

**2026 Estimated Costs and Returns per Animal Unit
Wool Sheep, 5 Head per AU
Southwest Extension District - 10**

Animal Units (AU) 100
Breeding Females 500

REVENUE	Head	Quantity Per Head	Units	\$/Unit	Total	Enterprise Total
Lambs	2.330	0.80	CWT	\$280.00	\$521.92	\$52,192.00
Lambs	1.220	0.80	CWT	\$280.00	\$273.28	\$27,328.00
Cull Ewes	1.100	1.10	CWT	\$62.00	\$75.02	\$7,502.00
Cull Ram	0.000	1.70	CWT	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Wool	5.000	13.00	Pound	\$6.30	\$409.50	\$40,950.00
Total Revenue					\$1,279.72	\$127,972.00

VARIABLE COSTS	Quantity	Units	\$/Unit	Total	Enterprise Total
Production Costs					
Miscellaneous					
Predator Control	1.00	AU	\$16.25	\$16.25	\$1,625.00
Trucking - Sheep and Goats	1.00	AU	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$2,000.00
Custom Shearing	1.00	AU	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$1,500.00
Parasite Monitoring	1.00	AU	\$2.75	\$2.75	\$275.00
Horse Health/Shoe/Feed	1.00	AU	\$0.41	\$0.41	\$41.23
Marketing Expense	1.00	AU	\$18.60	\$18.60	\$1,860.20
Feed					
20% Protein Cube	6.76	CWT	\$19.90	\$134.52	\$13,452.40
10-10 Loose Mineral	182.5	Pound	\$0.60	\$109.50	\$10,950.00
Vet. Medicine					
Clostridials S&G	5	Dose	\$0.42	\$2.10	\$209.90
Deworm S&G-Ivomec	10	Dose	\$1.12	\$11.24	\$1,123.67
Lice control - S&G	10	Dose	\$0.06	\$0.60	\$60.00
Fuel	1.0	AU	\$23.88	\$23.88	\$2,388.00
Lube (As a % of fuel)	10.0%	Percent	\$23.88	\$2.39	\$238.80
Repairs	1	AU	\$13.69	\$13.69	\$1,369.34
Labor	3.20	Hours	\$14.00	\$44.80	\$4,480.00
Interest on Credit Line			8.10%	\$20.44	\$2,043.92
Total Variable Costs				\$436.17	\$43,617.45

Planned Returns Above Variable Costs: \$843.55 \$84,354.55
Average Lamb Breakeven Price to Cover Variable Costs (\$17.02) CWT

FIXED COSTS	Quantity	Units	\$/Unit	Total	Enterprise Total
Depreciation - Equipment	1	AU	\$58.34	\$58.34	\$5,833.99
Depreciation - Livestock	1	AU	\$93.17	\$93.17	\$9,317.16
Equipment Investment	\$1,207.55	dollars	8.10%	\$97.81	\$9,781.13
Pasture Cost	1	Acres	\$186.00	\$186.00	\$18,600.00
Total Fixed Costs				\$435.32	\$43,532.28
Total Costs				\$871.50	\$87,149.72
Planned Returns to Management, Risk, and Profit:				\$408.22	\$40,822.28
Average Lamb Breakeven Price to Cover Total Costs			\$136.26	CWT	

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