

Estimating 2008 Costs of Production
Soybean, Full Season, Flood Irrigation, Roundup Ready

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ITEM	UNIT	PRICE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT	YOUR FARM
		dollars		dollars	
DIRECT EXPENSES					
FERTILIZERS					
0-18-36	lb	0.17	200.0000	34.60	_____
FUNGICIDES					
Folicur	oz	2.05	4.0000	8.20	_____
HERBICIDES					
Glyphosate Plus	pt	1.88	6.0000	11.28	_____
INSECTICIDES					
Orthene 90S	lb	8.59	1.0000	8.59	_____
SEED/PLANTS					
Soybean Seed RR	lb	0.64	45.0000	28.80	_____
CUSTOM HIRE					
Cstm Ap Grd Fert	acre	4.92	1.0000	4.92	_____
Cstm Ap Grd. Herb	acre	5.02	3.0000	15.06	_____
Cstm Ap Air Fung	acre	6.25	1.0000	6.25	_____
Cstm Ap Air Insect	acre	5.00	1.0000	5.00	_____
Cstm Haul Soybeans	bu	0.15	45.0000	6.75	_____
OPERATOR LABOR					
Tractors	hour	9.45	0.6934	6.56	_____
Harvesters	hour	9.45	0.1021	0.97	_____
IRRIGATION LABOR					
Flood Irr. - Soybean	hour	8.19	0.1176	0.96	_____
HAND LABOR					
Implements	hour	8.19	0.0942	0.77	_____
DIESEL FUEL					
Tractors	gal	2.33	7.5539	17.61	_____
Harvesters	gal	2.33	1.4457	3.37	_____
Flood Irr. - Soybean	gal	2.33	13.0000	30.29	_____
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE					
Implements	acre	3.87	1.0000	3.87	_____
Tractors	acre	2.88	1.0000	2.88	_____
Harvesters	acre	2.03	1.0000	2.03	_____
Flood Irr. - Soybean	ac-in	0.15	13.0000	1.95	_____
INTEREST ON OP. CAP.	acre	7.82	1.0000	7.82	_____
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES				208.53	_____
FIXED EXPENSES					
Implements	acre	10.86	1.0000	10.86	_____
Tractors	acre	22.09	1.0000	22.09	_____
Harvesters	acre	9.58	1.0000	9.58	_____
Flood Irr. - Soybean	each	2993.11	0.0083	24.94	_____
TOTAL FIXED EXPENSES				67.47	_____
TOTAL SPECIFIED EXPENSES				276.00	_____

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Table 2. Estimated resource use and costs for field operations, per acre, Full Season, Soybeans, Flood Irrigation, Roundup Ready, 2008

OPERATION/ OPERATING INPUT	SIZE/ UNIT	POWER UNIT SIZE	PERF RATE	TIMES OVER	MTH	POWER UNIT COST		EQUIPMENT COST		ALLOC LABOR		OPERATING/DURABLE INPUT			TOTAL COST
						DIRECT	FIXED	DIRECT	FIXED	HOURS	COST	AMOUNT	PRICE	COST	
						-----dollars-----				dollars		-----dollars-----			
Disk Harrow	28'	MFWD 225	0.070	2.00	Apr	4.41	4.72	1.17	3.06	0.14	1.33				14.69
Cstm Ap Grd Fert	acre			1.00	May							1.0000	4.92	4.92	4.92
0-18-36	lb											200.0000	0.17	34.60	34.60
Cstm Ap Grd. Herb	acre			1.00	May							1.0000	5.02	5.02	5.02
Glyphosate Plus	pt											2.0000	1.88	3.76	3.76
Field Cultivate Fld	32'	MFWD 225	0.046	1.00	May	1.47	1.57	0.33	1.72	0.04	0.44				5.53
Plant - Rigid	8R-30	MFWD 170	0.094	1.00	May	2.25	2.55	0.91	2.16	0.18	1.66				9.53
Soybean Seed RR	lb											45.0000	0.64	28.80	28.80
Ditcher		MFWD 105	0.020	0.10	May	0.03	0.03		0.01	0.00	0.02				0.09
Cstm Ap Grd. Herb	acre			1.00	Jun							1.0000	5.02	5.02	5.02
Glyphosate Plus	pt											2.0000	1.88	3.76	3.76
Cstm Ap Air Fung	acre			1.00	Jun							1.0000	6.25	6.25	6.25
Folicur	oz											4.0000	2.05	8.20	8.20
Cultivate	8R-30	MFWD 190	0.103	1.00	Jul	2.73	2.93	0.43	1.40	0.10	0.97				8.46
Land Plane	50'x16'	MFWD 225	0.151	2.00	Jul	9.52	10.21	0.43	1.40	0.30	2.87				24.43
Levee Pull (1m/80a)	8 blade	MFWD 170	0.003	0.15	Jul	0.01	0.01			0.00	0.01				0.03
Blade-Scraper	8'-10'	MFWD 105		0.05	Jul										
Cstm Ap Air Insect	acre			1.00	Jul							1.0000	5.00	5.00	5.00
Orthene 90S	lb											1.0000	8.59	8.59	8.59
Levee Splitter (1/80)	8 blade	MFWD 150	0.004	0.10	Jul	0.01	0.01			0.00					0.02
Levee Pull (1m/80a)	8 blade	MFWD 170	0.003	0.15	Aug	0.01	0.01			0.00	0.01				0.03
Blade-Scraper	8'-10'	MFWD 105		0.05	Aug										
Levee Splitter (1/80)	8 blade	MFWD 150	0.004	0.10	Aug	0.01	0.01			0.00					0.02
Cstm Ap Grd. Herb	acre			1.00	Aug							1.0000	5.02	5.02	5.02
Glyphosate Plus	pt											2.0000	1.88	3.76	3.76
Levee Pull (1m/80a)	8 blade	MFWD 170	0.003	0.15	Aug	0.01	0.01			0.00	0.01				0.03
Blade-Scraper	8'-10'	MFWD 105		0.05	Aug										
Levee Splitter (1/80)	8 blade	MFWD 150	0.004	0.10	Sep	0.01	0.01			0.00					0.02
Levee Pull (1m/80a)	8 blade	MFWD 170	0.003	0.15	Sep	0.01	0.01			0.00	0.01				0.03
Blade-Scraper	8'-10'	MFWD 105		0.05	Sep										
Levee Splitter (1/80)	8 blade	MFWD 150	0.004	0.10	Sep	0.01	0.01			0.00					0.02
Header - Soybean	25' Flex	275hp	0.102	1.00	Oct	5.40	9.58	0.60	1.11	0.10	0.97				17.66
Cstm Haul Soybeans	bu			1.00	Oct							45.0000	0.15	6.75	6.75
Flood Irr. - Soybean	each			1.00	Jul				24.94			0.0083			24.94
Application 1	ac-in			1.00	Jul			9.92		0.03	0.30	4.0000			10.22
Application 2	ac-in			1.00	Aug			7.44		0.02	0.22	3.0000			7.66
Application 3	ac-in			1.00	Aug			7.44		0.02	0.22	3.0000			7.66
Application 4	ac-in			1.00	Sep			7.44		0.02	0.22	3.0000			7.66
TOTALS						25.89	31.67	36.11	35.80	1.00	9.26			129.45	268.18
INTEREST ON OPERATING CAPITAL															7.82
UNALLOCATED LABOR															0.00
TOTAL SPECIFIED COST															276.00

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Table 3. Breakeven Yields (BEY) Required to Cover Direct Expenses and Net Returns above Direct Expenses for Price/Yield Combinations and Select Land Tenure Arrangements, per acre.

Soybean, Full Season, Flood Irrigated, Roundup Ready, 2008

Farm Owner

BEY (bu/acre)	Crop Price (\$/bu)						
	5.70	6.51	7.32	8.13	8.94	9.75	10.56
	Returns above Variable Costs (\$/Acre)						
19	-94	-79	-63	-47	-31	-16	0
21	-85	-68	-51	-34	-17	0	17
23	-74	-56	-37	-19	0	19	37
25	-61	-41	-20	0	20	41	61
28	-46	-23	0	23	46	68	91
32	-26	0	26	51	77	103	128
36	0	29	59	88	118	147	177

Farm Owner is assumed to have 100% Equity in Land

Tenant 75-25 Crop-Share

BEY (bu/acre)	Crop Price (\$/bu)						
	5.70	6.51	7.32	8.13	8.94	9.75	10.56
	Returns above Variable Costs (\$/Acre)						
26	-95	-79	-63	-47	-32	-16	0
28	-86	-68	-51	-34	-17	0	17
31	-75	-56	-37	-19	0	19	37
34	-62	-41	-21	0	21	41	62
38	-46	-23	0	23	46	69	92
43	-26	0	26	52	78	104	130
49	0	30	59	89	119	149	178

Landowner Receives 25% of the Crop.

Tenant pays 100% of Hauling Crop to Grain Elevator

Landowner Pays 100% of Fixed Irrigation Expenses

Tenant 90-10 Crop-Share

BEY (bu/acre)	Crop Price (\$/bu)						
	5.70	6.51	7.32	8.13	8.94	9.75	10.56
	Returns above Variable Costs (\$/Acre)						
22	-94	-79	-63	-47	-31	-16	0
23	-85	-68	-51	-34	-17	0	17
26	-75	-56	-37	-19	0	19	37
28	-62	-41	-21	0	21	41	62
31	-46	-23	0	23	46	69	91
35	-26	0	26	52	77	103	129
41	0	30	59	89	118	148	177

Landowner Receives 10% of the Crop

Tenant Pays 100% of Hauling Crop to Grain Elevator.

Tenant 80-20 Crop-Share

BEY (bu/acre)	Crop Price (\$/bu)						
	5.70	6.51	7.32	8.13	8.94	9.75	10.56
	Returns above Variable Costs (\$/Acre)						
24	-95	-79	-63	-47	-32	-16	0
26	-85	-68	-51	-34	-17	0	17
29	-75	-56	-37	-19	0	19	37
32	-62	-41	-21	0	21	41	62
35	-46	-23	0	23	46	69	92
40	-26	0	26	52	78	103	129
46	0	30	59	89	119	148	178

Landowner Receives 20% of the Crop

Tenant Pays 100% of Hauling Crop to Grain Elevator.