



## Montana Direct Hay Report

AMS Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News  
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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 5/6/2022

	Volume		
	This Week	Last Reported (4/18/2022)	Last Year
<b>Tons:</b>			
Hay	767	95	55
Total	767	95	55

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 was mostly good again this week. Sales volumes were mostly light, however ranchers continue to buy hay on an as need basis. Producers are mostly cleaning up stacks and selling the tail end of their hay. New crop contracts continue to be discussed with standing offers seen from Washington brokers. However, no takers have been found thus far. South central and Eastern Montana saw beneficial rain fall last week, and grass has started to green up. More rain is forecasted for the upcoming week, which will be crucial for first cutting. Neighboring states continue to sell hay into Montana with delivered prices ranging from 305.00-345.00 a ton depending on delivery location. According to the drought monitor 85.40% of the state is in Moderate drought or worse, unchanged from last week; 65.54% of the state is in an Severe drought or worse, 11.65% decrease from last week; 19.06% of the state is in extreme drought or worse, a decrease of 20.19% from last week; 0% of the state is in an exceptional drought, unchanged 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>
Small Square	10	350.00	350.00	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	505	300.00-330.00	313.61	F.O.B.		
<b>Alfalfa - Fair (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>
Medium Square 3x3	40	200.00	200.00	F.O.B.	Bottom Bales	
<b>Alfalfa - Utility (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	35	250.00	250.00	F.O.B.		
<b>Alfalfa/Grass Mix - 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>
Medium Square 3x3	12	330.00	330.00	F.O.B.		
Small Square	35	375.00	375.00	F.O.B.		

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### Alfalfa/Grass Mix - 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	35	300.00	300.00	F.O.B.		

### Alfalfa/Orchard Mix - 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>
Medium Square 3x3	60	280.00	280.00	F.O.B.		

### Alfalfa/Orchard Mix - Fair/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>
Medium Square 3x3	35	280.00	280.00	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>

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