

1988 SAMPLE COSTS TO PRODUCE BLACKEYES IN KERN COUNTY  
COST ANALYSIS WORKSHEET

The following costs are based on very competitive custom farming rates. An individual grower's costs may be lower or higher, depending on the cost of his equipment and the degree of utilization. In most cases, a grower could do his own operations in a more timely manner than a custom operator who must satisfy many customers. Manual labor costs are calculated at \$5.50 per hour including all benefits.

	<u>Sample Costs/Acre</u>	<u>My Costs</u>
<u>Pre-harvest Cash Costs</u>		
Disk - 1 time 32" stubble (\$15) and 1 time 22" finish (\$8)	\$ 23.00	
Furrow out	8.00	
Pre-irrigate - 6" @ \$30/acre-ft., 1 hr. labor	20.50	
Plant - 40 lbs/acre @ 35¢/lb. and \$9 planting	23.00	
Fertilizer - 40 lbs. P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> if needed plus \$3 application \$15.00	-	
Cultivate - three times	21.00	
Pest Control Advising - \$5.00	5.00	
Lygus Control - \$8.00 material and \$5.00 application	13.00	
Worm Control - \$8.00 material and \$5.00 application	13.00	
Herbicide - Banded, \$5.00 material and \$6.00 application	11.00	
Irrigate - 3 acre-ft. @ \$30/acre-ft., 4 hrs.	112.00	
Miscellaneous office and bookkeeping - 4% cash costs	10.00	
Interest on operating capital - @ 11% for 6 months	14.00	
 TOTAL PREHARVEST CASH COSTS	 273.50	
<u>Harvest Costs:</u>		
Cutting and windrowing	26.00	
Threshing - \$15/acre plus \$1.50/cwt.	67.50	
Hauling - 37¢ cwt.	13.00	
<u>Land Costs</u>		
Rent - including taxes	100.00	
<u>Depreciation and Interest</u> (included in above costs)	-	
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TOTAL COST OF PRODUCTION (\$14.00/cwt. @ 35 cwt/acre)	\$480.00	