



Citrimation for Ventura County

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Sample Lemon Production Costs ^{1/}

<u>CULTURAL OPERATIONS</u>		SAMPLE COSTS PER ACRE
Fertilization:	Nitrogen application; zinc and/or manganese spray	\$ 35
Irrigation:	2 ac. ft. water @ \$20/ac. ft. Labor	40 36
Insect Control:	Spring & fall spray)
Disease Control:	Brown Rot Gummosis & other)) 103
Rodent Control:)
Weed Control:	Fall sterilant treatment & spot sprays	26
Pruning & Brush Chopping:		98
Frost Protection:	Wind machines & heaters	53
Tree Replacement:)) 31
Miscellaneous:)
	Sub-total	\$ 422
<u>CASH OVERHEAD</u>		
Taxes:		100
Maintenance & Repair:	Buildings, pickup, tractor, and irrigation	32
General Expense:		30
	Sub-total	\$ 162
<u>TOTAL ON-TREE CASH COST</u>		\$ 584
<u>INVESTMENT OVERHEAD</u>		
Depreciation:	Trees, irrigation & frost protection systems, equip- ment & shed	\$ 184
<u>ON-TREE CASH COST + DEPRECIATION</u>		\$ 768

^{1/} Sample costs are based on 1969 cost levels. Charges for management and interest on investment are not included in these sample costs.

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