

Break-even Point in Dollars

(one product or one service)

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Break-even point in \$ = Fixed expenses divided by the
contribution margin ratio or %

Calculation of **break-even point in dollars** for the following

time period: Year: July 1, 2022 thru June 30, 2023 (month, year, etc.)

Fixed expenses for the period	<u>\$ 81,000.00</u>	F
<i>divided by</i> the contribution margin ratio	<u>46%</u>	CMR
= Break-even point in \$ for period	<u><u>\$ 176,086.96</u></u>	BE\$ (F / CMR)

Notes:

- F** Fixed expenses are those expenses that will not change in total as the volume of activity changes. Enter your total fixed expenses here:

Rent	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>
Salaries and related fringe benefits	<u>\$ 30,000.00</u>
Insurance, property taxes, maintenance	<u>\$ 10,000.00</u>
Depreciation	<u>\$ 8,000.00</u>
Interest	<u>\$ 2,000.00</u>
Other: <u>association dues, subscriptions</u>	<u>\$ 16,000.00</u>
Total fixed expenses for period	<u><u>\$ 81,000.00</u></u> F

CMR Contribution margin ratio or % = 100% minus the variable expenses as a percentage of sales.

In the following example, the variable expenses are 40% of sales and the contribution margin ratio is 60% of sales:

Sales dollars	\$ 100,000	
<i>minus</i> variable expenses	<u>- 40,000</u>	
= Contribution margin	<u><u>\$ 60,000</u></u>	Dollars <u>60%</u> Ratio (\$60k/\$100k)

Enter your company's amounts here:

Sales dollars	<u>\$ 240,000.00</u>	S
<i>minus</i> total variable expenses	<u>\$ 129,600.00</u>	V
Contribution margin \$ and ratio	<u><u>\$ 110,400.00</u></u>	CM\$ (S - V) <u><u>46%</u></u> CMR (CM\$ / S)

- V** Variable expenses are the expenses that change in total as the volume of activity changes. Enter your total variable expenses here:

Purchase costs	<u>\$ 85,000.00</u>
Direct labor and fringes	<u>\$ 30,000.00</u>
Sales commissions and shipping	<u>\$ 9,000.00</u>
Other: <u>special inserts</u>	<u>\$ 5,600.00</u>
Total variable expenses for period	<u><u>\$ 129,600.00</u></u> V

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