

Average production costs. Crop year 2011/12

Asparragus

The following data are obtained from surveys of the sector in the second half of 2010. They have been updated for the year 2011/12 from indicators of the prices and wages paid by farmers (Spanish Ministry for Agriculture, Food and Environment). The operating costs of a farm like this one depend on multiple factors, including the agricultural crop year, therefore, these data should be understood as an approximation and never as a fixed and unquestionable value.

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Costs breakdown		Costs (€/ha)
AVERAGE DIRECT COSTS		
Inputs	Machinery maintenance	108.77
	Fertilisation and liming	670.28
	Application of plant protection products	46.33
	Water and fuel	95.43
	Total	920.81
Manpower	Different tasks	350.81
	Harvesting and transport	3,662.94
	Total	4,013.75
Total average direct costs		4,934.56
COSTES INDIRECTOS MEDIOS		
Depreciation	Machinery	29.20
	Plantation	602.20
Total average indirect costs		631.40
TOTAL AVERAGE GENERAL COSTS		396.08
TOTAL AVERAGE PRODUCTION COSTS		5,962.00
TOTAL MANPOWER (Daily wage/ha)		101.11
AVERAGE YIELD (Kg/ha)		5,587.81

Methodological notes

Indirect costs include depreciation and maintenance of irrigation elements and machinery.
General costs include those costs related to the farm such as property tax, counseling expenses, insurance, association fees, technical advice and other costs.