

Model Optimized for Cost Reduction

Implement your formulation into Excel and be sure to make it neat. This section should include:

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| Beginning Inventory | 500 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Units Produced | 468 | 478 | 593 | 487 | | | | |
| Units Demanded | 592 | 594 | 701 | 565 | | | | |
| Ending Inventory | 376 | -116 | -108 | -78 | | | | |
| | 187,593 | 191,602 | 237,698 | 195,209 | | | | |
| Maximum Production | 468 | 478 | 593 | 487 | | | | |
| Minimum Inventory | 59 | 59 | 70 | 56 | | | | |
| | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Average Inventory | 438 | -58 | -54 | -39 | | | | |
| Unit Production Cost | \$240 | \$250 | \$265 | \$285 | | | | |
| Unit Carrying Cost | 1.54% | \$3.70 | \$3.85 | \$4.08 | \$4.39 | | | |
| Monthly Production Cost | \$112,320 | \$119,500 | \$157,145 | \$138,795 | | | | |
| Monthly Carrying Cost | \$1,619 | -\$223 | -\$220 | -\$171 | | | | |
| | | | | | Total Cost | \$528,764 | | |
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Text Explanation:

- 1. Production Adjustment** – The model suggests producing enough units each quarter to meet demand while keeping inventory levels stable. This prevents unnecessary storage costs.
- 2. Cost Efficiency** – It minimizes total costs by balancing **production, carrying costs, and stock levels**.
- 3. Inventory Management** – The model ensures that inventory does not go negative (avoiding unmet demand) and stays within safe limits.
- 4. Decision Support** – If demand is higher than expected, the model recommends **increasing production** or using available inventory. If demand drops, it suggests reducing production to avoid high carrying costs.