



# Montana Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 10/23/2020

|              | Volume      |                              |           |
|--------------|-------------|------------------------------|-----------|
|              | This Week   | Last Reported<br>(10/5/2020) | Last Year |
| <b>Tons:</b> |             |                              |           |
| Hay          | 1010        | 3200                         | 0         |
| Straw        | 110         | 0                            | 0         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>1120</b> | <b>3200</b>                  | <b>0</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 the last week: Hay sold fully steady. Hay movement was light to moderate over this past week. Demand was mostly moderate to good. Cold has set in in many locations with temperatures near zero seen across many parts of the state. This is pushing hay usage higher as many cows came off pasture in poor body condition and ranchers were already feeding hay. Near a foot of snow fell across much of central Montana this past weekend with another round scheduled for this weekend. This moisture has been much needed as much of the state remains in a deficit. Drought conditions dropped by 10% from 61.67% to 51.29 after this past weeks snow and rainfall.

| N/A                                 |     |               |         |             |             |          |
|-------------------------------------|-----|---------------|---------|-------------|-------------|----------|
| Hay (Conventional)                  |     |               |         |             |             |          |
| Alfalfa - Supreme (Trade/Per Ton)   |     |               |         |             |             |          |
|                                     | Qty | Price Range   | Wtd Avg | Freight/Use | Description | Crop Age |
| Large Square 3x4                    | 110 | 180.00        | 180.00  | F.O.B.      |             |          |
| Alfalfa - Fair/Good (Trade/Per Ton) |     |               |         |             |             |          |
|                                     | Qty | Price Range   | Wtd Avg | Freight/Use | Description | Crop Age |
| Large Square 3x4                    | 900 | 110.00-130.00 | 119.44  | F.O.B.      |             |          |
| Straw (Conventional)                |     |               |         |             |             |          |
| Barley - (Trade/Per Ton)            |     |               |         |             |             |          |
|                                     | Qty | Price Range   | Wtd Avg | Freight/Use | Description | Crop Age |
| Large Square                        | 110 | 45.00         | 45.00   | 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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