



Montana Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 8/20/2021

Volume			
	This Week	Last Reported ()	Last Year
Tons:			
Hay	1540	440	475
Straw	0	200	100
Total	1540	640	575
Bales:			
Hay	0	0	350
Total	0	0	350

Please Note: The above volumes (tonnage, acres, and bales) listed on this USDA LPGMN report are for confirmed trades only, it does not include estimated volume (tonnage) for bids or offers to the trade.

Compared to last week: Hay sold fully steady. Demand for hay remains very good. Rain! That's the story of the week. After months with no measurable rainfall in many locations, rain fell across a wide swath of the state. Many ranchers report from just under an inch to just over 2 inches over last three days. Ranchers say this rain should help soften grass and help promote regrowth, which will be very beneficial to cows still out on pasture and range. Producers continue to report waiting lists of people looking for hay, although hay sales this week were much slower with this rain system. According to the drought monitor 100% of the state is in Moderate drought or worse. 98.7% of the state is in an Severe drought or worse both unchanged since last week. 72.96% of the state is in extreme drought or worse, an increase of 4.61%. 13.81% of the state is in an exceptional drought an increase of 2.29% from last week. Note: The drought data is valid August 17th at 8 am EDT. which is before any rain fell across the state.

N/A						
Hay (Conventional)						
Alfalfa - Premium (Trade/Per Ton)						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Small Square	10	350.00-400.00	375.00	F.O.B.		
Alfalfa - Good/Premium (Trade/Per Ton)						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	500	300.00	300.00	F.O.B.		
Alfalfa - Fair (Trade/Per Ton)						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	1000	200.00	200.00	F.O.B.		
Prairie/Meadow Grass - Fair (Trade/Per Ton)						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	30	200.00	200.00	F.O.B.	CRP	

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<https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/HayQualityGuidelines.pdf>

Click here for Hay glossary of terms

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