

Table 1. Dade Beans: Estimated production costs in the Dade County area, 1998-99

Category	Average per	
	Acre	Bushel
Yield (30 lb. bushels)	185	
OPERATING COSTS	-----Dollars-----	
Seed	94.50	
Fertilizer and lime	144.75	
Fungicide	155.38	
Herbicide	2.25	
Insecticide	114.59	
Labor	362.66	
Machinery	252.62	
Interest	38.37	
Miscellaneous		
Well maintenance	15.00	
Farm trucks	16.11	
Total operating cost	1,196.23	
FIXED COST		
Land rent	450.00	
Machinery	72.76	
Supervision	412.96	
Overhead	454.25	
Total fixed cost	1,389.97	
TOTAL PREHARVEST COST	2,606.91	14.09
HARVEST AND MARKETING COSTS		
Mechanical harvest (incl. container)	92.50	
Hydro-cool	786.25	
Load	129.50	
Selling	120.25	
Total harvest and marketing cost	1,128.50	6.10
Total Cost	3,735.41	20.19

Table 2. Dade Beans: Estimated net returns for various price and yield combinations in the Dade County area, 1998-99.

Yield (bushels)	<u>Dollars per bushel</u>				
	10.00	12.00	14.00	16.00	18.00
170	-1,904.52	-1,564.52	-1,224.52	-884.52	-544.52
177	-1,875.27	-1,520.27	-1,165.27	-810.27	-455.27
185	-1,846.02	-1,476.02	-1,106.02	-736.02	-366.02
192	-1,816.77	1431.77	-1046.77	-661.77	-276.77
200	-1,787.52	-1387.52	-987.52	-587.52	-187.52