

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
3,600	1,910	1,175

Compared to April 3: All grades of Alfalfa steady in a light test this week. Trade very slow for domestic and export markets. Exporters continue to show more interest. Most interests are waiting for new crop. Demand light to moderate. Retail/Feedstore not tested this week. Demand remains good. Harvested hay acres for 2015 are expected to be down 5 percent in Washington compared to 2014. According to the USDA National Ag Statistic service prospect planting report released March 31.

Alfalfa Large Square	Tons	Price
Supreme	200	\$230
Good/Prem.	1350	\$180-190
Fair/Good	2050	\$155-160

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

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
1,632	2,180	656

Compared to April 3: Prices trended generally steady compared to the same quality last week. Trade activity and demand slowed 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. Export hay business seems to slowly be picking up; however, continued issues with few containers available and backup of containers needing to be loaded at the shipping ports continues to slow down the ability to export hay overseas. Most producers have sold all that they plan to sell for this season. All prices are in dollars per ton and FOB unless otherwise stated.

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CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES

Orchard Grass Small Square	Premium	39	\$240-275
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Barley Large Square	Good	80	\$140
Grass Mix-Five Way Small Square	Premium	10	\$290
EASTERN OREGON Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	80	\$200
KLAMATH BASIN Fescue Grass Small Square	Premium	2	\$260
LAKE COUNTY Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	101	\$250
	Premium	35	\$200
	Good	63	\$165-170
		1100	\$170
Small Square	Supreme	60	\$240
	Premium	30	\$220

Alfalfa/Triticale Mix Large Square HARNEY COUNTY: No new sales confirmed.

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
3,555	6,350	4,150

Compared to April 3: All grades of Alfalfa steady. Trade slow this week. Demand light to moderate with interest from exporters and feeder hay accounts going into Nevada.

Most areas of the trade area are reporting drier than normal conditions.

Retail/feed store/horse not tested this week. All prices are dollars per ton and FOB the farm or ranch unless otherwise stated. Harvested hay acres for 2015 are expected to be up 3 percent in Idaho compared to 2014.

According to the USDA National Ag Statistic service prospect planting report released March 31.

Alfalfa Large Square	Prem./Sup.	1055	\$180-200
	Good	500	\$160
	Utility/Fair	2000	\$90-115

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

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
24,720	12,726	7,795

Compared to April 3: All classes traded active on moderate demand. Milk prices remained in the mid-teens, which affected the demand from dairies for test hay.

According to U.S. Drought Monitor, the rain did not penetrate very far from the coast. Continued dryness resulted in an expansion of Exceptional Drought (D4) in northwest California. Statewide snowpack remains at 5 percent as of April 6, 2015.

REGION 1: Northern Intermountain Includes the counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen, and

Plumas.	Tons	Price
Alfalfa	Supreme	250 \$245
	Fair/Good	100 \$170

REGION 2: Sacramento Valley Includes the counties of Tehama, Glenn, Butte, Colusa, Sutter, Yuba, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, Yolo, El Dorado, Solano, Sacramento.

Alfalfa	Tons	Price
Supreme	150	\$240
	350	\$258 Del
Premium	375	\$220-240
	150	\$238
	50	\$218
Good/Prem.	25	\$240
Good	75	\$250
Premium	25	\$320
Good	75	\$150

Orchard Grass Oat

REGION 3: Northern San Joaquin Valley Includes the counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Mono, Merced and Mariposa.

Alfalfa	Tons	Price
Supreme	150	\$215
	1300	\$285
Prem./Sup.	750	\$260-265
Premium	275	\$240-255
	150	\$245
	300	\$245
	500	\$205
Good	120	\$125

Wheat

REGION 4: Central San Joaquin Valley

Alfalfa	Tons	Price
Premium	250	\$275

REGION 5: Southern California Includes the counties of Kern, Northeast Los Angeles, and Western San Bernardino.

Alfalfa	Tons	Price
Good/Prem.	200	\$300
Good	50	\$290
Prem./Sup.	3732	\$215-231
	1000	\$225-230
Premium	8459	\$200-217
	100	\$190
	500	\$215
	100	\$240
Good/Prem.	737	\$192-197
	560	\$200-215
	25	\$176
	350	\$165
Good	1687	\$187-190
	1500	\$165
Fair/Good	300	\$150

Livestock Auctions

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

California

SHASTA (Shasta Livestock Auction) Cottonwood, Calif.

Current week	Last week
1,002	336

Compared to April 3: Slaughter cows and bulls mostly steady. Calves under 700 lbs. \$5-12 lower, yearlings generally \$15 lower on low feedlot demand and lower futures. Off lots and singles \$40-70 below top offerings.

Slaughter cows: Breakers \$101-107, \$108-118 high dress; Boning \$95-100.

Bulls 1 and 2: \$110-126; \$127-139 high dress. Feeder steers: 300-400 lbs. \$312;

400-450 lbs. \$287-315; 450-500 lbs. \$285-308; 500-550 lbs. \$260-298; 550-600 lbs. \$226-235; 700-750 lbs. \$205-221; 750-800 lbs. \$190-212; 800-900 lbs. \$182-196.

Feeder heifers: 300-400 lbs. \$265-295; 400-450 lbs. \$250-272; 450-500 lbs. \$220-267; 500-550 lbs. \$215;

550-600 lbs. \$205-225.50; 600-650 lbs. \$195-215; 650-700 lbs. \$185-194; 700-750 lbs. \$189; 750-800 lbs. \$175-185; 800-900 lbs. \$173-183.

Pairs: Couple running age sets \$2275-2600; Broken Mouth \$1850-2000; Broken mouth pairs \$1685-2200.

Calvy cows: No test.

CALDWELL (Treasure Valley Livestock) April 3

Steers: 300-400 lbs. \$282; 400-500 lbs. \$271; 500-600 lbs. \$214; 600-700 lbs. \$192; 700-800 lbs. \$208; 800-900 lbs. \$182; 900-1000 lbs. \$150; 1000 lbs. and up \$142.50.

Heifers: 200-300 lbs. \$247.50; 300-400 lbs. \$260; 400-500 lbs. \$232.75; 500-600 lbs. \$209; 600-700 lbs. \$172.25; 700-800 lbs. \$161; 800-900 lbs. \$160.75; 900-1000 lbs. \$141.50; 1000 lbs. and up \$124.

Cows (wt.): 700-800 lbs. \$66; 800-900 lbs. \$80; 900-1000 lbs. \$78.25; 1000-1100 lbs. \$95.75; 1100-1200 lbs. \$100.75; 1200-1300 lbs. \$105; 1300-1400 lbs. \$92.50; 1400-1500 lbs. \$97; 1500-1600 lbs. \$96; 1600-1700 lbs. \$100.75; 1700-1800 lbs. \$100; 1800-1900 lbs. \$100.

Bull calves (wt.): 300-400 lbs. \$131.75; 400-

500 lbs. \$190.25; 500-600 lbs. \$172.75; 600-700 lbs. \$180.25; 700-800 lbs. \$192.25; 900-1000 lbs. \$113; 1000-1100 lbs. \$114; 1400-1500 lbs. \$128.

Bulls (wt.): 1700-1800 lbs. \$123.

Pairs (hd.): 1000 lbs. and up \$1725.

Bred heifers (hd.): 800 lbs. and up \$1537.

Stock cows (hd.): 800 lbs. and up \$1550.

Bull calves (hd.): 100-200 lbs. \$585; 200-300 lbs. \$730.

Heifer calves (hd.): 100-200 lbs. \$530; 200-300 lbs. \$385; 300-400 lbs. \$550.

Steer calves (hd.): 100-200 lbs. \$325; 200-300 lbs. \$255; 300-400 lbs. \$565; 400-500 lbs. \$645.

Washington (Toppensh Livestock Auction) (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash.

This week	Last week	Last year
2,150	1,600	1,800

Compared to April 3 at the same market: Stocker and feeder cattle mixed, feeder steers steady to \$15 lower, heifers firm to \$6 higher.

Trade active with very good demand especially from locals looking for small lots of stockers to fill pastures. Slaughter cows \$1-4 higher.

Slaughter bulls steady. Trade active with very good demand. Slaughter cows 67 percent, Slaughter bulls 5 percent, and feeders 28 percent of the supply. The feeder supply included 44 percent steers and 56 percent heifers. Near 76 percent of the run weighed over 600 lbs.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1-2: 400-500 lbs. \$265; 500-600 lbs. \$256-265; 600-700 lbs. \$282.50-292.50, Thin Fleshed: 600-700 lbs. \$228-237; 600-700 lbs. \$227, Full: 600-700 lbs. \$246-250, Thin Fleshed; 700-800 lbs. \$ 211-220; 700-800 lbs. \$222-227, Value Added. Small 4: 600-700 lbs. \$ 205.

Feeder Holstein Steers: Large 2-3: 500-600 lbs. \$201; 700-800 lbs. \$194.

Feeder Bulls: Small 4: 200-300 lbs. \$280, Per Head.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: 400-500 lbs. \$255-270; 400-500 lbs. \$ 280, Thin Fleshed; 500-600 lbs. \$235-245; 500-600 lbs. \$260-267.50, Thin Fleshed; 600-700 lbs. \$214-221; 600-700 lbs. \$211, Full; 600-700 lbs. \$ 228-238, Thin Fleshed; 700-800 lbs. \$201-211; 700-800 lbs. \$195-196, Full; 700-800 lbs. \$230, Thin Fleshed; 700-800 lbs. \$221, Value Added. Large 2-3: 1100-1200 lbs. \$145; 1200-1300 lbs. \$137-149; 1300-1400 lbs. \$ 135; 1400-1500 lbs. \$124.50.

Holstein Heiferettes: Few Choice 2-3 1581 lbs. 114.75.

Slaughter Cows: Boning 80-85 percent lean 1100-1800 lbs. \$104-110; Boning 80-85 percent lean 1100-1600 lbs. \$114-120; Lean 85-90 percent lean 1000-1700 lbs. \$103-109; Lean Light 90 percent lean 800-1200 lbs. \$90-98.

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2 1500-2300 lbs. \$129-137.50.

Bred Heifers(Per Head): Medium and Large 1-2: Few 758 lbs. 6-9 mos. Bred \$1800.

Feeder Cows: Large 1-2: 900-1000 lbs. \$148, Young; 1000-1100 lbs. \$120, Young, Large 2-3: 1000-1100 lbs. \$136, Young; 1100-1200 lbs. \$134, Young; 1300-1400 lbs. \$115, Young.

Oregon (Producers Livestock Market) April 8

Total receipts: 790 head.

Comments: Good demand for grass cattle; yearling cattle \$2-4 higher.

Steer calves: 300-400 lbs. \$291-326; 400-500 lbs. \$282-310; 500-600 lbs. \$254-297.

Heifer calves: 300-400 lbs. \$271-307; 400-500 lbs. \$253-271; 500-600 lbs. \$232-257.

Yearling steers: 600-700 lbs. \$228-249; 700-800 lbs. \$207-231; 800-900 lbs. \$221-236; 700-800 lbs. \$196-223; 800-900 lbs. \$181-196.

Yearling heifers: 600-700 lbs. \$201-211; 700-800 lbs. \$195-196, Full; 700-800 lbs. \$230, Thin Fleshed; 700-800 lbs. \$221, Value Added. Large 2-3: 1100-1200 lbs. \$145; 1200-1300 lbs. \$137-149; 1300-1400 lbs. \$ 135; 1400-1500 lbs. \$124.50.

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Oregon (Central Oregon Livestock Auction) April 6

Total head: 900 head.

Steers: 200-300 lbs. \$300-350; 300-400 lbs. \$280-300; 400-500 lbs. \$260-290; 500-600 lbs. \$240-260; 600-700 lbs. \$220-240; 700-800 lbs. \$200-220; 800-900 lbs. \$180-200.

Pairs: Full-mouth vaccine, \$2800-3100; broken-mouth vaccine \$1900-2300.

Bulls: High yield. \$233-237; mostly \$227; thinner \$220-226.

Heifers: 200-300 lbs. \$300-350; 300-400 lbs. \$270-290; 400-500 lbs. \$250-270; 500-600 lbs. \$235-270; 600-700 lbs. \$215-265; 700-800 lbs. \$190-215.

Cows: Heiferettes \$145; Feeder cows \$115; high-yield \$115; medium-yield \$110; low-yield \$100.

Sheep Market Report

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • San Angelo, Texas

Sheep prices in dollars per hundredweight (cwt.) except some replacement animals on per head basis as indicated.

NATIONAL SHEEP SUMMARY (USDA Market News) San Angelo, Texas

April 3

Compared to last week: Traditional slaughter lambs were steady to \$6 higher, except those over 165 lbs., which were \$3 lower. Non-traditional slaughter lambs were mostly \$10-30 higher. Slaughter ewes were uneven, mostly steady to \$8 lower. Feeder lambs were firm in a light test.

At San Angelo, Texas, 2,517 head sold in a one-day sale. No sales in Equity Electronic Auction. In direct trading slaughter ewes were not tested and no comparison on feeder lambs. 2,900 head of negotiated sales of slaughter lambs under 170 lbs. were steady to \$1 higher, over 170 lbs. were not well tested. 10,400 head of formula sales under 65 lbs. were not well tested, but a sharply higher undertone noted; 65-75 lbs. were \$10-12 lower, 75-95 lbs. were \$7-12 higher and over 95 lbs. were \$1-2 lower. 4,789 lamb carcasses sold with 45 lbs. and down \$40.93 lower; 45-65 lbs. \$3.03-4.15 lower; 65-75 lbs. \$1.22 higher and 75 lbs. and up \$0.8-.79 lower.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3: San Angelo: Shorn and woolled 120-165 lbs. \$130-146.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 1: San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$230-248; 60-70 lbs. \$220-234; 70-80 lbs. \$210-220; 80-90 lbs. \$189-208; 90-110 lbs. \$178-184.

DIRECT TRADING (Lambs with 3-4 percent shrink or equivalent): 2,900 Slaughter Lambs shorn and woolled 120-163 lbs. \$123.72-143 (wld avg \$137.18); 171 lbs. \$126.50.

California: 4,700 Feeder Lambs 85-95 lbs. new crop \$150.