



Tennessee Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 4/25/2025

No confirmed Trades are recorded this month. Prices displayed below are for Offerings of hay across Tennessee, with Quality Grades based on visual appearance and intent of sale (usage) where test data was unavailable. A noted decline in demand for hay commodities was noted this month, primarily on high quality alfalfa being bought/sold within TN. Movement of Grass Hay continues to be slow.

According to the National Integrated Drought Information System, currently 1.4% of Tennessee falls within the D1 (Moderate Drought) category. Western and Middle TN have no drought condition status. Eastern TN ranges from D0-D1 (Abnormally Dry-Moderate Drought), focused on Johnson and Carter counties. See more information at; <https://www.drought.gov/states/tennessee>

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
Utility	Under 5

Volume			
	This Week	Last Reported ()	Last Year

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.

Central	
Hay (Conventional)	

Alfalfa - Supreme (Offer/Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Medium Square		175.00		F.O.B.		
3x3						
Small Square		15.00		F.O.B.		



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Alfalfa - Good/Premium (Offer/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		190.00		F.O.B.		

Orchard Grass - Premium (Offer/Per Bale)

	<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		125.00		F.O.B.		
Small Square		13.00		F.O.B.		

East

Hay (Conventional)

Alfalfa - Supreme (Offer/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		12.00		F.O.B.		

Alfalfa - Premium (Offer/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		10.00		F.O.B.		

Alfalfa/Grass Mix - Premium (Offer/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		10.00		F.O.B.		

Mixed Grass - Premium (Offer/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		8.00		F.O.B.		

Mixed Grass - Good (Offer/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 Round		50.00		F.O.B.		
Small Square		6.00-6.50		F.O.B.		

Mixed Grass - Fair (Offer/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 Round		45.00		F.O.B.		

Orchard Grass - Premium (Offer/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		10.00		F.O.B.		

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Rye Grass - Good (Offer/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 Round		50.00		F.O.B.	Baleage	

West

Hay (Conventional)

Alfalfa - Supreme (Offer/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		11.90-12.00		F.O.B.		

Alfalfa/Grass Mix - Premium (Offer/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		10.00		F.O.B.		

Bermuda Grass - Premium (Offer/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 Round		60.00-110.00		F.O.B.		
Small Square		8.30-10.00		F.O.B.		

Bermuda Grass - Good (Offer/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 Round		50.00		F.O.B.		
Medium Round		80.00		F.O.B.		
Small Square		7.50-8.52		F.O.B.		

Clover/Grass Mix - Premium (Offer/Per Bale)

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Medium Round		55.00		F.O.B.		

Mixed Grass - Good (Offer/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 Round		55.00-65.00		F.O.B.		
Small Square		7.00-7.14		F.O.B.		

Mixed Grass - Fair (Offer/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 Round		45.00-50.00		F.O.B.		
Medium Round		40.00		F.O.B.		

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Small Square	5.00	F.O.B.				
Orchard Grass - Premium (Offer/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		9.50		F.O.B.		
Rye Grass - Good (Offer/Per Bale)						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Medium Round		70.00		F.O.B.	Baleage	

Click here for more information on Hay Quality Designation Guidelines

<https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/HayQualityGuidelines.pdf>

Click here for Hay glossary of terms

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