Medical Care for ABC Organic Farm \_\_\_\_\_

End of Part X – Family Living	
Total possible points 25	POINTS EARNED PART X _____

## Part XI - Economic Principles

**Circle the letter in front of the correct answer. Each correct answer is 2 points.**

ABC Organic Farm applies a fertilizer to their non-irrigated hay meadows which contains about 40 lbs. of nitrogen (N) per acre. Fertilizer cost is projected to be \$1.05 per pound applied. The hay meadows currently average a yield of 1.8 tons of hay per acre but ABC Organic Farm has found that with different levels of fertilizer applied, they receive additional output. They estimate that the hay can be sold for \$105 a ton.

Complete the table below. Round the Total Income from hay sold (TR) column to cents and the Marginal Cost (MC) and Marginal Revenue (MR) per acre columns to the nearest whole dollar.

Lbs of N Applied per acre	Yield of Meadow Hay in tons per acre (TPP)	Cost of Fertilizer per acre (TC)	Total Income from hay sold (TR)	Marginal Cost of fertilizer (MC)	Marginal Revenue per acre (MR)
0	1.20	n/a	\$126.00	n/a	n/a
20	1.51	\$21			
40	1.80	\$42	\$189.00		
60	2.09	\$63	\$219.45		
80	2.37	\$84			
100	2.57	\$105	\$269.85		
120	2.72	\$126			
140	2.82	\$147	\$296.10		
160	2.90	\$168	\$304.50		

- Given the table above, how many pounds of nitrogen fertilizer should be applied to the meadow hay to maximize profits per acre?
  - 60 pounds
  - 80 pounds
  - 100 pounds
  - 120 pounds

2. In this situation the marginal revenue is equal to the
  - A. change in total revenue divided by the change in total production.
  - B. increase in profits resulting from applying fertilizer to achieve the highest yield possible.
  - C. revenue created through the sale of the hay minus the cost of the fertilizer.
  - D. profits derived from the marginal propensity to consume the additional hay.
  
3. The marginal cost is equal to the
  - A. cost of fertilizing a single acre.
  - B. marginal value deducted from the expenses that are expected to occur.
  - C. change in the total cost divided by the marginal physical product.
  - D. cost of additional yield deducted from the revenue that is expected to be generated.
  
4. The level of fertilizer that ABC Organic Farm is currently applying is optimum for their operation.
  - A. True
  - B. False
  
5. Applying 140 lbs. of fertilizer per acre is the most efficient use of ABC Organic Farm's resources.
  - A. True
  - B. False
  
6. The decision rule for profit maximization is
  - A.  $MR=MC$
  - B.  $MR\geq MC$
  - C.  $MR\leq MC$
  - D.  $MR\neq MC$
  
7. If there is not a place where the MR and the MC are equal, then you should choose the place where the marginal revenue is closest to equaling the marginal cost but more marginal revenue than marginal cost.
  - A. True
  - B. False



8. Why does the Marginal Revenue Per Acre column remain the same all of the way down?
- A. Because the cost of input remains the same.
  - B. Because the marginal production does not change.
  - C. Because average production remains the same.
  - D. Because marginal revenue is equal to the price of hay.
9. What is the Total Income from hay sold at the 80 pounds of nitrogen input level?
- A. \$248.85
  - B. \$285.60
  - C. \$189.00
  - D. \$298.50
10. If the Marginal Physical Product is not present in the table, you must calculate it in order to calculate the Marginal Cost.
- A. True
  - B. False
11. If the value of a ton of hay increases to \$130 per ton, the optimum amount of nitrogen applied would be
- A. 100 lbs.
  - B. 120 lbs.
  - C. 140 lbs.
  - D. 180 lbs.
12. If the value per ton of hay drops to \$100 per ton, the optimum amount of nitrogen applied would be
- A. 40 lbs.
  - B. 60 lbs.
  - C. 80 lbs.
  - D. 100 lbs.

End of Part XI – Economic Principles
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## PART I – Financial Statements

**NOTE: For the multiple choice questions, circle the letter in front of the BEST answer. Each correct multiple choice answer is 1 point. Correct calculated answers are 2 points. For calculated numbers round to the nearest dollar or nearest percent.**

1. The balance sheet represents the financial position of ABC Organic Farm
  - A. for the accounting period.
  - B. for the tax year.
  - C. after deferred income taxes are paid.
  - D. on the date of the balance sheet.**
  
2. One example of an account receivable for ABC Farm would be
  - A. an unpaid fertilizer bill.
  - B. interest that will be paid when the business makes its next loan payment.
  - C. the unpaid amount for custom work that has been completed for you.**
  - D. the amount paid for completed custom work.
  
3. Noncurrent assets are sometimes referred to as
  - A. intermediate and long-term assets.**
  - B. inventory assets.
  - C. assets that will be sold during the next accounting period.
  - D. assets such as cash, marketable securities, accounts and notes receivable.
  
4. Net worth or owner equity refers to the difference between
  - A. total assets and total liabilities.**
  - B. total revenue and total expenses.
  - C. total cash income and total cash expenses.
  - D. beginning net worth or owner equity and ending net worth or owner equity.
  
5. On a balance sheet, using market values for intermediate and long-term assets, the sources of owner equity (net worth) will include which of the following?
  - A. Contributed capital.
  - B. Retained earnings.
  - C. Valuation equity.
  - D. A and B.
  - E. A, B, and C.**

6. A nine-year loan has a principal balance of \$61,574, an annual principal and interest payment of \$8,400 due on July 1, and an interest rate of 3% annually. What is the amount of accrued interest for this loan on the 1/1/2016 balance sheet?
- A. \$1,847.22  
 B. \$252.12       $\$61,574 * 0.03 = \$1,847.22 \div 365 \text{ days per year} = \$5.06 \text{ per day}$   
**C. \$931.20**      **July 1 through Dec 31 = 184 days \* \$5.06 = \$931.20 or**  
 D. \$1,049.33       $\$1,847.22 * 0.5 \text{ years} = \$923.61 \text{ (an approximation)}$
7. What was the change in working capital for the 2015 accounting period?
- A. - \$510,599  
 B. - \$40,786       $(\$893,339 - \$351,471) - (\$1,403,998 - \$347,846)$   
 C. \$1,087,559       $\$541,928 - \$1,056,152 = - \$514,224$   
 D. \$536,174  
**E. - \$514,224**
8. Which of the following items contributed to a positive change in the 2015 owner equity? (There may be more than one correct answer.)
- A. Net farm income**  
**B. Personal income**  
 C. Income taxes  
 D. Change in the market value of capital assets
9. On the balance sheet, total assets must equal
- A. total liabilities.  
 B. total assets minus total liabilities.  
 C. total assets minus net worth.  
**D. total liabilities plus net worth.**
10. When comparing cost and market balance sheets, market valuation is best described as
- A. market value of intermediate and long-term assets minus cost value of intermediate and long-term assets.**  
 B. market value of intermediate and long-term assets minus intermediate and long-term liabilities on a cost basis.  
 C. market value of 2015 intermediate and long-term assets minus cost value of 2016 intermediate and long-term assets.  
 D. value of 2016 intermediate and long-term liabilities minus cost value of 2015 intermediate and long-term liabilities.

11. The principal due within 12 months on term liabilities represents
- A. the amount of principal the business plans to pay on its operating loan during the next accounting period.
  - B. the amount of principal that must be paid on intermediate and long-term liabilities during the next accounting period.**
  - C. the amount of new borrowing on the operating loan.
  - D. the amount of interest that will be due on intermediate and long-term liabilities during the next accounting period.
12. Gross cash income includes all of the following except
- A. sales of organic grain.
  - B. milk sales.
  - C. cull breeding livestock.
  - D. an increase in inventory value.**
13. The total inventory change found on the accrual adjusted income statement for ABC Organic Farm indicates that cash accounting
- A. understates the true net farm income.
  - B. accurately reports the true net farm income.
  - C. overstates the true net farm income.**
14. On the ABC Organic Farm income statement (R6), depreciation is calculated using
- A. Machinery purchases and sales.
  - B. The cost value of machinery assets from the balance sheet.
  - C. The market value of machinery assets from the balance sheet.
  - D. A and B.**
  - E. A and C.
15. The net farm income reported for ABC Organic Farm on the income statement represents the return to
- A. owner equity, unpaid labor and management.**
  - B. owner equity, unpaid labor and borrowed capital.
  - C. owner equity, unpaid labor and family living.
  - D. farm assets and unpaid labor.
16. Cash items on the income statement could represent which of the following?
- A. Revenues from crops produced in 2014.
  - B. Expenses for items that will be used for crop production in 2016.
  - C. Revenue for crops produced in 2015.
  - D. All the above.**

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17. The return to unpaid labor, management and equity for ABC Organic Farm is
- A. \$285,908
  - B. \$771,660
  - C. \$89,131**

18. The change in the size of the production loan for 2015
- A. increased accrual adjusted revenue for ABC Organic Farm.
  - B. decreased accrual adjusted revenue for ABC Organic Farm.
  - C. did not change accrual adjusted revenues for ABC Organic Farm.**

19. The 2015 Statement of Cash Flows, page R7 of the resource information, indicates operating activities provided \$ \_\_\_\_\_ of cash in 2015.
- \$771,660**

20. ABC Organic Farm's Statement of Cash Flows, page R7 of the resource information, indicates the calculated cash balance (farm and personal) would be

\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**\$5,049**

**Beginning Cash Balance + Net Change in Cash = Ending Cash Balance**

**\$93,523 - \$88,474 = \$5,049**

21. In 2015, how much cash was used by ABC Organic Farm for business capital investments?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$1,050,095 + \$1,500 - \$3,175 = \$1,048,420**

22. The primary purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows is to indicate

- A. the sources and uses of cash.**
- B. the sources and uses of revenue.
- C. if there will be future cash flow problems.
- D. if there is sufficient loan repayment capacity.

23. In the 2015 Statement of Owner's Equity, Page R7, net farm income is reported to be \$89,131. Family living expense and income taxes accrued are reported to be \$95,106. If the change in retained earnings is limited to just these two items, retained earnings will

- A. remain unchanged.
- B. increase by \$5,975.
- C. decrease by \$5,975.**



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24. The Statement of Owner's Equity can be used for which of the following?

- A. Explaining the change in owner equity for the accounting period.**
- B. Explaining the change in the amount of cash for an accounting period.
- C. Explaining the per unit cost of production for the accounting period.
- D. All of the above.

25. The projected cash flows for 2016 indicate

- A. barley will be added to the crop mix.
- B. milk sales will increase about 10%.
- C. cull breeding stock sales decrease.
- D. B and C**
- E. A, B, and C

End of Part I – Financial Statements

Total Possible Points 30

POINTS EARNED PART I \_\_\_\_\_

## Part II – Budgeting

**For the multiple choice questions, circle the letter in front of the BEST answer. Make all calculations to the nearest cent or hundredth (0.00). Correct answers are 1 point each.**

1. An enterprise budget is
  - A. a physical and financial plan for the entire farm business for a specified period of time.
  - B. a record of past production performance.
  - C. the tool used in analyzing only changes in the farm operation and the potential change in net income.
  - D. a statement of projected costs and returns associated with one production process, usually for one production cycle.**
  
2. If you are considering a change in the farm business that affects only a few items in the total farm budget, this change could most appropriately be evaluated using
  - A. an enterprise budget.
  - B. a partial budget.**
  - C. a cash flow budget.
  - D. a total farm budget
  
3. When an increase in the level of production of one enterprise causes a reduction in the level of production of another enterprise, these two enterprises are said to be
  - A. independent.
  - B. complimentary.
  - C. competitive.**
  - D. supplementary.
  
4. If the farm business farms more acres, which of the following costs are least likely to change?
  - A. Average fixed costs per acre
  - B. Total variable costs
  - C. Average variable costs per acre**
  - D. Average total costs per acre
  
5. Budgets are constructed to show future actions. To improve the accuracy of a budget, the operator may use
  - A. historical data.
  - B. forward contract pricing.
  - C. more than one source for estimated data.
  - D. All of the above.**

6. Budgeting is not used to
- A. estimate the amount of credit needed.
  - B. help plan for the useful life of assets.**
  - C. allow for experimentation with possible outcomes before resources are committed.
  - D. All of the above.
7. In analyzing the enterprise report for the 40-acre organic alfalfa haylage (R9), which factor, when compared to the area average (R22), is most responsible for the negative return?
- A. Yield per acre**
  - B. Value per unit
  - C. Direct expenses per acre
  - D. Net return over labor and management.

Use the enterprise report for organic corn under irrigation (R8) to answer questions 8 through 15.

8. What is the yield for the corn? (Bushels per acre) \_\_\_\_\_ **190**
9. What are the total direct expenses per acre? \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$1010.61**
10. How much operating interest was paid per acre? \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$13.28**
11. What is the expected return per acre above direct expenses? \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**\$1079.39**
12. What is a breakeven yield to cover direct expenses? \_\_\_\_\_ bushels per acre  
**\$1010.61 / \$11 = 91.87**
13. If the sale value per unit (bushel) drops to \$6.00, what would the breakeven yield be?  
\_\_\_\_\_ bushels per acre **\$1010.61 / \$6 = 168.44**
14. What is the breakeven price per bushel for this corn enterprise to cover total direct and overhead expenses? \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$1174.44 / 190 = \$6.18**
15. What is the net return over direct and overhead expenses? \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**\$915.56**

In analyzing their replacement heifer enterprise records, ABC Organic Farm wonders if it would be better to have the replacement heifers raised in a dairy heifer feedlot. They have found one that would provide everything included in the direct operating expenses and still allow them to maintain their organic certification. The total daily feedlot charge for a year would be \$821.25 for organic dairy heifers. It would take another one-time fee of \$25 per head to transport the heifers. Since there will be no change in returns, they are interested in determining if these costs would be less than their direct operating costs of \$796.10 per head to justify the change. Please fill out and use the partial budget to answer the questions that follow.

**Make all calculations to the nearest cent or hundredth (0.00). Correct answers are 1 point each.**

Column One	Column Two
16. Additional Costs  <b>Feedlot charge = \$821.25</b> <b>Hauling = \$25</b> <b>Subtotal = \$846.25</b>	17. Additional Returns  <b>None</b>
18. Reduced Returns  <b>None</b>	19. Reduced Costs  <b>Direct or operating costs = \$796.10</b>
20. Total AC + RR = <b>\$846.25</b>	21. Total AR + RC = <b>\$796.10</b>
22. Net Change (Line 21 minus line 20) <b>\$796.10 - \$846.25 = -\$50.15 (negative)</b>	

23. Should ABC Organic Farm send their heifers to the feedlot?

- A. Yes
- B. No**

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24. The enterprise records for the replacement heifers show that they are operating at a loss. What might be the cause of this loss?
- A. Undervaluing the replacements going back into the herd
  - B. Undervaluing the cost of homegrown feed
  - C. Overvaluing the cost of homegrown feed
  - D. Both A and C**

End of Part II – Budgeting

Total Possible Points 24

POINTS EARNED PART II \_\_\_\_\_

## Part III – Cash Flow Planning

**NOTE: For the multiple choice questions, circle the BEST answer. Each correct answer is 1 point. For calculated numbers round to the nearest dollar or nearest tenth of a percent (xx.x%).**

1. Which of the following statements is not a true statement about Cash Flow Projections?
  - A. They include both known and unknown amounts of income and expense.
  - B. The actual results for the year may be better or worse than the projected.
  - C. Although the statement is often requested by a lender, it is of equal or more importance to the producer.
  - D. Adequate “cash flow” assures a positive “projected net farm income”.**
  - E. They show whether cash from all sources will be adequate to meet the cash needs during the year.

For questions 2 through 14, use Pages R16-17 in the resource information.

2. Which month is expected to have the most dollars from sales flowing into the farm? \_\_\_\_\_ **November**
3. Before any Capital Purchases are made, or Term Loan Payments are paid, which month has the largest demand for cash? \_\_\_\_\_ **May**
4. In which month is the JD 8230 tractor loan payment due? \_\_\_\_\_ **April**
5. Which month has the largest amount of term loan payments due? \_\_\_\_\_ **April**
6. Milk represents \_\_\_\_\_% of total cash operating inflow. **72%**
7. Labor represents what percentage of total operating outflow? \_\_\_\_\_% **10%**
8. How many dollars are projected to cover family living needs and income tax payments combined?  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$80,000**
9. What is the largest single category of projected operating expenses? \_\_\_\_\_ **feed**
10. What is the projected ending cash balance for ABC Organic Farm in 2016?  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$304,277**
11. Is the projected cash flow positive or negative? \_\_\_\_\_ **positive**

12. What is the projected Net Farm Income in 2016 for ABC Organic Farm?
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$857,159**
13. Which of the following is not a true statement concerning the ABC Organic Farm's proposed 2016 operating loan?
- A. Cash is used before borrowing on the operating loan.
  - B. The operating loan borrowing in July includes the amount needed to trade bean heads.
  - C. Based on the projected ending operating loan balance, it does not appear to create a cash flow problem to include an equipment purchase in the operating loan borrowings.
  - D. The peak operating loan balance is affected by the timing of crop sales.
  - E. Since the projected ending cash balance is much greater than the beginning cash balance, an operating loan should not have been necessary.**
14. What is the largest total annual term debt payment that ABC Organic Farm is repaying monthly?
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$70,932**

For questions 15 through 26, use Page R15 in the resource information.

15. The summary page of ABC Organic Farm's 2016 Cash Flow Statement calculates some key liquidity and solvency measurements and ratios for the end of the projected year, and compares them to the beginning of the year. Which of the following is a true statement?
- A. The Ending Current Ratio is projected to be dangerously high.
  - B. Both Liquidity and Solvency are projected to improve in 2016.**
  - C. Liquidity is projected to improve in 2016, but Solvency will weaken.
  - D. The Debt to Equity ratio projects a dangerous trend.
  - E. Solvency is projected to improve in 2016, but Liquidity will weaken.
16. What is the anticipated change in ABC Organic Farm's 2016 earned net worth? (If negative, show a negative sign.)
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$774,788**
17. Which of the following is a true statement concerning projected "Term Debt Coverage Ratio"?
- A. All of the profit is available to service debt.
  - B. Depreciation is added to net farm income because it is a fictitious number anyway.
  - C. Interest on term debt is added to net farm income because it is not really important.
  - D. It is the relationship of payments due and dollars available to make them.**
  - E. All of the above.

18. Efficiency ratios show the distribution of gross revenue and always totals \_\_\_\_\_%.  
**100%**
19. What is the projected operating expense ratio? \_\_\_\_\_% **60.2%**
20. What is the projected net farm income ratio? \_\_\_\_\_% **27.3%**
21. At the beginning of the year, what was the operating loan balance?  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$140,961**
22. Both the lender and the farmer need to know the maximum size of the annual operating loan. Based on the projections, the operating loan balance will peak at  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_. **\$276,400**
23. The Total Operating Inflow is \$2,730,021. What percent of these dollars are used for principal and interest payments on intermediate and long-term loans?  
\_\_\_\_\_ % **10.4%**
24. What is the projected interest expense ratio?  
\_\_\_\_\_ % **2.8%**
25. Based on the projections, what is the term debt coverage ratio (farm)?  
(List to the nearest hundredths.) \_\_\_\_\_ **4.07**
26. If operating expenses all increased by 10%, what would be the anticipated term debt coverage ratio? (List to the nearest hundredths.)  
\_\_\_\_\_ **3.41**

One of the many values of cash flow planning is to compare the plan for the year with what actually happened financially with the business during that same year. Review the 2015 Planned vs. 2015 Actual Income Statement, found on page R13 in the Resource Information, to answer questions 27 through 29.

27. Was the planned gross cash farm income more or less than the actual gross cash farm income?  
\_\_\_\_\_ **less**
28. Which income item had the most impact on increasing the actual farm income?  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Organic Corn**
29. The actual gross cash farm income exceeded the planned gross cash farm income by what percentage?  
\_\_\_\_\_ % **(\$2,962,796 - \$2,532,249) / \$2,532,249 = 17.0%**



Another value of cash flow planning is the fact that a projected balance sheet is available for the producer and lender to review. The projected balance sheet is based on the balance sheet at the beginning of the year and adjusted by the numbers in the cash flow plan. Review the 1/1/2017 Projected Balance Sheet on page R18 and the 2016 Cash Flow Plan on pages R16 and R17 in the Resource Information to answer questions 30 through 33.

30. What line item of the cash flow plan represents the “Cash and Checking” item on the 1/1/17 Projected Balance Sheet?

\_\_\_\_\_ **Ending Cash Balance**

31. Not including the Cash and Checking, which asset is projected to increase in value on the projected balance sheet?

\_\_\_\_\_ **Crops**

32. Which loan on the projected balance sheet is projected to have the largest pay down during the year?

\_\_\_\_\_ **Operating Loan(s)**

33. Is the projected Total Debt to Asset Ratio on 1/1/17 better or worse than the actual 1/1/16 Total Debt to Asset Ratio?

**A. Better**

**B. Worse**

End of Part III – Cash Flow Planning

Total Possible Points 33

POINTS EARNED PART III \_\_\_\_\_

## Part IV - Marketing

Circle the letter in front of the correct multiple choice answer and follow the directions for the other questions. Correct answers are 1 point each.

1. What is the source of economic incentives that can stimulate production?
  - A. Demand
  - B. Supply
  - C. Price**
  - D. Cost
2. The best reason for producers to use technology is to
  - A. maximize profits.**
  - B. stay ahead of the neighbor.
  - C. produce as much as possible.
  - D. not be left behind.
3. In modern production agriculture it is important to remember that the producer is
  - A. first in line.
  - B. a price taker.**
  - C. always correct.
  - D. market seeking.
4. If more farmers start to produce organic milk to the point of oversupply, the result is
  - A. a higher price.
  - B. a lower price.**
  - C. no change in price.
  - D. decreased demand.
5. A demand curve shows the relationship between quantity purchased and
  - A. quality.
  - B. cost.
  - C. income.
  - D. price.**
6. The ABC Organic Farm's milk price, compared to non-organic area milk price, is
  - A. higher.**
  - B. lower.
  - C. the same.

7. Based on ABC Organic Farm's 2015 Analysis, the price of milk could drop by how many dollars per cwt. before they would lose money if labor and management charges are included?
- A. **\$11.30**
  - B. \$11.96
  - C. \$22.85
  - D. \$34.15
8. When the market price falls below the cost of production of a commodity, this lower price may force the producer to
- A. produce more of that product.
  - B. produce some other product.
  - C. reduce the cost of production.
  - D. **B and C**

**For Questions 9 and 10, see Bid Trends A and B on Resource Page R34**

9. Based on the spot bid for corn on Trend Chart A, farmers could have made how much per bushel if they were able to store their corn until January at Elevator A?
- A. 5 cents
  - B. 10 cents
  - C. 15 cents
  - D. **20 cents**
10. Based on Trend Chart B and given the four sites with new crop corn bids, which offered the best basis contract?
- A. Elevator A.
  - B. **Elevator B.**
  - C. Elevator C.
  - D. Elevator D.
11. In the short run what prompts most of the price variability in commodities?
- A. Location
  - B. Demand
  - C. **Supply**
  - D. Quality
12. When a producer forward contracts his corn but later is concerned that a possible drought may cause the price to go much higher, what could he do to be able to take part in the possible price rally?
- A. Purchase a put option
  - B. Sell a put option
  - C. **Purchase a call option**
  - D. Sell a call option

13. The price that the producer in question #12 acts on is called the
- A. Selling price
  - B. Buying price
  - C. Breakeven price
  - D. Strike price**
14. The person who makes transactions for farmers hedging is
- A. an accountant.
  - B. a broker.**
  - C. a banker.
  - D. a commissioner.
15. How many bushels are in a corn futures contract?
- A. 1000
  - B. 3000
  - C. 5000**
  - D. 7000
16. An upward trend in market prices is referred to as a
- A. bear market.
  - B. bull market.**
  - C. boar market.
  - D. buck market.
17. A downward trend in market prices is referred to as a
- A. bear market.**
  - B. bull market.
  - C. boar market.
  - D. buck market.
18. The money on deposit to ensure performance of a futures contract is called
- A. basis.
  - B. commission.
  - C. margin.**
  - D. premium.
19. If ABC Organic Farm wanted to lock in the price that they would have to pay for soybean meal, they could
- A. sell a put option.
  - B. buy a put option.
  - C. sell a call option.
  - D. buy a call option.**

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20. When taking a position in which one has purchased futures contracts, the producer is said to be
- A. short.
  - B. long.**
  - C. supply side.
  - D. demand side.
21. Ag exports generally have what effect on price?
- A. No change
  - B. Increase**
  - C. Decrease
22. Ag commodities that trade on the futures market have daily limit moves.
- A. True**
  - B. False
23. The marketing time frame for most grains is
- A. Six months
  - B. Twelve months
  - C. Eighteen months**
  - D. Twenty-four months

End of Part IV – Marketing

Total Possible Points 23

POINTS EARNED PART IV \_\_\_\_\_

## Part V - Income Taxes

**Circle the letter in front of the correct multiple choice answer. Fill in the blank for both matching and completion questions. Correct answers are 1 point each.**

Taxes are complicated and numerous tax forms are used when filing a tax return with the IRS. Match the 2016 business item with the correct corresponding tax form.

Answers can be used more than once.

- |                              |  |               |
|------------------------------|--|---------------|
| <u>  </u> <b>F</b> <u>  </u> | 1. Amount spent on fertilizer                            | A. Schedule A |
| <u>  </u> <b>H</b> <u>  </u> | 2. Deductions detailed for depreciation and amortization | B. Schedule B |
| <u>  </u> <b>B</b> <u>  </u> | 3. Interest received from the bank                       | C. Schedule C |
| <u>  </u> <b>G</b> <u>  </u> | 4. Sale of raised cows                                   | D. Schedule D |
| <u>  </u> <b>F</b> <u>  </u> | 5. Sale of purchased market cattle                       | E. Schedule E |
|                              |  | F. Schedule F |
|                              |  | G. Form 4797  |
|                              |  | H. Form 4562  |

6. Which of the following expenses should not be claimed as a deduction on a cash basis farmer's 2016 tax return?
- A. Fertilizer purchased 11/25/16 for the 2017 crop
  - B. An old repair bill that was paid 2/19/16, but the work was completed on 8/19/15
  - C. Feeder pigs purchased 11/20/16 that will be sold in 2017**
  - D. Fuel bill paid 10/1/16 for the 2016 crop, if none of the crop is sold in 2016

On June 12, 2016, a farmer purchased a two-year old tractor from a local dealer that his neighbor had previously owned. He paid \$86,800 plus his old tractor that was fully depreciated. He had read that the Special Depreciation Allowance (50% Bonus Depreciation) and Section 179 Deduction would be available for use in certain circumstances for this year, but did not fully understand the details of them, and would rely on the knowledge of his tax professional for guidance. Since he was using his own funds for the purchase and had not made any other major purchases, he was interested in taking as much depreciation this year as allowed. Use this information to answer questions 7 – 9.

7. What is the maximum amount of 50% Bonus Depreciation he could take on this tractor if he did not take any Section 179 Deduction?
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$ 0 or None**
8. What is the maximum amount of Section 179 Deduction he could take on this tractor if he did not take any 50% Bonus Depreciation?
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$ 86,800**
9. If he did not take any 50% Bonus Depreciation or Section 179 Deduction this year, and used Straight Line MACRS depreciation on the tractor, what would be his depreciation deduction in the year 2018?
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$ 12,400**

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When considering types of business entities for a farm, income tax management should be a consideration. Match the Farm Business Ownership type (A thru E) with the following statements (as used here, the word "owner" could refer to "shareholder", "member", "owner", "partner", etc.). Use each answer only once.

- A. Sole Proprietorship
- B. Partnership
- C. C Corporation
- D. S Corporation
- E. LLC (Limited Liability Company)

- C   10. Undistributed earnings are taxed when earned, and then are taxed a second time when distributed to the owner(s).
- A   11. Earnings are taxed as personal income to the owner and are subject to Federal Income Tax and Self-Employment Tax.
- E   12. Unless the decision is made to be taxed as a corporation, it will be taxed as a partnership.
- B   13. Earnings are distributed to the owners and are subject to Federal Income Tax and Self-Employment Tax.
- D   14. Earnings are distributed to owner(s) and are subject to Federal Income Tax but to Self-Employment Tax.

A farm business purchased (no trade-in involved) a tractor several years ago for \$140,000. Since that time they have taken \$110,000 of depreciation (including this year's) on the tractor. Over time, they have used the tractor for their farm operation and have used approximately \$17,000 of fuel. Smaller repairs and maintenance costs totaled \$6,000. However, they did have to do a major engine overhaul of \$23,800 a few years back and were told they had to depreciate that expense. Since that time they have taken \$11,900 of depreciation (including this year's) on the overhaul. In 2016, they sold the tractor to a neighbor (not related) for \$82,000. Using this information, calculate the correct answers to questions 15 – 20.

15. What was the original basis of the tractor?                   \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$ 140,000**
16. What was the adjusted basis of the tractor at the time of sale? \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$ 41,900**
17. How much of the tractor sale is subject to Federal Income Tax? \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$ 40,100**
18. How much of the tractor sale is taxed at the Capital Gain Rate? \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$0 or None**
19. How much of the taxable gain is Recapture of Depreciation? \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$ 40,100**
20. How much of the taxable gain is subject to Self-Employment Tax? \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**\$0 or None**

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21. If you are self-employed, your gross income from self-employment is taken times 92.35% (to be fair with wage earners). This adjusted figure is then taken times \_\_\_\_\_% to calculate your Self-Employment Tax. **15.3%**
22. Presuming that a farm employee earns in excess of \$150, the employer is required to withhold \_\_\_\_\_% from the wages for FICA tax. **7.65%**
23. After year-end, the employer is required to give or send a Form \_\_\_\_\_ to each employee. **W-2**
24. Presuming that an independent contractor earns in excess of \$600, the farmer is required to withhold \_\_\_\_\_% from the wages for FICA tax. **0%**
25. After year-end, the farmer is required to give or send a Form \_\_\_\_\_ to each independent contractor earning over \$600. **1099-Misc. or 1099-M**

Although not always perfectly clear, the determination of whether someone is hired as an employee versus an independent contractor has evolved based on the circumstances of the arrangement. With the circumstances stated below, indicate whether they tend to be characteristics of:

- A. An Employee
- B. An Independent Contractor

- B   26. The worker advertises his services and expertise to the public.
- A   27. The farmer furnishes the equipment for the worker to use.
- A   28. The farmer instructs how the work is to be done, and supervises the process.
- B   29. The worker furnishes his own workers compensation insurance.
- A   30. The farmer tells the worker when to arrive in the morning.

End of Part V – Income Tax

Total Possible Points 30

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## Part VI - Investment Analysis

**Correct answers are 2 points each.**

ABC Organic Farm wants to buy a small 2016 John Deere 1025R tractor. They want this tractor with a loader and blade to clean out the small pens in their calf nursery and calving barn. The dealer will provide them a six-year loan with an interest rate of 0%. The price of the tractor is \$18,000 complete. The payments are due in annual installments. Because they are such good customers, the dealer allowed zero percent down and will carry the note in-house.

Complete the table below. Round numbers to the nearest whole dollar.

Year	Annual Payment	Interest	Principal	Balance
0				\$18,000
1	\$3,000	0	<b>\$3,000</b>	\$15,000
2	\$3,000	0	<b>\$3,000</b>	\$12,000
3	<b>\$3,000</b>	0	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>\$9,000</b>
4	\$3,000	0	<b>\$3,000</b>	\$6,000
5	\$3,000	0	<b>\$3,000</b>	\$3,000
6	\$3,000	0	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>

1. The accumulated interest will actually be equal to one payment?
  - A. True
  - B. False**
  
2. The annual payment will vary year to year.
  - A. True
  - B. False**
  
3. What is the beginning balance?
  - A. \$12,100
  - B. \$25,000
  - C. \$40,000
  - D. \$18,000**

4. What will the balance be after the final payment is made?
  - A. \$17,500
  - B. \$6,000
  - C. \$0**
  - D. \$3,000
  
5. What is the annual payment in year 3?
  - A. \$11,050
  - B. \$3,000**
  - C. \$2,563
  - D. \$1,700
  
6. The balance on the loan after the third year payment will be
  - A. \$1,000.
  - B. \$4,000.
  - C. \$8,000.
  - D. \$9,000.**
  
7. The principal amount in each of the payments on this note will always be the same.
  - A. True**
  - B. False
  
8. What is principal?
  - A. The actual amount of money borrowed from the lender.**
  - B. The total amount of money you pay to the lender.
  - C. The present value of the money paid to the lender.
  - D. The amount of money left over.
  
9. What is loan amortization?
  - A. The ability to get a loan from the bank.
  - B. Paying off debt with a varying repayment schedule.
  - C. Paying off debt with a fixed repayment schedule.**
  - D. The ability to repay a loan from the bank.
  
10. What would the interest be on the first payment if the interest rate were 7%?
  - A. \$1,900
  - B. \$1,119
  - C. \$1,260**
  - D. \$1,050

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11. What is the length of time for the term on a machinery loan?
- A. 5 year property
  - B. 7 year property
  - C. 10 year property
  - D. Can be negotiated with the lender**

12. The annual payment generally consists of what two things?

\_\_\_\_\_

**Principal**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Interest**

13. Interest is
- A. the amount of money borrowed from the lender at the time of the loan.
  - B. half of principal.
  - C. the cost of borrowing money.**
  - D. the balance.
14. If the note is carried in-house, it will be construed as a contract for ownership but will not appear on your balance sheet.
- A. True
  - B. False**
15. The interest amount on amortized loans will always remain the same during the life of the loan.
- A. True
  - B. False**

End of Part VI – Investment Analysis

Total Possible Points 30

POINTS EARNED PART VI \_\_\_\_\_

## Part VII – Risk Management

**NOTE: For the multiple choice questions, circle the letter in front of the BEST answer. Each correct answer is 1 point.**

1. Which of the following is an example of market risk that applies to ABC Organic Farm?
  - A. A change in milk prices
  - B. A change in interest rates
  - C. A change in consumers' tastes and preferences for organic products that affects their prices
  - D. Both A and C**
  - E. A, B and C
  
2. Which of the following is an example of legal risk?
  - A. A change in regulations surrounding milk production**
  - B. A change in consumers' tastes and preferences
  - C. A change in interest rates
  - D. A and C
  - E. A, B and C
  
3. Which of the following best describes risk avoidance?
  - A. Paying another party to assume a portion of a risk
  - B. A methodology to reduce the severity of a risk
  - C. A methodology to reduce the frequency of a risk
  - D. Ceasing an activity to eliminate the possibility of suffering a loss**
  - E. Setting aside funds to pay for any losses that may occur
  
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is an example of risk transfer.
  - A. An insurance policy**
  - B. A fire suppression system
  - C. Testing for food borne pathogens
  - D. B and C
  - E. None of the above
  
5. A liquidity ratio is a measure of \_\_\_\_\_ risk.
  - A. market
  - B. legal
  - C. financial**
  - D. human
  - E. production

6. If five farms have the following debt to asset ratios, which ratio indicates the greatest risk?
- A. 2.5
  - B. .7
  - C. 1.6
  - D. 3.0**
  - E. .9
7. Becoming an LLC can reduce the business owner's \_\_\_\_\_ risk?
- A. market
  - B. legal**
  - C. financial
  - D. human
  - E. production
8. Which of the following is an appropriate method of risk transfer for ABC Organic Farm's human risk?
- A. Crop insurance
  - B. The bodily injury portion of ABC's liability insurance policy
  - C. Workers' Compensation Insurance**
  - D. A put option
  - E. A Commercial Property Insurance Policy
9. A farmer who wants to establish a floor price for corn to be received at harvest would do what?
- A. Buy a call option.
  - B. Buy a futures contract.
  - C. Buy a put option.**
  - D. Sell a put option.
10. When the futures price moves above the price that a farmer sold a futures contract for, the farmer will receive
- A. a better than expected price.
  - B. a margin call.**
  - C. a smaller than expected price.
  - D. nothing.
11. Revenue protection coverage insurance protects against
- A. a decline in price or yield.**
  - B. a decline in price.
  - C. a decline in yield.

12. A farmer decides to use the futures market to hedge the price of soybeans to be sold at harvest. What should the farmer do to hedge the soybeans?
- A. Buy futures contracts expecting to buy more contracts when the soybeans are sold.
  - B. Buy futures contracts expecting to sell those contracts when the soybeans are sold.
  - C. Sell futures contracts expecting to buy them back when the soybeans are sold.**
  - D. Sell futures contracts expecting to sell more contracts when the soybeans are sold.
13. After the farmer is hedged in Question #11, what is the only factor that could change the price received?
- A. An increase in the futures price.
  - B. A decrease in the futures price.
  - C. A change in the basis.**
  - D. A larger than expected yield.
14. A farmer would use the futures market with the objective to
- A. transfer risk.**
  - B. increase risk.
  - C. participate in government farm programs.
  - D. obtain a loan.
15. When hedging, it is important that farmers close out both the cash and futures position
- A. prior to selling the crop.
  - B. simultaneously when selling the crop.**
  - C. but keep the futures position open to protect against price risk.
  - D. at any time.
16. To hedge using commodity futures, a farmer
- A. must use a broker.
  - B. must create a margin account.
  - C. A and B**
  - D. does not need to do A or B. A farmer can hedge over the Internet without a broker or margin account.

17. A farmer uses revenue protection insurance to protect a corn crop. This type of insurance would protect against
- A. high prices and high yields.
  - B. low yields and low prices.**
  - C. increase in cash rental rates.
  - D. failure of a grain buyer to make a payment upon delivery.
18. The yield portion of revenue protection insurance on land that the producer has continually farmed is based on
- A. the farm's actual production history of yields.**
  - B. the county's actual production history of yields.
  - C. the state's actual production history of yields.
  - D. whatever yield coverage the farmer wants to buy.
19. The price portion of revenue protection insurance is based on
- A. the futures market.**
  - B. the local cash market.
  - C. the U.S. Marketing-Year Average price.
  - D. a price determined by the USDA.
20. Which of the following is not one of the steps in the risk management process?
- A. Identify
  - B. Monitor
  - C. Plan
  - D. Depreciate**
  - E. Prioritize
21. Which of the following risks should realistically be transferred?
- A. A high frequency and high severity risk
  - B. A low frequency and high severity risk**
  - C. A low frequency and low severity risk
  - D. A high frequency and low severity risk
  - E. All of these should be transferred.

End of Part VII – Risk Management

Total Possible Points 21

POINTS EARNED PART VII \_\_\_\_\_

## Part VIII – Farm Business Organization

For multiple choice questions circle the letter in front of the correct answer.  
Correct answers are 1 point each.

1. The most common form of farm business is a
  - A. corporation.
  - B. partnership.
  - C. sole proprietorship.**
  - D. Limited Liability Company.
  
2. The simplest association of two or more people to carry on business together is a
  - A. corporation.
  - B. partnership.**
  - C. sole proprietorship.
  - D. Limited Liability Company.
  
3. A corporation as a legal entity would normally have a \_\_\_\_\_ existence.
  - A. one year
  - B. ten year
  - C. temporary
  - D. permanent**
  
4. In a Sub S Corporation, who can be a shareholder?
  - A. Partnerships
  - B. Other Sub S Corporations
  - C. Other C Corporations
  - D. Individuals**
  - E. All of the above
  
5. All are common factors of a C Corporation except
  - A. expanded opportunities for estate planning.
  - B. a possible reduced tax burden.
  - C. unlimited personal liability.**
  - D. possible access to more capital.
  
6. The transfer of ownership in a corporation is by the sale or gifting of
  - A. stocks.**
  - B. bonds.
  - C. loans.
  - D. capital.



7. The document creating a corporation is called
- A. Articles of Incorporation.**
  - B. Articles of Organization.
  - C. Stock Issuance.
  - D. Bond Issuance.
8. The document creating a Limited Liability Company is called
- A. Articles of Incorporation.
  - B. Articles of Organization.**
  - C. Stock Issuance.
  - D. Bond Issuance.
9. In a corporation, the ownership relationship between the company and the owners is expressed in terms of
- A. bonds.
  - B. membership.
  - C. partnerships.
  - D. shares.**
10. Which of the following entities does not have pass-through taxation?
- A. C Corporations**
  - B. Sub S Corporations
  - C. Partnerships
  - D. Limited Liability Partnerships
11. The individual who creates a trust is called the
- A. trustor.**
  - B. trustee.
  - C. grantor.
  - D. manager.
12. The individual who manages a trust is called the
- A. trustor.
  - B. trustee.**
  - C. giftee.
  - D. manager.
13. When farmers are interested in a collective action to improve their economic well-being, they could form an entity that is member controlled with patronage dividends called a
- A. partnership.
  - B. Limited Liability Company.
  - C. cooperative.**
  - D. trust.

14. A form of ownership in which a person or organization manages property for the benefit of someone else
- A. partnership.
  - B. Limited Liability Company.
  - C. cooperative.
  - D. trust.**
15. Which of the following is not a disadvantage of a corporation?
- A. More costly to form
  - B. Likely will continue to need legal advice
  - C. Requires monthly meetings**
  - D. Requires a board of directors
16. Which of these entities protects personal assets from legal action against a business?
- A. Limited Liability Company**
  - B. Partnership
  - C. Sole Proprietorship
  - D. Joint Venture
17. A Sub S Corporation is like a C Corporation except it has
- A. directors.
  - B. pass-through taxation.**
  - C. shares.
  - D. bonds.
18. Factors to consider when selecting a type of business organization include
- A. Simplicity
  - B. Continuity
  - C. Liability of Owners
  - D. All the above**
19. A Limited Liability Company is created by filing with the
- A. Internal Revenue Service.
  - B. Secretary of State in the state of domicile.**
  - C. Revenue Department in the state of domicile.
  - D. Department of Agriculture in the state of domicile.

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20. When two or more sole proprietors carry on some activities jointly while maintaining individual ownership of resources, they have
- A. a cooperative.
  - B. a partnership.
  - C. an operating agreement.**
  - D. a corporation.

End of Part VIII – Farm Business Organization

Total Possible Points 20

POINTS EARNED PART VIII \_\_\_\_\_

## Part IX - Analyzing the Farm Business

**Note: Calculate to whole dollars and percentages to the tenth xx.x%. Multiple choice and completion questions are 1 point each. Computation questions are 2 points each.**

Using the Resource Information for the ABC Organic Farm 1/1/2015 and the 1/1/2016 Balance Sheets, found on Pages R3 and R4, answer the following questions.

Which current asset incurred the greatest reduction in value from the beginning to the end of the year?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ **(Accounts Receivable)**

2. What was the total dollar impact on the reduction in current asset value for this item? \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **(\$450,000 - \$178,000) = \$272,000**

3. What is the change in total Current Assets? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

$$\mathbf{\$1,403,998 - \$893,399 = \$510,599}$$

4. What percentage reduction in total Current Assets is represented by the reduction in question 2?

$$\mathbf{\$272,000 / \$ 510,599 = 53.2\%}$$

Using the Resource Information, answer the questions below from the ABC Organic 2015 Farm Executive Summary, found on Page R5, and the Area Average data, found on Page R20.

5. Working Capital is

- A. a ratio that shows the ability to pay off current debt.
- B. a dollar amount only available to pay off term debt.
- C. the dollar amount that equals current assets minus current debt.**
- D. the difference between total debt payments and current debt payments.

6. What is the 1/1/2016 Ending Working Capital for ABC Organic Farm?

$$\mathbf{\$ \underline{\hspace{2cm}}}$$

$$\mathbf{\$541,928}$$

7. Was the 1/1/2016 ABC Organic Farm's Working Capital better or worse than the Area Average?

- A. Better**
- B. Worse

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8. Is the 1/1/2016 Working Capital for ABC Organic Farm better or worse than the 1/1/2015 Working Capital?

- A. Better
- B. Worse**

9. What is the 2015 Gross Farm Income for ABC Organic Farm? \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**\$2,476,396**

10. Is the 1/1/2016 Working Capital as a % of Gross Farm Income (Revenues) better or worse for ABC Organic Farm compared to the average?

- A. Better
- B. Worse**

The owners of ABC Organic Farm are interested in comparing income and expense information, as well as other Financial Standards Measures, Page R5, with the High 20% farms in their area, Pages R19 and R20.

11. ABC Organic Farm has a larger gross farm income than the High 20% Farms.

- A. True**
- B. False

12. The Net Farm Income for ABC Organic Farm is greater than the High 20% Farms.

- A. True
- B. False**

13. The Term Debt Coverage Ratio for ABC Organic Farms is better than the High 20% Farms.

- A. True
- B. False**

Answer the following questions that relate to the Crop enterprises, found on Pages R8 and R9 in the Resource information.

14. Which crop had a negative net return per acre?

- A. Irrigated Organic Corn Silage – 138 acre field
- B. Irrigated Soybeans – 50 acre field
- C. Irrigated Organic Alfalfa Haylage - 115 acre field
- D. Irrigated Organic Alfalfa Haylage – 45 acre field**

15. What was the primary reason for the negative returns when compared to the other crops listed in question 14? \_\_\_\_\_

**(Low yield)**

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Compare the Corn Enterprises for ABC Organic Farm and the Area Average, Pages R23 to R27, to answer the following questions.

16. When comparing direct and overhead expenses for the ABC Organic Farm irrigated and dryland organic corn, what expense was different? \_\_\_\_\_  
**(Irrigation Energy)**
17. For the two fields in question 16, what was the difference in net return per acre for the irrigated field vs. the dryland field? \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$915.56 - (-39.02) = \$954.58**
18. When comparing only the returns section for organic corn on ABC Organic Farm, for which line is the value significantly larger than the non-organic corn in the Area Averages? \_\_\_\_\_ **(Value per Unit)**

Compare the Dairy data for ABC Organic Farm, Page R10, with the Non-organic Dairy enterprise in the Area Averages, Page R30. Calculate your answer the following questions. Round dollar answers to cents.

19. The Area Average for non-organic pounds of milk per cow is 24,034. What is the difference in the pounds of milk produced per cow for ABC Organic Farm compared to the non-organic herds in the Area Average? \_\_\_\_\_  
**(24,034 - 18,185 = 5,849)**
20. Is the milk produced per cow by ABC Organic Farm more or less than the Area Average?
- A. More  
**B. Less**
21. The Area Average for non-organic milk price per cwt. is \$17.75. What is the difference in the Average Milk Price per cwt. for ABC Organic Farm compared to the non-organic herds in the Area Average?
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**(\$34.15 - \$17.75 = \$16.40)**
22. The Area Average net return for non-organic dairy is \$289 per cow. Which Dairy enterprise showed a greater Net Return per cow?
- A. ABC Organic Farm**  
B. Area Average Farms
23. Was your response in question 22 influenced more by production or by price?
- A. Production  
**B. Price**

The Resource Information, Page R32, shows 2014 and 2015 Dairy Sort Information. The Dairy Sort shows six columns of information that compare dairy herds by various production practices. Each type is listed at the top of each column, as "Sort – Includes". Use the data from those columns to respond to the questions below.

24. Overall, which year was better for almost all the different types of dairy operations in the Dairy Sort?

**A. 2014**

B. 2015

25. Which type of operation had the best net income per cow in 2015 and the worst net income per cow in 2014? \_\_\_\_\_ **(organic herds)**

26. What was the greatest influence on the change in net farm income from 2014 to 2015 for the operations that were NOT organic? \_\_\_\_\_  
**(Ave. milk price per cwt.)**

Compare the ABC Organic Farm Dairy enterprise, Page R10, to the Organic Dairy enterprise in the Area Average, Page R28.

27. What was the primary reason that ABC Organic Farm Dairy had a better Net Return per cow than the Organic Dairy enterprises in the Area Average?

\_\_\_\_\_  
**(Pounds of milk produced per cow or Milk Sold per cow)**

28. Feed costs are often presented on a per cow and a per cwt. of milk produced. For which of these is ABC Organic Farm better than the average Organic Dairy enterprise?

\_\_\_\_\_  
**(Feed Cost per cwt.)**

Using the Contributions to Overhead section of the ABC Organic Farm data, Page R12, of the Resource Information, answer the following question.

29. Which Crop Enterprise contributed the most income to cover Overhead Expenses

\_\_\_\_\_  
**(Irrigated Organic Corn)**

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Based on the Comparative Trend Data, Page R14, and considering the years the farm has been involved in organic production (2007 – present), list the year that each of these factors were best.

30. Net farm income from operations \_\_\_\_\_ **(2014)**

31. Rate of Return on Assets \_\_\_\_\_ **(2014)**

32. Rate of Return on Equity \_\_\_\_\_ **(2007)**

33. Current Ratio \_\_\_\_\_ **(2010)**

34. Operating Expense Ratio \_\_\_\_\_ **(2014)**

End of Part IX – Analyzing the Farm Business

Total possible points 40

POINTS EARNED PART IX \_\_\_\_\_



## Part X – Family Living

Review the story of ABC Organic Farm, Pages R1 and R2, the 2015 Family Living Expense Summary, Page R12, and the Area Average Household and Personal Living Expenses, Page R21, before answering the following questions. Round answers to whole numbers and percentages to tenths, xx.x%. Answers are worth 1 point each except for questions 1 and 2 and 14 through 18, which are worth 2 points each.

1. What is the total cash family living expense amount per ABC Organic Farm family member?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$7,772 (\$69,950 / 9 family members)**

2. What is the total cash family living expense amount per Area Average family member?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **\$13,840 (\$48,439 / 3.5 family members)**

Of the following, what are three annual cash family living expenses that ABC Organic Farm would find most difficult to reduce?

Clothing

Gifts

Household and real estate taxes

Health insurance

Medical care

Recreation

3. \_\_\_\_\_ **Household and real estate taxes**

4. \_\_\_\_\_ **Health insurance**

5. \_\_\_\_\_ **Medical care**

Of the following, what are three annual cash family living expenses that ABC Organic Farm would find least difficult to reduce?

Cash donations

Gifts

Life insurance premiums

Health insurance

Utilities

Recreation

6. \_\_\_\_\_ **Cash donations**

7. \_\_\_\_\_ **Gifts**

8. \_\_\_\_\_ **Recreation**

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For the following expense items, indicate whether ABC Organic Farm spends more or less than the Area Average on a per family member basis.

9. Food and meals \_\_\_\_\_ **Less**
10. Clothing \_\_\_\_\_ **Less**
11. Health insurance \_\_\_\_\_ **More**
12. Utilities \_\_\_\_\_ **Less**

13. When reviewing the total cash family living expenses for ABC Organic Farm. In which category were the expenses the highest? \_\_\_\_\_  
**Food and meals expense**

As the children of ABC Organic Farm grow, we expect the food and meals expense along with the clothing expense will increase over time. What percent of total family living expense do each of these areas comprise for ABC Organic Farm? (2 points each)

14. Food and meals expense \_\_\_\_\_%  **$(\$11,547/\$69,950) \times 100 = 16.5\%$**
15. Clothing expense \_\_\_\_\_%  **$(\$2,247/\$69,950) \times 100 = 3.2\%$**

In the list below, indicate which expenses account for more or less than 5% of the Total cash family living and investment and nonfarm capital purchases / Total Personal Expenditures. (2 points each)

16. Miscellaneous for ABC Organic Farm \_\_\_\_\_ **More 5.3%**
17. Household supplies for Area Average \_\_\_\_\_ **Less 4.2%**
18. Medical Care for ABC Organic Farm \_\_\_\_\_ **Less 4.9%**

End of Part X – Family Living

Total possible points 25

POINTS EARNED PART X \_\_\_\_\_

## Part XI - Economic Principles

**Circle the letter in front of the correct answer. Each correct answer is 2 points.**

ABC Organic Farm applies a fertilizer to their non-irrigated hay meadows which contains about 40 lbs. of nitrogen (N) per acre. Fertilizer cost is projected to be \$1.05 per pound applied. The hay meadows currently average a yield of 1.8 tons of hay per acre but ABC Organic Farm has found that with different levels of fertilizer applied, they receive additional output. They estimate that the hay can be sold for \$105 a ton.

Complete the table below. Round the Total Income from hay sold (TR) column to cents and the Marginal Cost (MC) and Marginal Revenue (MR) per acre columns to the nearest whole dollar.

Lbs of N Applied per acre	Yield of Meadow Hay in tons per acre (TPP)	Cost of Fertilizer per acre (TC)	Total Income from hay sold (TR)	Marginal Cost of fertilizer (MC)	Marginal Revenue per acre (MR)
0	1.20	n/a	\$126.00	n/a	n/a
20	1.51	\$21	<b>\$158.55</b>	<b>\$68</b>	<b>\$105</b>
40	1.80	\$42	\$189.00	<b>\$72</b>	<b>\$105</b>
60	2.09	\$63	\$219.45	<b>\$72</b>	<b>\$105</b>
80	2.37	\$84	<b>\$248.85</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>\$105</b>
100	2.57	\$105	\$269.85	<b>\$105</b>	<b>\$105</b>
120	2.72	\$126	<b>\$285.60</b>	<b>\$140</b>	<b>\$105</b>
140	2.82	\$147	\$296.10	<b>\$210</b>	<b>\$105</b>
160	2.90	\$168	\$304.50	<b>\$263</b>	<b>\$105</b>

- Given the table above, how many pounds of nitrogen fertilizer should be applied to the meadow hay to maximize profits per acre?
  - 60 pounds
  - 80 pounds
  - 100 pounds**
  - 120 pounds

2. In this situation the marginal revenue is equal to the
  - A. change in total revenue divided by the change in total production.**
  - B. increase in profits resulting from applying fertilizer to achieve the highest yield possible.
  - C. revenue created through the sale of the hay minus the cost of the fertilizer.
  - D. profits derived from the marginal propensity to consume the additional hay.
  
3. The marginal cost is equal to the
  - A. cost of fertilizing a single acre.
  - B. marginal value deducted from the expenses that are expected to occur.
  - C. change in the total cost divided by the marginal physical product.**
  - D. cost of additional yield deducted from the revenue that is expected to be generated.
  
4. The level of fertilizer that ABC Organic Farm is currently applying is optimum for their operation.
  - A. True
  - B. False**
  
5. Applying 140 lbs. of fertilizer per acre is the most efficient use of ABC Organic Farm's resources.
  - A. True
  - B. False**
  
6. The decision rule for profit maximization is
  - A.  $MR=MC$**
  - B.  $MR \geq MC$
  - C.  $MR \leq MC$
  - D.  $MR \neq MC$
  
7. If there is not a place where the MR and the MC are equal, then you should choose the place where the marginal revenue is closest to equaling the marginal cost but more marginal revenue than marginal cost.
  - A. True**
  - B. False

8. Why does the Marginal Revenue Per Acre column remain the same all of the way down?
- A. Because the cost of input remains the same.
  - B. Because the marginal production does not change.
  - C. Because average production remains the same.
  - D. Because marginal revenue is equal to the price of hay.**
9. What is the Total Income from hay sold at the 80 pounds of nitrogen input level?
- A. \$248.85**
  - B. \$285.60
  - C. \$189.00
  - D. \$298.50
10. If the Marginal Physical Product is not present in the table, you must calculate it in order to calculate the Marginal Cost.
- A. True**
  - B. False
11. If the value of a ton of hay increases to \$130 per ton, the optimum amount of nitrogen applied would be
- A. 100 lbs.**
  - B. 120 lbs.
  - C. 140 lbs.
  - D. 180 lbs.
12. If the value per ton of hay drops to \$100 per ton, the optimum amount of nitrogen applied would be
- A. 40 lbs.
  - B. 60 lbs.
  - C. 80 lbs.**
  - D. 100 lbs.

End of Part XI – Economic Principles

Total Possible Points 24

POINTS EARNED PART XI \_\_\_\_\_



**Each team will complete and turn in only one copy of these pages.  
Other copies can be used to make notes and calculations**

**2016 National FFA Farm Business Management  
Career Development Event  
Team Activity**

**Expectations:** The team activity evaluates the ability of team members to work together to use decision making and problem analysis skills while applying economic principles and concepts taught in farm business management.

**Evaluation:** The team activity portion is evaluated as follows:

- involve all members of the team
- organize the team effort
- communicate with each other in resolving issues relating to the current situation
- reach consensus and agreement
- complete the analysis of possible alternatives and solutions
- communicate and submit in writing the team's consensus of solutions

**Team Activity Focus:** Explore the ABC Organic Farm business in the areas listed below. Review the current and past situations considering what you have learned from the Resource Information and from working on the individual problem.

<b>Points:</b>	<b>Part 1 – Advantages of organic dairying</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 2 – Challenges in organic dairying</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 3 – Net return comparison</b>	<b>28 points</b>
	<b>Part 4 – Total net return difference</b>	<b>6 points</b>
	<b>Part 5 – Life insurance rationale</b>	<b>6 points</b>
	<b>Part 6 – Item in an estate plan – Part 1</b>	<b>8 points</b>
	<b>Part 7 – Item in an estate plan – Part 2</b>	<b>8 points</b>
	<b>Part 8 – Bio-security</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 9 – Community relationships</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 10 – Retaining employees</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 11 – Advantages of organic crop production</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 12 – Challenges in organic crop production</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 13 – Corn enterprise comparison</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 14 – Risk management factors</b>	<b>16 points</b>

**Total    200 points**

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**1. List four possible advantages of organic dairying. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

**2. List four possible disadvantages/challenges of organic dairying. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**



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**3. ABC Organic Farm wants to compare their total returns over the past five years to see how much difference there is compared to other similar size cow herds from the area average. See pages R14 and R33. (28 points total)**

i. Identify the Net Return over labor and management per Cow. List to nearest cent. (1 pt. each)

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
1. Conventional	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
2. ABC Organic	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

ii. Assume that both the average and ABC Organic farms have 200 cows. Calculate the total net return over labor and management for each year. List to nearest whole dollar. (1 pt. -each)

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
1. Conventional	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
2. ABC Organic	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

iii. Calculate the 5-year total for each operation. (4 pts. each)

- 1. Conventional           \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. ABC Organic           \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Explain the difference between the five-year totals in Question #3, Answer iii. (6 points)**

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**5. List three reasons for having life insurance in this operation. (List = 6 points)**

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**6. List one item that should be addressed in an estate plan and explain its importance in detail. (8 points)**

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**7. List a second item that should be addressed in an estate plan and explain its importance in detail. (8 points)**

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**8. List four of ABC Organic Farm's biggest challenges in bio-security. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

**9. List four ways the owners of ABC Organic Farm can promote strong community relationships. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

**10. List four key factors necessary to retain high quality employees. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

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**11. List four possible advantages of producing organic crops. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

**12. What are four possible disadvantages/challenges of producing organic crops?  
(4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

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**13. Compare ABC Organic Farm’s dryland organic corn to the Corn on Cash Rent area average. Respond to each expense item by indicating whether the amount for ABC Organic Farm is more or less (circle) than the area average and give the main reason there is a difference. See pages R8 and R24. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

**Seed: More or Less**

∞ WHY:

**Chemicals: More or Less**

∞ WHY:

**Fuel and Repairs: More or Less**

∞ WHY:

**Total Direct Expenses: More or Less**

∞ WHY:

**14. List four Risk Management strategies you recommend for this business. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**



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**Each team will complete and turn in only one copy of these pages.  
Other copies can be used to make notes and calculations**

## 2016 National FFA Farm Business Management Career Development Event Team Activity

**Expectations:** The team activity evaluates the ability of team members to work together to use decision making and problem analysis skills while applying economic principles and concepts taught in farm business management.

**Evaluation:** The team activity portion is evaluated as follows:

- involve all members of the team
- organize the team effort
- communicate with each other in resolving issues relating to the current situation
- reach consensus and agreement
- complete the analysis of possible alternatives and solutions
- communicate and submit in writing the team's consensus of solutions

**Team Activity Focus:** Explore the ABC Organic Farm business in the areas listed below. Review the current and past situations considering what you have learned from the Resource Information and from working on the individual problem.

<b>Points:</b>	<b>Part 1 – Advantages of organic dairying</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 2 – Challenges in organic dairying</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 3 – Net return comparison</b>	<b>28 points</b>
	<b>Part 4 – Total net return difference</b>	<b>6 points</b>
	<b>Part 5 – Life insurance rationale</b>	<b>6 points</b>
	<b>Part 6 – Item in an estate plan – Part 1</b>	<b>8 points</b>
	<b>Part 7 – Item in an estate plan – Part 2</b>	<b>8 points</b>
	<b>Part 8 – Bio-security</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 9 – Community relationships</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 10 – Retaining employees</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 11 – Advantages of organic crop production</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 12 – Challenges in organic crop production</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 13 – Corn enterprise comparison</b>	<b>16 points</b>
	<b>Part 14 – Risk management factors</b>	<b>16 points</b>

**Total    200 points**

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**1. List four possible advantages of organic dairying. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

- ∞ **Price of the milk**
- ∞ **Longevity of the cows**
- ∞ **Perception of quality**
- ∞ **Limited supply of organic milk**
- ∞ **Limited supply dairy replacements**
- ∞ **Less use of medication**

**2. List four possible disadvantages/challenges of organic dairying. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

- ∞ **Obtaining an organic feed supply**
- ∞ **Adequate amount of organic pasture**
- ∞ **Additional recordkeeping required**
- ∞ **Inspections**
- ∞ **Annual Organic Certification fee**
- ∞ **Limited options for agronomic decisions**



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**3. ABC Organic Farm wants to compare their total returns over the past five years to see how much difference there is compared to other similar size cow herds from the area average. See pages R14 and R33. (28 points total)**

i. Identify the Net Return over labor and management per Cow. List to nearest cent. (1 pt. each)

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
1. Conventional	<u>327.75</u>	<u>82.16</u>	<u>13.45</u>	<u>1009.94</u>	<u>-12.27</u>
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
2. ABC Organic	<u>289.78</u>	<u>393.17</u>	<u>1236.45</u>	<u>1133.83</u>	<u>2054.38</u>

ii. Assume that both the average and ABC Organic farms have 200 cows. Calculate the total net return over labor and management for each year. List to nearest whole dollar. (1 pt. each)

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
1. Conventional	<u>65,550</u>	<u>16,432</u>	<u>2,690</u>	<u>201,988</u>	<u>-2,454</u>
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
2. ABC Organic	<u>57,956</u>	<u>78,634</u>	<u>247,290</u>	<u>226,766</u>	<u>410,876</u>

iii. Calculate the 5-year total for each operation. (4 pts. each)

- 1. Conventional      **\$ 284,206**
- 2. ABC Organic      **\$ 1,021,522**

**4. Explain the difference between the five-year totals in Question #3, Answer iii. (6 points)**

∞ **Decisions to be based on relation to Margin**

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**5. List three reasons for having life insurance in this operation. (List = 6 points)**

- ∞ **Covering farm debt**
- ∞ **Replacing lost labor**
- ∞ **Replacing lost childcare**
- ∞ **Replacing lost income**
- ∞ **Replacing lost management ability and knowledge**
- ∞ **Protect children's future**

**6. List one item that should be addressed in an estate plan and explain its importance in detail. (8 points)**

- ∞ **Guardianship of minor children**
- ∞ **Distribution of assets**
- ∞ **Proper business entity**
- ∞ **Need for wills**
- ∞ **Avoiding probate (trusts) and estate taxes**
- ∞ **Identifying expertise in advising**

**7. List a second item that should be addressed in an estate plan and explain its importance in detail. (8 points)**

- ∞ **See list above.**

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**8. List four of ABC Organic Farm's biggest challenges in bio-security. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

- ∞ **Animal diseases**
- ∞ **Chemical drift**
- ∞ **Contamination from non-organic crops**
- ∞ **Site security**

**9. List four ways the owners of ABC Organic Farm can promote strong community relationships. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

- ∞ **Contributions to community events**
- ∞ **Participation in community activities (i.e. 4-H)**
- ∞ **Participation in church activities**
- ∞ **Buying local**
- ∞ **Promotion of organic products - tell the organic story**
- ∞ **Serve on community boards**
- ∞ **Offer farm tours**

**10. List four key factors necessary to retain high quality employees. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

- ∞ **Wages**
- ∞ **Benefits (vacation, health insurance, retirement plan, education/training)**
- ∞ **Working conditions**
- ∞ **Incentives**
- ∞ **Equity between employees**

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**11. List four possible advantages of producing organic crops. (4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

- ∞ **Price per unit**
- ∞ **Produce feed for organic dairy**
- ∞ **Perception of quality**
- ∞ **Use his own organic manure on organic crops**
- ∞ **Less exposure to chemicals**
- ∞ **Opportunity to sell to organic markets**

**12. What are four possible disadvantages/challenges of producing organic crops?  
(4 pts. Ea. = 16 points)**

- ∞ **Unable to use chemical weed control**
- ∞ **Different practices needed to control weeds**
- ∞ **Adequate amount of organic pasture**
- ∞ **Additional recordkeeping required**
- ∞ **Inspections**
- ∞ **Annual Organic Certification fee**
- ∞ **More management required**
- ∞ **More trips over the field / more machinery cost**
- ∞ **More labor required**









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