### Estimated Returns to Finishing Steer Calves, Iowa ¹/  

**Production Period**

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#### 560 lb Feeder Steer

- **Purchase price, $/cwt**: 173.34  
- **Purchase cost, $/hd**: 970.70

#### Costs of Producing 1,300 lb Finished Steer

**Feed costs**
- **Corn, $/hd**: 173.65  
- **Modified distiller grain, $/hd**: 105.20  
- **Hay, $/hd**: 96.05  
- **Supplement & mineral, $/hd**: 19.89  

**Nonfeed costs**
- **Variable costs, $/hd** ²/: 99.39  
- **Operating interest, $/hd**: 45.95  
- **Fixed costs, $/hd** ³/: 52.08  

**Total, $/hd**: 394.79  

#### Returns to Marketing 1,300 lb Finished Steer

- **Total Costs, $/hd**: 1562.91  
- **Breakeven price, $/live cwt**: 120.22  
- **Selling price, $/live cwt**: 123.17  
- **Sales value, $/hd**: 1601.21  
- **Less death loss, $/hd**: 22.46  
- **Profit (loss), $/hd**: 15.84  
- **Manure credit, $/hd**: 10.77  
- **Total profit (loss), $/hd**: 26.61

¹/ Costs of producing 1,300 lb finished steer on a per finished steer basis and returns to marketing 1,300 lb finished steer on a per finished steer basis.

²/ Operating interest

³/ Variable costs, $/hd

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