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# AGRICULTURAL ALTERNATIVES

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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 Turkey Budget (Hens)

For sale as meat birds; birds purchased at 1 day old and sold at 14 weeks (15 pounds); three groups of 1,000 birds are produced per year; average mortality rate is 8 percent for hen turkeys at 14 weeks of age.

Item	Quantity	Your Quantity	Unit	Price	Your Price	Three Flocks	Calculated Estimate
<b>Receipts</b>							
Turkeys sold (minus 8% death loss)	41,400	_____	pounds	\$ 0.45	_____	\$ 18,630.00	_____
<b>Variable costs</b>							
Costs per poul	3,000	_____	poult	\$ 0.88	_____	\$ 2,640.00	_____
Feed costs (50-lb. bag) (1)	103,500	_____	pounds	\$ 0.125	_____	\$ 12,937.50	_____
Utilities						\$ 215.00	_____
Supplies and miscellaneous						\$ 220.00	_____
Marketing						\$ 180.00	_____
Maintenance						\$ 180.00	_____
<i>Total variable costs</i>						\$ 16,372.50	_____
<b>Fixed costs</b>							
Labor (yearly)	472	_____	hours	\$0.00	_____	\$0.00	_____
Buildings and equipment	1	_____	year	\$ 675.00	_____	\$ 675.00	_____
Insurance and taxes						\$ 50.00	_____
<i>Total fixed costs</i>						\$725.00	_____
<b>Total costs</b>						\$ 17,097.50	_____
<b>Returns</b>							
Net returns over variable costs						\$ 2,257.50	_____
Net returns						\$ 1,532.50	_____

1. Feed quantity will need to be adjusted for the size of bird desired; budget is based on 14-15 pound hen.