

SAMPLE COSTS TO PRODUCE GREEN LIMA BEANS

Based on 1,000 acre farm. Yield 1.5 tons
Tractor driver @ \$1.75. Irrigator @ \$1.50. Other labor @ \$1.40.

Operation	Hours Per Acre	Labor	Fuel & Repairs	Materials & Other Cash	Total
CULTURAL					
Land preparation	3.0	\$5.25	\$ 8.00		\$ 13.25
Plant	.5	.88	.60	Seed - 140 lbs @ 20½¢	30.18
Irrigate 4 times	8.0	12.00	1.80	Water 1.4' @ \$5	20.80
Cultivate 5 times	5.0	8.75	6.25		15.00
Hoe	4.8	6.72			6.72
Pest Control 2 times				Spray \$10 - Applic. \$7	17.00
Fertilize - contract				Material \$15 - Applic. \$3	18.00
Miscellaneous	3.0	4.20	3.65		7.85
Total Cultural	24.3	37.80	20.30		128.80
HARVEST					
Cut				Per acre - \$3	3.00
Vine & haul by processor					4.50
Misc. overhead - office, accounting, auto, etc.					42.50
Rent 1/2 year					178.80
Total Cash Cost					13.50
Management 5% of 1.5 ton @ \$180 (\$270)					
		<u>Investment</u>	<u>Per Acre</u>	<u>Annual Cost</u>	
		Equipment	180.00	<u>Depreciation</u> 18.00	<u>Interest</u> 5.40 (½ year) -
					11.70
Total Cost Per Acre					204.00
Cost per ton @ 1.5 ton yield					136.00

Labor costs do not include social security, workmen's compensation, etc.
Fungicide use at planting, at the rate of 20 lbs. per acre, would increase costs \$6.50 per acre.

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