

Growing Costs for One Acre of Ryegrass, South Florida, 2003

Item	Unit	Quantity	Price	Cost/A	Your Cost
Cash expenses:					
Ryegrass Seed	lb.	100.00	0.40	40.00	
Fertilizer:					
Nitrogen ¹	lb.	80.00	0.35	28.00	
Phosphate ²	lb.	60.00	0.25	15.00	
Potash ³	lb.	90.00	0.16	14.40	
Lime	ton	0.33	30.00	10.00	
Fuel & Machinery	acre	1.00	14.00	14.00	
Labor	hr.	1.50	7.00	10.50	
Interest ⁴	dol.	131.90	0.05	6.59	
Total cash expenses				<u>138.49</u>	
Fixed costs:					
Machinery	acre	1.00	18.60	18.60	
General Overhead	dol.	138.49	0.10	13.85	
Total fixed costs				<u>32.45</u>	
Total costs				<u>170.94</u>	

- Notes
1. Apply 30 lb/acre N preplant or at planting
Apply 50 lbs/acre after each grazing
 2. Apply 50% of the recommended K₂O at preplant for planting
Apply remaining 50% after first grazing
 3. Apply all of the P₂O₅ preplant or at planting
 4. 10% for 6 months

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