

# Farm Market Report

## Hay Market Reports

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • St. Joseph, Mo.-Portland

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.			
	Sept. 11	Last week	Last year
This week FOB	8,310	30,029	8,145

Compared to Sept. 11: Premium dairy and export Alfalfa steady to weak. Trade slow to moderate with light to moderate demand. Timothy steady. Some producers in the south basin received a half inch of rain on windrowed hay last weekend. Retail/Feedstore steady. Demand remains good.

		Tons	Price
Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	30	\$210
	Premium	1560	\$170-200
	Fair	5700	\$160-180
Alfalfa Small Square	Good./Prem.	120	\$190-220

Alfalfa/Orchard Mix Large Square	Premium	30	\$240
Orchard Grass Small Square	Premium	120	\$250-275
Timothy Grass Large Square	Good./Prem.	550	\$160-165
	Fair	200	\$155

OREGON AREA HAY (USDA Market News) Portland, Ore.			
	Sept. 11	Last week	Last year
This week FOB	2,471	4,395	2,406

Compared to Sept. 4: Prices trended generally steady compared to week ago prices. Export sales have seemed to slowly pick up compared to past few weeks. Many producers have decided to hold on to their hay for now in hopes of higher prices. Some producers are having their water rights cut off due to the drought.

	Tons	Price
CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES		
Alfalfa Small Square	Supreme 30	\$250
	Premium 30	\$240
	173	\$240-250
	Good./Prem. 50	\$230
Orchard Grass Small Square	Premium 4	\$280

EASTERN OREGON		Fair	8	\$240
Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	300	45	\$230-250
	Fair	100		
Timothy Grass Large Square	Fair	800		\$170

HARNEY COUNTY			
Alfalfa Large Square	Premium	65	\$210
Mid Square	Fair	150	\$165
Triticale Large Square			

Good./Prem.	60	\$140
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KLAMATH BASIN			
Alfalfa Small Square	Supreme	160	\$230
	Fair	50	\$100

LAKE COUNTY			
Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	100	\$290
	Good./Prem.	67	\$210
	Premium	30	\$220
Small Square	Fair	30	\$200
	Fair	30	\$150

Alfalfa/Orchard Mix Large Square	Fair	34	\$150
Alfalfa/Oat Mix Large Square	Fair	30	\$150
Oat Large Square	Fair	75	\$125
Triticale Small Square	Fair	50	\$135

IDAHO HAY (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash.			
	Sept. 11	Last week	Last year
This week FOB	2,625	14,630	3,675

Compared to Sept. 4: Premium and Good Alfalfa weak. Trade slow this week as several interests are doing corn harvest the next two weeks. Demand light to moderate with heavy supplies of feeder hay. Retail/feed store/horse steady.

	Tons	Price
Alfalfa Large Square	345	\$170-175
	Premium 190	\$150-160
	Fair 665	\$85-90
Alfalfa Small Square	Premium 575	\$200
	850	\$220

CALIFORNIA HAY (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash.			
	Sept. 11	Last week	Last year
This week FOB	22,990	10,927	24,605

Compared to Aug. 28: All classes traded slow on light demand. According to Inciweb, the Rough Fire has grown to 110,134 acres and is currently the largest active fire in California. According to Jon Erdman and Chris Dolce from the Weather Channel, Nova's September report cited broad forecaster and model consensus this El Nino will persist through winter 2015-16 before

weakening, as most typically do, in spring 2016. Prices on dry cow hay continue to drop week to week while test hay is getting harder to find.

	Tons	Price
REGION 1: North Intermountain		
Includes the counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen, and Plumas.		
Alfalfa	Supreme	1100 \$180
	400	\$195

Premium	350	\$210
Good./Prem.	125	\$160
Fair	400	\$175
Good./Prem.	200	\$170
Premium	250	\$300
Premium	50	\$250
Fair	100	\$140

Alfalfa/Orchard Mix		
Orchard Grass		
Brome Grass		
Forage Mix-Three Way		
REGION 2: Sacramento Valley		
Includes the counties of Tehama, Glenn, Butte, Colusa, Sutter, Yuba, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, Yolo, El Dorado, Solano, Sacramento.		
Alfalfa	Premium	125 \$180-200
	Fair	400 \$135
	25	\$125

REGION 3: Northern San Joaquin Valley		
Includes the counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Mono, Merced and Mariposa.		
Alfalfa	Supreme	1100 \$240
	1100	\$275
	Prem./Sup.	75 280
	Premium	315 \$170
	315	\$200-205
	Fair	700 \$140
	Fair	53 \$225
	Fair	170 \$70
	26	\$105

REGION 4: Central San Joaquin Valley		
Includes the counties of Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare, and Inyo.		
Corn	Fair	1 \$50

REGION 5: Southern California		
Includes the counties of Kern, Northeast Los Angeles, and Western San Bernardino.		
Alfalfa	Fair	116 \$163

REGION 6: Southeast California		
Alfalfa	Good./Prem.	50 \$200-205
	Fair	50 \$150

Export		1000 \$105
Rain Damage		
	225	\$160-170
	Fair	375 \$100-105
	Good./Prem.	125 \$190
	Fair	100 \$200-220
	Fair	350 \$50

Bermuda Grass		
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Alfalfa Straw		

## 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.			
	Sept. 11	Last week	Last year

Domestic wool trading on a clean basis was at a standstill this week. There were no confirmed trades.

Foreign interest has been volatile and a strong dollar at the current time is causing less than ideal trade conditions.

The Chinese marketplace has impacted many industries and their current situation has played a role in the wool trade over the past several weeks. There is optimism that going into the fall and early winter that there will be some stability in the market making it easier to trade.

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

NATIONAL SHEEP SUMMARY (USDA Market News) San Angelo, Texas			
	Sept. 4	Last week	Last year

Compared to last week slaughter lambs were mostly steady to \$2 higher. Slaughter ewes were very uneven, mostly steady to 5 lower. Feeder lambs were mostly steady.

At San Angelo, Texas, 6,816 head sold in a one-day sale. No sales in Equity Electronic Auction.

In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder lambs were not tested. 5,400 head of negotiated sales of slaughter lambs were steady to \$2 higher.

6,200 head of formula sales under 55 lbs. were not well tested; 55-65 lbs. Had no recent comparison; 65-75 lbs. were \$2-3 higher; 75-

85 lbs. were \$6-8 higher and over 85 lbs. were not well tested. 5,980 carcasses sold with 45 lbs. and down \$46.51 lower; 45-55 lbs. \$16.31 lower; 55-65 lbs. \$1.31 lower and 65 lbs. and up \$58-96 higher.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3:

San Angelo: Angelo: shorn and woolled 100-165 lbs. \$140-160, few \$166.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 1: San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$230-250; 60-70 lbs. \$218-230; 70-80 lbs. \$200-220; 80-90 lbs. \$178-190, few \$192-196; 90-110 lbs. \$172-190, few \$202.

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

5,400 Slaughter Lambs shorn and woolled 126-169 lbs. \$145-165 (wtd avg \$156.14).

SLAUGHTER EWES:

San Angelo: Good 2-3 (fleshy) \$59-68; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) \$70-80, high-yielding \$82-86; Utility 1-2 (thin) \$54-70; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) \$50-60; Cull 1 (extremely thin) \$25-50.

FEEDER LAMBS Medium and Large 1-2: San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$212-228; 60-70 lbs. \$185-197; 70-90 lbs. \$180-188; 90-115 lbs. \$178-188.

REPLACEMENT EWES Medium and Large 1-2:

San Angelo: hair ewe lambs 80-90 lbs. \$200-206 cwt; yearling hair ewes \$164-190 per head; baby tooth to solid mouth hair ewes \$160-162 per head.

NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB CARCASS Choice and Prime 1-4:

Weight Wtd. avg.

45 lbs. Down \$426

45-55 lbs. \$373.76

55-65 lbs. \$342.26

65-75 lbs. \$327.23

75-85 lbs. \$315.10

85 lbs. and up \$301.80

Sheep and lamb slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 32,000 compared with 37,000 last week and 39,000 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.

NATIONAL SLAUGHTER CATTLE (Federal-State Market News) Oklahoma City-Des Moines			
	Sept. 11	Last week	Last year

Compared to Sept. 4: Trade is light on light demand in Kansas with live sales trading \$1-3 lower. In Nebraska trade is light to moderate on light demand with dressed sales \$3-5 lower.

Boxed beef prices Sept. 11 averaged \$231.41, which is \$3.21 lower than Sept. 4. The Choice/Select spread is \$9.36. Slaughter cattle on a national basis for negotiated cash trades through Sept. 4 totaled about 58,365 head. The previous week's total head count was 90,972 head.

Midwest Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers and Heifers 35-80 Percent Choice, 1200-1400 lbs. \$139-139.50; Dressed Basis: Steers and Heifers \$217-219.

South Plains Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers and Heifers 35-65 percent Choice, 1100-1400 lbs. \$140.

Slaughter Cows and Bulls (Average Yielding Prices): Slaughter cows and bulls steady to \$1 lower. USDA's Cattle cow carcass cut-out value Sept. 11 was \$220.01 down \$2.53 from Sept. 4.

NATIONAL FEEDER AND STOCKER CATTLE (Federal-State Market News) St. Joseph, Mo.			
	Sept. 11	Last week	Last year

Compared to Sept. 4: Yearling and feeder cattle both saw light trading for the most part. Yearlings sold mostly steady while calves lightly tested traded unevenly steady.

In the Southeast, calves traded uneven to \$5 lower. Several auctions through the Northern Plains and Midwest traded \$3-7 lower when compared to two weeks ago while direct sales on a light test were steady to \$3 lower.

The Torrington, Wyo., Livestock Commission Company held their annual Labor Day Special with nearly 7500 head on offer. Included in their long list of impressive sales of top quality fancy yearlings steers were nearly 375 head of fancy steers averaging 729 lbs. sold with a weighted average price of \$228.69; more than 550 head of yearling steers weighing between 900-950 lbs. averaging 941 lbs. sold with a weighted average price of \$197.10 and 244 head weighing 1062 lbs. dropped the gavel at \$188.60.

In Kearney Neb., on Sept. 9 at the Huss Platte Valley Livestock Auction over 500 head of yearling steers averaging 918 lbs. sold at a weighted average price of \$201.22.

Then on Sept. 10 in Valentine, Neb., at the Valentine Livestock Auction sold near 350 head of yearling steers averaging 918 lbs. for a weighted average price of \$204.14.

Strong gains developed on Sept. 9 in the cattle futures with sharp triple-digit gains as the cattle complex got a breath of fresh air. But a lack of follow-through buying for the rest of the week saw support erode in cattle futures as late week pressure developed on lack of buying support as buyers continue to take a very cautious approach.

Economic headwinds continue to slow U.S. beef and pork exports. July beef exports were 11.6 below year ago levels as U.S. beef demand continues to soften.

With the dollar remaining strong and many coun-

tries' economies suffering, beef sales overseas are not as large as needed.

One positive note this week is the increased kills and cleaning up remaining big cattle could be a positive move even at lower prices as packer margins remain good with fed cattle prices hopefully finding a bottom this week as trade early Sept. 11 on dressed sales ranged from \$218-222 mostly \$2-4 lower.

USDA released its monthly crop report on Sept. 11 reducing projected corn yields to an average of 167.5 bpa while soybean yields were boosted to 47.1 bpa. USDA forecast corn crop at 13.58 bb down less than 1 percent from August.

Still, if realized this would be the second highest yield and third largest crop on record and projected harvest acres unchanged from August at 81.1 million acres. Auction volume included 45 percent over 600 lbs. and 27 percent heifers.

AUCTIONS

This week Last week Last year

115,200 140,700 201,100

WASHINGTON 1,700 68 pct over 600 lbs. 43 pct heifers. Steers: Medium and Large 1-2 600-650 lbs. \$210.49; 650-700 lbs. \$206.76; 850-900 lbs. \$187.83. Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 500-550 lbs. \$207.74.

DIRECT

This week Last week Last year

28,700 54,400 44,700

SOUTHWEST (Arizona-California-Nevada)

5,200. No cattle over 600 lbs. No heifers. Holsteins: Large 3 300 lbs. \$252.50 February Del; 325 lbs. \$245 Current Del; 325 lbs. \$245 November-January Del.

NORTHWEST (Washington-Oregon-Idaho)

3400. 35 pct over 600 lbs. 48 pct heifers. Steers: Large 1-2 Current Delivered Price 900-950 lbs. \$194 Idaho. Medium and Large 1-2 Current FOB Price 550-600 lbs. \$225 Idaho-Washington. Heifers: Large 1-2 Current FOB Price 1000 lbs. \$176 Idaho. Medium and Large 1-2 Current FOB Price 550-600 lbs. \$215 Washington. Current Delivered Price 750-800 lbs. \$193 Idaho; 850-900 lbs. \$193 Idaho. Future Delivery FOB Price 500-550 lbs. \$213 for October-November Idaho. Future Delivery Delivered Price 850 lbs. \$182-183 for November-December Idaho.

NORTHWEST DIRECT CATTLE (USDA Market News)

Moses Lake, Wash.

Sept. 11

This week Last week Last year

3,400 1,850 200

Compared to Sept. 4: Feeder cattle steady. Trade slow with light to moderate demand. The feeder supply included 52 percent steers and 48 percent heifers. Near 35 percent of the supply weighed over 600 lbs. Prices are FOB weighing point with a 1-4 percent shrink or equivalent and with a 5-10 cent side on calves and a 3-8 cent side on yearlings. Delivered prices include freight, commissions and other expenses. Current sales are up to 14 days delivery.

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## 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			
	Sept. 11	Last week	Last year

PACIFIC NORTHWEST MARKET SUMMARY

Cash wheat bids for September delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, Sept. 10, mostly higher compared to Sept. 3 noon bids for September delivery.

December wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, Sept. 10, higher as follows compared to Sept. 3 closes: Chicago wheat futures were 12.75 cents higher at \$4.78, Kansas City wheat futures were 9.75 cents higher at \$4.7750 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 8.50 cents higher at \$5.0875, Chicago December corn futures trended 12.75 cents higher at \$3.7425 and September soybean futures closed 4.50 cents higher at \$8.74.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit trains or barges during September for ordinary protein were \$5.33-5.35, mostly \$5.34. Bids trended steady to 12.75 cents per bushel higher compared to \$5.2025-5.35, mostly \$5.2725 last week for September delivery.

Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. There were no white club wheat premiums for this week or last week.

One year ago bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for September delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were \$6.5975-7, mostly \$6.8225 and bids for White Club Wheat were \$8.75-9.3975, mostly \$9.0725.

Nearby bids for U.S. 1 Soft White wheat ordinary protein started the holiday shortened reporting week on Sept. 4 at mostly \$5.2875, and moved higher to mostly \$5.33 on Sept. 8, before falling slightly to mostly \$5.3125 on Sept. 9. Sept. 10, bids ended the reporting week higher at mostly \$5.34.

Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as follows: October, November and December \$5.33-5.35.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: October \$6.7975-7.03, November \$6.7975-7.06, December \$6.7975-7.09 and January \$6.76-7.12.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein during September were \$6.33-6.58, mostly \$6.48, six to

12.75 cents per bushel higher compared to \$6.3475-6.56 last week for September delivery.

White club wheat premiums for guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein soft white wheat were 75 cents to \$1.50, mostly \$1.25 per bushel over soft white wheat bids compared to 75 cents to \$1.25, mostly \$1.25 Sept. 3.

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