



## Colorado Direct Hay Report

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### Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 1/31/2025

Compared to last report: Trade activity and demand light. Prices remain unchanged on horse hay. Dairies in northeast Colorado have started making offers to farmers for alfalfa standing and triticale standing. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor's High Plains Drought Summary for January 28, 2025, northern areas were warmer than normal with departures of 3-9 degrees above normal in the Dakotas and northeastern Montana. Colder-than-normal temperatures dominated the rest of the region with some areas of Wyoming 12-15 degrees below normal for the week. Areas of western South Dakota, southwest North Dakota, southeast Montana and northeast Wyoming improved this week as conditions over the last few months were reassessed and the indicators were not aligning with the drought depiction. In many instances the drought is still considered severe or worse, but where the intensity was reduced, it was due to not all the indicators converging to what was being shown. In Wyoming, conditions were improved in the central and southwest where severe and moderate drought as well as abnormally dry conditions were improved. Some extreme drought was extended in the Wind River where snow and precipitation numbers supported the change. The next available report will be Thursday, February 6, 2025.

Volume			
	This Week	Last Reported (1/20/2025)	Last Year
Tons:			
Hay	415	237	1318
Total	415	237	1318
Bales:			
Hay	3404	6742	7454
Total	3404	6742	7454

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.

Mountains and Northwest CO						
Hay (Conventional)						
Prairie/Meadow Grass - (Ask/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.-Stables		Old Crop
Prairie/Meadow Grass - 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>
Medium Square 3x3	65	175.00	175.00	F.O.B.-Farm/Ranch	Covered	Old Crop-1st Cut
Northeast						



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### Hay (Conventional)

#### Alfalfa - (Contract (Offer))/Per Ton

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Standing		120.00		F.O.B.-Dairy		New Crop

#### Alfalfa - (Offer/Per Point/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		1.00		Delivered-Dairy		Old Crop

#### Alfalfa - Supreme (Offer/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		220.00		Delivered-Dairy	Very High Testing	Old Crop
Large Square 4x4		215.00		Delivered-Feedlot	Very High Testing	Old Crop

#### Forage Mix-Four Way - 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	8.00	8.00	F.O.B.-Stables	Covered	Old Crop-1st Cut
Small Square	400	10.00	10.00	F.O.B.-Stables	Covered	Old Crop-2nd Cut

#### Triticale - (Contract (Offer))/Per Ton

	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>
Standing		30.00		F.O.B.-Dairy		New Crop

### San Luis Valley

### Hay (Conventional)

#### Alfalfa - Fair (Ask/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		125.00		F.O.B.-Dairy	Rain Damage	Old Crop

### Southeast

### Hay (Conventional)

#### Alfalfa - (Ask/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		150.00		F.O.B.-Feedlot		Old Crop
Large Square 3x4		175.00-200.00		F.O.B.-Dairy	Covered	Old Crop

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### Alfalfa - (Ask/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 Bundled		9.00		F.O.B.-Stables	Covered	Old Crop
Small Square Bundled		11.00		F.O.B.-Stables		Old Crop-1st Cut

### Alfalfa - Premium/Supreme (Contract (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 Bundled	735	11.00	11.00	F.O.B.-Stables	Covered	Old Crop

### 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	25	190.00	190.00	F.O.B.-Farm/Ranch		Old Crop-1st Cut
Small Square	22	290.00	290.00	F.O.B.-Stables		Old Crop-2nd Cut

### Alfalfa - Premium (Ask/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		11.00		F.O.B.-Stables	Covered	Old Crop
Small Square Bundled		11.00		F.O.B.-Stables	Covered	Old Crop

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

	<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		200.00		Delivered-Farm/Ranch	Rain Damage	Old Crop

### Alfalfa - 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>
Small Square	735	8.00	8.00	F.O.B.-Farm/Ranch		Old Crop-2nd Cut

### Alfalfa - Utility (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>
Medium Square 3x3	125	180.00	180.00	F.O.B.-Farm/Ranch	Covered	Old Crop-1st Cut

### 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 Round	25	260.00	260.00	Delivered-Stables		Old Crop-1st Cut

### Haygrazer - 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>
Medium Square 3x3	60	150.00	150.00	F.O.B.-Farm/Ranch		Old Crop



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### 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	600	10.00	10.00	F.O.B.-Stables		Old Crop-1st Cut

### Sorghum - (Offer/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		120.00		Delivered-Feedlot		Old Crop

### Sorghum - 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	23	85.00	85.00	F.O.B.-Feedlot		Old 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>
Medium Square 3x3	144	115.00	115.00	Delivered-Stables		Old Crop-1st Cut

### Triticale - Fair/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>
Medium Square 3x3	70	125.00	125.00	F.O.B.-Farm/Ranch		Old Crop

## Southwest

### Hay (Conventional)

#### Forage Mix-Four Way - (Ask/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		8.00-10.00		F.O.B.-Stables		Old Crop

#### Forage Mix-Four Way - 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	250	8.00	8.00	F.O.B.-Stables		Old Crop-1st Cut

#### Orchard Grass - (Ask/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.-Stables		Old Crop
Small Square		14.00-15.00		F.O.B.-Stables	Certified Weed Free	Old Crop

#### Orchard Grass - Premium (Ask/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		17.00-19.00		F.O.B.-Stables		Old Crop-1st Cut
Small Square 3 Tie		20.00		F.O.B.-Stables		Old Crop



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Small Square 3 Tie		22.00-24.00	F.O.B.-Stables		Old Crop-2nd Cut
Orchard Grass - Premium (Trade/Per Bale)					
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Wtd Avg</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>
Small Square	140	8.00	8.00	F.O.B.-Stables	Old Crop-1st Cut

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

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