



Arizona Direct Hay Report

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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 5/16/2025

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Compared to last week hay market mostly steady with 2nd cuttings are underway. According to National Agricultural statistics Services as of May 11, 2025. Alfalfa hay harvest continued to take place on approximately 60 percent of the crop's acreage throughout the State. Arizona's alfalfa crop was rated in mostly good to excellent condition, with only 2 percent of the crop rated fair. Over the past week, measurable precipitation was experienced across much of the State, however, eastern Maricopa, central Navajo, and southeastern counties remained relatively dry. According to data from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the La Posita Plain and southern areas of the Aquarius Mountains received the most precipitation, accumulating approximately 2.50 inches while other areas of the State received anywhere from trace amounts to 2.00 inches of total precipitation. Arizona's drought information statements remained in effect in response to enduring above average temperatures and below average precipitation.

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

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

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Grass Hay guidelines

Quality	Crude Protein Percent
Premium	Over 13
Good	9-13
Fair	5-9
Low	Under 5

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Volume			
	This Week	Last Reported (5/5/2025)	Last Year
Bales:			
Hay	1664	1664	0
Straw	35	35	0
Total	1699	1699	0

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 - Premium/Supreme (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>
Small Square 3 Tie		280.00		F.O.B.-Retail		New Crop
Alfalfa - Premium/Supreme (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	832	13.00	13.00	F.O.B.-Retail		New Crop
Alfalfa - Premium (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		280.00		F.O.B.-Retail		New Crop
Small Square 3 Tie		280.00		F.O.B.-Retail		Old Crop
Alfalfa - Good/Premium (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		250.00		F.O.B.-Dairy		New Crop
Alfalfa - Good/Premium (Contract (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		195.00-225.00		F.O.B.-Dairy		New 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>
Large Square 3x4		170.00		F.O.B.-Dairy		New Crop
Alfalfa/Grass Mix - Premium (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>
Small Square 3 Tie		180.00		F.O.B.-Retail		New Crop



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Alfalfa/Grass Mix - Good/Premium (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>
Small Square 3 Tie		170.00		F.O.B.-Retail		New Crop

Bermuda Grass - Good/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		15.00		F.O.B.-Retail		New Crop

N/A

Hay (Conventional)

Alfalfa - Premium/Supreme (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>
Small Square 3 Tie		16.50		F.O.B.		
Large Square 4x4		130.00		F.O.B.		Old Crop
Small Square 3 Tie		16.50		F.O.B.		Old Crop

Alfalfa - Premium/Supreme (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		16.00		F.O.B.-Retail		
Small Square 3 Tie		16.50		F.O.B.		

Alfalfa - Premium (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>
Small Square 3 Tie		220.00		F.O.B.		
Large Square 4x4		125.00		F.O.B.		Old Crop
Small Square 3 Tie		14.50-15.50		F.O.B.		Old Crop

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 3 Tie		15.00		F.O.B.-Retail		

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	448	15.00	15.00	F.O.B.		

Alfalfa - Good/Premium (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>
Small Square 3 Tie		11.50-13.50		F.O.B.		Old Crop

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Small Square 3 Tie	180.00		F.O.B.-Farm/Ranch		New Crop	
Alfalfa - Good/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	8.50			F.O.B.		
Alfalfa - Good (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	13.00-14.00			F.O.B.-Retail		
Small Square 3 Tie	12.50			F.O.B.-Retail		New Crop
Bermuda Grass - Premium/Supreme (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>
Small Square 3 Tie	16.50			F.O.B.		Old Crop
Bermuda Grass - Premium/Supreme (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	19.00			F.O.B.-Retail		
Bermuda Grass - Premium (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>
Small Square 3 Tie	14.40			F.O.B.		Old Crop
Bermuda 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	16.00			F.O.B.-Retail		
Small Square 3 Tie	17.50			F.O.B.		
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	384	18.00	18.00	F.O.B.		
Oat - Premium/Supreme (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	14.50			F.O.B.		
Teff - Premium/Supreme (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>
Small Square 3 Tie	16.50			F.O.B.		Old Crop
Teff - Premium/Supreme (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	21.00			F.O.B.-Retail		



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Teff - Premium (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>
Small Square 3 Tie		12.50		F.O.B.		Old Crop

Triticale - Premium (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>
Small Square 3 Tie		9.50		F.O.B.		Old Crop

Straw (Conventional)

Wheat - (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>
Small Square		9.50		F.O.B.-Retail		

Wheat - (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	35	10.00	10.00	F.O.B.		

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