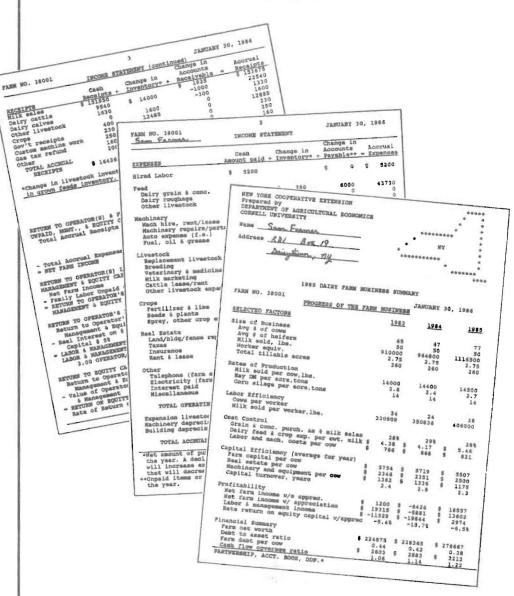
EASTERN NEW YORK RENTER SUMMARY 1985



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INTRODUCTION

Dairy farmers throughout New York State submit business records for summarization and analysis through Cooperative Extension's Farm Business Management Program. Averages from a compilation of the individual farm reports are published in nine regional summaries and in one statewide summary.

The 1985 Dairy Farm Business Summary features improved accrual accounting procedures, a new measure of farm profitability, a more indepth balance sheet, an annual cash flow statement, and several major improvements in the business analysis format and the analysis measures used. These and other changes are identified in the body of this report.

This special Eastern New York Dairy Summary is an average of 20 businesses that are renting substantially all of the farm real estate. The farm income, financial summary, and business analysis sections of this report include comparisons with average data on 144 owned dairy farms in the region. This report is prepared in workbook form for farm renters to use in the systematic study of their farm business operations.

Business records for 20 farms in Columbia, Delaware, Montgomery, Orange, Otsego, Rensselaer, Schoharie, Sullivan, and Washington Counties are summarized in this publication. The Eastern New York region consists of these counties plus Albany, Herkimer, Saratoga, Schenectady, and Ulster Counties which do not have farms that classify as renters. The 144 owned dairy farms summarized in this publication include farms from the entire region.

SUMMARY OF THE FARM BUSINESS

Business Characteristics

Finding the right management strategies is an important part of farming. 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, the number of farms reporting these characteristics, and the average level of resources used in production.

BUSINESS CHARACTERISTICS AND RESOURCES USED 20 Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters, 1985

Type of Business	Number	Type of Barn		Number
Single proprietors	hip 12	Stanchion		18
Partnership	8	Freestall		2
Milking System	Number	<u>Business Recor</u>	d System	Number
Dumping station	3	Account Book		11
Pipeline	14	Agrifax (mail-	in only)	5
Herringbone parlor	3	Other		4
<u> Dairy Records Serv</u>				
DHIC	15			
0.\$.	1			
None	4			
71 Thurs	Was Dawn Assessed	7 4 77	W	
Labor Force	My Farm Average	Land Use	My Farm	Average
Operator 1.	mo. 12	Total acres rented		364
Operator 2.	mo. 5	Tillable acres rented		194
Operator 3.	mo. 1	Number of Green	V D	.
Family paid	mo. 3	Number of Cows	My Farm	Average
Family unpaid	mo. 3	Beg. year (owned)		61
Hired	mo5	End year (owned &		
Total	mo. 29	leased)		64
Hanley Francisco London		Average for year		63
Worker Equivalent	2.42	(owned & leased)		63
(total + 12)				
Operator/Manager				
Equivalent	1 50			
(Oper. mo. + 12)	1.50			

Income Statement

The revised accrual income statement begins with an accounting of all farm business expenses.

CASH AND ACCRUAL FARM EXPENSES 20 Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters, 1985

	Cash	Change in	Change in	Accrual
Expense Item	Paid +	Inventory +	Accounts Payable	- Expenses
Hired Labor	\$ 7,800		\$ 0	\$ 7,800
Feed	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		•	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Dairy grain & conc.	33,001	\$ -64	192	33,129
Dairy roughage	1,767	. 0	20	1,787
Other livestock	60	24	0	84
Machinery				
Mach. hire, rent/lease	1,468		0	1,468
Machinery repairs/parts	4,500	-33	164	4,631
Auto expense (farm share)	-		0	809
Fuel, oil & grease	4,708	-45	9	4,672
Livestock	•			
Replacement livestock	1,663		0	1,663
Breeding	1,921	4	2	1,927
Vet & medicine	2,200	-13	15	2,202
Milk marketing	9,376		-23	9,353
Cattle lease/rent	100		0	100
Other livestock expense	5,822	58	-40	5,840
Crops	,		· ·	, , , , ,
Fertilizer & lime	5,170	1,378	-293	6,255
Seeds & plants	1,505	-290	0	1,215
Spray, other crop exp.	1,599	-265	0	1,334
Real Estate	•			_,
Land/bldg./fence repair	1,225		26	1,251
Taxes	768		0	768
Insurance	1,743		0	1,743
Rent & lease	10,645		0	10,645
<u>Other</u>	·			•
Telephone (farm share)	827		0	827
Electricity (farm share)			0	3,191
Interest paid	4,247		0	4,247
Miscellaneous	1.614	220	0	1,394
Total Operating	\$107,729	\$534	\$ 72	\$108,335
	\$ 133	•	\$ 0	133
Machinery depreciation			•	10,232
Building depreciation				469
TOTAL ACCRUAL EXPENSES				\$119,169

<u>Cash paid</u> is the actual amount of money paid out during the year and does not necessarily represent the cost of goods and services actually used.

Accrual expenses are the costs of inputs actually used in this year's production. The value of feed and supplies used out of inventory are included as are the costs of inputs purchased but not paid for (net increases in accounts payable). Items paid for and not used (net additions to inventory) are excluded from accrual expenses as are payments made on inputs used in a prior year (net decreases in accounts payable).

Worksheets are provided to enable any dairy farmer to compute his or her accrual farm income and compare it with the averages on the previous page.

CASH AND ACCRUAL FARM EXPENSES WORKSHEET

.	Cash		Change in		Change in	Accrual
Expense Item	Paid	+	Inventory	+	Accounts Payable	- Expenses
<u>Hired Labor</u>	\$		\$		\$	\$
Feed						-
Dairy grain & conc.						
Dairy roughage						
Other livestock						
Machinery						
Mach. hire, rent/lease						
Machinery repairs/parts					****	
Auto expense (farm share	e)		***************************************			
Fuel, oil & grease	-		***************************************			****
Livestock	**************************************					
Replacement livestock						
Breeding					***************************************	
Vet & medicine		_				
Milk marketing		_			***************************************	
Cattle lease/rent						
Other livestock expense	******					
Crops						
Fertilizer & lime						
Seeds & plants			****			
Spray, other crop exp.						
Real Estate						
Land/bldg./fence repair						
Taxes	***************************************					
Insurance	····	_				
Rent & lease						

Other						
Telephone (farm share)	· ————				*****	
Electricity (farm share)				****	
Interest paid						
Miscellaneous		_	_			
Total Operating	Ş		Ş		\$	\$
Expansion livestock			***			
Machinery depreciation	×		***************************************			
Building depreciation						
TOTAL ACCRUAL EXPENSES	\$		\$		\$	\$

<u>Cash paid</u> is the actual amount of money paid out during the year and does not necessarily represent the cost of goods and services actually used.

Accrual expenses are the costs of inputs actually used in this year's production. Purchased feed and supplies used out of inventory must be included. Beginning of year less end of year purchased feed and supply inventory equals the change in inventory to include in accrual expenses. Feed, supplies, and services used but not paid for must be included by adding the net increase in operating accounts payable. Increases in operating accounts payable are determined by subtracting the balance at the beginning of the year from the end of year balance.

CASH AND ACCRUAL FARM RECEIPTS
20 Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters, 1985

Receipt Item	Cash Receipts	+	Change in Inventory	+	Change in Accounts Receivable	+	Accrual Receipts
Milk sales	\$125,412				\$821		\$126,233
Dairy cattle	6,075		\$1,686		9021		7,761
Dairy calves	1,561		91,000		0		1,561
Other livestock	201		339		ő		540
Crops	574		2,534		10		3,118
Government receipts	310		2,554		0		310
Custom machine work	44				Ō		44
Gas tax refund	55				14		69
Other	328				<u>93</u>		421
Total Accrual Receipts	\$134,560		\$4,559		\$938		\$140,057

<u>Cash receipts</u> includes the gross value of milk checks received during the year plus all other payments received for the sale of farm products, services, and government programs.

Accrual receipts represent the value of all farm commodities produced and services actually provided by the farmer during the year. Increases in live-stock inventory caused by herd growth and/or quality, are included as accrual receipts. Decreases in inventory caused by herd reduction are deducted. Changes in inventories of crops grown are accounted for in accrual receipts. Changes in accounts receivable include the January milk check for this December's marketings compared with the previous January's check, and other delayed payments.

CASH AND ACCRUAL FARM RECEIPT WORKSHEET

Receipt Item	Cash <u>Receipts</u>	Change in + Inventory	Change in Accounts + Receivable	Accrual + Receipts
Milk sales Dairy cattle Dairy calves Other livestock Crops Government receipts Custom machine work Gas tax refund Other	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Accrual Receipts	\$	\$	\$	\$

To calculate the change in inventory to be included in the above worksheet, subtract the beginning of year values from the end of year values <u>excluding appreciation</u>. The changes in inventories caused by declining prices must be excluded from the calculation of accrual receipts. Changes in accounts receivable are also determined by subtracting beginning of year balances from end of year balances.

Profitability Analysis

Farm owners/operators contribute labor, management, and capital to their businesses and the best combination of these resources produces optimum profits. Farm profits can be measured as the return to all family resources or as the return to one or more individual resources.

Net farm income is the total combined return to the farm operator(s) 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.

Net farm income is computed with and without appreciation. Appreciation represents the change in inventory values caused by changes in prices during the year. Appreciation is a major factor contributing to changes in farm net worth and must be included in the profitability analysis.

NET FARM INCOME Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

	20 Dairy	144 Dairy	
<u>Item</u>	Farm Renters	Farm Owners	My Farm
Total accrual receipts	\$140,057	\$166,450	\$
Appreciation: Livestock	-7,706	-7,775	
Machinery	3,298	1,861	***************************************
Real Estate	419	6,542	
Total Including Appreciation	\$136,068	\$167,078	\$
- Total accrual expenses	119,169	152,985	-
Net Farm Income (with appreciation)	\$ 16,899	\$ 14,093	\$
Net Farm Income (without appreciation)	\$ 20,888	\$ 13,465	\$

Return to operator(s') labor, management, and equity capital measures the total business profits for the farm operators. It is calculated by deducting a charge for unpaid family labor from net farm income. Operator(s') labor is not included in unpaid family labor. Return to operator(s') labor, management, and equity capital has been compiled with and without appreciation.

RETURN TO OPERATOR(S') LABOR, MANAGEMENT, AND EQUITY Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

Item	20 Dairy Farm Renters	144 Dairy Farm Owners	My Farm
Net farm income (with appreciation)	\$16,899	\$14,093	\$
- Family labor unpaid @ \$550 per month	1,650	1,100	-
Return to operator(s') labor, management	Ξ,		
& equity (with appreciation)	\$15,249	\$12,993	\$
- Appreciation	<u>3,989</u>	<u>628</u>	
Return to operator(s') labor, management		410 265	^
& equity (without appreciation)	\$19,238	\$12,365	\$

Labor and management income is the share of net farm income without appreciation returned to the operator(s') labor and management. Appreciation is not included as part of the return to labor and management. Labor and management income is determined by deducting the cost of using equity capital at a real interest rate of five percent, from the return to operator(s') labor, management, and equity capital excluding appreciation. The interest charge reflects the long-term average rate of return that a farmer might expect to earn in comparable risk investments in a low inflation economy.

<u>Labor and management income per operator</u> measures the return to each operator's labor and management.

LABOR AND MANAGEMENT INCOME
Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

•		•	
	20 Dairy	144 Dairy	
<u>Item</u>	Farm Renters	Farm Owners	My Farm
Return to operator(s') labor, managemen	nt.		
& equity without appreciation	\$19,238	\$12,365	\$
- Real interest @ 5% on equity capital	6,334	_14,849	
- Real Intelest & 3% on equity capital	0,334	14,049	
Labor & Management Income	\$12,904	\$-2,484	\$
Labor & Management Income per Operator	\$8,603	\$-1,863	\$
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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 or value of operator(s') 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 end of year farm net worth or equity capital.

RETURN ON EQUITY CAPITAL
Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

	20 Dairy	144 Dairy	
<u>Item</u>	Farm Renters	Farm Owners	My Farm
Return to operator(s') labor, management & equity capital with appreciation	;, \$15,249	\$12,993	\$
- Value of operator(s') labor & manageme	ent <u>21,658</u>	20,214	
Return on equity capital with appreciati	lon \$-6,409	\$-7,221	\$
Rate of return on equity capital with appreciation	-5.1%	-2.4%	8
Return on equity capital without apprec.	\$-2,420	\$-7,849	\$
Rate of return without appreciation	-1.9%	-2.6%	4

Farm and Family Financial Status

Evaluating the financial status of the farm business and the farm family is an important part of business analysis. The first step is to recognize all the assets and liabilities that make up the balance sheet. The second step is to analyze your filled out balance sheet by evaluating changes made during the year.

1985 FARM BUSINESS & NONFARM BALANCE SHEET 20 Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters, 1985

			Farm Liabilities		
Farm Assets	<u> Jan. 1</u>	Dec. 31	& Net Worth	Jan, 1	Dec. 31
Current			Current		
Farm cash, checking	ıg		Accounts payable	\$ 5,437	\$ 5,502
& savings	\$ 2,605	\$ 2,050	Operating debt	5,033	5,526
Accounts rec.	11,369	12,199	Short-term	0	535
Feed & supplies	20,331	22,331			
Total	\$34,305	\$36,580	Total	\$10,470	\$11,564
<u>Intermediate</u>			<u>Intermediate</u>		
Dairy cows:				\$30,663	\$32,141
owned	\$50,727	\$ 47,186			
leased	0	0			
Heifers	18,521	16,050			
Bulls/other lvstk.	299	629			
Mach./eq. owned	61,048	61,893			
Mach./eq. leased	0	0	Financial lease		
Coop stock & cert.	6,457	6,549	(cattle/mach.)	0	0
Total	\$137,052	\$132,307	Total	\$30,663	\$32,141
Long-Term			Long-Term		
Land/buildings:				\$ 7,518	\$ 7,262
owned	\$ 8,375	\$ 8,758			•
leased	1,767	1,464	Financial lease		
Total	\$10,142	\$10,222	(structures)	1,767	1,464
			Total	\$ 9,285	\$ 8,727
Total Farm Assets	\$181,499	\$179,109	Total Farm Liab.	\$50,418	\$52,431
			FARM NET WORTH	\$131,081	\$126,678
(Average for 13 fa	arms repor	ting)			
			Nonfarm Liabiliti	.es*	
Nonfarm Assets*	Jan, 1	<u>Dec. 31</u>	& Net Worth	Jan, 1	Dec. 31
Personal cash, chl	ζφ.		Nonfarm Liab.	\$8,780	\$8,613
& savings	-	\$ 3,889	NONFARM NET WORTH	• •	\$21,954
Cash value life in	• •	1,307	FARM & NONFARM*	Jan. 1	Dec. 31
Nonfarm real estat	•	10,769	Total Assets	\$208,777	\$209,676
Auto (personal sh.		2,835	Total Liabilities		61,044
Stocks & bonds	1,642	1,827		<u></u>	
Household furn.	5,400	5,923	İ		
All other	880	4,016			
			TOTAL FARM & NON-		
	\$27,278	\$30,567	FARM NET WORTH	\$149,579	\$148,632

^{*}Assumes that average nonfarm assets and liabilities for the nonreporting farms were the same as for those reporting.

1985 FARM BUSINESS & NONFARM BALANCE SHEET

Farm Assets	Jan, 1	Dec, 31	Farm Liabilities & Net Worth	Jan. 1	Dec31
<u>Current</u>			<u>Current</u>		
Farm cash, checking			Accounts payable		·····
& savings			Operating debt		
Accounts rec.			Short-term:		
Feed & supplies					
Total			Total		
Intermediate Dairy cows:			Intermediate		
owned leased					
Heifers					
Bulls/other lvstk.					
Mach./eq. owned	***************************************				
Mach./eq. leased			Financial lease		
Coop stock & cert.					
Total			(cattle/mach.) Total		
Iotai			Iocal		
<u>Long-Term</u> Land/buildings:	•		Long-Term		
owned					
leased	***************************************				
Total	-пни	***************************************	Financial lease (structures)		
Made 1 Dawn America			Total		
Total Farm Assets			Total Farm Liab. FARM NET WORTH		
			Nonfarm Liabilities		
Nonfarm Assets	Jan. 1	Dec. 31	& Net Worth	Jan.	l Dec. 3
			Nonfarm Liab.:		
Personal cash, chkg	ζ.				
& savings					
Cash value					
life ins.				<u> </u>	
Nonfarm real est.					
Auto (pers. share)			Total Nonfarm		
Stocks & bonds			Liabilities		
Household furn.					
All other			Nonfarm		
Total Nonfarm			Net Worth	-	
TOTAL FARM & NONFAR	M		Jan. 1		Dec. 31
Total Farm & Nonfar	m Assets				<u>.</u> .
Less Total Farm & N	lonfarm Li	abilities		•	
Farm & Nonfarm Net				•	***************************************

Balance sheet analysis continues by examining financial and debt ratios and factors measuring levels of debt. Percent equity is calculated by dividing net worth by assets. Equity increases as the value of assets increase more than liabilities. The debt to asset ratio is compiled by dividing liabilities by assets. Low debt to asset ratios reflect strength in solvency and the potential capacity to borrow. The debt analysis ratios show how well the debt is structured and managed. Debt levels per unit of production include some old standards that are still useful if used with measures of cash flow and repayment ability.

BALANCE SHEET ANALYSIS
Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

	20 Dairy	144 Dairy	
<u>Item</u>	Farm Renters	Farm Owners	My Farm
<u>Financial Ratios - Farm</u> :			
Percent equity	71%	67%	 8
Debt/asset ratio: total	0.29	0.33	
long-term	0.85	0.40	
intermediate/current	0.26	0.25	
Financial Ratios - Farm & Nonfarm:			
Percent equity	71%	69%	8
Total debt/asset ratio	0.29	0.31	
Farm Debt Analysis:			
Accounts payable as % of total debt	10%	4%	*
Long-term liabilities as a % of total d	ebt 17%	61%	
Current & inter. liab. as a % of total		39%	
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Farm Debt Levels Per Cow:	A010	61 044	Ś
Total farm debt	\$819	\$1,944	٥
Long-term debt	136	1,192	
Intermediate & current debt	683	752	

Balance sheet analysis concludes with a summary of the inventory balancing procedure for machinery and equipment. It is important to account for the value of these 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.

FARM MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT INVENTORY BALANCE Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

Item	20 Dairy Farm Renters	144 Dairy Farm Owners	My Farm
Value beg. of year	\$61,048	\$78,826	\$
Purchases	\$ 7,980	\$10,814	\$
- Sales	200	311	
- Depreciation	10,232	12,262	**
- Net investment	-2,452	-1,759	-+
+ Appreciation	3,298	1,861	+
- Value end of year	\$61,893	\$78,929	\$

Cash Flow Summary and Analysis

Completing an annual cash flow summary and analysis is important to determine how well the cash generated by the business, plus that brought in from outside, met the annual cash needs of the business and the farm family. 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> in the following table is structured to compare all the cash inflows with all the cash outflows for the year. Cash inflows include all the cash farm receipts, receipts from the sale of farm assets, additional funds borrowed, as well as the amount of cash available at the beginning of the year. Cash outflows include all the cash farm expenses, capital purchases, principal payments, money taken out of the business, and the cash balance left at year's end. When all the cash inflows and outflows are correct, the statement will balance. If the imbalance (error) amount is positive, recorded cash inflows exceed outflows by this amount. If it is negative, cash outflows are too high in relation to inflows.

ANNUAL CASH FLOW STATEMENT
Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985						
Item	20 Dairy Farm Renters	144 Dairy Farm Owners	My Farm			
Cash Inflows						
Beginning farm cash, checking & savings	\$ 2,605	\$ 3,530	\$			
Cash farm receipts	134,560	164,461				
Sale of assets: Machinery	200	311	-			
Real estate	0	446	****			
Money borrowed (inter. & long-term)	9,414	22,657				
Money borrowed (short-term)	685	1,558	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Increase in operating debt	493	0				
Nonfarm income	1,993	4,754				
Money borrowed - nonfarm	33	301				
Total	\$149,984	\$198,018	\$			
Cash Outflows						
Cash farm expenses	\$107,729	\$132,264	\$			
Capital purchases: Expansion livestock	133	1,752				
Machinery	7,980	10,814				
Real estate	525	7,389				
Principal payments (inter. & long-term)	8,193	18,104	**************************************			
Principal payments (short-term)	150	1,570				
Decrease in operating debt	0	208				
Nonfarm debt payments	740	349				
Personal withdrawals & family exp.	17,214	16,382				
Ending farm cash, checking & savings	2,050	3,728				
Total	\$144,712	\$192,562	\$			
Imbalance (error)	\$5,272	\$5,456	\$			

Repayment Analysis

The second step of cash flow planning is to compare and evaluate debt payments planned and made last year, and estimate the payments required in the current year. It is helpful to compare and evaluate by using debt payments per unit of production and receipt/debt payment ratios.

FARM DEBT PAYMENTS PLANNED

Same 17 Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters, 1985*

		Average			My Fari	n
	1985 Pay	ments	Planned	1985 Pa	yments	Planned
Debt Payments	Planned	Made	1986	Planned	Made	1986
Long-term	\$ 1,075	\$ 703	\$ 684	\$	\$	\$
Intermediate-term	12,138	9,543	10,814			
Short-term	607	198	638			
Operating (net						
reduction)	0	0	1,431			
Accounts payable			•			The second of th
(net reduction)	1,245	642	1,497			
Total	\$15,065	\$11,086	\$15,064	\$	\$	\$
Per cow	\$259	\$191		\$	\$	
Per cwt. 1985 milk	\$1.76	\$1.30		\$	\$	
Percent of total	,	•		*		
1985 receipts	12%	9%				
Percent of 1985						
milk receipts	13%	10%				

^{*}Farms that completed Dairy Farm Business Summaries for both 1984 and 1985.

The <u>Cash Flow Coverage Ratio</u> measures the ability of the farm business to meet its planned debt payment schedule. The ratio shows the percentage of planned payments that could have been made with last year's available cash flow. Farmers that did not participate in DFBS last year will find in their report a cash flow coverage ratio based on this year's planned debt payments.

CASH FLOW COVERAGE RATIO
Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

Item	Same 17 Farm Renters	Same 119 Farm Owners	My Farm
Cash farm receipts	\$121,731	\$169,556	\$
- Cash farm expenses	98,217	136,493	
+ Interest paid	3,709	13,447	
- Net personal withdrawals	·	•	
from farm*	12.094	11,764	
(A) - Amount Available for			
Debt Service	\$15,129	\$34,746	\$
(B) - Debt Payments Planned for 1985	\$15,065	\$31,160	\$
(A + B) = Cash Flow Coverage	, , , ,	, , = = =	*
Ratio for 1985	1.00	1.12	

^{*}Personal withdrawals and family expenditures less nonfarm income. If family withdrawals are excluded the cash flow coverage ratio will be incorrect.

ANALYSIS OF THE FARM BUSINESS

The farm business has been divided into three parts to allow a more indepth analysis of the cropping program, the dairy program, and the factors affecting capital and labor efficiency.

Cropping Program Analysis

The cropping program is an important part of the dairy farm business and sometimes it is overlooked and neglected. A complete evaluation of available land resources, how they are being used, how well crops are producing and what it costs to produce them, is required to evaluate alternative cropping and feed purchasing choices.

LAND RESOURCES AND CROP PRODUCTION 20 Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters, 1985

Item	Averag	e of Fa	rms Reporting	My	Farm
Crop Yields	<u>Farms</u>	Acres	Prod/Acre*	Acres	Prod/Acre
Hay crop	20	131	2.19 tn DM		tn DM
Corn silage	19	46	13.40 tn		tn
_			4.52 tn DM		tn DM
Other forage	2	6	1.27 tn DM		tn DM
Total forage	20	176	2.77 tn DM	····	tn DM
Corn grain	5	39	119.3 bu		bu
Oats	2	15	46.7 bu		bu
Wheat	0	0	0.0 bu	***************************************	bu
Other crops	1	40			
Tillable pasture	3	25			
Idle	3	11			
Total Tillable Acres	20	194			

^{*1985} average yields for 144 dairy farm owners in Eastern New York included: all hay crops, 2.6 tons dry matter per acre; corn silage, 14.3 tons per acre.

Average crop acres and yields compiled for the region are for the number of 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 measures of crop management measure how efficiently the land resource is being used and how well total forage requirements are being met.

CROP MANAGEMENT FACTORS
Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

Item	20 Dairy Farm Renters	144 Dairy Farm Owners	My Farm
Total tillable acres per cow	3.10	3.09	
Total forage acres per cow	2.80	2.50	
Harvested forage dry matter, tons per co	ow 7.75	7.92	

Cropping Program Analysis (continued)

A number of cooperators have allocated crop expenses to hay crop, corn, and other crop production. This data has been compiled to show crop expenses per acre and per production unit for these crops. Corn production has been converted to corn silage equivalent using 5.88 bushels of dry shell equivalent to equal one ton of corn silage as fed.

CROP RELATED ACCRUAL EXPENSES
Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

	Total/	Hay (Crop	Corn	Per Ton	Other
	Till.	Per	Per	Per	Corn Sil.	Crops
Expense	Acre	Acre	Ton DM	Acre	Equiv.	Per Acre
20 Dairy Farm Rente	ers:					
Fertilizer & lime	\$32.18	\$11.46	\$5.30	\$ 68.69	\$4.52	\$ 78.43
Seeds & plants	6.25	3.19	1.47	16.56	1.09	8.93
Spray & other crop						
expense	6.86	2.10	0.97	24.32	1,60	<u> 17.07</u>
Total	\$45.29	\$16.75	\$7.74	\$109.56	\$7.20	\$104.43
144 Dairy Farm Owne	ers:					
Fertilizer & lime	\$34.26	\$19.32	\$ 7.63	\$ 62.65	\$4.13	\$16.03
Seeds & plants	10.35	4.84	1.91	20.06	1.32	18.74
Spray & other crop						
expense	8,36	1.98	<u> </u>	21.27	1.40	6.57
Total	\$52.97	\$26.14	\$10.33	\$103.98	\$6.85	$\frac{6.57}{$41.34}$
My Farm:						
Fertilizer & lime	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Seeds & plants		,	-	,	•	
Spray & other crop expense						
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.

ACCRUAL MACHINERY EXPENSES
Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

	Average Per T	<u>'illable Acre</u>	My Farm	
	20 Dairy	144 Dairy	Total	Per Til.
Item	Farm Renters	Farm Owners	Expenses	Acres
Fuel, oil & grease	\$ 24.03	\$ 24.74	\$	\$
Machinery repairs & parts	23.82	30.86		-
Machine hire, rent & lease	7.55	5.98		
Auto expense (farm share)	4.16	1.69		
Interest (5%)	15.81	17.50		
Depreciation	52.63	54,42		
Total	\$128.01	\$135.19	\$	\$

Dairy Program Analysis

Analysis of the dairy enterprise can tell a great deal about the strengths and weaknesses of the dairy farm business. 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. This real increase in inventory has been included as an accrual farm receipt on page 5.

DAIRY HERD INVENTORY
Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

	Dair	cy Cows	He	ifers
<u> Item</u>	Number	Value	Number	Value
20 Dairy Farm Renters:				
Beginning of year (owned)	61	\$ 50,727	45	\$18,521
+ Change without appreciation		1,957		-271
+ Appreciation		<u>-5,498</u>		<u>-2,200</u>
End of year (owned)	62	\$47,186	45	\$16,050
End including leased	64			
Average number	63		47	
144 Dairy Farm Owners:				
Beginning of year (owned)	71	\$61,204	58	\$26,394
+ Change without appreciation		2,533		156
+ Appreciation		<u>-5,229</u>		<u>-2,535</u>
End of year (owned)	74	\$58,508	59	\$24,015
End including leased	74			
Average number	73		58	
My Farm:				
Beginning of year (owned)		\$		\$
+ Change without appreciation				
+ Appreciation				·
End of year (owned)				
End including leased				
Average number		\$		\$

Total milk sold and milk sold per cow are extremely valuable measures of productivity on the dairy farm. These measures of milk output are based on pounds of milk marketed during the year.

MILK PRODUCTION

Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

<u>Item</u> I	20 Dairy Farm Renters	144 Dairy Farm Owners	My Farm
Total milk sold, lbs.	942,341	1,089,331	
Milk sold per cow, lbs.	15,017	14,941	
Average milk plant test, percent butterfa	at 3.57	3.65	

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 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. Total costs of producing milk include the operating costs plus expansion livestock purchased, depreciation on machinery and buildings, the value of operator(s') labor and management, and the interest charge for using equity capital. Note that the cost of labor, management, and equity capital has been excluded in the intermediate compilation.

ACCRUAL RECEIPTS FROM DAIRY AND COST OF PRODUCING MILK Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

	20 R	enters	144 ()wners	My 1	Farm
Item	<u>Total</u>	Per Cwt.	Total	Per Cwt,	Total	Per Cwt.
Milk	\$126,233	\$13.40	\$146,401	\$13.44	\$	\$
Dairy cattle	7,760	0.82	11,875	1.09		-
Dairy calves	1,561	0.17	1,581	0,15		
Total	\$135,554	\$14.39	\$159,857	\$14.68	\$	\$
Accrual Costs of Producing Milk Operating costs Total costs with-	\$ 94,513	\$10.03	\$112,922	\$10.37	\$	\$ <u>.</u>
<pre>out op(s') labor, mgmt. & capital Total Costs</pre>	\$106,997 \$134,989	\$11.35 \$14.32	\$134,035 \$169,098	\$12.30 \$15.52	\$ \$	\$ \$

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 the comparison of different size dairy farms.

DAIRY RELATED ACCRUAL EXPENSES
Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

	<u>Average Per</u>	My Farm	
Item	20 Renters	144 Owners	Per Cwt
Purchased dairy grain & conc.	\$3.52	\$3.32	Ś
Purchased dairy roughage	0.19	0.15	T
Total Purchased Dairy Feed	\$3.71	\$3.47	\$
Purchased grain & conc.	•	•	•
as % of milk receipts	26%	25%	, \$
Purchased feed & crop exp.	\$4.64	\$4.56	\$
Purchased feed & crop exp.			-
as % of milk receipts	35%	34%	9
Breeding	\$0.20	\$0.21	\$
Veterinary & medicine	0.23	0.24	-
filk marketing	0.99	1.12	
Cattle lease	0.01	0.00	
Other livestock expense	0.62	0.49	

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.

CAPITAL EFFICIENCY
Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

Thom	Per	Per	Per Tillable Acre	
Item	Worker	Cow		
20 Dairy Farm Renters:				
Farm capital	\$74,609	\$2,873	\$927	
Machinery & equipment	25,436	980	316	
Capital turnover, years	1.			
144 Dairy Farm Owners:				
Farm capital	\$165,165	\$6,041	\$1,955	
Machinery & equipment	29,857	1,092	353	
Capital turnover, years	2.65			
My Farm:				
Farm capital	\$	\$	\$	
Machinery & equipment Capital turnover, years				

LABOR FORCE ANALYSIS
Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters and Owners, 1985

	20 Renters		144 Owners		My Farm	
	-	Per		Per	······································	Per
Efficiency	Total_	Worker	<u>Total</u>	Worker	Total	Worker
Cows, average number	63	26	73	27		
Milk sold, pounds	942,341	389,934	1,089,331	408,499	***************************************	
Tillable acres	194	80	225	84		
Work units	658	272	770	289		
	20 Re	enters	144 0	wners	My	Farm
		Per	•	Per		Per
Labor Costs	Total	Cow	<u> Total</u>	Cow	<u>Total</u>	Cow
Value of operator(s)						
labor (\$800/month)	\$14,400	\$229	\$12,800	\$176	\$	\$
Family unpd. (\$550/mo	.) 1,650	26	1,100	15		
Hired	7,800	0 124	14,431	<u> 198</u>		
Total Labor	\$23,850	3 \$379	\$28,331	\$389	\$	\$
Machinery Cost	\$24,88	6 \$397	\$30,463	\$418	\$	\$
Total Labor & Mach.	\$48,73	6 \$777	\$58,794	\$806	\$	\$

ANNUAL CASH FLOW WORKSHEEET

T.	20 Dairy			Expected	
Item 1	Farm Renter	s lotal	Per Cow	Change	Projection
	(per cow)				
Average number of cows	63				***************************************
Accrual Oper, Receipts	60 010	٨	•		۸
Milk		\$	_ \$		\$
Dairy cattle	124		•••••	***************************************	***************************************
Dairy calves	25	***************************************			·
Other livestock	8			***************************************	
Crops	50				
Misc. receipts	13_			***************************************	
Total	\$2,232	\$	\$		\$
Accrual Oper, Expenses					
Hired labor	\$ 124	\$	\$		\$
Dairy grain & conc.	528	Υ	_ т		Υ
Dairy roughage	28	***************************************		***************************************	
Other lystk. feed	1				
	23				
Mach hire/rent/lease	86				
Mach. rpr./parts & auto					-
Fuel, oil & grease	74 26				
Replacement lvstk.	26	***************************************		·	***************************************
Breeding	31			-	
Vet & medicine	35			***************************************	
Milk marketing	149				
Cattle lease	2				
Other lvstk. exp.	93			****	
Fertilizer & lime	99	******	_		
Seeds & plants	19				
Spray/other crop exp.	21				
Land, bldg., fence repair	20				
Taxes	12				
Insurance	28				***************************************
Real est. rent/lease	169	*			
Utilities	64	***************************************			
Miscellaneous	22		-	***************************************	
Total Less Int. Paid	\$1,652	***************************************			· e
focal Less Inc. Paid	\$1,652	***************************************			. Ÿ
Net Accrual Operating Inco		otal)			_
(without interest paid)		5,969	\$		\$
- Change in lvstk./crop in	v. 4	4,558			
- Change in accts. rec.		938			_
+ Change in feed/supply in	v.	534			
+ Change in accts. payable		72			
NET CASH FLOW	\$31	1,081	ş		\$
- Personal withdrawals &					
family expenditures		7.214	***************************************		
Available for Debt Payment	s,			-	
Investments & Savings		3,867	\$		\$
- Farm Debt Payments	·	2.837			
Available for Investment					
& Savings	\$ 1	1,031	\$		\$
- Capital Purchases: cattl		-, -	-		r
machinery & improvements		8,638			
Additional Capital Needed	Ψ,		\$		<u> </u>
undiring capital needed			Υ		٧

PROGRESS OF THE FARM BUSINESS

Comparing your business with average data from regional DFBS cooperators that participated in both of the last two years is one part of a business checkup. It is equally important for you to determine the progress your business has made over the past two or three years and to set targets or goals for the future.

PROGRESS OF THE FARM BUSINESS
Same 17 Eastern New York Dairy Farm Renters, 1984 and 1985

	Ave	cage	My Farm		
Selected Factors	1984	1985	1984	1985	Goal
Circ of Pusiness					
Size of Business	57	EO			
Average number of cows	57	58			
Average number of heifers	39	42			
Milk sold, lbs.	812,306	853,786	AUG 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 10	-	***************************************
Worker equivalent	2.15	2.25			
Total tillable acres	174	183			
Rates of Production					
Milk sold per cow, lbs.	14,178	14,676			
Hay DM per acre, tons	2.1	2.2			
Corn silage per acre, tons		13		***************************************	
Labor Efficiency					
Cows per worker	27	26			
Milk sold per worker, lbs.					
	377,472	3/7,400			***************************************
Cost Control					
Grain & conc. purchased					
as % of milk sales	29%	26%	<u> </u>		
Dairy feed & crop exp.					
per cwt. milk	\$4.99	\$4.62	\$	\$ \$	\$
Labor & mach. costs/cow	\$694	\$726	\$	\$	\$
Capital Efficiency*					
Farm capital per cow	\$3,367	\$2,697	\$	\$	\$
Real estate per cow	\$829	\$206	Ś	Ś	Ś
Mach. & equip. per cow	\$831	\$801	Ś	Ś	Ś
Capital turnover, years	1.6	1.2	Υ	Υ	Υ
oapital tulliovel, years	1.0	1.2			···
Profitability	41	***		•	
Net farm inc. w/o apprec.	\$15,222	\$20,749	Ş	\$	\$
Net farm inc. w/apprec.	\$16,198		\$	\$	\$
Labor & mgmt. income	\$6,778	\$13,763	\$	\$	\$
Rate of return on eq.					
capital w/apprec.	-1.6%	-4.8%		%	
Financial Summary					
Farm net worth	\$144.767	\$106,723	\$	\$	\$
Debt to asset ratio	0.25	0.31	•	1	*
Farm debt per cow	\$845	\$844	Ś	\$	s
raim debt per cow	9045	9044	Υ	Υ	Υ

^{*}Average for the year.