



## California Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 3/1/2024

Volume			
	This Week	Last Reported (2/19/2024)	Last Year
<b>Tons:</b>			
Hay	1825	2175	2325
Straw	0	400	0
Total	1825	2575	2325
<b>Bales:</b>			
Hay	5225	6500	175
Total	5225	6500	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 hay demand were moderate. According to the US Drought Monitor on February 29, 2024, two to locally 5 inches of precipitation fell in the Oregon and Washington Cascade and Coastal mountains this week, with half an inch to locally 2 inches in the northern and central Rockies and southern California, and 0.5 to 1.5 inches in the Sierra Nevada and parts of coastal California. Outside of these areas, precipitation was generally less than a fourth of an inch, with rainshadow areas and the Southwest (Four Corners States) mostly dry. The precipitation was above normal for the week in some areas, particularly parts of the Cascades, Rockies, and southern California. But amounts were not enough to bring month-to-date totals to near normal values, with these areas still well below normal for the month. And snowpack improved little, with just a few inches of new snow added to most Cascade and Coastal mountain SNOTEL sites. In California, as of February 27, mountain SWE was 94% of normal in the northern Sierra Nevada Mountains, 78% of normal in the Central Sierra, and 76% of normal in the southern Sierra. The next available report will be Friday, March 08, 2024

### Central San Joaquin Valley

#### Hay (Conventional)

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

	Qty	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	Description	Crop Age
Small Square	25	25.00	25.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop
Small Square 3 Tie	200	24.00	24.00	F.O.B.-Retail	Rain Damage	Old Crop

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

	Qty	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	Description	Crop Age
Large Square 3x4	500	190.00-195.00	192.50	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		Old Crop

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

	Qty	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	Description	Crop Age
Small Square 3 Tie	25	22.00	22.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

### North Inter-Mountains

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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	25	275.00	275.00	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	20.00	20.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop
Forage Mix-Two 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	500	10.00	10.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop
Orchard/Timothy 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	500	19.00	19.00	F.O.B.-Retail		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 - 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	25	130.00	130.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		Old Crop

Sacramento Valley						
Hay (Conventional)						
Alfalfa/Orchard Mix - 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	16.50	16.50	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	1500	19.50	19.50	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop



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Small Square 3 Tie	1000	18.00	18.00	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

### Southeast

### 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	200	220.00-225.00	222.50	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		New Crop
Small Square 3 Tie	200	250.00	250.00	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	50	200.00	200.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot/dairy		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	200	155.00	155.00	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	100	265.00-270.00	267.50	F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop

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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