User Guide - ELS Loan Calculator Program

The ELS Loan Valuation Program is designed to facilitate calculation of Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) ELS loan premium and discount values given high-volume instrument (HVI) classing information. If desired, this program has the capability to calculate net returns over harvest cost on a per acre basis. Results can be presented in both report and graphical formats. This program is primarily designed for variety test evaluations, but it can be used without modification for other applications involving calculation of ELS loan values.

The program is distributed as a Microsoft© Excel spreadsheet. For the program to perform properly, the user must enable Macros. It should be possible to enable macros by simply clicking allow content when you open the file. If that does not work, set macro security by clicking on File (top left corner of Excel), then select Trust Center, then click on Trust Center Settings. In the Trust Center menu, click on Enable all macros, then click Ok.

Please note that certain cells are locked to prevent formulas from being changed. If you need to unlock any of the sheets, go to Review in the Excel ribbon at the top of the book, click Unprotect sheet, and enter "cottoninc" as the password. You can also right click on the sheet tab (at bottom, e.g., HVI Quality Data) and select unprotect sheet.

Questions, comments, and suggestions are welcome. Please send an email (jdevine@cottoninc.com), we are happy to help.

Figure 1. Program Main Menu

2018/19 ELS Loan Calcula	tor Program
Enter Base Values - Start Here	
Enter HVI Quality Data	
Enter Yield and Turnout Data (Optional)	
View Loan Value Chart	
View Net Return Charts	
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1. Enter Base Data

The user should start by selecting the Enter Base Values button on the Main Menu, shown in Figure 1.

To start a new analysis, the user can click on the **Clear Sample Values** button found on the **Enter Base Data** screen to clear the spreadsheet (Figure 2). The user can also simply enter their own values in the cells with blue text.

It should be noted that additional information regarding the use of the data in the program is available in comments for each of the cells with blue text. To view the comments, simply hover the cursor over these cells. Cells with comments are indicated by a tiny red triangle in the upper right corner of the cell (see Figure 2).

In cell B6, the user specifies the title that will be printed on reports and graphs for these data.

If the user would like to generate estimates for returns, cells B8-B14 also require entries.

In cell B10, enter estimates price per ton of cottonseed (USD/ton).

In cell B12, enter the cost of harvesting in terms of USD/acre.

In cell B14, enter the cost of ginning in terms of USD/lb.

In cell B16, enter the estimated amount of seed weight in pounds per pound of lint.

Figure 2. Base Data Sheet

Enter Base Data - Start Here

	Base Values	Value Units	
Study/Test Title (used in report & chart titles produced through this program)	2018/19 Sample Loan Values		
Cottonseed Value (USD/ton)	185.0	USD/ton	
Picking/Stripping & Moduling Cost per Cwt of Seed Cotton	3.200	USD/acre	
Ginning Cost per Pound of Lint	0.120	USD/Ib	
Pounds of Seed per Pound of Lint	1.412	lb of seed/lb of li	
Clear Sample Values			
Restore Dummy Data			
Return to Main Menu			

2. Enter HVI Data

The user should go to the HVI Quality Data sheet to enter all the require information to calculate the CCC loan premium and discounts for ELS cotton.

Figure 3, shown below, displays an example of all the input data required for the calculation of net loan prices. "Dummy" data were entered as examples. These numbers can be cleared or restored with the buttons on this page.

Variety names can be changed in the Variety/Sample Name column.

HVI data for color, leaf, length, strength, micronaire, and extraneous matter have to be entered (cells with blue text).

All of the cells with black text will update automatically with the entry of the HVI data.

Column N gives the net change in the base loan rate due to quality differences.

Column O gives the net loan price in cents/lb (base rate plus net change due to quality differences).

Enter HVI Quality Data for Each Sample Enter HVI data in columns A to H. Note: Staple lengths below 44 (1.375") not eligible for ELS loan Note: There are no premiums/discounts for uniformity for ELS. Note: Extraneous matter readings are 0, 1, or 2. Blank cells for extraneous matter are treated as 0. Return to Main Menu Refresh - Columns I-O link to USDA loan tables Note: Click the Refresh button to update/extend formulas in columns I-O to all rows with data. Clear Sample Values Loan Rate Based on Strength Mike Restore Dummy Data Staple, Premium Extraneous Premium Extraneous Matter Color, & Matter Price Variety/Sample Name Length (inches) Strength Preparation Staple (32nds) Leaf Discount Discount Discount Discount (cents/lb) -1900 Variety 2 76.05 -1100 -1900 -1845 -4845 27.60 Variety 3 37.4 72.30 -1400 -1095 38.85 -850 51.80 Variety 5 Variety 6 76.90 -1845 -2745 49.45 76.50 -1095 72.05 -715 64 90 63.00 Variety 8 38.7 81.45 -1845 -1845 Variety 10 -1100

Figure 3. HVI Quality Data

3. Yield and Turnout Data

After entering the HVI data, the user can enter yield and turnout data in order to calculate estimates for net returns.

Lint Yield needs to be entered in column B.

Turnout needs to be entered in column C.

Figure 4. Yield and Turnout Data

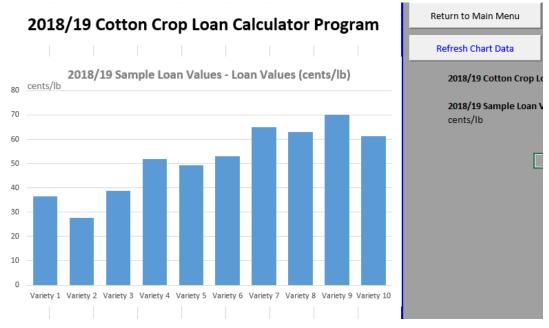
Enter yield and turnout	data in columns	B & C.									
Return to Main Menu		Refresh - Colum	ns E-J	Note: Seed yield	is the product o	f lint yield and e	estimated pound	s of seed per po	und of lint enter	ed on the Base	Values s
Clear Sample Data	Note: Click the Refresh button to update/extend formulas in columns E-J to all rows with data.										
Restore Dummy Data				Estimated			Picking				
	Lint		Lint	Seed	Seed	Gross	& Moduling	Ginning	Net		
	Yield	Turnout	Value	Yield	Value	Return	Cost	Cost	Return		
Variety/Sample Name	(lbs/Acre)	(%)	(\$/Acre)	(lbs/Acre)	(\$/Acre)	(\$/Acre)	(\$/Acre)	(\$/Acre)	(\$/Acre)		
Variety 1	615	34.5	224	868	80	304	57	74	173		
Variety 2	635	34.8	175	897	83	258	58	76	124		
Variety 3	655	35.3	254	925	86	340	59	79	202		
/ariety 4	675	35.6	350	953	88	438	61	81	296		
Variety 5	695	35.9	344	981	91	435	62	83	290		
/ariety 6	715	36.3	379	1010	93	472	63	86	323		
/ariety 7	735	36.5	477	1038	96	573	64	88	421		
Variety 8	755	36.7	476	1066	99	575	66	91	418		
Variety 9	775	36.9	544	1094	101	645	67	93	485		
Variety 10	795	37.1	488	1123	104	592	69	95	428		

4. Charts

There are two sheets with charts. The range for these charts will be updated automatically when the "Refresh Chart Data" button is pushed (adds/removes rows for the data range for the charts).

The first chart sheet (Charts – Loan Value) contains only a chart of loan values.

Figure 5. Loan Value Chart



The second chart sheet (Charts – Net Return) contains loan values, lint yield, gross returns, and net returns.

Return to Main Menu 2018/19 Cotton Crop Loan Calculator Program Refresh Chart Data 2018/19 Sample Loan Values - Loan Values (cents/lb) 900 2018/19 Sample Loan 70 400 300 2018/19 Sample Loan Values - Net Return (lint & seed value above harvesting & ginning costs, \$/acre) 2018/19 Sample Loan \ 2018/19 Sample Loan Values - Gross Return (lint & seed, \$/acre) 2018/19 Sample Loan \ Note: Net return refers to the return above harvesting and ginning costs.

Figure 6. Loan Value, Yield, Gross Return, and Net Return Charts