



Montana Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 4/16/2021

	Volume		
	This Week	Last Reported (4/5/2021)	Last Year
Tons:			
Hay	1064	4915	0
Total	1064	4915	0

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 full steady. Demand was mostly good. Hay movement was light to moderate this week. Some ranchers are starting to buy hay to ensure they have enough feed to make it until first cutting. Many ranchers are worried about grass and range conditions due to a very dry winter and very little spring moisture. Hay producers report that demand for new crop hay is good to very good, however few are willing to step out and contract hay. Hay supplies continue to tighten across the state. Many producers are completely out of hay for the year. The majority of hay left is good and higher quality hay. Hay is starting to ship into North Dakota and Northern South Dakota as these states are extremely dry. According to the drought monitor 75.85% of North Dakota is in an Extreme drought. In Montana, 44.64% of the state is in Moderate drought or worse, an increase of 1.13% from last week. 86.47% of the state is Abnormally dry, a increase of 3.99% since last week. Notably, the drought in far Eastern Montana continues to worsen as 8.46% of the state is now considered in extreme drought an increase of 2.86% from last week.

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	30	200.00	200.00	F.O.B.		
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>
Small Square	2	225.00	225.00	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	1032	165.00-175.00	174.69	F.O.B.		

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