

**2026 Estimated Costs and Returns per Acre  
Dryland Sesame  
Southwest Extension District - 10**

Crop Acres		100				Enterprise	
REVENUE	Quantity	Units	\$/Unit	Total	Total		
Sesame	5.00	CWT	\$39.00	\$195.00	\$19,500.00		
<b>Total Revenue</b>				<b>\$195.00</b>	<b>\$19,500.00</b>		
VARIABLE COSTS	Quantity	Units	\$/Unit	Total	Enterprise		
<b>Production Costs</b>							
Herbicide							
Select Max	0.1	Gallon	\$105.00	\$10.50	\$1,050.00		
Seed							
Sesame Seed	2.5	Pound	\$3.50	\$8.75	\$875.00		
Fertilizer							
UAN(32% N)	0.82	CWT	\$17.08	\$14.01	\$1,400.56		
Fertilizer 18-46-0	22	Pound	\$0.35	\$7.70	\$770.00		
Miscellaneous							
Crop Insurance - Sesame Dry	1	Acre	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$3,500.00		
Miscellaneous Sesame Overhead	1	Acre	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$400.00		
Machinery Labor							
Tractors/Self-Propelled	0.46	Hour	\$18.54	\$8.53	\$852.84		
Other Labor	0.04	Hour	\$18.54	\$0.74	\$74.16		
Diesel Fuel							
Tractors/Self-Propelled	3.75	Gallon	\$2.75	\$10.31	\$1,031.25		
Gasoline							
Pickup/General Use Equipment	1	Acre	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$2,999.56		
Repairs & Maintenance							
Pickup/General Use Equipment	1	Acre	\$4.84	\$4.84	\$483.84		
Tractors/Self-Propelled	1	Acre	\$14.60	\$14.60	\$1,460.36		
Implements	1	Acre	\$6.15	\$6.15	\$614.86		
Interest on Credit Line			8.10%	\$5.96	\$596.46		
<b>Total Variable Costs</b>				<b>\$161.09</b>	<b>\$16,108.88</b>		
Planned Returns Above Variable Costs:					\$33.91	\$3,391.12	
Breakeven Price to Cover Variable Costs			\$32.22	CWT			
FIXED COSTS	Quantity	Units	\$/Unit	Total	Enterprise		
Machinery Depreciation							
Pickup/General Use Equipment	1	Acre	\$25.20	\$25.20	\$2,520.00		
Tractors/Self-Propelled	1	Acre	\$14.29	\$14.29	\$1,429.10		
Implements	1	Acre	\$7.82	\$7.82	\$781.58		
Equipment Investment							
Pickup/General Use Equipment	\$105.00	Dollars	8.10%	\$8.51	\$850.50		
Tractors/Self-Propelled	\$108.69	Dollars	8.10%	\$8.80	\$880.42		
Implements	\$39.19	Dollars	8.10%	\$3.17	\$317.45		
Dryland Winter Garden Rent	1	Acre	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$2,000.00		
<b>Total Fixed Costs</b>				<b>\$87.79</b>	<b>\$8,779.04</b>		
<b>Total Specified Costs</b>				<b>\$248.88</b>	<b>\$24,887.92</b>		
Returns Above Specified Costs					<b>(\$53.88)</b>	<b>(\$5,387.92)</b>	
Breakeven Price to Cover Total Costs			\$49.78	CWT			

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