



# Colorado Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 9/18/2020

Volume			
	This Week	Last Reported (9/7/2020)	Last Year
<b>Tons:</b>			
Hay	752	60	0
Straw	0	1000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>1060</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Bales:</b>			
Hay	5972	5716	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5972</b>	<b>5716</b>	<b>0</b>

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 inactive for feedlot and dairy hay. Trade activity moderate on good demand for Stable and Farm/Ranch quality hay. Northeast Colorado corn silage harvest getting wrapped up with farmers putting up 4th cutting alfalfa. Southeast Colorado trade activity light on good demand. Trade activity light on moderate demand in the San Luis Valley as growers are starting the third and final cutting of the year. Trade inactive in Southwest Colorado. Trade inactive in the Mountains and Northwest Colorado areas. Wildfires are blanketing the state with smoke as firefighters work to contain the fires that have damaged thousands of acres. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor's High Plains Summary for September 15, 2020, mixed signals were apparent in drought-affected sections of the High Plains, as drought impacts were only slightly ameliorated by recent rain and snow. Even with the precipitation, topsoil moisture on September 13 was rated 72% very short to short in Colorado. In addition, Colorado led the nation—among major production states—in very poor to poor ratings for sorghum (39%) and corn (33%). According to the NASS Colorado Crop Progress report for week ending September 13, 2020, 3rd cutting alfalfa hay is 68 percent harvested, 4th cutting is 13 percent harvested. Corn harvested for silage is at 43 percent complete. The next available report will be Thursday, September 24, 2020.

Northeast						
Hay (Conventional)						
<b>Alfalfa - Premium/Supreme (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>
Medium Square 3x3	20	112.00	112.00	F.O.B.-Stables	3rd Cutting	New 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	320	8.75	8.75	F.O.B.-Stables	3rd Cutting	New Crop
<b>Alfalfa/Grass Mix - 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	320	10.00	10.00	F.O.B.-Stables	2nd Cutting	New Crop
Small Square	500	9.95	9.95	F.O.B.-Stables	3rd Cutting	New Crop



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## Millet - Premium (Trade/Per Ton)

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Large Square 3x4	600	132.50	132.50	F.O.B.-Farm/Ranch		New 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	800	10.00	10.00	F.O.B.-Stables	1st Cutting	New Crop

## 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	400	9.95	9.95	F.O.B.-Stables	3rd Cutting	New Crop

## San Luis Valley

### Hay (Conventional)

## 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 4x4	100	180.00	180.00	F.O.B.-Farm/Ranch	2nd Cutting	New Crop

## Alfalfa/Grass 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>
Large Square 3x4	42	200.00	200.00	Delivered-Stables	1st Cutting	New Crop

## Prairie/Meadow 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>
Large Square 3x4	42	120.00	120.00	F.O.B.-Stables	1st Cutting	New Crop

## Southeast

### Hay (Conventional)

## Timothy 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>
Large Square 3x4	52	190.00	190.00	Delivered-Stables	1st Cutting	New Crop

## 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	1764	8.50	8.50	F.O.B.-Stables	1st Cutting	New Crop
Small Square	1764	16.00	16.00	F.O.B.-Retail	1st Cutting	New Crop

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