

Cost-Volume-Profit Relationships

201. Candice Corporation has decided to introduce a new product. The product can be manufactured using either a capital-intensive or labor-intensive method. The manufacturing method will not affect the quality or sales of the product. The estimated manufacturing costs of the two methods are as follows:

	Capital-Intensive	Labor-Intensive
Variable manufacturing cost per unit.....	\$14.00	\$17.60
Fixed manufacturing cost per year.....	\$2,440,000	\$1,320,000

The company's market research department has recommended an introductory selling price of \$30 per unit for the new product. The annual fixed selling and administrative expenses of the new product are \$500,000. The variable selling and administrative expenses are \$2 per unit regardless of how the new product is manufactured.

Required:

- a. Calculate the break-even point in units if Candice Corporation uses the:
 1. capital-intensive manufacturing method.
 2. labor-intensive manufacturing method.

- b. Determine the unit sales volume at which the net operating income is the same for the two manufacturing methods.

- c. Assuming sales of 250,000 units, what is the degree of operating leverage if the company uses the:
 1. capital-intensive manufacturing method.
 2. labor-intensive manufacturing method.

- d. What is your recommendation to management concerning which manufacturing method should be used?

206. In September, Pino Corporation sold 2,100 units of its only product. Its total sales were \$195,300, its total variable expenses were \$84,000, and its total fixed expenses were \$98,700.

Required:

- a. Construct the company's contribution format income statement for September in good form.
- b. Redo the company's contribution format income statement assuming that the company sells 2,300 units.

211. Parkins Company produces and sells a single product. The company's income statement for the most recent month is given below:

Sales (6,000 units at \$40 per unit).....		\$240,000
Less manufacturing costs:		
Direct materials	\$48,000	
Direct labor (variable)	60,000	
Variable factory overhead	12,000	
Fixed factory overhead.....	<u>30,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>
Gross margin.....		90,000
Less selling and other expenses:		
Variable selling and other expenses	24,000	
Fixed selling and other expenses	<u>42,000</u>	<u>66,000</u>
Net operating income.....		<u>\$ 24,000</u>

There are no beginning or ending inventories.

Required:

- Compute the company's monthly break-even point in units of product.
- What would the company's monthly net operating income be if sales increased by 25% and there is no change in total fixed expenses?

c. What dollar sales must the company achieve in order to earn a net operating income of \$50,000 per month?

d. The company has decided to automate a portion of its operations. The change will reduce direct labor costs per unit by 40 percent, but it will double the costs for fixed factory overhead. Compute the new break-even point in units.