How to Start a Layer Chicken Farm with a Small Budget

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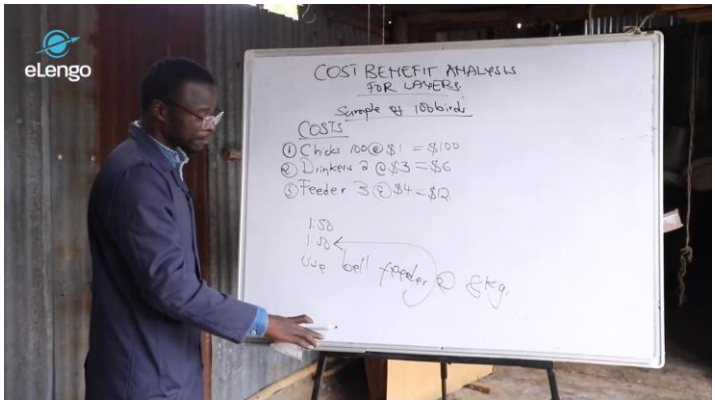
These chicks will be on the farm for about 72 weeks



Drinkers and Feeders are capital costs, we need 7 liters sized drinkers, 8kg sized feeders. We can use for a few seasons.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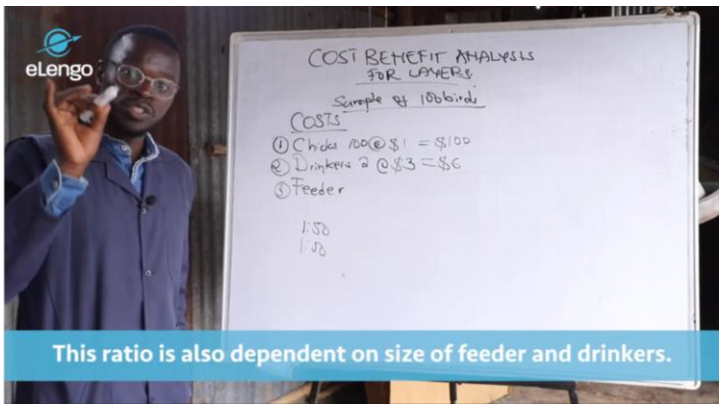
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COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS
FOR LAYERS
Scenario of 1000 birds
COSTS
1 Chicks 100 @ $1 = $100
2 Drinkers 2 @ $3 = $6
3 Feeder
1:50
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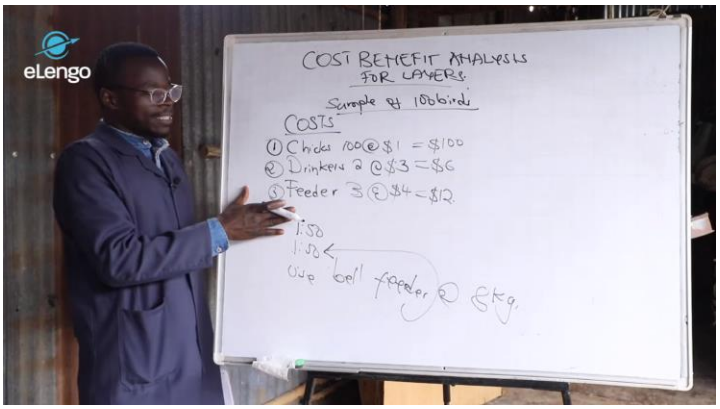
This ratio is also dependent on size of feeder and drinkers.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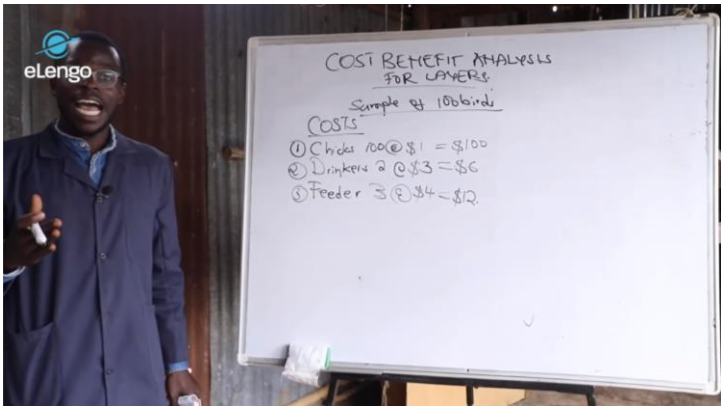
One bell feeder @ 5kg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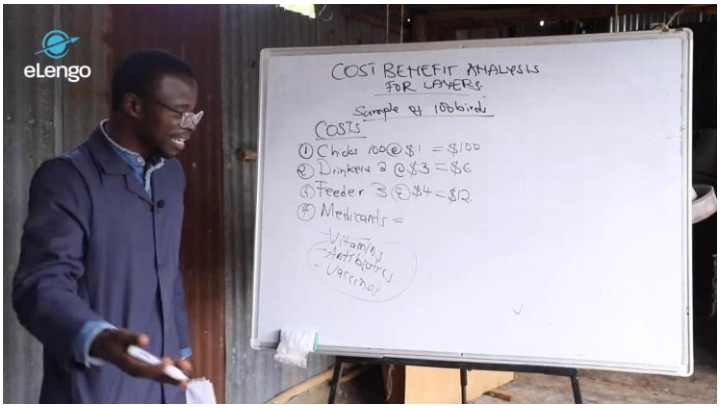
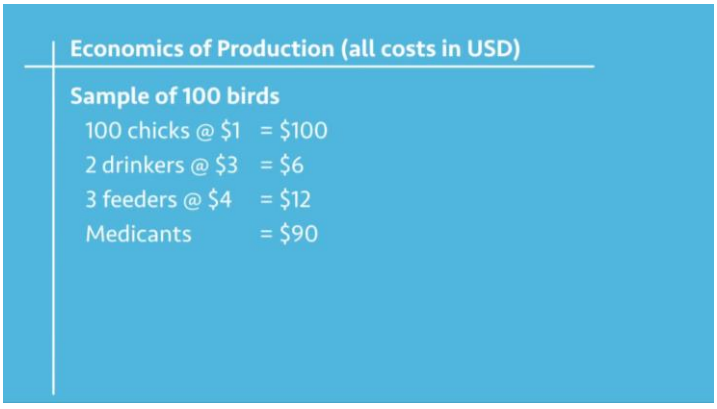
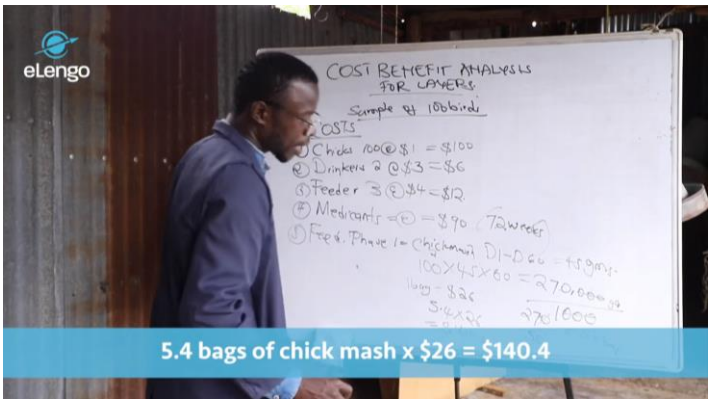
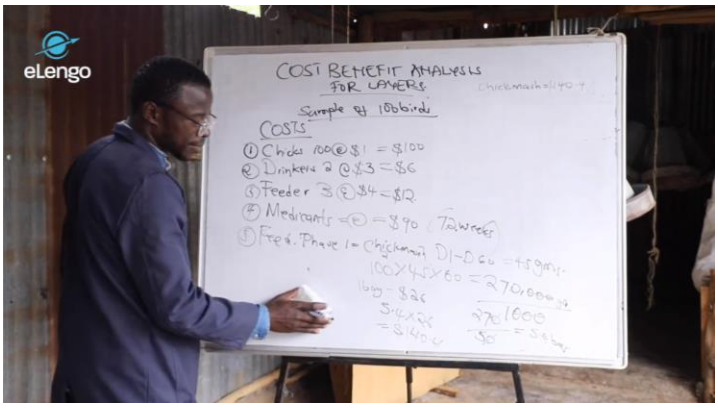




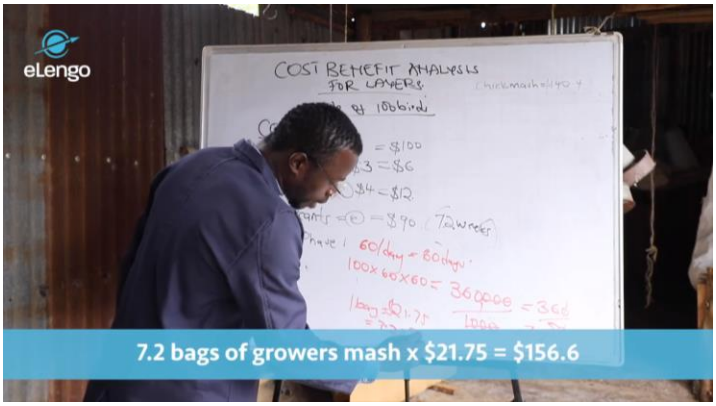
We also have Labor costs, feed costs, medication costs.

Which feed to use, at what period of growth are needed? Feed for layers are in phases. **Phase 1** feed is the **chick mash** that is consumed for 60 days, each chick should consume **45grams/daily** of chick mash.





In **Phase 2**, these growers will feed of about **60grams/daily** of **growers mash** daily for 60 days.



Economics of Production (all costs in USD)

Sample of 100 birds

100 chicks @ $1	= $100
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Medicants	= $90
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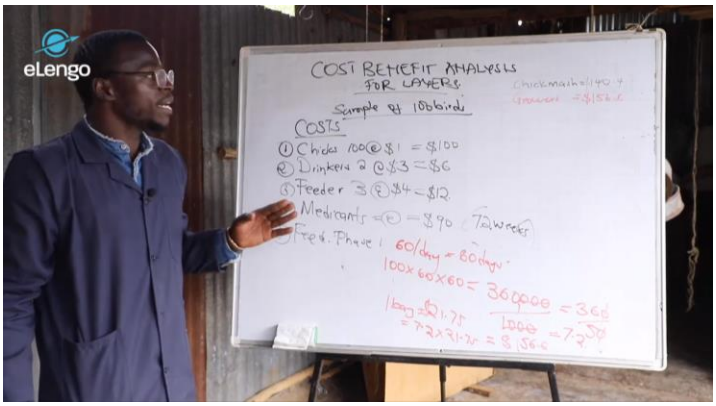

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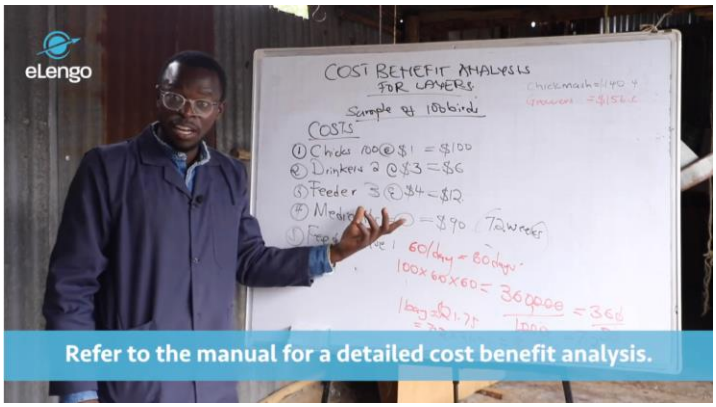
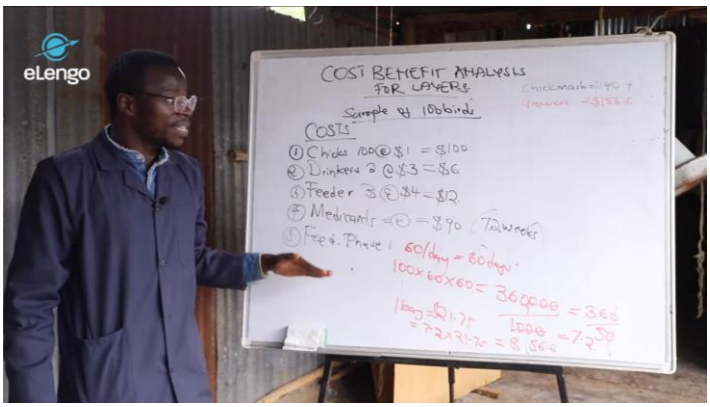
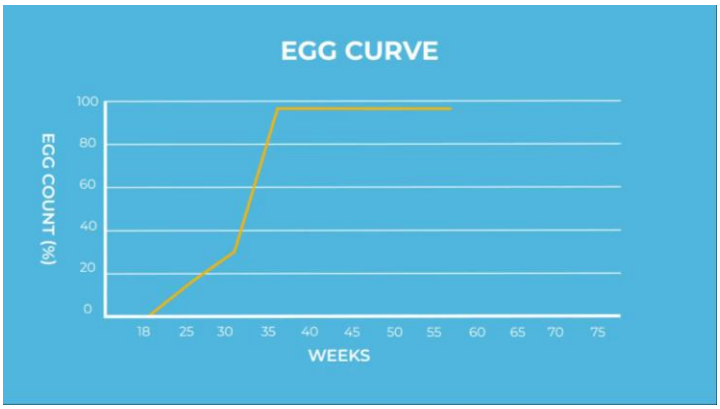
Total	**= $505**

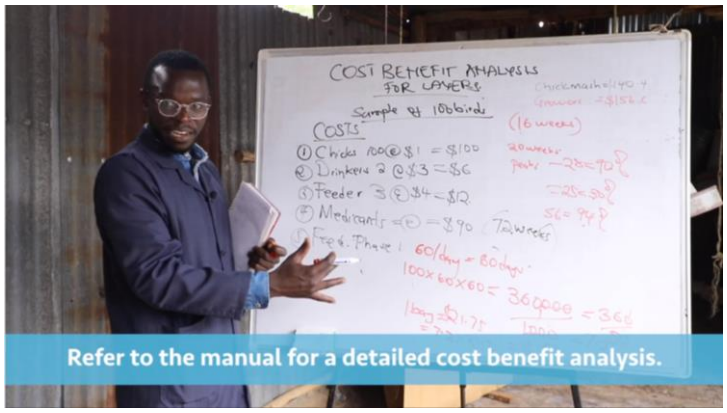
For **Phase 3**, by the time the chicks get to the 4th month, they will be at point-of-lay and start consuming **layers mash** for an extended period of 72 weeks. It becomes tricky since the layers are fed varied amounts as they start laying eggs at an average of 1 egg/day or more.





20 weeks is peak production for egg laying.


EGG CURVE
EGG COUNT (%)
100
80
60
40
20
0
18
25
30
35
40
45
50
55
60
65
70
75
WEEKS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Sample of 100birds
COSTS
(16 weeks)
Refer to the manual for a detailed cost benefit analysis.