



## Enterprise Budgeting Resources for Wisconsin Strawberry Farmers

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This list of resources was prepared for Wisconsin Berry Growers Association 2007 Summer Field day on May 25, 2007. The list is not complete, but includes some readily available resources that seemed useful. If you have questions, or want more information, contact the author or your UW Extension county agriculture or horticulture agent.

Strawberry Production Guide for the Northeast, Midwest, and Eastern Canada. Natural Resource, Agriculture, and Engineering Service: Ithaca, NY. NAREAS-88. March, 1998. 162 pages, \$45. Most comprehensive production guide, which includes a comprehensive spreadsheet program to estimate your cost of production and net returns. Order at <http://www.nraes.org/publications/nraes88.html>.

Web page maintained by Cornell University with a comprehensive link of many useful strawberry resources: <http://www.fruit.cornell.edu/Berries/strawberry.html>. Most of the production guides (perennial, day-neutral, organic) have economics sections at the end with cost of production estimates of varying quality.

Strawberry budgets available from various U.S. states and Canadian provinces:

Ohio State University has budget templates for various crops, including strawberries at <http://www-agecon.ag.ohio-state.edu/Programs/FarmManagement/Budgets/scrops/>

Pennsylvania State University has short descriptive guides and basic budgets for several crops, including strawberries available at <http://agalternatives.aers.psu.edu/>

University of Georgia, Strawberry Enterprise Cost Analysis, is a fairly detailed cost analysis for production in Georgia, but it may give useful ideas for a Wisconsin cost analysis. <http://www.ces.uga.edu/Agriculture/agecon/budgets/printed/strawpub.pdf>

Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs has spreadsheet Budgeting Tools available for many crops, including commercial and pick your own strawberries: <http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/busdev/bear2000/Budgets/budgettools.htm>

Paul D. Mitchell's Extension Web Page: <http://www.aae.wisc.edu/mitchell/extension.htm>.

Has several Cost of Production materials available, including spreadsheets. See Estimate Your Cost of Potato Production for a Schedule F based cost of production estimation system for a multiple-enterprise farm.

Paul D. Mitchell's AAE 320: Farming Systems Management Class Web Page:

<http://www.aae.wisc.edu/aae320/main.html> has many farm management materials available, including presentations on Enterprise Budgeting and Machinery Costs with links to other information and examples.

Kay, R.D., Edwards, W.M., Duffy, P.A. 2004. *Farm Management*, 5<sup>th</sup> ed. New York, NY: McGraw-Hill. ISBN 0-07-242868-6. The standard farm management textbook with chapters on developing enterprise budgets. Not cheap, consider ordering a used text. Also, a new edition will be available soon.