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Direct Hay Weighted Average Report for week ending 3/7/2025

Compared to last week weather is getting warmer. Some producers have started with their 1st clippings most are stating that it will be another two - three weeks for the 1st cutting of the 2025 hay season. They are expecting some weather in the next few days hoping for some rain. According to National Agricultural statistics Services as of March 2, 2025. Alfalfa hay harvest continued to take place on about 60 percent of the crop's acreage throughout the State. Arizona's alfalfa crop was rated in mostly good to excellent condition, with only 10 percent of the crop rated fair.

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

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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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## Volume

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Bales:	This Week	Last Reported (2/24/2025)	Last Year
Нау	960	128	0
Straw	35	0	0
Total	995	128	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)							
	Qty	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Small Square 3 Tie		260.00		F.O.BRetail		Old Crop	
Alfalfa - Premium/Supre	eme (Trac	le/Per Bale)					
	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Small Square 3 Tie	128	14.00	14.00	F.O.BRetail		> 5th Cut	
Alfalfa - Premium (Ask/	Per Ton)						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Large Square 3x4		195.00		F.O.BRetail		New Crop	
Alfalfa - Good/Premium	n (Ask/Per	Ton)					
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Large Square 3x4		170.00		F.O.BDairy		New Crop	
Alfalfa - Good/Premium	(Contrac	t (Ask)/Per Ton)					
	Qty	Price Range	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Large Square 3x4		175.00-205.00		F.O.BDairy		New Crop	
Alfalfa - Good (Ask/Per	Ton)						
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Large Square 3x4		150.00		F.O.BDairy	Rain Damage	New Crop	
Alfalfa/Grass Mix - Premium (Ask/Per Ton)							
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Wtd Avg	Freight/Use	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Small Square 3 Tie		160.00		F.O.BRetail		Old Crop	
Alfalfa/Grass Mix - Good/Premium (Ask/Per Ton)							
	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Wtd Avg	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Small Square 3 Tie		150.00		F.O.BRetail		Old Crop	

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Bermuda Grass - Good/Premium (Ask/Per Bale)							
Small Square 3 Tie	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Price Range</u> 14.00	Wtd Avg	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.BRetail	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u> Old Crop	

N/A							
Hay (Conventional)							
Alfalfa - Premium/Supre	eme (Ask/P	er Bale)					
Small Square 3 Tie	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range 15.00	Wtd Avg	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.BRetail	<u>Description</u>	<u>Crop Age</u>	
Small Square 3 Tie		16.50		F.O.B.			
Alfalfa - Premium (Trac	de/Per Bale	)					
Small Square	<u>Qty</u> 448	Price Range 16.00	<u>Wtd Avg</u> 16.00	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.B.	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Alfalfa - Good/Premium	n (Ask/Per B	Bale)					
Small Square 3 Tie	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range 8.50	Wtd Avg	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.B.	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Alfalfa - Good (Ask/Per	Bale)						
Small Square 3 Tie	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range 8.00	Wtd Avg	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.BRetail	<u>Description</u> Rain Damage	Crop Age	
Alfalfa/Bermuda Mix - F	Premium (A	Ask/Per Bale)					
Small Square 3 Tie	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range 16.00	Wtd Avg	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.BRetail	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Bermuda Grass - Premi	um (Ask/Pe	er Bale)					
Small Square 3 Tie	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range 16.00	Wtd Avg	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.BRetail	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Small Square 3 Tie		17.50		F.O.B.			
Grass - Premium (Trade/Per Bale)							
Small Square	<u>Qty</u> 384	Price Range 18.00	<u>Wtd Avg</u> 18.00	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.B.	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	
Oat - Premium/Supreme (Ask/Per Bale)							
Small Square 3 Tie	<u>Qty</u>	Price Range 14.50	Wtd Avg	<u>Freight/Use</u> F.O.B.	<u>Description</u>	Crop Age	

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Teff - P	remium/:	Supreme (	(Ask/Per	Bale)

QtyPrice RangeWtd AvgFreight/UseDescriptionCrop AgeSmall Square 3 Tie21.00F.O.B.-Retail

Straw (Conventional)

Wheat - (Trade/Per Bale)

QtyPrice RangeWtd AvgFreight/UseDescriptionCrop AgeSmall Square3510.0010.00F.O.B.

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