

**Projections for Planning Purposes Only -- Not to be Used without Updating**  
**2024 Estimated Costs and Returns per Animal Unit**  
**Commercial Sheep, Wool/Lamb Production, 5 Head per AU**  
**West Central Extension District - 7**

Animal Units (AU)	100						Enterprise
Breeding Females	500						
REVENUE	Head	Quantity Per Head	Units	\$/Unit	Total	Total	
Lambs - Wether	2.250	0.75	CWT	\$290.00	\$489.38	\$48,937.50	
Lambs - Ewe	1.250	0.75	CWT	\$245.00	\$229.69	\$22,968.75	
Cull Ewes	1.000	1.35	CWT	\$86.80	\$117.18	\$11,718.00	
Cull Rams	0.050	2.00	CWT	\$91.80	\$9.18	\$918.00	
Wool, 20.6-22.0 Mic	5.000	4.00	Pound	\$6.30	\$126.00	\$12,600.00	
PRF Income	5.000	6.00	Acre	\$1.96	\$58.80	\$5,880.00	
<b>Total Revenue</b>					<b>\$1,030.22</b>	<b>\$103,022.25</b>	
VARIABLE COSTS		Quantity	Units	\$/Unit	Total	Total	
<b>Production Costs</b>							
<b>Miscellaneous</b>							
Supplies		1.00	AU	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$1,500.00	
Predator Control - Sheep		1.00	AU	\$5.25	\$5.25	\$525.00	
Brush Control		1.00	AU	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$3,000.00	
PRF Rainfall Ins		1.00	AU	\$33.30	\$33.30	\$3,330.00	
Tag Sheep		1.00	AU	\$9.50	\$9.50	\$950.00	
Shear Sheep		1.00	AU	\$16.25	\$16.25	\$1,625.00	
Marketing Expense		1.00	AU	\$20.83	\$20.83	\$2,082.50	
<b>Feed</b>							
Corn - Sheep and Goat		110	Pound	\$0.07	\$7.85	\$785.40	
Range Cubes 20%		2.25	CWT	\$17.90	\$40.28	\$4,027.50	
Salt - Sheep		15	Pound	\$0.13	\$1.97	\$196.50	
Mineral - Sheep		6	Pound	\$0.44	\$2.62	\$262.20	
Dog food		0.05	Dog	\$362.26	\$18.11	\$1,811.30	
<b>Vet. Medicine</b>							
Overeat/Tetnus		4.5	Dose	\$0.84	\$3.78	\$378.18	
Soremouth		4.5	Dose	\$0.34	\$1.53	\$153.00	
Guard/Working Dog Health		0.05	Head	\$250.00	\$12.50	\$1,250.00	
S&G Deworm 1st		118.1	ML	\$0.06	\$6.93	\$692.99	
S&G Deworm 2nd		21.2	ML	\$0.07	\$1.48	\$147.97	
<b>Fuel</b>							
Lube (As a % of fuel)		10.0%	Percent	\$66.15	\$6.62	\$661.50	
Repairs		1	AU	\$52.32	\$52.32	\$5,232.49	
Labor		1.00	Hours	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$1,500.00	
Utilities		1.00	AU	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$2,400.00	
Interest on Credit Line				8.00%	\$32.19	\$3,219.01	
<b>Total Variable Costs</b>					<b>\$423.46</b>	<b>\$42,345.54</b>	
Planned Returns Above Variable Costs:					\$606.77	\$60,676.71	
Average Lamb Breakeven Price to Cover Variable Costs				\$42.78	CWT		
FIXED COSTS		Quantity	Units	\$/Unit	Total	Total	
Depreciation - Equipment		1	AU	\$57.50	\$57.50	\$5,750.18	
Depreciation - Livestock		1	AU	\$43.47	\$43.47	\$4,346.67	
Equipment Investment		\$1,546.32	dollars	8.00%	\$123.71	\$12,370.60	
Pasture Cost		30	Acres	\$8.00	\$240.00	\$24,000.00	
<b>Total Fixed Costs</b>					<b>\$464.67</b>	<b>\$46,467.44</b>	
<b>Total Costs</b>					<b>\$888.13</b>	<b>\$88,812.99</b>	
Planned Returns to Management, Risk, and Profit:					\$142.09	\$14,209.26	
Average Lamb Breakeven Price to Cover Total Costs				\$219.80	CWT		

**Sensitivity Analysis for Example**

Example Weaning Percent	Example Gross Sales per Animal Unit	Pounds Produced per Animal Unit	Example Breakeven Lamb Pay Weight to Cover Total Cost	Example Average Breakeven Price to Cover Total Cost
110%	\$1,190.01	466	47	\$179.83
100%	\$1,110.12	437	53	\$197.82
90%	\$1,030.22	408	60	\$219.80
80%	\$950.33	378	70	\$247.27
70%	\$870.43	349	84	\$282.60

Example Male Lamb Price	\$290.00
Example Female Lamb Price	\$245.00
Example Weighted Average Lamb Price (\$/cwt)	\$273.93

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