

Will the next market pay off?

A one-page planning exercise from HIVE Market. Use your own numbers; the example is fictional.

1. Average selling price per item	\$ _____
2. Product cost, including making labor	\$ _____
3. Payment fee per item	\$ _____
4. Contribution: line 1 - line 2 - line 3	\$ _____
5. Booth, travel and other fixed event costs	\$ _____
6. Event hours x your hourly value	\$ _____
7. Total event costs: line 5 + line 6	\$ _____
8. Break-even: line 7 / line 4, rounded UP	_____ items

If contribution is zero or negative, change your price or costs before using break-even. Keep sales tax out of revenue. Making labor belongs in product cost; event labor is separate time.

A worked example

\$24 price - \$9.50 product cost - \$0.996 payment fee = \$13.504 contribution. \$140 event cash costs + \$108 event labor = \$248. Divide \$248 by \$13.504 and round up: 19 items to break even including labor.

At 30 items: \$157.12 profit including event labor. At 10 items: a \$112.96 loss. No sales: a \$248 loss. Figures exclude income tax and any costs not entered.

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