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Income Possibilities From Finishing Feeder Pigs

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The following tables present the income per pig above cost of feed and cost of feeder pig, under various assumptions of feed conversion, feed price, feeder pig cost, and price for market hogs. The tables include the following assumptions:

Cost for 60#			
feeder pig	\$32	\$37	\$42
Feed conversion			
(lbs. of feed/			
lb. pork	3.75	4.00	4.25
Feed price (\$/cwt.)	4.00	4.50	5.00
Price for market			
hogs (\$/cwt.)	\$32	to	\$38
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If you plan to buy 60-pound feeders and market them in 90 days (90-110) as 230-pound hogs, you will be able to handle three groups per year with time to clean facilities between each group. To calculate the amount of return available to cover labor, buildings, interest, etc., select the proper set of conditions for feed conversion and prices to fit your situation. Then take the figure from column 10 of the appropriate table (tables are based on different feed conversion rates) and multiply it by the number of pigs marketed. This will show how much money will be available to cover the cost of buildings, equipment, interest, veterinarian, death loss, labor, elect., marketing, etc.

For example, assume you bought feeder pigs at \$32 per head, and expected a feed conversion rate of 3.75 and a feed price of \$4.00 per cwt. You would select these conditions in Table 1. Total cost for pig and feed (column 7) is \$57.60. Next, select your expected selling price. At \$32/cwt. the gross receipts would be \$73.60 leaving \$16.00 per pig above cost of feed and pig. At \$34/cwt. you would have \$20.60 per pig above cost of feed and pig.

FEED CONVERSION 3.75

TABLE 1. Net income/pig above cost of feed and feeder pig under the following assumptions: Pigs purchased at 60 lbs., sold at 230; feed conversion 3.75; feed price 4.0, 4.5, or 5c/lb.; feeder pig cost of \$32, \$37, or \$42/pig, and expected hog price of \$32–38/cwt.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Pounds	Feed	Pounds	Feed	Feed	Feeder	Sum	Expected	Gross	Net Above
Gain	Conver.	Feed	Price	Cost	Cost (\$)	5 & 6	Hog Price	Receipts	Feed & Pig
170	3.75	640	\$4.00	\$25.60	\$32	\$57.60	32¢	\$73.60	\$16.00
				4			33¢	75.90	18.30
							34¢	78.20	20.60
					\$37	\$62.60	34c	78.20	15.60
							35¢	80.50	17.90
							36c	82.80	20.20
					\$42	\$67.60	36¢	82.80	15.20
							37¢	85.10	17.50
							38¢	87.40	19,80
170	3.75	640	\$4.50	\$28.80	\$32	\$60.80	32c	73.60	12.80
							33¢	75.90	15.10
							34¢	78,20	17.40
					\$37	\$65.80	34¢	78.20	12.40
							35¢	80.50	14.70
							36ç	82.80	17.00
					\$42	\$70.80	36ç	82.80	12.00
							37¢	85.10	14.30
							38ċ	87,40	16.60
170	3.75	640	\$5.00	\$32.00	\$32	\$64.00	32¢	73.60	9.60
							33¢	75.90	11.90
							34ç	78.20	14.20
					\$37	\$69.00	34ç	78.20	9.20
							35¢	80.50	11.50
							36ç	82.80	13.80
					\$42	\$74.00	36¢	82.80	8.80
							37¢	85.10	11.10
							38¢	87.40	13.40

FEED CONVERSION 4.00

1 Pounds Gain	2 Feed Conver.	3 Pounds Feed	4 Feed Price	5 Feed Cost	6 Feeder Cost (\$)	7 Sum 5 & 6	8 Expected Hog Price	9 Gross Receipts	10 Net Above Feed & Pig
170 4.00 680	4.00	680	\$4.00	\$27.20	\$32	\$59.20	32¢ 33¢	\$73.60 75.90	\$14.40 16.70
					¢07	\$ (1 . 00	<u>34¢</u>	78.20	19.00
					\$37	\$64.20	34¢ 35¢ 36¢	78.20 80.50 82.80	14.00 16.30 18.60
				\$42	\$69.20	36¢ 37¢	82.80 85.10	13.60 15.90	
170 4.00 6	4.00	680	\$4.50	\$30.60	\$32	\$62.60	<u>38ç</u> 32ç 33ç 34ç	87.40 73.60 75.90 78.20	18.20 11.00 13.30 15.60
					\$37	\$67.60	34¢ 34¢ 35¢ 36¢	78.20 78.20 80.50 82.80	10.60 12.90 15.20
				\$42	\$72.60	36¢ 36¢ 37¢ 38¢	82.80 85.10 87.40	10.20 12.50 14.80	
170 4.0	4.00	680	\$5.00	\$34.00	\$32	\$66.00	32¢ 33¢ 34¢	73.60 75.90 78.20	7.60 9.90 12.20
					\$37	\$71.00	34¢ 35¢ 36¢	78.20 80.50 82.80	7.20 9.50 11.80
					\$42	\$76.00	36¢ 37¢ 38¢	82.80 85.10 87.40	6.80 9.10 11.40

TABLE 2: Net income/pig above cost of feed and feeder pig under the following assumptions: Pigs purchased at 60 lbs., sold at 230; feed conversion 4.00; feed price 4, 4.5, or 5¢/lb.; feeder pig price \$32, \$37, or \$42/pig, and hog price of \$32–38/cwt.

FEED CONVERSION 4.25

TABLE 3: Net income/pig above cost of feed and feeder pig under the following assumptions: Pigs purchased at 60 lbs., sold at 230; feed conversion 4.25; feed price 4.0, 4.5, or 5¢/lb.; feeder pig price \$32, \$37, or \$42/pig, and hog price of \$32–38/cwt.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Pounds	Feed	Pounds	Feed	Feed	Feeder	Sum	Expected	Gross	Net Above
Gain	Conver.	Feed	Price	Cost	Cost (\$)	5 & 6	Hog Price	Receipts	Feed & Pig
170	4.25	725	\$4.00	\$29.00	\$32	\$61.00	32¢	\$73.60	\$12.60
							33¢	75.90	14.90
							34¢	78.20	17.20
					\$37	\$66.00	34¢	78.20	12.20
							35c	80.50	14.50
							36¢	82.80	16.80
					\$42	\$71.00	36¢	82.80	11.80
							37¢	85.10	14.10
							38c	87.40	16.40
170	4.25	725	\$4.50	\$32.65	\$32	\$64.65	32¢	73.60	8.95
			+				33¢	75.90	11.25
							34c	78.20	13.55
					\$37	\$69.65	34c	78.20	8.55
							35c	80.50	10.85
							36c	82.80	13.15
					\$42	\$74.65	36¢	82.80	8.15
							37¢	85.10	10.45
							38¢	87.40	12.75
170	4.25	725	\$5.00	\$36.25	\$32	\$68.25	32¢	73.60	5.35
							33¢	75.90	7.65
							34¢	78.20	9.95
					\$37	\$73.25	34¢	78.20	4.95
							35¢	80.50	7.25
							36c	82.80	9.55
					\$42	\$78.25	36¢	82.80	4.55
							37¢	85.10	6.85
							38c	87.40	9.15

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