Crops and Livestock Budgets

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Farm owners/managers must answer several economic questions annually to determine the business feasibility of their operation. The budgeting process provides a basic source of information for answering economic questions and making farm management decisions. Budgeting is concerned with the coordination of resources, production, and expenditures.

The KSU-Detailed Cow/Calf Budget spreadsheet tool is designed to assist a cattle producer in assembling and evaluating an enterprise budget for a beef cow/calf herd that sells calves at weaning or soon after. There is an input sheet to help you gather the needed information for the budget. If you have multiple cow herds, such as a spring calving and fall calving herd, you will want to do a separate input sheet and budget for each. You can access the KSU-Detailed Cow/Calf Budget at https://www.agmanager.info/farm-mgmt-guides/livestock-budgets

There are also budgets available for non-irrigated crops. You can find them here https://www.agmanager.info/farm-budgets/2022-farm-management-guides-irrigated-crops
Irrigated crop budgets can be found here https://www.agmanager.info/farm-budgets/2022-farm-management-guides-irrigated-crops

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