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Instructions for using the interactive budgets

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

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

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

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

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

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Sample Budget for Brown Egg Flock

50 hens kept to 70 weeks of age and selling 47 spent hens at \$1.00 each.

Item	Quantity	Your Quantity	Unit	Price	Your Price	Amount	Calculated Estimate
Receipts							
Jumbo and extra large	410	_____	doz.				
Large	475	_____	doz.				
Medium	198	_____	doz.				
Receipts from eggs ¹	1,083	_____	doz.	\$3.50	_____	\$3,790.50	_____
Fowl sold ²	47	_____	ea	\$1.00	_____	\$47.00	_____
Total receipts						\$3,837.50	_____
Variable Costs							
Chicks day-old	50	_____	chick	\$2.85	_____	\$142.50	_____
Feed							
Starter/grower	210	_____	pounds	\$0.34	_____	\$71.40	_____
Layer ³	652	_____	pounds	\$0.26	_____	\$169.52	_____
Electricity	1	_____	flock	\$28.00	_____	\$28.00	_____
Shavings	17	_____	bales	\$6.00	_____	\$102.00	_____
Labor - maintenance	120	_____	hours	\$10.00	_____	\$1,200.00	_____
Additional supplies	1	_____	flock	\$100.00	_____	\$100.00	_____
Repairs and maintenance	1	_____	flock	\$30.00	_____	\$30.00	_____
Advertising/marketing	1	_____		\$50.00	_____	\$50.00	_____
Egg cartoning and packaging ⁴	1,083	_____	doz.	\$0.59	_____	\$638.97	_____
Labor (collecting and packaging)	30	_____	hrs.	\$10.00	_____	\$300.00	_____
Additional expenses		_____			_____		_____
Additional expenses		_____			_____		_____
Interest on operating capital	1	_____	flock	\$21.94	_____	\$21.94	_____
Total variable costs						\$2,854.33	_____
Returns above variable costs						\$983.17	_____
Fixed Costs							
Insurance and taxes	1	_____	flock	\$21.74	_____	\$21.74	_____

Egg cooling	10	_____	years	\$500.00	_____	\$50.00	_____
Building	10	_____	years	\$2,000.00	_____	\$200.00	_____
Equipment	5	_____	years	\$847.00	_____	\$169.40	_____
Manure handling equipment	7	_____	years	\$1,000.00	_____	\$142.86	_____
Additional expenses							
Interest	1	_____	flock	\$91.86	_____	\$91.86	_____
Total fixed costs						\$675.85	_____
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Total costs						\$3,530.19	_____
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Net Returns						\$307.31	_____
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Break-even price for variable costs						\$2.64	_____
Break-even price						\$3.26	_____
Break-even yield (dozens)						1,009	_____
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1. Assume birds are housed as day-old chicks and sold at 70 weeks of age (52 weeks of production).

2. Mortality estimated at 4%.

3. Feed fed during the 52 weeks = 13 lb./bird.

4. New cartons used each time.

You should monitor local markets and contact suppliers to determine current values for all items contained in this sample budget.

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