

Interest on Investment at 12%

Tractor, equipment, irrigation equipment 1/2 cost \$1750 for 10 acres	\$ 21.00	
TOTAL INTEREST ON INVESTMENT	\$ 21.00	\$0.02
TOTAL COST OF PRODUCTION	\$3000.26	\$4.63

Sample Costs per Carton at Varying Yields

Yield:	550	600	650	700	750
30 lb. cartons					
Cash costs per carton	\$5.35	\$4.92	\$4.54	\$4.22	\$3.94
Total costs per carton	\$5.47	\$5.01	\$4.63	\$4.30	\$4.01

Forty-three hours of labor are required to produce green beans, and about 411 hours of work are needed to pick, pack and haul a crop of 650 boxes. These hours of labor are charged in this cost analysis work sheet at \$4.00 each, and add to a total of 454 hours costing \$1816 per acre. This amounts to \$2.79 per box at the 650 box yield.

The grower and family members may be able to do part of this work, and reduce the cash costs by a large amount. The amount of money that this family labor earned would be determined by the price received for the green beans.

Labor may be available at a cost that is lower than \$4.00 per hour. If so, this would reduce the costs per carton below the amounts shown on the cost analysis work sheet.