

Tomatoes: Estimated production costs in the Southwest Florida area 2002-2003.

Category	Average Per	
	Acre	cartons
<u>YIELD</u>	1,400	
<u>OPERATING COSTS</u>	- - - DOLLARS - - -	
TRANSPLANTS	480.00	
FERTILIZER	335.50	
FUMIGANT	564.00	
FUNGICIDE	328.12	
HERBICIDE	75.73	
INSECTICIDE	483.04	
GENERAL FARM LABOR	140.63	
MACHINERY OPERATING COST	730.94	
TRACTOR DRIVER LABOR	193.55	
<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>		
DRIP TUBE	290.40	
PLASTIC MULCH	234.00	
STAKES	75.00	
PLASTIC STRING	37.50	
STRING AND STAKE DISPOSAL	123.42	
SCOUTING	35.00	
PRUNNING	79.86	
PLASTIC DISPOSAL	163.35	
LEVEL LAND	145.00	
FARM VEHICLES	20.67	
DRIVE STAKES	81.31	
CROSS DITCH	27.20	
TIE TOMATOES	145.20	
INTEREST ON OPERATING CAPITAL	212.45	
TOTAL OPERATING COST	5,001.87	
<u>FIXED COSTS</u>		
LAND RENT	450.00	
MACHINERY FIXED COST	197.67	
FARM MANAGEMENT	1,087.42	
OVERHEAD	1,359.27	
TOTAL FIXED COST	3,094.36	
TOTAL PREHARVEST COST	8,096.22	5.78
<u>HARVEST AND MARKETING COSTS</u>		
TOMATO CARTON	1,050.00	0.75
SELL	210.00	0.15
PICK AND HAUL	1,078.00	0.77
PACK	2,590.00	1.85
VARIOUS ASSOCIATION FEES	126.00	0.09
TOTAL HARVEST AND MARKETING COST	5,054.00	3.61
<u>TOTAL COST</u>	<u>13,150.22</u>	<u>9.39</u>

Tomatoes: Estimated net returns for various price and yield
 Combinations in the Southwest Florida area, 2002-2003.

YIELD (cartons)	<u>Dollars per carton</u>				
	6.75	8.00	9.25	10.50	11.75
1,000	-4,956.00	-3,706.00	-2,456.00	-1,206.00	44.00
1,200	-4,328.00	-2,828.00	-1,328.00	172.00	1,672.00
1,400	-3,700.00	-1,950.00	-200.00	1,550.00	3,300.00
1,600	-3,072.00	-1,072.00	928.00	2,928.00	4,928.00
1,800	-2,444.00	-194.00	2,056.00	4,306.00	6,556.00