



## 2024 Custom Rates Survey

Operation	OMAFRA's rates (2021)	OPACA (2024)	% more
<b>Manure</b>			<b>32%</b>
Tanker	\$12 / 1000gal	\$ 15	22%
Drag hose	\$13 / 1000gal	\$ 15	17%
Tanker	\$234 / hour	\$ 287	23%
Sand surcharge	\$3 / 1000gal	\$ 3.3	10%
Injection	NA / 1000 gal	\$ 19	
Pit pump agitation	\$73 / hour	\$ 124	69%
Manure boat	\$256 / hour	\$ 366	43%
Loader & spreader	\$220 / hour	\$ 309	40%
<b>Tillage</b>			<b>32%</b>
MB Plow	\$37 / acre	\$ 47	26%
Disc	\$24 / acre	\$ 30	26%
Strip till	\$30 / acre	\$ 43	44%
<b>Planting</b>			<b>33%</b>
Beans - no-till 30"	\$28 / acre	\$ 37	32%
Corn - convtl 30"	\$27 / acre	\$ 37	35%
Cereals - no-till	\$27 / acre	\$ 35	31%
<b>Spraying/Fert application</b>			<b>26%</b>
Spraying	\$11 / acre	\$ 14	23%
Dry fert spreading	\$10 / acre	\$ 14	43%
Liquid side dress	\$15 / acre	\$ 17	14%
<b>Combining/Harvesting</b>			<b>31%</b>
Combining corn	\$51 / acre	\$ 68	33%
Combining soys	\$50 / acre	\$ 67	34%
Corn silage -chopper	\$529 / hour	\$ 665	26%
<b>Hay</b>			<b>26%</b>
Mowing	\$19 / acre	\$ 19.7	4%
Baling lg squares	\$1.56 / sq ft	\$ 1.88	20%
Haylage (all)	\$607 / hour	\$ 903	49%
-Chopper	\$456 / hour	\$ 603	32%
-Hauling	\$145 / hour	\$ 174	20%
-Packing	\$163 / hour	\$ 211	29%

These are average rates from 21 OPACA member-contractors that participated in March 2024. Rates vary due to fuel and mobilization costs, but also based on the quality of equipment and labour, efficiency, and other factors to consider when hiring an agri-contractor. Read more [here](#) in our [Better Farming article](#) from 2023 and find our contractor members at [opaca.net](http://opaca.net)!