Financial Statements – WHY?

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I have calves to feed, checks to write, feed to grind, a mower to fix, and my kid’s ballgame to attend! Why should I spend time keeping good records and more time analyzing them!
Questions

• How much income did I make last year on my farm?
• To what do I attribute my income, i.e., where did it come from (better prices, lower production costs, increased production)?
• What is my business worth?
• Is my wealth growing?
• How is my wealth growing comparatively?
Questions

• I would like to expand my beef enterprise, what will I need to get debt financing?
• Perhaps I would like to, but should I expand my beef enterprise?
• Taxes are due next month – oh ______!!!
• What do I need to get a loan from the bank?
Questions

• Can I meet cash needs when bills come due?
• If not, when will I be short and by how much?
• Do I need to prepare for periods of excess cash?
1. Because it makes a difference on your bottom-line
2. It is what lenders require to do business
3. It is what lenders/others need to help and assist your management efforts
4. Because you need to know where to spend your valuable management time to improve profitability
Financial Analysis – WHY?

*Because Management Makes a Difference on the Bottom-Line*

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Source: Center for Farm Financial Management, UOM
Net Farm Income (w. Econ Depr)
CDP: 100-250 cows, freestalls, no organic, no pasture

Source: Center for Dairy Profitability AgFA Database
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Source: Center for Farm Financial Management, UOM
2. It is What Lenders Require to Do Business

People put $$ in Savings

Pay interest

savings

Bank

Pay interest

lends

savings

Borrowers

Regulators assure good lending practices

Good lending practices include financial statements
3. It is What the Lender/Others Need To Help You Be a Better Manager

- Well done financial statements will allow the lender/others help you:
  - Structure your debt repayment
  - Plan your cash flow
  - Plan for future expansion or contraction
  - Plan for profitability
  - Plan for risk
4. Because it lets you know where to spend your valuable management time

Burkey Farms

• Began in-depth financial analysis in 2003
  – Switched from raising breeding stock to buying
  – Switched from 3-stage farrow-finish to 2 stage
    • Saved $2/cwt
  – Changed their sort practices.
  
  – In total, added $50,000 net income
Production Activities  
Investment Activities  
Financing Activities  
Analysis Activities

Accounting and Record Keeping System That Can Tell You:

Where You Are  
Where You Got There  
Where You Are Planning on Going

Our Focus Today:

Balance Sheet  
Income Statement  
Cash Flow Budget  
Pro Forma Income and Balance St.

Statement of Owner Equity  
Statement of Cash Flow  
Enterprise Budget  
Partial Budget
Better Farm Management Via Financial Records and Analysis

**Appropriately and Accurately:**

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5. **Manage**, that is, plan and implement informed management decisions.
Let’s Kick the **Balance Sheet** Tires!
The Balance Sheet

• Is a reflection of the value of your business TODAY, a point in time appraisal of value:
  – everything you own (Assets),
  – everything you owe (Liabilities),
  – and the difference between the two (Owner Equity or Networth).
The word “balance” comes from the need to balance assets against liabilities and owner equity,

Assets = Liabilities + Owner Equity
Balance Sheet

• The balance sheet reflects that there are two groups that lay claim to every penny of assets in the business
  – Creditors (first in line)
  – Owners (you)

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Those assets claimed by creditors  Those assets claimed by you
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Balance Sheet

• Two kinds of balance statement numbers – cost basis and market basis
  1. Cost basis
    • Assets valued at their original cost less accumulated depreciation
    • A true picture of operational business performance
Balance Sheet

2. Market basis

- Assets at market value.

- A “true” reflection of the value of the business today if you sold it

- Not a “true” value of operational performance
Why a Balance Sheet??

1. Let’s you know what your business is worth financially.
   - If I sell out today and pay all my debts, what’s left over?

2. Is it growing?

3. Where is my owner equity coming from?
   - Profitable operations, land appreciation, etc.
Why a Balance Sheet??

4. Allows a lender to assess if there is enough collateral to cover a loan

5. Allows you to assess
   - Liquidity
     - ability to meet short-term (1 year) financial obligations under normal operating conditions.
   - Solvency
     - ability to cover all short and long-run obligations with the assets of the business
Why a Balance Sheet??

6. Allows you to assess the value of your assets in terms of their use in generating profits.
   • A return to your investment
Anatomy of Returns

Total Assets = Total Liabilities + Total Equity

- Total amount of stuff used in the business to make profits (supplies, inputs, breeding stock, machinery, etc.)
- How much of that stuff is financed by the “bank” (debt capital)
- How much of that stuff is financed by your money (equity capital)

So, when you make profits, those profits are a return to all the assets, some of which is a return to your money invested (equity capital) and some of which is a return to the bank’s money (debt capital).
Anatomy of Returns – Case 2

- $1,000 of Total Assets
- $700 my money, $300 borrowed at 8%
- generated $500 of total revenue,
- $400 of expenses before interest
- $100 profit before interest
- $76 profits after $24 interest expenses.

I leveraged someone else’s money to increase the return to my money.

My money (Equity Capital)

$700

Total Assets

$1000

Bank’s money (Debt capital)

$300

ROROA = 10%

ROROE = 10.9%

$10.9 cents of income per dollar of your money

Before interest $0.10 cents of income per dollar of all assets used.

ROROA > i-rate The extra is payment to equity

10% 8%
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Have We Kicked the **Balance Sheet** Tires Enough!
Let’s Kick the *Income Statement* Tires!
Why the Income Statement

1. Because net farm income is the single most important measure of performance
   - Did I make or lose money
   - How much did I make or lose
   - How much did I pay to get the money I made (efficiency)
   - Where did all the money go
     - Labor
     - Management
     - Bank
     - Profits, etc.
Where did all the money go

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<td>Herd size</td>
<td>58</td>
<td>59</td>
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<td>Production per cow</td>
<td>22,453</td>
<td>22,633</td>
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<td>Total Revenue</td>
<td>225,724</td>
<td>225,362</td>
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Where did all the money go

Farm 1 (ROROA = -0.5\%)
Per Dollar Gross Revenue

Farm 2 (ROROA = 9.2\%)
Per Dollar Gross Revenue

Operating
Depreciation
Interest
Wages
Rents & Leases
Profits
**Income Statement**

• Three main parts

1. How much money came in (revenues, receipts)

2. How much money went out (expenses)

3. What’s the difference (profits)
Income Statement

• Two ways to categorize revenues, expenses, and profits:
  - CASH: When cash exchanges hands
  - ACCRUAL: When income/expenses are “realized”
Cash Income Statement

• When cash exchanges hands
  – Corn that has been combined and put in the bin does not get counted as revenue until it is sold and cash exchanges hands.
    • That may be this year or next year
  – Exception to the cash rule: Depreciation
Accrual Income Statement

• When income/expenses are “realized”
  – Corn that has been harvested and put in the bin is a “realized” revenue and its value is part of the Accrual income statement this year
  • Even if it is actually sold next year
Accrual vs Cash

• Cash is easier
• Cash allows for income tax management
• Cash is what most Agricultural producers do
• IRS allows it

• Accrual is what most Agricultural producers should do.
• Accrual provides “true” profitability.
• Don’t use cash to analyze the business’s profitability
• If you want to conduct serious and meaningful financial analysis, Accrual is the way to go.
Study, University of Illinois

- An evaluation of Cash versus Accrual statements for the same farms showed an 85% difference in measured income.

- So:
  - Use Cash for tax management
  - Use Accrual for “True” assessment of profitability
Accrual Income Statement - How

• Start with cash and adjust for income/expenses “realized” this accounting period

Cash  +(-)  (ending value – beginning value)
Cash to Accrual Example

- Beginning value of grain in a bin on Jan 1, 2011 is $5,000
- Harvested and put $3,000 of grain in the bin during 2011
- Sold $1,000 worth during 2011
- Ending value on December 31, 2011 is $7,000

Cash income = $1,000
Accrual income = $3,000

Cash + (-) (ending value – beginning value)

1,000 + (7,000 – 5,000)
## Cash or Accrual?

### Accrual Adjusted

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<td>Changes in accounts receivable + (ending – beginning accounts rec.)</td>
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<td>Other revenues (govt. pmts., custom work, accrual adjustments, etc.)</td>
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<td>- Less feed costs and feeder livestock (aka: Cost of Goods Sold)</td>
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<td><strong>Value of Farm Production (aka: Gross Margin)</strong></td>
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Link Between Balance Sheet and Income Statement

- Net Farm Income from the Income Statement becomes an addition to owner equity in the Balance Sheet.
**WI Dairy Farm Y**

- Average Rate of Return on Equity on all WI Dairy Farms of 100-150 herd size in 2005 was 9.0%.
- Rate of Return on Equity for Farm Y was 5.9%
- Production was higher than average, so why is ROROE so low?
  - Farm records analysis shows that they are paying more input costs per unit of production. Repairs, labor, breeding fees and other costs are higher than the average.
Have we kicked the Income Statement Tires Enough!
Let’s Kick the **Cash Flow** **Budget** Tires!
Accounting and Record-Keeping System That Can Tell You:

- Where You Are
- and How You Got There

- Where You Are Planning on Going

**Production Activities**

**Investment Activities**

**Financing Activities**

**Analysis Activities**

**Statement of Cash Flow**

**Statement of Owner Equity**

**Income Statement**

**Statement of Cash Flow**

**Balance Sheet**

**Cash Flow Budget**

**Pro Forma Income and Balance St.**

**Enterprise Budget**

**Partial Budget**
Cash Flow Budget - WHY?

• Forces the planning function of management
• Answers the question, “Can I pay my bills and when?”
• Assess when you need cash and how much
• Assess when you have excess cash and how much
• Assess loan needs & repayment
• Allows you to **PLAN** sales at the most opportune times (rather than being forced to sell)
• Communication document
# Cash Flow Budget Format

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Keyword is Cash

• If cash exchanges hands it goes on the cash flow budget
  – Includes:
    • Principal payments
    • Capital asset purchases
    • New loan proceeds
  – Does Not Include:
    • Depreciation
    • Inventory or other accrual adjustment changes
    • Opportunity costs
    • Unpaid labor and management
Cash Flow Is **Not**

- Income Statement
- Enterprise Budget

- To use as a proxy for either could lead to poor management decisions.
Rules 1 & 2

1. If cash has not exchanged hands then it does not belong on the cash flow statement.

2. If cash has exchanged hands then it belongs on the cash flow statement!
Process – Getting Started

1. Determine the boundaries of the business
   - Are all farm enterprises to be included
   - What non-farm inflows and outflows are to be included

2. Outline and plan your production
   - Acres of crop, head of livestock, production
   - Inputs (quantity, price)
   - Feed requirements
Process: Operating Receipts (Cash Inflows)

3. Kind, timing, and dollar amount of sales
   - Livestock sales: all market and breeding stock that results in cash inflow
     • Do not include value of animals held for breeding
   - Crop sales: this and past year’s crops
     • Do not include value of stored grains or grains used for feeding during the year
   - Product sales: milk, wool, eggs, etc.
   - Must estimate selling price and quantity sold (error towards conservative)
Process: Non-Operating Receipts
(Cash Inflows)

4. Kind, timing, and dollar amount of cash inflows from sources other than direct operations
   - Custom work
   - Farm programs
   - Rents
   - Investments, patronage dividends
   - Non-farm incomes (investments, contributed capital, off-farm job)
Process: Operating Costs (Cash Outflows)

5. Estimate operating costs (total need less inventory on hand)
   - quantity, price, total dollars, and timing for
     - feed
     - Seed
     - Chemical
     - Vet
     - Repairs
     - Utilities
     - fertilizer
     - labor
     - rent
     - custom work hired
     - insurance
     - etc.
Process: Non-Operating Costs (Cash Outflows)

6. Kind, timing, and dollar amount of cash outflows from sources other than direct physical operations
   - Scheduled principal payments
   - Scheduled interest payments
   - Taxes, legal, and accounting
   - Insurance, Repairs, Management salaries
   - Subscriptions, memberships
   - Non-farm expenses
Process: Family Living (Cash Outflow)

7. Kind, timing, and dollar amount of cash outflows due to withdrawal for Family Living
Process: Capital Sales & Purchases

8. Kind, timing, and dollar amount of:
   – Cash inflows from the sale of capital assets
   – Cash outflows from the purchase of capital assets
     • Machinery,
     • Buildings,
     • Breeding livestock
     • Land
Process: Initial Cash Position

9. Calculate Initial Cash Position

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\text{Total Cash Inflows} - \frac{\text{Total Cash Outflows}}{\text{Initial Cash Position}}
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Process: Determine Your Cash Plan

10. Cover cash shortages
   - New borrowing and/or contributed capital
     • Operating line of credit

11. Invest your surpluses
Process: Review & Revise

12. Does it smell right?
   – Conservative estimate
   – Too conservative?

13. Play and Plan
   – Plan your cash management to take advantage of more opportune sales and purchases
Process: Communicate and Monitor

14. Communicate
   – Lender (line of credit)
   – Business partners
   – Employees

15. Monitor
   – Track actual cash flows
   – Compare to the cash flow budget
   – Change accordingly
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Financial Diagnostics

- Ratios
  - FFSC Sweet 16 (now 21)
- DuPont System

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\text{Return On Assets} = \frac{\text{How well I turn Assets into Gross Revenues}}{\text{How well I turn Gross Revenues into Net Revenues}}
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If Return on Assets is low it is due either to assets not being converted into gross revenues or gross revenues not being turned into net revenues.
Frey Farms

• Began in-depth financial analysis in 2002
  – Sold cattle enterprise not because it was not profitable, but because 20% of his time was involved in generating only 1% of family income.
  – Sold semis in lieu of hiring their trucking
  – Built new grain storage facilities
  – Switched to earlier maturing SB thus allowing less machinery.
WI Dairy Farm X

- Average Rate of Return on Equity on all WI Dairy Farms of 100-150 herd size in 2005 was 9.0%.
- Rate of Return on Equity for Farm X was 20.5%!!!
- Why?
  - They were incredibly efficient with their assets
- How
  - They purchase, rather than grow their own feed (no combine, smaller tractors, no tillage equipment, no timeliness problems.)
  - Farm Records and Analysis showed them that they were great at milking cows, but lousy managers in crop production!
WI Dairy Farm Z

• Average Rate of Return on Equity on all WI Dairy Farms of 100-150 herd size in 2005 was 9.0%.
• Rate of Return on Equity for Farm Z was 24.6%
• Production was lower than average, so Why is ROROE so high?
  – Farm records analysis shows that they are extremely efficient. This farm is a pasture system whose basic costs per cow are 35% less than the average 100-150 cow farm
  • They don’t produce as much milk, but they don’t pay much for it either!
Will You Be Able to Use Farm Records and Analysis to Increase Your Profits Next Year?

• Maybe, but probably more long-term:
  – It takes time to learn financial analysis
  – It takes employment of systems/software to allow good analysis
Other Statements

• Statement of Cash Flows
  – Shows where cash came from during the previous year and where it went to

• Statement of Owner Equity
  – Shows from where your business wealth has come from

• Enterprise Budget
  – Planning budget for determining the potential profitability of individual enterprises

• Partial Budget
  – Evaluation tool for determining the financial outcome of a specific change in the business