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The data contained in this publication reflect the prices paid by Texas farmers and ranchers for custom work performed in 2004. The rates should be viewed in light of the number of reports received for each item. Averages may be misleading when only a few reports were tabulated. Reports with alternative pricing methods were not included unless they could be accurately converted to the conventional pricing method. Items with two reports or less are not disclosed but are indicated by an asterisk [*]. Data provided in this publication update the 1998 survey.

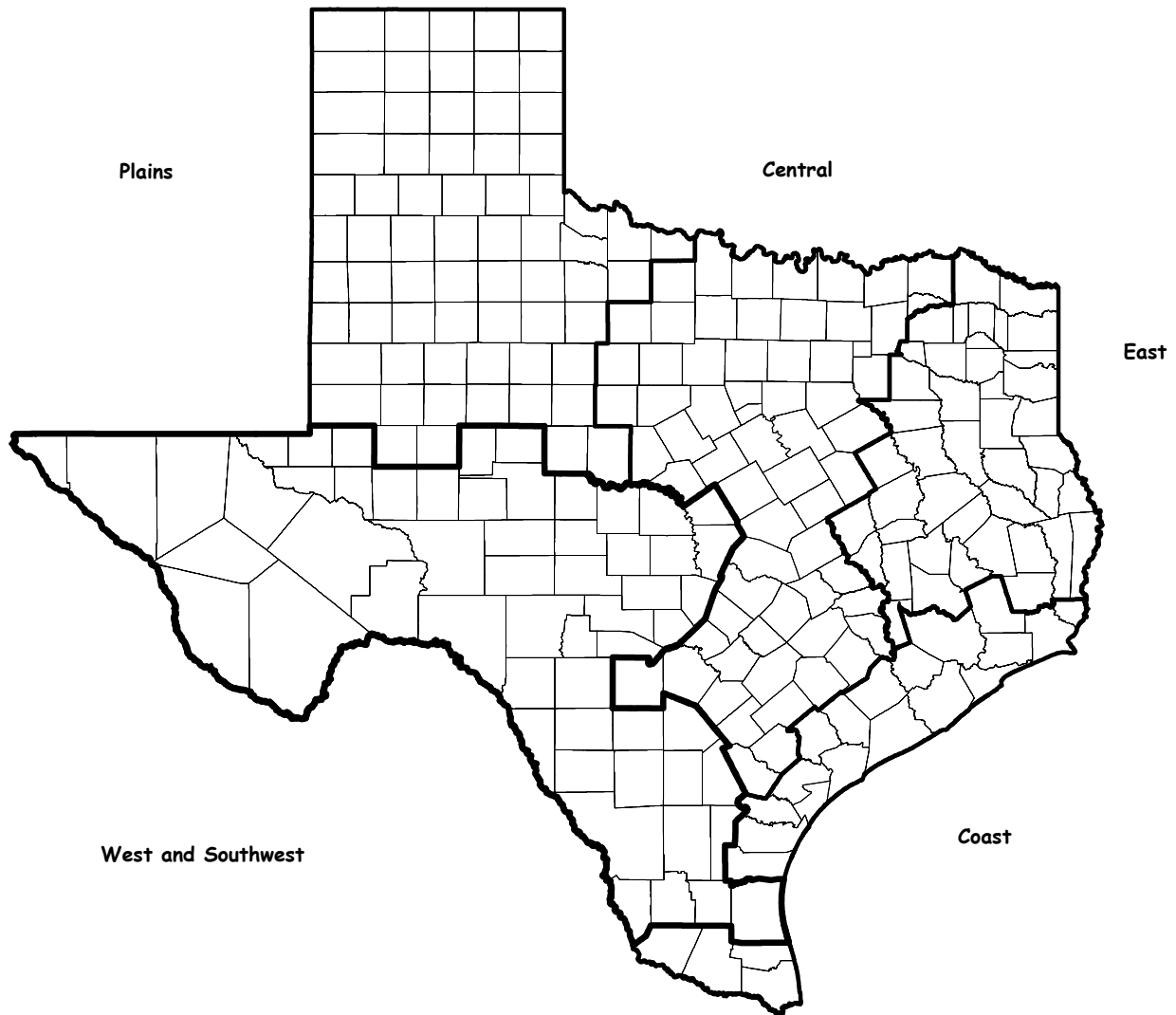
Included in the reported rates are operator labor, machinery costs and fuel. Expenses for materials have been excluded except for livestock operations and fence building. Exchange work between farmers and ranchers is not considered custom work and has been excluded.

For each item in the survey, five categories have been summarized. **Number of reports** represents the number of positive responses that were summarized. **Rate per unit** is the average of the positive responses. **Minimum** and **maximum rates** are the lowest and highest amounts summarized, reflecting the range of prices for a particular job. **Most common** refers to the rate that was reported more often than any other. Where multiple identical reports did not occur, the most common will refer to the lowest report in the data series.

For some items, flat rate and base rate plus extra charges were asked. The flat rate is a fixed rate charge per unit for that item without additional costs. The base rate plus extra charges is a base charge plus additional charges which are dependent upon work done beyond the norm. When extra charges are involved, the level at which extra charges are levied is based on reported state averages.

In order to have the most reliable estimates, the data have been summarized at regional and state levels only. The five regions: Plains, Central, East, West and Southwest, and Coast are illustrated by the map on page 2.

Texas Custom Rates Area Map



TEXAS FARM AND RANCH CUSTOM RATES - 2004
Number Reporting and Rate Per Unit (in Dollars) for Specified Areas

Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
TRACTOR RENTAL						
TRACTOR ONLY LESS THAN 100 H.P.						
Number of reports	14	30	11	11	17	83
Rate per hour	18.04	26.97	27.23	33.23	30.94	27.14
Minimum	8.00	5.00	10.00	20.50	8.00	5.00
Maximum	45.00	65.00	65.00	55.00	60.00	65.00
Most common	20.00	35.00	10.00	25.00	20.00	20.00
TRACTOR ONLY 100 TO 150 H.P.						
Number of reports	24	16	5	11	7	63
Rate per hour	27.27	40.03	35.00	40.00	27.29	33.35
Minimum	11.00	15.00	20.00	15.00	14.00	11.00
Maximum	80.00	72.00	65.00	65.00	45.00	80.00
Most common	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	35.00	25.00
TRACTOR ONLY OVER 150 H.P.						
Number of reports	31	12	5	7	11	66
Rate per hour	29.24	32.42	32.00	31.00	39.82	31.98
Minimum	15.00	5.00	25.00	22.00	12.00	5.00
Maximum	85.00	85.00	45.00	50.00	80.00	85.00
Most common	30.00	25.00	30.00	25.00	35.00	30.00
TRACTOR WITH IMPLEMENT LESS THAN 100 H.P.						
Number of reports	10	36	12	14	10	82
Rate per hour	19.55	32.91	37.63	32.93	39.30	32.75
Minimum	11.00	7.50	22.00	10.00	16.00	7.50
Maximum	32.50	75.00	65.00	70.00	75.00	75.00
Most common	25.00	20.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00
TRACTOR WITH IMPLEMENT 100 TO 150 H.P.						
Number of reports	11	21	4	12	3	51
Rate per hour	27.36	56.55	46.00	40.29	43.33	44.82
Minimum	13.00	30.00	40.00	12.00	25.00	12.00
Maximum	60.00	80.00	55.00	75.00	55.00	80.00
Most common	25.00	50.00	40.00	35.00	25.00	30.00
TRACTOR WITH IMPLEMENT OVER 150 H.P.						
Number of reports	10	6	3	3	6	28
Rate per hour	34.58	47.00	50.00	40.00	57.67	44.42
Minimum	16.00	12.00	50.00	15.00	36.00	12.00
Maximum	90.00	90.00	50.00	65.00	75.00	90.00
Most common	16.00	12.00	50.00	15.00	55.00	50.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
HAYING AND SILAGE OPERATIONS						
HAYING						
COMPLETE HAYING JOB						
TWINE TIE-SQUARE BALES						
Number of reports	16	80	53	22	24	195
Rate per bale	1.22	1.26	1.19	1.08	1.26	1.22
Minimum	0.70	0.50	0.38	0.60	0.75	0.38
Maximum	4.00	3.50	2.75	2.00	3.50	4.00
Most common	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
COMPLETE HAYING JOB						
WIRE TIE-SQUARE BALES						
Number of reports	22	136	17	39	9	223
Rate per bale	1.06	1.14	1.27	1.18	1.36	1.16
Minimum	0.75	0.50	0.40	0.50	1.00	0.40
Maximum	1.50	6.00	3.50	3.25	2.50	6.00
Most common	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
BALING ONLY						
TWINE TIE-SQUARE BALES						
Number of reports	7	42	18	7	13	87
Rate per bale	0.64	0.71	0.71	0.74	0.94	0.74
Minimum	0.35	0.36	0.19	0.50	0.20	0.19
Maximum	0.85	1.25	1.25	0.95	2.25	2.25
Most common	0.60	0.60	0.50	0.50	1.00	0.60
BALING ONLY						
WIRE TIE-SQUARE BALES						
Number of reports	14	56	3	13	5	91
Rate per bale	0.76	0.77	1.18	0.73	0.74	0.78
Minimum	0.25	0.25	0.75	0.40	0.50	0.25
Maximum	1.50	3.00	2.00	1.10	0.90	3.00
Most common	0.50	0.60	0.75	0.60	0.75	0.60
HAULING HAY-SQUARE BALES						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	19	140	49	26	17	251
Rate per bale	0.68	0.60	0.54	0.58	0.60	0.59
Minimum	0.25	0.15	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.10
Maximum	2.00	1.50	1.00	1.00	1.50	2.00
Most common	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
HAULING HAY-SQUARE BALES						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGES						
(BASE RATE PER BALE)						
Number of reports	-	8	3	*	-	13
Rate per bale	-	0.52	0.30	-	-	0.46
Minimum	-	0.10	0.10	-	-	0.10
Maximum	-	0.74	0.41	-	-	0.74
Most common	-	0.51	0.10	-	-	0.51
(EXTRA CHARGE PER MILE OVER 1 MILE)						
Rate per mile	-	0.03	0.05	-	-	0.06
Minimum	-	0.01	0.01	-	-	0.01
Maximum	-	0.05	0.10	-	-	0.41
Most common	-	0.01	0.01	-	-	0.01
COMPLETE HAYING JOB						
ROUND BALES UNDER 1,500 LBS.						
Number of reports	126	413	217	83	61	900
Rate per bale	15.88	15.66	15.51	16.52	16.76	15.81
Minimum	7.50	7.50	7.00	6.50	5.00	5.00
Maximum	40.00	37.50	35.00	45.00	30.00	45.00
Most common	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	15.00
BALING ONLY						
ROUND BALES UNDER 1,500 LBS.						
Number of reports	34	103	50	24	17	228
Rate per bale	11.84	11.52	11.73	12.72	11.09	11.71
Minimum	7.00	6.00	4.00	4.25	4.00	4.00
Maximum	18.00	29.00	35.00	18.00	18.50	35.00
Most common	10.00	10.00	10.00	14.00	10.00	10.00
HAULING HAY-ROUND BALES UNDER 1,500 LBS.						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	25	102	48	11	17	203
Rate per bale	4.12	4.26	3.80	4.25	5.06	4.20
Minimum	1.00	0.50	1.00	2.00	1.00	0.50
Maximum	10.00	10.00	7.00	7.50	10.00	10.00
Most common	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
HAULING HAY-ROUND BALES UNDER 1,500 LBS.						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGES						
(BASE RATE PER BALE)						
Number of reports	*	4	4	*	-	11
Rate per bale	-	3.08	3.45	-	-	2.67
Minimum	-	2.10	1.00	-	-	0.25
Maximum	-	4.50	4.60	-	-	4.60
Most common	-	2.10	4.10	-	-	2.50
(EXTRA CHARGE PER MILE OVER 1 MILE)						
Rate per mile	-	0.26	0.20	-	-	0.26
Minimum	-	0.10	0.10	-	-	0.10
Maximum	-	0.50	0.50	-	-	0.50
Most common	-	0.10	0.10	-	-	0.10

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COMPLETE HAYING JOB						
ROUND BALES OVER 1,500 LBS.						
Number of reports	65	228	138	32	39	502
Rate per bale	17.60	17.20	17.49	19.47	18.45	17.57
Minimum	12.00	8.50	9.00	15.00	10.00	8.50
Maximum	40.00	40.00	36.00	45.00	35.00	45.00
Most common	15.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	18.00	15.00
BALING ONLY						
ROUND BALES OVER 1,500 LBS.						
Number of reports	30	82	39	10	12	173
Rate per bale	12.82	12.76	14.53	14.05	13.83	13.32
Minimum	7.00	6.00	7.50	6.00	8.00	6.00
Maximum	35.00	30.00	35.00	20.00	20.00	35.00
Most common	10.00	10.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	10.00
HAULING HAY-ROUND BALES OVER 1,500 LBS.						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	23	56	23	7	11	120
Rate per bale	4.32	4.60	4.07	5.36	5.77	4.60
Minimum	2.00	0.50	1.00	2.00	2.50	0.50
Maximum	10.00	10.00	10.00	7.50	10.00	10.00
Most common	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
HAULING HAY-ROUND BALES OVER 1,500 LBS.						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGES						
(BASE RATE PER BALE)						
Number of reports	*	3	3	-	-	7
Rate per bale	-	2.43	5.73	-	-	4.07
Minimum	-	1.00	4.60	-	-	1.00
Maximum	-	3.20	8.00	-	-	8.00
Most common	-	2.43	4.60	-	-	4.60
(EXTRA CHARGE PER MILE OVER 1 MILE)						
Rate per mile	-	0.43	0.40	-	-	0.43
Minimum	-	0.10	0.10	-	-	0.10
Maximum	-	1.00	1.00	-	-	1.00
Most common	-	0.10	0.10	-	-	0.10

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SILAGE						
HARVESTING CORN SILAGE						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	4	3	*	-	-	8
Rate per ton	3.28	4.33	-	-	-	4.14
Minimum	2.35	4.00	-	-	-	2.35
Maximum	4.75	5.00	-	-	-	7.00
Most common	2.35	4.00	-	-	-	4.00
HARVESTING SILAGE OTHER THAN CORN						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	5	*	*	-	-	8
Rate per ton	3.48	-	-	-	-	4.27
Minimum	1.56	-	-	-	-	1.56
Maximum	6.00	-	-	-	-	6.50
Most common	1.56	-	-	-	-	1.56
HAULING SILAGE						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	3	*	-	-	-	4
Rate per ton	2.45	-	-	-	-	2.21
Minimum	2.35	-	-	-	-	1.50
Maximum	2.50	-	-	-	-	2.50
Most common	2.50	-	-	-	-	2.50
HAULING SILAGE						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGE						
(BASE RATE)						
Number of reports	3	*	*	-	-	6
Rate per ton	4.38	-	-	-	-	3.29
Minimum	1.30	-	-	-	-	1.30
Maximum	9.50	-	-	-	-	9.50
Most common	1.30	-	-	-	-	1.30
(EXTRA CHARGE PER MILE OVER 1 MILE)						
Rate per mile	0.26	-	-	-	-	0.20
Minimum	0.10	-	-	-	-	0.10
Maximum	0.50	-	-	-	-	0.50
Most common	0.10	-	-	-	-	0.15
COMPLETE SILAGE JOB						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	*	*	4	-	-	8
Rate per ton	-	-	7.75	-	-	8.20
Minimum	-	-	6.50	-	-	3.60
Maximum	-	-	9.00	-	-	13.00
Most common	-	-	6.50	-	-	3.60

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
LAND TILLAGE OPERATIONS						
MOLDBOARD PLOWING						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	40	42	7	19	7	115
Rate per acre	12.75	14.00	15.36	18.26	13.00	14.29
Minimum	5.00	4.00	5.50	5.00	5.00	4.00
Maximum	40.00	47.50	40.00	45.00	25.00	47.50
Most common	12.00	15.00	10.00	20.00	.	10.00
MOLDBOARD PLOWING						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGE						
(BASE RATE)						
Number of reports	4	*	-	-	-	6
Rate per acre	15.50	-	-	-	-	15.33
Minimum	14.00	-	-	-	-	14.00
Maximum	18.00	-	-	-	-	18.00
Most common	15.00	-	-	-	-	14.00
(EXTRA CHARGE PER INCH BELOW 12 INCHES)						
Rate per inch	1.81	-	-	-	-	1.54
Minimum	1.00	-	-	-	-	1.00
Maximum	3.00	-	-	-	-	3.00
Most common	1.00	-	-	-	-	1.00
ONE-WAY DISC PLOWING						
Number of reports	17	29	*	11	5	63
Rate per acre	7.35	11.76	-	10.83	11.20	10.47
Minimum	4.00	4.68	-	2.00	5.00	2.00
Maximum	12.00	20.00	-	25.00	18.00	25.00
Most common	6.00	10.00	-	2.00	5.00	10.00
OFFSET DISC PLOWING						
Number of reports	72	93	13	31	11	220
Rate per acre	7.77	12.38	12.62	14.79	11.09	11.16
Minimum	5.00	3.00	7.00	4.00	3.00	3.00
Maximum	20.00	47.50	25.00	40.00	22.00	47.50
Most common	8.00	10.00	7.00	12.00	7.00	10.00
SURFACE CHISELING						
3 TO 8 INCHES						
Number of reports	87	95	*	17	8	209
Rate per acre	7.57	10.91	-	12.65	10.81	9.63
Minimum	4.25	2.00	-	5.00	6.00	2.00
Maximum	25.00	47.50	-	25.00	20.00	47.50
Most common	6.00	10.00	-	10.00	9.00	8.00
DEEP CHISELING						
RIPPER						
Number of reports	51	38	*	15	9	115
Rate per acre	9.53	13.89	-	19.00	12.39	12.47
Minimum	5.50	5.00	-	4.00	8.00	4.00
Maximum	20.00	55.00	-	65.00	25.00	65.00
Most common	10.00	12.00	-	9.00	8.00	10.00

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RIPPER HIPPER						
Number of reports	11	4	*	*	4	22
Rate per acre	10.00	11.80	-	-	16.13	12.26
Minimum	5.00	4.20	-	-	8.50	4.20
Maximum	16.00	25.00	-	-	26.00	26.00
Most common	6.00	4.20	-	-	8.50	6.00
TANDEM DISCING LIGHT WEIGHT						
Number of reports	57	95	7	21	17	197
Rate per acre	7.53	10.45	17.86	10.98	14.69	10.29
Minimum	3.00	1.15	4.00	4.13	6.00	1.15
Maximum	30.00	47.50	50.00	20.00	50.00	50.00
Most common	6.00	10.00	9.00	10.00	6.00	6.00
TANDEM DISCING HEAVY WEIGHT						
Number of reports	51	99	15	16	15	196
Rate per acre	7.84	11.11	16.00	12.06	16.87	11.15
Minimum	3.00	2.00	6.00	7.00	5.00	2.00
Maximum	15.00	47.50	40.00	25.00	60.00	60.00
Most common	7.00	10.00	10.00	7.00	6.00	10.00
ROTO TILLING						
Number of reports	4	*	-	-	*	8
Rate per acre	10.25	-	-	-	-	11.25
Minimum	6.00	-	-	-	-	6.00
Maximum	17.00	-	-	-	-	25.00
Most common	6.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
HARROWING SPIKE TOOTH						
Number of reports	13	28	*	3	*	48
Rate per acre	4.69	6.51	-	5.33	-	6.02
Minimum	2.00	1.00	-	5.00	-	1.00
Maximum	8.00	25.00	-	6.00	-	25.00
Most common	4.00	5.00	-	5.00	-	5.00
HARROWING SPRING TOOTH						
Number of reports	21	5	-	*	*	29
Rate per acre	5.12	6.90	-	-	-	6.10
Minimum	2.00	5.00	-	-	-	2.00
Maximum	8.00	8.00	-	-	-	15.00
Most common	4.00	7.00	-	-	-	4.00
FIELD CULTIVATING WITH SWEEPS						
Number of reports	58	60	*	11	13	144
Rate per acre	6.36	7.99	-	10.68	8.00	7.53
Minimum	2.50	4.00	-	5.00	5.00	2.50
Maximum	10.00	18.70	-	17.50	15.00	18.70
Most common	6.00	7.00	-	10.00	5.00	6.00

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LISTING						
Number of reports	33	3	-	5	3	44
Rate per acre	7.39	8.83	-	9.50	10.83	7.96
Minimum	3.00	7.00	-	6.00	7.50	3.00
Maximum	18.00	12.00	-	15.00	15.00	18.00
Most common	6.00	7.00	-	10.00	7.50	6.00
SHAPING BEDS						
ROW DISC						
Number of reports	12	8	*	3	7	31
Rate per acre	7.08	7.47	-	8.83	8.64	7.67
Minimum	2.00	2.00	-	6.50	5.00	2.00
Maximum	16.00	17.50	-	10.00	15.00	17.50
Most common	5.00	2.00	-	10.00	6.00	6.00
SHAPING BEDS						
ROLLING CULTIVATOR						
Number of reports	13	3	*	3	*	22
Rate per acre	5.50	8.75	-	7.00	-	6.44
Minimum	2.00	6.00	-	5.00	-	2.00
Maximum	10.00	14.00	-	10.00	-	14.00
Most common	5.00	6.00	-	5.00	-	5.00
SHAPING BEDS						
SWEEP CULTIVATOR						
Number of reports	17	11	-	*	8	38
Rate per acre	6.06	7.32	-	-	6.88	6.76
Minimum	3.00	2.50	-	-	4.50	2.50
Maximum	10.00	17.00	-	-	12.00	17.00
Most common	6.00	5.00	-	-	5.00	5.00
SHAPING BEDS						
ROLLER						
Number of reports	5	4	*	*	3	14
Rate per acre	6.00	6.13	-	-	7.33	6.68
Minimum	4.00	2.00	-	-	5.00	2.00
Maximum	8.00	10.00	-	-	12.00	12.00
Most common	5.00	.	-	-	5.00	5.00
SHAPING BEDS						
SLED						
Number of reports	3	*	-	-	*	6
Rate per acre	7.67	-	-	-	-	8.33
Minimum	5.00	-	-	-	-	5.00
Maximum	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
Most common	5.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
BEDDING OR REBEDDING						
USING LISTER						
Number of reports	25	8	-	3	10	46
Rate per acre	7.62	11.75	-	10.50	8.75	8.77
Minimum	3.00	7.00	-	6.50	4.50	3.00
Maximum	17.00	25.00	-	15.00	12.00	25.00
Most common	6.00	7.00	-	6.50	10.00	6.00

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ROLLING CULTIVATOR						
FLAT TILLAGE						
Number of reports	10	3	-	*	*	16
Rate per acre	6.45	8.83	-	-	-	7.88
Minimum	4.00	6.00	-	-	-	4.00
Maximum	10.00	14.00	-	-	-	17.50
Most common	6.00	6.00	-	-	-	6.00
SANDFIGHTER						
Number of reports	22	*	-	*	*	25
Rate per acre	3.95	-	-	-	-	3.92
Minimum	1.00	-	-	-	-	1.00
Maximum	8.00	-	-	-	-	8.00
Most common	4.00	-	-	-	-	4.00
PASTURE AERATION						
Number of reports	4	34	8	10	*	58
Rate per acre	6.50	13.29	10.38	14.50	-	13.20
Minimum	1.00	4.00	2.50	6.00	-	1.00
Maximum	10.00	40.00	30.00	35.00	-	40.00
Most common	10.00	10.00	2.50	10.00	-	10.00
ROD WEEDER						
Number of reports	17	*	-	*	*	21
Rate per acre	6.86	-	-	-	-	6.69
Minimum	3.00	-	-	-	-	3.00
Maximum	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
Most common	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
ROTARY HOE						
Number of reports	23	3	-	-	4	30
Rate per acre	5.10	6.17	-	-	6.75	5.43
Minimum	1.00	3.50	-	-	2.50	1.00
Maximum	8.00	10.00	-	-	10.00	10.00
Most common	5.00	3.50	-	-	2.50	5.00
ROW CROP CULTIVATOR						
Number of reports	26	12	-	4	6	48
Rate per acre	6.38	8.32	-	9.75	7.42	7.28
Minimum	2.50	4.10	-	6.00	4.50	2.50
Maximum	10.00	17.00	-	15.00	10.00	17.00
Most common	5.00	6.00	-	6.00	7.00	8.00
FURROW DIKING						
Number of reports	10	*	-	-	*	12
Rate per acre	6.95	-	-	-	-	7.17
Minimum	1.00	-	-	-	-	1.00
Maximum	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
Most common	10.00	-	-	-	-	8.00

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FERTILIZER AND LIME APPLICATIONS						
ANHYDROUS AMMONIA						
Number of reports	32	46	12	5	*	97
Rate per acre	7.12	6.67	4.09	4.10	-	6.36
Minimum	2.00	1.50	3.00	2.50	-	1.50
Maximum	17.00	15.00	6.60	8.00	-	17.00
Most common	4.00	10.00	3.00	3.00	-	3.00
DRY MIXED FERTILIZER						
Number of reports	90	208	89	29	22	438
Rate per acre	4.77	4.06	5.01	4.58	5.86	4.52
Minimum	1.50	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	1.00
Maximum	18.00	15.26	18.00	13.00	17.00	18.00
Most common	3.50	3.00	4.00	3.50	4.00	3.00
LIQUID FERTILIZER						
Number of reports	86	185	21	39	28	359
Rate per acre	4.27	3.98	3.68	5.04	4.52	4.19
Minimum	2.00	1.50	1.00	2.20	2.00	1.00
Maximum	12.50	15.00	6.00	14.10	10.00	15.00
Most common	4.00	3.50	4.00	3.50	3.50	3.50
AERIAL APPLICATION OF FERTILIZER						
Number of reports	30	15	6	*	6	59
Rate per acre	4.03	4.36	5.08	-	5.71	4.41
Minimum	2.50	3.00	3.00	-	4.25	2.50
Maximum	10.00	5.50	7.00	-	10.00	10.00
Most common	3.50	5.00	3.00	-	4.50	4.00
LIME						
Number of reports	*	21	26	-	*	51
Rate per ton	-	11.67	12.04	-	-	11.24
Minimum	-	4.00	1.70	-	-	1.70
Maximum	-	25.00	25.00	-	-	25.00
Most common	-	10.00	5.00	-	-	10.00

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CHEMICAL APPLICATIONS						
INSECTICIDE & FUNGICIDE						
AERIAL APPLICATION						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	74	23	5	11	29	142
Rate per acre	3.96	4.45	5.70	4.16	4.35	4.20
Minimum	2.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.80	2.00
Maximum	9.75	9.25	9.00	5.00	10.00	10.00
Most common	4.00	4.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
INSECTICIDE & FUNGICIDE						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGE						
(BASE RATE PER ACRE)						
Number of reports	5	*	-	*	*	9
Rate per acre	3.86	-	-	-	-	3.57
Minimum	1.00	-	-	-	-	1.00
Maximum	5.25	-	-	-	-	5.25
Most common	1.00	-	-	-	-	1.00
(EXTRA CHARGES PER GALLON OVER 3 GALLONS)						
Rate per gallon	0.41	-	-	-	-	0.34
Minimum	0.03	-	-	-	-	0.03
Maximum	1.00	-	-	-	-	1.00
Most common	0.25	-	-	-	-	0.25
HERBICIDE - AERIAL APPLICATION						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	58	31	6	9	16	120
Rate per acre	4.13	3.95	5.33	4.30	4.44	4.20
Minimum	2.00	3.00	3.50	2.00	3.00	2.00
Maximum	10.00	6.00	10.00	8.18	6.50	10.00
Most common	4.00	4.00	4.50	4.50	3.50	4.00
HERBICIDE						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGE						
(BASE RATE PER ACRE)						
Number of reports	*	*	-	-	-	5
Rate per acre	-	-	-	-	-	4.37
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	3.05
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	5.25
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	3.05
(EXTRA CHARGES PER GALLON OVER 3 GALLONS)						
Rate per gallon	-	-	-	-	-	0.33
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	0.03
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	1.00
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	0.25
COTTON DEFOLIANT - AERIAL APPLICATION						
Number of reports	48	7	*	5	18	79
Rate per acre	3.69	4.42	-	4.15	4.51	3.97
Minimum	2.00	3.00	-	3.00	3.50	2.00
Maximum	5.50	6.00	-	4.75	6.50	6.50
Most common	3.50	3.00	-	4.50	4.50	3.50

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BRUSH SPRAYING - AERIAL APPLICATION						
Number of reports	19	10	-	*	3	33
Rate per acre	4.75	5.28	-	-	4.25	5.02
Minimum	2.00	2.50	-	-	3.00	2.00
Maximum	11.00	10.25	-	-	5.50	11.00
Most common	4.00	3.25	-	-	3.00	4.00
INSECTICIDE & FUNGICIDE GROUND APPLICATION FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	89	79	18	16	24	226
Rate per acre	4.18	4.56	6.99	4.03	4.12	4.52
Minimum	2.00	1.50	3.00	2.75	2.00	1.50
Maximum	15.00	15.00	15.00	13.55	12.00	15.00
Most common	3.50	3.50	5.00	3.00	4.00	3.50
HERBICIDE GROUND APPLICATION FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	84	94	25	17	20	240
Rate per acre	4.12	4.64	6.13	3.91	4.00	4.51
Minimum	1.00	1.50	2.50	3.00	2.00	1.00
Maximum	12.00	12.50	15.00	8.00	8.20	15.00
Most common	3.00	3.50	4.00	3.50	4.00	4.00
COTTON DEFOLIANT - GROUND APPLICATION						
Number of reports	37	17	*	6	14	75
Rate per acre	3.85	4.28	-	3.71	3.96	3.98
Minimum	2.50	2.50	-	3.00	2.00	2.00
Maximum	5.00	12.00	-	4.00	12.00	12.00
Most common	4.00	3.50	-	3.75	3.00	3.50



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PLANTING OPERATIONS						
BED PLANTING & APPLY FERTILIZER, HERBICIDE, OR PESTICIDE COTTON, SORGHUM, CORN, SOYBEANS						
Number of reports	24	9	*	5	6	45
Rate per acre	9.40	11.23	-	8.95	13.67	10.23
Minimum	5.00	6.00	-	6.00	10.00	5.00
Maximum	18.50	26.60	-	15.00	30.00	30.00
Most common	6.00	6.00	-	6.00	10.00	6.00
FLAT PLANTING & APPLY FERTILIZER, HERBICIDE, OR PESTICIDE COTTON, SORGHUM, CORN, SOYBEANS						
Number of reports	20	9	-	*	5	35
Rate per acre	10.38	8.22	-	-	9.80	9.73
Minimum	4.00	5.00	-	-	7.00	4.00
Maximum	18.50	10.00	-	-	12.00	18.50
Most common	10.00	10.00	-	-	7.00	10.00
BED PLANTING ONLY COTTON, SORGHUM, CORN, SOYBEANS						
Number of reports	44	17	*	4	8	74
Rate per acre	7.60	8.32	-	8.38	8.84	7.86
Minimum	2.00	3.50	-	6.00	6.00	2.00
Maximum	12.50	20.00	-	15.00	15.00	20.00
Most common	8.00	8.00	-	6.00	6.00	6.00
FLAT PLANTING ONLY COTTON, SORGHUM, CORN, SOYBEANS						
Number of reports	38	28	-	3	9	78
Rate per acre	8.38	8.11	-	7.67	10.67	8.52
Minimum	4.00	3.00	-	5.00	6.00	3.00
Maximum	12.50	20.00	-	12.00	25.00	25.00
Most common	8.00	7.00	-	5.00	6.00	8.00
CONVENTIONAL PLANTING & APPLY FERTILIZER, HERBICIDE, OR PESTICIDE PEANUTS						
Number of reports	3	*	-	*	-	6
Rate per acre	12.67	-	-	-	-	11.00
Minimum	9.00	-	-	-	-	6.00
Maximum	16.00	-	-	-	-	16.00
Most common	9.00	-	-	-	-	6.00

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CONVENTIONAL PLANTING ONLY						
PEANUTS						
Number of reports	6	*	-	-	-	8
Rate per acre	9.58	-	-	-	-	9.13
Minimum	7.50	-	-	-	-	6.00
Maximum	16.00	-	-	-	-	16.00
Most common	8.00	-	-	-	-	8.00
AIR PLANTING ONLY						
PEANUTS						
Number of reports	8	*	-	-	-	10
Rate per acre	10.13	-	-	-	-	9.95
Minimum	5.00	-	-	-	-	5.00
Maximum	20.00	-	-	-	-	20.00
Most common	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
DRILLING - SMALL GRAIN, GRAIN						
SORGHUM, SUDAN						
Number of reports	92	61	*	22	6	182
Rate per acre	7.74	8.57	-	8.93	8.83	8.21
Minimum	1.00	2.50	-	4.00	6.00	1.00
Maximum	21.00	28.00	-	20.00	13.00	28.00
Most common	6.00	10.00	-	8.00	6.00	10.00
DRILLING - SOYBEANS, MUNG BEANS						
Number of reports	6	4	*	-	3	14
Rate per acre	10.00	6.75	-	-	8.67	8.79
Minimum	8.00	5.00	-	-	7.00	5.00
Maximum	13.00	10.00	-	-	10.00	13.00
Most common	8.00	5.00	-	-	7.00	8.00
DRILLING - ALFALFA AND OTHER LEGUMES						
Number of reports	7	*	-	3	-	11
Rate per acre	10.64	-	-	15.83	-	12.00
Minimum	7.50	-	-	12.50	-	7.50
Maximum	15.00	-	-	20.00	-	20.00
Most common	8.00	-	-	12.50	-	8.00
SOD DRILLING SMALL GRAINS						
Number of reports	13	14	3	7	-	37
Rate per acre	9.27	8.64	11.33	9.21	-	9.19
Minimum	6.00	4.50	9.00	2.00	-	2.00
Maximum	25.00	15.00	15.00	17.50	-	25.00
Most common	8.00	10.00	9.00	10.00	-	10.00
SEEDING GRASS SEED						
Number of reports	20	17	5	8	3	53
Rate per acre	8.88	9.16	8.40	12.88	6.17	9.37
Minimum	3.00	3.50	2.00	7.50	4.00	2.00
Maximum	14.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	20.00
Most common	10.00	10.00	2.00	8.00	4.00	10.00

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SPRIGGING BERMUDA GRASS						
Number of reports	*	48	4	7	7	68
Rate per acre	-	35.51	31.25	29.00	42.86	35.11
Minimum	-	6.00	20.00	7.00	20.00	6.00
Maximum	-	60.00	40.00	60.00	60.00	60.00
Most common	-	40.00	40.00	35.00	40.00	40.00
NO TILL PLANTING						
Number of reports	25	18	3	6	6	58
Rate per acre	10.76	9.91	13.00	11.75	13.75	11.02
Minimum	2.00	1.80	12.00	3.00	8.00	1.80
Maximum	20.00	30.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	30.00
Most common	10.00	7.00	12.00	3.00	8.00	10.00

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COMBINING AND HAULING GRAINS						
COMBINING & HAULING - CORN						
Number of reports	20	19	*	*	13	54
Rate per bushel	0.36	0.38	-	-	0.34	0.37
Minimum	0.22	0.14	-	-	0.20	0.14
Maximum	0.65	0.65	-	-	0.48	0.65
Most common	0.25	0.60	-	-	0.36	0.25
COMBINING & HAULING - GRAIN SORGHUM						
Number of reports	23	22	-	5	24	74
Rate per cwt	0.39	0.48	-	0.65	0.53	0.48
Minimum	0.13	0.15	-	0.60	0.20	0.13
Maximum	0.60	0.80	-	0.75	0.75	0.80
Most common	0.50	0.50	-	0.60	0.60	0.60
COMBINING & HAULING - SOYBEANS						
Number of reports	*	4	-	-	*	7
Rate per bushel	-	0.43	-	-	-	0.48
Minimum	-	0.20	-	-	-	0.20
Maximum	-	0.90	-	-	-	0.90
Most common	-	0.20	-	-	-	0.20
COMBINING & HAULING - WHEAT						
Number of reports	43	14	-	*	-	58
Rate per bushel	0.26	0.33	-	-	-	0.28
Minimum	0.10	0.14	-	-	-	0.10
Maximum	0.65	0.80	-	-	-	0.80
Most common	0.13	0.20	-	-	-	0.13
COMBINING CORN FLAT RATE PER ACRE						
Number of reports	8	54	4	4	7	77
Rate per acre	17.44	16.69	19.75	23.25	19.14	17.49
Minimum	12.00	12.00	18.00	13.00	14.00	12.00
Maximum	25.00	25.00	21.00	30.00	25.00	30.00
Most common	12.00	15.00	20.00	25.00	20.00	15.00
COMBINING CORN FLAT RATE BER BUSHEL						
Number of reports	11	10	-	*	6	28
Rate per bushel	0.25	0.26	-	-	0.37	0.28
Minimum	0.13	0.12	-	-	0.24	0.12
Maximum	0.50	0.45	-	-	0.60	0.60
Most common	0.18	0.12	-	-	0.25	0.25

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COMBINING CORN						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGE						
(BASE RATE PER ACRE)						
Number of reports	*	*	-	-	-	4
Rate per acre	-	-	-	-	-	15.28
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	13.00
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	18.20
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	13.00
(EXTRA CHARGE FOR YIELD OVER 50 BUSHEL)						
Rate per bushel	-	-	-	-	-	0.12
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	0.10
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	0.14
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	0.10
COMBINING GRAIN SORGHUM						
FLAT RATE PER ACRE						
Number of reports	51	63	*	11	12	138
Rate per acre	13.59	14.92	-	13.73	17.92	14.61
Minimum	5.00	12.00	-	12.00	12.00	5.00
Maximum	28.00	24.00	-	16.00	25.00	28.00
Most common	12.00	15.00	-	12.00	20.00	12.00
COMBINING GRAIN SORGHUM						
FLAT RATE PER CWT						
Number of reports	10	11	-	*	16	39
Rate per cwt	0.37	0.42	-	-	0.48	0.43
Minimum	0.13	0.20	-	-	0.35	0.13
Maximum	0.50	0.65	-	-	0.89	0.89
Most common	0.50	0.40	-	-	0.45	0.40
COMBINING GRAIN SORGHUM						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGE						
(BASE RATE PER ACRE)						
Number of reports	*	*	-	*	-	3
Rate per acre	-	-	-	-	-	16.00
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	14.00
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	18.00
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	14.00
(EXTRA CHARGE FOR YIELDS OVER 4,000 LBS.)						
Rate per pound	-	-	-	-	-	0.19
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	0.02
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	0.40
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	0.02
COMBINING SOYBEANS						
FLAT RATE PER ACRE						
Number of reports	6	13	*	-	11	32
Rate per acre	15.00	15.77	-	-	19.36	17.03
Minimum	12.00	12.00	-	-	14.00	12.00
Maximum	18.00	20.00	-	-	22.00	22.00
Most common	12.00	15.00	-	-	20.00	20.00

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COMBINING WHEAT						
FLAT RATE PER ACRE						
Number of reports	133	105	3	20	*	262
Rate per acre	13.51	14.81	15.67	13.45	-	14.08
Minimum	7.00	10.00	11.00	10.00	-	7.00
Maximum	24.00	32.00	19.00	20.00	-	32.00
Most common	12.00	15.00	11.00	12.00	-	12.00
COMBINING WHEAT						
FLAT RATE PER BUSHEL						
Number of reports	16	5	-	-	-	21
Rate per bushel	0.30	0.25	-	-	-	0.29
Minimum	0.11	0.13	-	-	-	0.11
Maximum	0.60	0.50	-	-	-	0.60
Most common	0.25	0.25	-	-	-	0.25
COMBINING WHEAT						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGE						
(BASE RATE PER ACRE)						
Number of reports	42	3	-	*	-	47
Rate per acre	13.11	13.40	-	-	-	13.18
Minimum	10.80	11.20	-	-	-	10.80
Maximum	15.75	15.00	-	-	-	15.75
Most common	14.00	11.20	-	-	-	14.00
(EXTRA CHARGE FOR YIELDS OVER 20 BUSHELS)						
Rate per bushel	0.14	0.14	-	-	-	0.14
Minimum	0.10	0.14	-	-	-	0.10
Maximum	0.22	0.15	-	-	-	0.22
Most common	0.14	0.14	-	-	-	0.14



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HAULING GRAINS						
HAULING CORN						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	14	44	*	3	14	77
Rate per cwt	0.17	0.26	-	0.27	0.28	0.25
Minimum	0.08	0.10	-	0.20	0.13	0.08
Maximum	0.50	0.63	-	0.35	0.60	0.63
Most common	0.10	0.20	-	0.20	0.20	0.20
HAULING CORN						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGE						
(BASE RATE PER CWT)						
Number of reports	5	4	-	-	-	9
Rate per cwt	0.22	0.11	-	-	-	0.17
Minimum	0.12	0.05	-	-	-	0.05
Maximum	0.33	0.20	-	-	-	0.33
Most common	0.25	0.05	-	-	-	0.25
(EXTRA CHARGE PER MILE OVER 10 MILES)						
Rate per mile	0.11	0.02	-	-	-	0.07
Minimum	0.01	0.01	-	-	-	0.01
Maximum	0.35	0.05	-	-	-	0.35
Most common	0.01	0.01	-	-	-	0.01
HAULING GRAIN SORGHUM						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	32	45	-	10	26	113
Rate per cwt	0.23	0.25	-	0.27	0.31	0.26
Minimum	0.10	0.10	-	0.10	0.15	0.10
Maximum	0.45	0.63	-	0.75	0.65	0.75
Most common	0.25	0.20	-	0.20	0.20	0.20
HAULING GRAIN SORGHUM						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGE						
(BASE RATE PER CWT)						
Number of reports	7	*	-	-	*	10
Rate per cwt	0.23	-	-	-	-	0.18
Minimum	0.10	-	-	-	-	0.03
Maximum	0.33	-	-	-	-	0.33
Most common	0.25	-	-	-	-	0.25
(EXTRA CHARGE PER MILE OVER 10 MILES)						
Rate per mile	0.08	-	-	-	-	0.06
Minimum	0.01	-	-	-	-	0.01
Maximum	0.35	-	-	-	-	0.35
Most common	0.01	-	-	-	-	0.01
HAULING SOYBEANS						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	5	11	*	*	4	22
Rate per bushel	0.21	0.22	-	-	0.26	0.23
Minimum	0.12	0.12	-	-	0.13	0.12
Maximum	0.25	0.35	-	-	0.50	0.50
Most common	0.25	0.25	-	-	0.20	0.25

TEXAS FARM AND RANCH CUSTOM RATES - 2004
Number Reporting and Rate Per Unit (in Dollars) for Specified Areas

Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
HAULING WHEAT						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	86	51	-	12	*	150
Rate per bushel	0.17	0.22	-	0.24	-	0.19
Minimum	0.05	0.09	-	0.10	-	0.05
Maximum	0.50	0.60	-	0.60	-	0.60
Most common	0.14	0.25	-	0.14	-	0.25
HAULING WHEAT						
BASE RATE + EXTRA CHARGE						
(BASE RATE PER BUSHEL)						
Number of reports	11	3	*	-	-	15
Rate per bushel	0.13	0.11	-	-	-	0.12
Minimum	0.10	0.05	-	-	-	0.03
Maximum	0.20	0.15	-	-	-	0.20
Most common	0.14	0.05	-	-	-	0.14
(EXTRA CHARGES PER MILE OVER 10 MILES)						
Rate per mile	0.06	0.02	-	-	-	0.05
Minimum	0.01	0.01	-	-	-	0.01
Maximum	0.12	0.05	-	-	-	0.12
Most common	0.01	0.01	-	-	-	0.01

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Number Reporting and Rate Per Unit (in Dollars) for Specified Areas

Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
COTTON HARVESTING						
STRIPPER HARVESTING WITHOUT BURR EXTRACTOR						
SEED COTTON CHARGES						
Number Reports	31	*	-	3	*	37
Rate per cwt	2.22	-	-	6.00	-	2.69
Minimum	1.00	-	-	4.00	-	1.00
Maximum	8.00	-	-	8.00	-	8.00
Most common	1.25	-	-	4.00	-	1.25
STRIPPER HARVESTING WITH BURR EXTRACTOR						
SEED COTTON CHARGES						
Number Reports	11	3	-	*	*	16
Rate per cwt	5.71	7.67	-	-	-	6.49
Minimum	1.07	7.00	-	-	-	1.07
Maximum	8.00	8.00	-	-	-	10.00
Most common	7.00	8.00	-	-	-	7.00
PICKER HARVESTING						
LINT COTTON CHARGES						
Number Reports	7	7	*	3	31	49
Rate per cwt	8.92	9.79	-	9.17	9.61	9.52
Minimum	7.00	6.00	-	8.00	8.00	6.00
Maximum	10.42	15.00	-	10.00	12.50	15.00
Most common	8.00	6.00	-	8.00	10.00	10.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
PEANUT HARVESTING, HAULING AND DRYING						
DIG & SHAKE PEANUTS						
Number Reports	7	4	-	-	-	11
Rate per acre	16.36	14.25	-	-	-	15.59
Minimum	5.00	8.00	-	-	-	5.00
Maximum	25.00	20.00	-	-	-	25.00
Most common	16.00	8.00	-	-	-	15.00
COMBINING PEANUTS						
Number Reports	*	*	-	-	-	8
Rate per ton	-	-	-	-	-	45.63
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	30.00
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	65.00
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	40.00
HAULING PEANUTS						
FLAT RATE						
Number Reports	3	*	-	-	-	5
Rate per ton	28.00	-	-	-	-	24.80
Minimum	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
Maximum	50.00	-	-	-	-	50.00
Most common	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
DRYING PEANUTS						
FLAT RATE						
Number Reports	*	*	-	-	-	5
Rate per ton	-	-	-	-	-	20.00
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	12.00
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	28.00
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	12.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
LAND PREPARATION, BRUSH CONTROL & OTHER FARM OR RANCH OPERATIONS						
LAND CLEARING PER ACRE						
Number of reports	11	24	13	15	10	73
Rate per acre	75.05	126.40	206.28	99.20	189.21	135.90
Minimum	36.00	22.50	40.00	37.00	50.00	22.50
Maximum	100.00	500.00	600.00	200.00	400.00	600.00
Most common	50.00	30.00	200.00	100.00	75.00	75.00
LAND CLEARING PER HOUR						
Number of reports	40	138	45	46	16	285
Rate per hour	71.41	67.72	70.91	64.38	62.50	67.91
Minimum	15.00	10.00	26.00	7.00	35.00	7.00
Maximum	125.00	125.00	135.00	110.00	95.00	135.00
Most common	60.00	65.00	60.00	50.00	65.00	75.00
ROOT PLOWING PER ACRE						
Number of reports	*	11	*	10	6	31
Rate per acre	-	86.45	-	77.10	142.50	95.87
Minimum	-	10.00	-	38.00	25.00	10.00
Maximum	-	200.00	-	185.00	450.00	450.00
Most common	-	100.00	-	38.00	25.00	100.00
ROOT PLOWING PER HOUR						
Number of reports	11	25	5	9	4	54
Rate per hour	90.00	76.60	79.00	74.78	58.75	77.93
Minimum	65.00	25.00	60.00	50.00	35.00	25.00
Maximum	125.00	125.00	100.00	100.00	80.00	125.00
Most common	125.00	75.00	80.00	65.00	35.00	80.00
RAKE & STACK PER ACRE						
Number of reports	7	9	3	8	4	31
Rate per acre	37.43	57.33	150.00	37.63	96.88	61.82
Minimum	25.00	10.00	50.00	10.00	25.00	10.00
Maximum	75.00	200.00	300.00	85.00	225.00	300.00
Most common	25.00	25.00	50.00	30.00	25.00	25.00
RAKE & STACK PER HOUR						
Number of reports	16	23	7	11	3	60
Rate per hour	82.19	66.96	68.57	69.55	73.33	72.00
Minimum	55.00	25.00	35.00	50.00	65.00	25.00
Maximum	125.00	95.00	100.00	90.00	80.00	125.00
Most common	80.00	80.00	65.00	50.00	65.00	80.00
HEAVY OFFSET PLOWING PER ACRE						
Number of reports	3	12	*	4	*	21
Rate per acre	15.33	30.54	-	46.25	-	29.74
Minimum	6.00	7.00	-	30.00	-	6.00
Maximum	25.00	85.00	-	85.00	-	85.00
Most common	6.00	15.00	-	35.00	-	15.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
HEAVY OFFSET PLOWING PER HOUR						
Number of reports	3	17	4	6	3	33
Rate per hour	81.67	63.97	46.00	71.33	80.33	66.23
Minimum	70.00	15.00	24.00	58.00	65.00	15.00
Maximum	90.00	125.00	65.00	90.00	96.00	125.00
Most common	70.00	65.00	24.00	65.00	65.00	65.00
TANDEM ROLLER CHOPPING PER ACRE						
Number of reports	3	*	-	3	*	9
Rate per acre	43.33	-	-	47.00	-	42.67
Minimum	5.00	-	-	16.00	-	5.00
Maximum	105.00	-	-	90.00	-	105.00
Most common	5.00	-	-	16.00	-	5.00
TANDEM ROLLER CHOPPING PER HOUR						
Number of reports	3	4	*	-	*	10
Rate per hour	81.67	67.50	-	-	-	72.00
Minimum	70.00	40.00	-	-	-	40.00
Maximum	90.00	85.00	-	-	-	90.00
Most common	70.00	40.00	-	-	-	85.00
TERRACING PER HOUR						
Number of reports	8	12	3	*	*	26
Rate per hour	81.25	70.83	75.00	-	-	74.81
Minimum	65.00	40.00	55.00	-	-	40.00
Maximum	100.00	120.00	90.00	-	-	120.00
Most common	65.00	65.00	55.00	-	-	65.00
GRUBBING PER ACRE						
Number of reports	12	12	*	8	5	39
Rate per acre	67.50	57.68	-	90.50	35.00	69.26
Minimum	30.00	15.00	-	15.00	10.00	10.00
Maximum	125.00	85.00	-	200.00	50.00	200.00
Most common	50.00	80.00	-	50.00	40.00	50.00
PASTURE SHREDDING PER ACRE						
Number of reports	10	100	52	15	21	198
Rate per acre	13.45	15.61	16.92	16.01	22.26	16.58
Minimum	2.00	1.50	2.50	3.13	2.50	1.50
Maximum	40.00	50.00	50.00	45.00	50.00	50.00
Most common	.	10.00	10.00	10.00	40.00	10.00
STALK SHREDDING PER ACRE						
Number of reports	15	19	4	*	7	47
Rate per acre	6.23	10.83	14.75	-	18.29	10.84
Minimum	2.00	1.50	3.00	-	6.00	1.50
Maximum	13.00	40.00	40.00	-	35.00	40.00
Most common	4.00	10.00	3.00	-	7.00	6.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
STOCK TANK CONSTRUCTION PER CUBIC YARD						
Number of reports	7	12	6	3	*	30
Rate per cubic yard	1.08	1.08	1.86	1.06	-	1.23
Minimum	0.80	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	0.80
Maximum	2.00	1.25	4.00	1.18	-	4.00
Most common	0.80	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	1.00
STOCK TANK CONSTRUCTION PER HOUR						
Number of reports	16	52	15	13	6	102
Rate per hour	78.44	71.36	78.00	66.58	67.17	72.59
Minimum	55.00	20.00	45.00	12.50	45.00	12.50
Maximum	125.00	125.00	135.00	90.00	120.00	135.00
Most common	60.00	65.00	75.00	70.00	45.00	75.00



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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
LIVESTOCK OPERATIONS						
CATTLE ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION						
Number of reports	21	31	19	9	6	86
Rate per head	17.40	25.35	17.82	27.59	18.83	21.53
Minimum	4.00	3.00	5.00	6.00	8.00	3.00
Maximum	40.00	65.00	50.00	80.80	30.00	80.80
Most common	20.00	20.00	15.00	15.00	20.00	20.00
CATTLE PREGNANCY TESTING						
Number of reports	54	110	74	29	15	282
Rate per head	5.07	5.73	4.96	3.76	13.37	5.61
Minimum	1.50	1.00	2.00	0.75	4.00	0.75
Maximum	25.00	30.00	25.00	10.00	50.00	50.00
Most common	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	3.00
CATTLE SPRAYING						
Number of reports	23	51	40	17	22	153
Rate per head	2.63	4.31	3.86	3.84	5.34	4.04
Minimum	0.50	0.25	0.21	0.50	1.00	0.21
Maximum	15.00	30.00	20.00	20.00	30.00	30.00
Most common	1.00	2.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00
CATTLE DEHORNING						
Number of reports	21	88	55	23	14	201
Rate per head	5.62	6.26	5.56	6.76	9.71	6.30
Minimum	0.50	0.25	0.20	1.00	2.50	0.20
Maximum	30.00	30.00	25.00	35.00	30.00	35.00
Most common	1.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	5.00
CATTLE BRANDING						
Number of reports	38	58	42	30	18	186
Rate per head	2.63	3.11	3.72	3.67	6.19	3.54
Minimum	0.50	0.15	0.10	0.50	2.00	0.10
Maximum	12.00	20.00	25.00	20.00	35.00	35.00
Most common	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00
CATTLE CASTRATING						
Number of reports	37	75	55	34	17	218
Rate per head	2.77	4.70	4.72	4.99	8.47	4.72
Minimum	0.50	0.10	0.10	0.25	2.00	0.10
Maximum	10.00	45.00	30.00	20.00	35.00	45.00
Most common	1.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	5.00
CATTLE WORMING						
Number of reports	38	136	106	41	39	360
Rate per head	3.66	5.97	6.38	5.05	8.68	6.04
Minimum	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	1.00	0.50
Maximum	10.00	30.00	50.00	30.00	40.00	50.00
Most common	2.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
SHEEP SHEARING						
Number of reports	9	32	*	35	*	78
Rate per head	4.50	4.26	-	3.00	-	3.67
Minimum	2.50	2.00	-	1.90	-	1.50
Maximum	10.00	12.50	-	10.00	-	12.50
Most common	4.50	3.00	-	2.50	-	2.50
SHEEP TAGGING						
Number of reports	*	10	*	14	-	26
Rate per head	-	1.78	-	1.29	-	1.53
Minimum	-	0.30	-	0.75	-	0.30
Maximum	-	6.90	-	2.50	-	6.90
Most common	-	1.00	-	1.00	-	1.00
SHEEP DRENCHING						
Number of reports	*	18	-	15	-	34
Rate per head	-	2.29	-	2.57	-	2.41
Minimum	-	0.50	-	0.50	-	0.50
Maximum	-	15.00	-	10.00	-	15.00
Most common	-	1.00	-	0.50	-	0.50
SHEEP SPRAYING						
Number of reports	*	3	-	3	-	7
Rate per head	-	1.33	-	1.33	-	1.29
Minimum	-	1.00	-	1.00	-	1.00
Maximum	-	2.00	-	2.00	-	2.00
Most common	-	1.00	-	1.00	-	1.00
GOAT SHEARING						
Number of reports	*	9	*	11	*	24
Rate per head	-	4.40	-	3.05	-	3.67
Minimum	-	1.75	-	1.80	-	1.50
Maximum	-	12.50	-	8.00	-	12.50
Most common	-	4.00	-	2.00	-	2.00
GOAT DRENCHING						
Number of reports	*	25	5	12	3	46
Rate per head	-	3.77	4.23	2.55	6.00	3.63
Minimum	-	0.25	2.00	0.50	2.00	0.25
Maximum	-	15.00	12.00	10.00	12.00	15.00
Most common	-	1.00	2.00	0.50	2.00	2.00
GOAT SPRAYING						
Number of reports	*	8	4	6	*	21
Rate per head	-	2.66	2.25	1.04	-	1.95
Minimum	-	0.25	0.50	0.25	-	0.25
Maximum	-	7.00	5.00	2.00	-	7.00
Most common	-	2.00	0.50	1.00	-	0.50

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
CATTLE HAULING						
CATTLE HAULING BY THE HEAD						
18 WHEELER						
Number of reports	10	11	3	4	*	30
Rate per head	6.03	6.45	5.67	8.11	-	6.26
Minimum	2.00	1.00	2.00	3.00	-	1.00
Maximum	10.00	15.00	10.00	15.00	-	15.00
Most common	6.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	-	2.00
CATTLE HAULING BY THE LOAD						
18 WHEELER						
Number of reports	12	17	13	8	4	54
Rate per load	283.33	182.94	319.46	243.75	157.50	245.24
Minimum	70.00	25.00	25.00	50.00	30.00	25.00
Maximum	500.00	900.00	1213.00	500.00	500.00	1213.00
Most common	300.00	25.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
CATTLE HAULING BY THE LOADED MILE						
18 WHEELER						
Number of reports	47	62	24	27	10	170
Rate per loaded mile	2.41	2.11	2.35	2.46	1.95	2.27
Minimum	0.75	0.25	1.15	1.00	1.00	0.25
Maximum	6.00	3.00	5.00	6.00	2.50	6.00
Most common	2.50	2.00	2.50	2.50	2.00	2.50
CATTLE HAULING BY THE HEAD						
OTHER TRUCKS AND TRAILERS						
Number of reports	19	57	26	17	8	127
Rate per head	7.95	7.64	5.03	8.54	8.17	7.30
Minimum	1.85	1.00	1.25	1.00	1.50	1.00
Maximum	25.00	50.00	15.00	30.00	20.00	50.00
Most common	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.50	5.00
CATTLE HAULING BY THE LOAD						
OTHER TRUCKS AND TRAILERS						
Number of reports	22	82	61	28	16	209
Rate per load	99.66	62.48	78.38	89.21	67.75	75.02
Minimum	30.00	10.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Maximum	300.00	400.00	500.00	293.00	200.00	500.00
Most common	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
CATTLE HAULING BY THE LOADED MILE						
OTHER TRUCKS AND TRAILERS						
Number of reports	29	98	45	35	11	218
Rate per loaded mile	1.94	1.81	1.62	1.86	1.78	1.79
Minimum	0.50	0.40	0.28	0.50	1.00	0.28
Maximum	3.13	4.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Most common	1.50	2.00	1.50	2.00	1.00	2.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
MISCELLANEOUS LIVESTOCK OPERATIONS						
FEED GRINDING & MIXING AT MILL						
Number of reports	7	21	5	5	5	43
Rate per ton	20.71	27.00	16.00	18.20	31.40	24.19
Minimum	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	8.00
Maximum	32.00	80.00	25.00	30.00	80.00	80.00
Most common	8.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	20.00
DIGGING POST HOLES						
Number of reports	12	44	11	8	9	84
Rate per hole	4.54	2.63	1.95	3.44	1.51	2.77
Minimum	0.60	0.10	0.10	2.00	0.40	0.10
Maximum	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	3.00	10.00
Most common	5.00	2.00	1.00	2.00	0.50	2.00
FENCE BUILDING						
4-6 WIRE WITH STEEL POSTS						
Number of reports	55	112	47	51	17	282
Rate per mile	4,714.11	6,555.70	5,881.13	7,155.97	6,307.41	6,177.69
Minimum	500.00	800.00	500.00	750.00	1,000.00	500.00
Maximum	11,880.00	15,840.00	19,800.00	22,000.00	31,680.00	31,680.00
Most common	3,000.00	5,280.00	7,920.00	8,000.00	7,000.00	7,920.00
FENCE BUILDING						
4-6 WIRE WITH WOOD POSTS						
Number of reports	10	30	12	13	13	78
Rate per mile	5,570.00	6,505.59	5,854.67	6,554.38	4,871.23	6,021.24
Minimum	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Maximum	8,000.00	14,520.00	15,000.00	16,500.00	18,744.00	18,744.00
Most common	5,000.00	7,920.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	5,000.00
FENCE BUILDING						
4-6 WIRE HIGH TENSIL ELECTRIC WITH POSTS						
Number of reports	5	6	*	5	-	18
Rate per mile	3,660.00	4,309.67	-	4,963.20	-	4,327.44
Minimum	800.00	600.00	-	700.00	-	600.00
Maximum	6,500.00	7,865.00	-	11,616.00	-	11,616.00
Most common	800.00	600.00	-	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
FENCE BUILDING						
DEER-PROOF FENCING						
8 FOOT WITH STEEL POSTS						
Number of reports	3	12	*	8	3	27
Rate per mile	13,166.67	17,263.08	-	15,750.00	10,000.00	15,402.11
Minimum	9,500.00	9,017.00	-	11,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Maximum	15,000.00	42,240.00	-	25,000.00	15,000.00	42,240.00
Most common	15,000.00	15,000.00	-	11,000.00	5,000.00	15,000.00

SURVEY METHODS

Objective: The 2004 Custom Rates Survey was designed to determine the rates being charged for the most common farm and ranch operations performed by custom operators.

Survey Sampling: Operators selected in the Custom Rates Survey were a subsample of respondents from a crop and livestock survey conducted in late 2004. Operators were asked if they did custom work or had custom work done for them in 2004. Only those giving a positive response to the screening questions were eligible for inclusion in the Custom Rates Survey. Positive respondents were further classified into those reporting [a] crops, [b] hay, [c] livestock, and [d] any combination. The additional screening was to assure a good cross section of farming and ranching operations in the sample and to help provide for adequate reports for all items. A total of 4,442 operators were sampled. See table below for sample counts and returns by area.

Survey Procedure: First and second request questionnaires were mailed and a telephone follow-up of a subsample of non-respondents was completed. Respondents were asked to answer only those questions with which they were familiar. After reviewing questionnaires for reasonableness, data were summarized by areas (page 2) and state level for publication. For some individual items, a minimal number of reports contributed to abnormal price variability. No attempt was made to reconcile reported data with previous survey data.

Reporting Areas: The state was divided into five areas to represent different topography, climates, and farming practices. The state's 15 crop reporting districts were combined to form the custom rate reporting areas. Data from these areas should reflect the diverse farming and ranching practices in Texas.

TEXAS CUSTOM RATES
Sample by Strata and Reports Tabulated, 2004

Area	Sample Size								Useable reports tabulated
	Crops, livestock, and hay	Crops and hay	Livestock and hay	Crops and livestock	Crops only	Livestock only	Hay only	Total sample	
Plains	31	94	32	24	400	106	245	932	466
Central	45	127	150	8	201	186	980	1,697	996
East	12	6	127	2	24	87	593	851	498
West and Southwest	13	27	26	11	74	154	248	553	301
Coast	5	10	36	2	111	82	163	409	212
STATE	106	264	371	47	810	615	2,229	4,442	2,473

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