



Montana Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 10/21/2022

	Volume		
	This Week	Last Reported (10/10/2022)	Last Year
Tons:			
Hay	2170	1916	945
Straw	350	345	0
Total	2520	2261	945

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. Demand for hay is mostly moderate to good for mostly moderate offerings. Ranchers continue to buy hay for winter needs. Interest remains high from ranchers as many are starting to sell their calves and have disposable income to spend on hay. Hay continues to move west out of the Dakotas and into Montana. Much of that hay is running 230.00-280.00 delivered into Montana. Much of this hay is selling along the highline and northern rocky mountain front, where the drought was the worst. Many western producers have wrapped up 3rd cutting as rain and or snow is forecasted for much of the weekend. Demand for straw remains good as many producers are grinding it and adding it to help lower the cost of rations. According to the drought monitor 74.32 of the state is in Moderate drought or worse, up 1.54% from last week; 41.97% of the state is in an Severe drought or worse up 0.75% from last week; 16.63% of the state is in Extreme drought or worse up 3.34% from last week; 0% of the state is in an Exceptional drought.

N/A						
Hay (Conventional)						
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 Square 3x4	400	250.00	250.00	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	300	200.00	200.00	F.O.B.		
Large Square 3x4	1040	225.00	225.00	F.O.B.		
Alfalfa - Utility (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	130	200.00	200.00	F.O.B.		
Barley - (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	300	175.00	175.00	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>
Round	350	80.00	80.00	F.O.B.		

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

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