

Resource Demand - Imperfect Competitive Firm

Drop assumption 3 from above. No longer have a firm selling output in a perfectly competitive market. Instead the firm is a pure monopoly, or a monopolistic competition firm, or an oligopolist with downward sloping product demand curve.

| (1) Units of Labor (N) | (2) TP (Output) | (3) MP | (4) Product Price | (5) (2)*(4) TR | (6) (3)*(4) MRP |
|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 0 | 0 | - | \$2.80 | 0 | - |
| 1 | 7 | 7 | 2.60 | \$18.20 | 18.20 |
| 2 | 13 | 6 | 2.40 | 31.20 | 13.00 |
| 3 | 18 | 5 | 2.20 | 39.60 | 8.40 |
| 4 | 22 | 4 | 2.00 | 44.00 | 4.40 |
| 5 | 25 | 3 | 1.85 | 46.25 | 2.25 |
| 6 | 27 | 2 | 1.75 | 47.25 | 1.00 |
| 7 | 28 | 1 | 1.65 | 46.20 | -1.05 |

All of the above types of firms produce less output than a perfectly competitive firm. Because they produce less output, they need (hire) fewer workers.