



# Texas Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 5/17/2024

Volume		
This Week	Last Reported ( )	Last Year

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 report: Hay prices are mostly steady. Trading activity is moderate on moderate buyer demand. Supplemental livestock feeding is spotty in portions of the West, Panhandle, and Hill Country due to abnormally dry conditions. According to USDA-NASS, national hay inventories were at their lowest levels since the reporting began in 1974. However, Texas A&M Agrilife Extension stated that prospects for higher hay yields this season are being fueled by heavy rainfall across the Central, South Central and East Texas hay production regions. Coupled with warmer nighttime temperatures, these conditions have helped spark growth of warm-season forages used in hay production. Pricing on new crop hay still remains at last years higher price point so far, as hay producers are still facing high input costs and trying to determine if the rains will continue. Demand has also been somewhat limited as spring pastures are holding stocking rates in most regions in the meantime.

\*\*\*Due to limited sales and price changes this report will be released bi-weekly until more volumes of hay is moving.\*\*\*  
\*\*\* The next report release will be May 31st, 2024\*\*\*

Central						
Hay (Conventional)						

**Alfalfa - Premium/Supreme (Ask/Per Ton)**

	Qty	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	Description	Crop Age
Large Square 3x4		300.00-310.00		Delivered		

**Bermuda Grass - Premium (Ask/Per Ton)**

	Qty	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	Description	Crop Age
Small Square		330.00-340.00		F.O.B.		

**Bermuda Grass - Premium (Ask/Per Bale)**

	Qty	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	Description	Crop Age
Small Square		10.00-14.00		F.O.B.		

**Bermuda Grass - Good/Premium (Ask/Per Ton)**

	Qty	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	Description	Crop Age
Large Round		300.00-330.00		F.O.B.		

**Bermuda Grass - Good/Premium (Ask/Per Bale)**

	Qty	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	Description	Crop Age
Large Round		150.00-175.00		F.O.B.		

**Panhandle**



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Hay (Conventional)						
<b>Alfalfa - Supreme (Ask/Per Ton)</b>						
	<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		350.00-380.00		Delivered		
<b>Alfalfa - Premium (Ask/Per Ton)</b>						
	<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		340.00-360.00		Delivered		
Small Square		380.00-425.00		Delivered		
<b>Alfalfa - Premium (Ask/Per Bale)</b>						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Small Square		11.00-15.00		Delivered		
<b>Sorghum - Good (Ask/Per Ton)</b>						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round		225.00		Delivered		

South						
Hay (Conventional)						
<b>Bermuda Grass - Good/Premium (Ask/Per Ton)</b>						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round		240.00-300.00		F.O.B.		
Small Square		260.00-330.00		F.O.B.		
<b>Bermuda Grass - Good/Premium (Ask/Per Bale)</b>						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round		140.00-170.00		F.O.B.		
Small Square		10.00-13.00		F.O.B.		
<b>Bermuda Grass - Fair/Good (Ask/Per Ton)</b>						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round		160.00-185.00		F.O.B.		
Small Square		235.00-265.00		F.O.B.		
<b>Bermuda Grass - Fair/Good (Ask/Per Bale)</b>						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round		110.00-130.00		F.O.B.		
Small Square		8.00-10.00		F.O.B.		



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### Bermuda Grass - Utility (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>
Large Round		80.00-100.00		F.O.B.		

### Sorghum - Good (Ask/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		100.00-110.00		F.O.B.		

West
Hay (Conventional)

### Alfalfa - Premium/Supreme (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>
Large Square 3x4		300.00-320.00		F.O.B.		
Small Square		350.00-380.00		F.O.B.		

### Alfalfa - Premium/Supreme (Ask/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		10.00-14.00		F.O.B.		

### Alfalfa - Good (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>
Large Square 3x4		280.00-300.00		Delivered		

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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