

Table 3. Cabbage: Estimated production costs in the Hastings area, 1998-99.

Category	Average per	
	Acre	Crate
Yield (50 lb. crates)	425	
<b>OPERATING COSTS</b>	-----Dollars-----	
Transplants	263.50	
Fertilizer	174.75	
Fungicide	37.10	
Herbicide	27.50	
Insecticide	128.82	
Nematicide	36.35	
Labor	112.37	
Machinery	132.60	
Miscellaneous		
Tranplant Cabbage	110.50	
Farm trucks	11.07	
Interest	56.07	
Total operating cost	1,090.63	
<b>FIXED COST</b>		
Land rent	100.00	
Machinery	49.41	
Supervision		
Overhead	307.76	
Total fixed cost	457.17	
<b>TOTAL PREHARVEST COST</b>	1,547.80	3.64
<b>HARVEST AND MARKETING COSTS</b>		
Cut and pack	446.25	
Haul	63.75	
Containers	467.50	
Selling	233.75	
Total harvest and marketing cost	1,211.25	2.85
<b>TOTAL COST</b>	2,759.05	6.49

Table 4. Cabbage: Estimated net returns for various price and yield combinations in the Hastings area, 1998-99.

Yield (crates)	Dollars per crate				
	5.00	5.75	6.50	7.25	8.00
375	-820.29	-539.04	-257.79	23.46	304.71
400	-766.54	-466.54	-166.54	133.46	433.46
425	-712.79	-394.04	-75.29	243.46	562.21
450	-659.04	-321.54	15.96	353.46	690.96
475	-605.29	-249.04	107.21	463.46	819.71