



## California Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 3/15/2024

Volume			
	This Week	Last Reported (3/4/2024)	Last Year
<b>Tons:</b>			
Hay	4725	2125	650
Total	4725	2125	650
<b>Acres:</b>			
Hay	1	0	0
Total	1	0	0
<b>Bales:</b>			
Hay	6325	8025	175
Straw	4000	0	0
Total	10325	8025	175

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 were moderate. Retail hay demand were steady to good. Dairy and Export hay demand were light to moderate. Weather conditions have fluctuated a lot but with a 7 day window of clear skies in the Northern Inter Mountains and the Sacramento Valley growers are catching up in the field. Growth in newly planted winter wheat, barley, and oats for grain and forage was accelerated by continuous moisture. Herbicides and pesticides were applied to wheat and forage crop fields. According to the US Drought Monitor on March 14, 2024, temperatures across the West this week were primarily near normal or colder than normal. Compared to normal, the coldest area was southern Idaho, where temperatures mainly ranged from 6-12 degrees below normal. Portions of central and southeast Montana were 3-6 degrees above normal. Heavy precipitation fell in parts of north-central and northwest California, and along the Oregon and Washington coasts. Elsewhere, precipitation also fell in some of the mountainous parts of the northern half of the West region. The next available report will be Friday, March 22, 2024

North Inter-Mountains						
Hay (Conventional)						
<b>Alfalfa - Supreme (Trade/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	50	270.00	270.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		Old Crop
<b>Alfalfa - Premium (Trade/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 3 Tie	25	20.00	20.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop
Small Square 3 Tie	250	21.00	21.00	F.O.B.-Dealer/Mill/Processor		Old Crop
<b>Forage Mix-Three Way - Fair (Trade/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 3 Tie	25	10.00	10.00	F.O.B.-Retail	Weedy	Old Crop

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### 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>
Small Square 3 Tie	25	21.00	21.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

### Orchard 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 3 Tie	250	20.00	20.00	F.O.B.-Retail	2nd Cutting	Old Crop

### Orchard Grass - Good/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 3 Tie	250	18.00	18.00	F.O.B.-Retail	1st Cutting	Old Crop

### 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 3 Tie	1000	13.50	13.50	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

### Triticale - 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 Square 3x4	50	125.00	125.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		Old Crop

## Hay (Organic)

### 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	150	260.00	260.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		Old Crop

### Alfalfa - Fair/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 Square 3x4	125	230.00	230.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		Old Crop

## North San Joaquin Valley

## 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	75	340.00	340.00	Delivered-Feedlot/dairy		New Crop

### Sudan - 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	800	80.00	80.00	F.O.B.-Export		Old Crop

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### Wheat - 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 Square 3x4	200	135.00	135.00	Delivered-Feedlot/dairy		Old Crop

### Wheat - Good (Contract (Trade)/Per Acre)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Standing	1	25.00	25.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		New Crop

## Sacramento Valley

### 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>
Small Square 3 Tie	50	280.00-300.00	290.00	F.O.B.-Stables		Old Crop
Small Square 3 Tie	100	230.00	230.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		Old Crop

#### 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 3 Tie	500	18.00	18.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

#### 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 Square 3x4	100	190.00	190.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		Old Crop

#### Alfalfa - 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>
Small Square 3 Tie	500	14.00	14.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

#### Alfalfa - Utility/Fair (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 3 Tie	50	100.00	100.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		Old Crop

#### Forage Mix-Three Way - 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 3 Tie	1000	12.00	12.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

#### Forage Mix-Three Way - 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>
Small Square 3 Tie	25	175.00	175.00	F.O.B.-Farm/Ranch		Old Crop

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### Oat - 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>
Small Square 3 Tie	500	6.00	6.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

### Wheat - 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>
Small Square 3 Tie	50	175.00	175.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

### Hay (Organic)

#### 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 Square 3x4	200	210.00	210.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		Old Crop

### Straw (Conventional)

#### Wheat - (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	4000	6.00	6.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

### South

#### 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 3 Tie	500	18.50	18.50	F.O.B.-Dealer/Mill/Processor		Old Crop
Small Square 3 Tie	1000	15.00	15.00	Delivered-Retail		Old Crop

#### Alfalfa - 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>
Small Square 3 Tie	500	17.50	17.50	F.O.B.-Dealer/Mill/Processor		Old Crop

### Southeast

#### Hay (Conventional)

#### Alfalfa - Premium/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	100	200.00-220.00	210.00	F.O.B.-Export	1st Cutting	New Crop

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

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Large Square 3x4	425	200.00-220.00	203.53	F.O.B.-Export	2nd Cutting	New Crop
Large Square 3x4	450	205.00	205.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy	1st Cutting	New Crop
Small Square 3 Tie	300	240.00-250.00	245.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

### 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 Square 3x4	250	170.00	170.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy	Weedy	New Crop
Large Square 3x4	250	175.00	175.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy	Excessive Moisture	New Crop
Large Square 3x4	450	170.00	170.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy	1st Cutting	New Crop

### Alfalfa - Fair (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	400	125.00	125.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		Old Crop

### Bermuda Grass - 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 3 Tie	75	265.00	265.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

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