



## Montana Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 12/9/2022

	Volume		
	This Week	Last Reported (11/28/2022)	Last Year
<b>Tons:</b>			
Hay	315	1928	338
Straw	50	100	126
<b>Total</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>2028</b>	<b>464</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 fully steady. Demand for hay this week was mostly moderate for light to moderate offerings. Ranchers continue to search for hay for winter needs. Very cold weather has set in in many locations as well as heavy snow cover. This has forced many ranchers to start to feed. Several central and Northeastern Montana producers report as much as 12-18 inches of snow on the ground. Hay supplies have started to tighten as ranchers look for hay. Hay coming out of the Dakotas continues to be delivered into the state which has help curb demand slightly, however freight costs remain high and delivered prices remain competitive with local fob prices. According to the drought monitor 64.64 of the state is in Moderate drought or worse, 2.08% lower than last week; 38.93% of the state is in an Severe drought or worse, 1.58% lower than last week; 12.16% of the state is in Extreme drought or worse, 0% of the state is in an Exceptional drought, both unchanged from last week.

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	250	250.00	250.00	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	65	225.00	225.00	F.O.B.		
Straw (Conventional)						
<b>Barley - (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	50	70.00	70.00	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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