

SAMPLE COSTS TO PRODUCE CORN FOR SILAGE IN GLENN COUNTY (Double Cropped)

Expected average yield: 15 tons

Labor at \$1.25 ^{1/}PREHARVESTCost per acre

Land preparation	\$7.55
Planting and fertilizing	1.40
Seed, 14 lbs. at 25¢ per pound	3.50
Fertilizer, 100# N at 15¢ per pound	15.00
Irrigation labor (8x)	5.50
Irrigation power	6.50
Cultivation or weed spray	3.75
Misc. labor	<u>.50</u>
Total Preharvest cost	\$43.70

HARVESTING

Chopping, hauling, ensiling (contract)	\$45.00
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MISCELLANEOUS (1/2 annual cost)

Taxes	\$1.50
Other cash	1.50
Interest and depreciation on irrigation system	3.75
Interest on land, 5% of \$500.00	<u>12.50</u>
Total Miscellaneous cost	\$19.25

TOTAL COST PER ACRE	\$107.95
TOTAL COST PER TON	7.20

Interest and depreciation on tractor and equipment are included in the charge for each operation and will total from \$8 to \$12 per acre.

^{1/} Current wage rates vary from \$1.00 to \$1.25 for unskilled labor and \$1.35 to \$1.50 for tractor and machine labor.

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