

Table 7. Sweet Corn: Estimated production costs in the Palm Beach County area, 1999-2000

Category	Average per	
	Acre	Crate
Yield (42 lb. crate)	250	
OPERATING COSTS	-----Dollars-----	
Seed	63.00	
Fertilizer	326.95	
Fungicide	33.40	
Herbicide	26.87	
Insecticide	255.23	
Labor	226.07	
Machinery	348.40	
Interest	47.16	
Miscellaneous		
Crop Insurance	25.00	
Farm Vehicles	16.12	
Aerial Spray	50.05	
Clean Ditches	17.50	
Scout Corn	20.00	
Contract Fertilizer Application	3.25	
Total operating cost	1,459.00	
FIXED COST		
Land rent	400.00	
Machinery	111.11	
Supervision	384.59	
Overhead	480.74	
Total fixed cost	1,376.44	
TOTAL PREHARVEST COST	2,835.44	11.34
HARVEST AND MARKETING COSTS		
Pick, pack and haul	325.00	1.30
Crates	362.50	1.45
Sell	50.00	0.20
Total harvest and marketing cost	737.50	2.95
TOTAL COST	3,572.94	14.29

Table 8. Sweet Corn: Estimated net returns for various price and yield combinations for the initial crop of a double-crop system in the Palm Beach County area, 1999-2000

Yield (crates)	Dollars per crate				
	7.00	8.25	9.50	10.75	12.00
200	-2,025.44	-1,775.44	-1,525.44	-1,275.44	-1,025.44
225	-1,924.19	-1,642.94	-1,361.69	-1,080.44	-799.19
250	-1,822.94	-1,510.44	-1,197.94	-885.44	-572.94
275	-1,721.69	-1,377.94..	-1,034.19	-690.44	-346.69
300	-1620.44	1,245.441	-870.44	-495.44	-120.44