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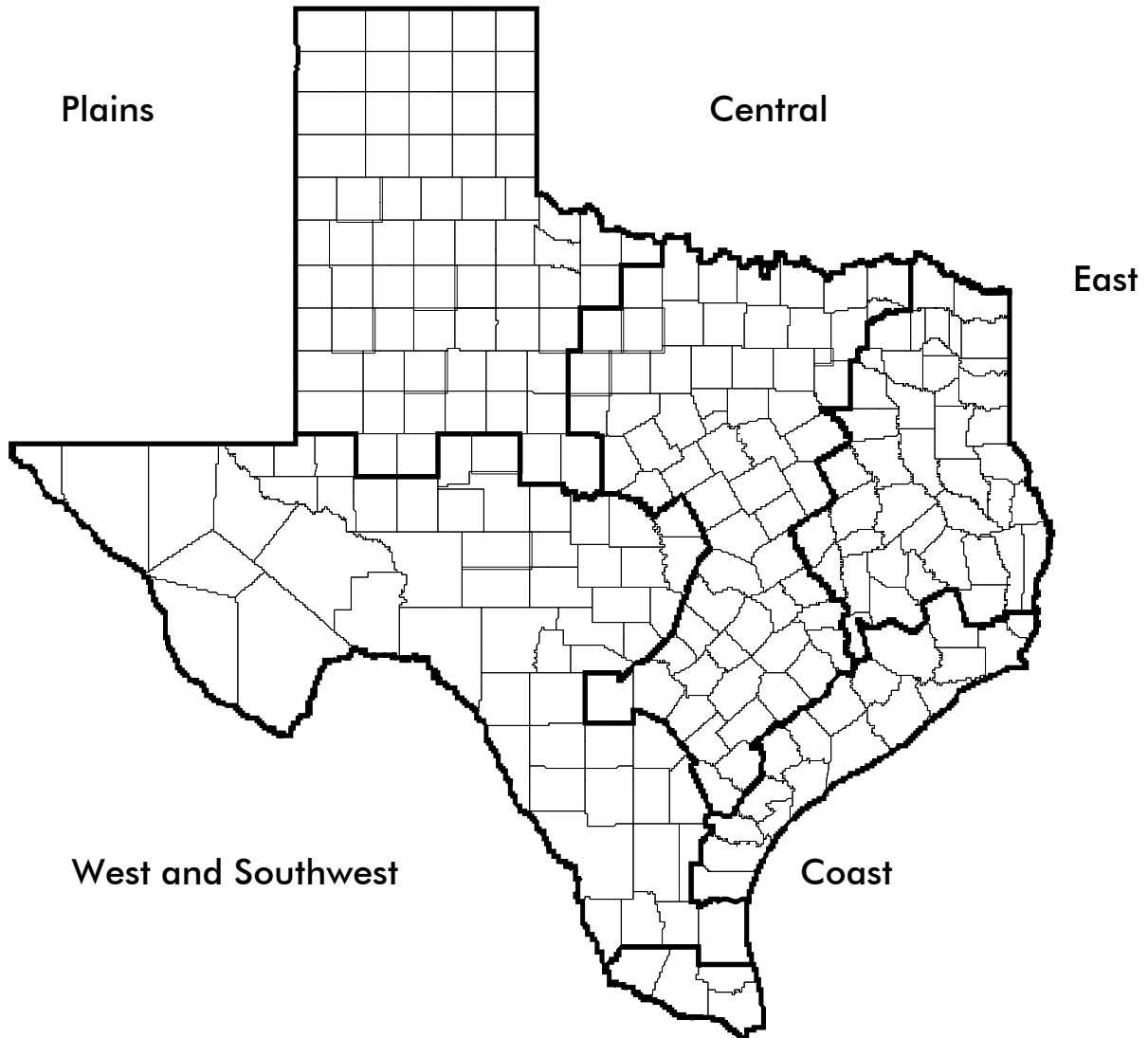
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Texas Custom Rates Area Map



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The data contained in this publication reflect the prices paid by Texas farmers and ranchers for custom work performed in 2008. 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 2004 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 on the Texas Custom Rates area map.

TEXAS FARM AND RANCH CUSTOM RATES - 2008
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.....	9	21	6	6	10	52
Rate per hour.....	20.00	25.00	32.00	33.00	34.00	28.00
Minimum.....	10.00	6.00	20.00	15.00	7.00	6.00
Maximum.....	36.00	75.00	40.00	60.00	65.00	75.00
Most common.....	20.00	10.00	30.00	15.00	35.00	25.00
TRACTOR ONLY 100 TO 149 H.P.						
Number of reports.....	9	11	3	4	4	31
Rate per hour.....	22.00	46.00	45.00	59.00	53.00	42.00
Minimum.....	15.00	8.00	40.00	10.00	13.00	8.00
Maximum.....	28.00	100.00	55.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Most common.....	25.00	50.00	40.00	10.00	13.00	40.00
TRACTOR ONLY 150 to 249 H.P.						
Number of reports.....	14	8	*	4	10	37
Rate per hour.....	32.00	40.00	-	49.00	45.00	39.00
Minimum.....	23.00	10.00	-	27.00	17.00	10.00
Maximum.....	100.00	75.00	-	70.00	75.00	100.00
Most common.....	25.00	30.00	-	27.00	30.00	30.00
TRACTOR ONLY OVER 250 H.P.						
Number of reports.....	3	4	-	5	*	14
Rate per hour.....	93.00	69.00	-	85.00	-	81.00
Minimum.....	40.00	42.00	-	25.00	-	25.00
Maximum.....	140.00	100.00	-	150.00	-	150.00
Most common.....	40.00	42.00	-	25.00	-	100.00

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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.....	9	31	34	10	29	113
Rate per bale	1.71	2.02	2.18	1.34	2.03	1.99
Minimum	1.00	0.50	0.75	1.00	1.00	0.50
Maximum	4.00	5.50	6.50	1.90	7.00	7.00
Most common	1.00	1.50	1.50	1.25	1.25	1.00
COMPLETE HAYING JOB						
WIRE TIE-SQUARE BALES						
Number of reports.....	11	53	9	16	4	93
Rate per bale	1.66	1.67	2.20	1.91	2.25	1.79
Minimum	1.00	0.80	0.50	0.50	1.75	0.50
Maximum	4.00	4.50	6.00	5.00	3.50	6.00
Most common	1.25	2.00	1.50	1.25	1.75	1.25
BALING ONLY						
TWINE TIE-SQUARE BALES						
Number of reports.....	3	5	3	*	*	14
Rate per bale	1.63	1.06	1.48	-	-	1.24
Minimum	1.25	0.60	1.20	-	-	0.60
Maximum	2.00	2.00	2.00	-	-	2.00
Most common	1.25	0.75	1.20	-	-	0.75

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
BALING ONLY						
WIRE TIE-SQUARE BALES						
Number of reports.....	4	12	*	4	-	21
Rate per bale	1.10	1.25	-	1.04	-	1.24
Minimum.....	0.65	0.60	-	0.95	-	0.60
Maximum	1.50	2.25	-	1.20	-	2.50
Most common	0.65	0.75	-	1.00	-	1.00
HAULING HAY-SQUARE BALES						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports.....	8	36	23	13	11	91
Rate per bale	0.76	0.86	0.82	0.71	0.92	0.83
Minimum	0.30	0.50	0.25	0.15	0.30	0.15
Maximum	1.00	1.50	3.00	1.25	2.00	3.00
Most common	0.75	1.00	0.60	1.00	1.00	1.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
COMPLETE HAYING JOB						
ROUND BALES UNDER 1,500 LBS.						
Number of reports	92	485	256	80	90	1003
Rate per bale	20.69	22.08	23.24	23.20	21.67	22.30
Minimum	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	12.00	10.00
Maximum	50.00	50.00	55.00	39.00	45.00	55.00
Most common	20.00	20.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	20.00
BALING ONLY						
ROUND BALES UNDER 1,500 LBS.						
Number of reports	21	59	34	8	13	135
Rate per bale	17.61	17.72	17.46	17.88	16.42	17.52
Minimum	10.00	7.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	7.00
Maximum	30.00	35.00	30.00	25.00	25.00	35.00
Most common	15.00	20.00	10.00	17.00	10.00	15.00
HAULING HAY-ROUND BALES UNDER 1,500 LBS.						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	11	43	28	10	10	102
Rate per bale	7.36	5.95	5.18	8.75	8.30	6.40
Minimum	2.50	1.00	1.00	5.00	5.00	1.00
Maximum	12.50	15.00	10.00	15.00	20.00	20.00
Most common	5.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	5.00

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COMPLETE HAYING JOB						
ROUND BALES OVER 1,500 LBS.						
Number of reports	37	111	60	17	29	254
Rate per bale	21.43	25.19	25.53	22.76	23.45	24.36
Minimum	15.00	10.00	18.00	17.00	17.50	10.00
Maximum	35.00	48.68	65.00	55.00	30.00	65.00
Most common	25.00	25.00	25.00	18.00	20.00	25.00
BALING ONLY						
ROUND BALES OVER 1,500 LBS.						
Number of reports	7	15	7	*	*	31
Rate per bale	18.43	17.17	22.57	-	-	18.85
Minimum	12.00	10.00	16.00	-	-	10.00
Maximum	25.00	25.00	28.00	-	-	28.00
Most common	12.00	15.00	22.00	-	-	20.00
HAULING HAY-ROUND BALES OVER 1,500 LBS.						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	8	15	13	9	3	48
Rate per bale	9.94	6.33	7.69	9.17	5.67	7.79
Minimum	2.50	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	2.00
Maximum	30.00	10.00	12.00	22.00	10.00	30.00
Most common	7.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	2.00	5.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
SILAGE						
HARVESTING CORN SILAGE						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	6	*	*	-	-	9
Rate per ton	5.55	-	-	-	-	6.42
Minimum	3.50	-	-	-	-	3.50
Maximum	7.65	-	-	-	-	9.00
Most common	3.50	-	-	-	-	3.50
HARVESTING SILAGE OTHER THAN CORN						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	*	*	*	*	-	5
Rate per ton	-	-	-	-	-	11.28
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	6.65
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	17.00
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	6.65
HAULING SILAGE						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	*	-	*	-	-	3
Rate per ton	-	-	-	-	-	3.17
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	0.75
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	6.00
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	0.75
COMPLETE SILAGE JOB						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	*	-	*	-	-	4
Rate per ton	-	-	-	-	-	7.68
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	6.25
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	8.50
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	8.50

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
LAND TILLAGE OPERATIONS						
MOLDBOARD PLOWING						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	16	11	*	4	4	37
Rate per acre	13.14	19.14	-	22.25	19.50	17.51
Minimum	5.00	7.50	-	7.00	8.00	5.00
Maximum	22.00	50.00	-	30.00	40.00	50.00
Most common	10.00	22.00	-	30.00	8.00	10.00
ONE-WAY DISC PLOWING						
Number of reports	14	11	*	6	*	34
Rate per acre	10.43	13.39	-	13.48	-	12.83
Minimum	4.00	6.50	-	8.00	-	4.00
Maximum	22.00	20.00	-	22.00	-	40.00
Most common	10.00	20.00	-	8.00	-	10.00
OFFSET DISC PLOWING						
Number of reports	29	21	*	10	5	67
Rate per acre	10.43	16.95	-	17.80	12.80	14.22
Minimum	4.37	3.00	-	7.00	5.00	3.00
Maximum	25.00	30.00	-	28.00	20.00	30.00
Most common	8.00	15.00	-	25.00	12.00	12.00
SURFACE CHISELING						
3 TO 8 Inches						
Number of reports	26	20	*	7	6	61
Rate per acre	10.71	13.98	-	15.55	13.47	12.96
Minimum	4.00	7.50	-	7.00	6.00	4.00
Maximum	18.00	25.00	-	35.00	20.83	35.00
Most common	8.00	15.00	-	10.00	6.00	10.00

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DEEP CHISELING						
RIPPER						
Number of reports	22	10	*	4	3	40
Rate per acre	13.41	14.50	-	21.25	17.00	15.28
Minimum	5.00	6.00	-	15.00	11.00	5.00
Maximum	20.00	20.00	-	30.00	20.00	35.00
Most common	12.00	15.00	-	20.00	20.00	20.00
RIPPER HIPPER						
Number of reports	3	*	-	-	*	6
Rate per acre	16.67	-	-	-	-	18.17
Minimum	15.00	-	-	-	-	6.00
Maximum	18.00	-	-	-	-	28.00
Most common	15.00	-	-	-	-	6.00
TANDEM DISCING						
LIGHT WEIGHT						
Number of reports	22	22	*	7	9	62
Rate per acre	9.34	12.06	-	18.29	10.50	11.75
Minimum	5.00	2.25	-	10.00	3.00	2.25
Maximum	20.00	40.00	-	35.00	20.00	40.00
Most common	8.00	10.00	-	20.00	10.00	10.00
TANDEM DISCING						
HEAVY WEIGHT						
Number of reports	28	16	3	7	5	59
Rate per acre	10.93	13.66	19.50	17.94	14.60	13.25
Minimum	7.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	9.00	5.00
Maximum	25.00	20.00	23.50	25.00	20.00	25.00
Most common	12.00	12.00	15.00	25.00	12.00	12.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
HARROWING						
SPIKE TOOTH						
Number of reports	4	7	-	*	3	15
Rate per acre	7.50	7.86	-	-	10.33	8.40
Minimum	5.00	3.00	-	-	7.00	3.00
Maximum	12.00	18.00	-	-	14.00	18.00
Most common	5.00	3.00	-	-	7.00	5.00
HARROWING						
SPRING TOOTH						
Number of reports	8	3	*	3	*	18
Rate per acre	9.00	9.00	-	10.00	-	10.67
Minimum	4.00	4.00	-	10.00	-	4.00
Maximum	12.00	18.00	-	10.00	-	35.00
Most common	10.00	4.00	-	10.00	-	10.00
FIELD CULTIVATING						
WITH SWEEPS						
Number of reports	24	10	-	3	6	43
Rate per acre	8.21	14.80	-	19.67	10.25	10.83
Minimum	5.00	8.00	-	14.00	5.50	5.00
Maximum	12.00	20.00	-	25.00	15.00	25.00
Most common	8.00	20.00	-	14.00	10.00	8.00
LISTING						
Number of reports	8	-	-	*	-	10
Rate per acre	8.94	-	-	-	-	10.15
Minimum	6.00	-	-	-	-	6.00
Maximum	12.00	-	-	-	-	18.00
Most common	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
SHAPING BEDS						
Number of reports	3	*	-	-	*	7
Rate per acre	10.00	-	-	-	-	9.98
Minimum	6.00	-	-	-	-	5.85
Maximum	12.00	-	-	-	-	18.00
Most common	12.00	-	-	-	-	6.00
BEDDING OR REBEDDING USING LISTER						
Number of reports	6	*	-	3	3	14
Rate per acre	9.13	-	-	13.33	10.00	10.84
Minimum	5.00	-	-	10.00	10.00	5.00
Maximum	12.50	-	-	18.00	10.00	18.00
Most common	10.00	-	-	10.00	10.00	10.00
ROLLING CULTIVATOR FLAT TILLAGE						
Number of reports	4	3	*	*	*	10
Rate per acre	9.25	13.33	-	-	-	10.60
Minimum	8.00	10.00	-	-	-	8.00
Maximum	10.00	18.00	-	-	-	18.00
Most common	10.00	10.00	-	-	-	10.00
SANDFIGHTER						
Number of reports	6	-	-	*	*	8
Rate per acre	4.96	-	-	-	-	5.78
Minimum	1.75	-	-	-	-	1.75
Maximum	8.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
Most common	5.00	-	-	-	-	5.00

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ROD WEEDER						
Number of reports	6	*	-	*	-	8
Rate per acre	9.71	-	-	-	-	10.78
Minimum	5.25	-	-	-	-	5.25
Maximum	15.00	-	-	-	-	18.00
Most common	7.00	-	-	-	-	7.00
ROTARY HOE						
Number of reports	7	*	-	*	-	10
Rate per acre	6.36	-	-	-	-	7.95
Minimum	1.50	-	-	-	-	1.50
Maximum	10.00	-	-	-	-	18.00
Most common	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
ROW CROP CULTIVATOR						
Number of reports	6	3	-	*	5	16
Rate per acre	11.50	13.67	-	-	8.10	10.75
Minimum	6.50	8.00	-	-	1.50	1.50
Maximum	15.50	18.00	-	-	12.00	18.00
Most common	10.00	8.00	-	-	1.50	10.00
FURROW DIKING						
Number of reports	4	-	-	*	*	6
Rate per acre	8.13	-	-	-	-	8.58
Minimum	4.00	-	-	-	-	4.00
Maximum	15.00	-	-	-	-	15.00
Most common	4.00	-	-	-	-	4.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
FERTILIZER AND LIME APPLICATIONS						
ANHYDROUS AMMONIA						
Number of reports	12	20	*	6	3	43
Rate per acre	10.46	9.64	-	15.17	9.50	10.41
Minimum	2.00	3.50	-	2.00	4.50	2.00
Maximum	25.00	22.86	-	31.00	12.00	31.00
Most common	2.00	4.50	-	2.00	12.00	12.00
DRY MIXED FERTILIZER						
Number of reports	65	151	84	23	28	351
Rate per acre	11.61	17.34	27.02	19.18	17.25	18.71
Minimum	2.50	2.00	1.04	2.00	3.25	1.04
Maximum	60.00	85.00	98.00	90.00	90.00	98.00
Most common	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
LIQUID FERTILIZER						
Number of reports	49	169	21	33	25	297
Rate per acre	10.84	17.30	16.86	19.21	19.86	16.63
Minimum	3.00	2.25	2.38	3.00	3.50	2.25
Maximum	50.00	80.00	75.00	63.33	70.00	80.00
Most common	4.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.00
AERIAL APPLICATION OF FERTILIZER						
Number of reports	13	3	-	-	5	21
Rate per acre	5.04	7.50	-	-	6.82	5.81
Minimum	3.00	5.00	-	-	4.50	3.00
Maximum	7.00	9.00	-	-	8.50	9.00
Most common	4.50	5.00	-	-	4.50	4.50

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LIME						
Number of reports	*	13	24	-	-	39
Rate per ton	-	24.54	32.21	-	-	28.30
Minimum	-	2.00	3.00	-	-	2.00
Maximum	-	46.00	50.00	-	-	50.00
Most common	-	30.00	40.00	-	-	40.00
CHEMICAL APPLICATIONS						
INSECTICIDE & FUNGICIDE						
AERIAL APPLICATION						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	35	7	-	*	14	58
Rate per acre	5.77	5.71	-	-	5.38	5.66
Minimum	4.00	4.50	-	-	3.90	3.90
Maximum	15.00	9.00	-	-	8.75	15.00
Most common	4.50	5.00	-	-	4.50	4.50
INSECTICIDE & FUNGICIDE						
GROUND APPLICATION						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	37	32	12	7	12	100
Rate per acre	5.28	6.76	7.08	4.57	6.56	6.07
Minimum	2.00	2.25	4.50	3.00	3.00	2.00
Maximum	15.00	20.00	15.00	6.00	15.00	20.00
Most common	4.50	5.00	5.00	6.00	3.00	5.00

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HERBICIDE - AERIAL APPLICATION						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	41	8	*	5	17	72
Rate per acre	5.73	10.50	-	6.89	6.31	6.47
Minimum	3.00	5.50	-	5.00	4.00	3.00
Maximum	16.75	17.50	-	10.00	16.00	17.50
Most common	5.00	5.50	-	5.00	4.25	5.00
HERBICIDE - GROUND APPLICATION						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	96	110	34	22	29	291
Rate per acre	7.59	7.43	9.71	6.18	6.43	7.55
Minimum	3.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00
Maximum	26.00	20.00	28.00	18.00	20.00	28.00
Most common	4.50	5.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00
COTTON DEFOLIANT - AERIAL APPLICATION						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	18	-	-	*	*	21
Rate per acre	4.97	-	-	-	-	4.98
Minimum	3.50	-	-	-	-	3.50
Maximum	6.00	-	-	-	-	6.00
Most common	5.00	-	-	-	-	5.00
COTTON DEFOLIANT - GROUND APPLICATION						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	13	*	-	4	5	23
Rate per acre	4.62	-	-	4.94	3.20	4.35
Minimum	4.00	-	-	4.00	2.00	2.00
Maximum	5.75	-	-	6.00	4.00	6.00
Most common	4.00	-	-	4.00	3.00	4.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
PLANTING OPERATIONS						
BED PLANTING & APPLY FERTILIZER, HERBICIDE OR PESTICIDE, COTTON, GRAIN SORGHUM, CORN, SOYBEANS						
Number of reports	10	-	-	*	3	15
Rate per acre	12.65	-	-	-	19.20	15.40
Minimum	8.00	-	-	-	12.50	8.00
Maximum	17.00	-	-	-	30.00	32.00
Most common	12.00	-	-	-	12.50	15.00
FLAT PLANTING & APPLY FERTILIZER, HERBICIDE, OR PESTICIDE, COTTON, GRAIN SORGHUM, CORN, SOYBEANS						
Number of reports	10	*	-	-	-	12
Rate per acre	13.35	-	-	-	-	12.46
Minimum	8.00	-	-	-	-	4.00
Maximum	18.00	-	-	-	-	18.00
Most common	18.00	-	-	-	-	18.00
BED PLANTING ONLY COTTON, GRAIN SORGHUM, CORN, SOYBEANS						
Number of reports	15	*	*	*	4	22
Rate per acre	11.27	-	-	-	12.80	11.80
Minimum	4.00	-	-	-	10.00	4.00
Maximum	18.00	-	-	-	15.00	18.00
Most common	10.00	-	-	-	10.00	10.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
FLAT PLANTING ONLY						
COTTON, GRAIN SORGHUM, CORN, SOYBEANS						
Number of reports	19	5	-	3	*	29
Rate per acre	11.5	12.6	-	10.83	-	11.55
Minimum	5.00	9.00	-	10.00	-	5.00
Maximum	16.00	15.00	-	12.50	-	16.00
Most common	12.00	15.00	-	10.00	-	12.00
PLANTING & APPLY						
FERTILIZER, HERBICIDE, OR PESTICIDE						
PEANUTS						
Number of reports	3	-	-	-	-	3
Rate per acre	12.33	-	-	-	-	12.33
Minimum	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
Maximum	15.00	-	-	-	-	15.00
Most common	10.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
DRILLING						
SMALL GRAIN, GRAIN SORGHUM, SUDAN						
Number of reports	40	15	3	13	*	72
Rate per acre	12.00	10.10	9.23	10.18	-	11.11
Minimum	1.50	5.00	5.70	4.00	-	1.50
Maximum	40.00	18.00	12.00	25.00	-	40.00
Most common	10.00	10.00	5.70	10.00	-	10.00
DRILLING						
ALFALFA AND OTHER LEGUMES						
Number of reports	4	-	-	*	-	6
Rate per acre	13.25	-	-	-	-	14.25
Minimum	12.00	-	-	-	-	10.00
Maximum	15.00	-	-	-	-	22.50
Most common	12.00	-	-	-	-	12.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
SOD DRILLING SMALL GRAINS						
Number of reports	5	3	-	-	-	8
Rate per acre	10.8	12.5	-	-	-	11.44
Minimum	8.00	10.00	-	-	-	8.00
Maximum	12.00	15.00	-	-	-	15.00
Most common	12.00	10.00	-	-	-	12.00
SEEDING GRASS SEED						
Number of reports	8	9	*	*	*	22
Rate per acre	15.81	14.80	-	-	-	15.93
Minimum	12.00	8.00	-	-	-	4.94
Maximum	25.00	25.00	-	-	-	35.00
Most common	12.00	10.00	-	-	-	15.00
SPRIGGING BERMUDA GRASS						
Number of reports	3	12	4	3	*	24
Rate per acre	70.00	57.80	100.00	41.00	-	64.04
Minimum	32.00	10.00	75.00	38.00	-	10.00
Maximum	108.00	100.00	160.00	45.00	-	160.00
Most common	32.00	100.00	75.00	38.00	-	100.00
NO TILL PLANTING						
Number of reports	7	5	3	*	*	18
Rate per acre	14.29	14.30	16.70	-	-	14.06
Minimum	10.00	10.00	10.00	-	-	7.00
Maximum	19.00	20.00	25.00	-	-	25.00
Most common	12.00	10.00	10.00	-	-	15.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
COMBINING & HAULING GRAINS						
COMBINING & HAULING-CORN						
Number of reports	10	7	-	-	4	21
Rate per bushel.....	0.39	0.70	-	-	0.52	0.52
Minimum	0.24	0.30	-	-	0.25	0.24
Maximum	1.05	1.25	-	-	0.75	1.25
Most common	0.25	0.30	-	-	0.25	0.25
COMBINING & HAULING-GRAIN SORGHUM						
Number of reports	7	4	-	-	16	27
Rate per bushel.....	0.39	0.60	-	-	0.49	0.48
Minimum	0.15	0.30	-	-	0.35	0.15
Maximum	0.75	0.85	-	-	0.70	0.85
Most common	0.40	0.85	-	-	0.56	0.56
COMBINING & HAULING-WHEAT						
Number of reports	13	5	-	*	-	20
Rate per bushel.....	0.47	0.42	-	-	-	0.46
Minimum	0.18	0.13	-	-	-	0.13
Maximum	1.03	0.85	-	-	-	1.03
Most common	0.20	0.13	-	-	-	0.30
COMBINING CORN						
FLAT RATE PER ACRE						
Number of reports	5	16	-	-	4	25
Rate per acre	24.00	22.19	-	-	28.75	23.60
Minimum	17.00	12.00	-	-	25.00	12.00
Maximum	35.00	35.00	-	-	35.00	35.00
Most common	25.00	22.00	-	-	25.00	25.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
COMBINING CORN						
FLAT RATE PER BUSHEL						
Number of reports	7	*	-	*	5	15
Rate per bushel.....	0.37	-	-	-	0.31	0.34
Minimum	0.17	-	-	-	0.22	0.14
Maximum	0.90	-	-	-	0.50	0.90
Most common	0.17	-	-	-	0.30	0.18
COMBINING GRAIN SORGHUM						
FLAT RATE PER ACRE						
Number of reports	30	14	-	9	6	59
Rate per acre	19.33	20.04	-	21.22	26.67	20.53
Minimum	14.00	12.00	-	15.00	20.00	12.00
Maximum	30.00	25.00	-	29.00	35.00	35.00
Most common	18.00	20.00	-	20.00	25.00	20.00
COMBINING GRAIN SORGHUM						
FLAT RATE PER BUSHEL						
Number of reports	4	*	-	-	8	14
Rate per bushel.....	0.34	-	-	-	0.35	0.36
Minimum	0.25	-	-	-	0.27	0.25
Maximum	0.45	-	-	-	0.45	0.65
Most common	0.25	-	-	-	0.34	0.34
COMBINING SOYBEANS						
FLAT RATE PER ACRE						
Number of reports	-	3	-	-	3	6
Rate per acre	-	24.33	-	-	23.33	23.83
Minimum	-	23.00	-	-	20.00	20.00
Maximum	-	25.00	-	-	25.00	25.00
Most common	-	25.00	-	-	25.00	25.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
COMBINING WHEAT						
FLAT RATE PER ACRE						
Number of reports	86	32	*	8	-	127
Rate per acre	18.92	20.48	-	20.25	-	19.41
Minimum	9.00	14.00	-	14.00	-	9.00
Maximum	30.00	32.00	-	25.00	-	32.00
Most common	20.00	20.00	-	25.00	-	20.00
 COMBINING WHEAT						
FLAT RATE PER BUSHEL						
Number of reports	7	4	-	-	-	11
Rate per bushel.....	0.23	0.29	-	-	-	0.25
Minimum	0.18	0.18	-	-	-	0.18
Maximum	0.30	0.50	-	-	-	0.50
Most common	0.20	0.18	-	-	-	0.20

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
HAULING GRAINS						
HAULING CORN						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	11	13	*	*	6	33
Rate per bushel.....	0.25	0.22	-	-	0.22	0.24
Minimum	0.08	0.12	-	-	0.14	0.08
Maximum	0.75	0.32	-	-	0.35	0.75
Most common	0.22	0.30	-	-	0.20	0.20
HAULING GRAIN SORGHUM						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	28	13	*	3	12	57
Rate per bushel.....	0.22	0.20	-	0.29	0.24	0.23
Minimum	0.09	0.11	-	0.15	0.10	0.09
Maximum	0.50	0.30	-	0.54	0.75	0.75
Most common	0.15	0.20	-	0.15	0.20	0.20
HAULING SOYBEANS						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	-	*	-	*	3	6
Rate per bushel.....	-	-	-	-	0.19	0.16
Minimum	-	-	-	-	0.17	0.12
Maximum	-	-	-	-	0.20	0.20
Most common	-	-	-	-	0.20	0.20
HAULING WHEAT						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	48	13	-	5	-	66
Rate per bushel.....	0.23	0.21	-	0.26	-	0.23
Minimum	0.14	0.14	-	0.05	-	0.05
Maximum	0.50	0.50	-	0.50	-	0.50
Most common	0.20	0.15	-	0.05	-	0.20

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
COTTON HARVESTING						
STRIPPING COTTON WITHOUT BURR EXTRACTOR						
LINT COTTON CHARGES						
Number of reports	4	*	-	*	*	8
Rate per pound	0.07	-	-	-	-	0.08
Minimum	0.05	-	-	-	-	0.05
Maximum	0.08	-	-	-	-	0.12
Most common	0.08	-	-	-	-	0.08
STRIPPING COTTON WITH BURR EXTRACTOR						
LINT COTTON CHARGES						
Number of reports	32	5	-	5	3	45
Rate per pound	0.08	0.09	-	0.08	0.09	0.08
Minimum	0.07	0.08	-	0.08	0.08	0.07
Maximum	0.15	0.10	-	0.08	0.12	0.15
Most common	0.08	0.08	-	0.08	0.08	0.08
PICKING COTTON LINT COTTON CHARGES						
Number of reports	4	*	*	*	17	25
Rate per pound	0.10	-	-	-	0.11	0.11
Minimum	0.10	-	-	-	0.08	0.08
Maximum	0.11	-	-	-	0.13	0.13
Most common	0.10	-	-	-	0.10	0.10

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
PEANUT HARVESTING, HAULING AND DRYING						
DIG & SHAKE PEANUTS						
Number of reports	3	-	-	-	-	3
Rate per acre	21.67	-	-	-	-	21.67
Minimum	18.00	-	-	-	-	18.00
Maximum	25.00	-	-	-	-	25.00
Most common	18.00	-	-	-	-	18.00
COMBINING PEANUTS						
Number of reports	5	-	-	-	-	5
Rate per ton	45.00	-	-	-	-	45.00
Minimum	40.00	-	-	-	-	40.00
Maximum	55.00	-	-	-	-	55.00
Most common	40.00	-	-	-	-	40.00
HAULING PEANUTS						
FLAT RATE						
Number of reports	*	-	-	*	-	3
Rate per ton	-	-	-	-	-	15.00
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	15.00
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	15.00
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	15.00

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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	6	12	8	9	4	39
Rate per acre	138.50	185.99	266.13	203.69	80.00	188.33
Minimum	100.00	40.3	35.00	65.00	20.00	20.00
Maximum	250.00	500.00	625.00	600.00	125.00	625.00
Most common	100.00	100.00	35.00	100.00	125.00	100.00
LAND CLEARING PER HOUR						
Number of reports	23	63	26	25	22	159
Rate per hour	101.09	93.72	87.42	78.2	93.73	91.32
Minimum	50.00	10.00	8.00	15.00	42.00	8.00
Maximum	200.00	250.00	175.00	150.00	250.00	250.00
Most common	100.00	100.00	75.00	60.00	100.00	100.00
ROOT PLOWING PER ACRE						
Number of reports	*	*	-	5	3	10
Rate per acre	-	-	-	74.00	64.33	86.30
Minimum	-	-	-	10.00	28.00	10.00
Maximum	-	-	-	200.00	125.00	200.00
Most common	-	-	-	55.00	28.00	55.00
ROOT PLOWING PER HOUR						
Number of reports	*	10	*	5	*	20
Rate per hour	-	76.75	-	105.00	-	85.88
Minimum	-	20.00	-	75.00	-	20.00
Maximum	-	150.00	-	130.00	-	150.00
Most common	-	30.00	-	75.00	-	75.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
RAKE & STACK PER ACRE						
Number of reports	*	*	*	*	*	8
Rate per acre	-	-	-	-	-	50.5
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	17.00
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	122.00
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	20.00
RAKE & STACK PER HOUR						
Number of reports	6	7	5	6	*	25
Rate per hour	87.00	87.14	61.60	72.50	-	78.40
Minimum	12.00	25.00	8.00	10.00	-	8.00
Maximum	115.00	120.00	90.00	100.00	-	120.00
Most common	100.00	100.00	8.00	10.00	-	100.00
HEAVY OFFSET PLOWING PER ACRE						
Number of reports	*	3	-	-	*	6
Rate per acre	-	61.67	-	-	-	68.67
Minimum	-	15.00	-	-	-	15.00
Maximum	-	95.00	-	-	-	122.00
Most common	-	15.00	-	-	-	15.00
HEAVY OFFSET PLOWING PER HOUR						
Number of reports	*	3	3	*	-	8
Rate per hour	-	130.00	71.67	-	-	100.63
Minimum	-	110.00	70.00	-	-	70.00
Maximum	-	150.00	75.00	-	-	150.00
Most common	-	110.00	70.00	-	-	70.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
TANDEM ROLLER CHOPPING						
Number of reports	-	-	-	*	*	3
Rate per hour	-	-	-	-	-	150.00
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	75.00
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	250.00
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	75.00
TERRACING						
Number of reports	4	6	*	3	-	14
Rate per hour	81.25	88.58	-	61.67	-	79.75
Minimum	60.00	9.00	-	50.00	-	9.00
Maximum	100.00	150.00	-	70.00	-	150.00
Most common	100.00	150.00	-	50.00	-	65.00
GRUBBING						
Number of reports	4	8	*	6	4	23
Rate per acre	163.75	84.50	-	159.33	66.25	113.57
Minimum	100.00	20.00	-	6.00	20.00	6.00
Maximum	260.00	233.00	-	450.00	147.00	450.00
Most common	100.00	20.00	-	6.00	20.00	20.00
PASTURE SHREDDING						
Number of reports	7	47	28	7	19	108
Rate per acre	19.21	27.25	21.80	43.10	27.99	26.47
Minimum	3.00	0.65.00	4.47	4.75	5.00	0.65
Maximum	40.00	350.00	100.00	185.15	150.00	350.00
Most common	7.00	10.00	10.00	4.75	5.00	10.00

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STALK SHREDDING						
Number of reports	4	*	*	*	3	12
Rate per acre	18.50	-	-	-	17.67	19.17
Minimum	4.00	-	-	-	8.00	4.00
Maximum	45.00	-	-	-	30.00	58.00
Most common	4.00	-	-	-	8.00	10.00
STALK PULLING						
Number of reports	-	-	-	-	3	3
Rate per acre	-	-	-	-	7.17	7.17
Minimum	-	-	-	-	5.00	5.00
Maximum	-	-	-	-	10.00	10.00
Most common	-	-	-	-	5.00	5.00
BRUSH SPRAYING						
Number of reports	*	16	4	5	7	34
Rate per acre	-	15.13	7.75	25.10	16.86	17.69
Minimum	-	4.00	3.00	1.00	4.00	1.00
Maximum	-	50.00	10.00	50.00	35.00	50.00
Most common	-	7.00	10.00	1.00	12.00	10.00
PASTURE AERATION						
Number of reports	-	19	4	*	*	25
Rate per acre	-	17.22	13.25	-	-	16.69
Minimum	-	1.70	1.50	-	-	1.50
Maximum	-	50.00	25.00	-	-	50.00
Most common	-	25.00	1.50	-	-	25.00

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STOCK TANK CONSTRUCTION PER CUBIC YARD						
Number of reports	*	*	*	3	-	7
Rate per cubic yard	-	-	-	1.67	-	1.71
Minimum	-	-	-	1.00	-	1.00
Maximum	-	-	-	2.00	-	2.25
Most common	-	-	-	2.00	-	2.00
STOCK TANK CONSTRUCTION PER HOUR						
Number of reports	11	25	11	7	*	56
Rate per hour	100.00	98.35	82.50	81.43	-	93.59
Minimum	70.00	10.00	65.00	45.00	-	10.00
Maximum	125.00	185.00	125.00	140.00	-	185.00
Most common	100.00	100.00	75.00	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	5	16	8	*	6	37
Rate per head	27.60	34.63	18.88	-	37.50	31.73
Minimum	8.00	5.00	10.00	-	10.00	5.00
Maximum	50.00	100.00	35.00	-	80.00	100.00
Most common	8.00	10.00	10.00	-	10.00	10.00
CATTLE PREGNANCY TESTING						
Number of Reports	22	59	25	20	12	138
Rate per head	6.30	5.41	5.26	5.18	8.25	5.74
Minimum	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00
Maximum	25.00	15.00	17.00	20.00	28.00	28.00
Most common	3.00	5.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	3.00
CATTLE SPRAYING						
Number of Reports	5	33	19	13	16	86
Rate per head	3.06	5.63	4.36	3.12	4.89	4.68
Minimum	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.30	0.25	0.25
Maximum	6.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	15.00	25.00
Most common	0.50	3.00	2.00	1.00	2.00	2.00
CATTLE DEHORNING						
Number of Reports	9	39	19	10	14	91
Rate per head	11.28	9.54	5.99	3.90	12.29	8.77
Minimum	0.25	0.50	1.00	1.00	4.00	0.25
Maximum	60.00	45.00	11.00	10.00	65.00	65.00
Most common	0.25	5.00	5.00	2.00	10.00	5.00

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CATTLE BRANDING						
Number of Reports	17	34	14	9	7	81
Rate per head	3.32	4.65	2.43	5.09	6.00	4.15
Minimum	0.25	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.50	0.25
Maximum	12.00	12.50	6.00	14.00	12.50	14.00
Most common	3.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	1.50	3.00
CATTLE CASTRATING						
Number of Reports	16	37	16	15	13	97
Rate per head	4.31	5.90	5.34	5.04	6.54	5.50
Minimum	0.25	1.00	0.10	1.00	1.00	0.10
Maximum	15.00	20.00	22.90	10.00	20.00	22.90
Most common	2.50	5.00	3.00	1.00	5.00	5.00
CATTLE WORMING						
Number of Reports	9	72	52	20	30	183
Rate per head	5.29	5.76	6.98	5.57	7.22	6.31
Minimum	2.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	1.00
Maximum	8.00	18.00	24.13	10.35	23.00	24.13
Most common	5.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
SHEEP SHEARING						
Number of Reports	4	5	-	15	-	24
Rate per head	3.44	5.80	-	3.32	-	3.86
Minimum	3.00	4.00	-	0.80	-	0.80
Maximum	4.00	8.00	-	6.50	-	8.00
Most common	3.00	6.00	-	3.00	-	3.00

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

Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
SHEEP TAGGING						
Number of Reports	*	*	*	5	-	9
Rate per head	-	-	-	1.06	-	1.57
Minimum	-	-	-	0.20	-	0.20
Maximum	-	-	-	2.25	-	5.00
Most common	-	-	-	0.20	-	0.20
SHEEP DRENCHING						
Number of Reports	-	4	-	6	*	11
Rate per head	-	2.20	-	0.94	-	1.86
Minimum	-	0.80	-	0.20	-	0.20
Maximum	-	5.00	-	2.50	-	6.00
Most common	-	0.80	-	0.20	-	1.00
SHEEP SPRAYING						
Number of Reports	-	*	*	*	-	3
Rate per head	-	-	-	-	-	1.08
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	1.50
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
GOAT SHEARING						
Number of Reports	*	*	*	3	-	7
Rate per head	-	-	-	2.33	-	5.36
Minimum	-	-	-	0.75	-	0.75
Maximum	-	-	-	3.25	-	10.00
Most common	-	-	-	0.75	-	3.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
GOAT DRENCHING						
Number of Reports	-	6	-	9	*	16
Rate per head	-	3.88	-	1.50	-	2.80
Minimum	-	0.80	-	0.20	-	0.20
Maximum	-	8.00	-	3.00	-	8.00
Most common	-	0.80	-	1.00	-	1.00
GOAT SPRAYING						
Number of Reports	-	-	*	3	-	4
Rate per head	-	-	-	1.40	-	1.36
Minimum	-	-	-	0.20	-	0.20
Maximum	-	-	-	3.00	-	3.00
Most common	-	-	-	0.20	-	0.20
CATTLE HAULING						
CATTLE HAULING BY THE HEAD						
18 WHEELER						
Number of Reports	4	4	*	*	*	14
Rate per head	7.29	17.44	-	-	-	10.40
Minimum	2.00	5.00	-	-	-	1.19
Maximum	12.00	35.00	-	-	-	35.00
Most common	2.00	5.00	-	-	-	3.00
CATTLE HAULING BY THE LOAD						
18 WHEELER						
Number of Reports	5	10	6	5	*	27
Rate per load	583.70	338.70	170.83	575.00	-	379.83
Minimum	100.00	50.00	25.00	250.00	-	25.00
Maximum	1,500.00	850.00	500.00	1,400.00	-	1,500.00
Most common	100.00	50.00	25.00	250.00	-	50.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
CATTLE HAULING BY THE LOADED MILE						
18 WHEELER						
Number of Reports	21	13	9	10	5	58
Rate per loaded mile	3.59	3.05	2.94	3.71	2.79	3.32
Minimum	1.75	1.00	2.30	2.75	1.66	1.00
Maximum	10.00	4.25	3.70	4.50	4.20	10.00
Most common	3.00	2.50	3.00	4.00	1.65	3.00
CATTLE HAULING BY THE HEAD						
OTHER TRUCKS AND TRAILERS						
Number of Reports	5	32	16	7	9	69
Rate per head	15.00	8.71	8.07	12.68	15.28	10.28
Minimum	10.00	1.00	0.50	4.75	1.50	0.50
Maximum	20.00	45.00	25.00	25.00	36.00	45.00
Most common	10.00	5.00	0.50	4.75	10.00	5.00
CATTLE HAULING BY THE LOAD						
OTHER TRUCKS AND TRAILERS						
Number of Reports	11	59	51	18	15	154
Rate per load	188.64	110.07	97.55	137.50	88.33	112.62
Minimum	50.00	10.00	22.00	40.00	30.00	10.00
Maximum	425.00	500.00	500.00	480.00	400.00	500.00
Most common	100.00	50.00	100.00	50.00	75.00	50.00
CATTLE HAULING BY THE LOADED MILE						
OTHER TRUCKS AND TRAILERS						
Number of Reports	17	24	14	13	16	84
Rate per loaded mile.....	2.55	2.03	2.69	3.91	2.81	2.69
Minimum	1.00	0.04	0.50	2.00	1.50	0.04
Maximum	3.75	3.50	9.00	8.57	7.00	9.00
Most common	2.50	2.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
MISCELLANEOUS LIVESTOCK						
FEED GRINDING & MIXING AT MILL						
Number of Reports	-	4	-	7	7	18
Rate per ton	-	92.50	-	229.71	154.00	169.78
Minimum	-	30.00	-	8.00	18.00	8.00
Maximum	-	240.00	-	400.00	350.00	400.00
Most common	-	50.00	-	325.00	350.00	50.00
DIGGING POST HOLES						
Number of Reports	5	14	6	5	11	41
Rate per hole	3.84	10.81	4.61	3.15	14.14	9.01
Minimum	0.20	0.75	1.00	0.25	1.00	0.20
Maximum	10.00	31.81	11.00	7.00	25.00	31.81
Most common	0.20	2.50	1.00	0.25	25.00	25.00
FENCE BUILDING						
4-6 WIRE WITH STEEL POSTS						
Number of Reports	31	54	29	25	13	152
Rate per mile	7,133.16	8,629.57	8,332.55	9,155.52	5,952.25	8,125.24
Minimum	1,000.00	1,056.00	1,056.00	1,000.00	1,500.00	1,000.00
Maximum	15,840.00	19,800.00	31,680.00	23,840.00	15,840.00	31,680.00
Most common	5,000.00	13,200.00	10,560.00	10,000.00	1,500.00	10,000.00
FENCE BUILDING						
4-6 WIRE WITH WOOD POSTS						
Number of Reports	*	16	11	5	13	47
Rate per mile	-	7,589.38	5,579.45	6,252.80	7,267.15	6,713.64
Minimum	-	792.00	1,000.00	2,304.00	1,500.00	792.00
Maximum	-	20,000.00	14,256.00	10,960.00	15,052.00	20,000.00
Most common	-	792.00	5,280.00	5,000.00	6,000.00	2,500.00

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Item	Plains	Central	East	West and Southwest	Coast	State
FENCE BUILDING						
4-6 WIRE HIGH TENSILE ELECTRIC WITH POSTS						
Number of Reports	*	*	-	*	*	5
Rate per mile	-	-	-	-	-	4,371.68
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	1,000.00
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	8,078.40
Most common	-	-	-	-	-	1,000.00
 FENCE BUILDING						
DEER-PROOF 8 FOOT WITH STEEL POSTS						
Number of Reports	*	*	-	5	4	11
Rate per mile	-	-	-	12,270.72	18,156.57	15,270.90
Minimum	-	-	-	6,600.00	12,000.00	6,600.00
Maximum	-	-	-	21,753.60	21,626.29	21,753.60
Most common	-	-	-	6,600.00	12,000.00	12,000.00

SURVEY METHODS

Objective: The 2008 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 the 2007 Census of Agriculture. Only those giving a positive response to the custom rates question 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 6,337 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, 2008

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	590	72	129	232	292	99	48	1,462	415
Central	472	39	1,435	45	33	260	169	2,453	927
East	60	2	816	2	2	87	69	1,038	454
West and Southwest	114	11	205	31	16	129	27	533	230
Coast	90	17	381	56	112	130	65	851	222
STATE	1,326	141	2,966	366	455	705	378	6,337	2,248