



## Montana Direct Hay Report

AMS Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News  
MT Dept. of Ag Market News

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 1/28/2022

	Volume		
	This Week	Last Reported (1/17/2022)	Last Year
<b>Tons:</b>			
Hay	1885	32	1478
Straw	100	400	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1985</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>1478</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.

Compared to last week: Hay sold generally steady. Hay movement was stronger this week than in the past few weeks. Demand for hay continues to be very good. Supplies available for sale remain light. Ranchers continue to search for hay on an as need basis. Limited supplies remain available but supplies continue to tighten as more and more ranchers buy hay to make it to grass. Mild weather continue to aid in light hay usage but tight supplies continue to keep prices high. Hay continues to be delivered into the state for 300.00-325.00 delivered. Many ranchers are buying lower cost alternatives, like wheat hay, straw or corn stalks to blend with hay in a ground ration in order to keep wintering costs low. Many ranchers are very concerned about moisture as snow fall has been light in many locations. According to the drought monitor 89.22% of the state is in Moderate drought or worse, unchanged from last week; 85.89% of the state is in an Severe drought or worse, unchanged from last week. 45.54% of the state is in extreme drought or worse, down 2.50% from last week. 7.64% of the state is in an exceptional drought, up 0.53% from last week.

N/A						
Hay (Conventional)						
<b>Alfalfa - Premium/Supreme (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	150	300.00	300.00	F.O.B.		
<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	45	350.00	350.00	F.O.B.-Stables		
Large Square 3x4	350	310.00	310.00	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 Square 3x4	1000	285.00	285.00	F.O.B.		
<b>Timothy Grass - 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>
Small Square	40	360.00	360.00	F.O.B.		

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### Wheat - Good (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 Square 3x4	300	245.00	245.00	F.O.B.		

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### Straw (Conventional)

### Wheat - (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 Square	100	100.00	100.00	F.O.B.		

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Click here for more information on Hay Quality Designation Guidelines

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

Click here for Hay glossary of terms

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