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## Equipment Rental Rates in Nebraska Panhandle

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Increasing financial pressure on area farmers and ranchers has made ownership of some farm equipment and implements uneconomical. Producer and implement dealer inquiries have generated the interest in this subject.

The survey was sent to implement dealers in the Nebraska Panhandle. All field operations were covered, but only those with responses are reported. With the exception of the number of responses, the data are reported in dollars. Some dealers impose minimums for implements and those comments are reported as notes at the end of each section. Minimums are an important consideration in equipment rental and should be part of the negotiations for rental services. Alternative rental pricing arrangements were occasionally reported and those alternatives are included. Alternative pricing requires comparing prices that fit individual situations to determine least cost. Rates shown are for rental of the implement only. The renter is responsible for providing labor.

The Range and Most Common Rates are detailed here as received from survey respondents. An Average Rate is presented even when one response was received. If a consensus was obtained the Most Common rate is reported.

The information contained is to be used as a guide to applicable rental rates. It is not intended to be a used as a method to set rental rates or to eliminate competitive pricing by dealers. Assistance and review by Dr. Dick Clark and Dr. Ray Massey is acknowledged and gratefully appreciated.

EQUIPMENT RENTAL RATES								
TILLAGE EQUIPMENT								
					Alternative Pricing			
	# of Response	Range (in \$)	Average (in \$)	Most Common	# of Resp.	Range (in \$)	Average (in \$)	Most Common
Moldboard Plow	3	2.00-5.00/A	4.00/A	5.00/A	1	N/A	7.50/hr	7.50/hr
Disk Harrow, Tandem or Offset Primary (heavy, deep, leaving rough surface)	4	3.50-5.00/A	4.13/A	4.00/A	1	N/A	7.50/hr	7.50/hr
Finishing (secondary, light, seed bed preparation)	2	3.50-5.00/A	4.25/A	N/A	1	N/A	7.50/hr	7.50/hr
Harrow								
Spike Tooth	1	N/A	3.50/A	3.50/A				
Spring Tooth	1	N/A	3.50/A	3.50/A				
Tillage Equipment								
Chisel Plow (3 to 8 inches) for Primary Tillage	3	3.00-5.00/A	3.83/A	N/A	1	N/A	10.00/hr	10.00/hr
Deep Chisel or Subsoiler (deeper than usual plow depth)	2	3.50-5.00/A	4.25/A	N/A	1	N/A	6.25/hr	6.25/hr
Field Cultivator (3 to 8 inches with shanks or sweeps)	3	3.00-5.00/A	3.83/A	N/A	1	N/A	8.50/hr	8.50/hr
Rotary Tillers - PTO Driven	1	N/A	3.50/A	3.50/A	1	N/A	12.00/hr	12.00/hr
Rod Weeder	2	3.50-5.00/A	4.25/A	N/A				
Rotary Hoe	2	3.50-5.00/A	4.25/A	N/A				
Blade Plow or Wide Sweep Blade	4	3.50-5.00/A	4.38/A	5.00/A	1	N/A	10.00/hr	10.00/hr
Combination Tillage Tool								
1. Primary (Disk or Coulter + Chisel	1	N/A	2.00/A	2.00/A				

+ Harrow, etc.)									
2. Finishing (Disk/Coulter+Field Cultivator+Harrow, etc.)	1	N/A	2.00/A	2.00/A					
Stalk Shredder - PTO Driven	2	3.50-5.00/A	4.25/A	N/A	1	N/A	12.50/hr	12.50/hr	
Rolling Stalk Chopper - not PTO	1	N/A	4.00/A	4.00/A					
<i>Note: \$500 min reported by some for all of above</i>									
<b>PLANTING AND POST PLANTING EQUIPMENT</b>									
Small Grain Drill									
With Disk Openers	3	3.50-5.00/A	3.13/A	N/A					
With Hoe Opening Devices	3	3.50-5.00/A	3.13/A	N/A					
Hoe or Disk Openers with Coulters (for non-till)	2	3.50-5.00/A	4.25/A	N/A					
Grass Seed Drill	3	3.50-5.00/A	3.13/A	N/A					
Seeder Legumes	1	N/A	3.50/A	3.50/A					
Cultivators									
Conventional Crop Cultivator	1	N/A	50.00/mo	50.00/mo					
Cultivator Capable of Handling Residue &/or Making Ridges	1	N/A	50.00/mo	50.00/mo					
Hilling or Ditching Implements	1	N/A	50.00/mo	50.00/mo					
<i>Note: \$500 min reported by some for all of above</i>									
Row Crop Planter:									
Planter - Sugarbeets									
1. No coulters or row cleaning devices, includes no-till	2	5.00-7.50/A	6.25/A	N/A					
2. With coulters	2	5.00-7.50/A	6.25/A	N/A	1	N/A	12.00/hr	12.00/hr	
3. With row cleaning devices, for ridge planting	2	5.00-7.50/A	6.25/A	N/A					
Planter - Other Row Crops									
1. No coulters or row cleaning devices, includes no-till	3	5.00-8.00/A	6.83/A	N/A					
2. With coulters	2	5.00-7.50/A	6.25/A	N/A					
3. With row cleaning devices, for ridge planting	2	5.00-7.50/A	6.25/A	N/A					
Lister	2	5.00-7.50/A	6.25/A	N/A					
<i>Note: \$1,000 min reported by some for all of above</i>									
<b>FORAGE EQUIPMENT</b>									
Mower	1	N/A	5.00/A	5.00/A	1	N/A	15.00/hr	15.00/hr	
Rake	1	N/A	2.50/A	2.50/A	1	N/A	7.50/hr	7.50/hr	
Swather With Crusher or Crimper	2	4.00-8.50/A	6.25/A	N/A	2	20-50.00/hr	35.00/hr	N/A	
Swather Without Crusher or Crimper	2	\$15-50/hr	32.50/hr	N/A	1	N/A	20.00/day	20.00/day	
<i>Note: \$2,500 min reported by some for all of above</i>									
Balers:									
Square baler	2	20-25¢/bale	22.50¢/bale	N/A					
Square baler	1	N/A	20¢/bale	20¢/bale					
Large round baler	4	2.00-8.00/bale	4.87/bale	N/A					
Small Bale - Loader/Stacker	1	N/A	27¢/bale	27¢/bale	1	N/A	150.00/day	150.00/day	

*Note: \$500 min reported by some for all of above*

Large Bale Mover With Tractor	1	N/A	150.00/day	150.00/day	1	N/A	15.00/hr	15.00/hr
Stacker (Hay)--Tractor Mounted With Tractor	1	N/A	100.00/day	100.00/day				
Mechanized Self-Contained Loose Hay Stacker	1	N/A	15.00/stack	15.00/stack				
Chopper of Alfalfa or Forage	2	25.00-100.00/hr	62.50/hr	N/A				
<b>INSECT, DISEASE AND WEED CONTROL PER APPLICATION</b> (Exclude cost of materials)								
Sprayer for Weed Control Boom	1	N/A	100.00/mo	100.00/mo				
<b>MISCELLANEOUS IMPLEMENTS</b>								
Post Hole Digger	1	N/A	6.50/hr	6.50/hr				
Post Driver	1	N/A	6.50/hr	6.50/hr				
Loader	1	N/A	2,500.00/mo	2,500.00/mo				
Dry Manure Spreader (Spreader Only)	1	N/A	15.00/hr	15.00/hr	1	N/A	75.00/day	75.00/day
<b>TRACTORS</b>								
						<i>Dollars/PTO H.P./hour</i>		
Tractor Rent, Tractor Only (Exclude fuel and operator)								
50-69 PTO H.P.	3	10.00-14.00/hr	11.34/hr	N/A	2	12-13¢	12.5¢	N/A
70-89 PTO H.P.	3	10.00-15.00/hr	12.87/hr	N/A	2	12-13¢	12.5¢	N/A
90-109 PTO H.P.	3	15.00-17.00/hr	16.00/hr	N/A	2	12-13¢	12.5¢	N/A
110-149 PTO H.P.	4	12.00-22.10/hr	16.78/hr	N/A	2	12-13¢	12.5¢	N/A
150 to 199 PTO (or DB if no PTO) H.P.	3	18.00-29.75/hr	23.19/hr	N/A	2	12-13¢	12.5¢	N/A
200 and above PTO (or DB if no PTO) H.P.	1	N/A	30.00/hr	30.00/hr				
<i>Note: Min range \$1,000-\$1,500 - 8 hr/day, 40 hr/week, 100 hr/mo reported by some for all of above No required servicing was noted on responses.</i>								

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