



Montana Direct Hay Report

AMS Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News
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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 12/2/2022

	Volume		
	This Week	Last Reported (11/14/2022)	Last Year
Tons:			
Hay	1928	161	258
Straw	100	400	0
Total	2028	561	258

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 unevenly steady. Demand for hay this week was mostly moderate for light to moderate offerings. Ranchers were out searching for hay over the last two weeks as winter has set in and cows are staring to eat through hay supplies. Hay supplies have started to tighten. Several producers report they are out of hay or they don't want to sell anymore until they ship the hay they already have sold. Hay prices remains the lowest in far eastern Montana where producers are competing with Dakota hay prices, and hay remains the highest along the rocky mountain front and central highline where the drought is the worst. According to the drought monitor 66.72 of the state is in Moderate drought or worse, 0.02% lower than two weeks ago; 40.51% of the state is in an Severe drought or worse, 1.38% lower than last week; 12.16% of the state is in Extreme drought or worse, 3.31% lower than two weeks ago; 0% of the state is in an Exceptional drought, unchanged.

N/A						
Hay (Conventional)						
Alfalfa - Supreme (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	650	280.00	280.00	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 Square 3x4	250	250.00	250.00	F.O.B.		
Alfalfa - 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>
Large Square 3x4	200	225.00	225.00	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 Square 3x4	32	235.00	235.00	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	200	200.00	200.00	F.O.B.		

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Alfalfa/Grass Mix - Good/Premium (Trade/Per Ton)

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Large Square 3x4	32	275.00	275.00	F.O.B.		

Alfalfa/Grass 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>
Large Round	32	275.00	275.00	F.O.B.		

Alfalfa/Grass Mix - 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	500	165.00	165.00	F.O.B.		

Orchard/Timothy Grass - 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	32	215.00	215.00	F.O.B.		

Straw (Conventional)

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 Square	100	100.00	100.00	F.O.B.		

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

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