
AGRICULTURAL ALTERNATIVES

Instructions for using the interactive budgets

You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader to use these forms. If you do not have this program installed on your computer, you can download a free version [here](#).

You can make changes to the interactive PDF budget files for this publication by inputting your own prices and quantities in the green-outlined cells for any item. You will need to click on and add your own estimated price and quantity information to all of the green-outlined cells to complete your customized budget.

The cells outlined in red automatically calculate your revised totals based on the changes you made to the cells outlined in green.

When you are finished, you can print the budget using the green **Print Form** button at the bottom of the form.

You can use the red **Clear Form** button to clear all the information from your budget when you are finished.

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Sample Quail Budget (Meat Birds)

For sale as meat birds; birds purchased at 1 day old and sold at 13 weeks;
three groups of 1,000 birds are produced per year.

Item	Quantity	Your Quantity	Unit	Price	Your Price	Three Flock	Calculated Estimate
Receipts							
Birds (15% death loss)	2,550	_____	birds	\$ 3.10	_____	\$ 7,905.00	_____
Variable Costs							
Costs per chick	3,000	_____	chicks	\$ 0.24	_____	\$ 720.00	_____
Feed costs (50-pound bag)	9,112	_____	pounds	\$ 0.125	_____	\$ 1,139.00	_____
Utilities					_____	\$ 215.00	_____
Supplies and miscellaneous					_____	\$ 220.00	_____
Marketing					_____	\$ 180.00	_____
Maintenance					_____	\$ 180.00	_____
Total variable costs						\$ 2,654.00	_____
Fixed Costs							
Labor (yearly)	364	_____	hours	\$0.00	_____	\$0.00	_____
Buildings and equipment	10	_____	years	\$ 3,250.00	_____	\$ 325.00	_____
Insurance and taxes					_____	\$ 50.00	_____
Total fixed costs						\$ 375.00	_____
Total costs						\$ 3,029.00	_____
Returns							
Returns over variable costs						\$ 5,251.00	_____
Net returns						\$ 4,876.00	_____