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### 2013 DAIRY FARM BUSINESS SUMMARY NORTHERN NEW YORK REGION\*

### INTRODUCTION

Dairy farm managers 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 their farm business. The information in this report represents averages of the data submitted from dairy farms in the Northern New York Region for 2013.

### **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 data and the application of modern farm business analysis techniques. This information can also be used to establish goals that enable the business to better fulfill its mission. In short, DFBS provides 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 the 2013 DFBS individual farm report received by 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. The individual farm data, the regional averages and other data can then be used to establish goals for the business. Non-DFBS participants can download a DFBS Data Check-In Form at <a href="http://dfbs.cornell.edu">http://dfbs.cornell.edu</a>. After collecting the data on the form, it can be entered in the U. S. Top Dairies business summary program at the same web site to obtain a summary of their business.

### 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 <u>balance sheet</u> with analytical ratios;
- (3) a statement of owner equity 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, yields, and expenses;
- (6) an analysis of <u>dairy livestock numbers</u>, production, and expenses;
- (7) a capital and labor efficiency analysis; and
- (8) <u>progress of the farm business</u> over the past two years.

\* The Northern New York Region of New York State, with the number of participating farms in parentheses, is comprised of Clinton (4), Herkimer (1), Jefferson (10), Lewis (2), Montgomery (5), Oneida (5), and St. Lawrence (10) counties in New York. This report was written by Wayne A. Knoblauch, Professor, Farm Business Management. Cathryn Dymond was in charge of data and publication preparation. Farm business data were collected by Senior Extension Associate in PRO-DAIRY, Jason Karszes; Extension Support Specialist in PRO-DAIRY, Betsey Howland; Cooperative Extension Educators Peggy Murray, Anita Deming, Anita Figueras, David Balbian, Sandy Buxton, Jim Manning, and Bonnie Collins. We also acknowledge the cooperation of Charles Z. Radick, Consultant; Russell Saville, Cargill Animal Nutrition; and Farm Credit East Association for their assistance in data collection.

### SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS OF THE FARM BUSINESS

### **Business Characteristics**

Planning 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**

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Type of Farm	Number	Milking System	Number
Dairy	34	Bucket & carry	0
Part-time dairy	0	Dumping station	0
Dairy cash-crop	3	Pipeline	4
		Herringbone conventional exit	7
Certified organic milk producer	0	Herringbone rapid exit	2
Rotational grazing farm	1	Parallel	18
		Parabone	0
Type of Ownership	Number	Rotary	2
Owner	36	Other	4
Renter	1		
		Production Records	Number
Type of Business	Number	Testing Service	28
Sole Proprietorship	5	On Farm System	5
Partnership	8	Other	0
Limited Liability Corporation	24	None	4
Subchapter S Corporation	0		
Subchapter C Corporation	0	Business Record System	Number
		Account Book	1
Type of Barn	Number	Accounting Service	3
Stanchion or Tie-Stall	2	On-farm computer	32
Freestall	32	Other	0
Combination	2		
Milking Frequency	Number	Breed of Herd	Percent
2 times per day	10	Holstein	95
3 times per day	26	Jersey	4
Other	1	Other	1

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, dairy cash-crop farms, farms with confined herds, farms with grazing herds, 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 2013.

<u>Change in inventory</u>: 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

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

		Change in	,	Change in	
	Cash	Inventory or		Accounts	Accrual
Expense Item	Paid -	Prepaid Expense	+	Payable =	Expenses
Hired Labor	\$ 505,390	\$ -112	<<	\$ 677	\$506,179
<u>Feed</u>					
Dairy grain & concentrate	1,459,746	31,553		-7,320	1,420,873
Dairy roughage	90,516	-4,548		-8,033	87,032
Nondairy	0	0		0	0
Professional nutritional services	952	0	<<	0	952
<u>Machinery</u>					
Machinery hire, rent & lease	101,302	0	<<	801	102,103
Machinery repairs & farm vehicle exp.	188,134	119		-438	187,577
Fuel, oil & grease	175,497	-475		734	176,706
<u>Livestock</u>					
Replacement livestock	16,873	0	<<	1,784	18,656
Breeding	36,708	72		339	36,975
Veterinary & medicine	123,807	-149		-56	123,900
Milk marketing	167,651	0	<<	110	167,761
Bedding	82,681	1,668		303	81,316
Milking supplies	72,873	1,027		-69	71,778
Cattle lease & rent	90	0	<<	0	90
Custom boarding	86,966	0	<<	75	87,041
bST	66,267	155		469	66,582
Livestock professional fees	12,488	489	<<	116	12,115
Other livestock expense	18,395	-22		27	18,443
Crops					
Fertilizer & lime	154,689	5,431		-779	148,479
Seeds & plants	115,523	12,504		0	103,019
Spray, other crop expense	60,007	5,183		-962	53,861
Crop professional fees	8,372	405	<<	0	7,967
Real Estate					
Land, building & fence repair	62,587	-1,219		-574	63,232
Taxes	43,952	0	<<	1,628	45,580
Rent & lease	52,041	416	<<	-22	51,603
<u>Other</u>	,				,
Insurance	34,460	0	<<	359	34,819
Utilities (farm share)	88,748	0	<<	-26	88,721
Interest paid	103,220	0	<<	30	103,250
Other professional fees	23,340	132	<<	0	23,208
Miscellaneous	24,596	0		81	24,678
Total Operating	\$3,977,869	\$52,629	· -	\$ -10,746	\$3,914,494
Expansion livestock	19,234	0	<<	0	19,234
Extraordinary expense	68	0	<<	0	68
Machinery depreciation					189,983
Building depreciation					134,448
TOTAL ACCRUAL EXPENSES					\$4,258,227
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Change in prepaid expenses (noted above by <<) is a net change in non-inventory expenses that have been paid in advance of their use. For example, prepaid lease expense on the beginning of year balance sheet represents last year's payment for use of the asset during this year. End of year prepaid expense represents payments made this year for next year's use of the asset. Adding payments made last year for this year's use of the asset, and subtracting payments made this year for next year's use of the asset is accomplished by subtracting the difference.

<u>Change in accounts payable</u>: 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 2013 but not paid for. A decrease is subtracted because it represents payment for resources used before 2013.

<u>Accrual expenses</u> are an estimate of the costs of inputs, except operator/family labor and equity capital, actually used in this year's production. They are the cash paid, less changes in inventory and prepaid expenses, plus accounts payable.

### CASH AND ACCRUAL FARM RECEIPTS

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Receipt Item	Cash Receipts	+	Change in Inventory	+	Change in Accounts Receivable	=	Accrual Receipts
Milk sales	\$4,371,114				\$67,242		\$4,438,356
Dairy cattle	207,397		\$77,855		180		285,432
Dairy calves	19,953		3,343		0		23,296
Other livestock	828		-1,185		0		-356
Crops	79,669		31,672		1,900		113,241
Government receipts	43,185		0 *		-16		43,169
Custom machine work	11,999				120		12,119
Gas tax refund	102				0		102
Other	66,294				<u>178</u>		66,472
Less nonfarm noncash capital**		(-)	0**		<del></del>	(-)	0
Total Receipts	\$4,800,541		\$111,686		\$69,604	. ,	\$4,981,831

<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.

<u>Changes in inventory</u> of assets produced by the business are calculated by subtracting beginning of year values from end of year values <u>excluding appreciation</u>. 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 increase in advanced government receipts is subtracted from cash income because it represents income received in 2013 for the 2014 crop year in excess of funds earned for 2013. Likewise, a decrease is added to cash government receipts because it represents funds earned for 2013 but received in 2012.

<u>Changes in accounts receivable</u> are calculated by subtracting beginning year balances from end year balances. Payments in January 2014 for milk produced in December 2013 compared to January 2013 payments for milk produced in 2012 are included as a change in accounts receivable in determining accrual milk sales.

<u>Accrual receipts</u> 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.

The return to any individual resource must be viewed as an estimate because the cost of other family resources must be approximated to calculate returns to the selected resource. For example, the costs of operator and family labor and management must be approximated to calculate the returns to equity capital.

<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.

<u>Net farm income</u> 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, and financing 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.

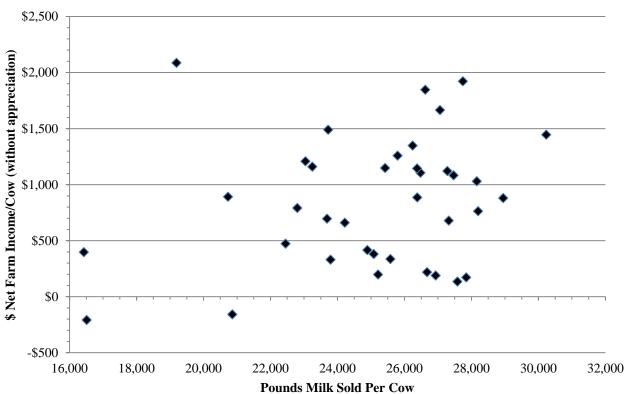
Net farm income is computed both with and without appreciation. Appreciation represents the change in values caused by annual changes in prices of livestock, machinery, real estate inventory, and stocks and certificates (other than Farm Credit stock required for loan borrowings). Appreciation is a major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

**NET FARM INCOME**37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

	<u>Average</u>		<u>N</u>	<u>Iy Farm</u>
Item	Total	Per Cow	Total	Per Cow
Total accrual receipts	\$ 4,981,831		\$	
Appreciation: Livestock	-17,414			
Machinery	69,502			
Real Estate	113,937			
Other Stock & Certificates	<u>-5,961</u>			
Total Including Appreciation	\$ 5,141,895		\$	
Total accrual expenses	4,258,227			
Net Farm Income (with appreciation)	\$ 883,668	\$ 1,106	\$	\$
Net Farm Income (without appreciation)	\$ 723,604	\$ 906	\$	\$

The chart below shows the relationship between net farm income per cow (without appreciation) and pounds of milk sold per cow. Higher net farm incomes can be achieved across a range of production levels as a result of different management systems, such as grazing, being utilized by the participating dairies.

# NET FARM INCOME PER COW AND MILK PER COW 37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013



<u>Labor and management income</u> is the return which farm operators receive for their labor and management used in 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 a charge for unpaid family labor and the opportunity cost of equity capital, at a real interest rate of five percent, from net farm income 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.

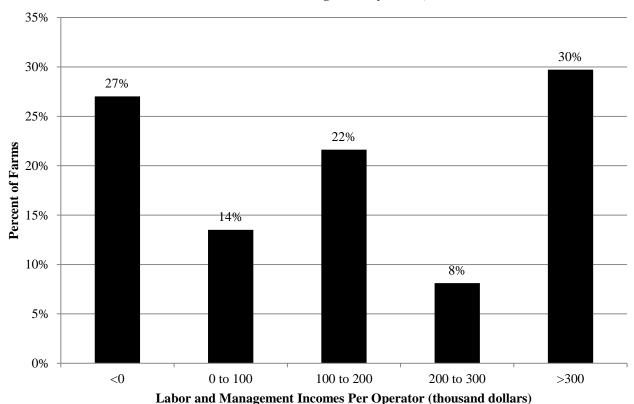
### LABOR AND MANAGEMENT INCOME

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Item	Average	My Farm
Net farm income without appreciation	\$ 723,604	\$
Family labor unpaid @ \$2,600 per month	- 2,242	
Interest on \$5,540,666 average equity capital @ 5% real rate	<u>- 277,033</u>	
Labor & Management Income per farm (2.06 Operators/farm)	\$ 444,329	\$
Labor & Management Income per Operator/Manager	\$ 215,694	\$

<u>Labor and management income per operator</u> averaged \$215,694 on these 37 farms in 2013. The range in labor and management income per operator was from about \$-94,000 to more than \$1,091,000. Returns to labor and management were less than \$0 on 27 percent of the farms. Labor and management incomes per operator were between \$0 and \$300,000 on 43 percent of the farms, while 30 percent had labor and management incomes of \$300,000 or more per operator.

# DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR AND MANAGEMENT INCOMES PER OPERATOR 37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013



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 (market value) or equity capital. Rate of return on total capital is calculated by adding interest paid to the return on equity capital and then dividing by average farm assets (market value). Net farm income from operations ratio is net farm income (without appreciation) divided by total accrual receipts.

### RETURN ON EQUITY CAPITAL AND RETURN ON TOTAL CAPITAL

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Item	Average	My Farm
Net farm income with appreciation	\$ 883,668	\$
Family labor unpaid @ \$2,600 per month	- 2,242	
Value of operators' labor & management	<u>- 143,588</u>	
Return on equity capital with appreciation	\$ 737,838	\$
Interest paid	+ 103,250	+
Return on total capital with appreciation	\$ 841,088	\$
Return on equity capital without appreciation	\$ 577,774	\$
Return on total capital without appreciation	\$ 681,024	\$
Rate of return on average equity capital:		
with appreciation	13.3%	%
without appreciation	10.4%	%
Rate of return on average total capital:		
with appreciation	10.1%	%
without appreciation Net Farm Income from Operations Ratio	8.2% 0.15	% 

### **Farm and Family Financial Status**

The first step in evaluating the financial position of the farm is to construct a balance sheet which identifies and values 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.

<u>Financial lease</u> 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 2013, lease payments were discounted by 7 percent to obtain their present value.

<u>Advanced government receipts</u> are included as current liabilities. Government payments received in 2013 that are for participation in the 2014 program are the end year balance and payments received in 2012 for participation in the 2013 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.

### 2013 FARM BUSINESS & NONFARM MARKET VALUE BALANCE SHEET

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

			Farm Liabilities		
Farm Assets	Jan. 1	Dec. 31	& Net Worth	Jan. 1	Dec. 31
Current			Current		
Farm cash, checking			Accounts payable	\$ 85,118	\$ 74,372
& savings	\$ 47,422	\$ 120,812	Operating debt	171,871	188,584
-			Short Term		
Accounts receivable	345,237	414,841		2,194	6,805
Prepaid expenses	826	2,157	Advanced govt. receipts	0	0
Feed & supplies	987,983	<u>1,070,954</u>	Current Portion:		-0-0-0
			Intermediate	265,388	283,860
			Long Term	79,159	85,882
Total Current	\$ 1,406,468	\$1,608,764	Total Current	\$ 603,731	\$ 639,502
<u>Intermediate</u>			<u>Intermediate</u>		
Dairy cows:			Structured debt		
owned	\$ 1,121,324	\$1,164,400	1-10 years	\$ 1,171,551	\$ 1,044,677
leased	168	87	Financial lease		
Heifers	641,635	662,071	(cattle/machinery)	2,726	4,511
Bulls & other livestock	4,984	4,072	Farm Credit stock	1,316	1,235
Mach. & equip. owned	1,307,859	1,437,963	Total Intermediate	\$ 1,175,593	\$ 1,050,423
Mach. & equip. leased	2,558	4,424	Total Intermediate	Ψ 1,175,575	Ψ 1,030,123
Farm Credit stock	1,316	1,235			
Other stock/certificate	104,979	111,951			
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Total Intermediate	\$ 3,184,823	\$3,386,204			
Long Term			Long Term		
Land & buildings:			Structured debt		
owned	\$ 3,435,180	\$3,689,104	>10 years	\$ 1,138,367	\$ 1,132,942
leased	0	0	Financial lease		
Total Long Term	\$ 3,435,180	\$3,689,104	(structures)	0	0
			Total Long Term	\$ 1,138,367	\$ 1,132,942
Total Farm Assets	\$ 8,026,471	\$8,684,072			
			Total Farm Liabilities	\$ 2,917,691	\$ 2,822,868
Nonform Aggeta Lighilitie	a Pr Nat Wouth	(Avanaga of 6 form	FARM NET WORTH	\$ 5,108,780	\$ 5,861,205
Nonfarm Assets, Liabilitie	s & Net Worth	Average of 6 farm	ns reporting)		
Assets	Jan. 1	Dec. 31	Liabilities & Net Worth	Jan. 1	Dec. 31
Personal cash, checking					
& savings	\$ 15,764	\$ 12,394	Nonfarm Liabilities	\$ 45,332	\$ 30,603
Cash value life insurance	65,331	70,610			
Nonfarm real estate	1,000	1,000			
Auto (personal share)	18,750	17,956			
Stocks & bonds	352,204	421,602			
Household furnishings	6,000	3,600			
All other nonfarm assets	33,333	33,333			
Total Nonfarm Assets	\$492,382	\$560,495	NONFARM NET WORTH	\$447,050	\$529,892
Farm & Nonfarm Assets, I	Liabilities, and N	Net Worth*		Jan. 1	Dec. 31
Total Assets				\$ 8,518,853	\$ 9,244,567
TD - 1 T 1 1 111 1				2,963,023	2,853,471
Total Liabilities				2,703,023	\$ 6,391,096

<sup>\*</sup>Assumes that average nonfarm assets and liabilities for the nonreporting farms were the same as for those reporting.

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. The leverage ratio is the dollars of debt per dollar of equity, computed by dividing total farm liabilities by farm net worth. Debt levels per productive unit represent old standards that are still useful if used with measures of cash flow and repayment ability. A current ratio of less than 1.5 or that has been falling warrants additional evaluation. The amount of working capital that is adequate must be related to the size of the farm business.

**BALANCE SHEET ANALYSIS**37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Item			Average		My Farm
Financial Ratios - Far	<u>m</u> :				
Percent equity			67%		%
Debt/asset ratio: tota	1		.33		
long	g-term		.31		
inte	rmediate/current		.34		
Leverage Ratio:			.48		
Current Ratio:			2.52		
Working capital	\$969,262	As % of total expe	nses: 23%		
Farm Debt Analysis:					
Accounts payable as	% of total debt		3%		%
Long-term liabilities a	as a % of total debt		40%		%
Current & inter. liabi	lities as a % of total	l debt	60%		%
Cost of term debt (we	ighted average)		3.5%		%
			Per Tillable		Per Tillable
Farm Debt Levels:		Per Cow	Acre Owned	Per Cow	Acre Owned
Total farm debt		\$ 3,523	\$ 2,785	\$	\$
Long-term debt		1,414	1,118		
Intermediate & long t	erm	2,725	2,154		
Intermediate & currer		2,109	1,667		

<u>Farm inventory balance</u> 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** 37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Item	Average of Region's Farms					
	Real Estate	Machinery & Equipment				
Value beginning of year	\$ 3,435,180	\$ 1,307,859				
Purchases	\$ 442,868*	\$ 263,565				
Noncash transfer to farm	+ 405	+ 0				
Lost capital	- 165,688					
Sales	- 3,150	- 12,979				
Depreciation	- 134,448	- 189,983				
Net investment	= 139,987	= 60,603				
Appreciation	<u>+ 113,937</u>	+ 69,502				
Value end of year	\$ 3,689,104	\$ 1,437,963				

<sup>\*\$122,051</sup> land and \$320,817 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 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), (3) increases or decreases in the value (price) of assets owned by the business (called change in valuation equity), and (4) the error in the business cash flow accounting.

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

### STATEMENT OF OWNER EQUITY (RECONCILIATION)

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Item	Average		N	1y Farm
Beginning of year farm net worth		\$5,220,127		\$
Net farm income without appreciation	\$ 723,604		\$	_
+Nonfarm cash income -Personal withdrawals & family expenditures excluding	+ 1,486		+	_
nonfarm borrowings	- 198,451		_	
RETAINED EARNINGS		+\$ 526,639		+\$
Nonfarm noncash transfers to farm	\$ 405		\$	_
+Cash used in business from nonfarm capital	+ 118,494			
-Note or mortgage from farm	+ 118,494		+	_
real estate sold (nonfarm)	- 0			_
CONTRIBUTED/WITHDRAWN CAPITAL		+\$ 118,899		+\$
Appreciation	\$ 160,063		\$	_
-Lost capital	<u>- 165,688</u>			-
CHANGE IN VALUATION EQUITY		+\$ -5,625		+\$
IMBALANCE/ERROR		<u>1,165</u>		- \$
End of year net worth*		= \$5,861,205		=\$
Change in Net Worth				
Without appreciation	\$	481,015	\$	
With appreciation	\$	641,078	\$	

<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**37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Item	Average	
Cash Flow from Operating Activities	C	
Cash farm receipts	\$ 4,800,541	
- Cash farm expenses	3,977,869	
- Extraordinary expense	68	
= Net cash farm income	\$ 822,604	
Personal withdrawals & family expenses		
including nonfarm debt payments	\$ 198,451	
- Nonfarm income	1,486	
- Net cash withdrawals from the farm	<u>\$ 196,965</u>	
= Net Provided by Operating Activities	\$ 625,639	9
Cash Flow From Investing Activities		
Sale of assets: machinery	\$ 12,979	
+ real estate	3,150	
+ other stock & cert.	<u>1,108</u>	
= Total asset sales	\$ 17,236	
Capital purchases: expansion livestock	\$ 19,234	
+ machinery	263,565	
+ real estate	442,868	
+ other stock & cert.	14,041	
- Total invested in farm assets	\$ 739,708	
= Net Provided by Investment Activities	\$ -722,472	2
Cash Flow From Financing Activities		
Money borrowed (intermediate & long term)	\$ 366,621	
+ Money borrowed (short term)	5,622	
+ Increase in operating debt	16,713	
+ Cash from nonfarm capital used in business	118,494	
+ Money borrowed - nonfarm	0	
= Cash inflow from financing	\$ 507,450	
Principal payments (intermediate & long term)	\$ 362,383	
+ Principal payments (short term)	1,011	
+ Decrease in operating debt	0	
- Cash outflow for financing	\$ 363,395	
= Net Provided by Financing Activities	\$ 144,05:	5
Cash Flow From Reserves		
Beginning farm cash, checking & savings	\$ 72,422	
- Ending farm cash, checking & savings	120,812	
= Net Provided from Reserves	\$ -48,39	1
Imbalance (error)	\$ -1,16	9

### ANNUAL CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Item			My Farm	
Cash Flow from Ope	rating Activities			
Cash farm receip	ots	\$		
- Cash farm exper	ises			
- Extraordinary ex	pense			
= Net cash farm in	come		\$	
Domo and with due	aviala & family avenues			
	awals & family expenses	\$		
- Nonfarm income	onfarm debt payments	Φ		
	e awals from the farm		¢	
			\$	¢
= Net Provided by	Operating Activities			\$
Cash Flow From Inv	esting Activities			
Sale of assets:	machinery	\$		
	+ real estate			
	+ other stock & cert.			
= Total asset sales			\$	
Capital purchase	es: expansion livestock	\$		
1 1	+ machinery			
	+ real estate			
	+ other stock & cert.			
- Total invested in			\$	
	Investment Activities		Ψ	\$
Titel To vided by	myesiment reavides			Ψ
Cash Flow From Fin	ancing Activities			
	d (intermediate & long term)	\$		
+ Money borrowed		T		
+ Increase in opera				
	arm capital used in business			
+ Money borrowed				
= Cash inflow from			\$	
- Cush innow from	ii iiidiiciiig		Ψ	
Principal payme	nts (intermediate & long term)	\$		
+ Principal payme		Ψ		
+ Decrease in oper				
- Cash outflow for	C		•	
	Financing Activities		Φ	\$
= Net Provided by	I mancing Activities			Φ
Cash Flow From Res	serves			
	cash, checking & savings		\$	
	h, checking & savings			
= Net Provided fro				\$
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 2014. The cash flow projection worksheet on the next page can be used to estimate repayment ability, which can then be compared to planned 2014 debt payments shown below.

FARM DEBT PAYMENTS PLANNED
Same 34 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2012 & 2013

	Average					My Farm			
		2013 Pa	ayme	nts	Planned	2013	Payments	Planned	
Debt Payments	Pl	anned		Made	2014	Planned	Made	2014	
Long term	\$ 1	41,915	\$	158,063	\$ 131,811	\$	\$	\$	
Intermediate term	3	17,779		309,157	317,642				
Short term		946		1,115	1,555				
Operating (net									
reduction)		3,824		42,117	15,133				
Accounts payable		ŕ		,	•				
(net reduction)		956		21,718	0				
Total	\$ 4	65,420	\$	532,170	\$ 466,142	\$	\$	\$	
Per cow	\$	604	\$	690		\$	\$		
Per cwt. 2013 milk	\$	2.30	\$	2.63		\$	\$		
Percent of total									
2013 farm receipts		10%		11%					
Percent of 2013									
milk receipts		11%		12%					

The <u>cash flow coverage ratio</u> and <u>debt coverage ratio</u> measure the ability of the farm business to meet its planned debt payment schedule. The ratios show the percentage of payments planned for 2013 (as of December 31, 2012) that could have been made with the amount available for debt service in 2013. Farmers who did not participate in DFBS in 2012 have their 2013 ratios based on planned debt payments for 2014.

**COVERAGE RATIOS**Same 34 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2012 & 2013

Item	Average	Item	Average
Cash Flow Coverage Ratio		Debt Coverage Ratio	_
Cash farm receipts	\$4,707,323	Net farm income (w/o appreciation)	\$684,641
- Cash farm expenses	3,901,375	+ Depreciation	318,513
+ Interest paid (cash)	101,301	+ Interest paid (accrual)	101,334
- Net personal withdrawals from farm*	200,924	- Net personal withdrawals from farm*	200,924
<ul><li>(A) = Amount Available for Debt Service</li><li>(B) = Debt Payments Planned for 2013</li></ul>	\$ 706,326	(A') = Repayment Capacity (B) = Debt Payments Planned for 2013	\$903,564
(as of December 31, 2012)	\$ 465,420	(as of December 31, 2012)	\$465,420
(A/B)= Cash Flow Coverage Ratio for 2013	1.52	(A'/B)= Debt Coverage Ratio for 2013	1.94

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

ANNUAL CASH FLOW WORKSHEET

		n New York	My Farm	_	
		airy Farms	Per Cow/	Expected	2014
Item	Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cwt.	Change	Projection
Average number of cows	799	206 200			
Total cwt. of milk sold		206,399			
Accrual Operating Receipts Milk	\$5,557	\$21.50	¢		\$
	φ3,337 357	1.38	\$		Φ
Dairy cattle	29	0.11			
Dairy calves Other livestock		0.11			
	0 142	0.55			
Crops Missellangens Receipts	153	0.59			
Miscellaneous Receipts Total	\$6,237	\$24.14	\$		\$
	\$0,237	\$24.14	Φ		Φ
Accrual Operating Expenses Hired labor	\$ 634	\$ 2.45	¢		\$
	1,779	5 2.43 6.88	\$		Φ
Dairy grain & concentrate	1,779	0.88			
Dairy roughage	0	0.42			
Nondairy feed Professional nutritional services	1	0.00			
	128	0.00			
Machinery hire, rent & lease	235	0.49			
Machinery repair & vehicle expense	233 221	0.91			
Fuel, oil & grease					
Replacement livestock	23	0.09			
Breeding	46 155	0.18			
Veterinary & medicine	155	0.60			
Milk marketing	210	0.81			
Bedding	102	0.39			
Milking supplies	90	0.35			
Cattle lease	0	0.00			
Custom boarding	109	0.42			
bST expense	83	0.32			
Livestock professional fees	15	0.06			
Other livestock expense	23	0.09			
Fertilizer & lime	186	0.72			
Seeds & plants	129	0.50			
Spray & other crop expense	67	0.26			
Crop professional fees	10	0.04			
Land, building & fence repair	79	0.31			
Taxes	57	0.22			
Real estate rent & lease	65	0.25			
Insurance	44	0.17			
Utilities	111	0.43			
Other professional fees	29	0.11			
Miscellaneous	31	0.12	<del></del>		
Total Less Interest Paid	\$4,771	\$18.47	\$		\$
Net Accrual Operating Income		<u>otal</u>			
(without interest paid)	\$1,170		\$		\$
- Change in livestock /crop inventory*		1,686			
- Change in accounts receivable		9,604			
- Change in feed & supply inventory**		2,629			
+ Change in accounts payable***		0,777			
NET CASH FLOW		5,892	\$		\$
- Net family withdrawals		5,445			
Available for Farm		9,447	\$		
- Farm debt payments		3,985			
Available for Farm Investment		5,462	\$		\$
- Capital purchases		9,708			· <del></del> -
Additional Capital Needed	\$534	4,246	\$		\$

<sup>\*</sup>Includes change in advance government receipts. 
\*\*Includes change in prepaid expenses. 
\*\*\*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, the level of crop yields, and what it costs to produce crops is important in evaluating alternative cropping and feed purchasing alternatives.

### LAND RESOURCES AND CROP PRODUCTION

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Item		Average			My Fa	rm
Land Tillable Nontillable Other nontillable	Owned 1,014 23 287	Rented 691 2 3	Total 1,705 24 289	Owned	Rentec	<u>1 Total</u>
Total	1,323	696	2,019			
Crop Yields	<u>Farms</u>	Acres*	Production/Acre	<u>A</u>	cres	Production/Acre
Hay crop	35	784	3.42 tons DM	_		tons DM
Corn silage	34	689	17.93 tons	_		tons
			6.07 tons DM			tons DM
Other forage	8	193	4.52 tons DM	_		tons DM
Total forage	35	1,498	4.64 tons DM	_		tons DM
Corn grain	20	387	141 bushels	_		bushels
Oats	0	0	0 bushels	_		bushels
Wheat	3	110	64 bushels	_		bushels
Other crops	11	150		_		
Tillable pasture	3	62		_		
Idle	11	129				
Total Tillable Acres	37	1,705		_		

<sup>\*</sup>This column represents the average acreage for the farms producing that crop. Average acreages including those farms not producing were hay crop 742, corn silage 633, corn grain 209, oats 0, tillable pasture 5, and idle 38.

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**

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013\*

Item	Average	My Farm
Total tillable acres per cow	2.27	
Total forage acres per cow	1.89	
Harvested forage dry matter, tons per cow	8.75	

<sup>\*</sup>Excludes farms that do not harvest forages.

### **Cropping Analysis** (continued)

Crop input costs per tillable acre are reported in the table below. The chart below shows the relationship between total forage dry matter and total crop input costs.

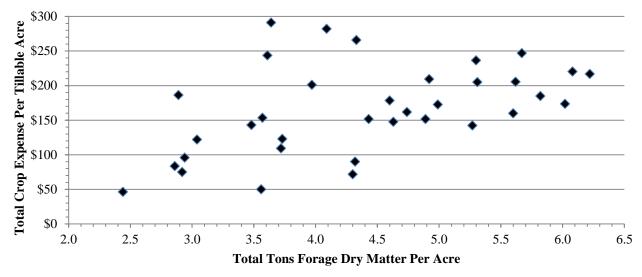
### CROP RELATED ACCRUAL EXPENSES

Northern New York Region Dairy Farms Reporting, 2013\*

	Average 35 Farms	My Farm
Item	Total Per Tillable Acre	Total Per Tillable Acre
Number of farms reporting	35	
Average number of acres	1,803	
Fertilizer & lime expenses	\$ 81.35	\$
Seeds & plants	56.13	
Spray & other crop expenses	<u>28.03</u>	
Total	\$ 165.51	\$

<sup>\*</sup> Excludes farms that do not harvest forages.

# CROP EXPENSE PER ACRE AND TOTAL FORAGE PRODUCTION PER ACRE 35 Northern New York Dairy Farms, 2013\*



<sup>\*</sup> Excludes farms that do not harvest forages.

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

35 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013\*

	Ave	erage	My Farm		
Machinery	Total	Per Tillable	Total	Per Tillable	
Expense	Expenses Acre		Expenses	Acre	
Fuel, oil & grease	\$ 180,920	\$ 100.37	\$	\$	
Mach. repair & vehicle expense	190,886	105.90			
Machine hire, rent & lease	103,930	57.66			
Interest (5%)	71,407	39.61			
Depreciation	<u>197,463</u>	109.55			
Total	\$744,606	\$413.09	\$	\$	

<sup>\*</sup>Excludes farms that do not harvest forages.

### **Dairy Analysis**

Analysis of the dairy enterprise can reveal 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**37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

	Da	niry Cows			ŀ	Heifer		
				Bred	(	Open	C	alves
Item	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
Beg. year (owned) + Change w/o apprec. + Appreciation	782	\$1,121,324 45,414 -2,338	250	\$363,704 16,007 -15,132	213	\$187,695 16,435 -189	197	\$90,236 3,343 -27
End year (owned)	813	\$1,164,400	261	\$364,578	229	\$203,940	200	\$93,553
End including leased Average number	801 799		672	(all age groups)				
My Farm:								
Beg. year (owned) + Change w/o apprec. + Appreciation		\$		\$		\$		\$
End year (owned)		\$		\$		\$		\$
End including leased Average number				(all age groups)				

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.

# MILK PRODUCTION 37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Item	Average	My Farm
Total milk sold, pounds	20,639,871	
Milk sold per cow, pounds	25,840	
Average milk plant test, percent butterfat	3.75%	

Monitoring and evaluating culling practices and experiences on an annual basis are important herd management tools. Culling rate can have an effect on both milk per cow and profitability.

### ANIMALS LEAVING THE HERD

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

	Ave	erage	My	Farm
Item	Number	Percent*	Number	Percent*
Cows sold for beef	232	29.0		
Cows sold for dairy	3	0.3		
Cows died	47	5.8		
Culling rate**		34.8		

<sup>\*</sup>Percent of average number of cows in the herd. \*\*Cows sold for beef plus cows died.

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

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

	Average				My Farm	
Item	Total	Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Total	Per Cow	Per Cwt.
Accrual Cost of						
Producing Milk						
Operating costs	\$ 3,390,253	\$ 4,244	\$ 16.43	\$	\$	\$
Purchased inputs						
costs	\$ 3,714,752	\$ 4,651	\$ 18.00	\$	\$	\$
Total Costs	\$ 4,137,615	\$ 5,180	\$ 20.05	\$	\$	\$
Accrual Receipts						
From Milk	\$4,438,356	\$ 5,557	\$ 21.50	\$	\$	\$
Net Milk Receipts	\$4,270,595	\$ 5,347	\$ 20.69	\$	\$	\$
Net Farm Income						
without Apprec.	\$ 723,604	\$ 906	\$ 3.51	\$	\$	\$
Net Farm Income						
with Appreciation	\$ 883,668	\$ 1,106	\$ 4.28	\$	\$	\$

The accrual operating expenses most commonly associated with the dairy enterprise are listed in the table below. Feed and crop expenses include total purchased dairy feed plus fertilizer, seeds, spray and other crop expenses.

### DAIRY RELATED ACCRUAL EXPENSES

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

	Average				N	My Farm	
Item	P	er Cow		Pe	er Cwt.	Per Cow	Per Cwt.
Purchased dairy grain							
& concentrate	\$	1,779		\$	6.88	\$	\$
Purchased dairy roughage		109			0.42		
Total Purchased							
Dairy Feed	\$	1,888		\$	7.31	\$	\$
Purchased grain & concentrate							
as % of milk receipts			32%			_	%
Purchased feed & crop expense	\$	2,280		\$	8.82	\$	\$
Purchased feed & crop expense							
as % of milk receipts			41%			_	%
Breeding	\$	46		\$	0.18	\$	\$
Veterinary & medicine		155			0.60		
Milk marketing		210			0.81		
Bedding		102			0.39		
Milking supplies		90			0.35		
Cattle lease		0			0.00		
Custom boarding		109			0.42		
bST expense		83			0.32		
Livestock professional fees		15			0.06		
Other livestock expense		23			0.09		

### **Capital and Labor Efficiency Analysis**

Capital efficiency factors measure how effectively 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. When evaluating a business, the relationship between capital efficiency and labor efficiency should be explored. For example, if capital efficiency shows high capital investment per worker or per cow, labor efficiency should be high reflecting use of capital to make labor more effective. However, if capital investment is high per worker or per cow, and labor efficiency is low, a problem may exist on that farm.

**CAPITAL EFFICIENCY**37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

	Per	Per	Per Tillable	Per Tillable
Item	Worker	Cow	Acre	Acre Owned
Farm capital	\$498,822	\$10,460	\$4,900	\$8,242
Real estate	ψ.>0,0 <b>=</b> 2	4,460	Ψ.,> σσ	3,514
Machinery & equipment	82,173	1,723	807	5,61.
Ratios				
Asset turnover	Operating Expense	Interest	Expense D	epreciation Expense
0.62	0.77		0.02	0.07
My Farm				
Farm capital	\$	S	\$	\$
Real estate				
Machinery & equipment				
Ratios				
Asset turnover	Operating Expense	Interest	Expense D	epreciation Expense

# **LABOR FORCE INVENTORY**37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Labor Force	Months	Age	Years of Education	Value of Labor & Management
Operator number 1	13.3	5.1	15	\$60.284
Operator number 1		54 55	15	\$69,284
Operator number 2	8.5	55	14	46,601
Operator number 3	4.0	48	15	20,676
Operator number 4	1.4	46	13	7,027
Family paid	1.1			
Family unpaid	0.9			
Hired	171.8			
Total	201.0	/12 = 16.75 Work	er Equivalent	
			tor/Manager Equivalent	
My Farm: Total		/ 12 = Worl	ker Equivalent	
Operator's			ator/Manager Equivalent	

Small conventional stall operations of 60 or less cows should strive for labor efficiency of 600,000 or more pounds of milk sold per worker. Large conventional stall operations should strive for 850,000 or more pounds of milk sold per worker. Small free stall operations of less than 300 cows should strive for 1,000,000 pounds of milk sold per worker and large free stall operations with more than 300 cows should strive for over 1,200,000 pounds of milk sold per worker.

Labor costs and machinery costs should also be evaluated both individually and jointly. The more machinery or technology at a worker's disposal, the less time, and therefore cost, that should be required to get work accomplished. Striving for labor and machinery costs per cow of less than \$2,200 on small conventional stall barns, less than \$1,800 on large conventional stall barns, less than \$1,700 on small free stall barns and below \$1,600 on large free stall barns should be a goal.

**LABOR EFFICIENCY**37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Labor	Av	erage	My	Farm
Efficiency	Total	Per Worker	Total	Per Worker
Cows, average number	799	48		
Milk sold, pounds	20,639,871	1,232,109		
Tillable acres	1,705	102		

# **LABOR AND MACHINERY COSTS**37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

		Average			My Farm	
		Per	Per		Per	Per
Labor Costs	Total	Cow	Cwt.	Total	Cow	Cwt.
Value of operator(s)						
labor (\$2,600/month)	\$ 70,850	\$ 89	\$ 0.34	\$	\$	\$
Family unpaid						
(\$2,600/month)	2,236	3	0.01			
Hired	506,179	634	2.45		·	
Total Labor	\$ 579,265	\$ 725	\$ 2.81	\$	\$	\$
Machinery Cost	\$ 725,189	\$ 908	<u>\$ 3.51</u>	\$	\$	\$
Total Labor & Mach.	\$1,304,454	\$ 1,633	\$ 6.32	\$	\$	\$
Hired labor expense per little Hired labor expense as %		uivalent	\$ 35,129 11.4%	\$	%	

### 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 34 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2012 & 2013

Selected Factors			34 Farms* My Farm					
		2012		2013	2012	20	013	Goal
Size of Business								
Average number of cows		740		771				
Average number of heifers		622		646				
Milk sold, pounds	19	,175,948	20	),207,094				
Worker equivalent		15.86		16.34				
Total tillable acres		1,526		1,597				- <u></u> -
Rates of Production								
Milk sold per cow, pounds		25,906		26,211				
Hay DM per acre, tons		2.9		3.3				
Corn silage per acre, tons		17.0		17.5				
Labor Efficiency								
Cows per worker		47		47		_		
Milk sold/worker, pounds	1	,209,076	1	1,236,664		_		
Cost Control								
Grain & conc. purchased								
as % of milk sales		35%		33%		%	%	%
Dairy feed & crop expense								
per cwt. milk	\$	8.70	\$	8.96	\$	_ \$	\$	
Labor & mach. costs/cow	\$	1,561	\$	1,630	\$	\$	\$ \$	
Operating cost of producing								
cwt. of milk	\$	15.53	\$	16.50	\$	\$	\$	
Capital Efficiency**								
Farm capital per cow	\$	9,981	\$	10,524	\$	\$	\$	
Mach. & equipment per cow	\$	1,637	\$	1,756	\$	\$	\$ \$	
Asset turnover ratio		0.62		0.62				
Profitability								
Net farm income w/o apprec.	\$	512,248	\$	684,641	\$	\$	\$	
Net farm income w/apprec.	\$	714,151	\$	834,986	\$	\$	\$ \$	
Labor & mgmt. income		,		,				
per operator/manager	\$	129,616	\$	197,935	\$	\$	\$	
Rate of return on equity		,		,	•			
capital with appreciation		12.0		12.9	(	%	%	%
Rate of return on all								
capital with appreciation		9.1		9.8	(	%	%	%
Financial Summary								
Farm net worth, end year	\$5	5,022,533	\$5	5,663,604	\$	\$	\$	
Debt to asset ratio	7.0	0.35	7.5	0.33			Ψ	
Farm debt per cow	\$	3,623	\$	3,516	\$	\$	\$	

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

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

### RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES PER COW AND PER CWT.

Same 34 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2012 & 2013

	20	12	20	013
Item	Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cow	Per Cwt.
Average Number of Cows	740		771	
Cwt. of Milk Sold		191,759		202,071
ACCRUAL OPERATING RECEIPTS				
Milk	\$5,102	\$19.70	\$5,627	\$21.47
Dairy cattle	368	1.42	345	1.32
Dairy calves	37	0.14	31	0.12
Other livestock	2	0.01	-1	0.00
Crops	233	0.90	147	0.56
Miscellaneous receipts	<u>150</u>	0.58	<u>160</u>	0.61
Total Receipts	\$5,892	\$22.75	\$6,309	\$24.07
ACCRUAL OPERATING EXPENSES				
Hired labor	\$ 621	\$ 2.40	\$ 627	\$ 2.39
Dairy grain & concentrate	1,784	6.89	1,835	7.00
Dairy roughage	111	0.43	122	0.47
Nondairy feed	0	0.00	0	0.00
Professional nutritional services	0	0.00	0	0.00
Machine hire, rent & lease	95	0.37	123	0.47
Machinery repair & vehicle expense	221	0.85	236	0.90
Fuel, oil & grease	218	0.84	217	0.83
Replacement livestock	24	0.09	26	0.10
Breeding	47	0.18	48	0.18
Veterinary & medicine	146	0.57	159	0.61
Milk marketing	212	0.82	215	0.82
Bedding	103	0.40	97	0.37
Milking supplies	99	0.38	93	0.35
Cattle lease	0	0.00	0	0.00
Custom boarding	109	0.42	123	0.47
bST expense	85	0.33	87	0.33
Livestock professional fees	11	0.04	14	0.06
Other livestock expense	23	0.09	24	0.09
Fertilizer & lime	178	0.69	189	0.72
Seeds & plants	110	0.43	127	0.48
Spray & other crop expense	61	0.24	64	0.25
Crop professional fees	10	0.04	11	0.04
Land, building & fence repair	72	0.28	84	0.32
Taxes	53	0.21	58	0.22
Real estate rent & lease	54	0.21	61	0.23
Insurance	46	0.18	45	0.17
Utilities	102	0.39	107	0.41
Interest paid	129	0.50	131	0.50
Other professional fees	32	0.12	29	0.11
Miscellaneous	<u>32</u>	0.12	<u>33</u>	0.13
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	\$4,791	\$18.49	\$4,988	\$19.03
Expansion Livestock	23	0.09	19	0.07
Extraordinary Expense	1	0.00	0	0.00
Machinery Depreciation	225	0.87	243	0.93
Real Estate Depreciation	<u>161</u>	0.62	<u> 170</u>	0.65
Total Expenses	\$5,201	\$20.07	\$5,420	\$20.68
Net Farm Income Without Appreciation	\$ 692	\$ 2.67	\$ 888	\$ 3.39

### **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

37 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

S	Size of Bus	iness	R	Rate of Production			r 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
(14)*	(12)	(12)	(12)	(11)	(11)	(14)	(14)
37.30	1,911	48,817,657	28,390	4.8	23	59	1,487,409
20.80	1,004	26,926,387	27,054	3.8	19	49	1,241,524
14.73	679	17,854,639	26,042	3.3	17	46	1,195,399
10.04	420	10,687,863	24,234	2.7	15	43	1,097,177
3.72	129	2,872,694	20,254	1.6	6	30	692,400

			Cost Control		
Grain Bought	% Grain is of Milk	Machinery Costs	Labor & Machinery	Feed & Crop Expenses	Feed & Crop Expenses Per
Per Cow	Receipts	Per Cow	Costs per Cow	Per Cow	Cwt. Milk
(12)	(12)	(14)	(14)	(12)	(12)
\$1,214	26%	\$672	\$1,307	\$1,583	\$7.16
1,567	29	841	1,583	2,052	8.21
1,737	32	934	1,705	2,263	8.82
1,956	35	1,040	1,822	2,497	9.60
2,184	39	1,386	2,402	2,811	10.72

Va	alue and Cost of Pro	oduction				
Milk Receipts Per Cow	Operating Cost Producing Milk Per Cwt.	Total Cost Producing Milk Per Cwt.	Net Farm Income with Appreciation	Net Farm Income w/o Appreciation	Labor & Mgt. Income Per Operator	Change in Net Worth with Appreciation
(12)	(12)	(12)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(8)
\$6,142	\$13.44	\$17.94	\$2,246,859	\$1,851,311	\$625,518	\$1,742,310
5,876	14.96	19.10	1,345,501	1,157,369	330,783	1,017,016
5,539	16.41	20.42	644,135	512,069	150,858	437,592
5,123	17.73	22.20	321,729	228,390	42,508	154,988
4,312	20.24	25.83	58,300	37,623	-37,458	12,695

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

### **Supplementary Information**

Each year DFBS cooperators volunteer to complete supplementary data collection forms looking at selected management aspects of the business or specific research areas being studied. This is in addition to the normal DFBS data collection form. An area that was examined this year was the source of dairy replacements. Following is a summary of this information.

### SOURCE OF DAIRY REPLACEMENTS

38 New York Dairy Farms, 2013

Animals Entering Herd	Average	
Number calving in 2013 for first time	305	
Animals purchased, % <sup>1</sup> Animals raised by farm, % <sup>2</sup>	0.5% 99.5%	
Current Heifer Inventory		
Raised on dairy, %	86.0%	
Raised by a custom grower, %	14.0%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Animals purchased are animals purchased from a different farm and were not the farm's genetics.

On the average farm, 305 animals calved for the first time in 2013. The breakdown on the source of these animals was 0.5 percent purchased and 99.5 percent raised on the farm. Of the current heifer inventory, 86.0 percent were raised on the dairy and 14.0 percent were raised by a custom grower. There is increased interest in evaluating the dairy replacement enterprise.

### Milk Income and Marketing Expense Breakdown

Starting January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2000, the northeast switched to multiple components pricing, which changed the format of the milk check and how farmers received payment for their milk. To examine the breakdown of the gross milk income and the marketing expenses, 30 farms filled out a detailed form for all the different sources of income for milk sales and the milk marketing expenses on an accrual basis. This information is reported in the following two tables. The tables are divided into six different areas, each representing a different area of income or expenses.

The first section looks at the value of the milk components on a per cwt. basis. The second area looks at the Producer Price Differential. The third area looks at the premiums a farm receives. Any premiums not specifically noted as quality or volume-related are included in market premiums. The fourth area looks at the expenses associated with marketing milk. A line item in this section is the expense associated with utilizing forward contracting or hedging programs to market milk, such as commissions or broker fees. The fifth area is income from forward contracting or hedging programs. The sixth area is the patronage dividends or refunds from the milk cooperatives. Equity purchased in the milk cooperative utilizing a monthly deduction from the milk check or a percent of the patronage dividend is treated as a capital purchase and is not a milk marketing expense. The cumulative total for these six areas is the net price received on farms. For participating farms, the net farm price can be found on page 13 of the DFBS report.

The table on page 25 reports the averages for these different areas. The table on page 26 contains the range for each of the individual lines of the report. This table is in farm business chart format with each item sorted independently and ranked by fifths. Numbers for the different areas will not add to the totals for that quintile or to the net price received because the highest farms for each item were averaged, not the same farms throughout the six areas. This table shows the range of income and expenses received by farms for all the different areas.

For your individual farm, compare your accrual numbers following this same format to look at how you compare to other farms in your region and to identify possible areas to generate additional revenue.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Animals raised by farm are animals that were born on the farm and entered the herd, which includes animals raised by the farm or custom grower.

# **AVERAGE MILK INCOME AND MARKETING REPORT** 30 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

	Pounds	Percent	Price/Pound	Total	\$/Cwt of Milk
BASE FARM PRICE					
Butterfat	835,467	3.75%	\$1.67	\$1,391,497	\$ 6.25
Protein	694,124	3.12%	\$3.31	\$2,294,126	\$10.30
Solids	1,283,725	5.76%	\$0.40	\$517,993	\$ 2.32
<b>Total Component Contribution</b>					\$18.87
PPD	22,280,606			\$318,788	\$1.43
Base Farm Price					\$20.30
Premiums					
Quality				\$57,986	\$0.26
Volume				\$82,733	\$0.37
Market Premiums				\$108,692	\$0.49
<b>Total Premiums</b>					\$1.12
BASE FARM PRICE + PREMIUM					\$21.42
Deductions				Ф22 224	фо. 1 <i>5</i>
Promotion				\$33,334	\$0.15
Hauling + Stop Charges.				\$132,897	\$0.60
Market Fees & Coop Dues				\$16,333	\$0.07
<b>Total Deductions</b>					\$0.82
BASE FARM PRICE + PREMIUMS - DED	OUCTIONS				\$20.60
Marketing Programs					
Futures Contracts, Forward Contracting,	Etc.			-\$13,019	-\$0.06
<b>Total Marketing Income</b>					-\$0.06
<b>Patronage Dividends</b>				\$24,721	\$0.11
NET PRICE RECEIVED ON FARM, ALL	SOURCES				\$20.65
PPD - Hauling, \$ per cwt.					\$0.83
PPD - Hauling + Market Premiums, \$ per c	wt.				\$1.32
Net Marketing Value (PPD + Total Premium	ms - Total Ded	luctions), \$ pe	er cwt.		\$1.73

MILK PRICE INFORMATION BY QUINTILE\*
(Each Category Sorted Independently)
30 Northern New York Region Dairy Farms, 2013

Lowest				Highest
	←		<b></b>	Quintile
	3.67	3.75	3.85	3.98
3.00	3.07	3.10	3.17	3.19
5.69	5.73	5.75	5.78	5.81
5.96	6.12	6.25	6.40	6.61
	10.16		10.41	10.56
				2.36
\$18.25	\$18.62	\$18.80	\$19.11	\$19.46
1 25	1 30	1 31	1./3	2.04
1.23	1.30	1.51	1.43	2.04
\$19.59	\$20.02	\$20.39	\$20.58	\$20.99
0.00	0.15	0.22	0.21	0.42
				0.43
				1.08
				1.49
0.32	0.71	1.04	1.10	1,47
\$20.29	\$21.08	\$21.41	\$21.66	\$22.27
0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
	0.120			1.36
				0.11
0.01	0.03	0.08	0.10	0.11
\$0.45	\$0.63	\$0.73	\$0.86	\$1.55
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\$19.63	\$20.32	\$20.57	\$20.82	\$21.14
0.24	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00
-0.24	-0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00
\$-0.24	\$-0.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.13	\$0.41
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.13	\$0.41
\$0.00 \$19.80	\$0.00 \$20.25	\$0.00 \$20.56	\$0.13 \$20.82	\$0.41 \$21.30
	\$20.25	\$20.56	\$20.82	\$21.30
\$19.80	,			
\$19.80 0.54	\$20.25 0.76	\$20.56 0.85	\$20.82 0.93	\$21.30 1.12
	5.69  5.96  9.89  2.29  \$18.25  1.25  0.08  0.00  0.07  0.52  \$20.29  \$0.15  0.25  0.01  \$0.45	Quintile         3.58       3.67         3.00       3.07         5.69       5.73         5.96       6.12         9.89       10.16         2.29       2.31         \$18.25       \$18.62         1.25       1.30         \$19.59       \$20.02         0.08       0.15         0.00       0.03         0.07       0.26         0.52       0.91         \$20.29       \$21.08         0.15       0.15         0.25       0.41         0.01       0.05         \$0.45       \$0.63         \$19.63       \$20.32         -0.24       -0.05	Quintile         3.58       3.67       3.75         3.00       3.07       3.10         5.69       5.73       5.75         5.96       6.12       6.25         9.89       10.16       10.27         2.29       2.31       2.32         \$18.25       \$18.62       \$18.80         1.25       1.30       1.31         \$19.59       \$20.02       \$20.39         0.08       0.15       0.23         0.00       0.03       0.26         0.07       0.26       0.40         0.52       0.91       1.04         \$20.29       \$21.08       \$21.41         0.15       0.15       0.15         0.25       0.41       0.49         0.01       0.05       0.08         \$0.45       \$0.63       \$0.73         \$19.63       \$20.32       \$20.57         -0.24       -0.05       0.00	Quintile         3.58       3.67       3.75       3.85         3.00       3.07       3.10       3.17         5.69       5.73       5.75       5.78         5.96       6.12       6.25       6.40         9.89       10.16       10.27       10.41         2.29       2.31       2.32       2.33         \$18.25       \$18.62       \$18.80       \$19.11         1.25       1.30       1.31       1.43         \$19.59       \$20.02       \$20.39       \$20.58         0.08       0.15       0.23       0.31         0.00       0.03       0.26       0.49         0.07       0.26       0.40       0.67         0.52       0.91       1.04       1.18         \$20.29       \$21.08       \$21.41       \$21.66         0.15       0.15       0.15       0.15         0.25       0.41       0.49       0.62         0.01       0.05       0.08       0.10         \$0.45       \$0.63       \$0.73       \$0.86         \$19.63       \$20.32       \$20.57       \$20.82

<sup>\*</sup>Data for each category are calculated independently of all others. Therefore, summation of individual categories will not equal total categories.

### **New York State Farm Business Charts**

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 169 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 <u>not</u> 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 not necessarily the most profitable</u>. 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

169 New York Dairy Farms, 2012

	Size of E	Business	]	Rates of Product	ion	Labor I	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
(14)*	(12)	(12)	(12)	(11)	(11)	(14)	(14)
38.8	1,892	49,665,166	28,592	5.0	24	63	1,531,309
24.7	1,127	30,054,041	27,243	3.7	20	52	1,318,166
19.8	897	23,485,084	26,437	3.4	19	49	1,204,845
16.4	708	18,126,241	25,705	3.1	18	46	1,143,274
13.3	573	13,534,712	24,938	2.9	17	44	1,081,089
9.4	412	10,081,569	24,243	2.6	 16	42	992,845
6.5	269	6,058,011	23,270	2.3	15	38	879,393
4.0	149	3,101,862	21,688	2.0	14	34	750,865
2.8	92	1,729,237	18,750	1.7	12	31	606,893
1.8	49	905,580	13,882	0.6	0	23	417,411

		Cosi	Collifor		
Grain	% Grain is	Machinery	Labor &	Feed & Crop	Feed & Crop
Bought	of Milk	Costs	Machinery	Expenses	Expenses Per
Per Cow	Receipts	Per Cow	Costs Per Cow	Per Cow	Cwt. Milk
(12)	(12)	(14)	(14)	(12)	(12)
\$797	23%	\$489	\$1,130	\$1,058	\$6.23
1,150	28	624	1,404	1,559	7.27
1,355	31	706	1,521	1,793	7.64
1,500	32	779	1,613	1,932	8.08
1,613	33	838	1,678	2,026	8.41
1,692	35	908	1,754	2,120	8.73
1,788	37	959	1,852	2,229	9.06
1,873	38	1,035	1,942	2,339	9.52
1,985	40	1,119	2,084	2,468	10.18
2,245	45	1,351	2,592	2,742	11.50

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

# FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR FARM MANAGEMENT COOPERATORS

169 New York Dairy Farms, 2012

Milk	Milk	Operating Cost	Operating Cost	Total Cost Milk	Total Cost Milk
Receipts	Receipts	Milk Production	Milk Production	Production	Production
Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cow	Per Cwt.
(12)	(12)	(12)	(12)	(12)	(12)
\$5,759	\$21.55	\$2,125	\$12.06	\$3,385	\$16.66
5,393	20.69	2,750	13.28	4,070	17.99
5,227	20.27	3,157	14.18	4,376	18.71
5,055	20.08	3,421	14.77	4,558	19.28
4,924	19.86	3,675	15.36	4,775	19.84
4,799	19.62	3,917	15.96	4,961	20.45
4,540	19.43	4,077	16.41	5,106	21.12
4,259	19.19	4,219	16.95	5,256	21.83
3,757	18.98	4,476	17.92	5,445	23.13
2,769	18.62	4,978	20.78	5,936	30.58

			Profital	oility		
1	Net Farm Inc	come	Net Farm	Income	Lal	oor &
With	out Apprecia	ation	With Appreciation		Manager	nent Income
	Per	Operations		Per	Per	Per
Total	Cow	Ratio	Total	Cow	Farm	Operator
(4)	(12)	(4)	(4)	(12)	(4)	(4)
\$1,807,809	\$1,386	0.24	\$2,487,315	\$2,304	\$1,181,869	\$573,326
886,507	1,100	0.21	1,237,868	1,481	511,491	245,759
568,370	947	0.17	797,437	1,206	304,614	144,784
348,335	833	0.15	590,220	1,072	140,219	71,062
235,665	698	0.13	392,856	923	73,424	39,068
146,642	589	0.11	234,808	825	38,075	23,796
105,991	445	0.08	156,704	680	16,294	9,585
70,666	325	0.06	100,114	546	-7,327	-5,009
27,227	154	0.03	57,168	363	-64,605	-40,246
-74,185	-309	-0.11	-117,058	-289	-277,870	-175,959

Farm Business Charts for farms with freestall barns and 200 cows or less, 200 to 500 cows, and more than 500 cows, and farms with conventional barns with less than 60 cows and equal to or more than 60 cows are shown on pages 32-36.

### **Financial Analysis Chart**

The farm financial analysis chart on page 29 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, 9, 13 and 19 of this publication. References to DFBS output page numbers for participating dairy farmers are provided in the table headings.

### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS CHART

169 New York Dairy Farms, 2012

			Liquidity (	repayment)			
				Debt Pay-			
Planned	Available			ments		Working	
Debt	for	Cash Flow	Debt	as Percent		Capital as	
Payments	Debt Service	Coverage	Coverage	of Milk	Debt Per	% of Total	Current
Per Cow	Per Cow	Ratio	Ratio	Sales	Cow	Expenses	Ratio
(10)*	(16)	(10)	(10)	(10)	(7)	(7)	(7)
\$ 37	\$1,400	19.36	25.95	0%	\$ 184	62%	141.98
205	1,051	2.86	3.24	2	1,291	41	6.77
296	891	2.11	2.44	5	1,853	33	4.38
411	772	1.61	1.99	7	2,462	28	3.16
492	679	1.41	1.58	9	2,996	23	2.55
592	600	1.17	1.35	 11	3,436	19	2.06
667	483	1.00	1.10	13	3,947	14	1.67
759	378	0.85	0.77	15	4,470	9	1.32
878	210	0.53	0.32	17	5,109	3	0.98
1,316	-118	-0.31	-0.57	29	6,543	-11	-0.22

	Solve	ency		O	perational Ra	atios
		Debt/Asset I	Ratio	Operating	Interest	Depreciation
Leverage	Percent	Current &	Long	Expense	Expense	Expense
Ratio**	Equity	Intermediate	Term	Ratio	Ratio	Ratio
(7)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(14)	(14)	(14)
0.02	98%	0.01	0.00	0.67	0.00	0.02
0.12	90	0.10	0.00	0.71	0.01	0.04
0.21	83	0.18	0.06	0.75	0.01	0.05
0.28	78	0.23	0.14	0.77	0.01	0.05
0.39	72	0.29	0.22	0.78	0.02	0.06
0.50	67	0.33	0.33	0.81	0.02	0.06
0.61	63	0.38	0.40	0.83	0.03	0.07
0.80	56	0.43	0.51	0.85	0.03	0.09
0.99	50	0.50	0.60	0.88	0.04	0.09
1.49	42	0.64	0.77	0.99	0.07	0.14

	Efficience	cy (Capital)			Prof	itability
Asset Turnover	Real Estate Investment	Machinery Investment	Total Farm Assets	Change in Net Worth		of Return with eiation on:
(ratio)	Per Cow	Per Cow	Per Cow	With Appreciation	Equity	Investment***
(14)	(14)	(14)	(14)	(8)	(4)	(4)
0.86	\$1,998	\$697	\$6,641	\$1,823,101	28%	20%
0.74	2,911	1,047	8,039	808,038	15	12
0.67	3,349	1,330	8,645	544,071	13	10
0.62	3,552	1,579	9,283	296,500	11	8
0.58	3,949	1,819	10,115	185,991	9	7
0.55	4,302	1,956	10,810	113 516	7	6
0.51	4,864	2,112	11,361	62,170	5	4
0.45	5,528	2,332	12,501	26,207	2	3
0.40	6,519	2,688	13,593	-17,545	-1	1
0.28	9,584	4,233	17,095	-438,730	-14	-6

<sup>\*</sup>Page number of the participant's DFBS report 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 on page 31 includes the average values for the resulting five groups of dairy farms. The average size of farms in the five groups ranges from 43 cows on the small conventional farms to 1,037 cows on the largest freestall farms.

The largest freestall farms averaged the highest milk output per cow and per worker, the lowest total cost of production and investment per cow as well as the highest returns to labor, management and capital.

Farm business charts have been computed for each of the five housing and herd size categories and are on pages 32-36. 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 48-60 of the 2012 State Summary\*. In most years, as herd size increases, the net farm income increases (page 48)\*; and that was the case for 2012. Net farm income without appreciation averaged \$26,548 per farm for the less than 60 cow farms and \$1,006,695 per farm for those with more than 900 cows. Return to all capital without appreciation generally increased as herd size increased. With herd sizes less than 200 cows, many farms find it difficult to find a low cost combination of technology and labor to produce milk. Thus profits are lower for these herds than other herd sizes.

Assets, liabilities and financial measures are presented on pages 55-58\*. All herd size categories saw an increase in net worth during 2012. The largest herd size category experienced an increase in net worth of \$900,599. However, percent equity varied as herd size increased. The 200 to 399, 600 to 899, and more than 900 herd size categories had the lowest percent equity at 68 percent; while the less than 60 herd size category averaged the highest percent equity at 83 percent.

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 59-60)\*. The farms with more than 900 cows averaged more milk sold per cow than any other size category (page 60). With 26,310 pounds of milk sold per cow, farms in the largest herd size group averaged 16.6 percent more milk output per cow than the average of all herds in the summary with less than 900 cows. Farm capital per cow generally decreased as herd size increased. Milk sold per worker increased dramatically as herd size increased. The farms with 100 cows or more averaged over 1,155,068 pounds of milk sold per worker while the farms with less than 100 cows averaged less than 544,000 pounds per worker.

<sup>\*</sup>Wayne A. Knoblauch, Cathryn Dymond, Jason Karszes, and Richard Kimmich, Dairy Farm Management Business Summary, New York State, 2012, Charles H. Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management, Cornell University, R.B. 2013-01, December 2013.

### SELECTED BUSINESS FACTORS BY TYPE OF BARN AND HERD SIZE

169 New York Dairy Farms, 2012

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Item	Farms with:	<= 60 Cows	>60 Cows	<=200 Cows	Cows	≥500 Cows
Number of farms	Tarins with.	11	10	31	26	81
rumoer of farms		11	10	31	20	01
Cropping Program Ana	alvsis					
Total Tillable acres	<u> </u>	174	242	334	722	1,962
Tillable acres rented*		68	113	164	357	909
Hay crop acres*		117	154	197	352	840
Corn silage acres*		21	47	96	260	855
Hay crop, tons DM/acr	re	1.9	2.2	2.4	2.7	3.1
Corn silage, tons/acre		13.8	17.7	16.7	16.8	16.9
Oats, bushels/acre		0	0	93	62	42
Forage DM per cow, to	ons	7.4	7.6	8.5	7.4	7.7
Tillable acres/cow		4.1	2.89	2.8	2.1	1.9
Fertilizer & lime expen	ise/tillable acre	\$34.76	\$35.23	\$56.88	\$66.89	\$74.97
Total machinery costs	.50, 111111010 11010	\$42,279	\$70,079	\$115,352	\$338,321	\$887,623
Machinery cost/tillable	acre	\$243	\$290	\$324	\$454	\$442
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Dairy Analysis		42	0.4	105	250	1.027
Number of cows		43	84	125	359	1,037
Number of heifers		36	72	103	294	894
Milk sold, lbs.		772,658	1,529,326	2,665,505	8,975,562	26,950,796
Milk sold/cow, lbs.		18,082	18,272	21,314	25,028	25,999
Operating cost of produ		\$14.28	\$16.38	\$15.34	\$15.72	\$15.69
Total cost of producing	g milk/cwt.	\$25.76	\$23.33	\$21.43	\$19.77	\$19.09
Price/cwt. milk sold		\$19.64	\$19.76	\$19.89	\$19.74	\$19.75
Purchased dairy feed/co		\$1,205	\$1,344	\$1,566	\$1,870	\$1,883
Purchased dairy feed/c		\$6.66	\$7.36	\$7.35	\$7.47	\$7.24
Purchased grain & con-	centrate as % of	220/	2.40/	2.40/	2.40/	250/
milk receipts	/	32%	34%	34%	34%	35%
Purchased feed & crop	expense/cwt milk	\$8.00	\$8.43	\$8.82	\$8.68	\$8.46
Capital Efficiency						
Farm capital/worker		\$349,437	\$337,519	\$382,523	\$415,462	\$472,171
Farm capital/cow		\$15.292	\$10,525	\$10,920	\$10,067	\$10,240
Farm capital/tillable ac	re owned	\$6,186	\$6,850	\$8,022	\$9,875	\$10,078
Real estate/cow		\$8,113	\$4,585	\$4,769	\$4,121	\$4,173
Machinery investment/	cow	\$3,331	\$2,274	\$2,091	\$1,903	\$1,646
Asset turnover ratio		0.31	0.44	0.47	0.61	0.61
Labor Efficiency						
Worker equivalent		1.87	2.61	3.57	8.69	22.47
Operator/manager equi	valent	1.11	1.11	1.63	1.89	2.45
Milk sold/worker, lbs.	vaicin	413,554	585,762	747,687	1,033,158	1,199,234
Cows/worker		23	32	35	41	46
Labor cost/cow		\$1,293	\$973	\$904	\$840	\$802
Labor cost/tillable acre		\$317	\$336	\$338	\$417	\$424
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Profitability & Balance		<b>025 5</b> 21	Φ21 222	001 125	0014701	Ф <b>П</b> 10.000
Net farm income (with		\$25,701	\$31,230	\$81,426	\$214,791	\$713,932
Labor & management i		\$-10,666	\$-11,853	\$12,581	\$45,823	\$143,693
Rate return on all capit	at with appreciation	-0.6%	3.5%	3.2%	7.8%	9.21%
Farm debt/cow		\$2,858	\$2,178	\$1,415	\$3,375	\$3,355
Percent equity		81%	81%	73%	68%	68%

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

### FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR SMALL TIESTALL/STANCHION DAIRY FARMS

11 Tiestall/Stanchion Dairy Farms with 60 or Less Cows, New York, 2012

S	Size of Bu	siness		Rates of Produc	tion	Labo	Labor Efficiency	
Worker Equiv-	No. of	Pounds Milk	Pounds Milk Sold	Tons Hay Crop	Tons Co Silage	rn Cows Per	Pounds Milk Sold	
alent	Cows	Sold	Per Cow	DM/Acre	Per Acr		Per Worker	
(14)*	(12)	(12)	(12)	(11)	(11)	(14)	(14)	
2.44	51	1,099,397	24,144	2.4	19	32	617,082	
2.22	48	1,004,574	21,149	2.0	15	29	504,290	
1.91	46	905,298	19,145	1.8	15	24	457,492	
1.63	43	707,410	16,007	1.7	11	20	392,546	
1.39	33	355,292	10,373	1.5	2	18	205,593	
			C	ost Control				
Grair	n	% Grain is	Machinery	Labo	or &	Feed & Crop	Feed & Crop	
Bougl	ht	of Milk	Costs	Mach	inery	Expenses	Expenses Per	
Per Co	OW	Receipts	Per Cow	Costs Po	er Cow	Per Cow	Cwt. Milk	
(12)	)	(12)	(14)	(14	4)	(12)	(12)	
\$48	6	21%	\$557	\$1,4	195	\$726	\$5.80	
1,08	8	29	698	2,3	33	1,279	7.25	
1,16	4	33	1,125	2,4	38	1,452	8.08	
1,36	2	36	1,326	2,7	20	1,722	8.83	
1,81	6	49	1,507	3,0	17	2,094	10.78	
	Value and	Cost of Produc	etion		Profitability	ý		
Milk		rating Cost	Total Cost	········		Labor &	Change in	
Receipts		ucing Milk	Production	Without Ap	-	Mgmt. Income	Net Worth	
Per Cow	P	er Cwt.	Per Cwt.	Total	Per Cow	Per Operator	w/Appreciation	
(12)		(12)	(12)	(4)	(12)	(4)	(8)	
\$1,928	1	\$11.53	\$20.87	\$66,660	\$1,325	\$28,505	\$54,159	
3,171		13.65	23.13	51,276	1,077	9,862	41,314	
3,759	)	14.71	25.73	35,876	787	4,972	3,580	
4,194		16.32	33.65	12,848	310	-16,891	-7,691	
4,804	•	19.28	45.33	-16,869	-441	-63,225	-22,395	

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

# **FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR LARGE TIESTALL/STANCHION DAIRY FARMS** 10 Tiestall/Stanchion Dairy Farms with 60 or More Cows, New York, 2012

,	Size of Bu	siness	R	ates of Production	on	Labo	or Efficiency
Worker Equiv-	No. of	Pounds Milk	Pounds Milk Sold	Tons Hay Crop	Tons Corn Silage	Cows Per	Pounds Milk Sold
alent	Cows	Sold	Per Cow	DM/Acre	Per Acre	Worker	Per Worker
(14)*	(12)	(12)	(12)	(11)	(11)	(14)	(14)
3.60	115	2,118,482	22,760	3.2	20	48	907,797
3.25	94	1,703,704	19,869	2.8	18	37	662,395
2.75	77	1,409,589	18,711	2.5	16	35	591,694
2.03	70	1,297,735	17,449	1.8	15	27	522,236
1.44	64	1,117,122	13,815	1.2	0	25	438,954
			Со	st Control			
Grai		% Grain is	Machinery	Labor		ed & Crop	Feed & Crop
Boug		of Milk	Costs	Machin		Expenses	Expenses Per
Per C		Receipts	Per Cow	Costs Per		Per Cow	Cwt. Milk
(12)	)	(12)	(14)	(14)		(12)	(12)
\$89	93	24%	\$490	\$1,31	1	\$1,105	\$5.78
1,05	50	28	629	1,509	)	1,286	7.29
1,13	80	35	881	1,735	5	1,383	8.34
1,40	)2	39	926	1,985	5	1,913	10.19
		45	1,154	2,346	_	2,249	11.63

Va	lue and Cost of Prod	uction		Profitability				
Milk	Operating Cost	Total Cost	Net Farn	n Income	Labor &	Change in		
Receipts	Producing Milk	Production	Without A	ppreciation	Mgmt. Income	Net Worth		
Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cwt.	Total	Per Cow	Per Operator	w/Appreciation		
(12)	(12)	(12)	(4)	(12)	(4)	(8)		
\$2,812	\$11.85	\$18.99	\$92,631	\$1,161	\$42,362	\$241,259		
3,471	13.80	20.52	72,361	874	23,395	70,699		
3,648	15.49	21.84	49,277	661	7,785	44,158		
3,794	16.11	24.00	33,562	476	630	10,392		
4,535	25.27	32.72	-91,678	-803	-141,907	-114,271		

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

# **FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR SMALL FREESTALL DAIRY FARMS** 31 Freestall Barn Dairy Farms with 200 Cows or less, New York, 2012

Size of Business			R	Rates of Production			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	
(14)*	(12)	(12)	(12)	(11)	(11)	(14)	(14)	
6.70	197	4,579,557	26,576	5.0	23	55	1,109,123	
5.08	184	4,078,702	24,483	3.4	20	48	1,030,125	
4.33	164	3,591,053	23,541	2.9	20	42	939,403	
3.72	144	3,025,756	23,035	2.7	18	38	843,602	
3.47	123	2,824,879	22,119	2.3	17	37	726,613	
3.12	115	2,400,226	21,152	2.1	 16	34	686,522	
2.82	106	2,134,466	20,115	1.9	15	33	659,247	
2.72	97	1,816,223	18,325	1.7	13	31	633,156	
2.50	82	1,513,547	17,460	1.4	8	29	583,881	
1.80	60	1,184,361	15,949	0.3	0	23	482,718	

		Cost	Control		
Grain	% Grain is	Machinery	Labor &	Feed & Crop	Feed & Crop
Bought	of Milk	Costs	Machinery	Expenses	Expenses Per
Per Cow	Receipts	Per Cow	Costs Per Cow	Per Cow	Cwt. Milk
(12)	(12)	(14)	(14)	(12)	(12)
\$809	23%	\$548	\$1,265	\$1,032	\$6.16
1,077	29	657	1,498	1,504	7.17
1,202	31	686	1,549	1,673	7.74
1,398	32	768	1,630	1,889	8.35
1,461	33	807	1,729	1,960	8.67
1,601	35	861	1,806	1,993	9.37
1,679	37	945	1,890	2,050	9.74
1,773	40	1,016	1,979	2,201	10.03
1,815	42	1,191	2,246	2,345	10.65
1,994	46	1,481	2,800	2,495	12.57

Va	lue and Cost of Prod	uction		Profitability				
Milk	Operating Cost	Total Cost Production		m Income	Labor &	Change in Net Worth		
Receipts Per Cow	Producing Milk Per Cwt.	Per Cwt.	Total	Appreciation Per Cow	Mgmt. Income Per Operator	w/Appreciation		
(12)	(12)	(12)	(4)	(12)	(4)	(8)		
\$5,357	\$12.62	\$18.65	\$154,167	\$1,119	\$66,076	\$172,727		
4,947	13.34	19.54	131,616	990	44,769	127,157		
4,691	13.62	20.12	118,231	939	34,460	102,706		
4,504	14.05	20.51	110,788	894	27,002	85,266		
4,365	14.79	21.16	104,002	803	16,473	61,640		
4,138	15.29	21.68	91,937	739	8,921	47,813		
3,977	15.91	22.18	78,203	649	6,850	32,438		
3,836	16.32	23.30	58,821	509	1,561	19,590		
3,527	17.21	24.95	28,003	350	-18,889	11,057		
3,134	21.62	28.54	-25,774	-189	-58,275	-51,177		

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

### FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR MEDIUM FREESTALL DAIRY FARMS

26 Freestall Barn Dairy Farms with 201-500 Cows, New York, 2012

,	Size of Bu	siness	R	ates of Production	on	Labor	r 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
(14)*	(12)	(12)	(12)	(11)	(11)	(14)	(14)
13.87	495	12,329,374	27,998	3.9	24	64	1,564,831
12.67	442	11,692,326	27,415	3.6	23	54	1,343,334
11.13	420	10,805,436	26,872	3.5	21	50	1,271,722
9.33	410	10,623,697	26,355	3.4	20	49	1,205,301
8.82	404	10,150,046	25,840	3.3	18	48	1,151,950
8.38	371	9,093,718	25,142	2.9	 17	44	1,073,088
7.57	351	8,237,865	24,170	2.3	15	38	990,903
6.88	308	7,704,426	23,833	2.1	14	36	891,931
6.35	280	7,102,700	23,093	1.9	13	34	841,429
5.96	217	5,198,893	22,064	0.3	0	28	703,463

Grain	% Grain is	Machinery	Labor &	Feed & Crop	Feed & Crop
Bought	of Milk	Costs	Machinery	Expenses	Expenses Per
Per Cow	Receipts	Per Cow	Costs Per Cow	Per Cow	Cwt. Milk
(12)	(12)	(14)	(14)	(12)	(12)
\$1,200	25%	\$576	\$1,227	\$1,692	\$7.14
1,364	30	747	1,456	1,869	7.60
1,507	31	796	1,688	2,000	7.98
1,591	32	891	1,761	2,076	8.29
1,700	36	950	1,852	2,101	8.62
1,821	37	1,004	1,912	2,242	8.81
1,932	38	1,067	1,954	2,452	9.09
1,975	39	1,208	1,996	2,526	9.94
2,009	41	1,274	2,162	2,588	10.59
2,193	42	1,336	2,430	2,822	11.28

Va	lue and Cost of Prod	uction		Profitability				
Milk Receipts	Operating Cost Producing Milk	Total Cost Production		n Income ppreciation	Labor & Mgmt. Income	Change in Net Worth		
Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cwt.	Total	Per Cow	Per Operator	w/Appreciation		
(12)	(12)	(12)	(4)	(12)	(4)	(8)		
\$5,827	\$12.18	\$16.00	\$502,282	\$1,269	\$164,772	\$834,122		
5,344	13.36	18.10	338,708	1,081	143,113	364,795		
5,230	14.68	19.02	332,086	819	121,566	258,951		
5,164	15.34	19.80	280,427	765	113,937	202,812		
5,087	15.76	20.15	223,631	684	63,799	192,750		
4,931	16.02	20.54	197,836	593	38,795	150,331		
4,826	16.25	20.99	171,928	494	27,748	93,715		
4,735	17.25	21.40	151,725	407	14,344	57,635		
4,429	18.10	21.90	128,846	366	-1,853	11,178		
4,268	19.55	22.50	18,555	98	-89,664	-93,314		

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

### FARM BUSINESS CHART FOR LARGE FREESTALL DAIRY FARMS

81 Freestall Barn Dairy Farms with 500 or More Cows, New York, 2012

	Size of Bu	siness	R	Rates of Production			r 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
(14)*	(12)	(12)	(12)	(11)	(11)	(14)	(14)
46.40	2,263	60,289,397	29,309	5.4	25	60	1,606,174
31.21	1,521	39,040,936	27,637	4.1	20	53	1,389,915
26.24	1,207	32,748,186	27,084	3.7	19	50	1,321,936
23.52	1,065	27,961,562	26,680	3.4	18	48	1,231,299
20.99	945	24,798,633	26,164	3.1	17	46	1,193,752
19.11	861	22,556,058	25,633	3.0	 16	45	1,160,915
17.74	750	19,733,257	25,086	2.8	16	44	1,115,817
15.88	683	17,075,435	24,702	2.5	15	42	1,065,573
13.90	599	14,511,626	23,987	2.2	14	40	985,725
11.18	535	12,588,196	21,906	1.5	10	34	841,681

		Cost	Control		
Grain	% Grain is	Machinery	Labor &	Feed & Crop	Feed & Crop
Bought	of Milk	Costs	Machinery	Expenses	Expenses Per
Per Cow	Receipts	Per Cow	Costs Per Cow	Per Cow	Cwt. Milk
(12)	(12)	(14)	(14)	(12)	(12)
\$1,243	25%	\$554	\$1,212	\$1,667	\$6.67
1,460	29	684	1,447	1,841	7.45
1,585	32	751	1,546	1,971	7.68
1,650	33	809	1,611	2,079	8.05
1,737	34	859	1,649	2,159	8.35
1,803	35	913	1,698	2,231	8.73
1,866	37	957	1,759	2,306	8.98
1,921	38	1,013	1,842	2,382	9.27
2,049	39	1,073	1,934	2,516	9.63
2,358	44	1,135	2,060	2,808	10.48

Va	lue and Cost of Prod	uction		Profitability				
Milk	Operating Cost	Total Cost	Net Farn	n Income	Labor &	Change in		
Receipts	Producing Milk	Production	Without A	ppreciation	Mgmt. Income	Net Worth		
Per Cow	Per Cwt.	Per Cwt.	Total	Per Cow	Per Operator	w/Appreciation		
(12)	(12)	(12)	(4)	(12)	(4)	(8)		
\$5,842	\$12.36	\$16.46	\$2,266,759	\$1,477	\$672,724	\$2,399,931		
5,583	13.96	17.49	1,326,685	1,165	387,869	1,227,999		
5,361	14.55	18.16	971,270	1,006	275,376	872,461		
5,269	15.04	18.56	760,450	863	207,134	706,318		
5,136	15.71	18.97	620,419	696	154,087	569,879		
5,039	16.28	19.52	502,288	587	91,455	452,986		
4,955	16.65	19.82	369,849	455	40,376	292,602		
4,832	16.95	20.53	295,128	327	13,314	205,847		
4,676	17.41	21.22	159,783	203	-37,044	55,840		
4,331	19.26	22.73	-39,172	-28	-182,782	-711,388		

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

### **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 desired 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 **R**ewarding.
- 5. Goals should be Timed with a designated date by which the goal will be achieved.

Goal setting on a dairy farm should be 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:

- 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.
- c. Identify SMART goals.

### Worksheet for Setting Goals

I.	Mission and Objectives

### Worksheet for Setting Goals (Continued)

II. Goals	**	XX /1	777 · D 31
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### GLOSSARY AND LOCATION OF COMMON TERMS

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

<u>Accounts Receivable</u> - 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 11)

**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>bST Usage</u>** - An estimate of the percentage of herd, on average, that was supplemented with bovine somatotropin during the year.

<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 13)

**Cash Paid** - (defined on page 2)

Cash Receipts - (defined on page 4)

<u>Change in Accounts Payable</u> - (defined on page 3)

**Change in Accounts Receivable** - (defined on page 4)

**Change in Inventory** - (defined on page 2)

<u>Cost of Term Debt</u> - A weighted average of the cost of borrowed capital to the farm. Calculate by multiplying end of year principal of each loan that is borrowed by the interest rate for each loan at that time. Add up each amount that is calculated for each loan and then divide by total amount of borrowed funds. Do not include accounts payable, operating debt or advanced government receipts. This information is found on pages 8 & 9 of the data entry form.

<u>Culling Rate</u> - (defined on page 17)

**<u>Current Portion</u>** - (defined on page 7)

<u>Current Ratio</u> – Measures the extent to which current farm assets, if liquidated, would cover current farm liabilities. Calculated as current farm assets at end year divided by current farm liabilities at end year.

<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.

**<u>Debt Coverage Ratio</u>** – (defined on page 13)

**<u>Debt Per Cow</u>** - Total end-of-year debt divided by end-of-year number of cows.

**<u>Debt to Asset Ratios</u>** - (defined on page 9)

**Depreciation Expense Ratio** – Machinery and building depreciation divided by total accrual receipts.

<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.

<u>Farm Debt Payments as Percent of Milk Sales</u> - 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.

<u>Farm Debt Payments Per Cow</u> - 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.

<u>Financial Lease</u> - A long-term non-cancelable 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>Hired Labor Expense per Hired Worker Equivalent</u> – The total cost to the farm per hired worker equivalent. Divide accrual hired labor expense by number of hired plus family paid worker equivalents.

<u>Hired Labor Expense as % of Milk Sales</u> – The percentage of the gross milk receipts that is used for labor expense. Divide accrual hired labor expense by accrual milk sales.

<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.

<u>Interest Expense Ratio</u> – Accrual interest expense divided by total accrual receipts.

**<u>Labor and Management Income</u>** - (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.

<u>Labor Efficiency</u> - Production capacity and output per worker.

**Leverage Ratio** - (defined on page 9)

<u>Liquidity</u> - Ability of business to generate cash to make debt payments or to convert assets to cash.

**Net Farm Income** - (defined on page 5)

**Net Farm Income from Operations Ratio** - (defined on page 7)

Net Milk Receipts – Accrual milk receipts less milk marketing expense.

**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 18)

<u>Operating Expense Ratio</u> – Total accrual expenses less interest and machinery and building depreciation, divided by total accrual receipts.

<u>Opportunity Costs</u> - 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.

<u>Other Livestock Expenses</u> - All other dairy herd and livestock expenses not included in more specific categories. Other livestock expenses include; DHIC, registration fees and transfers.

<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 18)

**Renter** - Farm business owner/operator owns no tillable land and commonly rents all other farm real estate.

**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)

**Solvency** - 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 18)

<u>Whole Farm Method</u> - 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.

<u>Working Capital</u> – A theoretical measure of the amount of funds available to purchase inputs and inventory items after the sale of current farm assets and payment of all current farm liabilities. Calculated as current farm assets at end year less current farm liabilities at end year.

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