

## RABBITS

Table 55. A Standard of Production and Costs of Production of Meat Rabbits in Southern California.

Production and Management				For 100 Does	Per Doe		
Average Number of Breeding Bucks for the Year				12	.1		
Average Number of Kindlings for the Year				350	3.5		
Number of Young Left to be Raised at 6.5 per litter				2275	22.7		
Loss Expected - 20% Mortality in Young Stock				455	4.5		
Net Number Raised for Replacement and for Sale				1820	18.2		
Less-Number Raised for Replacement of Breeding Stock							
15% Mortality, 30% Sold or 45% of 112				51	.5		
Net Number of Young Available for Sale				1769	17.7		
Pounds of Young Rabbits to Sell at 3.8 lb. each				6722	67.2		
Pounds of Old Rabbits 34 per 100 Does at 9 lb. each				306	3.1		
Total Pounds of Rabbit Available for Sale				7028	70.3		
Expense Items	Quantity			Assumed Price per Unit	Cost for 100 Does	Cost per Doe	Cost per lb. Sold*
	For 100 Does	Per Doe	Per lb. Sold				
Dollars							
Grain	17500 #	175 #	2.5 #	\$1.60	280.00	2.80	4.0
Greens	12000	120 #	1.7	.25	30.00	.30	.4
Hay	22000	220 #	3.1	1.00	220.00	2.20	3.1
Minerals	100	1	.1	2.50	2.50	.03	.1
Total Feed	51600	516	7.4		532.50	5.33	7.6
Labor hours	1200	12		.30	360.00	3.60	5.1
Miscel., Taxes, etc.					50.00	.50	.7
Sub-Total - Current Operating Costs					942.50	9.43	13.4
Investment	Average Investment	5% Interest	Depreciation				
	Dollars per 100 Does						
Land	300.00	15.00					
Buildings, Fences, Hutches	600.00	30.00	45.00				
Equipment, Tools, Vessels, etc.	100.00	5.00	15.00				
Feed & Supplies on Hand	60.00	3.00					
Stock on Hand, Av.	440.00	22.00					
Total Investment	1500.00	75.00					
Total Depreciation			60.00	60.00	.60	.9	
Total Current Operating Costs and Depreciation					1002.50	10.03	14.3
Total Interest on Investment					75.00	.75	1.1
Total all Costs of Production					1077.50	10.78	15.4
Less Income Pelts, Manure and Miscellaneous					60.00	.60	.9
Net Cost of Production all Rabbit Sold					1017.50	10.18	14.5
Less Income from old Rabbit at 8 1/2 lb.					24.48	.24	-
Net Cost of Young Meat Rabbits Sold					993.02	9.94	14.8*

\*Cost per Pound Sold is the average cost of the rabbit actually sold including old as well as young stock except on the last line of the table where the 14.8¢ is the cost per pound of young rabbit sold.

The computations in the above table do not represent averages, but are present as a guide for those who expect to do better than average. The showing of quantities and values per 100 does not imply that such is a recommended size of unit. It would be a good size for a part time worker but a full time rabbit producer should be able to care for from 200 to 300 does.