

Break Even Analysis

Determine how much dollars and/or unit sales you need to break even, i.e. Total Revenue equal Total Expenses. Any dollar/unit sales beyond the break even point should generate a profit.

Revenue.....	\$ 5.00 (A)	Each Unit
Cost of Goods Sold (COGS).....	<u>\$ 2.50 (B)</u>	Each Unit
Cost of goods.....	\$.10	
* Variable Cost per Unit...	<u>\$2.40</u>	
Total COGS per unit.....	<u>\$2.50</u>	
Gross Margin (Profit).....	\$ 2.50 (C = A-B)	Ea. Unit

Estimated Expenses Per Month.

Rent.....	\$
Electricity.....	\$
Insurance.....	\$
Etc.....	\$
Total Est. Exp.....	\$ 15,750 (D)

Objective: To have Gross Margin (Profit) (C) pay off Total Estimated Expenses (D)

In this example,

$$\$15,750 (D) / \$2.50 (C) = \underline{6,300 \text{ units sold are needed to break even}}$$

Or,

$$\$5/\text{unit (A)} \times 6,300 \text{ units} = \$31,500$$

\$31, 500 sales are needed to break even

* Variable Cost – Materials, wages, inventory space, etc.