CENTRAL REGION
SMALL COW/CALF BUDGET 2015

BREED HERD SIZE	40	COW to BULL	20	CALF CROP PERCENT[1]	83%
CULL RATE	15%			REPLACEMENT HEIFER'S KEPT	6

VALUE OF PRODUCTION

	QUANTITY	WEIGHT	PRICE[2]	VALUE	VALUE PER COW	NEW VALUE
STEER CALVES	17	515	$2.40	$20,518	$512.94	
HEIFER CALVES	11	495	$2.32	$12,173	$304.33	
CULL COWS	6	900	$0.86	$4,644	$116.10	
CULL BULLS	1	1200	$0.96	$1,152	$28.80	
TOTAL	34			$38,487	$962.17	

VARIABLE COSTS

1. FEED COSTS

	UNITS	QUANTITY/PERCENT	PRICE	COST	VALUE PER COW	NEW VALUE
HAY	TON	5.00	$175	$875	$21.88	
STATE	AUY	0.0%	$38.04	$0	$0.00	
FEDERAL LEASE	AUY	50.0%	$20.88	$835	$20.88	
PRIVATE(Owned)	AUY	50.0%	$0.00	$0	$0.00	
PRIVATE(Leased Grazing)	AUY	0.0%	$0.00	$0	$0.00	
SALT & MINERAL	TON	3.00	$700	$2,100	$52.50	
PROTEIN SUPP	TON	6.00	$300	$1,800	$45.00	
OTHER		0.00	$0	$0	$0.00	
TOTAL				$5,610	$140.26	

2. OTHER VARIABLE COSTS

	COST	VALUE PER COW	NEW VALUE
VET AND MEDICINE	$649	$16.23	
LIVESTOCK HAULING	$182	$4.54	
HIRED LABOR	$1,800	$45.00	
OPERATING COSTS-EQUIP & MACH	$747	$18.67	
OPERATING COSTS-VEHICLE	$2,500	$62.50	
RANCH MAINTENANCE	$3,500	$87.50	
BEEF CHECKOFF	$27	$0.68	
PURCHASED LIVESTOCK	$12,000	$300.00	
TOTAL	$21,405	$535.12	

3. INTEREST ON VARIABLE COSTS

SUM OF VARIABLE COSTS X MONTHS BORROWED		
X INTEREST RATE PER MONTH		
ANNUAL INTEREST RATE	4.00%	
NUMBER OF MONTHS BORROWED	6	VALUE PER COW
	$540	$13.51
	$27,555	$688.88
TOTAL	$10,931	$273.28

OWNERSHIP COSTS

Annual Capital Recovery[4] (At Replacement Valve):	Represents 65% Asset Ownership[5]	VALUE PER COW	NEW VALUE
CASH COSTS			
Taxes & Insurance	$4,189	$104.73	
Overhead	$2,500	$62.50	
	$6,689	$167.23	
NON CASH COSTS			
Purchased Livestock	$1,971	$49.29	
Machinery & Equipment	$4,189	$104.73	
Housing & Improvements	$3,205	$80.12	
Interest on Retained Livestock[6]	$2,243	$56.09	
Management & Operation Labor (6% of gross returns)	$10,931	$273.28	
	$22,541	$563.52	
TOTAL FIXED COSTS	$29,230	$730.75	
TOTAL CASH AND VARIABLE COSTS	$34,245	$856.11	
TOTAL COSTS	$56,785	$1,419.63	
RETURN ABOVE TOTAL CASH COSTS	$4,242	$106.05	

BREAKEVEN CALCULATIONS

	VARIABLE COSTS	TOTAL COSTS
REQUIRED AVG. CALF PRICES CASH COST (cwt)	$164.35	$204.25
REQUIRED AVG. CALF PRICES TOTAL COSTS(cwt)	$164.35	$338.69

1) Calf crop is defined as the actual number of calves sold divided, by the total number of cows (assuming all cows were exposed).
2) Prices represent 2015 price projections from Cattle Fax, Doanes reports for New Mexico feeder cattle cash prices.
3) Market prices include commissions, brand inspections, beef council, yardage, feed, and insurance
4) Annual capital recovery is the method of calculating depreciation and interest recommended by the National Task Force on Commodity Costs and Returns Measurement Methods.
5) The 35% reduction in asset values which represent a mix of new and used machinery.
6) Interest on average investment.