



## Montana Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 12/17/2021

	Volume		
	This Week	Last Reported (12/6/2021)	Last Year
<b>Tons:</b>			
Hay	1660	338	2600
Straw	0	126	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1660</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>2600</b>

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.

Special Note: This is the last report of 2021. No report will be issued the next two weeks due to the holidays. Next report is Jan 7th 2022

Compared to last week: Hay sold steady to weak. Demand for hay remains very good, however sales are very light. Buyers are showing some resistance for high prices and many cattlemen are opting to sell cattle instead of feeding hay. Hay offerings remain light. Most ranchers have purchased the hay they need for winter needs and new sales are light. Winter has arrived across the state as very cold temperatures are being seen. Many locations dipped well below zero this week. Producers report hay usage is high as cold weather and some snow cover is forcing cattlemen to feed in many locations. Hay being purchased out of Canada has tighten significantly over the past few weeks. According to the drought monitor 100% of the state is in Moderate drought or worse; 89.26% of the state is in an Severe drought or worse. 66.24% of the state is in extreme drought or worse. 30.58% of the state is in an exceptional drought.

N/A						
Hay (Conventional)						
<b>Alfalfa - Good/Premium (Trade/Per Ton)</b>						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Square 3x4	600	300.00	300.00	F.O.B.		
<b>Alfalfa - Fair/Good (Trade/Per Ton)</b>						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	60	235.00	235.00	F.O.B.		
Large Square 3x4	1000	285.00	285.00	F.O.B.		

Click here for more information on Hay Quality Designation Guidelines

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

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