

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.

<i>This week FOB</i>	<i>Last week</i>	<i>Last year</i>
2,425	2,700	10,925

Compared to March 13: Supreme and Premium Export Alfalfa not tested this week. Fair/Good dry cow hay steady in a light test. Trade very slow for domestic and export markets. Demand remains good for higher testing supplies of Alfalfa and Wheat Straw, light demand for dry cow and feeder supplies. Retail/Feedstore hay steady. Demand remains good.

		<i>Tons</i>	<i>Price</i>
Alfalfa Large Square	Good	500	\$160
	Fair/Good	300	\$165-170
Alfalfa Small Square	Premium	250	\$250-260
Timothy Grass Large Square	Fair/Good	1250	\$120-130
Timothy Grass Small Square	Good/Prem.	125	\$200

OREGON AREA HAY
(USDA Market News)
Portland, Ore.

<i>This week FOB</i>	<i>Last week</i>	<i>Last year</i>
2,128	909	681

Compared to March 13: Prices trended generally steady compared to the same quality last week. Trade activity and demand increased this week. The continued good weather in several areas of Oregon has slowed down demand, as pasture grasses are growing causing end users to be able to turn animals out on pasture rather than purchase and feed additional hay. Few containers available at the shipping ports has slowed down the ability to export hay overseas. Several producers have sold all that they plan to sell for this season.

<i>Tons</i>	<i>Price</i>
CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES	

Orchard Grass Small Square	Premium	2	\$275
	Good	14	\$245
5-Way Mixed Grass Small Square	Premium	5	\$290
EASTERN OREGON			
Teff Large Square	Good	32	\$130
Triticale/Teff Mix Large Square	Good	56	\$125
KLAMATH BASIN			
Alfalfa Large Square	Good	200	\$200
Small Square	Premium	100	\$230
	Good/Prem.	6	\$220
LAKE COUNTY			
Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	275	\$240-270
	Premium	520	\$200-235
	Good	35	\$180
	Premium	25	\$220
	Fair/Good	60	\$150
	Premium	25	\$220
Oat Large Square	Good	30	\$145
Triticale Large Square	Good	200	\$140
Forage Mix-Three Way Large Square	Premium	43	\$170
Alfalfa/Triticale Mix Large Square	Good	500	\$145

HARNEY COUNTY: No sales confirmed.

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

<i>This week FOB</i>	<i>Last week</i>	<i>Last year</i>
3,900	7,000	6,560

Compared to March 13: Fair/Good Feeder quality Alfalfa steady. Trade slow to moderate this week as some producers decided to tie all their hay together regardless of test in order to get it marketed. Demand remains light. Retail/feed store/horse not tested this week.

		<i>Tons</i>	<i>Price</i>
Alfalfa Large Square	Fair/Good	500	\$120
		2000	\$115
	Fair	1200	\$100
Oat Large Square	Fair/Good	200	\$85

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

<i>This week FOB</i>	<i>Last week</i>	<i>Last year</i>
6,143	4,010	19,652

Compared to March 13: All classes traded weak on light demand on very light tests. A milk price in the low teens, oil prices below \$50 and the strength of the dollar is weakening the demand for test hay.

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, mountain snowpack across the Olympic, Cascade, Coastal Range, and Sierra Nevada is at least 25 percent below the 30-year normal. Hay has been cut and being baled in Region 6 and expected cutting of hay in Region 5 will be underway in the coming week.

REGION 1: North Intermountain

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

		<i>Tons</i>	<i>Price</i>
Oat	Good	51	\$220

REGION 2: Sacramento Valley

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

		<i>Tons</i>	<i>Price</i>
Alfalfa	Premium	25	\$240
		153	\$250
	Good/Prem.	50	\$260
	Good	31	\$117
	Good	6	\$242
Oat	Good	123	\$100
Triticale	Premium	26	\$320
Rice Straw			
Grass			

REGION 3: Northern San Joaquin Valley

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

		<i>Tons</i>	<i>Price</i>
Alfalfa	Supreme	80	\$220
	Good/Prem.	500	\$200
	Good	135	\$225
	Good/Prem.	525	\$110

Wheat Straw

REGION 4: Central San Joaquin Valley

Includes the counties of Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare, and Inyo.

		<i>Tons</i>	<i>Price</i>
Alfalfa	Premium	25	\$285
	Good/Prem.	125	\$260-267

REGION 5: Southern California

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

		<i>Tons</i>	<i>Price</i>
Alfalfa	Good/Prem.	100	\$280
	Good	50	\$290

REGION 6: Southeast California

		<i>Tons</i>	<i>Price</i>
Alfalfa	Premium	3088	\$195-210
		160	Standing
		150	\$235
		100	\$220
	Good/Prem.	150	\$235
	Good	50	\$120
		300	\$220-240
	Fair/Good	100	\$190

Grain Market Reports

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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
March 20

PACIFIC NORTHWEST MARKET SUMMARY

Cash wheat bids for March delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, March 19, mixed, compared to March 13 noon bids for March delivery. Bids for dark northern spring wheat trended higher, soft white wheat trended steady to higher and hard red winter wheat trended mixed.

May wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, March 19, higher compared to March 13 closes: Chicago May wheat futures 4.75 cents higher at \$5.12, Kansas City 3.75 cents higher at \$5.5025 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 3.25 cents higher at \$5.7275. Chicago May corn futures trended 15 cents lower at \$3.7350 while May soybean futures closed 28.75 cents lower at \$9.6175.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit trains or barges during March for ordinary protein were steady to 4.75 cents per bushel higher from \$6.25 to 6.52, mostly \$6.3850 compared to March 13 noon bids for March delivery of \$6.25-6.4725, mostly \$6.3625.

White club wheat premiums for ordinary protein nearby delivery were 2.40 for this week compared to 2.40 last week.

One year ago bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for March delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were \$7.50-7.9075, mostly \$7.7050 and bids for White Club Wheat were \$8-8.4075, mostly \$8.2050. Nearby bids for U.S. 1 Soft White wheat ordinary protein started the reporting week on March 14 at mostly \$6.3350, then moved higher to mostly \$6.3950 on March 16.

On March 17, bids moved lower to mostly \$6.3425 and on March 18 moved higher to mostly \$6.38. March 19 (Thursday), bids moved higher to mostly \$6.3850. Several exports are not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as follows: April \$6.25-6.52, May \$6.25-6.52, June not available and August New Crop \$6.14-6.1475. One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: April and May \$7.50-7.9075, June \$7.77-7.87 and August New Crop \$7.5875-7.8375.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein during March trended mixed, from 0.25 lower to 4.75 cents per bushel higher from \$7.12-7.37, mostly \$7.2825 per bushel compared to last week ranging from \$7.0725-7.3725, mostly

\$7.2675. The white club wheat premiums for guaranteed 10.5 percent protein this week were \$2 to \$2.40, mostly \$2.24 compared to the previous week's from \$2 to \$2.40, mostly \$2.24. Nearby bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent protein began the week on March 14 at mostly \$7.2325, then moved higher to mostly \$7.2850 on March 16, dropping lower on March 17 to mostly \$7.4225 and returning higher to mostly \$7.2850 on March 18. March 19, Thursday bids were fractionally lower at mostly \$7.2825.

Forward month bids for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent protein were as follows: April \$7.32-7.42, May \$7.37-7.42, June \$6.9575-7.4575 and August New Crop 5.9975-6.35.

Bids for 11.5 percent protein U.S. 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for March delivery were mixed, from \$6.25 lower to 3.75 cents per bushel higher compared to last Thursday's noon bids. On Thursday, bids were as follows: March \$6.5025-6.7025, mostly \$6.6025; April \$6.5025-6.7525; May \$6.5025-6.8025; June \$6.71-6.76 and August New Crop \$6.4750-6.6750.

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein U.S. 1 Dark Northern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery for March delivery were 3.25 cents per bushel higher compared to March 12 noon bids in lining up with the higher Minneapolis May wheat futures. On March 19, bids for non-guaranteed 14 percent protein were as follows: March \$8.3275-8.9775, mostly \$8.8275; April and May \$8.3275-8.9775; June \$8.0225-8.9725 and August New Crop \$7.10-7.35.

COARSE FEEDING GRAINS

Bids for U.S. 2 Yellow Corn delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BN 110-car shuttle trains for March delivery were \$4.7750-4.8150 per bushel. Forward month corn bids for April were \$4.6950-4.7650. May were \$4.6650-4.6850, June/July were \$4.6550-4.6850 and October and November were \$4.81-4.84. Bids for U.S. 1 Yellow Soybeans delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BN 110-car shuttle trains for March delivery were \$10.6675-10.7675 per bushel. Forward month soybean bids for April and May were not available, September were \$10.5575-10.5875, October were \$10.4025-10.4125 and November were \$10.4225-10.4625. Bids for U.S. 2 Heavy Wheat Oats for March delivery held steady at \$3.8475 per bushel.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST EXPORT NEWS

There were 10 grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday, March 19, with four docked compared to 14 last Thursday with five docked. There were no new confirmed Commodity Credit Corporation sales for Pacific Northwest loadout.

CALIFORNIA GRAINS
(USDA Market News)
Portland
March 20

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)

Rail Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock

Tulare County

Truck Petaluma-Santa Rosa

Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock

Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties

Madera County

Kern County

Solano County

CORN - U.S. No. 2 Yellow

FOB Turlock

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Rail Single Car Units via BNSF

Chino Valley-Los Angeles

Petaluma-Santa Rosa

Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock

Los Angeles-Chino Valley

Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties

SORGHUM - U.S. No. 2 Yellow

Rail Los Angeles-Chino Valley

via BNSF Single

OATS - U.S. No. 1 White

Los Angeles-Chino Valley

OATS - U.S. No. 2 White

Truck Petaluma

WHEAT - U.S. No. 2 or better - Hard Red Winter

(Domestic Values for Flour Milling)

Los Angeles 12 percent Protein

Los Angeles 13 percent Protein

Los Angeles 14 percent Protein

Los Angeles 11-12 percent Protein

Los Angeles 12 percent Protein

Los Angeles 13 percent Protein

Los Angeles 14 percent Protein

WHEAT - U.S. Durum Wheat

Truck Imperial County

Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties

WHEAT - Any Class for Feed

FOB Turlock

Truck/Rail Los Angeles-Chino Valley

Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock

King-Tulare-Fresno Counties

Prices paid to California farmers, seven-day reporting period ending March 19:

No confirmed sales.

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.

March 20

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. Some of the mountain regions along with areas in Texas were hindered by storms this past week but will resume with the warm up in the week to come. Shearing will continue to be heavy over the next several weeks, especially with the storms causing a lot of producers to be a week to two weeks behind. A stronger U.S. dollar is making it hard for buyers to obtain clips that growers are willing to sell at. Currently wools are falling within 80-85 percent of Australia. 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

March 20

Compared to last week: Light slaughter lambs were steady to \$20 higher; heavy slaughter lambs were steady to \$2 lower. Slaughter ewes were uneven, steady to as much as \$30 higher at New Holland, Pa., and Ft. Collins, Colo., and \$5-10 lower at Sioux Falls, S.D., and San Angelo, Texas. Feeder lambs were lightly tested, but sharply lower. At San Angelo, 5,514 head sold in a one-day sale. No sales in Equity Electronic Auction. In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder lambs were not tested. 2,900 head of negotiated sales of slaughter lambs were \$1-2 lower. 13,100 head of formula sales under 55 lbs. were not well

tested; 55-65 lbs. were steady; 65-75 lbs. were \$7-8 lower; 75-85 lbs were \$6-7 lower; 85-95 lbs. were \$2-3 higher and over 95 lbs. were steady to \$1 lower. 7,381 lamb carcasses sold with 45 lbs. and down \$32.71 higher; 45-55 lbs. \$1.55 higher; 55-65 lbs. \$9.51 lower and 65 lbs. and up \$3.85-6.14 lower.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3:

San Angelo: Shorn and woolled 105-175 lbs. \$120-148.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 1:

San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$220-234, few \$240-244; 60-70 lbs. \$199-226; 70-80 lbs. \$197.50-213; 80-90 lbs. \$190-212; 90-105 lbs. \$155-180. DIRECT TRADING (Lambs with 3-4 percent shrink or equivalent):

2,900 Slaughter Lambs shorn and woolled 119-159 lbs. \$130.93-163.12 (wtd avg \$144.21).

SLAUGHTER EWES:

San Angelo: Good 2-3 (fleshy) \$75-88; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) \$90-100, few \$104-108; Utility 1-2 (thin) \$80-88; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) \$66-78; Cull 1 (extremely thin) no test.

FEEDER LAMBS Medium and Large 1-2:

San Angelo: New crop 45-70 lbs. \$200-214; 80-90 lbs. \$180-188; 98 lbs. \$178. old crop 60-70 lbs. \$182-196; 75-85 lbs. \$150-172; 90-110 lbs. \$142-160.

REPLACEMENT EWES Medium and Large 1-2:

San Angelo: Hair ewe lambs 111 lbs. \$170 per head; baby tooth hair ewes 95-125 lbs. \$132-140 cwt; hair ewes and lambs \$72-100 per head.

NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB CARCASS Choice and Prime 1-4:

Weight Wtd. avg.

45 lbs. Down \$549.09

45-55 lbs. \$403.98

55-65 lbs. \$345.36

65-75 lbs. \$322.81

75-85 lbs. \$308.64

85 lbs. and up \$295.74

Sheep and lamb slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 41,000 compared with 39,000 last week and 43,000 last year.

California Egg Reports

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

DAILY CALIFORNIA SHELL EGGS
(USDA Market News)
Des Moines, Iowa
March 20

Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 8 cents higher for Jumbo, 12 cents higher for Extra Large, 13 cents higher for Large and 4 cents higher for Medium and Small. The undertone is steady to instances higher. Demand ranges light to fairly good and best into areas with ads in place. Offerings are moderate to occasionally heavy although lighter than the previous week. Supplies are usually moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.59.

<i>Size</i>	<i>Range</i>	<i>Size</i>	<i>Range</i>
Jumbo	234	Extra large	221
Large	214	Medium	179

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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

<i>Size</i>	<i>Range</i>	<i>Size</i>	<i>Range</i>
Jumbo	226-238	Extra large	202-214
Large	199-208	Medium	159-168

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.