

Best practices and metrics for dairy farms transitioning from conventional dairy operations to on-farm value-added production

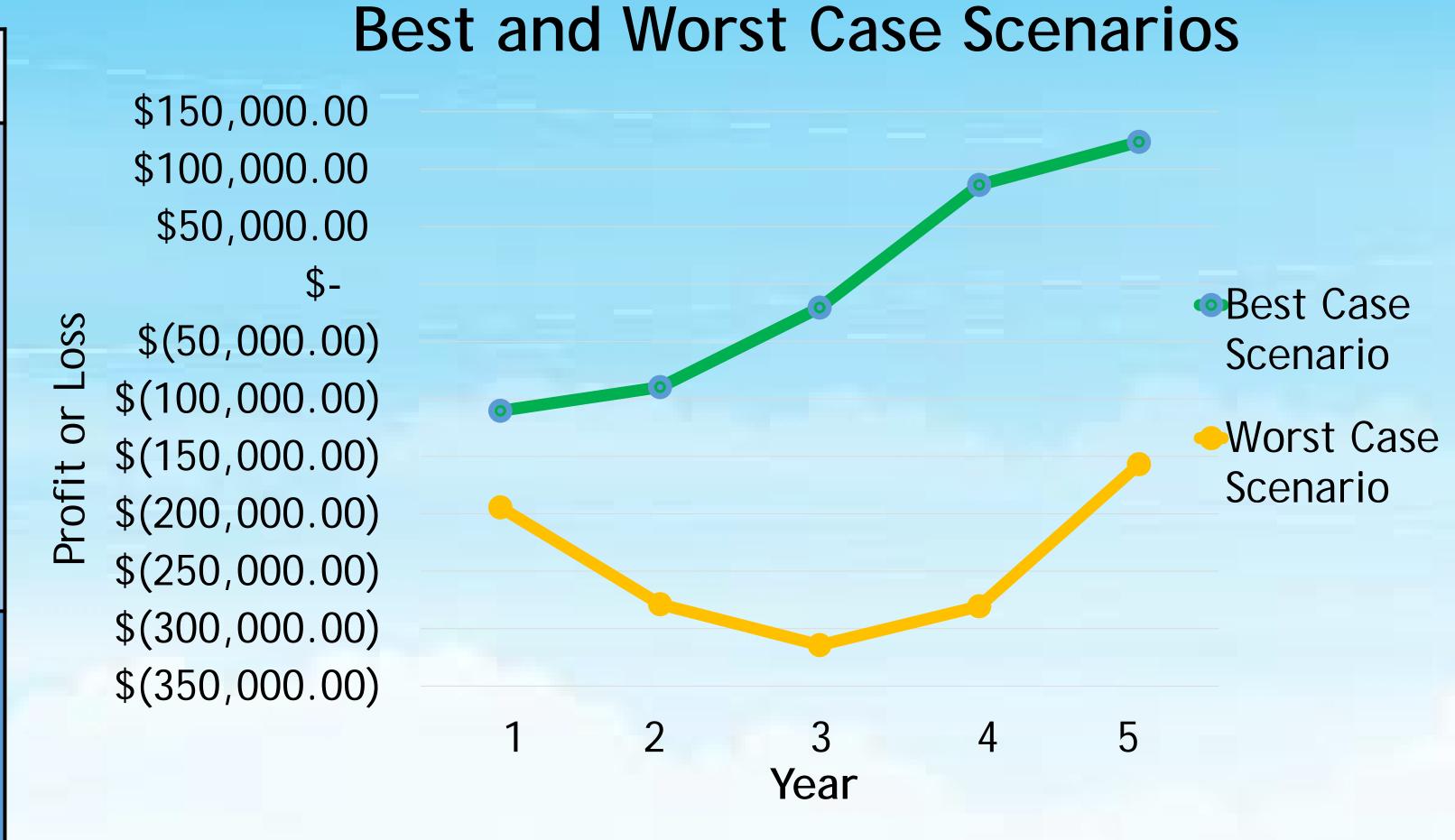
Five Year Profit Projections for

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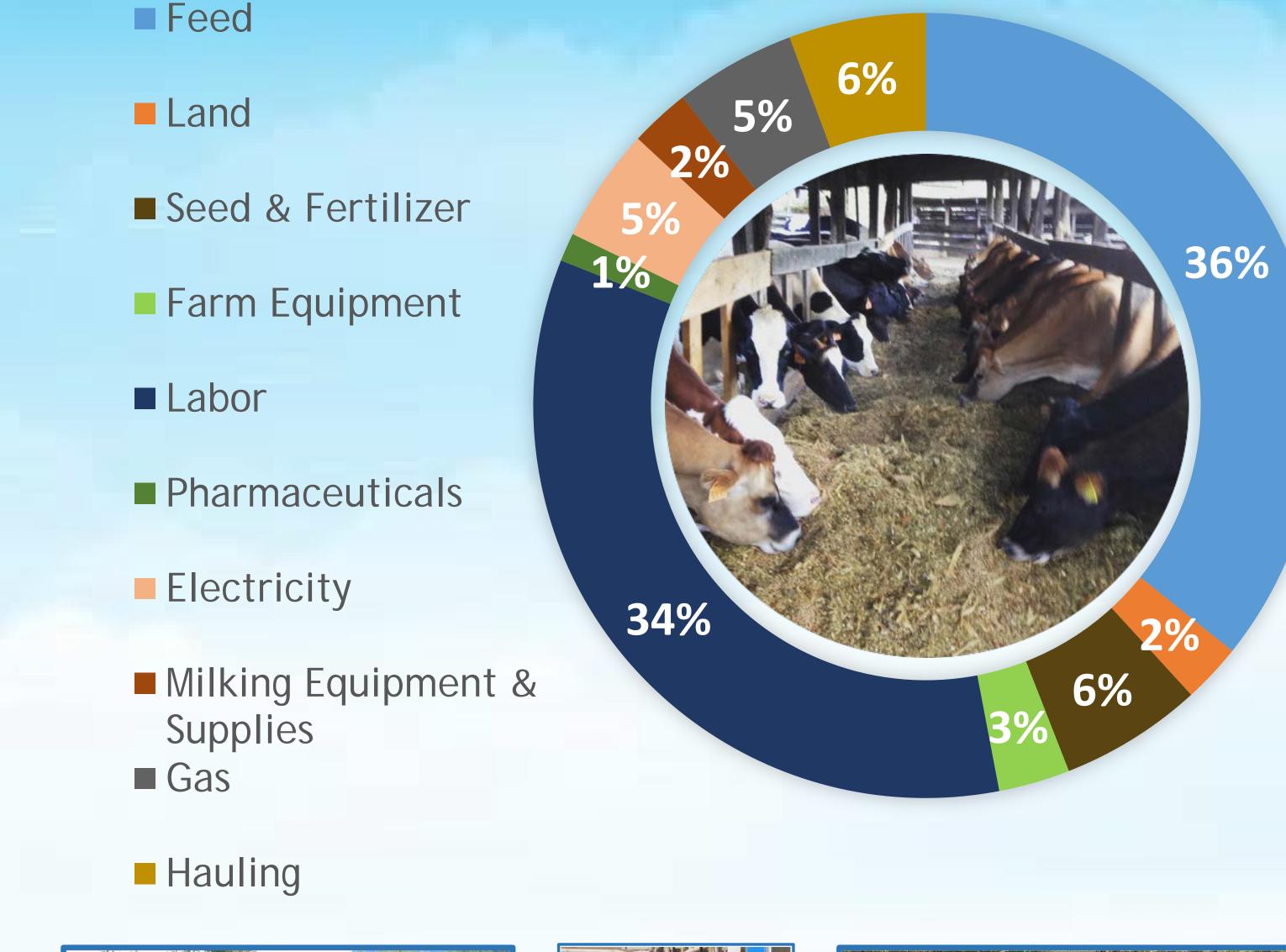
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Austin Family Dairy Areas of Spend

Project Scope Compile data for the Assess the transition from | client farm including data | raw-milk sales to on-farm | from the Austin's current value-added milk operation, start-up costs, future operation costs, processing for direct sale and market analysis Develop a financial model | Develop work instruction to be used by dairy to facilitate client farmers desiring to make understanding and use of similar transitions in the the model future



Herd Size Growth Over Five Years









Necessary Equipment	Estimated Cost	
Pasteurizer	\$	21,677.00
Bottle Filler and Capper	\$	14,539.00
Walk-in Cooler	\$	5,002.00
Total	\$	41,218,00

Additional Equipment	Estimated Cost	
Bottle Washer	\$	16,520.00

Refrigerated Trailer 5,772.33 22,292.33 Total

Total Equipment Cost

63,510.33

YEAR 5 CURRENT YEAR 2 YEAR 3 YEAR 4 YEAR 1

Average Price Points		
Half gallon (whole milk)	\$3.16	
Gallon (whole milk)	\$3.69	
Half gallon (chocolate milk)	\$2.98	

Final Conclusions

Even in the worst case scenario, Austin Family Dairy has the potential to become profitable after five years. If the family desires to make a long term investment in their dairy operation, we recommend transitioning to on-farm value added production of non-homogenized milk.

Map of potential buyers within a 25 mile radius of the farm

