Custom Rates & Fees

The following custom rates should be used only as a guide in establishing custom rates.
CCE welcomes feedback that will help keep this guide up to date and accurate.

Hay Harvesting

Mow Hay	$17 / acre
Rake Hay	$12 / acre
Pick-up Baling	$ .75 / bale
Mow & Bale	$1.60 / bale
Large Bales:	
Round or Square Bales	
Dry	$7.00 / bale
High Moisture	$9.00 / bale
Wrapping Large Bales	$7.50 / bale

Custom Labor

Machinery Operator	$12-$16 / hour
Chain Saw Work	$26 / hour
Post Hole Digging	$5 / hole
Building Fence	$14 - $18 / hour
Milking (milking only)	$8 - $12 / hour
Skid Steer	$45 / hour
Power Wash	$24 / hour

Tillage and Planting

Moldboard Plow (sod)	$25 / acre
(stubble)	$20 / acre
Chisel Plow	$20 / acre
Heavy Disking	$18 / acre
Springtooth Harrow	$15 / acre
Cultivating	$16 / acre
Corn Planting	$25 / acre
No Till Corn	$28 / acre
Small grain no-till	$18 / acre
Seeding *(Drill or Cultipacker)*	$18 / acre
Broadcast Seeding	$13 / acre
Spraying Crops	$10 / acre
Spreading Fertilizer	$10 / acre
Liquid Manure	
(pumping & spreading)	$60-$75 / hr
Solid (Loading and Spreading)	$80 / hr

Miscellaneous

Bulldozing	$10 / ft of blade / hr
Bush Hogging	$25 - $35 / acre
Back Hoe	$60 - $70 / hour
Payloader	$70—$80 / hr
Grinding and Mixing	$15 to $20 / ton
Mixing *(Only)*	$8 / ton
Silage Wagon (wagon only)	$10 / hour
Hauling Livestock	$2.50 / mile

NOTE: *For ideas on how to adjust custom rates based on increases in fuel prices contact Jessica Prosper, Farm Business Management Educator, CCE Franklin County.*

Harvesting

Silage Chopping / Hour:	
Chopping Only (self prop.)	$200 / hour
Silage Chopping / Acre:	
Chopping Corn	
(tractor and chopper)	$35 / acre
w/ Processor	$40 / acre
Silage Truck	$60 -$80 / hour
Bagging: *(Rule of Thumb = $5/ft.)*	
8' (150' L)	$750
9' (200' L)	$1000
Combining Corn	$40 / acre
Combining Small Grains	$35 / acre
Combining Soybeans	$40 / acre

Tractor Rates

(Tractor Only/Fuel Not Included)

< 60 HP Tractor	$20 / hour
60 - 100 HP Tractor	$25 / hour
100 - 140 HP Tractor	$30 / hour
140(+) HP Tractor	$40+/ hour

- Approximately .30/hp/hr
- Calculate daily rates by multiplying values above by 10

Rental Rates & Fees For Land and Buildings

Good Pasture	$10-$15 / cow / month
Water & Fence	$7.50-$10 / heifer / month
	$30 -$40 / animal / season
Tillable Cropland	$20 -$60 / acre
Based on fertility & demand	
Standing Hayland	*$.20 -$1.50 / "Kicker" Bale

Price determined by forage quality

****Dairy Facilities:**	$ 8 - $12 average barn
Stall / month	$12 - $16 modern facility

****Utilities & Land not included***

Custom Heifer Raising	$1.75 - $2.25 / Hd / Day
Housing *(Building Only)*:	
Yearlings	$4 - $ 5.50 / mo.
Calves	$2 - $ 3.50 / mo.
Silos	$1.25 - $1.50 / wet ton
Hay Storage	$3 - $5 / ton / season

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