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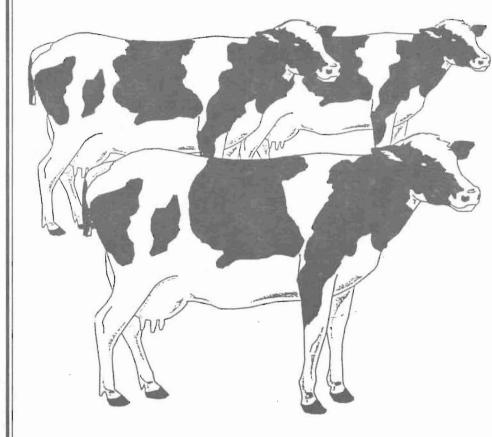
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# FARM

# SOUTHEASTERN NEW YORK REGION 1994



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# 1994 DAIRY FARM BUSINESS SUMMARY SOUTHEASTERN NEW YORK REGION\*

# INTRODUCTION

Dairy farmers throughout New York State have been participating in Cornell Cooperative Extension's farm business summary and analysis program since the early 1950's. Managers of each participating farm business receive a comprehensive summary and analysis of the farm business. The information in this report represents an average of the data submitted from dairy farms in the Southeastern New York Region for 1994.

# Program Objective

The primary objective of the dairy farm business summary, DFBS, is to help farm managers improve the business and financial management of their business through appropriate use of historical farm data and the application of modern farm business analysis techniques. This information can also be used to establish goals that will enable the business to better meet its objectives. In short, DFBS identifies business and financial information needed in identifying and evaluating strengths and weaknesses of the farm business.

# Format Features

This regional report follows the same general format as in the 1994 DFBS printout received by all participating dairy farmers. The analysis tables have an open column or section labeled My Farm. It may be used by any dairy farm manager who wants to compare his or her business with the average data of this region. A DFBS Data Check-in Form can be used by non-DFBS participants to summarize their businesses.

This report features:

- (1) an <u>income statement</u> including accrual adjustments for farm business expenses and receipts, as well as measures of profitability with and without appreciation,
- (2) a complete balance sheet with analytical ratios;
- (3) a <u>statement of owner equity</u> which shows the sources of the change in owner equity during the year;
- (4) a cash flow statement and debt repayment ability analysis;
- (5) an analysis of crop acreage, vields, and expenses;
- (6) an analysis of dairy livestock numbers, production, and expenses; and
- (7) a capital and labor efficiency analysis.

<sup>\*</sup>The Southeastern Region of New York State, with the number of participating farms in parentheses, is comprised of Columbia (10), Sullivan (12), Orange (7), and Ulster (1) counties. This report was written by Stuart F. Smith, Senior Extension Associate, Farm Management. Linda D. Putnam was in charge of data preparation. Judy Neno and Beverly Carcelli prepared the publication. Farm business data were collected by Cooperative Extension Agents Steve Hadcock, Colleen McKeon, Jerry Skoda and Larry Hulle.

### SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS OF THE FARM BUSINESS

# Business Characteristics

Planning the optimal management strategies is a crucial component of operating a successful farm. Various combinations of farm resources, enterprises, business arrangements, and management techniques are used by the dairy farmers in this region. The following table shows important farm business characteristics and the number of farms with each characteristic.

BUSINESS CHARACTERISTICS
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

Type of Farm	Number	Milking System	Number
Dairy	29	Bucket & carry	0
Part-time dairy	0	Dumping station	
Dairy cash-crop	1	Pipeline	21
Part-time cash-crop dai:	ry 0	Herringbone parlor	6
		Other parlor	2
Type of Ownership	Number		
Owner	16	Production Records	Number
Renter	14	DHIC	20
		Owner-Sampler	1.
Type of Business	Number	Other	0
Single Proprietorship	23	None	9
Partnership	7		
Corporation	0	bst Usage	Number
		Used on <25% of herd	5
Type of Barn	Number	Used on 25-75% of herd	6
Stanchion/Tie-Stall	22	Used on >75% of herd	0
Freestall	7	Stopped using in 1994	1
Combination	1	Not used in 1994	18
Milking Frequency	Number	Business Record System	Number
2x/day	30	Account Book	19
3x/day	0	Agrifax (mail-in only)	9
Other	0	On-farm computer	2
		Other	0

The averages used in this report were compiled using data from all the participating dairy farms in this region unless noted otherwise. There are full-time dairy farms, part-time farms, dairy cash-crop farms, farm renters, partnerships, and corporations included in the average. Average data for these specific types of farms are presented in the State Business Summary.

# Income Statement

In order for an income statement to accurately measure farm income, it must include cash transactions and accrual adjustments (changes in accounts payable, accounts receivable, inventories, and prepaid expenses).

<u>Cash paid</u> is the actual cash outlay during the year and does not necessarily represent the cost of goods and services actually used in 1994.

Change in inventory: Increases in inventories of supplies and other purchased inputs are subtracted in computing accrual expenses because they represent purchased inputs not actually used during the year. Decreases in purchased inventories are added to expenses because they represent inputs purchased in a prior year and used this year.

# CASH AND ACCRUAL FARM EXPENSES 30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

			Change				
	0		Invent		Change i		
	Cash		or Pre	_	Accounts		Accrual
Expense Item	Paid	+ ]	Expens		Payable	=	Expenses
Hired Labor	\$15,883		\$0	<<	\$-17		\$15,866
Feed							
Dairy grain & conc.	61,385		486		113		61,984
Dairy roughage	4,050		410		-18		4,442
Other livestock	0		-4		0		-4
Machinery							
Mach. hire, rent/lease	2,818		0	<<	0		2,818
Machinery repairs/parts	10,135		52		43		10,230
Auto exp. (farm share)	727		0	<<	0		727
Fuel, oil & grease	4,977		-29		52		5,000
Livestock							
Replacement livestock	2,643		0	<<	-93		2,550
Breeding	2,462		-15		23		2,470
Vet & medicine	4,804		-16		-3		4,785
Milk marketing	11,425		0	<<	0		11,425
Cattle lease/rent	0		0	<<	0		0
Other livestock expense	10,837		-18		67		10,886
Crops							
Fertilizer & lime	5,246		-101		50		5,195
Seeds & plants	2,186		148		0		2,334
Spray, other crop exp.	2,813		1		0		2,814
Real Estate							
Land/bldg./fence repair	3,414		-91		70		3,393
Taxes	3,988		0	<<	288		4,276
Rent & lease	7,453		0	<<	0		7,453
Other							
Insurance	4,135		0	<<	0		4,135
Telephone (farm share)	802		0	<<	0		802
Electricity (farm share)	5,555		0	<<	7		5,562
Interest paid	7,461		0	<<	0		7,461
Miscellaneous	3.842		-15		0		3.827
Total Operating	\$179,041		\$808		\$582		\$180,431
Expansion livestock	1,990		0	<<	0		1,990
Machinery depreciation	2						12,143
Building depreciation							4,544
TOTAL ACCRUAL EXPENSES						*:	\$199,108

Change in prepaid expenses (noted above by <<) is a net change in non-inventory expenses that have been paid in advance of their use. If 1994 funds used to prepay 1995 leases exceed the amount of 1994 leases prepaid in 1993, the amount of this excess is entered as a negative number to exclude it from 1994 accrual lease expenses. The excess prepaid lease is charged against the future year's business operation. A decrease in prepaid lease is added to accrual expenses because it represents use of resources during this year that were paid for in past years.

Change in accounts payable: An increase in accounts payable from beginning to end of year is added when calculating accrual expenses because these expenses were incurred (resources used) in 1994 but not paid for. A decrease is subtracted because the resource was used before 1994.

<u>Accrual expenses</u> are the costs of inputs actually used in this year's production. They are the total of cash paid, as well as changes in inventory, prepaid expenses, and accounts payable.

# CASH AND ACCRUAL FARM RECEIPTS 30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

Receipt Item	Cash Receipts	+	Change in Inventory	+	Change in Accounts Receivable	=	Accrual Receipts
Milk sales	\$198,211				\$21		\$198,232
Dairy cattle	8,718		\$8,581		0		17,299
Dairy calves	3,084		A CANADA AND MAN CANADA		0		3,084
Other livestock	153		193		0		346
Crops	1,552		6,122		-57		7,617
Government receipts	4,745		0 *		0		4,745
Custom machine work	234				0		234
Gas tax refund	139				0		139
Other	1.372				0		1,372
Less nonfarm noncash o	ap.**	(-)	0			(-)	0
Total Receipts	\$218,208		\$14,896		\$-36		\$233,068

<sup>\*</sup>Change in advanced government receipts.

<u>Cash receipts</u> include the gross value of milk checks received during the year plus all other payments received from the sale of farm products, services, and government programs. Nonfarm income is not included in calculating farm profitability.

Changes in inventory of assets produced by the business are calculated by subtracting beginning of year values from end of year values excluding appreciation. Increases in livestock inventory caused by herd growth and/or quality are added, and decreases caused by herd reduction and/or quality are subtracted. Changes in inventories of crops grown are also included. An annual increase in advanced government receipts is subtracted from cash income because it represents income received in 1994 for the 1995 crop year in excess of funds earned for 1994. Likewise, a decrease is added to cash government receipts because it represents funds earned for 1994 but received in 1993.

Changes in accounts receivable are calculated by subtracting beginning year balances from end year balances. The January milk check for this December's marketings compared with the previous January's check is included as a change in accounts receivable.

Accrual receipts represent the value of all farm commodities produced and services actually generated by the farm business during the year.

### Profitability Analysis

Farm operators\* contribute labor, management, and equity capital to their businesses and the combination of these resources, and the other resources used in the business, determines profitability. Farm profitability can be measured as the return to all family resources or as the return to one or more individual resources such as labor and management.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Gifts or inheritances of cattle or crops included in inventory.

<sup>\*</sup>Operators are the individuals who are integrally involved in the operation and management of the farm business. They are not limited to those who are the owner of a sole proprietorship or are formally a member of the partnership or corporation.

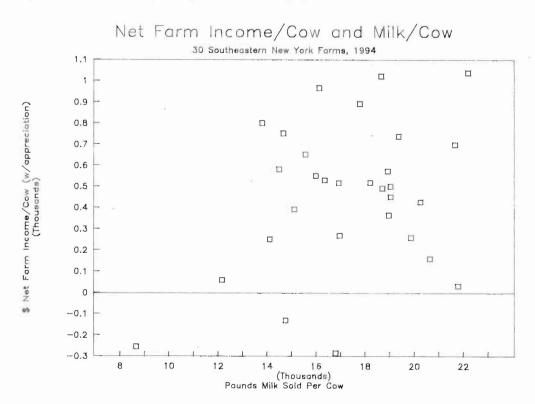
Net farm income is the return to the farm operators and other unpaid family members for their labor, management, and equity capital. It is the farm family's net annual return from working, managing, financing, and owning the farm business. This is not a measure of cash available from the year's business operation. Cash flow is evaluated later in this report.

Net farm income is computed both with and without appreciation. Appreciation represents the change in values caused by annual changes in prices of livestock, machinery, real estate inventory, and stocks and certificates (other than Farm Credit). Appreciation is a major factor contributing to changes in farm net worth and must be included for a complete profitability analysis.

NET FARM INCOME
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

	Ave	cage	My	Farm
Item	Total	Per Cow	Total	Per Cow
Total accrual receipts	\$233,068		\$	
Appreciation: Livestock	106			
Machinery	2,131			
Real Estate	2,332			
Other Stock/Certificates	20			
Total Including Appreciation	\$237,657		\$	
Total accrual expenses	-199.108			
Net Farm Income (with appreciation)	\$38,549	\$462	\$	\$
Net Farm Income (w/o appreciation)	\$33,960	\$407	\$	\$

The chart below shows the relationship between net farm income per cow (with appreciation) and pounds of milk sold per cow. Generally, farms with a higher production per cow have higher profitability per cow.



Return to operators' labor. management, and equity capital measures the total net farm income for the farm operator(s). It is calculated by deducting a charge for unpaid family labor from net farm income. Operators' labor is not included in unpaid family labor. Return to operators' labor, management, and equity capital has been calculated both with and without appreciation. Appreciation is an important part of the return to ownership of farm assets.

# RETURN TO OPERATORS' LABOR, MANAGEMENT, AND EQUITY 30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

	Ave	rage	My	My Farm		
	With	Without	With	Without		
Item	Apprec.	Apprec.	Apprec.	Apprec.		
Net farm income	\$38,549	\$33,960	\$	\$		
Family labor unpaid @ \$1,450 per month	-4.394	-4.394	±			
Return to operators' labor, management, & equity	\$34,155	\$29,566	\$	\$		

Labor and management income is the return which farm operators receive for their labor and management used in operating the farm business. Appreciation is not included as part of the return to labor and management because it results from ownership of assets rather than management of the farm business. Labor and management income is calculated by deducting the opportunity cost of using equity capital, at a real interest rate of five percent, from the return to operators' labor, management, and equity capital excluding appreciation. The interest charge of five percent reflects the long-term average rate of return above inflation that a farmer might expect to earn in comparable risk investments.

LABOR AND MANAGEMENT INCOME
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

Item	Average	My Farm
Return to operators' labor, management, & equity without appreciation	\$29,566	ė
Real interest @ 5% on \$357,140 average	\$25,500	9
equity capital	-17.857	_
Labor & Management Income Labor & Management Income per 1.32	\$11,709	\$
Operator/Manager	\$8,870	\$

Return on equity capital measures the net return remaining for the farmer's equity or owned capital after a charge has been made for the owner-operator's labor and management. The earnings or amount of net farm income allocated to labor and management is the opportunity cost of operators' labor and management estimated by the cooperators. Return on equity capital is calculated with and without appreciation. The rate of return on equity capital is determined by dividing the amount returned by the average farm net worth or equity capital. Return on total capital is calculated by adding interest paid to the return on equity capital and then dividing by average farm assets to calculate the rate of return on total capital.

# RETURN ON EQUITY CAPITAL AND RETURN ON TOTAL CAPITAL 30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

Item	Average	My Farm
Return to operators' labor, management,		
& equity capital with appreciation	\$34,155	Ś
Value of operators' labor & management	- 25,846	-
Return on equity capital with appreciation	\$8,309	\$
Interest paid	+ 7,461	+
Return on total capital with appreciation	\$15,770	\$
Return on equity capital without appreciation	\$3,720	\$
Return on total capital without appreciation	\$11,181	\$
Rate of return on average equity capital:		
with appreciation	2.33%	
without appreciation	1.04%	
Rate of return on average total capital:		
with appreciation	3.39%	1
without appreciation	2.41%	

# Farm and Family Financial Status

The first step in evaluating the financial position of the farm is to construct a balance sheet which identifies all the assets and liabilities of the business. The second step is to evaluate the relationship between assets, liabilities, and net worth and changes that occurred during the year.

Financial lease obligations are included in the balance sheet. The present value of all future payments is listed as a liability since the farmer is committed to make the payments by signing the lease. The present value is also listed as an asset, representing the future value the item has to the business. For 1994, lease payments were discounted by 8.25 percent to obtain their present value.

Advanced government receipts are included as current liabilities. Government payments received in 1994 that are for participation in the 1995 program are the end year balance and payments received in 1993 for participation in the 1994 program are the beginning year balance.

<u>Current Portion</u> or principal due in the next year for intermediate and long term debt is included as a current liability.

1994 FARM BUSINESS & NONFARM BALANCE SHEET
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

	o boatileas	COLII IICH TOL	Earm Liabilities	1004	
Farm Assets	Jan 1	Dec. 31	Farm Liabilities & Net Worth	Jan. 1	Dec. 31
Current	00111	200. 01	Current	our. I	Dec. 31
Farm cash, checkir	n or		Accounts payable	¢1 967	\$2,548
	\$7,384	\$6,401	Operating debt		9,512
Accounts rec.	3.00		Short-term	1,233	2,272
Prepaid exp.	10,333	10,304	Advanced govt, rec		2,2/2
Feed & supplies	100	7.7	Current Portion:	. 0	U
reed & supplies	41,332	40,700		12,915	12 000
	-		Long Term	2,630	2.941
Total	\$65.175	\$69,470	Total	\$25,616	
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Intermediate			Intermediate Structured debt		
Dairy cows: owned	COE 420	600 OFF	1-10 years	630 700	627 222
	\$85,428	\$89,855	-	\$39,789	\$37,232
leased			Financial lease	0	0
Heifers	34,648	38,919	(cattle/mach.)	0	0
Bulls/other lvstk.		1,100	Farm Credit stock	2,252	2,525
Mach./eq. owned		117,036	Total	\$42,041	620 757
Mach./eq. leased		allo autoria	Total	\$42,041	\$39,757
Farm Credit stock		2,525			
Other stock/cert.	3,921	3,941			
Total	\$240,986	\$253,376			
			Long Term		
Long Term			Structured debt		
Land/buildings:			>10 yrs	\$35,413	\$42,015
owned	\$145,613	\$154,575	Financial lease		
leased	0	0	(structures)	0	0
Total	\$145,613	\$154,575	Total	\$35,413	\$42,015
Total Farm			Total Farm Liab.	\$103,070	\$111,845
Assets	\$451,774	\$477,421	FARM NET WORTH	\$348,704	\$365,576
				N	
Nonfarm Assets, Li	labilities	& Net Worth	(Average of 21 farms	reporting)	
			Liabilities		
Assets	Jan. 1	Dec. 31	& Net Worth	Jan. 1	Dec. 31
Personal cash, chl	kg.		Nonfarm Liab.	\$6,547	\$6,997
& savings	\$8,146	\$12,911			
Cash value life in	ns. 5,843				
Nonfarm real estat					
Auto (personal sh.					
Stocks & bonds	10,093				
Household furn.	6,929				
All other	7,014	6,042			
Total Nonfarm	\$166,630	\$172,863	NONFARM NET WORTH	\$160,083	\$165,865
Farm & Nonfarm Ass	sets, Liabi	lities, & Ne	t Worth*	Jan. 1	Dec. 31
Total Assets				\$618,404	\$650,284
Total Liabilities				109,617	118,842
TOTAL FARM & NONF	ARM NET WOR	TH		\$508,787	\$531,442
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<sup>\*</sup>Assumes that average nonfarm assets and liabilities for the nonreporting farms were the same as for those reporting.

The following condensed balance sheet, including deferred taxes, contains average data from only those farmers who elected to provide the additional information required to compute deferred taxes.

Deferred taxes represent an estimate of the taxes that would be paid if the farm were sold at year end fair market values and date on the balance sheet. Accuracy is dependent on the accuracy of the market values and the tax basis data provided. Any tax liability for assets other than livestock, machinery, land, buildings and nonfarm assets is excluded. It is assumed that all gain on purchased livestock and machinery is ordinary gain and that listed market values are net of selling costs. The effects of investment tax credit carryover and recapture, carryover of operating losses, alternative minimum taxes and other than average exemptions and deductions are excluded because they have only minor influence on the taxes of most farms. However, they could be important.

# CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET INCLUDING DEFERRED TAXES December 31, 1994 12 New York Dairy Farms, 1994

ASSETS	3		LIABILITIES & NET WORTH	
			Current debts & payables	\$80,678
			Current deferred taxes	28,791
Total	Current Assets	\$106,867	Total Current Liabilities	\$109,469
			Intermediate debts & leases	\$131,814
			Intermediate deferred taxes	103,642
Total	Inter. Assets	\$396,178	Total Inter. Liabilities	\$235,456
			Long term debts & leases	\$147,974
			Long term deferred taxes	79,196
Total	Long Term Assets	\$438,030	Total Long Term Liab.	\$227,170
TOTAL	FARM ASSETS	\$941,075	TOTAL FARM LIABILITIES	\$572,095
			Farm Net Worth	\$368,981
			Percent Equity (Farm)	39%
		н	Nonfarm debts	\$700
			Nonfarm deferred taxes	8,881
Total	Nonfarm Assets	\$38,089	Total Nonfarm Liabilities	\$9,581
TOTAL	ASSETS	\$979,164	TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$581,675
			Total Net Worth	\$397,489
			Percent Equity (Total)	41%

Balance sheet analysis involves examination of relative asset and debt levels for the business. Percent equity is calculated by dividing end of year net worth by end of year assets and multiplying by 100. The debt to asset ratio is compiled by dividing liabilities by assets. Low debt to asset ratios reflect business solvency and the potential capacity to borrow. Debt levels per productive unit represent old standards that are still useful if used with measures of cash flow and repayment ability.

BALANCE SHEET ANALYSIS
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

Item			Avera	ige	My Farm
Financial Ratios	- Farm:				
Percent equity	40		77	7 %	%
Debt/asset ratio:	total		.23	3	
	long-term		.27	7	
	intermediate/	current	. 22	2	-
Farm Debt Analysi	G:				
Accounts payable	as % of total	debt	2	28	
Long-term liabili	ties as a % of	total debt	3.8	3%	
Current & inter.	liab. as a % o	f total debi	62	28	
			Per Tillable		Per Tillable
Farm Debt Levels:		Per Cow	Acre Owned	Per Cow	Acre Owned
Total farm debt		\$1,316	\$1,621	\$	\$
Long-term debt		494	609		<u> </u>
Intermediate & lo	ng term	962	1,178		
Intermediate & cu	rrent debt	822	1,012		·

Farm inventory balance is an accounting of the value of assets used on the balance sheet and the changes that occur from the beginning to end of year. Changes in the livestock inventory are included in the dairy analysis. Net investment indicates whether the capital stock is being expanded (positive) or depleted (negative).

FARM INVENTORY BALANCE
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

Item	Average of Region	on's Farms
	Real Estate	Machinery & Equipment
Value beg. of year	\$145,613	\$113,820
Purchases	\$11,865*	\$13,439
Gift/inheritance	+ 667	+ 100
Lost capital	- 1,358	
Sales	- 0	- 310
Depreciation	- 4,544	- 12,143
Net investment	= 6,631	= 1,086
Appreciation	+ 2,332	+ 2,131
Value end of year	\$154,575	\$117,036

<sup>\*\$4,167</sup> land and \$7,699 buildings and/or depreciable improvements.

The Statement of Owner Equity has two purposes. It allows (1) verification that the accrual income statement and market value balance sheet are interrelated and consistent (in accountants terms, they reconcile) and (2) identification of the causes of change in equity that occurred on the farm during the year. The Statement of Owner Equity allows you to determine to what degree the change in equity was caused by (1) earnings from the business, and nonfarm income, in excess of withdrawals being retained in the business (called retained earnings), (2) outside capital being invested in the business or farm capital being removed from the business (called contributed/withdrawn capital) and (3) increases or decreases in the value (price) of assets owned by the business (called change in valuation equity).

Retained earnings is an excellent indicator of farm generated financial progress.

STATEMENT OF OWNER EQUITY (RECONCILIATION)
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

	rage	My Farm		
	\$348,704		\$	
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+ 7,621		+		
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- 29.761	411 000			
	+\$11,820		\$	
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<sup>\*</sup>May not add due to rounding.

# Cash Flow Statement

Completing an annual cash flow statement is an important step in understanding the sources and uses of funds for the business. Understanding last year's cash flow is the first step toward planning and managing cash flow for the current and future years.

The <u>annual cash flow statement</u> is structured to show net cash provided by operating activities, investing activities, financing activities and from reserves. All cash inflows and outflows, including beginning and end balances, are included. Therefore, the sum of net cash provided from all four activities should be zero. Any imbalance is the error from incorrect accounting of cash inflows/outflows.

ANNUAL CASH FLOW STATEMENT
30 Southeastern New York Region Farms, 1994

Item		Average	
Cash Flow from Operating Activities			
Cash farm receipts	\$218,208		
- Cash farm expenses	179,041		
Net cash farm income		\$39,166	
Nonfarm income	\$7,621		
- Personal withdrawals/family expenses	30,250		
including nonfarm debt payments	20.20		
Net cash nonfarm income		\$-22.629	
		5-24.025	616 E27
Net Provided by Operating Activities			\$16,537
Cash Flow From Investing Activities			
Sale of Assets: Machinery	\$310		
+ real estate	0		
+ other stock/cert.	0		
Total asset sales		\$310	
Capital purchases: expansion livestoc	k \$1,990		
+ machinery	13,439		
+ real estate	11,865		
+ other stock/cert.	0		
Total invested in farm assets		\$27,295	
Net Provided by Investment Activities			\$-26,985
Cash Flow From Financing Activities			
Money borrowed (inter. & long term)	\$26,876		
Money borrowed (short-term)	2,790		
Increase in operating debt	2,641		
- Cash from nonfarm cap. used in busines			
Money borrowed - nonfarm	489		
- Cash inflow from financing	The state of the s	\$34,027	
		224,021	
Principal payments (inter. & long-term	\$22,635		
Principal payments (short-term)	1,751		
Decrease in operating debt	0		
- Cash outflow for financing		\$24.386	
Net Provided by Financing Activities			\$9,641
Cash Flow From Reserves			
Beginning farm cash, checking & saving	S	\$7,384	
- Ending farm cash, checking & savings		6,401	
= Net Provided from Reserves			\$983
Imbalance (arran)			\$176
Imbalance (error)			21/0

# ANNUAL CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Item		My Farm	
Cash Flow from Operating Activities			
Cash farm receipts - Cash farm expenses = Net cash farm income	\$\$	š	
Nonfarm income  - Personal withdrawals/family expenses including nonfarm debt payments  + Net cash nonfarm income  = Net Provided by Operating Activities  Cash Flow From Investing Activities	\$	\$	\$
Sale of Assets: Machinery	\$	\$ \$	\$
Cash Flow From Financing Activities			
Money borrowed (inter. & long term)  + Money borrowed (short-term)  + Increase in operating debt  + Cash from nonfarm cap. used in business  + Money borrowed - nonfarm  = Cash inflow from financing	\$	5	
Principal payments (inter. & long-term)  + Principal payments (short-term)  + Decrease in operating debt  - Cash outflow for financing  = Net Provided by Financing Activities  Cash Flow From Reserves	\$	5	\$
Beginning farm cash, checking & savings	\$	>	
<ul><li>Ending farm cash, checking &amp; savings</li><li>Net Provided from Reserves</li></ul>			\$
Imbalance (error)			\$

# Repayment Analysis

A valuable use of cash flow analysis is to compare the debt payments planned for the last year with the amount actually paid. The measures listed below provide a number of different perspectives on the repayment performance of the business. However, the critical question to many farmers and lenders is whether planned payments can be made in 1995. The cash flow projection worksheet on the next page can be used to estimate repayment ability, which can then be compared to planned 1995 debt payments shown below.

FARM DEBT PAYMENTS PLANNED
Same 25 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1993 & 1994

		Average		My Farm			
	1994 Payments		Planned	1994 Pay	ments	Planned	
Debt Payments	Planned	Made	1995	Planned	Made	1995	
Long-term	\$4,590	\$4,914	\$5,601	\$	\$\$	\$\$	
Intermediate-term	18,305	20,806	17,255				
Short-term	1,228	2,023	1,761				
Operating (net							
reduction)	2,952	0	5,506				
Accounts payable							
(net reduction)	290	0	276		_	_	
Total	\$27,365	\$27,743	\$30,400	\$	\$	\$	
Per cow	\$311	\$315		\$	\$	_	
Per cwt. 1994 milk	\$1.81	\$1.84		\$	\$	_	
Percent of total							
1994 receipts	11%	11%					
Percent of 1994							
milk receipts	13%	13%					

The cash flow coverage ratio measures the ability of the farm business to meet its planned debt payment schedule. The ratio shows the percentage of payments planned for 1994 (as of December 31, 1993) that could have been made with the amount available for debt service in 1994. Farmers who did not participate in DFBS in 1993 have their 1994 cash flow coverage ratio based on planned debt payments for 1995.

CASH FLOW COVERAGE RATIO

Same 25 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1993 & 1994

Item	Average	My Farm
Cash farm receipts	\$228,155	\$
- Cash farm expenses	185,486	
+ Interest paid	7,091	
- Net personal withdrawals from farm*	23,997	-
A) = Amount Available for Debt Service B) = Debt Payments Planned for 1994	\$25,763	\$
(as of December 31, 1993)	\$27,365	\$
A/B) = Cash Flow Coverage Ratio for 1994	.94	

<sup>\*</sup>Personal withdrawals and family expenditures less nonfarm income and nonfarm money borrowed. If family withdrawals are excluded, or inaccurately included, the cash flow coverage ratio will be incorrect.

			My Farm		
	Regional	Average	Per Cow/	Expected	1995
Item	Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cwt.	Change	Projection
No. cows and cwt. milk	83.4	14,466.62			
Accrual Oper, Receipts					
Milk	\$2,376.88	\$13.70	\$		\$
Dairy cattle	207.42				
Dairy calves	36.98	.21			
Other livestock	4.15				
Crops	91.33				
Misc. receipts	77.82				
Total	\$2,794.58		\$		\$
Accrual Oper, Expenses					
Hired labor	\$190.24	\$1.10	\$		\$
Dairy grain & conc.	743.21				
Dairy roughage	53.26				
Nondairy feed	05				
Mach. hire/rent/lease	33.79				
Mach. rpr./parts & auto	131.38				
Fuel, oil & grease	59.94				
Replacement lvstk.	30.56				
Breeding	29.62	The state of the s			
Vet & medicine	57.37				
Wilk marketing	136.99				
Cattle lease	0.00				
Other livestock exp.	130.53		-		
Fertilizer & lime	62.30				
Seeds & plants	28.00			-	
Spray/other crop exp.	33.74				
Land, bldg., fence repair	40.68		***************************************		4753900000
Taxes	51.28			-	
Real estate rent/lease	89.36				-
Insurance	49.58			-	*
Jtilities	76.31				Activities .
Miscellaneous	45.89		***************************************		
Total Less Int. Paid			Ś		Ś
			T	-	·
Net Accrual Operating Inco		Total			
(without interest paid)		\$60,098	\$		\$
<ul> <li>Change in lvstk./crop i</li> </ul>	nv.*	14,896			
- Change in accts. rec.		-36		-	
<ul> <li>Change in feed/supply i</li> </ul>		808	-		***
<ul> <li>Change in accts. payabl</li> </ul>	e***	582			
NET CASH FLOW		\$46,628	\$		\$
<ul> <li>Net personal w/drawals</li> </ul>	from				
farm (see footnote on p	g. 14)	\$22,140			
Available for Farm Debt					
Payment & Investments		\$24,488	\$		\$
- Farm debt payments		31,461		4	
Available for Farm Investm	nent	\$-6,973	\$		\$
- Capital purchases: catt					
machinery & improvement		\$27,295			
Additional Capital Needed			S		S

<sup>\*</sup>Includes change in advance government receipts.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Includes change in prepaid expenses.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Excludes change in interest account payable.

# Cropping Analysis

The cropping program is an important part of the dairy farm business and often represents opportunities for improved productivity and profitability. A complete evaluation of what the available land resources are, how they are being used, how well crops are producing, and what it costs to produce them is important to evaluating alternative cropping and feed purchasing alternatives.

LAND RESOURCES AND CROP PRODUCTION
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

Item		)	Average			M	ly Far	m		
Land	Own	ed	Rented	Tota	al	Owned	Ren	ted	Tota	al
Tillable	6	9	172	24	1	-	-			_
Nontillable	2	4	37	6:	1.			70.00		
Other nontillable	_3	4	38	_7;	2		_			
Total	12	7	247	37	4	-	-	-		
Crop Yields	Farms	Acre	s* Prod/	Acre		A	cres	Pro	d/Acr	e
Hay crop	29	162	2.87	tn	DM	7/2_		-	_ tn	DM
Corn silage	25	63	16.26	tn		_		_	tn	
			5.75	tn	DM				tn	DM
Other forage	5	16	1.47	tn	DM				tn	DM
Total forage	29	219	3.49	tn	DM	_		-	tn	DM
Corn grain	9	54	134.99	bu		_			bu	
Dats	1	14	80.00	bu		_			bu	
Wheat	0	0	0.00	bu		_			bu	
Other crops	0	0				_				
Fillable pasture	3	19				_				
Idle	9	35								
Total Tillable Acres	30	241								

<sup>\*</sup>This column represents the average acreage for the farms producing that crop. Average acreages including those farms not producing were hay crop 157, corn silage 52, corn grain 16, oats 0, tillable pasture 2, and idle 11.

Average crop acres and yields compiled for the region are for the farms reporting each crop. Yields of forage crops have been converted to tons of dry matter using dry matter coefficients reported by the farmers. Grain production has been converted to bushels of dry grain equivalent based on dry matter information provided.

The following crop/dairy ratios indicate the relationship between forage production, forage production resources, and the dairy herd.

CROP/DAIRY RATIOS
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

Item	Average	My Farm	
Total tillable acres per cow	2.89		
Total forage acres per cow	2.54		
Harvested forage dry matter, tons per cow	8.88	<u></u>	

A number of cooperators have allocated crop expenses among the hay crop, corn, and other crops produced. Fertilizer and lime, seeds and plants, and spray and other crop expenses have been computed per acre and per production unit for hay and corn. Additional expense items such as fuels, labor, and machinery repairs are not included. Rotational grazing was used on 3 farms in the region.

CROP RELATED ACCRUAL EXPENSES
Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms Reporting, 1994

	Total	A11	Corn	Corn			Pas	ture
	Per	Corn	Silage	Grain	Hay C	rop	Per	Per
	Till.	Per	Per	Per Dry	Per	Per	Till.	Total
Item	Acre	Acre	Ton DM	Sh.Bu.	Acre	Ton DM	Acre	Acre
No. of forms								
No. of farms	2.0	0				2		
reporting	30	0				0		0
Ave. number	0.41	0				0	0	
of acres	241	0		2.25		0	0	0
Fert./lime	\$21.56	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Seeds/plants	9.69	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
Spray/other								
crop exp.	11.68	_00	.00	.00	_00	.00	.00	.00
TOTAL	\$42.93	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
My Farm:								
Fert./lime	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	S	Ś
Seeds/plants								
Spray/other								
crop exp.	-							
TOTAL	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

Most machinery costs are associated with crop production and should be analyzed with the crop enterprise. Total machinery expenses include the major fixed costs (interest and depreciation), as well as the accrual operating costs. Although machinery costs have not been allocated to individual crops, they are shown below per total tillable acre.

ACCRUAL MACHINERY EXPENSES
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

	Aver	age	My Fa	arm	
Machinery	Total	Per Till.	Total	Per Till.	
Expense Item	Expenses Acre		Expenses	Acre	
Fuel, oil & grease	\$4,999	\$20.74	\$	\$	
Machinery repairs & parts	10,230	42.45			
Machine hire, rent & lease	2,818	11.69			
Auto expense (farm share)	727	3.02	(MODE) miles	Yester	
Interest (5%)	5,771	23.95	2	7	
Depreciation	12,143	50.39			
Total	\$36,688	\$152.23	\$	\$	

## Dairy Analysis

Analysis of the dairy enterprise can reveal a great deal about the strengths and weaknesses of the dairy farm business. Information on this page should be used in conjunction with DHI and other dairy production information. Changes in dairy herd size and market values that occur during the year are identified in the table below. The change in inventory value without appreciation is attributed to physical changes in herd size and quality. Any change in inventory is included as an accrual farm receipt when calculating all of the profitability measures on pages 6 and 7.

DAIRY HERD INVENTORY
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

	Da	iry Cows	2 .2	Heifers				
				Bred		Open	Ca	lves
Item	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
Beg. year (owned)	80	\$85,428	19	\$17,267	22	\$12,213	20	\$5,168
	0.0		13		44	940	20	-150
+ Change w/o apprec.		4,427		3,365				
+ Appreciation		0		43		70		3
End year (owned)	84	\$89,855	23	\$20,675	24	\$13,223	19	\$5,021
End incl. leased	85							
Average number	83		65 (	all age gr	coups)			
My Farm:								
Beg. of year (owned)		\$		\$		\$		\$
+ Change w/o apprec.	**							_
+ Appreciation		10						2 <del></del>
End of year (owned) _		\$		\$		\$		\$
End including leased _								
Average number _				(all age	group	s)		

Total milk sold and milk sold per cow are extremely valuable measures of size and productivity, respectively, on the dairy farm. These measures of milk output are based on pounds of milk marketed during the year. Farm managers on DHI should compare milk sold per cow with their rolling herd average on the test date nearest December 31 to see how close the DHI estimate of milk produced is to actual milk sales.

MILK PRODUCTION

30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

Item	Average	My Farm
Total milk sold, lbs.	1,446,662	
Milk sold per cow, lbs.	17,346	
Average milk plant test, percent butterfat	3.58	

The cost of producing milk has been compiled using the whole farm method and is featured in the following table. Accrual receipts from milk sales can be compared with the accrual costs of producing milk per cow and per hundredweight of milk. Using the whole farm method, operating costs of producing milk are estimated by deducting nonmilk accrual receipts from total accrual operating expenses including expansion livestock purchased. Purchased inputs cost of producing milk are the operating costs plus depreciation. Total costs of producing milk include the operating costs of producing milk plus depreciation on machinery and buildings, the value of unpaid family labor, the value of operators' labor and management, and the interest charge for using equity capital.

# ACCRUAL RECEIPTS FROM DAIRY, COSTS OF PRODUCING MILK, AND PROFITABILITY

30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

	Average			My Farm		
Item	Total	Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Total	Per Cow	Per Cwt.
Accrual Costs o	<u>of</u>					
Producing Milk						
Operating costs		\$1,770	\$10.20	\$	\$	\$
Purchased input						
costs	\$164,272	\$1,970	\$11.36	\$	\$	\$
Total Costs	\$212,369	\$2,546	\$14.68	\$	\$	\$
Accrual Receipt	S					
From Milk	\$198,232	\$2,377	\$13.70	\$	\$	\$
Net Farm Income	}					
without Appre	c. \$33.960	\$407	\$2.35	Ś	Ś	Ś
Net Farm Income		•		1	12.	
with Apprec.	\$38,549	\$462	\$2.66	\$	Ś	\$

The accrual operating expenses most commonly associated with the dairy enterprise are listed in the table below. Evaluating these costs per unit of production enables an evaluation of the dairy enterprise.

DAIRY RELATED ACCRUAL EXPENSES
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

	Ave	erage	M	/ Farm
Item	Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cow	Per Cwt.
Purchased dairy grain				
& concentrates	\$743	\$4.28	\$	\$
Purchased dairy roughage	53	.31		
Total Purchased				
Dairy Feed	\$796	\$4.59	\$	\$
Purchased grain & conc.				
as % of milk receipts	3	31%	; <del>-</del>	- 8
Purchased feed & crop exp.	\$920	\$5.31	\$	\$
Purchased feed & crop exp.				
as % of milk receipts	3	398	_	- %
Breeding	\$30	\$.17	\$	\$
Veterinary & medicine	57	.33		
Milk marketing	137	.79		
Cattle lease	0	.00	Total Control of the	
Other livestock expense	131	.75	<u> </u>	

### Capital and Labor Efficiency Analysis

Capital efficiency factors measure how intensively the capital is being used in the farm business. Measures of labor efficiency are key indicators of management's success in generating products per unit of labor input.

CAPITAL EFFICIENCY
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

Item	Per Worker	Per Cow	Per Tillable Acre	Per Tillable Acre Owned
Farm capital	\$189,675	\$5,571	\$1,928	\$6,733
Real estate		\$1,800		\$2,175
Machinery & equipment	\$47,124	\$1,384	\$479	
Asset turnover ratio		51		
My Farm:				
Farm capital	\$	\$	\$	\$
Real estate		<u> </u>	_	-
Machinery & equipment Asset turnover ratio	7			

# LABOR FORCE INVENTORY AND ANALYSIS 30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

Years Value of Labor Force Months Age of Educ. Labor & Mgmt. Operator number 1 12.00 46 13 \$20,033 Operator number 2 2,40 48 14 3,480 Operator number 3 30 1.47 15 2,333 Family paid 3.63 Family unpaid 3.03 Hired 6.86 Total 29.39 / 12 = 2.45 Worker Equivalent 1.32 Operator/Manager Equiv. My Farm: Total / 12 = Worker Equivalent Operator's / 12 = \_\_\_\_ Operator/Manager Equiv. Average Labor My Farm Efficiency Per Worker Total Total Per Worker Cows, average number 83 34 Milk sold, pounds 1,446,662 590,609 Tillable acres 241 98 Work units 864 353 Average My Farm Per Per Per Per Labor Costs Cow Cow Total Cwt. Total Cwt. Value of operator(s) labor (\$1,450/mo.) \$23,012 \$276 \$1.59 Family unpaid (\$1,450/mo.) 4,394 53 .30 1.10 Hired 190 15.866 Total Labor \$43,271 \$2.99 \$519 Machinery Cost \$36,688 \$440 \$2.54 \$79,959 Total Labor & Mach. \$959 \$5.53

# COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF THE FARM BUSINESS

# Progress of the Farm Business

Comparing your business with average data from regional DFBS cooperators that participated in both of the last two years can be helpful to establishing your goals for these parameters. It is equally important for you to determine the progress your business has made over the past two or three years, to compare this progress to your goals, and to set goals for the future.

PROGRESS OF THE FARM BUSINESS
Same 30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1993 & 1994

	Average of	30 Farms*	My Farm		
Selected Factors	1993	1994	1993	1994	Goal
Size of Business					
Average number of cows	85	88			
Average number of cows Average number of heifers		72	-		
the state of the s					
Milk sold, lbs.	1,452,482				_
Worker equivalent	2.50	2.57	-		
Total tillable acres	253	257	<del></del>		
Rates of Production	45 455	45 404			
Milk sold per cow, lbs.	17,177	17,131			
Hay DM per acre, tons	2.00	2.84			***************************************
Corn silage per acre, ton	s 13	17			
Labor Efficiency					
Cows per worker	34	34			-
Milk sold/worker, lbs.	581,761	588,070			
Cost Control					
Grain & conc. purchased					
as % of milk sales	28%	31%		§	
Dairy feed & crop exp.					
per cwt. milk	\$4.51	\$5.23	\$	\$	\$
abor & mach. costs/cow	\$919	\$963	\$	\$	\$
perating cost of produci	ng				
cwt. of milk	\$9.79	\$10.02	\$	\$	\$
Capital Efficiency**					
Farm capital per cow	\$5,748	\$5,738	\$	\$	\$
Mach. & equip. per cow	\$1,421	\$1,442	\$	\$	\$
Asset turnover ratio	.46	. 49			
Profitability					
Net farm inc. w/o apprec.	\$34,274	\$37,116	\$	\$	\$
Net farm inc. w/apprec.	\$42,681	\$42,383	\$	\$	\$
Labor & mgt. income		,			
per oper./manager	\$9,138	\$9,316	Ś	Ś	\$
Rate of return on eq.		7.7.	1,7		1
capital w/apprec.	3.47%	3.06%	8	de	
Rate of return on all	3.170	3.000			-
capital w/apprec.	4.12%	3.82%	8	8	
Financial Summary	2.140	3.020			
Farm net worth, end year	\$390,228	\$409,707	\$ \$		Ś
	,21	.21	٧	,	φ
Debt to asset ratio				5	Ċ
Farm debt per cow	\$1,238	\$1,221	\$\$		\$

<sup>\*</sup>Farms participating both years.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Average for the year.

# Regional Farm Business Chart

The Farm Business Chart is a tool which can be used in analyzing your business. Compare your business by drawing a line through or near the figure in each column which represents your current level of performance. The five figures in each column represent the average of each 20 percent or quintile of farms included in the regional summary. Use this information to identify business areas where more challenging goals are needed.

FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR FARM MANAGEMENT COOPERATORS
30 Southeastern New York Region Dairy Farms, 1994

Size of Business		Ra	Rate of Production			Labor Efficiency	
Worker Equiv- alent	No. of Cows	Pounds Milk Sold	Pounds Milk Sold Per Cow	Tons Hay Crop DM/Acre	Tons Corn Silage Per Acre	Cows Per Worker	Pounds Milk Sold Per Worker
(11) *	(11)	(11)	(10)	(9)	(9)	(11)	(11)
3.70	148	2,556,763	21,072	4.4	25	54	951,829
3.08	98	1,731,574	19,012	3.3	18	39	675,138
2.27	71	1,347,406	17,558	2.6	15	33	526,910
1.89	57	972,523	15,652	2.1	14	26	448,295
1.31	43	625,043	12,986	1.2	11	22	367,999

Grain Bought Per Cow	% Grain is of Milk Receipts	Machinery Costs Per Cow	Labor & Machinery Costs per Cow	Feed & Crop Expenses Per Cow	Feed & Crop Expenses Per Cwt. Milk
(10)	(10)	(11)	(11)	(10)	(10)
\$467	21%	\$286	\$696	\$613	\$3.90
608	27	392	847	796	4.69
740	31	434	994	883	5.48
861	36	503	1,123	1,029	5.88
998	43	577	1,349	1,251	6.63

Value and Cost of Production			Prof			
Milk Receipts Per Cow	Oper. Cost Milk Per Cwt,	Total Cost Production Per Cwt.	Net Farm Income w/Apprec.	Net Farm Inc. w/o Apprec.	Labor & Mgt. Inc. Per Oper.	Change in Net Worth w/Apprec.
(10)	(10)	(10)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(6)
\$2,908	\$7.60	\$12.60	\$79,787	\$75,289	\$32,279	\$54,050
2,588	9.26	14.02	52,733	47,073	20,556	30,629
2,349	10.23	14.57	41,282	35,770	12,493	13,620
2,181	11.04	15.36	23,961	19,932	-608	4,505
1,781	13.29	19.55	-5,019	-8,262	-28,210	-18,460

<sup>\*</sup>Page number of the participant's DFBS where the factor is located.

### New York State Farm Business Charts

Size of Business

The Farm Business Chart is a tool which can be used in analyzing a business by drawing a line through the figure in each column which represents the current level of management performance. The figure at the top of each column is the average of the top 10 percent of the 343 farms for that factor. The other figures in each column are the average for the second 10 percent, third 10 percent, etc. Each column of the chart is independent of the others. The farms which are in the top 10 percent for one factor would not necessarily be the same farms which make up the top 10 percent for any other factor.

The cost control factors are ranked from low to high, but the <u>lowest cost is</u> not necessarily the most profitable. In some cases, the "best" management position is somewhere near the middle or average. Many things affect the level of costs, and must be taken into account when analyzing the factors.

FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR FARM MANAGEMENT COOPERATORS
343 New York Dairy Farms, 1993

Worker No. Pounds Pounds Tons Tons Corn Cows Pounds

Rates of Production

Labor Efficiency

HOLICA	***	Louisan	arren	20110	TOTTE COTT		T O CHILORD
Equiv-	of	Milk	Milk Sold	Hay Crop	Silage	Per	Milk Sold
alent	Cows	Sold	Per Cow	DM/Acre	Per Acre	Worker	Per Worker
(11)*	(11)	(11)	(10)	(9)	(9)	(11)	(11)
10.7	462	9,210,867	22,475	4.9	21	50	963,128
5.2	179	3,493,545	21,010	3.8	18	43	804,714
4.0	138	2,565,387	20,106	3.3	17	38	709,611
3.4	114	2,073,209	19,397	3.0	16	35	642,389
3.0	96	1,728,227	18,760	2.7	15	33	599,692
2.6	80	1,451,335	17,998	2.4	15	31	557,105
2.4	68	1,226,267	17,311	2.2	13	28	499,590
2.1	60	1,040,531	16,476	1.9	12	26	456,139
1.8	50	826,069	15,121	1.7	10	24	415,686
1.4	38	598,906	13,045	1.1	8	20	327,680
			Cost	Control			
Grain		% Grain is	Machinery	Labor	& Fee	ed & Crop	Feed & Crop
Bought		of Milk	Costs	Machine	ery E	xpenses	Expenses per
Per Cow	t	Receipts	Per Cow	Costs Per	Cow	Per Cow	Cwt. Milk
(10)		(10)	(11)	(11)		(10)	(10)
\$368		16	\$246	\$684		\$523	\$3.14
506		22	323	822		642	3.78
569		25	365	888		700	4.10
612		27	399	948		761	4.37
656		28	428	1,009		819	4.55
701		30	462	1,061		872	4.75
750		31	499	1,114		915	4.93
795		33	533	1,178		963	5.18
869		35	597	1,243		L,043	5.49
1,000		40	766	1,482		1,202	6.21

<sup>\*</sup>Page number of the participant's DFBS where the factor is located.

# FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR FARM MANAGEMENT COOPERATORS 343 New York Dairy Farms, 1993

Milk	Milk	Oper. Cost	Oper. Cost	Total Cost	Total Cost
Receipts	Receipts	Milk	Milk	Production	Production
Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cow	Per Cwt.
(10)	(10)	(10)	(10)	(10)	(10)
\$2,976	\$14.08	\$1,139	\$7.14	\$1,961	\$11.84
2,761	13.64	1,398	8.36	2,247	12.90
2,637	13.40	1,546	8.87	2,409	13.50
2,531	13.17	1,668	9.33	2,520	13.95
2,439	13.06	1,773	9.72	2,631	14.36
2,363	12.95	1,882	10.17	2,736	14.85
2,255	12.87	1,992	10.58	2,829	15.27
2,126	12.75	2,107	11.05	2,940	15.96
1,985	12.60	2,237	11.80	3,073	16.92
1,698	12.27	2,568	13.90	3,577	19.81

# Profitability

	Net Far	m Income	Return to Operator's	Labo	r &
Wi	thout Ap	opreciation	Labor, Management	Managemer	t Income
	Per	As % of Total	& Equity Capital	Per	Per
Tota1	Cow	Accrual Receipts	Without Apprec.	Farm	Operator
(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
\$192,832	\$940	31%	\$191,192	\$124,134	\$85,449
77,826	652	22	75,244	43,729	27,233
55,227	521	18	51,356	26,801	16,175
42,463	436	16	39,250	15,841	11,141
32,415	370	14	29,500	8,538	6,547
25,580	303	11	21,117	980	723
19,375	232	8	14,467	-5,165	-4,119
12,786	154	6	7,783	-11,741	-9,895
1,493	19	1	-3,421	-21,147	-19,125
-26,148	-377	-16	-30,572	-56,479	-49,025

Farm Business Charts for farms with freestall barns and 180 cows or less and more than 180 cows, and farms with conventional barns with 60 cows or less and more than 60 cows are shown on pages 28-31.

# Financial Analysis Chart

The farm financial analysis chart on page 25 is designed just like the Farm Business Chart and may be used to assess the financial health of the farm business. Most of the financial measures used in the chart are defined on pages 6, 10, 14 and 20 of this publication. References to DFBS output page numbers for participating dairy farmers are provided in the table headings.

# FINANCIAL ANAYLSIS CHART 343 New York Dairy Farms, 1993

	Liq	uidity (repayme	ent)	
Planned Debt	Available for	Cash Flow	Debt Payments	
Payments	Debt Service	Coverage	as Percent	Debt
Per Cow	Per Cow	Ratio	of Milk Sales	Per Cow
(8) *	(12)	(8)	(8)	(5)
\$44	\$855	3.03	6%	\$122
217	606	1.46	10	734
295	522	1.21	13	1,211
358	450	1.06	15	1,611
414	407	0.93	18	1,979
458	359	0.81	20	2,335
512	308	0.70	22	2,657
581	256	0.59	25	3,005
674	170	0.37	29	3,510
935	-52	-0.77	41	4,601

	Sol	vency	Profit	ability	
		Debt/Asset	Ratio	Percent Rate	of Return with
Leverge	Percent	Current &	Long	appreci	ation on:
Ratio**	Equity	Intermediate	Term	Equity	Investment***
	(5)	(5)	(5)	(3)	(3)
-0.11	98%	0.03	0.00	16%	12%
0.11	90	0.10	0.00	9	8
0.22	82	0.17	0.01	6	6
0.33	75	0.23	0.12	4	5
0.41	70	0.29	0.23	2	3
0.55	64	0.35	0.33	0	2
0.70	58	0.41	0.43	-1	1
0.86	53	0.46	0.54	-4	-1
1.17	46	0.56	0.67	-7	-2
3.07	30	0.78	0.94	-30	-8

	Efficiency	Efficiency (Capital)					
Asset Turnover (ratio)	Real Estate Investment Per Cow	Machinery Investment Per Cow	Total Farm Assets Per Cow	Change in Net Worth W/Appreciation			
(11)	(11)	(11)	(11)	(11)			
.70	\$1,308	\$555	\$4,257	\$140,006			
.56	1,935	765	5,051	53,236			
.51	2,251	889	5,643	34,723			
.47	2,562	1,039	6,137	24,685			
.43	2,849	1,175	6,527	15,292			
.40	3,190	1,303	6,950	9,229			
.37	3,538	1,505	7,422	4,779			
.34	4,034	1,750	8,155	-210			
.31	4,617	2,043	8,908	-9,542			
.23	6,511	2,678	11,227	-52,027			

<sup>\*</sup>Page number of the participant's DFBS where the factor is located.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Dollars of debt per dollar of equity, computed by dividing total liabilities by total equity.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Return on all farm capital (no deduction for interest paid) divided by total farm assets.

### Comparison by Type of Barn and Herd Size

When analyzing a dairy farm business by comparing it to a group of farms, it is important that the group of farms have used as many of the same physical characteristics as possible as the farm being analyzed. To assist in this endeavor, dairy farms in the summary have been divided into those with freestall and those with conventional housing. Conventional housing includes stanchion and tiestall barns. Within each group, is a further classification by size of the dairy herd.

The table of page 27 includes the average values for the resulting four groups of dairy farms. The average size of farms in the four groups ranges from 48 cows on the small conventional farms to 386 cows on the large freestall farms.

The large freestall farms averaged the highest milk output per cow and per worker, the lowest total costs of production and investment per cow, and the greatest returns to labor, management and capital. The small freestall farms showed average profits somewhat higher than the large conventional farm businesses.

Farm business charts have been computed for each of the four housing and herd size categories and are on pages 28-31. By comparing the farm's performance on the most appropriate business chart, a farm manager will be better able to evaluate his or her business performance.

## Herd Size Comparisons

A detailed comparison of profitability, financial situation and business analysis factors across herd sizes is contained on pages 42-51 of the 1993 State Summary\*. As herd size increases, the average profitability generally increases (pages 44-45). Net farm income without appreciation was \$195,640 per farm for the 300 or more herd size group and \$6,328 per farm for those with less than 40 cows. This relationship generally holds for all measures of profitability including rate of return on capital. However, the 85 to 99 herd size group showed a lower rate of return on capital in 1993 than the farms with 70 to 84 cows.

Farm net worth increases rapidly as herd size increases (pages 46-49)\*, even though percent equity was higher on the smaller farms. The group with more than 300 cows demonstrated the strongest ability to make debt payments.

Crop yields showed little relationship to herd size, but fertilizer and lime expenses, and machinery cost per tillable acre generally increased as herd size increased (pages 50-51)\*. The farms with 300 and more cows per farm averaged 18 percent more milk sold per cow than the smallest farms. All of the groups with 85 or more cows averaged well above 18,000 pounds of milk sold per cow while the farms smaller than 85 cows averaged 17,380 pounds of milk sold per cow. Farm capital per worker increased, and farm capital per cow decreased as herd size increased. Milk sold per worker increased dramatically as herd size increased, ranging from 366,798 pounds at the lowest herd size category up to 898,758 pounds at the largest size category.

<sup>\*</sup>Smith, Stuart F., Wayne A. Knoblauch, and Linda D. Putnam, Dairy Farm Managment Business Summary, New York, 1993, Department of Agricultural, Resource, and Managerial Economics, Cornell University, R.B. 94-07, September 1994.

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SELECTED BUSINESS FACTORS BY TYPE OF BARN AND HERD SIZE

318 New York Dairy Farms, 1993

Farms with:	York Dairy Fa	ntional	Free	stall
Item	<=60 Cows		<=180 Cows	
				(A)
Number of farms	89	86	95	48
Cropping Program Analysis				
Total Tillable acres	152	270	378	798
Fillable acres rented*	50	91	157	325
Hay crop acres*	102	166	189	332
Corn silage acres*	28	51	90	313
Hay crop, tons DM/acre	2.1	2.5	2.7	3.1
Corn silage, tons/acre	12.9	14.1	14.3	15.8
Dats, bushels/acre	95.5	57.5	71.0	60.0
Forage DM per cow, tons	7.0	7.9	8.1	7.0
Fillable acres/cow	3.2	3.2	3.3	2.1
Fert. & lime exp./til. acre	\$17.34	\$21.46	\$22.04	\$31.72
Potal machinery costs	\$21,915	\$37,677	\$57,748	
Machinery cost/tillable acre	\$144	\$140	\$153	\$145,500
addinery cost, critable dele	A.T.4.4	7140	4123	9102
Dairy Analysis Number of cows	48	85	116	386
Number of heifers	37	69	96	
Milk sold, lbs.			2,182,035	280
	816,340	1,533,621		7,617,959
Milk sold/cow, lbs.	17,164	17,969	18,770	19,727
operating cost of prod. milk/cwt.	\$10.26	\$10.01	\$10.07	\$10.37
Total cost of prod. milk/cwt.	\$16.38	\$14.63	\$14.31	\$13.08
Price/cwt. milk sold	\$12.98	\$13.01	\$13.17	\$13.23
Purchased dairy feed/cow	\$705	\$685	\$684	\$768
Purchased dairy feed/cwt. milk	\$4.11	\$3.81	\$3.65	\$3.89
Purchased grain & conc. as	200	200	270	0.0
% of milk receipts	30%	29%	27%	29
Purc. feed & crop exp./cwt. milk	\$4.78	\$4.58	\$4.51	\$4.61
Capital Efficiency				
Farm capital/worker	\$197,229		\$236,729	
Farm capital/cow	\$7,591	\$7,034	\$6,948	
Farm capital/til. acre owned	3,542	3,371	\$3,656	\$4,632
Real estate/cow	\$3,835	\$3,254	\$3,069	\$2,539
Machinery investment/cow	\$1,498	\$1,378	\$1,363	\$867
Asset turnover ratio	0.35	0.39	0.44	0.56
abor Efficiency				
Worker equivalent	1.83	2.86	3.41	8.89
Operator/manager equivalent	1.16	1.46	1.51	1.69
Milk sold/worker, lbs.	445,590	536,209	639,227	857,074
Cows/worker	26	30	34	43
Labor cost/cow	\$633	\$575	\$548	\$562
Labor cost/tillable acre	\$198	\$182	\$169	\$272
Profitability & Balance Sheet Anal	ysis			
Net farm income (w/o apprec.)	\$11,606	\$29,193	\$40,576	\$132,377
Labor & mgmt. income/operator	\$-4,625	\$2,921	\$6,744	\$38,811
Return on all capital w/apprec.	-0.5%	2.6%	3.9%	7.7
Farm debt/cow	\$2,280	\$2,039	\$2,298	\$2,362
Percent equity	69%	71%	66%	85

<sup>\*</sup>Average of all farms, not only those reporting data.

# FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR SMALL CONVENTIONAL STALL DAIRY FARMS 89 Conventional Stall Dairy Farms with 60 or Less Cows, New York, 1993

Siz	e of Bu	usiness		Rate	s of Produc	ction	Labo	Labor Efficiency	
Worker	No.	Pounds	Pour	nds	Tons	Tons Corn	Cows	Pounds	
Equiv-	of	Milk	Milk	sold	Hay Crop	Silage	Per	Milk Sold	
alent	Cows	Sold	Per	Cow	DM/Acre	Per Acre	Worke	r Per Worker	
(11)*	(11)	(11)	(10	))	(9)	(9)	(11)	(11)	
2.8	60	1,212,080	21,7	711	4.4	21	42	684,109	
2.3	58	1,064,987	20,1	121	3.1	17	34	606,087	
2.1	56	948,553	18,9	929	2.7	15	31	545,106	
2.0	53	878,192	18,2	297	2.4	15	29	491,677	
1.9	49	834,515	17,6	522	2.2	14	27	455,896	
1.7	46	773,615	16,9	74	2.0	13	25	436,105	
1.5	43	695,797	15,8	66	1.8	12	24	410,769	
1.5	41	661,816	14,9	62	1.6	11	23	367,001	
1.3	37	596,911	14,1	82	1.3	9	21	327,041	
1.1	30	457,003	12,1	.47	1.0	6	16	268,937	
		- 200		Cost	Control				
Grain	8	Grain is	Machinery	,	Labor &	Feed	& Crop	Feed & Crop	
Bought	(	of Milk	Costs		Machinery	Expe	enses	Expenses Per	
Per Cow	R	eceipts	Per Cow	(	Costs Per C	ow Per	Cow	Cwt. Milk	
(10)		(10)	(11)		(11)	(1	.0)	(10)	
\$388		19%	\$236		\$675	\$5	09	\$3.23	
501		24	305		859	6	07	3.88	
562		26	356		942	6	61	4.13	
593		27	402		1,021	7	03	4.32	
620		29	427		1,060	7	61	4.52	
662		30	454		1,115	8	00	4.78	
708		32	500		1,164	8	61	5.06	
755		34	546		1,232	9	28	5.34	
833		37	608		1,337	1,0	23	5.67	
1,058		42	810		1,645	1,2	82	6.57	

Value a	and Cost of P	roduction		Profitabili	ty			
Milk Receipts	Oper. Cost Milk	Total Cost Production		Net Farm Income Without Appreciation		Change in New Worth		
Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cwt.	Total	Per Cow	Per Oper.	w/Apprec.		
(10)	(10)	(10)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(6)		
\$2,877	\$7.23	\$12.91	\$40,922	\$839	\$20,186	\$55,216		
2,627	8.23	13.96	30,984	635	10,285	22,000		
2,464	8.76	14.76	24,240	502	6,446	14,486		
2,379	9.05	15.10	20,806	427	3,582	10,246		
2,263	9.35	15.69	17,349	372	581	6,959		
2,171	9.78	16.38	13,210	290	-3,052	4,300		
2,041	10.57	16.87	7,460	171	-9,308	1,323		
1,951	11.47	17.63	190	-1	-14,096	-2,420		
1,830	12.85	18.99	-8,025	-168	-23,601	-7,799		
1,058	15.56	23.73	-35,523	-821	-56,378	-21,844		

<sup>\*</sup>Page number of the participant's DFBS where the factor is located.

FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR LARGE CONVENTIONAL STALL DAIRY FARMS
86 Conventional Stall Dairy Farms with More Than 60 Cows, New York, 1993

Siz	ze of Bu	siness	Rate	s of Produ	ction	Labor Efficiency	
Worker	No.	Pounds	Pounds	Tons	Tons Corn	Cows	Pounds
Equiv-	of	Milk	Milk Sold	Hay Crop	Silage	Per	Milk Sold
alent	Cows	Sold	Per Cow	DM/Acre	Per Acre	Worker	Per Worker
(11)*	(11)	(11)	(10)	(9)	(9)	(11)	(11)
4.7	144	2,719,201	22,035	5.1	21	44	771,502
3.7	106	1,916,656	20,507	3.7	18	37	648,458
3.2	91	1,687,647	19,540	3.2	16	34	609,112
3.0	84	1,560,310	19,079	3.0	16	32	582,040
2.7	80	1,431,819	18,203	2.6	15	31	559,614
2.5	74	1,360,480	17,652	2.4	14	29	523,110
2.4	71	1,270,716	17,204	2.1	13	27	477,984
2.3	68	1,176,700	16,356	1.9	12	25	447,489
2.0	65	1,103,896	15,033	1.6	11	23	422,245
1.8	62	924,485	12,690	1.2	8	21	355,438
			Cost	Control			
Grain	% C	rain is Ma	chinery	Labor &	Feed &	Crop F	eed & Cron

		CC	ISC CONCLOI		
Grain Bought Per Cow	% Grain is of Milk Receipts	Machinery Costs Per Cow	Labor & Machinery Costs Per Cow	Feed & Crop Expenses Per Cow	Feed & Crop Expenses Per Cwt. Milk
(10)	(10)	(11)	(11)	(10)	(10)
\$278	14%	\$231	\$678	\$461	\$3.02
480	20	311	822	607	3.62
552	24	357	886	683	3.88
603	27	389	946	711	4.19
643	29	417	974	783	4.56
681	30	453	1,034	844	4.70
737	31	490	1,088	889	4.84
789	33	518	1,174	948	4.99
858	34	563	1,209	1,035	5.34
990	40	717	1,381	1,136	5.99

Value a	and Cost of P	roduction		У		
Milk Oper. Cost Total Cost Receipts Milk Production			m Income opreciation	Labor & Mgmt. Inc.	Change in New Worth	
Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cwt.	Total	Per Cow	Per Oper.	w/Apprec.
(10)	(10)	(10)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(6)
\$2,868	\$6.68	\$12.35	\$82,324	\$923	\$31,899	\$63,923
2,687	8.24	13.10	53,888	635	18,147	39,116
2,578	8.68	13.73	45,966	529	13,273	23,274
2,470	9.17	14.18	35,632	452	9,585	13,292
2,389	9.73	14.45	30,858	361	4,417	9,085
2,308	10.25	14.77	23,307	284	-2,041	5,798
2,193	10.63	15.10	17,058	204	-6,936	1,717
2,080	10.90	15.49	9,660	131	-12,907	-5,447
1,971	11.70	16.58	-36	2	-20,766	-20,823
1,637	12.92	18.05	-18,775	-256	-45,216	-45,873

<sup>\*</sup>Page number of the participant's DFBS where the factor is located.

# FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR SMALL FREESTALL DAIRY FARMS 95 Freestall Barn Dairy Farms with 180 or Less Cows, New York, 1993

Size	of Bu	siness		Rates of Production			Labor	Efficiency
Worker	No.	Pounds	Pou	inds	Tons	Tons Corn	Cows	Pounds
Equiv-	of	Milk	Milk	Sold	Hay Crop	Silage	Per	Milk Sold
alent	Cows	Sold	Per	Cow	DM/Acre	Per Acre	Worker	Per Worker
(11)*	(11)	(11)	(1	0)	(9)	(9)	(11)	(11)
<b>.</b> .	1.50	2 550 001	2.2	004	4 2	2.0	F 4	051 001
5.8	168	3,559,901		024	4.6	20	51	951,201
4.6	150	2,938,553		379	3.8	18	46	826,524
3.9	137	2,588,880		130	3.3	17	41	774,998
3.6	126	2,333,571		698	3.0	16	38	717,679
3.4	117	2,147,365	19,	141	2.8	15	36	665,532
3.1	110	1,992,534	18,	494	2.5	15	33	617,331
2.9	101	1,805,227	17,	484	2.2	14	31	580,615
2.6	95	1,656,006	16,	764	2.0	12	28	514,799
2.2	83	1,441,095	15,	611	1.8	10	26	477,497
1.7	63	1,061,874	13,	252	1.0	9	24	398,276
				Cost (	Control			
Grain	% Gra	ain is N	Machinery		Labor &	Feed & (	Crop	Feed & Crop
Bought	of.	Milk	Costs		Machinery	Expens	es I	Expenses Per
Per Cow	Rece	eipts	Per Cow	Co	sts Per Co	w Per Co	WC	Cwt. Milk
(10)	()	LO)	(11)		(11)	(10)		(10)
		4.50	1001			4500		
\$346		15%	\$274		\$671	\$522		\$2.95
483		20	354		809	631		3.54
561		23	391		874	714		3.92
580		24	426		927	761		4.19
624		26	459		1,001	794		4.40
658		28	497		1,065	853		4.54
699		29	521		1,114	900		4.81
770		31	578		1,170	962		5.20
877		34	677		1,263	1,031		5.51
985		39	805		1,505	1,171		6.08

Value a	and Cost of P	roduction		Profitabili	ty	
Milk	Oper. Cost	Total Cost	Net Far	m Income	Labor &	Change in
Receipts	Milk	Production	Without Ap	preciation	Mgmt. Inc.	New Worth
Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cwt.	Total	Per Cow	Per Oper.	w/Apprec.
(10)	(10)	(10)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(6)
\$3,039	\$6.96	\$11.77	\$116,153	\$950	\$48,320	\$97,010
2,784	8.23	12.78	72,642	633	27,441	56,522
2,660	8.83	13,33	60,299	505	17,082	43,864
2,580	9.27	13.54	49,765	424	13,070	31,882
2,475	9.53	13.99	38,264	356	8,275	25,860
2,391	9.93	14.29	30,101	301	244	16,948
2,322	10.33	14,88	23,187	219	-4,248	9,113
2,234	11.01	15.54	17,420	172	-8,965	3,416
2,077	11.64	16.23	9,753	91	-18,782	-9,918
1,763	13.50	17.65	-26,664	-220	-42,358	-57,440

<sup>\*</sup>Page number of the participant's DFBS where the factor is located.

FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR LARGE FREESTALL DAIRY FARMS 48 Freestall Barn Dairy Farms with More Than 180 Cows, New York, 1993

Size	e of Bu	siness			Rate	s of Pro	oducti	on		Labor	Efficien	су
Worker	No.	Poun		Pour		Tons		ns Co		Cows	Pound	
Equiv-	of	Mil		Milk				Silage		Per	Milk So	
alent	Cows	Sol		Per		DM/Acı	re P	er Acr	e l	Worker		
(11)*	(11)	(11	)	(1	0)	(9)		(9)		(11)	(11)	
23.2	1,174	22,553	,675	22,	666	5.0		20		58	1,090,	785
12.4	551	11,544	,889	21,	710	4.4		18		49	1,030,	797
9.9	396	8,275	,051	21,	163	3.8		18		47	941,9	981
8.6	345	6,907	,353	20,	841	3.6		17		45	881,	114
7.6	281	5,711	,010	20,	176 	3.2		16		43	853,8	379
6.2	239	4,738	,923	19,	325	2.8		15		40	801,	184
5.8	220	4,226	,435	18,	835	2.5		14		38	753,	126
5.1	201	3,869	,202	17,		2.3		13		36	675,	313
4.7	189	3,580		17.		2.0		11		33	644,	525
3.8	185	3,052	,051	15,	598	1.6		10		29	511,	771
						Control						
Grain		rain is	Ma	achinery	r	Labor			d & Cro		Feed & Cr	-
Bought		f Milk		Costs		Machin	-		menses	I	Expenses F	
Per Cow	Re	ceipts	1	Per Cow	C	Costs Pe		P	er Cow		Cwt. Mil	k
(10)		(10)		(11)		(11)			(10)		(10)	
\$481		19%		\$231		\$661			\$653		\$3.41	
577		24		286		764			756		4.05	
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### IDENTIFY AND SET GOALS

If businesses are to be successful, they must have direction. Written goals help provide businesses with an identifiable direction over both the long and short term. Goal setting is as important on a dairy farm as it is in other businesses. Written goals are a tool which farm operators can use to ensure that the business continues to move in the proper direction. Goals should be SMART:

- 1. Goals should be Specific.
- 2. Goals should be Measurable.
- 3. Goals should be Achievable but challenging.
- 4. Goals should be Rewarding.
- 5. Goals should designate a Time when each goal will be achieved.

Goal setting on a dairy farm does not have to be a complex process. In many cases it provides a process for writing down and agreeing on goals that you have already given some thought to. It is also important to remember that once you write out your goals they are not cast in concrete. If a change takes place which has a major impact on the farm business, the goals should be reworked to accommodate that change. Refer to your goals as often as necessary to keep the farm business progressing.

It is important to identify both objectives (long-range) and goals (short-range) when looking at the future of your farm business.

A suggested format for writing out your goals is as follows:

- a. Begin with a mission statement which describes why the business exists based on the preferences and values of the owners.
- b. Identify 4-6 objectives.
- Identify SMART goals.

Worksheet for Setting Goals

Mission and Objectives

# Worksheet for Setting Goals (Continued)

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### GLOSSARY AND LOCATION OF COMMON TERMS

<u>Accounts Pavable</u> - Open accounts or bills owed to feed and supply firms, cattle dealers, veterinarians and other providers of farm services and supplies.

Accounts Receivable - Outstanding receipts from items sold or sales proceeds not yet received, such as the payment for December milk sales received in January.

Accrual Expenses - (defined on page 3)

Accrual Receipts - (defined on page 4)

Annual Cash Flow Statement - (defined on page 12)

Appreciation - (defined on page 5)

<u>Asset Turnover Ratio</u> - The ratio of total farm income to total farm assets, calculated by dividing total accrual operating receipts plus appreciation by average total farm assets.

Balance Sheet - A "snapshot" of the business financial position at a given point in time, usually December 31. The balance sheet equates the value of assets to liabilities plus net worth.

<u>Capital Efficiency</u> - The amount of capital invested per production unit. Relatively high investments per worker with low to moderate investments per cow imply efficient use of capital.

<u>Cash From Nonfarm Capital Used in the Business</u> - Transfers of money from nonfarm savings or investments to the farm business where it is used to pay operating expenses, make debt payments and/or capital purchases.

Cash Flow Coverage Ratio - (defined on page 14)

Cash Paid - (defined on page 2)

Cash Receipts - (defined on page 4)

Change in Accounts Payable - (defined on page 3)

Change in Accounts Receivable - (defined on page 4)

Change in Inventory - (defined on page 2)

Current Portion - (defined on page 7)

<u>Dairy (farm)</u> - A farm business where dairy farming is the primary enterprise, operating and managing this farm is a full-time occupation for one or more people and cropland is owned.

<u>Dairy Cash-Crop (farm)</u> - Operating and managing this farm is the full-time occupation of one or more people, cropland is owned but crop sales exceed 10 percent of accrual milk receipts.

Debt Per Cow - Total end-of-year debt divided by end-of-year number of cows.

Debt to Asset Ratios - (defined on page 10)

Deferred Taxes - (defined on page 9)

<u>Dry Matter</u> - The amount or proportion of dry material that remains after all water is removed. Commonly used to measure dry matter percent and tons of dry matter in feed.

Equity Capital - The farm operator/manager's owned capital or farm net worth.

Expansion Livestock - Purchased dairy cattle and other livestock that cause an increase in herd size from the beginning to the end of the year.

Farm Debt Payments as Percent of Milk Sales - Amount of milk income committed to debt repayment, calculated by dividing planned debt payments by total milk receipts. A reliable measure of repayment ability, see page 14.

Farm Debt Payments Per Cow - Planned or scheduled debt payments per cow represent the repayment plan scheduled at the beginning of the year divided by the average number of cows for the year. This measure of repayment ability is used in the Financial Analysis Chart.

Financial Lease - A long-term non-cancellable contract giving the lessee use of an asset in exchange for a series of lease payments. The term of a financial lease usually covers a major portion of the economic life of the asset. The lease is a substitute for purchase. The lessor retains ownership of the asset.

<u>Income Statement</u> - A complete and accurate account of farm business receipts and expenses used to measure profitability over a period of time such as one year or one month.

Labor and Management Income - (defined on page 6)

<u>Labor and Management Income Per Operator</u> - The return to the owner/manager's labor and management per full-time operator.

Labor Efficiency - Production capacity and output per worker.

Liquidity - Ability of business to generate cash to make debt payments or to convert assets to cash.

Net Farm Income - (defined on page 5)

Net Worth - The value of assets less liabilities equal net worth. It is the equity the owner has in owned assets.

Operating Costs of Producing Milk - (defined on page 19)

Opportunity Costs - The cost or charge made for using a resource based on its value in its most likely alternative use. The opportunity cost of a farmer's labor and management is the value he/she would receive if employed in his/her most qualified alternative position.

Other Livestock Expenses - All other dairy herd and livestock expenses not included in more specific categories. Other livestock expenses include; bedding, DHIC, milk house and parlor supplies, livestock board, registration fees and transfers.

Part-Time Cash-Crop Dairy (farm) - Operating and managing this farm is not a full-time occupation, crop sales exceed 10 percent of accrual milk receipts and cropland is owned.

<u>Part-Time Dairy (farm)</u> - Dairy farming is the primary enterprise, cropland is owned but operating and managing this farm is not a full-time occupation for one or more people.

<u>Personal Withdrawals and Family Expenditures Including Nonfarm Debt Payments</u> - All the money removed from the farm business for personal or nonfarm use including family living expenses, health and life insurance, income taxes, nonfarm debt payments, and investments.

<u>Profitability</u> - The return or net income the owner/manager receives for using one or more of his or her resources in the farm business. True "economic profit" is what remains after deducting all the costs including the opportunity costs of the owner/manager's labor, management, and equity capital.

Purchased Inputs Cost of Producing Milk - (defined on page 19)

Repayment Analysis - An evaluation of the business' ability to make planned debt payments.

Replacement Livestock - Dairy cattle and other livestock purchased to replace those that were culled or sold from the herd during the year.

Return on Equity Capital - (defined on page 7)

Return on Total Capital - (defined on page 7)

Return to Operators' Labor, Management, and Equity Capital - (defined on page 6)

<u>Solvency</u> - The extent or ability of assets to cover or pay liabilities. Debt/asset and leverage ratios are common measures of solvency.

Total Costs of Producing Milk - (defined on page 19)

Whole Farm Method - A procedure used to calculate costs of producing milk on dairy farms without using enterprise cost accounts. All non-milk receipts are assigned a cost equal to their sale value and deducted from total farm expenses to determine the costs of producing milk.

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