



## Nebraska Direct Hay Report

AMS Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News  
NE Dept. of Ag Market News

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 3/8/2024

Volume			
	This Week	Last Reported (2/26/2024)	Last Year
<b>Tons:</b>			
Hay	350	1650	0
Total	350	1650	0
<b>Bales:</b>			
Hay	0	425	0
Straw	0	40	0
Total	0	465	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, trade activity thin on light demand. Oat hay 3x4's in western Nebraska were thinly tested, selling 10.00/bale lower. Ground and delivered hay sold steady. Alfalfa pellets steady. Carry over on 2023 hay is likely with current supply and low offers from the buyer end of the market. Some growers are looking to donate hay to Texas ranchers to help feed cattle affected by the fires in the Texas panhandle.

Alfalfa guidelines (for domestic livestock use and not more than 10% grass)

Quality	ADF	NDF	*RFV	**TDN-100%	**TDN-90%	CP
Supreme	<27	<34	>185	>62	>55.9	>22
Premium	27-29	34-36	170-185	60.5-62	54.5-55.9	20-22
Good	29-32	36-40	150-170	58-60	52.5-54.5	18-20
Fair	32-35	40-44	130-150	56-58	50.5-52.5	16-18
Utility	>35	>44	<130	<56	<50.5	<16

\*RFV calculated using the Wis/Minn formula.

\*\*TDN calculated using the western formula.

Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100% dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%). Guidelines are to be used with visual appearance and intent of Sale (usage).

Grass Hay guidelines

Quality	Crude Protein Percent
Premium	Over 13
Good	9-13
Fair	5-9
Low	Under 5

East

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News

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### Hay (Conventional)

#### Alfalfa - (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>
Pellets 17% Suncured		320.00		F.O.B.		

### Platte Valley

#### Hay (Conventional)

#### Alfalfa - (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>
Ground		190.00		Delivered		
Pellets 17% Dehydrated		375.00		F.O.B.		

#### Corn Stalk - (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>
Ground		100.00		Delivered		

### West

#### Hay (Conventional)

#### Alfalfa - (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>
Ground		150.00-180.00		Delivered		

#### Alfalfa/Oat Mix - 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	100	125.00	125.00	F.O.B.		

#### Oat - (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	80.00	80.00	Delivered		

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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