

Forage and Silage Services

Service	Min	Max	Mean	Median	Number of Responses
Merging (\$/ac)	\$10	\$19	\$15	\$15	13
Mowing and Conditioning (\$/ac)	\$15	\$21	\$17	\$17	14
Pack Tractor (\$/hr)	\$100	\$225	\$159	\$175	15
Hauling Semi (\$/hr)	\$115	\$175	\$135	\$130	13
Hauling Straight Truck (\$/hr)	\$65	\$150	\$108	\$110	13
Hauling Tractor (\$/hr)	\$90	\$175	\$128	\$125	11
500-800HP SPFH Haylage (\$/hr)*	\$344	\$919	\$600	\$600	7
>800HP SPFH Haylage (\$/hr)*	\$700	\$1000	\$879	\$875	13
500-800HP SPFH Corn Silage (\$/hr)*	\$475	\$900	\$631	\$600	7
>800HP SPFH Corn Silage (\$/hr)*	\$345	\$1350	\$967	\$975	13

* Customer provides fuel

Manure Hauling and Cropping Services

Service	Min	Max	Mean	Median	Number of Responses
Manure Transfer - Semi (\$/hr)	\$115	\$175	\$129	\$122	8
Single-Pass Incorporation (\$/gal)	\$0.010	\$0.013	\$0.012	\$0.011	6
Combining (\$/ac)	\$27	\$44	\$38	\$40	11
Planting (\$/ac)	\$18	\$40	\$27	\$25	13
Tillage (\$/ac)	\$16	\$25	\$21	\$20	11

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