

Utah State University
Extension Economics

Rates charged by custom operators in Utah - 2005

| Custom Operation | Unit | Number of Responses | Average | Range of Rate | |
|----------------------------------|------|---------------------|----------|---------------|----------|
| | | | | Low | High |
| <u>Land Preparation</u> | | | | | |
| Plowing | hr | 6 | \$ 71.25 | \$55.00 | \$90.00 |
| Plowing | acre | 18 | \$ 22.78 | \$10.00 | \$50.00 |
| Discing | hr | 4 | \$ 63.13 | \$50.00 | \$75.00 |
| Discing | acre | 9 | \$ 11.56 | \$5.00 | \$15.00 |
| Leveling | acre | 3 | \$ 11.50 | \$7.00 | \$15.00 |
| Seedbed Prep | acre | 3 | \$ 14.33 | \$10.00 | \$18.00 |
| <u>Planting & Spraying</u> | | | | | |
| Planting - Small Grains | acre | 14 | \$ 12.21 | \$5.00 | \$30.00 |
| Planting - Corn | acre | 7 | \$ 12.71 | \$8.00 | \$15.00 |
| Ground Spraying | acre | 17 | \$ 7.82 | \$2.00 | \$30.00 |
| <u>Harvesting</u> | | | | | |
| Swathing | acre | 29 | \$ 15.56 | \$10.00 | \$22.00 |
| Raking | acre | 8 | \$ 4.69 | \$3.00 | \$8.00 |
| Baling | | | | | |
| Small Square | bale | 12 | \$ 0.49 | \$0.35 | \$0.65 |
| Midsize | bale | 18 | \$ 7.28 | \$5.50 | \$10.00 |
| Large Square | bale | 11 | \$ 14.07 | \$11.00 | \$16.00 |
| Large Round | bale | 4 | \$ 8.44 | \$6.25 | \$10.00 |
| Hauling - Small Bales | bale | 5 | \$ 0.33 | \$0.25 | \$0.40 |
| Combining - Small Grains | acre | 25 | \$ 28.38 | \$18.00 | \$35.00 |
| Combining - Small Grains or Corn | hr | 3 | \$ 96.67 | \$50.00 | \$120.00 |