# CAUV Calculation Recommendations

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# Current Agricultural Use Value Background

In 1974, Ohio enacted the Current Agricultural Use Value Program (CAUV) as a property tax incentive for farmers to continue agricultural production on their land instead of developing it due to urbanization pressure. The program also provides a public good by preserving farmland and/or open space. Programs for assessing agricultural land at different values and/or rates is not unique to Ohio as all states have some form of differential tax treatment for agricultural land. Use-value assessment of agricultural land began with Maryland in 1960 while the last state to adopt a program was Wisconsin in 1995 – Ohio was the 27th state to adopt (Anderson and England 2014). States differ in their process for assessing agricultural land at their potential use-value which take the form of roughly three approaches:

- 1. A percentage reduction from fair market value (e.g., Georgia, Minnesota, and Mississippi)
- 2. Capitalization of average cash rental rate (e.g., California, Tennessee, and Virginia)
- 3. Capitalization of net income approach (e.g., Illinois, Iowa, and Pennsylvania)

Some states combine the capitalization of average cash rental rate and net income approach (e.g., Kentucky, Indiana, and North Carolina). In Ohio, valuation of agricultural land enrolled in CAUV is through the capitalization of net income approach which approximates a soil's agricultural capabilities rather than the market value of land:

Current agricultural use values for taxing farmland are determined by calculating the farm's projected gross income from agricultural production, subtracting projected non-land production costs to get the farm's net income, then dividing this by an adjusted capitalization rate to arrive at the farmland's agricultural worth (Jeffers and Libby 1999).

The origins of the CAUV calculations began in the late 1970s as a way to approximate the net income derived from agricultural production and further capitalized by the effective interest on farmland loans (Duvick 1978). Data issues preclude knowing the net income of a farm and instead it must be estimated through expected yields and prices for typical crops for a soil type and its associated non-land costs. Based partially on the finding of Reiss (1969) that a direct correlation between soil productivity and net rents earned by Illinois farmland owners exists, the CAUV program uses soil type to determine the expected yields and this serves the basis for CAUV values. Shaudys (1981) described the tenets of implementing a program like CAUV for Ohio:

Basic elements for effectively implementing and administering any taxation system include: 1) administrative simplicity, 2) ease of understanding, and 3) acceptable administrative costs. An

acceptable real property taxation system must be easily understood by both county administrators and taxpayers.

The program was enacted in 1974 and has subsequently grown in complexity. There were 350 soil types in use for the 1981 CAUV values but this has grown to 3,514 soil types as of 2019. Aside from additional soils, the formula has had major changes to how expected yields are handled<sup>1</sup> in 2006, altering the process for crop rotations<sup>2</sup> in 2010, changing the dates used for components<sup>3</sup> in 2015, and changing the source of equity rates<sup>4</sup> in 2017. There may have been subtle changes prior to 2006 as well, however this is hard to detect as there is limited publicly available information on the CAUV formula prior to 2009.

#### Recommendations for CAUV Calculation

We adopt the same tenets of Shaudys (1981) for recommendations to the CAUV formula which would largely simplify calculations, create a more consistent process, and utilize better data sources. None of the recommendations change the fundamental process of determining CAUV values through a net income capitalization approach and these should largely be viewed as technical changes as opposed to any fundamental changes. We want to make it clear that the Ohio Department of Taxation (ODT) is excellent at explaining the calculation of CAUV and implementing the program. Our recommendations would ease particular burdens on ODT and allow for a simpler explanation of the process.

#### $Recommendations^5$

- 1. Non-Land Costs as an Olympic average of "total costs" less "rent" and "management" from Ohio State University (OSU) crop budgets.
- 2. Calculate Rotations and Yields with a 7-year Olympic average to maintain consistency with other component calculations.
- 3. Replace Farm Credit Service as the source for interest rates with a regional survey of agricultural interest rates from a Federal Reserve Bank (Kansas City).
- 4. Align all data sources to cover the same years.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Yields for soil types are based on the 1984 soil survey, which was the last state-wide survey of yields for corn, soybeans, and wheat by soil type across the state. The original 1984 values were used from 1984 until 2005. In 2006, soil types began having an adjustment factor based on the increase in state-wide yields for each crop.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Prior to 2010, the crop rotation was based off of the slope classification of a soil type and involved corn, soybeans, wheat, and hay. From 2010 onward, hay was dropped from the formula and the rotation percentage was based off of state-wide harvested acreage of corn, soybeans, and wheat.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Dates used for yields, prices, and rotations were brought up two years and the non-land costs were brought up by one year.

<sup>4</sup>Data source for the equity rate portion of the capitalization rate was changed from the Federal Funds Rate to the equity rate over the previous 25 years from the USDA-ERS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>An uppercase Yield, Price, Non-Land Cost, Capitalization Rate refer to the values used in CAUV calculation while a lowercase would refer to a particular years value from a primary data source that is typically fed into CAUV values.

#### **Non-Land Costs**

#### **Current Methodology**

Official ODT explanation for 2019 CAUV calculations for Non-Land Costs:

Data on crop production costs are used to estimate average non-land production costs. The data are taken from the Ohio Crop Production Budgets prepared by The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences for 2013-2019, inclusive. Again, data are collected for the seven-year period and the highest and lowest costs for each category are eliminated from the array. Five-year average costs per unit of specific non-land production cost items are computed from the remaining data as shown in Exhibit D (pages 9-10).

OSU releases crop budgets for corn, soybeans, and wheat every growing season. Each year the crop budget provides a *low*, *medium*, and *high* scenario for cost items based on expected yields for each crop – the higher yields will increase the variable costs for a crop but do not affect any of the fixed costs. There is a preliminary release typically around the October before a growing season. For instance, the 2020 marketing year for corn was released in October 2019. The values are typically finalized in May for the year in question as the 2019 corn values were finalized on May 2nd of 2019. Figure 1 displays the finalized corn crop budget for 2019 for an indication of how many different costs are involved in a crop budget.

Figure 1: OSU Crop Budget for Corn in 2019

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#### CORN PRODUCTION BUDGET- 2019 Conservation Tillage Practices: N-Source - NH3

Reflects 2000 acres, Conservation Tillage Corn/No-Till RR Soybeans

							odated:			5/2/20:
ITEM	E	XPLANATIO	N	YOUR	PRICE PER	t	YIE	ELD (bu/A)	1	YOUR
				PROD.	UNIT					BUDGE
				NUMBERS	5		136	170	204	2:
ECEIPTS										
Corn1					\$3.60	/bu	490.32	612.72	735.12	756.0
ARC/PLC Payment2							15.93	19.91	23.89	24.
Crop Insurance Indemr	_						0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Grower or Market Prem	nium						0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
OTAL RECEIPTS							506.25	632.63	759.01	780.
ARIABLE COSTS										
Seed (kernels)3	28000	32000	34000	34000			94.50	108.00	114.75	114.
	eed Cos	t Per Bag			\$270.00	bag				
Fertilizer4										-
Starter Fertilizer							0.00	0.00	0.00	
N (lbs.)	128.2	174.5	220.7	228.6			56.91	73.83	90.75	93.
P2O5(lbs)	46.3	57.9	69.4	71.4			23.38	29.21	35.05	36.
K2O(lbs)	25.9	32.3	38.8	39.9			8.19	10.24	12.29	12.
Lime(ton)		0.25		0.25	25	/ton	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.
Chemicals5 Herbicide							46.22	46.22	46.22	46.
Fungicide							0.00	0.00	0.00	0.
Insecticid	e						0.00	0.00	0.00	0.
Drying6	18.0	% moisture a	at harvest	0.041	/cent/bu/poi	nt	16.75	20.93	25.12	25.
Hauling7	\$0.172	/per bushel		30	miles		23.43	29.27	35.12	36.
Fuel, Oil, Grease8							13.56	13.56	13.56	13.
Repairs9							20.48	20.48	20.48	20.
Crop Insurance10							12.00	14.00	15.00	15.
Miscellaneous11							5.10	5.10	5.10	5.
Hired Custom Work12							20.00	20.00	20.00	20.
Hired Labor13							0.00	0.00	0.00	0.
Int. on Oper. Cap.14		<b>7</b> n	no.		5.50%		9.45	10.68	11.69	11.
OTAL VARIABLE COST	s		Per Acre				356.23	407.79	451.38	457.
			Per Bush	el			2.62	2.40	2.21	2.
XED COSTS										
Labor Charge15		2.5	ours		15.00	/hr	37.50	37.50	37.50	37.
Management Charge 16	š	5% 0	of gross rev	venue			25.31	31.63	37.95	39.
Mach. And Equip. Char	ge17						66.07	66.07	66.07	66.
Land Charge 18		Rent					145.00	187.00	235.00	235.
Miscellaneous19							22.80	22.80	22.80	22.
OTAL FIXED COSTS							296.68	345.00	399.32	400.
OTAL COSTS			Per Acre				652.91	752.79	850.70	857.
			Per Bush	el			4.79	4.42	4.17	4.
ETURN ABOVE VARIAB	LE COS	TS20					150.03	224.85	307.64	323.
ETURN ABOVE VARIAB	LE AND	LAND COST	rs				5.03	37.85	72.64	88.
ETURN ABOVE TOTAL	COSTS						146.66	-120.15	-91.68	-77.
ETURN TO LAND							-1.66	66.85	143.32	
	MANAG	EMENT					-83.84	-51.02	-16.23	-0.
ETURN TO LABOR AND	MANAG	CMENT					-00.04		40.40	

ODT records itemized costs for each crop then uses the previous 7 years of data on crop budgets to construct Non-Land Costs (the 2020 Tax Year will use OSU crop budgets from 2014-2020). There were 137

different items in the corn, soybeans, and wheat crop budgets from OSU used in most recent 2019 CAUV calculation. ODT harmonizes each OSU crop budget to then calculate the Olympic average of each item which can be seen in figures 2 and 3:

Figure 2: ODT Method as of 2019 Tax Year

# Exhibit D, Production Costs, Tax Year 2019 Determination of Five Year Average Costs for the Projected Crop Budgets

										5 yr.
ITEM		Units	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Avg.
		011112	2010	8411						
VARIABLE COSTS	00011	40001-	62.20	\$3.44	\$3.44	\$3.44	\$3.44	\$3.50	\$3.38	\$3.43
Seed	CORN	1000k 1000s	\$3.28	\$0.41	\$0.43	\$0.43	\$0.37	\$0.43	\$0.43	\$0.42
	SOYBEANS		\$0.03	\$0.41	\$0.03	\$0.43	\$0.03	\$0.03	\$0.03	\$0.03
	WHEAT	1000s	\$0:03	90:00	\$0.03	30.03	30.03	\$0.03	90.03	90.00
Fertilizer	N Corn		\$0.56	\$0.46	\$0.46	\$0.37	\$0.34	\$0.31	\$0.37	\$0.40
Pertilizer	N Wheat		\$0.71	\$0.64	\$0.57	\$0.52	\$0.36	\$0.41	\$0.45	\$0.52
	P2O5, Corn/S	ouheans	\$0.63	\$0.60	\$0.57	\$0.46	\$0.44	\$0.47	\$0.50	\$0.52
	P2O5 Wheat	-	\$0.63	\$0.43	\$0.53	\$0.53	\$0.43	\$0.44	\$0.52	\$0.49
	K2O, Corn/So		\$0.48	\$0.38	\$0.40	\$0.28	\$0.26	\$0.28	\$0.32	\$0.33
	K2O Wheat	yucana	\$0.48	\$0.35	\$0.34	\$0.33	\$0.24	\$0.26	\$0.30	\$0.32
	LIME		\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
	Linea		420.00							
Chemicals	CORN		\$50.98	\$55.93	\$56.08	\$56.08	\$60.42	\$43.93	\$46.22	\$53.06
	SOYBEANS		\$31.40	\$32.92	\$33.84	\$33.84	\$45.70	\$39.30	\$41.99	\$36.38
	WHEAT		\$13.00	\$13.00	\$13.00	\$9.50	\$9.50	\$13.25	\$14.65	\$12.35
Fuel, Oil, Grease	CORN	136	\$19.33	\$20.14	\$13.52	\$10.07	\$12.66	\$13.64	\$13.56	\$14.54
		170	\$19.33	\$20.14	\$13.52	\$10.07	\$12.66	\$13.64	\$13.56	\$14.54
		204	\$19.33	\$20.14	\$13.52	\$10.07	\$12.66	\$13.64	\$13.56	\$14.54
	SOYBEANS	41	\$12.27	\$11.42	\$7.67	\$5.74	\$7.18	\$12.57	\$11.58	\$10.02
		52	\$12.27	\$11.42	\$7.67	\$5.71	\$7.18	\$12.57	\$11.58	\$10.02
		62	\$12.27	\$11.42	\$7.67	\$5.71	\$7.18	\$12.57	\$11.58	\$10.02
	WHEAT	60	\$16.64	\$15.76	\$14.63	\$10.13	\$9.90	\$7.62	\$12.05	\$12.49
		75	\$16.64	\$15.76	\$14.63	\$10.13	\$9.90	\$7.62	\$12.05	\$12.49
		90	\$16.64	\$15.76	\$14.63	\$10.13	\$9.90	\$7.62	\$12.05	\$12.49
				***	***	400.70	ene 70	\$19.91	\$20.48	\$24.70
Repairs	CORN	136	\$22.66	\$26.78	\$26.78	\$26.78	\$26.78	\$19.91	\$20.48	\$24.70
		170	\$22.66	\$26.78	\$26.78	\$26.78	\$26.78	\$19.91	\$20.48	\$24.70
		204	\$22.66	\$26.78	\$26.78	\$26.78	\$26.78 \$20.61	\$17.22	\$17.57	\$19.32
	SOYBEANS	41	\$14.47	\$20.61	\$20.61	\$20.61	\$20.61	\$17.22	\$17.57	\$19.32
		52	\$14.47	\$20.61	\$20.61	\$20.61	\$20.61	\$17.22	\$17.57	\$19.32
		62	\$14.47	\$20.61	\$20.61	\$20.32	\$20.32	\$18.72	\$16.72	\$19.28
	WHEAT	60	\$14.39	\$20.32	\$20.32 \$20.32	\$20.32	\$20.32	\$18.72	\$16.72	\$19.28
		75	\$14.39	\$20-32	\$20.32	\$20.32	\$20.32	\$18.72	\$16.72	\$19.28
		90	\$14.39	950-06	320.32	\$20.02	920.02	\$10.7E	910.12	Ø10.20
Coop Incurrence	CORN	136	\$29.35	\$20.00	\$16.30	\$15.00	\$13.00	\$13.00	\$12.00	\$15.46
Crop Insurance	CORN	170	\$29.35	\$21.00	\$17.00	\$16.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$16.40
		204	\$29.35	\$21.00	\$17.80	\$15.00	\$16.00	\$14.50	\$15.00	\$16.96
1	SOYBEANS	41	\$24.00	\$14.00	\$9.50	\$9.00	\$12.00	\$9.50	\$7.00	\$10.80
	SUTBEAMS	52	\$24.00	\$15.00	\$8.50	\$8.50	\$12.00	\$10.00	\$7.50	\$10.80
		62	\$24.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	\$8.50	\$13.00	\$10.50	\$8.00	\$11.40
	WHEAT	60	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$10.80
	WILEYI	75	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$10.90
		90	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$11.00
		30	414.00	911.00						

Figure 3: ODT Method as of 2019 Tax Year (cont.)

#### Exhibit D, Production Costs, Tax Year 2019

										5 yr.
ITEM		Units	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Avg.
Variable Miscellaneous	CORN	136	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$5.00			\$4.80	\$5.10	
		170	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$4.80	\$5.10	\$6.42
	SOYBEANS	41	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$4.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.25	\$3.40	\$4.98
		52	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$4.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.25	\$3.40	\$4.98
	WHEAT	60	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$1.50	\$3.20	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$4.24
		75	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$1,50	\$3.20	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$4.24
Drying:										
Fuel & Electric	CORN		\$0.21	\$0.21	\$0.16	\$0.11	\$0.11	\$0.06	\$0.04	\$0.13
Hauling Farm to Market										
	CORN		\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.01	\$0.02	\$0.48	\$0.17	\$0.05
	SOYBEANS		\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.01	\$0.02	\$0.48	\$0.17	\$0.05
	WHEAT		\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.18	\$0.17	\$0.05
Interest - variable costs			4.00%	4.00%	5.00%	4.50%	5.00%	5.00%	5.50%	4.70%
FIXED COSTS										
Labor Charge	CORN		\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$37.50	\$37.50	\$43.50
	SOYBEANS		\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$22.50	\$22.50	\$28.50
	WHEAT		\$22.50	\$22.50	\$22.50	\$22.50	\$22.50	\$22.50	\$22.50	\$22.50
Machinery & Equipment	CORN		\$115.92	\$123.57	\$130.45	\$130.45	\$130.45	\$84.61	\$86.07	\$117.29
	SOYBEANS		\$85.10	\$107.89	\$107.89	\$107.89	\$107.89	\$56.44	\$57.90	\$93.33
	WHEAT		\$99.08	\$125.86	\$125.86	\$125.86	\$125.86	\$68.65	\$65-28	\$109.06
Fixed Miscellaneous*	CORN	136	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$22.00	\$23.10	\$22.80	\$23.18
		170	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$22.00	\$23.10	\$22.80	\$23.18
		204	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$22.00	\$23.10	\$22.80	\$23.18
	SOYBEANS	41	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16.50	\$15.60	\$14.50	\$14.90	\$14.70	\$15.24
		52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16.50	\$15.60	\$14.50	\$14.90	\$14.70	\$15.24
		62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16.50	\$15.60	\$14.50	\$14.90	\$14.70	\$15.24
	WHEAT	60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14.00	\$12.60	\$12.75	\$12.10	\$12.86
		75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14.00	\$12.60	\$12.75	\$12.10	\$12.86
		90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14.00	\$12.60	\$12.75	\$12.10	\$12.86

<sup>&#</sup>x27;In 2015, Ohio State University revised budgets to show fixed and variable miscellaneous costs. A straight average is used for this budget item.

Source: Updated with Crop Production Budgets 2019, OSU Extension, College of Food, Agricultural & Environmental Sciences,

The only major categories in OSU crop budgets not collected for calculation are "land charge" and "management charge". "Land charge" is rent which is not explicitly paid by a landowner while "management charge" is not collected by a farm operator as this entails the oversight of agricultural production.

ODT uses a combination of low and medium yield scenarios to calculate Non-Land Costs for each crop which is based on two important concepts:

- Base Cost: based on the *low* productivity yields for each crop for the past 7 years (Olympic average) aside from costs related to management and rent
- Additional Costs: based on a linear interpolation between the low and medium productivity values

from the past 7 years for each component (Olympic average) aside from costs related to management and rent. This is further divided by the yield difference in the Olympic average of *low* and *medium* to put this into per bushel units

Once both the base and additional costs for a particular year are determined, these are fed into the CAUV formula for soils. Every soil type (s) has an underlying Yield in their CAUV calculation for a particular Tax Year (t):

$$Nonland_{s,t} = Base_t + (Yield_{s,t} - low_t) \times Add_t$$

A Yield value above (below) the *low* scenario yield would have Additional Costs multiplied by the difference and added (subtracted) from Base Costs for its Non-Land Costs. However, a Yield value equal to the *low* scenario in a budget would only have Base Costs for its Non-Land Costs as there would be no corresponding additional cost.

#### **Potential Issues**

The current process lends itself to a few potential issues. The largest issue is the cumbersome processes of manually entering all 137 items from OSU crop budgets as this process cannot be automated. This large of a number of data entry items can lead to typos and the corresponding Olympic averaging of all these components can further increased the likelihood of typos, copy errors, or coding issues.

A further issue is that this process is not well equipped for changes in how the OSU crop budgets are constructed. For instance, the "fixed miscellaneous" and "variable miscellaneous" categories were created in 2015 and thus have no comparable years to form an Olympic average for. In addition, the "hired custom work" category was created in 2018 from a subset of the "mach. and equip. charge" category. Should the splitting of a category be handled by combining the categories back together? And how does one perform a seven year Olympic average on a category that has only existed for a few years? The current method is to take simple averages of the miscellaneous categories until there are enough observations and to reconstruct the "mach. and equip. charge" category by adding in "hired custom work".

And finally as a statistical point, the more individual items which are averaged will increase the overall variance in an outcome. Or in other words, the Non-Land Cost becomes more variable with the more data items that are averaged. As more data items are added to the Non-Land Costs calculation, there more that category will vary from year to year and CAUV values become less stable because of this.

# Non-Land Costs Proposed Change

 Non-Land Costs as an Olympic average of "total costs" less "land charge" and "management charge" from OSU Budgets as opposed to each individual component having an Olympic average and then summed up.

The process for this proposed change would be that each year the *low* and *medium* yield values are recorded along with the *low* and *medium* values of "total costs", "land rent", and "management charge" for each crop. Figure 4 highlights the 8 relevant numbers to be recorded are circled.

Figure 4: Relevant Aspects of Crop Budget

0000	DDADUATION	DUBOET A				
	PRODUCTION			12		
Collse	rvation Tillage 2000 acres, Co				ine	
COLLEGE OF FOOD, AGRICULTURAL.	2000 acres, oc	Miservation file	ige com/wo-mi	Tur Soybee	1110	
AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES			Updated:			5/2/2019
ITEM EXPLANATION	YOUR PR	ICE PER	_	LD (bu/A)1		YOUR
	PROD.	UNIT	_			BUDGET
	NUMBERS		136	170	204	210
RECEIPTS						
Corn <sup>1</sup>		<b>\$3.60</b> /bu	490.32	612.72	735.12	756.00
ARC/PLC Payment <sup>2</sup>			15.93	19.91	23.89	24.77
Crop Insurance Indemnity Grower or Market Premium			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00
Glower of Market Fleihluff			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS			506.25	632.63	759.01	780.77
VARIABLE COSTS						
Seed (kernels) <sup>3</sup> 28000 32000 340	000 34000	\$3.38/1000	94.50	108.00	114.75	114.75
Seed Cost Per Bag		\$270.00/bag				
Fertilizer <sup>4</sup>						
Starter Fertilizer N (lbs.) 128.2 174.5 220	0.7 228.6	0.37/lb	0.00 56.91	0.00 73.83	0.00 90.75	0.00 93.63
	9.4 <b>71.4</b>	0.50/lb	23.38	29.21	35.05	36.04
W 0.00	8.8 <b>39.9</b>	0.30/lb	8.19	10.24	12.29	12.64
Lime(ton)0.25	0.25	25/ton.	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.25
Chemicals <sup>5</sup> Herbicide			46.22	46.22	46.22	46.22
Fungicide		7	0.00	0.00	0.00	-∞0.00
Insecticide	IUC	,	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Drying <sup>6</sup> 18.0% moisture at harv		ent/bu/point	16.75	20.93	25.12	25.83
Hauling <sup>7</sup> \$0.172/per bushel	30 mil	es	23.43	29.27	35.12	36.12
Fuel, Oil, Grease <sup>8</sup>			13.56	13.56	13.56	13.56
Repairs <sup>9</sup>			20.48	20.48	20.48	20.48
Crop Insurance <sup>10</sup>			12.00	14.00	15.00	15.00
Miscellaneous <sup>11</sup>			5.10	5.10	5.10	5.10
Hired Custom Work <sup>12</sup> Hired Labor <sup>13</sup>			20.00 0.00	20.00 0.00	20.00	20.00
Int. on Oper. Cap. <sup>14</sup> 7mo.		5.50%	9.45	10.68	11.69	0.00 11.83
Int. on Oper. Cap. " 7110.		3.30%	9.40	10.00	11.09	11.63
TOTAL VARIABLE COSTS -Per Aci	re		356.23	407.79	451.38	457.45
-Per Bu	shel		2.62	2.40	2.21	2.18
FIXED COSTS						
Labor Charge <sup>15</sup> 2.5 hours		15.00/hr	37.5	50	37.50	37.50
Management Char 5% of gro	oss revenu	е	25.31	31.63	37.95	39.04
Mach. And Equip. Charge <sup>17</sup>				<b>_</b>	66.07	66.07
Land Charge <sup>15</sup> Rent			145.00 1	87.00	235.00	235.00
Miscellaneous <sup>19</sup>			200	00.00	22.80	22.80
TOTAL FIXED COSTS			296.68	345.00	399.32	400.41
IOTAL PIALD GOOTS						700.71
TOTAL COSTS -Per Act			652.917	52.79 8		857.86
-Per Bu	shel		1.18	1.12	4.17	4.09
RETURN ABOVE VARIABLE COSTS <sup>20</sup>			150.03	224.85	307.64	323.31
RETURN ABOVE VARIABLE AND LAND COSTS			5.03	37.85	72.64	88.31
RETURN ABOVE TOTAL COSTS RETURN TO LAND	ane (	<del>)                                    </del>	-146.66 -1.66	-120.15 66.85	-91.68 143.32	-77.10 157.90
RETURN TO LABOR AND MANAGEMENT	aye 1		-83.84	-51.02	-16.23	-0.56
RETURN TO LAND, LABOR AND MANAGEMENT			61.16	135.98	218.77	234.44

The relevant Non-Land Cost is "total costs" - "land rent" - "management charge" which would have a value for both *low* and *medium* for each year and a seven year Olympic average is ultimately used in the CAUV calculation. To be clearer, this process would not take an Olympic average of "total costs", "land rent", and/or "management charge" but instead the Olympic average is for the value of "total costs" - "land rent" - "management charge". The **Base Cost** would continue to be the Olympic average of the *low* value while the **Additional Cost** would also be the linear interpolation between the *low* and *medium* per bushel values as before.

The main reasons for this proposed change are threefold. For one, this method is easier to implement than manually recording 137 data items which will cut down on tedious work and reduce the potential for typos. Along with the ease of implementation is that it is a simpler method for understanding the process of constructing a Non-Land Cost than listing so many different items which go into the Non-Land Costs. It is synonymous to say that Non-Land Costs are constructed by total cost on the land less rent and management versus stating that costs include seed, fertilizer, machinery, etc.

The second reason is that this method will safeguard against any potential changes that might happen to the structure or definition of OSU crop budgets. Throughout the entire history of CAUV, there have only been two costs omitted from the formula in the form of rent and management charges as these are essential functions to owning property. On the other hand, the cost categories which are not rent or management charges have gone through substantial changes and, while it infrequently occurs, a category may have substantial change from one year to the next.

And finally, this process will have more stable Non-Land Cost values because there are fewer components involved in calculating the final output. Within a given year, there is correlation across cost items which makes individual items more variable than the overall total costs from year to year. By constructing an item-by-item Olympic average, the overall variance in an outcome will be larger than if only total costs was Olympic averaged. With the recommended change, the Non-Land Costs become more stable from year to year.

#### Hypothetical Values

Hypothetical Non-Land Costs for all of the crops are provided to give a sense of how much this new process would change from the current calculations. Table 1 provides values for corn, table 2 provides values for soybeans, and table 3 provides values for wheat. The ultimate effect on CAUV values in comparison to the current methodology are further provided in table 4.

The difference in **Base Costs** for all commodities under the proposed change are all less than 5% in

magnitude although most of the yearly differences are around the 1.5% magnitude. For corn, the base costs under the proposed change are generally slightly higher although this depends on the year as 2015–2017 the **Base Costs** are actually lower. For soybeans and wheat, their differences in magnitude are approximately the same and trend in the same direction for **Base Costs** in that they would be higher for the pre-2014 period but lower for the post-2016 period. From a **Base Costs** perspective moving forward, the proposed change would generally have higher for corn and lower for soybeans and wheat for a fairly neutral effect on CAUV from this perspective.

For Additional Costs, the most recent hypothetical values are close to the current method for CAUV valuation with corn as identical and soybeans and wheat within 5% of the current values. However, the pre-2017 values for additional costs have a fairly wide disparity with corn values typically being higher, soybean values consistently more than 10% higher, and wheat values consistently around 18% lower. The Additional Costs category will only affect soil types which are at the high or low distribution of yields for a given commodity, so the effects are a bit difficult to pick up especially if one only looks at the mean value of CAUV. However, the actual mix of high/low values generally have a dampened effect overall since the magnitudes are similar.

The ultimate effect on CAUV values (seen in table 4) would keep CAUV values to be roughly similar to the actual values. Pre-2015 CAUV values would be lower than realized values while post-2015 would be slightly higher, however the magnitudes are relatively small. One culprit of this discrepancy is that the "miscellaneous" category was formed in 2015 and has only been a simple average of its values which in turn affects the costs under the current valuation method.

Table 1: Hypothetical Previous Values for Corn

Year	ODT Base	Alt Base	Diff Base	ODT Add	Alt Add	Diff Add
2012	\$350.71	\$366.08	4.383%	\$0.90	\$1.04	16%
2013	\$391.90	\$405.25	3.406%	\$1.04	\$1.11	7%
2014	\$437.85	\$452.42	3.328%	\$1.18	\$1.26	7%
2015	\$516.99	\$509.97	-1.358%	\$1.36	\$1.42	4%
2016	\$524.47	\$523.07	-0.267%	\$1.38	\$1.41	2%
2017	\$538.78	\$534.21	-0.848%	\$1.45	\$1.44	-1%
2018	\$529.28	\$534.21	0.931%	\$1.44	\$1.44	0%
2019	\$517.63	\$528.08	2.019%	\$1.43	\$1.43	0%

Table 2: Hypothetical Previous Values for Soybeans

Year	ODT Base	Alt Base	Diff Base	ODT Add	Alt Add	Diff Add
2012	\$227.51	\$231.09	1.574%	\$0.93	\$1.09	17.20%
2013	\$248.69	\$252.13	1.383%	\$1.12	\$1.26	12.50%
2014	\$275.21	\$279.22	1.457%	\$1.27	\$1.47	15.75%
2015	\$325.42	\$316.27	-2.812%	\$1.24	\$1.40	12.90%
2016	\$336.33	\$327.69	-2.569%	\$1.07	\$1.18	10.28%
2017	\$347.10	\$339.15	-2.290%	\$1.05	\$1.06	0.95%
2018	\$346.26	\$339.15	-2.053%	\$0.94	\$1.10	17.02%
2019	\$338.54	\$334.32	-1.247%	\$0.90	\$0.95	5.56%

Table 3: Hypothetical Previous Values for Wheat

Year	ODT Base	Alt Base	Diff Base	ODT Add	Alt Add	Diff Add
2012	\$211.52	\$215.26	1.77%	\$1.41	\$1.05	-25.53%
2013	\$230.62	\$235.79	2.24%	\$1.61	\$1.31	-18.63%
2014	\$255.48	\$265.47	3.91%	\$1.80	\$1.46	-18.89%
2015	\$296.98	\$300.96	1.34%	\$1.77	\$1.48	-16.38%
2016	\$323.52	\$313.03	-3.24%	\$1.64	\$1.30	-20.73%
2017	\$336.21	\$327.10	-2.71%	\$1.62	\$1.56	-3.70%
2018	\$330.53	\$327.10	-1.04%	\$1.49	\$1.56	4.70%
2019	\$319.08	\$314.42	-1.46%	\$1.41	\$1.42	0.71%

Table 4: Hypothetical Previous CAUV Values

Year	Avg CAUV	Alt Avg CAUV	Pct Chg	indx_100	indx_99	indx_89	indx_79	indx_69	indx_59	indx_49
2012	\$719	\$659	-8.3%	\$2,350	\$1,991	\$1,586	\$1,036	\$532	\$355	\$350
2013	\$1,205	\$1,130	-6.2%	\$3,650	\$3,180	\$2,619	\$1,848	\$1,117	\$476	\$350
2014	\$1,668	\$1,569	-5.9%	\$4,860	\$4,253	\$3,551	\$2,581	\$1,646	\$644	\$350
2015	\$1,388	\$1,469	5.8%	\$4,870	\$4,205	\$3,457	\$2,459	\$1,488	\$566	\$350
2016	\$1,310	\$1,374	4.9%	\$4,840	\$4,161	\$3,389	\$2,349	\$1,330	\$499	\$350
2017	\$1,153	\$1,213	5.2%	\$4,300	\$3,693	\$2,997	\$2,059	\$1,148	\$457	\$350
2018	\$1,015	\$1,049	3.3%	\$3,850	\$3,270	\$2,632	\$1,775	\$948	\$415	\$350
2019	\$876	\$889	1.5%	\$3,425	\$2,875	\$2,283	\$1,485	\$750	\$385	\$350

#### Rotations and Yields

#### Current Methodology

Official explanation of 2019 CAUV Calculations for Rotations:

The cropping pattern for each map unit is assigned a rotation based on the most recent five year average of crop acres harvested in Ohio: 38% corn, 56% beans, and 6% wheat. This rotation is based on data from 2014-2018 and closely reflects current agricultural production in Ohio. The acres harvested in each year are shown in Exhibit B (page 7).

Official explanation of 2019 CAUV Calculations for Yields:

For each of the soil mapping units, data regarding typical yields of each of the major field crops (corn, soybeans and wheat) were last published in 1984. In order to reflect more accurate yields, those yields of record have been updated annually since 2006. The yields are updated by a factor based on ten years of statewide yield information published by USDA. For 2019, yield data from calendar years 2009-2018 were averaged and divided by the 1984 yield for each crop (Exhibit A, page 6). This factor is applied to the 1984 crop yield of record for each soil. The table below shows the average yields used to develop the factor for each of the crops.

The process for constructing both Rotations and Yields is more straight-forward than the Non-Land costs as there is only one data source for each and only one data item to average. For both Rotations and Yields, data come from Crop Production Reports and the values are typically finalized in January of the following year although there are situations where the USDA will retroactively adjust these official values in light of new data such as the Agricultural Census.

Rotations use the harvested acreage information for the state. The value of Rotations in the CAUV formula currently uses a 5 year simple average. The current procedure of calculating rotations began in the 2010 tax year when hay was dropped from the CAUV formula. Prior to 2010, the rotations were set based on an ad hoc procedure based on the slope of category of a soil type as seen in figure 5. It is unclear why the 5-year average was chosen for rotation procedures in 2010 instead of the typical 7-year Olympic average that the other components use.

Figure 5: Pre-2010 Crop Rotations

All other soil map units were assigned a cropping pattern according the following schedule.

% Slope	Corn	Soybeans	Wheat	<u>Hay</u>
0-1, 0-2, 0-3, 0-4, 0-5, 1-3, 1-4, 1-5	35%	45%	15%	5%
0-6, 0-8, 0-10, 1-6, 1-7, 1-8, 2-4, 2-5, 2-6, 2-8, 3-6, 3-8	35%	37%	15%	13%
0-15, 1-15, 2-12, 3-10, 3-12, 3-15, 4-10, 4-12, 5-10, 5-15, 6-12, 6-15, 7-15, 8-15	35%	20%	20%	25%
5-20, 6-18, 6-20, 8-20, 8-25, 9-18, 10-15, 10-20, 10-25, 12-18, 12-20, 12-25, 15-20, 15-25, 18-25	. 20%	-	10%	70%

Yields use the harvested yields for the state and currently uses a 10 year simple average in the CAUV formula. Prior to 2006, there was no adjustment factor for Yields and the 1984 value of Yield was used in CAUV calculation. Because CAUV values are based on soil types and the most recent comprehensive soil survey in the state is from 1984, the CAUV formula adjusts by state-wide increase in yields to better approximate the expected yields of corn, soybeans, and wheat for a particular soil type. It is unclear why a 10-year average was chosen for this adjustment factor in 2006 instead of the typical 7-year Olympic average that the other components use.

#### **Potential Issues**

The Rotations and Yields are the only components in the CAUV formula which do not have an Olympic averaging component nor 7 years of data (excluding the legislated mandate of an Equity yield rate of a 25-year average of the "total rate of return on farm equity" published by USDA Economic Research Service). This is of potential concern because of the tediousness of recalling the different years of data used in the calculation as opposed to having a consistent method across all CAUV components. The Olympic average is a beneficial aspect of averaging because it will reduce the influence of outliers that may occur due to natural disasters or uncontrollable aspects in agriculture. Further, the CAUV formula was originally intended to approximate the net income on a farm in previous years because of lack of data on net income. Having more (or fewer) years in calculating components in the CAUV formula places less (more) emphasis on recent trends in agriculture and in relation to other components.

# Rotations and Yields Proposed Change

#### 2. Calculate Rotations and Yields with a 7-year Olympic average

The reasoning behind this proposed change is fairly straight-forward in that the calculations for CAUV will be more consistent across components. There is a further benefit that outliers of high/low harvested acreage and/or yields will be removed from the formula and provides more stability in overall CAUV values from year to year.

The overall effect on how Rotations would change is a slower adjustment for year-to-year fluctuations in crop rotations as seen in table 5. In the early 2010s, there is a slight skew towards soybeans and away from corn while the later 2010s this trend reverses towards corn. Because the typical net income across corn, soybeans, and wheat are usually similar for each year and the changes in Rotation percentage is small, there is little effect on CAUV values. The overall effect on hypothetical CAUV values, as seen in table 6, is extremely similar CAUV values to the current method.

For the effect on Yields, the reduction from a 10-year average to a 7-year Olympic average would be a general increase in the adjustment factor for Yield since yields typically follow a linear trend over time – fewer years used in an average of an upward trending variable will lead to a higher value. Because of this, the new hypothetical Yields, as seen in table 7, are generally higher or unaffected. There is an up to a 5% increase in corn Yield, up to a 9% increase in soybean Yield, and an up to a 3% increase in wheat Yield. However, these Yield adjustments are intertwined with the **Additional Costs** as Yields not only affect what would represent the revenues of a crop but also the costs. For our projections of hypothetical changes in CAUV values, we assume that the proposed Non-Land Costs adjustments have not been adopted as seen in table 8. The overall effect on CAUV values with the proposed change would to have higher values upwards of a 23% increase although more typically around a 13% increase in CAUV values.

Combining both of these proposals for hypothetical CAUV values largely produces the results seen in the effect on Yields as can be seen in table 9. The previous years would have had at most a 23% increase in CAUV values but the most recent 2019 CAUV values would be about 10% higher on average.

# Hypothetical CAUV Values

Table 5: Proposed Change Effect on Rotations

Year	ODT Corn	Alt Corn	ODT Soybeans	Alt Soybeans	ODT Wheat	Alt Wheat
2010	39.0%	36.7%	51.0%	52.7%	10.0%	10.6%
2011	38.6%	36.9%	50.9%	52.2%	10.5%	10.9%
2012	38.6%	37.2%	51.1%	52.6%	10.3%	10.2%
2013	38.7%	37.2%	51.2%	52.7%	10.1%	10.1%
2014	38.6%	37.8%	52.0%	52.5%	9.4%	9.7%
2015	40.0%	38.8%	52.6%	52.7%	7.4%	8.5%
2016	40.2%	39.2%	53.0%	53.3%	6.8%	7.5%
2017	40.0%	39.4%	54.0%	53.8%	6.0%	6.8%
2018	39.0%	39.3%	55.0%	54.5%	6.0%	6.2%
2019	38.0%	39.2%	56.0%	55.1%	6.0%	5.8%

Table 6: Hypothetical CAUV Values for Rotations

Year	Avg CAUV	Alt Avg CAUV	Pct Chg	indx_100	indx_99	indx_89	indx_79	indx_69	indx_59	indx_49
2010	\$505	\$509	0.8%	\$1,910	\$1,604	\$1,282	\$852	\$439	\$215	\$200
2011	\$700	\$704	0.6%	\$2,390	\$2,014	\$1,647	\$1,133	\$638	\$330	\$300
2012	\$719	\$725	0.8%	\$2,500	\$2,137	\$1,726	\$1,157	\$618	\$364	\$350
2013	\$1,205	\$1,208	0.2%	\$3,780	\$3,310	\$2,746	\$1,963	\$1,224	\$517	\$350
2014	\$1,668	\$1,667	-0.1%	\$5,030	\$4,420	\$3,712	\$2,726	\$1,778	\$698	\$350
2015	\$1,388	\$1,386	-0.1%	\$4,760	\$4,083	\$3,343	\$2,342	\$1,371	\$519	\$350
2016	\$1,310	\$1,310	0.0%	\$4,750	\$4,062	\$3,298	\$2,254	\$1,237	\$466	\$350
2017	\$1,153	\$1,151	-0.2%	\$4,200	\$3,590	\$2,902	\$1,965	\$1,060	\$431	\$350
2018	\$1,015	\$1,011	-0.4%	\$3,795	\$3,213	\$2,578	\$1,717	\$892	\$400	\$350
2019	\$876	\$871	-0.6%	\$3,398	\$2,849	\$2,260	\$1,458	\$723	\$378	\$350

Table 7: Proposed Change Effect on Yields

Year	ODT Corn	Alt Corn	Corn Diff	ODT Soybeans	Alt Soybeans	Soybeans Diff	ODT Wheat	Alt Wheat	Wheat Diff
2010	140.1	147.6	5.4%	41.2	42.7	3.6%	67.1	65.4	-2.5%
2011	144.9	153.2	5.7%	42.5	44.9	5.6%	67.3	67.2	-0.1%
2012	146.5	154.0	5.1%	43.1	46.8	8.6%	66.2	65.8	-0.6%
2013	148.5	153.0	3.0%	43.7	47.0	7.6%	65.3	65.6	0.5%
2014	151.9	150.6	-0.9%	45.0	47.0	4.4%	66.0	65.0	-1.5%
2015	155.2	157.8	1.7%	46.7	47.9	2.6%	67.1	67.4	0.4%
2016	156.2	162.2	3.8%	47.2	48.9	3.6%	66.7	67.4	1.0%
2017	156.2	159.8	2.3%	47.9	49.6	3.5%	67.9	68.0	0.1%
2018	158.9	163.0	2.6%	48.2	49.9	3.5%	69.2	70.6	2.0%
2019	164.1	167.8	2.3%	50.4	51.2	1.6%	69.9	72.2	3.3%

Table 8: Hypothetical CAUV Values for Yields

Year	Avg CAUV	Alt Avg CAUV	Pct Chg	indx_100	indx_99	indx_89	indx_79	indx_69	indx_59	indx_49
2010	\$505	\$578	14.5%	\$2,060	\$1,755	\$1,422	\$968	\$530	\$233	\$200
2011	\$700	\$826	18.0%	\$2,640	\$2,279	\$1,881	\$1,331	\$799	\$371	\$300
2012	\$719	\$885	23.1%	\$2,900	\$2,486	\$2,040	\$1,423	\$830	\$404	\$350
2013	\$1,205	\$1,395	15.8%	\$4,200	\$3,674	\$3,088	\$2,262	\$1,462	\$603	\$350
2014	\$1,668	\$1,759	5.5%	\$5,250	\$4,608	\$3,888	\$2,874	\$1,895	\$737	\$350
2015	\$1,388	\$1,488	7.2%	\$4,960	\$4,309	\$3,539	\$2,502	\$1,502	\$565	\$350
2016	\$1,310	\$1,487	13.5%	\$5,160	\$4,428	\$3,631	\$2,533	\$1,469	\$539	\$350
2017	\$1,153	\$1,294	12.2%	\$4,545	\$3,893	\$3,178	\$2,195	\$1,247	\$484	\$350
2018	\$1,015	\$1,133	11.6%	\$4,078	\$3,480	\$2,822	\$1,920	\$1,051	\$437	\$350
2019	\$876	\$961	9.7%	\$3,614	\$3,052	\$2,447	\$1,618	\$836	\$398	\$350

Table 9: Hypothetical CAUV Values for Rotations and Yields

Year	Avg CAUV	Alt Avg CAUV	Pct Chg	indx_100	indx_99	indx_89	indx_79	indx_69	indx_59	indx_49
2010	\$505	\$577	14.3%	\$2,060	\$1,748	\$1,417	\$965	\$530	\$234	\$200
2011	\$700	\$820	17.1%	\$2,620	\$2,255	\$1,864	\$1,321	\$793	\$369	\$300
2012	\$719	\$882	22.7%	\$2,890	\$2,476	\$2,032	\$1,418	\$828	\$404	\$350
2013	\$1,205	\$1,391	15.4%	\$4,190	\$3,660	\$3,079	\$2,256	\$1,459	\$602	\$350
2014	\$1,668	\$1,750	4.9%	\$5,230	\$4,581	\$3,868	\$2,859	\$1,885	\$734	\$350
2015	\$1,388	\$1,475	6.3%	\$4,910	\$4,254	\$3,502	\$2,477	\$1,489	\$562	\$350
2016	\$1,310	\$1,479	12.9%	\$5,140	\$4,399	\$3,611	\$2,519	\$1,462	\$538	\$350
2017	\$1,153	\$1,288	11.7%	\$4,525	\$3,868	\$3,160	\$2,183	\$1,241	\$483	\$350
2018	\$1,015	\$1,128	11.1%	\$4,062	\$3,461	\$2,808	\$1,910	\$1,045	\$436	\$350
2019	\$876	\$953	8.8%	\$3,596	\$3,032	\$2,430	\$1,603	\$827	\$397	\$350

# Capitalization Rate

#### **Current Methodology**

• Explanation of 2019 CAUV Calculations for Capitalization Rate:

Five-year averaging is used to derive the Farm Credit Service interest rate of 5.69% assuming an 80% loan for a 25-year term, payable annually (Exhibit E, page 14). The interest rate of 7.55% for the 20 percent equity portion is based on the 25-year average of the "total rate of return on farm equity" published by USDA (1993-2017, inclusive). (RC. 5715.01) The capitalization rate for typical Ohio farmland is computed by the mortgage-equity method. The statewide average effective tax rate after application of the reduction factors levied on agricultural property is 49.94 mills for tax year 2018 (R.C. 319.301). The 9.0 percent nonbusiness credit rollback authorized by R.C. 319.302 reduces this rate further to 45.44 mills. As a percent of market value, the effective tax rate to be used in this year's capitalization formula is 1.6%, (.35 x 45.44)/1000.

The Capitalization Rate is quite possibly the most influential component of the entire CAUV formula as it is in the denominator of the formula and is typically a value less than 10% ( $CAUV = \frac{NetIncome}{CapRate}$ ). Additionally, the calculation of the Capitalization Rate is the most involved and complex although only the interest rate and equity rate are data which need to be acquired outside of ODT for the formula.

The Capitalization Rate requires the knowledge of an interest rate on a loan and an equity rate as well as the term and debt percentage for determining from the Mortgage-Equity Method. Figure 6 displays the values of interest rate and equity rate for the 2019 CAUV values.

Figure 6: Interest Rates Current Calculation

	t E: INTEREST REST RATE*	RATES	- CAPITALIZATION RATE EQUITY RATE**
Year		Year	
2013	4.95	2017	2.29
2014	6.20	2016	2.13
2015	5.60	2015	-0.37
2016	5.15	2014	8.43
2017	5.65	2013	8.69
2018	6.04	2012	17.04
2019	6.00	2011	11.04
		2010	12.47
Average	5.69	2009	-0.71
		2008	4.30
		2007	4.60
		2006	13.30
		2005	18.18
		2004	17.32
		2003	8.17
		2002	-0.57
		2001	6.13
		2000	8.74
		1999	8.12
		1998	6.12
		1997	7.36
		1996	7.59
		1995	4.73
		1994	6.08
		1993	7.68

<sup>\*</sup> Fixed multi-flex rate for a 25-year term on a loan \$75,000 and over, Farm Credit Services.

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Average

For a mathematical representation and description of the Capitalization Rate, we can define the Capitalization Rate as:

<sup>\*\*</sup>Equity rate is the USDA rate of return on farm equity averaged for most recent 25 years. For 2018, the equity rate was 7.73%

$$CAP_{t} = Loan\%_{t} \times AnnualDebtService_{t} +$$

$$Equity\%_{t} \times EquityYield_{t} -$$

$$Buildup_{t} +$$

$$TaxAdditurAdjustment_{t}$$

The  $Loan\%_t$  plus  $Equity\%_t$  must equal one and is currently an 80% to 20% ratio respectively. Prior to 2015, the values were based on 60% loan and 40% equity appreciation.  $AnnualDebtService_t$  is a debt servicing factor based on a 25-year term mortgage with an associated interest rate. The interest rate used for a particular year is based on a 7-year Olympic average where the value for the loan interest rate came from a 25-year mortgage from Farm Credit Services (FCS). Prior to 2015, a 15-year term was used instead of 25 and there were no lags in this formula. For example, the 2017 interest rate used comes from FCS values between 2011 and 2017. The formula for calculating the debt servicing factor with r as the interest rate (from FCS) and r the term length (currently 25) is:

$$Annual Debt Service = \frac{r \times (1+r)^n}{(1+r)^n - 1}$$

Next, the  $EquityYield_t$  needs to be calculated – which is simply the interest rate associated with equity that a farmer may hold. Prior to 2017, the equity yield was a 7-year Olympic average of the prime rate plus 2% from the Wall Street Journal's bank survey – with no lag for the values. In 2017, the ODT switched the equity yield to be a two year lagged 25-year average of the "Total rate of return on farm equity" from the Economic Research Services of the USDA. For example, the 2017 value used the ERS's values from 1991 to 2015.

Then, the equity buildup associated with a set time frame needs to be calculated. The equity buildup formula involves an associated interest rate (the  $EquityYield_t$  is used here as r) and a time-frame n, which is set at 25 years currently (prior to 2017, this was set at 5 years of equity buildup):

$$Buildup_t = Equity\%_t \times MortgagePaid\%_t \times \frac{r}{(1+r)^n-1}$$

For 2017 and beyond, the  $MortgagePaid\%_t$  is assumed to be 100%. However, prior to 2017 this value needed to be calculated as the percentage of mortgage paid after 5 years. The mortgage term was needed to determine what the mortgage paid after 5 years would be. For 2015 and beyond the mortgage terms have been for 25 years while prior to 2015 the mortgage term was for 15 years. The formula for calculating the percentage of the mortgage paid off after 5 years is:

$$MortgagePaid\%_{t} = \frac{\frac{1}{(1+r)^{n-5}} - \frac{1}{(1+r)^{n}}}{1 - \frac{1}{(1+r)^{n}}}$$

Where r is the interest rate and n is the term of the loan.

And finally, the  $TaxAdditurAdjustment_t$  needs to be calculated. The tax additur is added onto the capitalization rate as a way to proxy for property taxes as a ratio to market value. The statewide average effective tax rate on agricultural land, as determined through table DTE27, from the previous tax year is used in calculation for the tax additur in question. The statewide average effective tax rate is expressed in terms of mills and the tax additur is then expressed as:

$$TaxAdditurAdjustment_t = \frac{0.35 \times StatewideMillage_{t-1}}{1000}$$

#### Potential Issues

The Capitalization Rate formula has been largely unchanged throughout the entirety of the CAUV program as Richard Duvick first proposed using the Mortgage-Equity Method in 1978 (Duvick 1978). However, the data used for the interest rates has changed over time from the Louisville Federal Land Bank to the current method involving Farm Credit Services (FCS) along with some slight changes in the loan terms.

FCS does not publish quarterly or even annual values for interest rates on real estate loans. Instead, ODT systematically calls an FCS location to request a quoted interest rate on a hypothetical 25-year term loan of \$75,000 at their fixed multi-flex rate. This call occurs on the same day each month and ultimately the monthly interest rates are averaged for the previous year and is the official source for interest rates in the Capitalization Rate. These annual interest rates are then subject to the typical 7-year Olympic average and used in the Capitalization Rate formula for a given Tax Year.

This particular method of calculating an interest rate is problematic for a few reasons. For one, this calculated interest rate is not an official product of a research based agency unlike all other data source used in CAUV calculation. Because the interest rate is not collected by a research based agency there are questions as to whether or not the methodology of constructing a simple average over all the months accurately reflects the typical interest rate faced by a farmer during the year<sup>6</sup>. There is also no ability for a third party to verify the historical interest rates as a way to validate the values used in CAUV calculations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>A potential legal question, out of our expertise to answer, is if having a data source which is not endorsed by a research agency opens up the possibility that the state could be sued? For example, it would be difficult for a agricultural landowner to make a claim that corn yields for the state of Ohio in 2018 was anything different than the official USDA estimate of 187 bushels per acre. However, what would be the defense of ODT if an agricultural landowner claimed FCS charged 7% on average for real estate loans in 2019 than the 6% used in CAUV calculations?

# Capitalization Rate Proposed Change

3. Replace Farm Credit Service as the source for interest rates with a regional survey of agricultural interest rates from a Federal Reserve Bank (values would be from first quarter of the year in question)

Using a research based agency as the source of interest rate data reduces the data collection burden on ODT and allows for an independent verification procedure of CAUV values to be performed. The Kansas City Federal Reserve Bank provides the Agricultural Finance Book which is released every January that compiles agricultural data collected across all Federal Reserve Districts and provides a written overview of the economic conditions in agriculture. The book is typically released every quarter although in 2019 there were only two releases (January and July). Within the databook, sheet "afdr\_c4" provides quarterly values of long-term real estate interest rates for Federal Reserve Districts that conduct an agricultural credit survey. These agricultural credit surveys provide a verifiable value for interest rates which are publicly available. Figure 7 displays all of the 12 Federal Reserve Districts across the United States although not all of them conduct surveys of agricultural credit conditions.

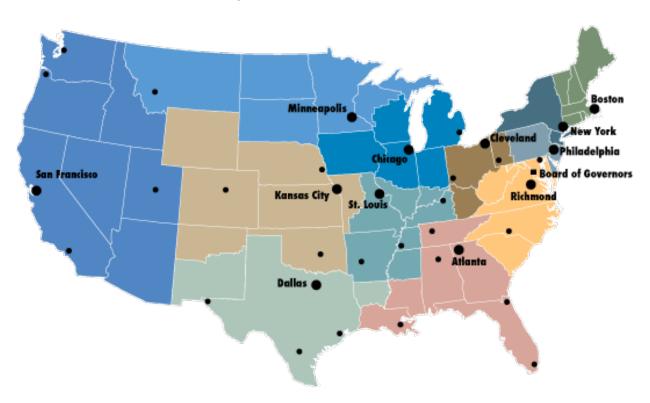


Figure 7: Federal Reserve Districts

Ohio is completely within the Cleveland District, however the Cleveland District does not conduct an agricultural credit survey as their main area of economic research within its region is manufacturing. The Districts that do conduct agricultural credit surveys are Chicago, Kansas City, Minneapolis, San Francisco,

Dallas, Richmond, and St. Louis. The Chicago District is the closest geographically and has maintained an agricultural credit survey since 1991 which is tied for the longest on record along with the Dallas District. In comparison to the publicly available FCS values for yearly interest rates<sup>7</sup> based on FCS loans, the surveyed interest rates on agricultural real estate loans as seen in figure 8 (the raw values are also displayed in table 10). Interestingly enough, the Chicago District typically has the lowest reported interest rates on real estate loans each quarter while the Dallas District typically has the highest reported interest rates each quarter and all Districts appears to be ordered in approximately the same rank each quarter. However, the ODT value fluctuates wildly from having one of the highest values in 2009, 2010, 2014, and 2018 while having the lowest recorded value for 2012. These large swings in recorded interest rates from FCS data relative to quarterly surveys in real estate loan interest rates across Federal Reserve Districts is an argument to move away from the current method of using FCS data and instead adopt a District for the data source of interest rates. The 7-year Olympic averages for each of the Federal Reserve Districts are also provided in table 11.

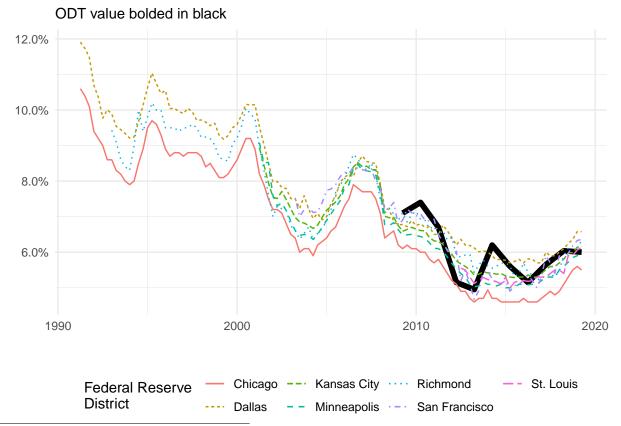


Figure 8: Interest Rates Proposed

 $<sup>^{7}</sup>$ These interest are not to be confused with the the 7-year Olympic value used in the CAUV calculation.

Table 10: Interest Rates Proposed (Raw Values)

Year	FCS (ODT)	Chicago	Kansas City	Minneapolis	San Francisco	Dallas	Richmond	St. Louis
2009	7.1%	6.1%	6.6%	6.5%	6.9%	6.8%	7.1%	NA
2010	7.4%	6.0%	6.6%	6.4%	7.1%	6.8%	6.9%	NA
2011	6.7%	5.8%	6.3%	6.1%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	NA
2012	5.1%	5.1%	5.8%	5.5%	6.0%	6.2%	5.9%	NA
2013	5.0%	4.6%	5.4%	5.0%	4.7%	6.1%	5.4%	5.1%
2014	6.2%	4.7%	5.4%	5.1%	5.2%	5.9%	5.6%	5.2%
2015	5.6%	4.6%	5.3%	5.0%	4.9%	5.7%	5.6%	5.0%
2016	5.1%	4.6%	5.4%	5.1%	5.4%	5.8%	5.4%	5.2%
2017	5.6%	4.8%	5.5%	5.3%	5.9%	6.0%	5.3%	5.3%
2018	6.0%	5.1%	5.8%	5.6%	5.8%	6.1%	5.9%	5.4%
2019	6.0%	5.5%	6.2%	6.0%	6.4%	6.6%	6.3%	6.1%

Table 11: Interest Rates Proposed (Olympic Average)

Year	FCS (ODT)	Chicago	Kansas City	Dallas
2009	7.06%	6.60%	7.20%	7.53%
2010	7.09%	6.54%	7.13%	7.41%
2011	7.00%	6.54%	7.11%	7.40%
2012	6.79%	6.37%	6.92%	7.24%
2013	6.19%	5.89%	6.46%	6.79%
2014	5.89%	5.54%	6.14%	6.55%
2015	6.15%	5.24%	5.89%	6.35%
2016	5.76%	4.96%	5.64%	6.14%
2017	5.55%	4.76%	5.48%	5.99%
2018	5.52%	4.76%	5.48%	5.97%
2019	5.69%	4.77%	5.50%	5.97%

In evaluating which District would best meet the needs for the interest rate in the CAUV formula, we will proceed with Chicago, Dallas and Kansas City. Chicago and Dallas are chosen because they are consistently the highest and lowest real estate interest rates which would provide bounds for hypothetical CAUV values. The Kansas City District is chosen for a few reasons. For one, the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City is the leading agricultural research institute within the Federal Reserve System as evidenced by their Ag Finance Databook which collects all of the data from agricultural credit surveys across the Federal Reserve. Another

reason is that the primary crops produced within Kansas and much of the rest of the district is wheat, corn, and soybeans which largely mimics Ohio. And finally, the Kansas City District real estate interest rates are typically around the median value across all of the reported agricultural credit surveys. Because of all these reasons surrounding the Kansas City District, we suggest ODT would adopt this particular agricultural credit survey.

#### Hypothetical Values

While there may appear to be a significant difference across the interest rates from agricultural credit surveys, the interest rate is only one component for the Capitalization Rate. Because of the current 80-20 loan to equity ratio, the equity rate still contributes a fair amount towards the Capitalization Rate and the actual impacts on the Capitalization are more muted as seen in table 12. In calculating these values, we used the Capitalization Rate method that was in place during the Tax Year in question which would imply assumed loan terms from the mortgage-equity which had a sinking time of 5 years prior to 2017 as well as a 60-40 loan to equity ratio and 15 year loan term prior to 2015.

Table 12: Capitalization Rate Proposed

Year	ODT Value	Dallas	Kansas City	Chicago
2009	7.9%	8.4%	8.3%	7.9%
2010	7.8%	8.3%	8.1%	7.7%
2011	7.6%	8.0%	7.8%	7.5%
2012	7.5%	7.9%	7.7%	7.4%
2013	6.7%	7.4%	7.3%	7.0%
2014	6.2%	7.0%	6.8%	6.5%
2015	6.6%	7.4%	7.1%	6.7%
2016	6.3%	7.2%	6.9%	6.5%
2017	8.0%	8.6%	8.4%	8.0%
2018	8.0%	8.5%	8.2%	7.8%
2019	8.0%	8.3%	8.1%	7.7%

The Chicago District interest rates would be lower than the current ODT values for every year aside from 2013-2017. For Chicago, table 13 indicates that the ultimate difference for CAUV values would somewhere between 2% higher and 4% lower average CAUV values. The Dallas District interest rates consistently would have higher Capitalization Rate values throughout the time period of around half a percentage point. For Dallas, table 14 indicates that the ultimate difference for CAUV values would somewhere between 3% and 11% lower average CAUV values. And the Kansas City District also had higher Capitalization Rates

throughout the entire period but with a difference that narrowed to around 0.1% in the 2019 Tax Year. For Kansas City, table 15 indicates that the ultimate difference for CAUV values would somewhere between 1% and 7% lower average CAUV values.

Table 13: Hypothetical CAUV Values from Chicago Capitalization Rate

Year	Avg CAUV	Alt Avg CAUV	Pct Chg	indx_100	indx_99	indx_89	indx_79	indx_69	indx_59	indx_49
2010	\$505	\$515	2.0%	\$1,940	\$1,630	\$1,302	\$865	\$444	\$215	\$200
2011	\$700	\$717	2.4%	\$2,440	\$2,064	\$1,682	\$1,157	\$651	\$331	\$300
2012	\$719	\$735	2.2%	\$2,550	\$2,178	\$1,757	\$1,177	\$628	\$365	\$350
2013	\$1,205	\$1,164	-3.4%	\$3,630	\$3,181	\$2,638	\$1,885	\$1,175	\$504	\$350
2014	\$1,668	\$1,603	-3.9%	\$4,820	\$4,236	\$3,560	\$2,613	\$1,706	\$678	\$350
2015	\$1,388	\$1,379	-0.6%	\$4,730	\$4,075	\$3,328	\$2,330	\$1,362	\$516	\$350
2016	\$1,310	\$1,279	-2.4%	\$4,620	\$3,964	\$3,213	\$2,196	\$1,205	\$460	\$350
2017	\$1,153	\$1,138	-1.3%	\$4,145	\$3,551	\$2,868	\$1,941	\$1,046	\$428	\$350
2018	\$1,015	\$1,016	0.1%	\$3,822	\$3,236	\$2,594	\$1,728	\$897	\$400	\$350
2019	\$876	\$889	1.5%	\$3,486	\$2,920	\$2,316	\$1,497	\$740	\$378	\$350

Table 14: Hypothetical CAUV Values from Dallas Capitalization Rate

Year	Avg CAUV	Alt Avg CAUV	Pct Chg	indx_100	indx_99	indx_89	indx_79	indx_69	indx_59	indx_49
2010	\$505	\$484	-4.2%	\$1,800	\$1,514	\$1,209	\$802	\$414	\$212	\$200
2011	\$700	\$679	-3.0%	\$2,290	\$1,935	\$1,577	\$1,084	\$612	\$325	\$300
2012	\$719	\$698	-2.9%	\$2,390	\$2,037	\$1,645	\$1,103	\$592	\$362	\$350
2013	\$1,205	\$1,107	-8.1%	\$3,440	\$3,009	\$2,496	\$1,783	\$1,112	\$489	\$350
2014	\$1,668	\$1,496	-10.3%	\$4,480	\$3,935	\$3,306	\$2,427	\$1,584	\$644	\$350
2015	\$1,388	\$1,259	-9.3%	\$4,290	\$3,685	\$3,014	\$2,109	\$1,233	\$488	\$350
2016	\$1,310	\$1,166	-11.0%	\$4,170	\$3,578	\$2,901	\$1,982	\$1,089	\$439	\$350
2017	\$1,153	\$1,051	-8.8%	\$3,795	\$3,249	\$2,623	\$1,775	\$958	\$413	\$350
2018	\$1,015	\$942	-7.2%	\$3,502	\$2,965	\$2,376	\$1,583	\$824	\$390	\$350
2019	\$876	\$830	-5.3%	\$3,211	\$2,689	\$2,133	\$1,379	\$687	\$372	\$350

 ${\it Table~15:~ Hypothetical~CAUV~ Values~ from~ Kansas~ City~ Capitalization~ Rate}$ 

Year	Avg CAUV	Alt Avg CAUV	Pct Chg	indx_100	indx_99	indx_89	indx_79	indx_69	indx_59	indx_49
2010	\$505	\$494	-2.2%	\$1,850	\$1,548	\$1,239	\$822	\$424	\$213	\$200
2011	\$700	\$693	-1.0%	\$2,350	\$1,983	\$1,617	\$1,112	\$627	\$328	\$300
2012	\$719	\$712	-1.0%	\$2,450	\$2,089	\$1,688	\$1,131	\$605	\$363	\$350
2013	\$1,205	\$1,121	-7.0%	\$3,480	\$3,051	\$2,530	\$1,808	\$1,127	\$492	\$350
2014	\$1,668	\$1,537	-7.9%	\$4,610	\$4,051	\$3,403	\$2,499	\$1,631	\$656	\$350
2015	\$1,388	\$1,308	-5.8%	\$4,470	\$3,844	\$3,141	\$2,199	\$1,286	\$499	\$350
2016	\$1,310	\$1,211	-7.6%	\$4,350	\$3,734	\$3,027	\$2,069	\$1,136	\$448	\$350
2017	\$1,153	\$1,084	-6.0%	\$3,925	\$3,362	\$2,714	\$1,837	\$991	\$419	\$350
2018	\$1,015	\$971	-4.3%	\$3,628	\$3,070	\$2,461	\$1,639	\$852	\$394	\$350
2019	\$876	\$852	-2.7%	\$3,309	\$2,772	\$2,199	\$1,421	\$706	\$375	\$350

#### Data Years Used

#### Current Methodology

The current years used for the data sources of the 5 components in CAUV is for the Capitalization Rate and Non-Land Costs to be aligned with the current Tax Year (i.e. there is no lag and 2020 will include the 2020 year values for interest rates and crop budgets) while the Prices, Rotation, and Yields are lagged one year (i.e. Tax Year 2020 will include the 2019 values for acreage, prices, and yields). As far back as I can gather data on the CAUV formula, it has not always been the case as seen in table 16. The most substantial change was in 2015 which cut down the lag time for Non-Land Costs, Prices, Rotation, and Yields by two years. These changes were apparently due to the desire to have the most up-to-date available information as that would align with the earliest available USDA or OSU data releases for a given Tax Year.

Table 16: Historical CAUV Data Years Used

Tax Year	Capitalization Rate	Yields	Prices	Non-Land Costs	Rotation
2005	1999-2005	1984	1997-2003	1998-2004	ad hoc
2006	2000-2006	1995-2004	1998-2004	1999-2005	ad hoc
2007	2001-2007	1996-2005	1999-2005	2000-2006	ad hoc
2008	2002-2008	1997-2006	2000-2006	2001-2007	ad hoc
2009	2003-2009	1998-2007	2001-2007	2002-2008	ad hoc
2010	2004-2010	1999-2008	2002-2008	2003-2009	2004-2008
2011	2005-2011	2000-2009	2003-2009	2004-2010	2005-2009
2012	2006-2012	2001-2010	2004-2010	2005-2011	2006-2010
2013	2007-2013	2002-2011	2005-2011	2006-2012	2007-2011
2014	2008-2014	2003-2012	2006-2012	2007-2013	2008-2012
2015	2009-2015	2005-2014	2008-2014	2009-2015	2010-2014
2016	2010-2016	2006-2015	2009-2015	2010-2016	2011-2015
2017	2011-2017	2007-2016	2010-2016	2011-2017	2012-2016
2018	2012-2018	2008-2017	2011-2017	2012-2018	2013-2017
2019	2013-2019	2009-2018	2012-2018	2013-2019	2014-2018
Future Years	current to 6 years ago	previous to 11 years ago	previous to 7 years ago	current to 6 years ago	previous to 5 years ago
Averaging	7 Olympic	10 Average lagged	7 Olympic lagged	7 Olympic	5 Average lagged

#### **Potential Issues**

Having the most up-to-date information does not necessarily mean having the best method for estimating net returns for owning agricultural land. The biggest issue with the misaligned data years used is that each component is measuring a different time frame in the agricultural economy whereas the intent in the original CAUV method proposed by Richard Duvick was to calculated the Net Income and Capitalization Rate for

each of the previous 5 years in order to estimate the property value related to agricultural production (Duvick 1978).

There can be substantial variation in net farm income from year to year. For example, 2013 was a high farm income year for the US (\$137 billion) but 2014 had almost a 30% drop (to \$100 billion) in farm income. The main culprit of this drop was due to a decrease in commodity prices as the production costs generally increased from 2013 to 2014. Under the current structure of CAUV calculation, roughly the 2013 prices would be associated with the 2014 production costs and result in a year of high net incomes even though 2013 was high while 2014 was low. This sort of mismatch has subtle complications in spite of the well-intentioned change to have the most up-to-date data.

# Data Year Proposed Change

4. Align all data sources to cover the same years

While it is always best to have up-to-date data, there are inherently data lags due to collection procedures of agricultural data. The Prices, Rotations, and Yields all have a necessary lag of 1 year as the 2019 marketing year data values will not be available until early 2020 calendar year. Inherently there will always be a difference in a marketing year and the calendar year. USDA refers to the 2020 corn marketing year as the period which runs from 2020-09-01 through 2021-08-31. This is where harvested acreage, yields, and prices originate from and there is a natural lag with the data. As this relates to crop budgets and interest rates, the OSU crop budgets are forward looking and the 2020 marketing year crop budgets will typically be finalized in late September of 2020 when a lot of the costs will be realized. For anyone looking to take out a loan to finance the purcahse of agricultural land during the marketing year of 2020, roughly three-quarters of that time frame will be in the 2021 calendar year – the natural time point would be to take the first quarter of the calendar year after the marketing year.

Correcting for this mismatch of a difference in calendar year versus marketing year versus tax year may be helpful for documentation purposes but also in terms of how CAUV should be calculated. The current construction assigns the costs of production for crop that will not be included in the CAUV calculations until the following year. The implication would be that Capitalization Rate and Non-Land Costs are lagged one year to align the data sources to cover the same years and effectively shifts the year of focus in CAUV calculations back a year to include the earliest year where we have all available information.

Table 17 displays the hypothetical CAUV values under the proposed change. Because of the large changes in the 2015 Tax Year we use two year lagged data prior to 2015 (i.e. 2014 is 2006-2012) and use one year lagged data from 2015 onward (i.e. 2015 is 2008-2014). Further, we used the formula for calculating the

Capitalization Rate for the given Tax Year in question. The yearly difference between our proposed CAUV values and actual CAUV values are quite stark as the values are typically between 20-60% higher, however this is a bit misleading. Our proposed CAUV values can loosely be thought of shifting the estimated Net Income and Capitalization Rate back a year versus what CAUV currently does. Therefore, it would be more appropriate to compare our proposed 2019 CAUV value (\$967) to the realized 2018 CAUV values (\$1,015) which actually produces a lower realized CAUV value. However, the point here is not to reduce or increase CAUV values but instead to adjust for what we believe are oversights to the dates used in data sources.

#### Hypothetical Values

Table 17: Hypothetical CAUV Values with Same Data Years

Year	Avg CAUV	Alt Avg CAUV	Pct Chg	indx_100	indx_99	indx_89	indx_79	indx_69	indx_59	indx_49
2010	\$505	\$709	40.4%	\$2,250	\$1,943	\$1,611	\$1,159	\$718	\$300	\$200
2011	\$700	\$937	33.9%	\$2,750	\$2,391	\$2,011	\$1,482	\$965	\$440	\$300
2012	\$719	\$1,155	60.6%	\$3,260	\$2,851	\$2,418	\$1,809	\$1,220	\$556	\$350
2013	\$1,205	\$1,522	26.3%	\$4,170	\$3,683	\$3,157	\$2,403	\$1,673	\$714	\$350
2014	\$1,668	\$1,797	7.7%	\$4,860	\$4,312	\$3,707	\$2,846	\$2,016	\$833	\$350
2015	\$1,388	\$2,263	63.0%	\$6,270	\$5,575	\$4,760	\$3,641	\$2,562	\$996	\$350
2016	\$1,310	\$1,520	16.0%	\$5,020	\$4,327	\$3,580	\$2,548	\$1,545	\$584	\$350
2017	\$1,153	\$1,514	31.3%	\$5,180	\$4,454	\$3,653	\$2,558	\$1,515	\$564	\$350
2018	\$1,015	\$1,220	20.2%	\$4,345	\$3,713	\$3,015	\$2,062	\$1,153	\$471	\$350
2019	\$876	\$967	10.4%	\$3,668	\$3,093	\$2,469	\$1,617	\$841	\$412	\$350

# Total Effect of All Proposed Changes

Each of these proposed changes to the CAUV calculation are isolated in each section to display how CAUV values would be affected as some proposals will typically increase CAUV values, typically decrease CAUV values, and sometimes have an ambiguous effect on CAUV values. However, each of these proposals have slightly overlapping aspects where one cannot simply add up the percentage changes from each proposal to get to an overal effect on CAUV values. In order to display the full effects of our proposals, we therefore present two different tables with one assuming that all proposals are adopted (table 18) and another with all proposals adopted except aligning the years for data sources (table 19). Both of these scenarios are assuming that the Kansas City Federal Reserve District interest rates are adopted for the Capitalization Rate and we extend the values into 2020 with the currently available information that we have for all data sources as of January 2020.

Table 18: Hypothetical CAUV Values (with all)

Year	Avg CAUV	Alt Avg CAUV	Pct Chg	indx_100	indx_99	indx_89	indx_79	indx_69	indx_59	indx_49
2012	\$719	\$850	18.2%	\$2,670	\$2,292	\$1,895	\$1,344	\$810	\$408	\$350
2013	\$1,205	\$1,402	16.3%	\$3,900	\$3,432	\$2,928	\$2,216	\$1,522	\$658	\$350
2014	\$1,668	\$1,679	0.7%	\$4,600	\$4,072	\$3,488	\$2,663	\$1,865	\$776	\$350
2015	\$1,388	\$1,972	42.1%	\$5,530	\$4,898	\$4,167	\$3,168	\$2,202	\$872	\$350
2016	\$1,310	\$1,483	13.2%	\$4,720	\$4,083	\$3,395	\$2,451	\$1,532	\$600	\$350
2017	\$1,153	\$1,457	26.4%	\$4,790	\$4,128	\$3,406	\$2,426	\$1,483	\$574	\$350
2018	\$1,015	\$1,197	17.9%	\$4,105	\$3,520	\$2,875	\$1,999	\$1,155	\$481	\$350
2019	\$876	\$952	8.7%	\$3,508	\$2,963	\$2,376	\$1,576	\$842	\$417	\$350
2020	NA	\$584	NA	\$2,530	\$2,064	\$1,561	\$882	\$411	\$350	\$350

Table 19: Hypothetical CAUV Values (without aligning data years)

Year	Avg CAUV	Alt Avg CAUV	Pct Chg	indx_100	indx_99	indx_89	indx_79	indx_69	indx_59	indx_49
2012	\$719	\$782	8.8%	\$2,650	\$2,249	\$1,827	\$1,252	\$698	\$376	\$350
2013	\$1,205	\$1,208	0.2%	\$3,710	\$3,223	\$2,696	\$1,955	\$1,235	\$529	\$350
2014	\$1,668	\$1,506	-9.7%	\$4,580	\$4,003	\$3,360	\$2,458	\$1,587	\$635	\$350
2015	\$1,388	\$1,442	3.9%	\$4,620	\$4,014	\$3,326	\$2,387	\$1,479	\$579	\$350
2016	\$1,310	\$1,414	7.9%	\$4,750	\$4,080	\$3,362	\$2,375	\$1,415	\$542	\$350
2017	\$1,153	\$1,259	9.2%	\$4,280	\$3,670	\$3,011	\$2,107	\$1,232	\$492	\$350
2018	\$1,015	\$1,107	9.1%	\$3,890	\$3,323	\$2,704	\$1,857	\$1,039	\$441	\$350
2019	\$876	\$932	6.4%	\$3,475	\$2,932	\$2,351	\$1,556	\$813	\$399	\$350
2020	NA	\$643	NA	\$2,720	\$2,238	\$1,723	\$1,019	\$462	\$351	\$350

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 ${\bf Appendix}$   ${\bf Historical\ CAUV\ Values}$ 

year         avg_cauv         indx_100         indx_99         indx_89         indx_79         indx_69         indx_59         indx_59           2005         \$123         \$650         \$492         \$293         \$124         \$101         \$106         \$100           2006         \$177         \$880         \$675         \$465         \$241         \$125         \$134         \$108           2007         \$181         \$970         \$747         \$521         \$283         \$123         \$100         \$100           2008         \$249         \$1,200         \$973         \$708         \$431         \$188         \$100         \$100           2009         \$459         \$1,620         \$1,368         \$1,059         \$746         \$435         \$200         \$176
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2011 \$700 \$2,380 \$2,017 \$1,641 \$1,126 \$632 \$328 \$300
2012 \$719 \$2,490 \$2,128 \$1,717 \$1,147 \$610 \$363 \$350
2013 \$1,205 \$3,780 \$3,310 \$2,743 \$1,958 \$1,218 \$516 \$350
2014 \$1,668 \$5,030 \$4,428 \$3,718 \$2,728 \$1,778 \$700 \$350
2015 \$1,388 \$4,770 \$4,104 \$3,354 \$2,347 \$1,371 \$518 \$350
2016 \$1,310 \$4,750 \$4,074 \$3,302 \$2,255 \$1,235 \$466 \$350
2017 \$1,153 \$4,205 \$3,602 \$2,909 \$1,969 \$1,061 \$430 \$350
2018 \$1,015 \$3,810 \$3,226 \$2,586 \$1,723 \$896 \$400 \$350
2019 \$876 \$3,420 \$2,863 \$2,270 \$1,469 \$731 \$378 \$350