Figuring your profit after your input costs isn't really hard-as long as you've got some numbers to work with. Use this simple IOFC worksheet to discover your actual income.

Forages:

Most cattle-both beef and dairy-eat large amounts of forage, making it the highest cost factor in the diet. To figure profitability, you need to figure out how much it costs to raise home grown forages, and then add in the costs of any purchased forages. If you're not sure what you paid for it or what it cost to raise it-use average cash market values.

Home grown forage costs:

Include planting, fertilizer, spraying, harvest and costs of maintaining pasture.

Hay	\$/acre	avg. yieldT/acre	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Haylage	\$/acre	avg. yieldT/acre	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Corn Silage	e \$/acre	avg. yieldT/acre	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Baleage	\$/acre	avg. yieldT/acre	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Straw	\$/acre	avg. yieldT/acre	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Pasture	\$/acre	avg. yieldT/acre	amount fed in diet#/hd.

Purchased forage costs:

Include hauling costs and pasture rent. Figure mileage at 0.55 per mile if you hauled it yourself.

Hay	\$	_/ton	amount purchased	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Haylage	\$	_/ton	amount purchased	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Corn Silage	e \$	_/ton	amount purchased	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Baleage	\$	_/ton	amount purchased	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Straw	\$	_/ton	amount purchased	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Pasture	\$	_/acre	acres rented	animals per acre#/hd.

Grains:

Most producers feed some grain. To figure profitability, you need to figure out how much it costs to raise home grown grains, and then add in the costs of any purchased grains. If you're not sure what you paid for it or what it cost to raise it-use average cash market values.

Home raised grains:

Include planting, fertilizer, spraying and any harvest costs, including drying and storage.

Corn	\$/acre	avg. yieldbu./a	cre amount fed in diet	#/hd.
Small Grn	\$/acre	avg. yieldbu./a	cre amount fed in diet	#/hd.
Beans	\$/acre	avg. yieldbu./a	cre amount fed in diet	#/hd.
Protein fds	\$/acre	avg. yieldbu./a	cre amount fed in diet	#/hd.

Purchased grains:

Include any mileage, grinding or rolling.

Corn	\$/bu.	amount purchasedbu.	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Sml Grn.	\$/bu.	amount purchasedbu.	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Beans	\$/bu.	amount purchasedbu.	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Protein fds.	\$/bu.	amount purchasedbu.	amount fed in diet#/hd.

Supplements:

Most producers supplement ingredients to balance the diet. This should be an easy cost to figure-as it is a direct out-of-pocket cost. List any and all supplements that you feed in a day.

Grain Mix \$/ton	amount purchased tons	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Protein Mix \$/ton	amount purchased tons	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Mineral Mix \$/ton	amount purchased tons	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Distillers \$/ton	amount purchased tons	amount fed in diet#/hd.

Canola	\$/ton	amount purchased tons	amount fed in diet#/hd.
SBM	\$/ton	amount purchased tons	amount fed in diet#/hd.
CGF	\$/ton	amount purchased tons	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Whey	\$/ton	amount purchased tons	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Molasses	\$/ton	amount purchased tons	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Other	\$/ton	amount purchased tons	amount fed in diet#/hd.
Additives	\$/lb.	amount purchased lbs.	amount fed in diet#/hd.

Young Stock & Dry Cows:

There are animals on the farm that do not produce income yet, but it still costs to feed them. Use the numbers above to determine young stock and dry cow costs.

Young Stock:		
Forage costs	Grain costs	Supplement costs
Number of animals Total feed cost per head		
Dry Cows:		
Forage costs	Grain costs	Supplement costs
Number of animals	umber of animals Total feed cost per head	

Income:

The income includes any premiums or bonuses that you got when you sold your product.

Price plus bonuses or premiums _____

Income over Feed Costs:

Cost of home grown forages per head per day ______ Cost of purchased forages per head per day ______ Cost of home grown grains per head per day ______ Cost of purchased grains per head per day ______ Cost of supplements per head per day ______ Cost of feeding young stock per head per day ______ Cost of feeding dry cows per head per day ______

Total Feed Costs per head per day _____

Subtract feed costs from income ______ this is your profit after feed costs or IOFC.