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Hay Auction Weighted Average Report for 4/12/2025 - Final

Compared to last month hay sold for 5.00 to 10.00 higher than last month. Some buyers are working on building up their inventory. 2025/2026 auction season will start September 13, 2025 .

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).

Grass Hay guidelines

Quality Crude Protein Percent

Premium Over 13

Good 9-13

Fair 5-9

Low Under 5

Hay Auction

	This Week	Last Reported (3/8/2025)	Last Year (4/13/2024)
Bales:			
Hay	1460	3132	1408
Straw	75	90	247
Total	1535	3222	1655

Hay (Conventional)

Alfalfa - Supreme (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	7.00	185.00	185.00		Old Crop

Alfalfa - Premium (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
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Large Round	64.00	170.00-190.00	179.38	Old Crop
Small Square	85.00	5.50-8.75	6.11	Old Crop

Alfalfa - Good/Premium (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Medium Square 3x3	20.00	95.00	95.00		Old Crop
Large Round	14.00	165.00	165.00		Old Crop
Small Square	48.00	7.00-7.25	7.06		Old Crop

Alfalfa - Good (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	50.00	160.00-170.00	162.60		Old Crop
Small Square	133.00	5.75-6.00	5.88		Old Crop

Alfalfa - Fair (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	6.00	105.00	105.00	Dusty	Old Crop
Small Square	300.00	6.00-6.75	6.33		Old Crop

Alfalfa/Grass Mix - Premium (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Small Square	124.00	8.75	8.75	Very High Testing	Old Crop

Alfalfa/Grass Mix - Good (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	2.00	105.00	105.00		Old Crop

Alfalfa/Oat Mix - Fair (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	52.00	8.00-52.50	42.56		

Alfalfa/Orchard Mix - Premium/Supreme (Per Bale)



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	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	104.00	130.00-140.00	134.81	Export	Old Crop

Brome Grass - Good (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	41.50	155.00	155.00		Old Crop

Grass - Good (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	54.00	150.00-170.00	158.24		Old Crop

Grass - Fair (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	9.00	92.50	92.50		Old Crop
Large Round	8.00	145.00	145.00	Dusty	Old Crop
Medium Round	1.00	40.00	40.00	Small Lots	Old Crop

Grass - Utility (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Large Round	10.00	100.00	100.00	CRP	Old Crop
Large Round	30.00	135.00	135.00	Weedy	Old Crop
Small Square	42.00	5.25-5.50	5.37	Weedy	Old Crop

Prairie/Meadow Grass - Utility (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Small Square	255.00	5.75-6.25	5.97	Bleached	Old Crop

Straw (Conventional)

Corn Stalk - (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Round	23.00	17.50-22.50	18.80		



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Wheat - (Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Round	52.00	42.50	42.50		Old Crop

Click here for more information on Hay Quality Designation Guidelines

<https://www.ams.usda.gov/market-news/livestock-poultry-and-grain-reference-room>

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