

Table 3. Cabbage: Estimated production costs in the Hastings area, 1999-2000

Category	Average per	
	Acre	Crate
Yield (50 lb. crates)	425	
OPERATING COSTS	-----Dollars-----	
Transplants	240.00	
Fertilizer	152.75	
Fungicide	42.41	
Herbicide	34.00	
Insecticide	149.46	
Nematicide	42.35	
Labor	229.89	
Machinery	147.24	
Miscellaneous		
Set Plants	102.00	
Cover Crop Seed	6.40	
Farm Vehicles	10.35	
Interest	57.33	
Total operating cost	1,214.09	
FIXED COST		
Land rent	100.00	
Machinery	60.54	
Overhead	329.33	
Total fixed cost	489.87	
TOTAL PREHARVEST COST	1,703.96	4.01
HARVEST AND MARKETING COSTS		
Cut and pack	403.75	0.95
Haul	42.50	0.10
Containers	425.00	1.00
Selling	212.50	0.50
Total harvest and marketing cost	1,083.75	2.55
TOTAL COST	2,787.71	6.56

Table 4. Cabbage: Estimated net returns for various price and yield combinations in the Hastings area, 1999-2000

Yield (crates)	Dollars per crate				
	5.00	5.75	6.50	7.25	8.00
375	-785.21	-503.96	-222.71	58.54	339.79
400	-723.96	-423.96	-123.96	176.04	476.04
425	-662.71	-343.96	-25.21	293.54	612.29
450	-601.46	-263.96	73.54	411.04	748.54
475	-540.21	-183.96	172.29	528.54	884.79