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

Volume								
	This Week	Last Reported (5/6/2024)	Last Year					
Tons:								
Hay	1363	73	48					
Total	1363	73	48					
Bales:								
Hay	1556	3801	744					
Total	1556	3801	744					

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 report: Trade activity and demand light. Stable hay sold mostly steady. Growers and buyers are beginning to contract new crop 1st cutting baled alfalfa in northeast Colorado. Growers are reducing old crop asking prices in an effort to limit carry over. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor's High Plains summary for May 14, 2024, the High Plains was a mixed bag of light to moderate precipitation, as well as improvements and degradations. Wyoming and Colorado saw improvements and degradations closely aligning with areas of moderate and light precipitation respectively. Northern and central Wyoming saw improvements, which were a continuation of improvements made in Montana and South Dakota. However, degradations occurred in areas that received trace amounts of precipitation along the eastern and southeastern part of these states into northern Colorado. Northeastern Colorado also saw a slight introduction of abnormally dry (D0) conditions as overflow from adjoining area of western Nebraska, where precipitation was low. Slight improvements occurred in south and northeast areas of Kansas that received precipitation. Elsewhere, conditions in central and western Kansas continued to degrade as streamflows, soil moisture, and groundwater continued to deteriorate. Southeast Nebraska saw slight improvements from continuous moisture over the past few weeks. The next available report will be Thursday, May 23, 2024.

Northeast									
Hay (Conventional)									
Alfalfa - Premium (Trade/Per Ton)									
Large Round	<u>Qty</u> 29	Price Range 190.00	<u>Wtd Avg</u> 190.00	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.BFarm/Ranch	<u>Description</u> 3rd Cutting	Crop Age Old Crop			
Alfalfa - Premium (Trade/Per Bale)									
Medium Square 3x3	<u>Oty</u> 10	Price Range 120.00	<u>Wtd Avg</u> 120.00	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.BStables	<u>Description</u> 3rd Cutting	<u>Crop Age</u> Old Crop			
Alfalfa - Good (Trade/Per Bale)									
Medium Square 3x3	Oty 4	Price Range 70.00	<u>Wtd Avg</u> 70.00	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.B.	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u> Old Crop			
Alfalfa - Fair (Trade/Per Ton)									
Large Square 4x4	<u>Qty</u> 150	Price Range 150.00	<u>Wtd Avg</u> 150.00	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.BFeedlot/dairy	<u>Description</u> Multiple Cuttings	<u>Crop Age</u> Old Crop			

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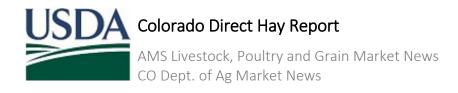
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Alfalfa - (Contract (Trade)/Per Ton)								
	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range	Wtd Avg	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age		
Large Square 4x4	1000	140.00	140.00	Delivered-Feedlot/dairy	1st Cutting	New Crop		
Grass - Fair/Good (Trade/Per Bale)								
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age		
Small Square	100	9.75	9.75	F.O.BFarm/Ranch	1st Cutting	Old Crop		
Grass - Utility (Trade/P	Grass - Utility (Trade/Per Bale)							
	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age		
Medium Square	10	55.00	55.00	F.O.BFarm/Ranch	1st Cutting	Old Crop		
3x3								
	Southeast							
			Hay (C	onventional)				
Alfalfa - Premium/Supi	reme (Trad	e/Per Bale)						
	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age		
Small Square	882	11.00	11.00	F.O.BRetail		Old Crop		
Alfalfa - Utility/Fair (Trade/Per Ton)								
	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age		
Large Square 3x4	110	150.00	150.00	Delivered-Feedlot/dairy	Multiple Cuttings	Old Crop		
Prairie/Meadow Grass	- Premium	(Trade/Per Bale)						
	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age		
Small Square	300	10.00	10.00	F.O.BStables	1st Cutting	Old Crop		
Sorghum - Good (Trad	e/Per Ton)							
	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age		
Large Square 3x4	24	85.00	85.00	F.O.BFeedlot/dairy				
Large Square 3x4	50	100.00	100.00	F.O.BFarm/Ranch		Old Crop		
			So	uthwest				
Hay (Conventional)								
Grass - Premium (Trade/Per Bale)								
	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age		
Small Square	250	8.00	8.00	F.O.BStables	1st Cutting	Old Crop		

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