



# Heifer Replacement Costs

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# Replacement Heifer Breakeven Value

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- These values are based on the authors making subjective adjustments to Kansas, FAPRI, and Nebraska beef producer information, representing Nebraska cow-calf production costs. Revenues are based on FAPRI cow and calf forecasts for the next 11 seasons. Cows are no older than 12 years of age.

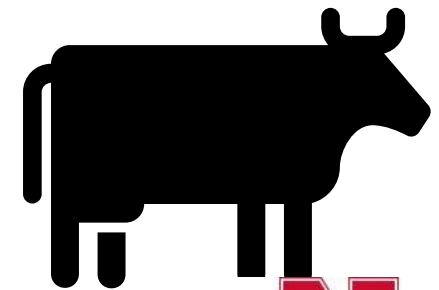
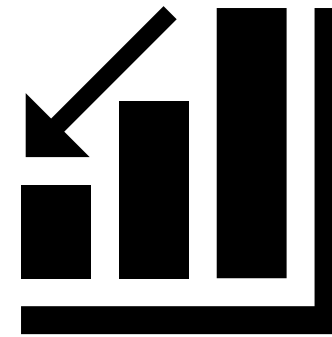
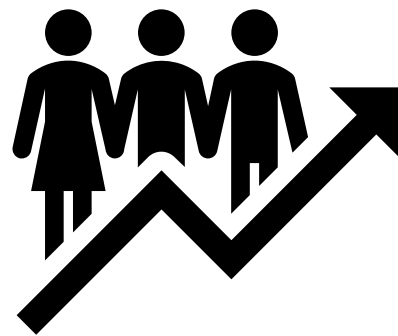
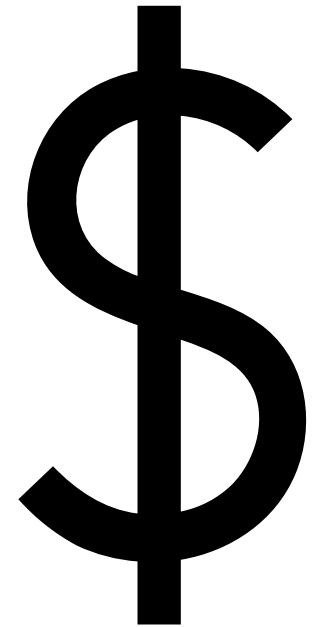


# What information is used

- Annual consistent replacement rates of 14, 20, 28%
- Three estimated levels of costs (UNL Cow-calf costs calculator)
  - High, Medium, Low
- Historical information on cow-calf productivity from GSL herd
- FAPRI, CattleFax, information to create localized prices and indices

# How we use the information

- Life like simulation
  - Biological
  - Marketing
  - Business
- Example



# Cow or Heifer Purchase Cow-Q-Lator



## Key Output Variables (KOV's)

Avg Breakeven Price	\$1,612.64
Avg Age to Positive Return	13
Avg Cow Age of the Herd	4.77
Mean Net Return (No NPV)	-\$1,244.25
Mean Net Return (NPV)	-\$1,189.98
Emperical Draw	98

4.85 Actual

Run Simulation

Age	Percent	Avg NPV	High NPV	Low NPV	Avg Breakeven	Cow Age
2 Year Old	28.5%	(\$1,523.09)	(\$1,184.33)	(\$1,868.64)	\$1,244.59	2
3 Year Old	15.1%	(\$1,409.26)	(\$1,144.85)	(\$1,788.08)	\$1,397.53	3
4 Year Old	13.0%	(\$1,321.23)	(\$949.29)	(\$1,666.29)	\$1,502.27	4
5 Year Old	10.7%	(\$1,197.79)	(\$833.27)	(\$1,631.24)	\$1,666.44	5
6 Year Old	8.2%	(\$1,021.47)	(\$598.91)	(\$1,412.51)	\$1,821.78	6
7 Year Old	5.8%	(\$863.15)	(\$544.80)	(\$1,301.84)	\$1,974.91	7
8 Year Old	5.0%	(\$719.60)	(\$395.26)	(\$1,142.82)	\$2,095.16	8
9 Year Old	5.0%	(\$677.60)	(\$362.68)	(\$943.28)	\$2,139.84	9
10 Year Old	3.4%	(\$477.42)	(\$104.73)	(\$994.84)	\$2,261.97	10
11 Year Old	2.8%	(\$499.72)	(\$195.28)	(\$862.88)	\$2,273.67	11
12 Year Old	2.5%	(\$370.82)	\$196.49	(\$934.83)	\$2,282.07	12





## Critically Important Factors When Purchasing Heifers

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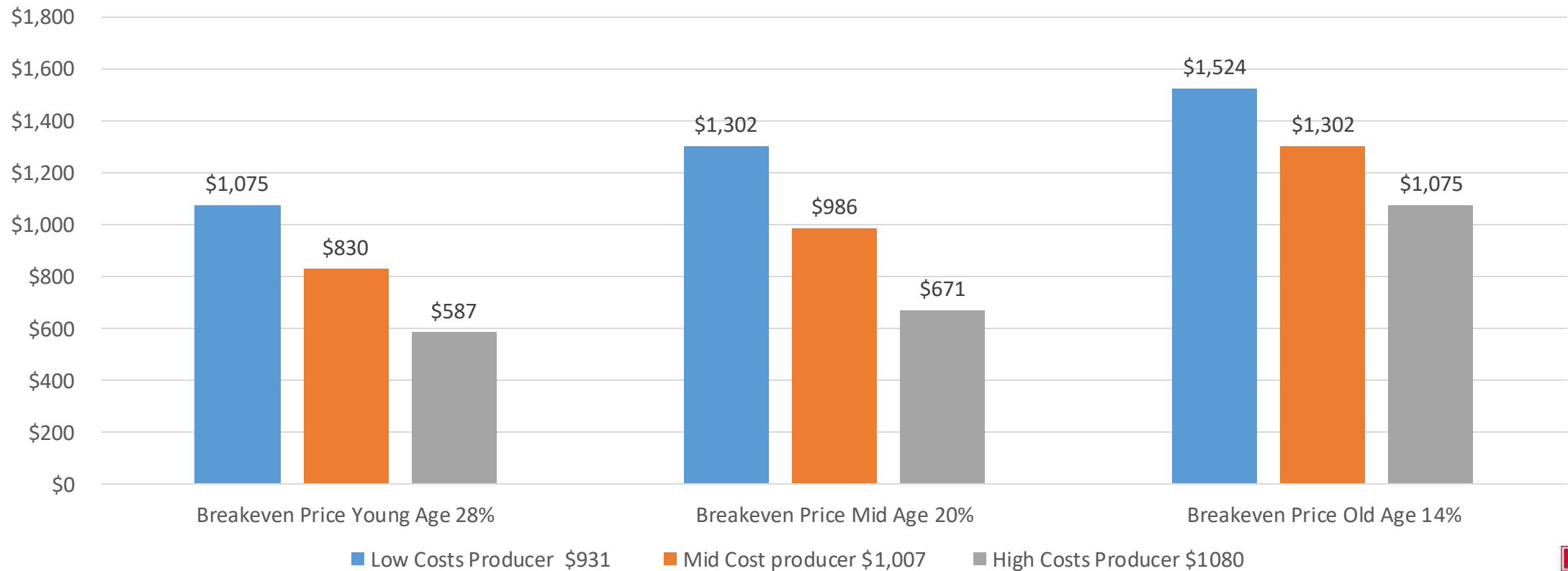
- Heifers' ability to stay in the herd (Longevity)
- Current and future expected difference between costs and revenues (includes cattle cycle)



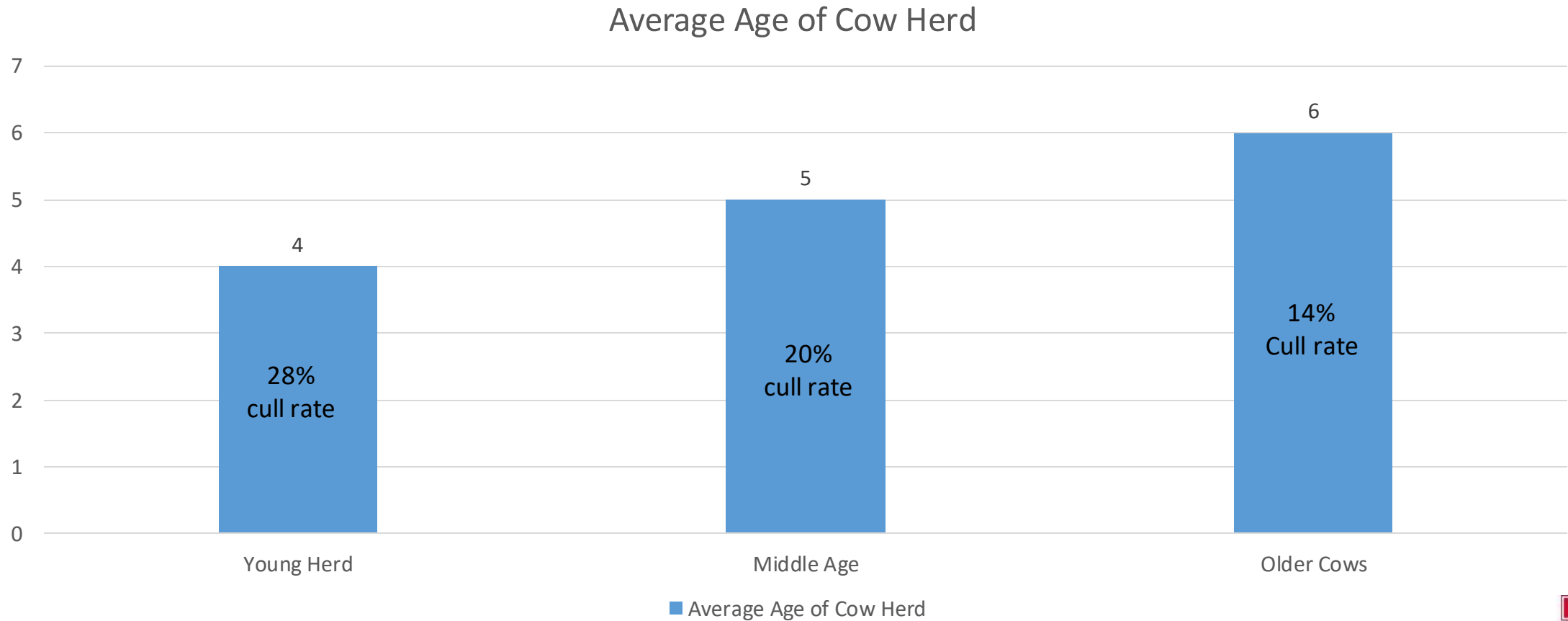


# Heifer Replacement Cost & Breakeven Scenario

Breakeven Price for Replacement Heifers



# Average of Cow Herd



## Breakeven Table by replacement rate and cost/hd

Cost/hd		14%	15%	16%	17%	18%	19%	20%
<b>Low</b>	\$930.96	\$1,524.64	\$1,487.56	\$1,450.49	\$1,413.42	\$1,376.34	\$1,339.27	\$1,302.20
	\$941.80	\$1,466.55	\$1,431.63	\$1,396.71	\$1,361.79	\$1,326.87	\$1,291.95	\$1,257.03
	\$952.65	\$1,408.46	\$1,375.70	\$1,342.93	\$1,310.17	\$1,277.40	\$1,244.64	\$1,211.87
	\$963.49	\$1,350.37	\$1,319.76	\$1,289.15	\$1,258.54	\$1,227.93	\$1,197.32	\$1,166.71
	\$974.33	\$1,292.28	\$1,263.83	\$1,235.37	\$1,206.92	\$1,178.46	\$1,150.01	\$1,121.55
	\$985.17	\$1,234.19	\$1,207.89	\$1,181.59	\$1,155.29	\$1,128.99	\$1,102.69	\$1,076.39
	\$996.02	\$1,176.11	\$1,151.96	\$1,127.81	\$1,103.67	\$1,079.52	\$1,055.38	\$1,031.23
<b>Med</b>	\$1,006.86	\$1,118.02	\$1,096.03	\$1,074.03	\$1,052.04	\$1,030.05	\$1,008.06	\$986.07
	\$1,017.33	\$1,060.52	\$1,040.61	\$1,020.71	\$1,000.80	\$980.90	\$960.99	\$941.09
	\$1,027.81	\$1,003.01	\$985.19	\$967.38	\$949.56	\$931.74	\$913.92	\$896.10
	\$1,038.28	\$945.51	\$929.78	\$914.05	\$898.31	\$882.58	\$866.85	\$851.11
	\$1,048.76	\$888.01	\$874.36	\$860.72	\$847.07	\$833.42	\$819.77	\$806.13
	\$1,059.23	\$830.51	\$818.95	\$807.39	\$795.83	\$784.26	\$772.70	\$761.14
	\$1,069.71	\$773.01	\$763.53	\$754.06	\$744.58	\$735.11	\$725.63	\$716.15
<b>High</b>	\$1,080.18	715.51	\$708.12	\$700.73	\$693.34	\$685.95	\$678.56	\$671.17

## Breakeven Table by replacement rate and cost/hd

Cost/hd		21%	22%	23%	24%	25%	26%	27%	28%
<b>Low</b>	\$930.96	\$1,273.81	\$1,245.43	\$1,217.05	\$1,188.67	\$1,160.29	\$1,131.91	\$1,103.53	\$1,075.15
	\$941.80	\$1,229.93	\$1,202.82	\$1,175.71	\$1,148.61	\$1,121.50	\$1,094.39	\$1,067.29	\$1,040.18
	\$952.65	\$1,186.04	\$1,160.21	\$1,134.37	\$1,108.54	\$1,082.71	\$1,056.87	\$1,031.04	\$1,005.21
	\$963.49	\$1,142.15	\$1,117.59	\$1,093.03	\$1,068.48	\$1,043.92	\$1,019.36	\$994.80	\$970.24
	\$974.33	\$1,098.27	\$1,074.98	\$1,051.70	\$1,028.41	\$1,005.12	\$981.84	\$958.55	\$935.27
	\$985.17	\$1,054.38	\$1,032.37	\$1,010.36	\$988.34	\$966.33	\$944.32	\$922.31	\$900.29
	\$996.02	\$1,010.49	\$989.75	\$969.02	\$948.28	\$927.54	\$906.80	\$886.06	\$865.32
<b>Med</b>	\$1,006.86	\$966.61	\$947.14	\$927.68	\$908.21	\$888.75	\$869.28	\$849.82	\$830.35
	\$1,017.33	\$922.90	\$904.71	\$886.53	\$868.34	\$850.16	\$831.97	\$813.79	\$795.60
	\$1,027.81	\$879.19	\$862.29	\$845.38	\$828.47	\$811.57	\$794.66	\$777.75	\$760.85
	\$1,038.28	\$835.49	\$819.86	\$804.23	\$788.60	\$772.98	\$757.35	\$741.72	\$726.10
	\$1,048.76	\$791.78	\$777.43	\$763.08	\$748.73	\$734.39	\$720.04	\$705.69	\$691.34
	\$1,059.23	\$748.07	\$735.00	\$721.93	\$708.87	\$695.80	\$682.73	\$669.66	\$656.59
	\$1,069.71	\$704.37	\$692.58	\$680.79	\$669.00	\$657.21	\$645.42	\$633.63	\$621.84
<b>High</b>	\$1,080.18	\$660.66	\$650.15	\$639.64	\$629.13	\$618.62	\$608.11	\$597.60	\$587.09



# Probability of paying off the \$1940.50 expected \$/hd. costs

\$/hd	Cost type	14% culling rate	20% culling rate	28% culling rate
\$931	Low	35.3%	22.1%	12%
\$1007	Medium	3.2%	1.9%	1%
\$1,081	High	.016%	.024%	.008%





Questions?