**Cost of a Market Lamb Project**

**Expected to have the project a minimum of 90 days**

Please realize the costs on this sheet are projections, and there can be extreme’s in regards to prize on either end of the spectrum.

**Facility** = You should have a minimum of 20 square feet of space for each lamb. Fences should be a minimum of 42 inches tall to discourage lambs from jumping out. Otherwise you can get as extravagant as you would like on facilities or a simple 10 x 10 dog pen with a cover and something to block the wind in the winter will work just fine.

**Animal Cost** = This can be the single most contributing factor to the input of the project, however depending upon your desired outcome can have a large effect on the end project.

$200 - $1000

Average cost $350

**Feed Cost** = This is the other highest input cost for the project. One of the major things to remember when selecting a feed is to get a balanced ration that is readily available. It is not a wise decision to make feed changes abruptly during the course of a project.

$12.00-$20.00

$16.00 average

3lbs a day average consumption \* 90 days on feed = 270 lbs of feed

6 bags of feed needed

2-3 bales of Hay $6.00 average cost per bale

$114 total feed cost

***Estimated Cost of Lamb Project = $500***

**Misceallaneous Items**

Dewormer = $15.00- $75

Sheep Halters = $4.00

Feed Additives =$25.00 - $250.00

Sheep Stand = $200.00-$300

Feed Troughs = $10.00 - $50.00

Water Buckets = $5.00-$15.00

Clippers = $180.00-$300

Blades = $40-$55

Blankets = $20.00-$35.00

Shampoo = $1.00 -$10.00

Hoof Trimmers = $15.00-$25.00

Blower = $200 - $400

**Businesses to purchase Miscellaneous Items**

Sullivan Supply

<https://www.sullivansupply.com/cart/ia/default.aspx>

Weaver Leather Livestock

<http://www.weaverleather.com/livestock.aspx>

PBS Animal Health

<http://www.pbsanimalhealth.com/>

Valley Vet

<http://www.valleyvet.com/>

Sheepman Supply Co.

<http://www.sheepman.com/>

Premier 1 Supplies

<http://www.premier1supplies.com/>

**Good resources**

Maryland Small Ruminant page

<http://sheepandgoat.com/>

Texas 4-H Show Lamb Guide

<http://extension.unh.edu/resources/files/Resource002471_Rep3620.pdf>

**Feed Supplies** (Please remember this is just an outline and some of the choices for show feeds. There are many local mills across North Carolina that make extremely good feeds that can be used.)

Show Rite Feeds

<http://www.showrite.com/>

Purina Mills, Honor Show Chow

<http://purinamills.com/show-animal-food/>

Kent Feeds

<http://kentfeeds.com/>

Umbarger Feeds

<http://www.umbargerandsons.com/>

Southern States

<http://www.southernstates.com/>

Nutrena

<http://www.nutrenaworld.com/>