

2026 UNL Livestock Nov - [Oct] UNL Grow 17 replacement heifers-Panhandle-sample budget - 2026

Nonbreeding enterprise - Economic budget

Category				Herd Total	Per Head (17)
Revenue					
▼ Animal Sales	Weight (lbs)	Head	Price / cwt		
Cattle					
Transfer raised heifers to cow herd	1000	14	\$350.00	\$49,000	
Sell non-bred heifers	900	3	\$270.00	\$7,290	
Total Animal Sales				\$56,290	\$3,311
► Animal Transfers Out (non-cash)				\$0	\$0
► Additional Revenue				\$0	\$0
Total Gross Revenue				\$56,290	\$3,311
Animal Purchases / Transfers In				Herd Total	Per Head (17)
▼ Animal Purchases		Head	Price / head		
Cattle					
Transfer 17 head to grow as replacement heifers		17	\$2090.00	\$35,530	
Total Animal Purchases				\$35,530	\$2,090
► Animal Transfers In (non-cash)				\$0	\$0
Total Animal Purchases / Transfers In				\$35,530	\$2,090
Net Return Above Animal Purchases / Transfers				\$20,760	\$1,221
Operating Costs				Herd Total	Per Head (17)
▼ Feed	Amount		Price		
Cattle (feed)					
Corn stalks (Winter range - pasture)	90 days (ea)		\$1.25 / day	\$1,913	
Hay - Southern Panhandle	1500 lbs (ea)		\$180.00 / ton	\$2,295	
DDG cubes	350 lbs (ea)		\$180.00 / ton	\$535	
Salt & Mineral	1095 oz (ea)		\$1000.00 / ton	\$582	
Summer pasture for breeding heifers	150 days (ea)		\$1.25 / day	\$3,188	
Total Feed Cost				\$8,512	\$501
► Veterinary and Health				\$510	\$30
► Labor				\$3,000	\$176
► Fuel and Energy				\$1,000	\$59
► Repairs and Maintenance				\$1,500	\$88
► Other Materials				\$340	\$20
▼ Custom Services				\$0	\$0
► Marketing					
Cattle (marketing)					
Transfer raised heifers to cow herd				\$0	
Sell non-bred heifers				\$146	
Additional marketing				\$0	\$0
Total Marketing Cost				\$146	\$9
▼ Other Direct Expenses					

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Breeding Expense - A.I. or natural service with bull	\$1,020	\$60
Total Direct Expenses	\$1,020	\$60
Operating Costs Subtotal	\$16,028	\$943
Interest on Operating Capital	\$1,739	\$102
Total Operating and Animal Costs	\$53,297	\$3,135
Net Return Above Operating and Animal Costs	\$2,993	\$176
Ownership and Overhead Costs	Herd Total	Per Head (17)
General Overhead	\$1000.00	\$59
Facility Cash Costs	\$0	\$0
Vehicle Cash Costs	\$0	\$0
Equipment Depreciation	\$0	\$0
Facility Depreciation	\$0	\$0
Equipment Opportunity Cost	\$0	\$0
Facility Opportunity Cost	\$0	\$0
▼ Animal Opportunity Cost		
Animals	\$1,066	
Total Animal Opportunity Cost	\$1,066	\$63
Total Ownership Costs	\$2,066	\$122
Total Economic Cost	\$55,363	\$3,257
Net Return Above Total Costs	\$927	\$55

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Feed totals for this enterprise

Feed	Price	Amount	Total Cost
Corn stalks (Winter range - pasture)	\$1.25/day	1,530 days	\$1,912.50
DDG cubes	\$180.00/ton	2.975 tons	\$535.50
Hay - Southern Panhandle	\$180.00/ton	12.75 tons	\$2,295.00
Salt & Mineral	\$1000.00/ton	0.582 tons	\$581.72
Summer pasture for breeding heifers	\$1.25/day	2,550 days	\$3,187.50
		Total feed cost:	\$8,512.22