



Montana Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 1/13/2023

	Volume		
	This Week	Last Reported (1/2/2023)	Last Year
Tons:			
Hay	1375	4515	380
Straw	280	0	300
Total	1655	4515	680

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 remains mostly good to very good for light offerings. Hay supplies continue to lighten and many producers have started to completely sell out. Central Montana hay supplies have tightened significantly in the last two to three weeks. Many cattle report that during the last cold spell before Christmas, they ate through heavy hay supplies, much more than they anticipated. Hay continues to be delivered out of the Dakotas, much of this hay is grass or prairie hay and is being delivered for 175.00-210.00 depending on how far into the state it's going. According to the drought monitor 59.92% of the state is in Moderate drought or worse; 36.33% of the state is in an Severe drought or worse; 10.80% of the state is in Extreme drought or worse; 0% of the state is in an Exceptional drought, all values are unchanged from last week.

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	250	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 Square 3x4	150	225.00	225.00	F.O.B.		
Alfalfa/Grass Mix - 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>
Small Square	60	350.00	350.00	F.O.B.		
Alfalfa/Grass 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	150	250.00	250.00	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 Square 3x4	100	250.00	250.00	F.O.B.		



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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 Square 3x4	500	225.00	225.00	F.O.B.		
Small Square	15	225.00	225.00	F.O.B.	Bottom Bales	

Orchard Grass - 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>
Medium Square 3x3	150	150.00	150.00	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	60	85.00	85.00	F.O.B.		Old Crop

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	220	75.00-85.00	77.50	F.O.B.		

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

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