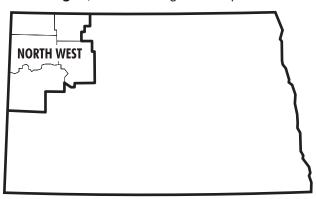


Projected 2005 Crop Budgets North West North Dakota

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The 2005 crop budgets provide an estimate of revenues and costs for selected crops. Each set of budgets are developed for a multi-county region. There is considerable variation in soil type and productivity, weather conditions, as well as management and production practices within each region. Therefore, THESE BUDGETS ARE ONLY INTENDED TO BE USED AS A GUIDE. EVERY INDIVIDUAL IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED TO DEVELOP HIS/HER OWN BUDGETS!

The profitability budget accounts for full economic opportunity costs for land and machinery investment, regardless of farm operator equity position. The bottom line is the return to labor and management. This is the expected "payment" to the producer for the labor and managerial efforts required by the crop enterprise.



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Each individual must make the decision whether it is sufficient.

The budget can be changed to conform to the more common definition of accounting profit (return to unpaid labor and management, and owner equity) by replacing the machinery investment and land charge cost items with your per acre interest, or rental, expense of machinery and land, and real estate tax if land is owned, respectively.

The budget can be used for long run decisions if the revenues and costs are realistic for several ears. (Crop prices, direct costs, and the land charge are best estimates for only the 2005 crop year, but crop yields are historic averages and machinery ownership costs are an average for the total length of ownership). If the budget shows a high return to labor and management, and is representative for several years, increased acreage and corresponding investment should be considered. However, if long-run returns to labor and management are unsatisfactory the best decision may be to exit the crop enterprise and employ the machinery and land investment, and labor and management, in a different enterprise or investment.

For short-run planning decisions you can omit the indirect costs if the land and machinery required to produce the different enterprises are in place. Simply compare the crop enterprises by calculating return over direct costs. Labor requirements and risk should also be considered. Insurance is not available for some crops.

The budget can be used to estimate cashflow by making a few modifications. Machinery depreciation should be omitted and the machinery investment number replaced with your per acre principal and interest payment on machinery debt. For owned land, the land charge should be replaced with your per acre real estate tax and principal and interest payment on land debt.

Direct and counter-cyclical payments under the 2002 Farm Bill are omitted from the budgets because those payments are tied to historic farm program base acres and payment yields, not to current crop selection or production. Direct payments for this region are about \$7.50 per acre when averaged over all crop acreage. Counter-cyclical payments will occur if the national average price of wheat, feed grains or soybeans is below a certain level. Counter-cyclical payment rates per bushel of \$0.20 for wheat, \$0.36 for soybeans, \$0.25 for corn, and the maximum, \$0.15 for barley and \$0.09 for oats are expected with the price levels used in the budgets. The payment rate times payment yield is paid on 85% of that crop's base acres. Counter-cyclical payments will vary by a farm's base acres and payment yields and will dissipate if prices rise.

Primary Assumptions:

Market Price: Best estimates of NDSU extension economists. The greater of projected market price and marketing loan rate is used.

Market Yields: Average yield for the 7 year period 1997-2003, after the low and high yield years are removed. Yields for field peas, safflower, yellow mustard, buckwheat, millet and garbanzo beans are from NDSU extension agronomists and industry sources.

Fertilizer: Cost of fertilizer applied, based on soil test, to meet yield goal of 130% of market yield.

Soil test - recrop: fallow: Nitrogen - 35 lb - 60 lb

Phosphorus - 6 ppm Potassium - 328 ppm

Fertilizer prices:

Nitrogen - .254/lb Phosphorus - .225/lb Potassium - .18/lb

Seed Prices:

Spring Wheat 5.30/bu
Durum 6.00/bu
Barley 4.20/bu

Corn grain RR 1.42/thous.kern.
Oil Sunflower .66/thou.kern.

Flax 14.00/bu Canola 3.10/lb 3.40/bu Oats Field Peas 5.75/bu Millet .17/lb Buckwheat .28/lb Safflower .50/lb Lentils .20/lb .85/lb Mustard Large Chickpeas .70/lb Rve 4.00/bu Winter Wheat 4.50/bu

Fuel prices:

Diesel 1.60/gal Gas 1.90/gal

Lubrication charge: 15% of fuel cost

Miscellaneous: soil testing, machinery rent and custom work.

Direct costs charged 6.50% interest for 6 month period.

Costs of moving crop to storage are included.

Spring wheat and durum budgets for fallow and recrop. All other crops are assumed to be planted on dryland recrop ground.

Misc. Overhead: Machinery housing and insurance at .5% and .85%, respectively, of average machinery investment. Also, liability insurance and license fees of trucks. In addition, \$1 per acre is assumed for general farm utilities, farm publications, meetings, dues, income tax preparation, legal fees, etc.

Land charge = average cash rent.

Machinery investment: 4.5% real interest rate, over the years of machine ownership, is charged on average machinery investment. The real, or inflation adjusted, rate is the commercial rate minus the inflation rate. Ave. mach. investment = (Purchase price + Disposal price)/2

Depreciation = (Purchase price - disposal price / years ownership)

Spring Wheat (fallow)

Durum (fallow)

Market Yield Market Price:	Per Acre 29 3.25	Your Figures	Per Acre 30 3.56	Your Figures
MARKET INCOME	94.25		106.80	
-Seed -Herbicides -Fungicides* -Insecticides** -Fertilizer -Crop Insurance -Fuel & Lubrication -Repairs -Drying -Miscellaneous -Operating Interest	6.63 2.10 1.50 0.00 14.37 3.30 6.32 8.09 0.00 1.00 1.41		9.00 2.10 1.50 0.00 15.40 3.30 6.34 8.11 0.00 1.00 1.52	
SUM OF LISTED DIRECT COSTS	===== 44.72	=======================================	===== 48.26	=======================================
INDIRECT (FIXED) COSTS -Misc. Overhead -Machinery Depreciation -Machinery Investment -Land Charge	3.02 10.42 5.98 26.00		3.03 10.45 5.99 26.00	
SUM OF LISTED INDIRECT COSTS	45.41		45.47	
DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS OF FALLOW	49.36		49.36	
SUM OF ALL LISTED COSTS	139.49		143.09	
RETURN TO LABOR & MANAGEMENT	(45.24)		(36.29)	

^{*}Early season foliar fungicide would cost about \$3-\$5 and late season fungicide would cost about \$9.50 plus application. Recent trials consistantly show yield responses of 5-10% with early season fungicide, if wheat planted into residue, and 15-20% with late application if weather favors disease development.

^{**}Orange wheat blossom midge insecticide would cost about \$6 per acre plus application.

Spring Wheat (recrop)

Durum (recrop)

		Your		Your
	Per Acre	Figures	Per Acre	Figures
Market Yield	27		27	
Market Price:	3.26		3.56	
MARKET INCOME	88.02		96.12	
DIRECT COSTS				
-Seed	6.63		9.00	
-Herbicides	9.20		9.20	
-Fungicides*	1.50		1.50	
-Insecticides**	0.00		0.00	
-Fertilizer	18.68		18.68	
-Crop Insurance	3.50		3.90	
-Fuel & Lubrication	7.68		7.68	
-Repairs	9.13		9.13	
-Drying	0.00		0.00	
-Miscellaneous	1.00		1.00	
-Operating Interest	1.86		1.95	
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SUM OF LISTED DIRECT COSTS	59.17		62.04	
INDIRECT (FIXED) COSTS				
-Misc. Overhead	3.28		3.28	
-Machinery Depreciation	11.44		11.44	
-Machinery Investment	6.90		6.90	
-Land Charge	26.00		26.00	
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SUM OF LISTED INDIRECT COSTS	47.62		47.62	
SUM OF ALL LISTED COSTS	106.79		109.66	
RETURN TO LABOR & MANAGEMENT	(18.77)		(13.54)	
LISTED COSTS PER BUDGET UNIT	(bu) :		(bu) :	
-Direct Costs	2.19		2.30	
-Indirect Costs	1.76		1.76	
-Total Costs	3.96		4.06	

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Malting Barley

Corn Grain

Market Yield	Per Acre 45	Your Figures	Per Acre 60	Your Figures
Market Price:	2.27*		2.01	
MARKET INCOME	102.15		120.60	
-Seed -Herbicides -Fungicides -Insecticides -Fertilizer -Crop Insurance -Fuel & Lubrication -Repairs -Drying -Miscellaneous -Operating Interest	5.25 8.70 1.25 0.00 19.78 4.20 8.29 9.79 0.00 1.00 1.89		26.98* 7.75 0.00 0.00 22.54 0.00** 11.24 13.06 8.10 1.00 2.95	
SUM OF LISTED DIRECT COSTS	60.16		93.61	
INDIRECT (FIXED) COSTS -Misc. Overhead -Machinery Depreciation -Machinery Investment -Land Charge	3.63 12.54 7.61 26.00		4.79 19.38 11.17 26.00	
SUM OF LISTED INDIRECT COSTS	49.78		61.34	
SUM OF ALL LISTED COSTS	109.94		154.95	
RETURN TO LABOR & MANAGEMENT	(7.79)		(34.35)	
LISTED COSTS PER BUDGET UNIT -Direct Costs -Indirect Costs -Total Costs	(bu) : 1.34 1.11 2.44		(bu) : 1.56 1.02 2.58	

Barley notes:

Corn notes:

^{*}On average, about 35% of production is feed quality. Use loan rate of about \$1.70 for feed barley price.

^{*}Roundup (glyphosate) resistant corn.

^{**}Crop insurance only available by written agreement.

Oil Sunflower

Canola

Market Yield Market Price:	Per Acre 1200 0.122	Your Figures	Per Acre 1320 0.101	Your Figures
MARKET INCOME	146.40		133.32	
-Seed -Herbicides -Fungicides -Insecticides -Fertilizer -Crop Insurance -Fuel & Lubrication -Repairs -Drying -Miscellaneous -Operating Interest	15.51 17.70 0.00 0.00* 15.87 7.00 7.75 9.32 2.40 1.00 2.49		17.05 16.00 0.00 7.00 33.44* 5.00 7.55 9.05 0.00 1.00 3.12	
SUM OF LISTED DIRECT COSTS	79.04		99.22	
INDIRECT (FIXED) COSTS -Misc. Overhead -Machinery Depreciation -Machinery Investment -Land Charge	3.61 13.06 7.71 26.00		3.23 11.53 6.81 26.00	
SUM OF LISTED INDIRECT COSTS	50.38		47.57	
SUM OF ALL LISTED COSTS	129.42		146.79	
RETURN TO LABOR & MANAGEMENT	16.98		(13.47)	
LISTED COSTS PER BUDGET UNIT -Direct Costs -Indirect Costs -Total Costs	(lb) : 0.07 0.04 0.11		(lb) : 0.08 0.04 0.11	

Sunflower notes:

Canola notes:

^{*}Sunflower beetle insecticide would cost about \$2 plus application. Red seed weevil insecticide would cost about \$6 plus application.

^{*}Fertilizer cost includes 20 lbs sulfer at \$.26/lb.

		Your		Your
	Per Acre	Figures	Per Acre	Figures
Market Yield	19		32	
Market Price:	5.27		3.50*	
MARKET INCOME	100.13		112.97	
DIRECT COSTS				
-Seed	8.40		17.25**	
-Herbicides	14.71		14.64	
-Fungicides	0.00		0.00	
-Insecticides	0.00		0.00	
-Fertilizer	14.00		5.90	
-Crop Insurance	4.50		3.90	
-Fuel & Lubrication	7.43		7.95	
-Repairs	8.98		9.88	
-Drying	0.00		0.00	
-Miscellaneous	1.00		2.00	
-Operating Interest	1.92		2.00	
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SUM OF LISTED DIRECT COSTS	60.94		63.52	

3.17

11.35

6.73

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26.00

47.24

108.18

(8.05)

(bu):

3.21

2.49

5.69

Flax

Field Peas

3.42

12.80

7.24

26.00

49.45

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112.97

(0.97)

(bu):

1.99

1.55

3.53

Field Pea notes:

-Direct Costs

-Total Costs

-Indirect Costs

INDIRECT (FIXED) COSTS
-Misc. Overhead

-Land Charge

-Machinery Depreciation

SUM OF LISTED INDIRECT COSTS

RETURN TO LABOR & MANAGEMENT

LISTED COSTS PER BUDGET UNIT

-Machinery Investment

SUM OF ALL LISTED COSTS

^{*}Loan rate is used because market price is expected to be lower.

^{**}Producer's own seed is used. Seed cost for new grower would be about \$27.

Oats

Lentils

Market Yield Market Price:	Per Acre 56 1.25	Your Figures	Per Acre 1300 0.12	Your Figures
MARKET INCOME	70.00		156.00	
DIRECT COSTS -Seed -Herbicides -Fungicides -Insecticides -Fertilizer -Crop Insurance -Fuel & Lubrication -Repairs -Drying -Miscellaneous -Operating Interest	6.80 1.88 0.00 0.00 21.67 4.80 8.52 9.94 0.00 1.00		14.00 16.14 0.00 0.00 3.99 8.20 8.89 10.51 0.00 4.00 2.14	
SUM OF LISTED DIRECT COSTS	===== 56.38		===== 67.86	
INDIRECT (FIXED) COSTS -Misc. Overhead -Machinery Depreciation -Machinery Investment -Land Charge	3.77 12.86 7.78 26.00		3.48 12.66 7.72 26.00	
SUM OF LISTED INDIRECT COSTS	50.41		49.86	
SUM OF ALL LISTED COSTS	106.79		117.72	
RETURN TO LABOR & MANAGEMENT	(36.79)		38.28	
LISTED COSTS PER BUDGET UNIT -Direct Costs -Indirect Costs -Total Costs	(bu): 1.01 0.90 1.91		(lb): 0.05 0.04 0.09	

Yellow Mustard

Safflower

		Your		Your
	Per Acre	Figures	Per Acre	Figures
Market Yield	900		950	
Market Price:	0.139		0.135	
MARKET INCOME	125.10		128.25	
DIRECT COSTS				
-Seed	8.50		12.50	
-Herbicides	5.95		9.75	
-Fungicides	0.00		0.10	
-Insecticides	0.00		0.00	
-Fertilizer	16.43		11.46	
-Crop Insurance	3.90		5.30	
-Fuel & Lubrication	7.18		6.70	
-Repairs	8.50		7.98	
-Drying	0.00		0.00	
-Miscellaneous	1.00		1.00	
-Operating Interest	1.67		1.78	
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SUM OF LISTED DIRECT COSTS	53.14		56.57	
INDIRECT (FIXED) COSTS				
-Misc. Overhead	3.00		2.88	
-Machinery Depreciation	10.71		10.10	
-Machinery Investment	6.24		5.62	
-Land Charge	26.00		26.00	
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SUM OF LISTED INDIRECT COSTS	45.96		44.60	
SUM OF ALL LISTED COSTS	99.09		101.18	
RETURN TO LABOR & MANAGEMENT	26.01		27.07	
LISTED COSTS PER BUDGET UNIT	(lb):		(lb):	
-Direct Costs	0.06		0.06	
-Indirect Costs	0.05		0.05	
-Total Costs	0.11		0.11	

Buckwheat

Millet

	Per Acre	Your Figures	Per Acre	Your Figures
Market Yield	800		1300	
Market Price:	0.112		0.063	
MARKET INCOME	89.60		81.90	
DIRECT COSTS				
-Seed	14.00		4.25	
-Herbicides	0.00		1.50	
-Fungicides	0.00		0.00	
-Insecticides	0.00		0.00	
-Fertilizer	7.22		10.13	
-Crop Insurance	0.00		0.00	
-Fuel & Lubrication	8.20		7.90	
-Repairs	9.35		9.52	
-Drying	0.00		0.00	
-Miscellaneous	1.00		1.00	
-Operating Interest	1.29		1.11	
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SUM OF LISTED DIRECT COSTS	41.07		35.42	
INDIRECT (FIXED) COSTS				
-Misc. Overhead	3.21		3.40	
-Machinery Depreciation	11.53		11.97	
-Machinery Investment	6.91		7.33	
-Land Charge	26.00		26.00	
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SUM OF LISTED INDIRECT COSTS	47.66		48.70	
SUM OF ALL LISTED COSTS	88.72		84.12	
RETURN TO LABOR & MANAGEMENT	0.88		(2.22)	
LISTED COSTS PER BUDGET UNIT -Direct Costs -Indirect Costs -Total Costs	(lb) : 0.05 0.06 0.11		(lb): 0.03 0.04 0.06	

Large Chickpeas

Winter Wheat

	Per Acre	Your Figures	Per Acre	Your Figures
Market Yield	1100		29*	
Market Price:	0.24		3.05	
MARKET INCOME	264.00		88.45	
DIRECT COSTS				
-Seed	84.00		4.50	
-Herbicides	16.14		5.38	
-Fungicides	49.00*		0.00	
-Insecticides	0.00		0.00	
-Fertilizer	4.73		20.72	
-Crop Insurance	0.00		3.50	
-Fuel & Lubrication	8.79		6.46	
-Repairs	11.34		8.28	
-Drying	0.00		0.00	
-Miscellaneous	6.00		1.10	
-Operating Interest	5.85		1.62	
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SUM OF LISTED DIRECT COSTS	185.85		51.57	
INDIRECT (FIXED) COSTS				
-Misc. Overhead	3.71		3.06	
-Machinery Depreciation	14.36		10.61	
-Machinery Investment	8.55		6.10	
-Land Charge	26.00		26.00	
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SUM OF LISTED INDIRECT COSTS	52.62		45.77	
SUM OF ALL LISTED COSTS	238.47		97.34	
RETURN TO LABOR & MANAGEMENT	25.53		(8.89)	
LISTED COSTS PER BUDGET UNIT	(lb):		(bu) :	
-Direct Costs	0.17		1.78	
-Indirect Costs	0.05		1.58	
-Total Costs	0.22		3.36	
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Large Chickpea notes:

Winter Wheat notes:

^{*}Three treatments of fungicide for ascochyta. More treatment may be necessary. Two different products should be used for fungicide resistance management.

^{*}Yield is per harvested acre, 1997-2003 acreage abandonment averaged 12%.

Rye

	Per Acre	Your Figures
Market Yield	34	
Market Price:	1.66	
MARKET INCOME	56.44	
DIRECT COSTS -Seed -Herbicides -Fungicides -Insecticides -Fertilizer -Crop Insurance -Fuel & Lubrication -Repairs -Drying	4.80 0.00 0.00 0.00 25.83 3.60 8.28 9.17 0.00	
-Miscellaneous -Operating Interest	1.00 1.71	
SUM OF LISTED DIRECT COSTS	54.39	
INDIRECT (FIXED) COSTS -Misc. Overhead -Machinery Depreciation -Machinery Investment -Land Charge	3.28 11.45 6.71 26.00	
SUM OF LISTED INDIRECT COSTS	47.44	
SUM OF ALL LISTED COSTS	101.83	
RETURN TO LABOR & MANAGEMENT	(45.39)	
LISTED COSTS PER BUDGET UNIT (bu) -Direct Costs -Indirect Costs -Total Costs	: 1.60 1.40 2.99	

2005 Machinery List

Machine	Purch. Price	Annual Use	Years to trade	Trade in	Deprec.	Invest.	Repairs	Ac/hr
2WD 100HP Tractor	50500	400 hr	20	16334	4.27/hr	3.76/hr	5.16/hr	
2WD 160HP Tractor	83300	500 hr	15	24653	7.82/hr	4.86/hr	8.48/hr	
4WD 280HP Tractor	114700	500 hr	15	33953	10.77/hr	6.69/hr	6.68/hr	
SP Combine (base unit)	132900	250 hr	12	33041	33.29/hr	14.93/hr	21.56/hr	
Tandem Truck (used)	30000	150 hr	15	10000	8.89/hr	6.00/hr	5.33/hr	
Semi & Trailer (used)	35000	150 hr	10	10000	16.67/hr	6.75/hr	6.67/hr	
Pick-up Truck	19000	300 hr	10	4000	5.00/hr	1.73/hr	2.47/hr	
Swather 25 ft	16000	1000 ac	20	3788	0.61/ac	0.45/ac	0.28/ac	12.1
Sprayer 90 ft	24500	2200 ac	15	9709	0.45/ac	0.35/ac	0.31/ac	42.5
Chisel Plow 35 ft	24300	1600 ac	15	14204	0.42/ac	0.54/ac	0.65/ac	16.2
Field Cultivator 45 ft	30400	3000 ac	15	16837	0.30/ac	0.35/ac	0.54/ac	23.2
Tandem Disk 28 ft	23300	800 ac	20	6675	1.04/ac	0.84/ac	0.66/ac	12.2
Harrow (springtooth) 60 ft	9900	1200 ac	20	5687	0.18/ac	0.29/ac	0.13/ac	34.0
Heavy Harrow 70 ft	21100	2000 ac	20	12345	0.22 /ac	0.38 /ac	0.24 /ac	39.7
Row-crop cultivator 12-30	10100	800 ac	15	5563	0.38/ac	0.44/ac	0.38/ac	11.6
Air Seeder 35 ft	68700	1800 ac	12	32174	1.69/ac	1.26/ac	2.70/ac	14.8
Planter 12-30	37200	800 ac	20	12397	1.55/ac	1.40/ac	2.06/ac	10.6
Corn head 6-30	23400	400 ac	20	2192	2.65/ac	1.44/ac	0.83/ac	4.5
Grain head w/pu	10200	800 ac	15	2124	0.67/ac	0.35/ac	0.19/ac	8.5
Grain str. cut 25 ft	13800	1200 ac	10	4729	0.76/ac	0.35/ac	0.25/ac	8.5
Head w/sunf pans 25 ft	17200	400 ac	20	1813	1.92/ac	1.07/ac	0.32/ac	8.5
Rock picker	14600	50 hr	20	4611	0.33/ac	0.29/ac	0.21/ac	29.1
Grain auger	6300	50 hr	20	500	5.80/hr	3.06/hr	0.62/hr	

Summer-fallow cost budget for crop/fallow rotation:

	Costs/AC
DIRECT COST	
-Fuel & Lubrication	6.69
-Repairs	4.70
-Interest	0.37
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	11.76
-Misc. Overhead	2.24
-Mach. Depreciation	5.24
-Mach. Investment	4.13
-Land Charge	26.00
TOTAL INDIRECT COSTS	37.60
TOTAL LISTED COSTS	49.36

Example Sequence of Operations

Field operations sequence for recrop spring wheat and durum

OP. NO.	DESCRIPTION	(FEET) WIDTH	(MPH) SPEED	(AC/HR) Fld Cap	(\$/AC) FUEL & LUBE	(\$/AC) EST. REPAIRS
1	Chisel Plow +NH	4.5	16.2	1.40	1.06	
2	Pick Rocks				0.28	0.39
3	Plant	35	5.0	14.8	1.53	3.15
4	Spray	90	6.0	42.5	0.19	0.44
5	Combine str. cut	25	4.0	8.5	2.20	2.79
6	Heavy Harrow	70	5.5	39.7	0.33	0.45
	Trucks*				0.55	0.38
	Grain auger (pto)			0.11	0.01
	Pickup truck allocation				1.10	0.45
		Total			7.68	9.13

^{*} Truck costs will vary between crops.

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