

Maintaining grass pastures--Annual cost per acre.
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	Improved Grass **		Improved Grass-Legume ***		Your Estimate	Your Estimate
	Fixed	Variable	Fixed	Variable	Fixed	Variable
Machinery Costs						
Spreading fertilizer	\$2.00	\$0.73	\$2.00	\$0.73	_____	_____
Spraying herbicide	1.10	0.59			_____	_____
Clipping weeds	4.35	2.49	4.35	2.49	_____	_____
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Total Machinery Cost	\$7.45	\$3.81	\$6.35	\$3.22	_____	_____
Fertilizer and Herbicide*						
Nitrogen	80 lb.	\$12.00			_____	_____
Phosphorus	30 lb.	6.60	30 lb.	\$6.60	_____	_____
Potash			40 lb.	5.60	_____	_____
Herbicide		3.75			_____	_____
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Total Fertilizer and Herbicide		\$22.35		\$12.20	_____	_____
Labor						
Growing practices .5 hr.	\$5.50		\$5.50		_____	_____
Fence maintenance 1 hr.	11.00		11.00		_____	_____
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Total Labor	\$16.50		\$16.50		_____	_____
Land Charge						
Cash rent equivalent	\$45.00		\$48.00		_____	_____
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Total Annual Cost per Acre	\$68.95	\$26.16	\$70.85	\$15.42	_____	_____

* These are average rates and may vary with soil test and the level of management on a particular field. Different herbicide alternatives could vary this cost.

** Improved grass pastures assume a dominance of cool season grasses such as smooth bromegrass, orchardgrass, tall fescue, or reed canarygrass.

*** Improved grass-legume pasture assumed one third of the forage is made up of red clover, birdsfoot trefoil, or alfalfa.