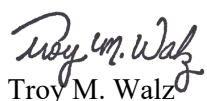


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The results of the 2020 survey and the 2021 survey (different producers were surveyed each year) are below. I have given the average rental rate and the range. Keep in mind that the values on the edges of the range may have special circumstances. No two operations or rental agreements are exactly the same. Rents should not be based upon surveys, but surveys can provide a starting point. To the best of my knowledge and of those surveyed, these are typical of Custer County. This is especially true when the ranges are considered. On the pasture rent, the renters generally take care of the cattle with some owner involvement on fences and thistles. If the landowner is more involved in the care, the rents are above the average. Any rate that had only a few responses will be marked with an asterisk “*”. Please take that into account when considering those values.



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Custer County Rental Rates	2020		2021	
	Average	Range	Average	Range
Gravity Irrigated Cropland (\$/acre)	\$191.00	\$120-\$280	\$198.91	\$150-\$275
Center Pivot Irrigated Cropland (\$/acre)	\$217.04	\$150-\$290	\$224.23	\$175-\$320
Are the Crop residues included in the rental?	68% Yes	32% No	90% Yes	10% No
Tenant-owned power unit adjustment (\$/acre)	\$19.17	\$10-\$25	*\$20.00	*\$15-\$25
Tenant-owned pivot adjustment (\$/acre)	\$31.36	\$20-\$50	\$32.78	\$20-\$50
Pasture Land rental rates:				
Cow/calf (\$/month)	\$54.66	\$30-\$90	\$59.66	\$30-\$90
Yearling (\$/month)	\$29.10	\$20-\$45	\$36.37	\$22-\$52.80
\$/acre (hard ground)	\$39.65	\$25-\$65	\$44.40	\$30-\$75
\$/acre (sand)	\$24.80	\$14-\$37.50	*\$30.00	*\$25-\$35
Dryland cropland (\$/acre)	\$78.21	\$40-\$130	\$83.48	\$45-\$150
Dryland alfalfa (\$/acre)	\$75.32	\$40-\$110	\$86.33	\$40-\$150
Irrigated Alfalfa (\$/acre)	\$203.33	\$155-\$250	\$219.00	\$180-\$250
Cornstalks (\$/acre)	\$13.89	\$8-\$25	\$14.53	\$6-\$30
Cornstalks (Head/Day)	\$0.57	\$0.20-\$1.00	\$0.53	\$0.35-\$0.80
Who fences the cornstalks? (% of those surveyed)	Renter	74%	Renter	71%
	Landowner	25%	Landowner	29%
	Both	1%	Both	0%

*only 2 responses

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Graphs showing the frequency of a particular rental rate.

