



Idaho Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 5/16/2025

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Compared to the last report, there is still light demand even though movement has increased this week. Large sales were made with some producers that are trying to empty out their barns for new crop. New crop has started getting cut in Western Idaho but got stopped this past week due to rain.

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor Website, Central Idaho, Northern Idaho, and Northeast Idaho are in abnormally dry to moderate dry, with the rest of Idaho under normal soil moisture. According to the Idaho Crop Progress Report, as of May 11th, alfalfa hay 1st cutting is 1% completed in the state, pasture and range is 36% good condition, winter wheat is 61% good condition, spring wheat is 64% good condition, winter canola is 61% good condition, 60% field corn has been planted.

Grass Hay guidelines

Quality Crude Protein Percent

Premium Over 13

Good 9-13

Fair 5-9

Low Under 5

Alfalfa Quality Guidelines

Quality	ADF	NDF	*RFV/RFQ	**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).

Volume			
	This Week	Last Reported (5/5/2025)	Last Year
Tons:			
Hay	900	80	7900
Total	900	80	7900

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.

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Hay (Conventional)						
Alfalfa - 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	300	175.00	175.00	Delivered-Dairy		
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	600	145.00	145.00	Delivered-Dairy		

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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