



## Montana Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 3/10/2023

Volume			
	This Week	Last Reported (2/27/2023)	Last Year
Tons:			
Hay	1060	1374	115
Straw	0	0	125
Total	1060	1374	240

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 good to very good for light offerings. Many producers continue to report high interest for hay, however a great number of producers have sold out for the year. Central Montana has the tightest hay supply as heavy snowfall and very cold temperatures continue to keep hay usage high. Additional snowfall was seen this week across much of the state. Local ranchers continue to buy hay on an as need basis. Hay continues to ship south, mostly into Texas and Oklahoma as truckers looking for back hauls are making freight affordable to ranchers in the south. According to the drought monitor 65.91 of the is in Moderate drought or worse, unchanged from last week. 21.44% of the state is in an Severe drought or worse, down 1.45% from last week. 3.11% of the state is in Extreme drought or worse, unchanged from last week. 0% of the state is in an Exceptional drought, unchanged from last week.

N/A						
Hay (Conventional)						
Alfalfa - Premium/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	65	260.00	260.00	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	545	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	450	235.00	235.00	F.O.B.		

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

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