

Summer Squash: Estimated production costs in the Dade County area, 2002-2003.

CATEGORY	Average Per	
	Acre	Bushels
<u>YIELD</u>	375	
<u>OPERATING COSTS</u>	- - - DOLLARS - - -	
Seed	157.50	
Fertilizer	187.00	
Fungicide	192.23	
Insecticide	119.51	
General Farm Labor	174.78	
Machinery Variable Cost	271.91	
Tractor Driver Labor	46.69	
<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>		
Well Maintenance	30.00	
Farm Vehicles	25.83	
Interest on Operating Capital	70.53	
Total Operating Cost	1,275.98	
<u>FIXED COSTS</u>		
Land Rent	300.00	
Machinery Variable Cost	74.80	
Farm Management	316.05	
Overhead	395.06	
Total Fixed Cost	1,085.91	
TOTAL PREHARVEST COST	2,361.89	6.30
<u>HARVEST AND MARKETING COSTS</u>		
Squash Crate	506.25	1.35
Sell	187.50	0.50
Pick and Haul	731.25	1.95
Grade, Load and Cool	562.50	1.50
TOTAL HARVEST and MARKETING COST	1,987.50	5.30
<u>TOTAL COST</u>	<u>4,349.39</u>	<u>11.60</u>

Summer Squash: Estimated net returns for various price and yield
 Combinations in the Dade County area, 2002-2003.

YIELD (bushel)	<u>Dollars per bushel</u>				
	8.00	9.75	11.50	13.25	15.00
300	-1,552.00	-1,027.00	-502.00	23.00	548.00
337	-1,451.00	-860.00	-269.00	321.00	912.00
375	-1,349.00	-693.00	-37.00	619.00	1,276.00
412	-1,248.00	-526.00	196.00	917.00	1,639.00
450	-1,147.00	-359.00	428.00	1,216.00	2,003.00