



EARNINGS ANALYSIS



Earnings Analysis

- **In a perfect world**

- **Financial Soundness**
 - Balance sheets with cost and market values
- **Financial Performance**
 - Accrual income statement



Earnings Analysis

- **In the real world**

- **Financial Soundness**
 - Balance Sheets at mixed market/cost values
- **Financial Performance**
 - Schedule F tax statement

How can we measure financial performance in the real world?



Earned Net Worth or Earned Equity Analysis

- Net worth change is often your best indicator of financial performance.
- Two components on market value statements:
 - Asset valuation change
 - Earned net worth change



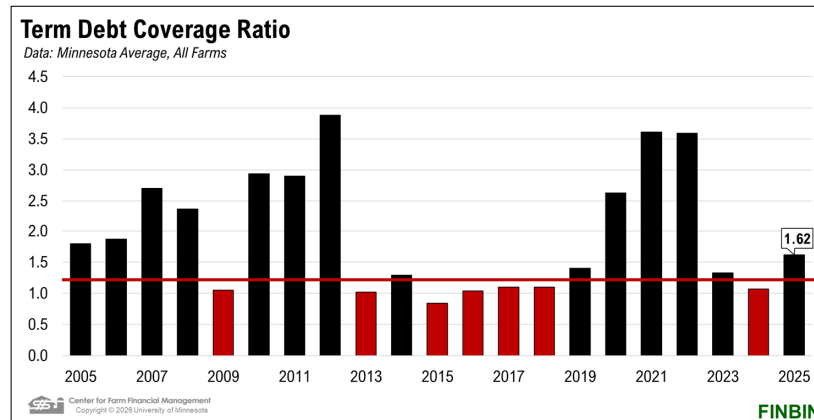
Earned Net Worth or Earned Equity Analysis

- If we can identify Earned Net Worth Change:
 - Can calculate accurate debt coverage measure.
 - Just need two balance sheets.



Earned Net Worth Analysis

- Measure whether earnings exceeded consumption
- Added benefit: calculate debt coverage ratio



Earned Net Worth Analysis

- Does Not Require
 - Fiscal year balance sheets
 - Tax forms
 - Accurate family living information



Financial Statements

Balance Sheet

Income Statement

Statement of Owner's Equity

Statement of Cash Flows

Earned Net Worth Change – **Commercial Businesses**

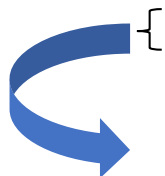
Statement of Owner's Equity

Beginning net worth

+ Net income after taxes (income statement)

- Owner withdrawals

= Ending net worth



Change in retained earnings
= Earned net worth change

Earned Net Worth Change – **Farm & Ranch Businesses**

Statement of Owner's Equity	
	Beginning net worth
	+ Net farm income
	+ Non-farm income
	- Family living
	- Income taxes
	= Ending net worth
Change in retained earnings = Earned net worth change	



Earned Net Worth Change – **Farm & Ranch Businesses**

Statement of Owner's Equity	
	Beginning net worth
	+ Net farm income
	+ Non-farm income
	- Family living
	- Income taxes
	+/- Valuation change
= Ending net worth	
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Earned Net Worth Change – Using Market Value Statements

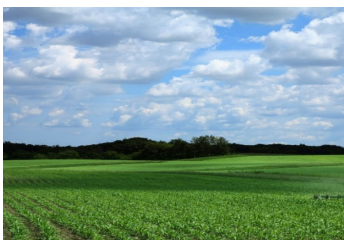
Farm Business	
Ending net worth	
- Beginning net worth	
= Net worth change	
- Valuation changes	
= Earned net worth change	
	Net farm income
	+ Non-farm income
	- Owner withdrawals (family living)
	- Income taxes



Valuation Changes

- Identifying valuation change is the tricky part:

- Land
- Machinery & equipment
- Breeding livestock



Valuation Changes

- Land

Ending land value

- Beginning land value

= Change in Market Value



Valuation Changes

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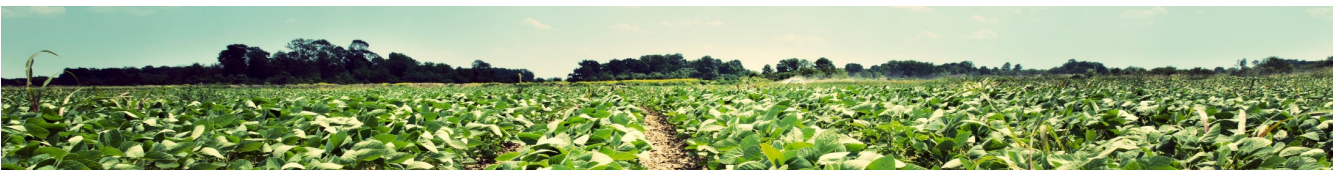
Ending land value

+ Land sales

- Land purchases

- Beginning land value

= Change in Market Value



Valuation Changes

- **Machinery and Building Valuation**

- Depreciable Assets
- How can we distinguish between depreciation and valuation change?
- Recommendation:
 - Estimate economic depreciation
 - Any change greater than economic depreciation is a valuation change



Shortcut to Economic Depreciation

Beginning value
+ Capital purchases
- Capital sales
- xx % depreciation
= Ending value

Ex: Machinery Valuation Change

Beginning value	\$230,017
Capital purchases	+ 68,579
Capital sales	- 7,365
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Ending market value	= \$284,340
Depreciation reflected	(\$6,891)



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Total to depreciate	= 291,231
Depreciation (10%)	(29,123)
Depreciated ending value	=\$262,108



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Reported ending value	\$284,340
Change in market valuation	+\$22,232

Backed out of Net Worth Change to arrive at Earned Net Worth Change



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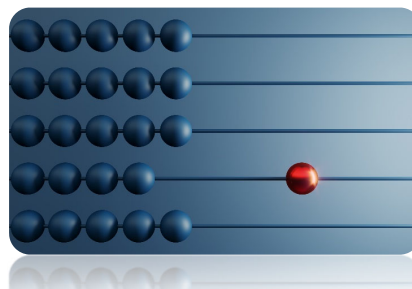
- **Identifying valuation change is the tricky part:**

- Land
 - Back out any land value change
- Machinery & equipment
 - Depreciate and back out any difference between depreciation and total change
- Breeding livestock
 - Back out any change related to value per head



Earned Net Worth Change – Using Market Value Statements

- **OK, we've calculated Earned Net Worth Change, now what?**
 - Benchmark – percent of beginning net worth
 - Calculate debt coverage



Earned Net Worth Change – **FINBIN, 2013-2019**

- Average Earned Net Worth Change \$42,143
- Average Non-Farm Income \$32,606



Earned Net Worth Change – **FINBIN, 2019-2023**

- Average Earned Net Worth Change \$181,566
- Average Non-Farm Income \$41,302



Calculating Debt Coverage



Term Debt Coverage Ratio	
	Net farm income (accrual)
	+ Non-farm income
	- Owner withdrawal (family living)
	- Income taxes
	+ Depreciation
	+ Interest on term debt
	= Capital debt repayment capacity
	÷ Scheduled term debt payments

= Earned net worth change



Term Debt Coverage Ratio
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+ Interest on term debt
= Capital debt repayment capacity
÷ Scheduled term debt payments



Case Farm: Earned Net Worth Analysis Exercise



Step 1.

Calculate any Change in Market Valuation.

Change in Market Valuation/Depreciation Worksheet				
	Machinery	Buildings	Land	Total
Beginning balance sheet value	910,176			
Purchases	+ 349,869	22,500	0	
Sales	- 44,481	0	0	
C. Total value to depreciate	= 1,215,564			
Depreciation rate	* 10%	5%	0%	
D. Depreciation	= 121,556			
E. Ending depreciated value (C - D)	1,094,008			
F. Ending balance sheet value	1,143,884			
G. Change in market valuation (F - E)	49,876			

Step 2.

Calculate Earned Net Worth Change.

Earned Net Worth Analysis

Ending net worth (mkt)		_____
Beginning net worth (mkt)	-	_____
Change in net worth (mkt)	=	_____
Change in market valuation (G)	-	_____
Inheritance, gifts, capital contributions	-	_____ 0
Gifts given	+	_____ 0
A. Change in earned net worth	=	_____
Change in earned net worth (A)		_____
Family living / owner withdrawals	+	_____ 67,633
income and social security taxes	+	_____ 1,227
Personal income	-	_____ 24,606
Personal asset depreciation	+	_____ (7,350)
Change in personal accounts payable	+	_____ 204
B. Net Farm Income	=	_____

Bonus!

Step 3: Calculate Debt Coverage Ratio



Repayment Capacity: Term Debt Coverage Ratio

Earned net worth change (A)		_____	
Depreciation expense (D)	+	_____	
Interest on term debt	+	51,594	
Capital debt repayment capacity	=	_____	
Scheduled payments on term debt	÷	121,865	
Term debt coverage ratio	=	_____	----- 1.25 ----- 1.75 -----

Case Farm: Earned Net Worth Analysis Review



Change in Market Valuation/Depreciation Worksheet

	Machinery	Buildings	Land	Total
Beginning balance sheet value	910,176	167,550	3,433,824	
Purchases	+ 349,869	22,500	0	
Sales	- 44,481	0	0	
C. Total value to depreciate	= 1,215,564	190,050	3,433,824	
Depreciation rate	* 10%	5%	0%	
D. Depreciation	= 121,556	9,503	0	131,059
E. Ending depreciated value (C - D)	1,094,008	180,548	3,433,824	
F. Ending balance sheet value	1,143,884	187,899	3,433,824	
G. Change in market valuation (F - E)	49,876	7,352	0	57,228



Earned Net Worth Analysis

Ending net worth (mkt)		4,352,390
Beginning net worth (mkt)	-	4,292,450
Change in net worth (mkt)	=	59,940
Change in market valuation (G)	-	57,228
Inheritance, gifts, capital contributions	-	0
Gifts given	+	0
A. Change in earned net worth	=	2,712
Change in earned net worth (A)		2,712
Family living / owner withdrawals	+	67,633
income and social security taxes	+	1,227
Personal income	-	24,606
Personal asset depreciation	+	(7,350)
Change in personal accounts payable	+	204
B. Net Farm Income	=	39,820



Repayment Capacity: Term Debt Coverage Ratio

Earned net worth change (A)		2,712	
Depreciation expense (D)	+	131,059	
Interest on term debt	+	51,594	
Capital debt repayment capacity	=	185,365	
Scheduled payments on term debt	÷	121,865	
Term debt coverage ratio	=	1.52	----- 1.25 ----- 1.75 -----



Earned Net Worth Analysis Spreadsheet

Download at z.umn.edu/EarnedNetWorth

- This link will automatically download the spreadsheet.
- Also available at www.cffm.umn.edu/farm-management-publications



To review...what do you need for this analysis?



- **Two balance sheets**
(about a year apart)
- **Capital purchases and sales**
(for the analysis period)

Advanced Topics



Burn Rate / Debt Service Payment

Current assets **\$1,000,000**

Current liabilities **\$ 500,000**

Net working capital **\$ 500,000**

Total revenue **\$2,000,000**

Net income **\$ 200,000**

Net working capital **\$ 500,000 =**

Annual debt service payments **\$ 100,000**

5 year burn rate



Deferred Liabilities



- **What are they?**

- If the business is liquidated
 - Taxes due on current inventories and capital gains
- Calculation:
 - $\text{Balance sheet value} - \text{tax basis} \times \text{tax rate}$.

- **Discussion:**

- What is the deferred liability on farmland in this example?

Other Advanced Topics

- **Estimating family living expenses**
- **Leases**

