

Youth Livestock Project Record Book

Name:	
Animal ID:	
Year:	

Information and Tips

- 1. The record book is an *extra* resource to help you learn and understand your project. This is NOT the Texas 4-H Recordbook. Use this to learn about your project(s)!!
- 2. This was designed as an additional show entry and serves as another opportunity for a sale slot for the Central Texas Youth Fair (CTYF). You are receiving a modified version for general use. In case of oversight, any mention of CTYF or records/quiz class is not applicable to your utilization of this resource.
- 3. You are encouraged to weigh your animal at regular intervals throughout the project. Accurate weights will ensure accurate data. If you do not have your own set of scales, please contact the Extension Office at (432) 524-1421. Andrews County has several that are available for you to use.
- 4. If you have two animals on feed together, it is recommended to have a separate record book for each project. *One animal may have different costs, feeding and/or exercise programs, and destinations from the other(s)!*
- 5. Be neat from front cover to back cover and write in complete sentences. You will want to be able to read this a few years from now!
- 6. Project plan page: all figures are estimates only.
- 7. On facilities lease & interest, if you did not pay any, put in a \$0.
- 8. Write detailed essays on "feeding, grooming & fitting, training."
- 9. Columns of numbers should all be lined up in a straight line. (i.e. center align or left align each column)

Other Educational Resources

- TEXAS 4-H SWINE PROJECT GUIDE
- 4-H MEAT GOAT GUIDE
- 4-H SHOW LAMB GUIDE
- MANAGING BEEF CATTLE FOR SHOW
- EVALUATING MARKET SWINE
- REASONS TERMINOLOGY FOR MARKET STEERS

You can find these and other publications at http://animalscience.tamu.edu/youth-projects/ or you may come by the Extension Office to pick up a copy!

Project Plan

This section should be completed before your project is started. This should help you prepare for your project as you **estimate** how much time and money it will take and the potential profit or loss.

1. Approximate date your project will start:	
2. Approximate date your project will end:	
3. Expected beginning weight of animal:	lbs.
4. Expected finished weight of animal:	lbs.
5. Anticipated purchase price of animal:	\$
6. Anticipated cost to feed & maintain animal	\$
7. Facilities: Where will you keep your animal?	
8. Estimated cost of lease/rent of a place to keep your animal:	\$
9. Interest: Will you need to borrow money to pay for your project?	_
10. Estimated cost of interest:	\$
11. Anticipated total cost of project:	
• Total of lines 5, 6, 8 & 10	\$
12. Anticipated income if animal sells through livestock show:	\$
13. Anticipated income if animal sells on commercial livestock market:	\$
 14. Anticipated profit/loss if animal sells through livestock show: Difference between lines 12 & 11 	\$
 15. Anticipated profit/loss if animal sells on commercial livestock market: Difference between lines 13 & 11 	\$

Record of Expenses

I. Purchase Cost					
Date Purchase	d:	·	Weight of a	nimal:	lbs.
Price per lb:	\$	lbs.	Total Cost:	\$	
D	ate of coun	ty validation:			
Wei	ght at coun	1.1			11
What was the average the same date you bou		umber one quality comme iimal?	rcial feeder	animal of th	e same size on
Price per lb:	\$	lbs.	Total Cost:	\$	
II. Facilities Lease (if a	pplicable):	List all expenses relating	to leasing	or renting a l	ivestock facility
Date		Paid To		C	ost
			\$		
			\$		
			\$		
			\$		
		Total	Cost: \$		
III. Interest: If you botwhen your project is con		ney to pay for your projec			id or will pay
Date		Paid To		C	ost
			\$		
			\$		
			\$		
			\$		
		Total	Cost: \$		

IV. Feed: including hay and supplements

Date	Pounds	Type of Feed	Cost
	lbs.		\$
Total lbs.:	lbs.	Total Cost:	\$

IV. Feed Continued...

Date	Pounds	Type of Feed	Cost
	lbs.		\$
Total lbs. this page:	lbs.	Total cost this page:	\$
Total lbs. previous page:	lbs.	Total cost previous page:	\$
Grand Total lbs.:	lbs.	Grand Total cost:	\$

V. Veterinary Care: List and describe all expenses relating to maintaining the health of your animal

Date	Veterinary Services or Products Purchased	Cost
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
	Total Cost:	\$

VI. Miscellaneous (Feet trimming, feed buckets, supplements, entry fees, etc.): List any expenses that do not belong in the other major categories

Date	Description	Cost
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
	Total Cost:	\$

VII. Expense Summary

Throughout the duration of your project, enter your expenses in each category. When your project is completed, add it up to determine the total cost of your project.

1.	Purchase cost of animal:	\$
2.	Facility lease (if applicable):	\$
3.	Interest (if applicable):	\$
4.	Feed:	\$
5.	Veterinary Care:	\$
6.	Miscellaneous:	\$
	Total Cost of Project:	\$
VIII. P	roject Summary	
1.	Estimated weight at show day – OR – official weight as submitted on weight card/weight in:	 lbs.
2.	Date you started feeding your animal:	
3.	Date of show day:	
4.	Number of days your animal was on feed:	
5.	Beginning weight of animal:	lbs.
6.	Weight gain during feeding period: • Line 1 minus line 5	lbs.
7.	 Calculate the average daily gain: ADG – Weight gained divided by the number of days on feed. Divide line 6 by line 4 	lbs.
8.	What was the total of your feed costs from section IV?	\$
9.	Calculate the feed cost of gain per pound:	
	• Divide your feed cost by the weight gain of the animal. Divide line 8 by line 6.	\$ /lbs.

10. What was the total amount of feed in pounds that you fed your animal?	lbs.
 11. Calculate the feed conversion ratio, which is the amount of feed necessary to produce a pound of gain Divide the total pounds of feed used by the weight gain. Divide line 10 by line 6 	lbs.
Variables	
Did you have any unusual or unexpected events that may have affected the outcomyour project? If so, please describe the circumstances and how it affected your and	

Grooming and Fitting: [Describe your grooming and fitting	plan.	

Feeding: Describe your feeding plan and schedule. Be specific: what type of feed (grower, finisher) and when and how you decided to make changes.	

Training:	Describe how you trained your animal for show.