

**1985 ESTIMATED COST TO RUN A COW FOR ONE YEAR  
& THE RETURN ON YOUR INVESTMENT IN MODOC COUNTY\***

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	<u>\$/COW</u>
<b>FEED</b>	
Range (ALM Cost), irrigated Pasture, Hay and/or Supplement	165
<b>LABOR</b>	
Family & hired (5 hr/cow @ \$5/hr)	25
<b>INTEREST</b>	
On operating capital and on investment	60
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>	
(Depends on date of cattle and/or equipment purchase)	14
<b>TAXES</b>	
Personal property & possessory interest tax	15
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>	
Hauling to and from winter & summer ranges/pasture	
Hauling to market	25
<b>BULLS</b>	16
<b>VETERINARY</b>	
Service, supplies of drugs, pesticides, equipment for all animals divided by number of cows	16.50
<b>OTHER COSTS</b>	
Utilities, repairs, insurance, office expense	35
<b>TOTAL COST PER COW UNIT PER YEAR</b>	<u><u>\$371.50</u></u>

<u>SALES:</u>	<u># hd.</u>	
Steer Calves	127	
Heifer Calves	68	
Cull Cows	54	
Cull Bulls	5	
<b>AVERAGE SALE PER COW UNIT</b>		<u>\$250.23</u>
<b>NET RETURN OR (LOSS)</b>		<u>(\$121.27)</u>

\* Based on 300 head operation, 85% calf crop, 2% cow mortality, 20% replacement rate, and:

450 lb. steers @ 62¢/lb  
425 lb. heifers @ 55¢/lb  
1,000 lb. cull cows @ 37¢/lb  
1,000 lb. cull bulls @ 47¢/lb