



## Nebraska Direct Hay Report

AMS Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News  
NE Dept. of Ag Market News

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 3/31/2023

Volume			
	This Week	Last Reported (3/20/2023)	Last Year
<b>Tons:</b>			
Hay	550	2000	1175
Total	550	2000	1175
<b>Bales:</b>			
Hay	230	220	47
Total	230	220	47

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 bales of alfalfa sold steady to weak and grass hay sold steady. Ground and delivered alfalfa and cornstalks steady. Sun cured and dehy alfalfa pellets steady. Demand was moderate to good. Many contacts stated phones not quite a busy this week as previous weeks. Many livestock owners are hopeful they have enough hay bought for the time being. Several reports of balers back into cornfields taking trash off before planting season starts in mid-April. As of March 30, US Drought monitor still shows much of the state in severe to extreme drought conditions. Some areas of the state had 8-10" of snow with many areas getting no moisture at all over the weekend.

\*\*\* Prices are dollars per ton FOB the field or hay barn unless otherwise noted.\*\*\*

Alfalfa guidelines (for domestic livestock use and not more than 10% grass)

Quality	ADF	NDF	*RFV	**TDN-100%	**TDN-90%	CP
Supreme	<27	<34	>185	>62	>55.9	>22
Premium	27-29	34-36	170-185	60.5-62	54.5-55.9	20-22
Good	29-32	36-40	150-170	58-60	52.5-54.5	18-20
Fair	32-35	40-44	130-150	56-58	50.5-52.5	16-18
Utility	>35	>44	<130	<56	<50.5	<16

\*RFV calculated using the Wis/Minn formula.

\*\*TDN calculated using the western formula.

Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100% dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%). Guidelines are to be used with visual appearance and intent of Sale (usage).

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Grass Hay guidelines

Quality	Crude Protein Percent
Premium	Over 13
Good	9-13
Fair	5-9
Low	Under 5

Central

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### Hay (Conventional)

#### Alfalfa - 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	100	375.00	375.00	F.O.B.		

#### Alfalfa - 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	150	220.00-225.00	221.67	F.O.B.		

#### Alfalfa - (Ask/Per Ton)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Ground		285.00		Delivered		

#### Corn Stalk - (Ask/Per Ton)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Ground		160.00		Delivered		

#### Prairie/Meadow Grass - Premium (Trade/Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Small Square	20	9.00	9.00	F.O.B.		

#### Prairie/Meadow 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 Round	100	220.00-225.00	222.50	F.O.B.-Farm/Ranch		

### East

### Hay (Conventional)

#### Alfalfa - Premium (Trade/Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Small Square	100	10.00	10.00	F.O.B.		

#### Grass - Premium (Trade/Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Small Square	100	8.00	8.00	F.O.B.		

#### Grass - Good (Trade/Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	10	150.00	150.00	F.O.B.-Stables		

### Platte Valley

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Large Round	200	200.00-230.00	218.75	F.O.B.		
Alfalfa - (Ask/Per Ton)						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Ground		275.00-285.00		Delivered-Feedlot/dairy		
Pellets 15% Suncured		390.00		F.O.B.		
Pellets 17% Dehydrated		350.00		F.O.B.		
Corn Stalk - (Ask/Per Ton)						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Ground		155.00		Delivered-Feedlot/dairy		

West						
Hay (Conventional)						
Alfalfa - (Ask/Per Ton)						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Ground		275.00		Delivered-Feedlot/dairy		

Click here for more information on Hay Quality Designation Guidelines

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

Click here for Hay glossary of terms

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