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|  | A. Data collected through surveys:   1. What types of horses did the people have?  2. How many used pasture?  Pasture = horses in field (most often fed with supplementary alternatives)  3. What kind of hay do they use?   4. What hay combinations are used?   5. Which grain products and vitamin supplements are used?(decreasing popularity)  Crimped Oats  Equine Senior (good for older horses with digestion problems)  Tiz-Whiz  Cobs (corn, oat, barley mix)  Alfalfa pellets  Purina (young horses; alfalfa + grain pellets)  All in one (molasses + ground alfalfa)  Pure Pride 100  Supergain Vitamins  Bran (good for digestion)  Protein/ mineral lick (stone)  Equine Adult  Flaxite (young horses)  Red All  Clovite  Omelene  Calf Manna  Alfalfa Meal (alfalfa + molasses)  Barley (not in mixture)  6. Some suggested combinations:  a combination of alfalfa and oat or wheat hay for light- or non-working horse  a combination of alfalfa and oat hay,  with additional Pure Pride 100 or Alfalfa Mill for a working horse (amount  depending on its size and level of activity);  with Equine Senior for an older horse.  a combination of alfalfa and oat hay with Purina for younger horses  a combination of alfalfa and oat hay with Cob (corn, oat and barley) for working  horses (very popular!)  Commentary: pasture is often added to those combinations ,but is rarely used without  supplements  B. Data collected through observations  On field  1. Are there potassium and nitrogen deficiencies?    Nitrogen deficiencies increase in the summer because of water decrease caused by sun.  2. Weeds:  Most of the pasture had 50% or less weeds, but sometimes a limited amount of grass.  3. The grass was leafy, soft, with a pleasing aroma, finely stemmed and pliable, which are  very good characteristics.  Hay observations  1. The amount of weeds in the hay was generally minimum which suggests that it was of a  good quality.  2. The storage places were good  3. Favorable time when cut (alfalfa): 3rd or 4th cut  4. Ideal storage time: 6 months to a year (shorter is ok, but longer should be avoided)  Grain/ supplement observations  1.Good storage places  2.Duration of storage: up to a year  3.All grains observed were of good quality |

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