Winter Finishing Steers

Teagasc Beef Budgets 2021/2022

	Friesian	Hereford X	Continental X
Purchase Weight October (kg)	500	500	530
Silage Required (tonnes)	5.5	5.5	5.0
Meals (kg/head/day)	4	4	4.5
Average Daily gain (kg)	0.9	0.9	1.0
Liveweight at Sale (kg)	626	626	670
Carcass Weight (kg)	326	332	375
Purchase weight	500	500	530
Assumed Purchase Price (€/100kg liveweight)	197	226	255
Purchase Price (€/ head)	985	1130	1352
Plus Costs: (€/head)			
Variable Costs (€)	383	383	389
Fixed Costs (€)	91	93	96
Total Costs (€)	474	476	485
Breakeven selling price required (€ / head)	1459	1606	1837
Breakeven selling price required (€ / kg carcass)	4.48	4.84	4.90

EFFECT OF AUTUMN 2021 STORE PRICE ON BREAKEVEN PRICE REQUIRED SPRING 2022				
	Friesian	Hereford X	Continental X	
Lower Store Prices Autumn 2019				
- € per 100 kg	187	216	245	
- Breakeven price required € / kg carcass	4.32	4.69	4.75	
Assumed Store Price Autumn 2019				
- € per 100 kg	197	226	255	
- Breakeven price required € / kg carcass	4.48	4.84	4.90	
Higher Store Prices Autumn 2019				
- € per 100 kg	207	236	265	
- Breakeven price required € / kg carcass	4.64	4.99	5.04	

Assumptions

- ➤ Very good levels of efficiency with a high average daily gain.
- ➤ Meal cost at €300 per tonne.
- > Silage quality critical to performance.
 - Well preserved
 - o 20% DM
 - o 72% DMD
 - o Cost of €30 per tonne
- ➤ Good animal health dosing and other health costs at €8 per head.
- ➤ Transport and marketing at €42 per head.
- ➤ Half the interest cost on feed and animals borrowed at 7%.
- ➤ No mortality assumed.
- > Selling price required only covers variable and fixed costs and does <u>not</u> include a margin.
- > Calculating the selling price required including a margin on finishing:-

$$\frac{\text{MARGIN REQUIRED }(\texttt{\texttt{e}})}{\text{CARCASE WEIGHT }(\texttt{kg})} + \frac{\text{BREAKEVEN}}{\text{PRICE}} = \frac{\text{PRICE}}{\text{REQUIRED}}$$

Notes

- ➤ Using ad-lib meals over last 80 days could be an option in a year with lower meal costs
- ➤ High risk system sensitive to buying & selling price & performance achieved