

Farm Market Report

Hay Market Reports

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Hay prices are dollars per ton or dollars per bale when sold to retail outlets. Basis is current delivery FOB barn or stack, or delivered customer as indicated.

Grade guidelines used in this report have the following relationship to Relative Feed Value (RFV), Acid Detergent Fiber (ADF), TDN (Total Digestible Nutrients), or Crude Protein (CP) test numbers:

Grade	RFV	ADF	TDN	CP
Supreme	185+	<27	55.9+	22+
Premium	170-185	27-29	54.5-55.9	20-22
Good	150-170	29-32	52.5-54.5	18-20
Fair	130-150	32-35	50.5-52.5	16-18
Utility	<130	36+	<50.5	<16

WASHINGTON-OREGON HAY

(Columbia Basin)

(USDA Market News)

Moses Lake, Wash.

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
1,610	6,780	1,860

Compared to Jan. 20: Premium Export and Fair/Good dry cow hay steady in a light test. Trade slow to moderate for domestic and export markets. Some exporters having trouble with fourth cutting Alfalfa testing positive for GMO. Even though port operations are back to normal exporters are still having scheduling problems. Retail/Feedstore hay steady. Demand remains good.

Alfalfa Large Square	Premium	500	\$180
	Fair/Good	1000	\$165
Alfalfa Small Square	Premium	110	\$250-260

OREGON AREA HAY

(USDA Market News)

Portland, Ore.

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
2,407	1,577	476

Compared to Feb. 20: Prices trended generally steady compared to the same quality last week. Trade activity and demand have picked up a little this week. The good weather in several areas of Oregon has slowed down demand, as the pasture grasses are growing, causing end users to be able to turn animals out on pasture rather than purchase and feed additional hay. Fewer containers available at the shipping ports has slowed down the ability to export hay overseas. Several producers have old all that they plan to sell for this season.

	Tons	Price
CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES		
Alfalfa Small Square	Premium 8	\$250
Alfalfa/Orchard Mix Small Square	Premium 32	\$270
Orchard Grass Small Square	Premium 20	\$270

EASTERN OREGON

Alfalfa Large Square	Good	100	185-185
KLAMATH BASIN			
Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	620	\$300
	Fair	250	\$185
Small Square	Supreme	200	\$260
	Premium	25	\$240
	Fair	2	\$200
Oat Small Square	Premium	25	\$190
Wheat Large Square	Premium	250	\$225
Barley Straw Small Square	Utility	10	\$75

LAKE COUNTY			
Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	106	\$250
	Good	13	\$200
Small Square	Supreme	60	\$250
	Premium	30	\$240

Alfalfa/Barley/Oat Mix Large Square	Good/Prem.	19	\$170
	Good	31	\$150
Timothy Grass Small Square	Premium	250	\$235
Triticale Large Square	Premium	200	\$200
Oat Straw Large Square	Utility	156	\$47-55

HARNEY COUNTY: No sales confirmed.

CALIFORNIA HAY (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash.

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
8,490	4,390	8,295

Compared to Feb. 20: All classes traded weak on light demand on very light tests. Port strike reached a tentative deal last Friday, but the question now is how long till the congestion and backlog of things get caught up. A milk price in the low teens and stretched rations with other feed commodities is weakening the demand for test hay. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, at the University of California-Berkeley's Central Sierra Snow Laboratory site near Donner Summit, there was only about a foot of snow on the ground, which is lower for late February than all of the dry winters in the last 70 years. REGION 1: North Inter-Mountain

Includes the counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen and Plumas.

Alfalfa	Supreme	52	\$320
	Good	52	\$250
	Good	301	\$190-220
Orchard/Timothy	Good/Prem.	400	\$305
Barley	Good	100	\$220

REGION 2: Sacramento Valley

Includes the counties of Tehama, Glenn, Butte, Colusa, Sutter, Yuba, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, Yolo, El Dorado, Solano, Sacramento.

	Tons	Price
Alfalfa	Supreme 75	\$305
	Good/Prem. 100	\$250

Grain Market Reports

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Portland

Grains are stated in dollars per bushel or hundredweight (cwt.) except feed grains traded in dollars per ton. National grain report bids are for rail delivery unless truck indicated.

PORTLAND GRAIN

(USDA Market News)

Portland

PACIFIC NORTHWEST MARKET SUMMARY

Cash wheat bids for February delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, Feb. 26, lower compared to Feb. 19 noon bids for February delivery.

March wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, Feb. 26, lower follows compared to Feb. 19 closes: Chicago March wheat futures 24.50 cents lower at \$5.0325, Kansas City 17.25 cents lower at \$5.2725 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 22.75 cents lower at \$5.5125. Chicago March corn futures trended 9.75 cents lower at \$3.80 while March soybean futures closed 16.75 cents lower at 10.24.

One year ago bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for February delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were \$7.2050-7.34, mostly \$7.2825 and bids for White Club Wheat were \$7.7050-7.9050, mostly \$7.8175.

Nearby bids for U.S. 1 Soft White wheat ordinary protein during the week were not available. Several exports are not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as follows: March \$6.4025-6.50, April \$6.4050-6.50, May not available and August New Crop \$6.0325-6.16.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: March, April and May \$7.2050-7.34, June \$7.16-7.21 and August New Crop \$6.7925-6.8925.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein during February trended 24 to 24.50 cents per bushel

lower, from \$7.0325-7.50, mostly \$7.3125 per bushel compared to last week ranging from \$7.2775-7.74, mostly \$7.5275.

The white club wheat premiums for guaranteed 10.5 percent protein this week were \$2 to \$2.40, mostly \$2.27 compared to the previous week's from \$2 to \$2.50, mostly \$2.23. Nearby bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent protein began the week on Feb. 20 at mostly \$7.3925 then moved lower to mostly \$7.3575 on Feb. 23 and held at that level on Feb. 24.

Bids on Feb. 25 continued lower to mostly \$7.3175 and ended the report week Feb. 26 fractionally lower at mostly \$7.3125. Forward month bids for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent protein were as follows: March \$7.0325-7.5025, April \$7.3050-7.5050, May \$7.3050-7.5450 and August New Crop \$6.20-6.4325.

On Feb. 26, bids were as follows: February \$6.1725-6.3225, mostly \$6.2525; March \$6.3225-6.5725; April \$6.3250-6.6250; May \$6.3750-6.6250 and August New Crop \$6.26-6.46.

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein U.S. 1 Dark Northern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery for February delivery were 22.75 cents per bushel lower compared to Feb. 19 noon bids. Lower Minneapolis March wheat futures pressured bids. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. On Feb. 26, bids for non-guaranteed 14 percent protein were as follows: February \$8.3125-8.5125, mostly \$8.4125; March \$7.9125-8.5125; April \$8.0675-8.5675; May \$8.4675-8.5675 and August New Crop \$6.9525-7.2025.

COARSE FEEDING GRAINS

Bids for U.S. 2 Yellow Corn delivered to Portland in single rail cars were not available. Bids for U.S. 2 Yellow Corn truck delivered to the inland feeding areas of Yakima, Wash., and Hermiston, Ore., were also not available. Bids for U.S. 2 Heavy White Oats for February delivery held steady at \$265.

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Good	25	\$100
Premium	50	\$320
Good	50	\$150
Fair/Good	25	\$117
Good	75	\$130
Good	200	\$133

REGION 3: Northern San Joaquin Valley

Includes the counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Mono, Merced and Mariposa.

Alfalfa	Good	25	\$215
REGION 4: Central San Joaquin Valley			

Alfalfa	Premium	180	\$220
	Good/Prem.	25	\$340
	Good	300	\$230
	Good	240	\$205
	Good	200	\$210
	Fair/Good	250	\$200

REGION 5: Southern California

Includes the counties of Kern, Northeast Los Angeles, and Western San Bernardino.

Alfalfa	Premium	300	\$300
Forage Mix-Three Way	Good	25	\$290

Alfalfa	Premium	180	\$200-212
	Good	85	\$200-208
	Good/Prem.	300	\$190
	Good	75	\$240
	Fair/Good	175	\$220-230
	Fair	80	\$165
	Fair	80	\$140
	Good	4500	\$110
	Good	50	\$120
	Good	75	\$210-220

Bermuda Grass

REGION 1: North Inter-Mountain: No new sales confirmed.

IDAHO HAY (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash.

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
700	2,100	2,550

Compared to Feb. 20: Supreme and Feeder quality Alfalfa weak in a light test. Trade very slow this week with light demand for export and feeder hay. Demand remains light as more feeder hay shows up on the market. Retail/feed store/horse not tested this week.

Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	500	\$185
	Fair	200	\$135

There were 18 grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday, Feb. 26, with three docked compared to 19 on Feb. 19 with six docked.

CALIFORNIA GRAINS (USDA Market News) Portland

	Tons	Price
Alfalfa	Supreme 500	\$185
	Fair 200	\$135

Prices in dollars per cwt., bulk Inc.= including; Nom.= nominal; Ltd.= limited; Ind.= indicated; NYE=Not fully estimated.

GRAIN DELIVERED

Mode	Destination	Price per cwt.
BARLEY - U.S. No. 2 (46-lbs. per bushel)		
Truck	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	\$10
CORN - U.S. No. 2 Yellow		
FOB Turlock		\$9.11
FOB Tulare		\$9.11

Rail	Single Car Units via BNSF	
	Chino Valley-Los Angeles	\$9.72
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	\$9.41

Truck	SORGHUM - U.S. No. 2 Yellow	
Rail	Los Angeles-Chino Valley via BNSF Single	\$11.31

OATS - U.S. No. 1 White		
Truck	Los Angeles-Chino Valley	\$15.60
WHEAT - U.S. No. 2 or better - Hard Red Winter (Domestic Values for Flour Milling)		
	Los Angeles 12 percent Protein	\$12.75
	Los Angeles 13 percent Protein	\$12.95
	Los Angeles 14 percent Protein	\$13.15

Truck/Rail	Los Angeles 11-12 percent Protein	\$11.79
	Los Angeles 12 percent Protein	\$11.79

WHEAT - Any Class for Feed

California Egg Reports

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Des Moines

Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA ir cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

DAILY CALIFORNIA SHELL EGGS

(USDA Market News)

Des Moines, Iowa

Feb. 27

Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment is steady to higher. Demand is moderate to occasionally fairly good. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.64.

Size	Range	Size	Range
Jumbo	227	Extra large	216
Large	210	Medium	184

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade AA and Grade AA, white eggs in cartons delivered store door.

Size	Range	Size	Range
Jumbo	219-231	Extra large	197-209
Large	195-204	Medium	164-173

Sheep/Wool Market Reports

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Greeley, Colo.-San Angelo, Texas

Wool prices in cents per pound and foreign currency per kilogram, sheep prices in dollars per hundredweight (cwt.) except some replacement animals on per head basis as indicated.

NATIONAL WOOL REVIEW

(USDA Market News)

Greeley, Colo.

Feb. 27

Domestic wool trading on a clean basis was at a standstill this week and there were no confirmed trades. Shearing has become widespread, especially across the western states. It will continue to be heavy over the next several weeks. Domestic wool trading on a greasy basis was at a standstill this week and there were no confirmed trades.

Domestic wool tags

No. 1	\$60-70
No. 2	\$50-60
No. 3	\$40-50

NATIONAL SHEEP SUMMARY

(USDA Market News)

San Angelo, Texas

Compared to Feb. 20: Slaughter lambs were steady to sharply higher. Slaughter ewes were steady to \$7 higher. Feeder lambs were \$3-4 higher in light test. At San Angelo, Texas, 1,256 head sold in a weather shortened sale. No sales in Equity Electronic Auction. In direct trading slaughter ewes were not tested and no comparison on feeder lambs. 4,000 head of negotiated sales of slaughter lambs were steady and 10,600 head of formula sales of carcasses under 65 lbs. were not well tested; 65-75 lbs. were \$7-8 lower; 75-85 lbs. were \$6-7 higher; 85-95 lbs. were \$6-7 lower and over 95 lbs. were \$2-3 higher. 5,992 lamb carcasses sold with 45 lbs. and down \$1.76

lower; 45-55 lbs. \$5.72 lower; 55-75 lbs. \$9.19-95 lower and 75 lbs. and up \$2.21-2.52 lower.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3: San Angelo: shorn and woolled 105-170 lbs. \$140-154, few \$158-168.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 1: San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$278-300, few 306; 60-70 lbs. \$260-278; 70-80 lbs. \$230-231; 90-100 lbs. \$192.

DIRECT TRADING (Lambs with 3-4 percent shrink or equivalent):

4,000 Slaughter Lambs shorn and woolled 137-161 lbs. \$138.03-168.08 (wtd avg \$150.83); 173-180 lbs. \$125-130.50 (wtd avg 126.23).

SLAUGHTER EWES:

San Angelo: Good 2-3 (fleshy) \$90-99; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) \$100-110, few \$116; Utility 1-2 (thin) no test; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) \$78-82; Cull 1 (extremely thin) no test.

FEEDER LAMBS Medium and Large 1-2: San Angelo: new crop 40-55 lbs. \$300-306; 60-70 lbs. \$250; 77 lbs. \$242; 80-90 lbs. \$230.

REPLACEMENT EWES Medium and Large 1-2: San Angelo: no test.

NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB CARCASS Choice and Prime 1-4:

Weight	Wtd. avg.
45 lbs. down	\$461
45-55 lbs.	\$386.77
55-65 lbs.	\$351.21
65-75 lbs.	\$330.32
75-85 lbs.	\$318.13
85 lbs. and up	\$305.02

Sheep and lamb slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 39,000 compared with 35,000 last week and 40,000 last year.

Cattle Market Reports

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Oklahoma City-Des Moines-St. Joseph, Mo.-Moses Lake, Wash.

Cattle prices in dollars per hundredweight (cwt.) except some replacement animals per pair or head as indicated.