

**Table 16. 2008 Estimated Production Costs and Returns - Dryland Corn in Northeastern Colorado. Reduced-Till in a Two-Crop in Three-Year Rotation.**

	Unit	Price or Cost/Unit	Quantity	Value or Cost Per Acre	Value or Cost/Unit Production	Your Farm
<b>GROSS RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCTION</b>						
CORN	BU	3.95	56.88	224.68		
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>				<b>224.68</b>	<b>3.95</b>	
<b>DIRECT COSTS</b>						
<b>Operating Preharvest</b>						
SEED	DOLS	18.35	1.00	18.35	0.32	
FERTILIZER	DOLS	47.67	1.00	47.67	0.84	
HERBICIDE	DOLS	34.73	1.00	34.73	0.61	
CUSTOM APPLICATION	DOLS	6.00	1.00	6.00	0.11	
CROP INSURANCE	DOLS	14.44	1.00	14.44	0.25	
FUEL	DOLS			5.17	0.09	
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	DOLS			2.56	0.05	
LABOR	DOLS			1.82	0.03	
INTEREST EXPENSE <sup>2</sup>	DOLS			4.58	0.08	
<b>Total Preharvest</b>				<b>135.32</b>	<b>2.38</b>	
<b>Operating Harvest</b>						
FUEL	DOLS			5.94	0.10	
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	DOLS			4.77	0.08	
LABOR	DOLS			1.35	0.02	
HAULING <sup>1</sup>	DOLS			10.03	0.18	
<b>Total Harvest</b>				<b>22.09</b>	<b>0.39</b>	
<b>Total Operating Costs</b>				<b>157.41</b>	<b>2.77</b>	
<b>Property and Ownership Costs</b>						
MACHINERY OWNERSHIP COSTS	DOLS			23.98	0.42	
GENERAL FARM OVERHEAD	DOLS			10.00	0.18	
REAL ESTATE TAXES	DOLS			1.86	0.03	
<b>Total Property and Ownership Costs</b>				<b>35.84</b>	<b>0.63</b>	
<b>TOTAL DIRECT COSTS</b>				<b>193.25</b>	<b>3.40</b>	
<b>NET RECEIPTS BEFORE FACTOR PAYMENTS</b>				<b>31.43</b>	<b>0.55</b>	
<b>FACTOR PAYMENTS</b>						
LAND @ 4.00% <sup>3</sup>	DOLS			28.80	0.51	
<b>RETURN TO MANAGEMENT AND RISK</b>				<b>2.63</b>	<b>0.05</b>	

1 Hauling Machinery & Labor Charges = \$0.17/Bushel

2 Interest on Operating Capital is calculated on 1/2 of pre-harvest operating costs at 7%

3 Includes allocation of fallow acres in the rotation

**BREAKEVEN ANALYSIS - PER ACRE RETURNS OVER TOTAL DIRECT COSTS (\$/ACRE)**

				<b>ALTERNATIVE PRICES</b>				
				\$/BU				
				-25%	-10%		+10%	+25%
				\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
ALTERNATIVE YIELDS	-25%	42.7	\$	(66.87)	\$(41.59)	\$(24.74)	\$(7.89)	\$17.39
	-10%	51.2	\$	(41.59)	\$(11.26)	\$8.96	\$29.18	\$59.51
BUSHEL		56.9	\$	(24.74)	\$8.96	\$31.43	\$53.90	\$87.60
	+10%	62.6	\$	(7.89)	\$29.18	\$53.90	\$78.61	\$115.68
	+25%	71.1	\$	17.39	\$59.51	\$87.60	\$115.68	\$157.81