

YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT

- Soil Test
- Fertilize accordingly
 - Alfalfa (and other forages) remove a lot of nutrients
- Especially important prior to establishment!

Table 4. Pounds of nutrient removed per ton of alfalfa produced, dry matter basis.

nutrient	dry matter removed (lb/ton)
phosphorus (P)	6
phosphate (P ₂ O ₅)	14
potassium (K)	48
potash (K ₂ O)	58
calcium (Ca)	30
magnesium (Mg)	6
sulfur (S)	6
boron (B)	0.08
manganese (Mn)	0.12
iron (Fe)	0.33
zinc (Zn)	0.05
copper (Cu)	0.01
molybdenum (Mo)	0.002