

# 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

### OREGON AREA HAY (USDA Market News)

Portland, Ore.			
Dec. 12			
This week FOB	Last week	Last year	
2,772	3,999	1,559	

Compared to Dec. 11: Prices trended generally steady compared to week-ago prices. The upcoming holidays have slowed sales. Many producers have decided to hold on to their hay for now, in hopes for higher prices. Snow has hit some of the hay-producing areas.

CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES			
Alfalfa Small Square			
Premium	48	\$240-260	
Orchard Grass Small Square			
Premium	53	\$240-270	

EASTERN OREGON			
Alfalfa Large Square			
Premium	320	\$190	
Good	245	\$125	

HARNEY COUNTY			
Timothy Grass Large Square			
Premium	400	\$140	

Klamath Basin			
Alfalfa Large Square			
Supreme	200	\$205	
Prem./Sup.	250	\$235	
Premium	405	\$170-180	

LAKE COUNTY			
Alfalfa Large Square			
Premium	33	\$225	
Small Square			
Good/Prem.	120	\$210	
Fair/Good	60	\$150	

Alfalfa/Orchard Mix Small			
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Square	Good	24	\$200
Oat Large Square	Good	300	\$100
Triticale Large Square	Premium	60	\$125
	Good	200	\$90
	Good	29	\$175

CALIFORNIA HAY (USDA Market News)			
Moses Lake, Wash.			
Dec. 11			
This week FOB	Last week	Last year	
4,643	5,456	3,410	

Compared to Dec. 5: All classes traded steady to weak on a very thin test. Demand was very light to light. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, another stormy week was experienced across most of the region, leaving only the southeastern California desert and part of the San Joaquin Valley devoid of significant precipitation. The heaviest precipitation — more than one foot — affected part of the Washington Cascades, interior northwestern Washington, northwestern Oregon, southwestern Oregon, and northwestern California.

REGION 1: NORTH INTERMOUNTAIN			
Includes the counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen, and Plumas.			
Alfalfa	Good	75	\$130
	Fair/Good	300	\$110
		300	\$100

REGION 2: SACRAMENTO VALLEY			
Includes the counties of Tehama, Glenn, Butte, Colusa, Sutter, Yuba, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, Yolo, El Dorado, Solano, Sacramento.			
Alfalfa	Supreme	200	\$320
	Premium	100	\$210
	Good/Prem.	275	\$200
	Fair	125	\$150
		200	\$205
		100	\$260-270
		100	\$100-115
		50	\$100

REGION 3: NORTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY			
Includes the counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Mono, Merced and Mariposa.			
Oat	Fair/Good	75	\$95

REGION 4: CENTRAL SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY			
Includes the counties of Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare, and Inyo.			
Alfalfa	Good/Prem.	200	\$200

REGION 5: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA			
Includes the counties of Kern, Northeast Los Angeles, and West-ern San Bernardino.			
Alfalfa	Premium	25	\$240
	Good/Prem.	25	\$200

IDAHO HAY (USDA Market News)			
Moses Lake, Wash.			
Dec. 12			
This week FOB	Last week	Last year	
3,925	3,175	2,660	

Compared to Dec. 12: Fair/Good Alfalfa weak in a light test. Other grades not tested this week. Trade remains slow this week with continued light demand. Most interests now are waiting until after the first of the year. Some interest was noted this week from NW exporters. Retail/feed store/horse steady.

Alfalfa Mid Square			
Fair/Good	600	\$120	
	3000	\$75	
Alfalfa Small Square			
Premium	100	\$150	
Wheat Straw Mid Square	Good	225	\$40-55

WASHINGTON-OREGON HAY (Columbia Basin) (USDA Market News)			
Moses Lake, Wash.			
Dec. 12			
This week FOB	Last week	Last year	
4,855	4,810	8,350	

Compared to Dec. 5: Premium Alfalfa and export Alfalfa steady in a light pre-holiday test. Trade remains slow. Demand remains light. As most interests are out of the market until after the first of the year. Retail/feed store steady. Demand remains good.

Alfalfa Mid Square			
Prem./Sup.	750	\$210	
Good	1500	\$145	
Fair	2500	\$120-130	
Premium	75	\$260-265	
Timothy Grass Mid Square	Premium	30	\$200

## 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			
Dec. 17			
PACIFIC NORTHWEST MARKET SUMMARY			

Cash wheat bids for December delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday Dec. 17, lower compared to Dec. 10 noon bids for December delivery.

March wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, Dec. 17, lower as follows compared to Dec. 10 closes: Chicago wheat futures were 11.50 cents lower at \$4.84, Kansas City wheat futures were 9.25 cents lower at \$4.8050 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended \$7.50 cents lower at \$5.08.

Chicago December corn futures trended five cents lower at \$3.7425 and January soybean futures closed 1.25 cents lower at \$8.77.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit trains or barges during December for ordinary protein were not available this week or last week for December delivery, as most exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

On Dec. 17, bids were as follows: December \$5.6050-5.7050, January \$5.6550-5.7550, February \$5.7050-5.7550, March \$5.7550 and April \$5.76-5.79.

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein U.S. 1 Dark Northern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery during December were \$7.50 to 12.50 cents per bushel lower than the previous week's noon bids for the same delivery period. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

On Dec. 17, bids for non-guaranteed 14 percent protein were as follows: December \$6.28-6.48, January \$6.13-6.48, February \$6.18-6.48 and March \$6.28-6.48.

COARSE FEEDING GRAINS  
Bids for U.S. 2 Yellow Corn delivered full coast Pacific Northwest — BN shuttle trains for December delivery were five to six cents lower from \$4.5125-4.5425 per bushel. Forward month corn bids were as follows: January and February \$4.5425-4.5725, March \$4.5625-4.5825, April \$4.5825-4.6225 and May \$4.5925-4.6225. Bids for U.S. 1 Yellow Soybeans delivered full coast Pacific Northwest — BN shuttle trains for December delivery were mixed, from 1.25 cents lower to 0.75 of a cent higher from \$9.69-9.73 per bushel.

Forward month soybean bids were as follows: January \$9.69-9.77 and February \$9.5575-9.6675. Bids for U.S. 2 Heavy White Oats for December delivery trended \$7.25 cents lower at \$3.8475 per bushel.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST EXPORT NEWS  
There were 13 grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday, Dec. 17, with four docked compared to 15 last week with four

One year ago bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for December delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were \$8.1850-8.2850 and bids for White Club Wheat were \$10.1850-10.7850.

Forward month bids for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent proteins were as follows: January \$6.34-6.70, February \$6.39-6.70, March \$6.39-6.50, and April \$6.46-6.50.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: January \$7.90-8.3350, February \$7.96-8.3350 and March \$8.07-8.3350. Bids for 11.5 percent protein U.S. 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for December delivery were \$9.25 cents per bushel lower compared to the previous week's noon bids for December delivery.

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docked. There were no new confirmed export sales this week from the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) of the USDA.

### CALIFORNIA GRAINS (USDA Market News)

Portland			
Dec. 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)		
Truck	Petaluma-Santa Rosa	Sale \$11.65

CORN-U.S. No. 2 Yellow			
FOB			
Turlock-Tulare			
Single Car Units via BNSF			
Chino Valley-Los Angeles	Petaluma-Santa Rosa	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties
Truck		\$9.13	\$9
		\$8.84	\$8.84

SORGHUM-U.S. No. 2 Yellow			
Rail			
Los Angeles-Chino Valley via BNSF Single			
OATS-U.S. No. 1 White	Truck	Los Angeles-Chino Valley	NA
OATS-U.S. No. 2 White	Truck	Petaluma	\$13
Truck	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock		\$12.75-13

WHEAT-U.S. No. 2 or better-Hard Red Winter (Domestic Values for Flour Milling)			
Los Angeles 12 percent Protein			
WHEAT-U.S. No. 2 Durum Wheat <td>Truck</td> <td>Imperial County</td> <td>\$11</td>	Truck	Imperial County	\$11

Prices paid to California farmers, seven-day reporting period ended Dec. 17:

WHEAT, U.S. No. 1, Hard Amber Durum for Flour Milling	Imperial Valley \$11	Spot	Delivered
BARLEY, U.S. No. 2, 48 lbs. per bushel	Petaluma	\$11.65	Spot
			Delivered

## 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.			
Dec. 12			
Domestic wool trading on a clean basis was slow this week. There were 130,888 lbs. of confirmed trades. These are a representative of a few cleanup sales where smaller amounts of wool are attempting to be marketed at this time, but many are opting to hold onto their wool as there is optimism that there will be another strong rally in the spring where wool will receive more attractive offers for producers.			

Currently there is still some resistance due to the strong U.S. dollar, though prices have remained relatively steady over the past several weeks.

Domestic wool trading on a greasy basis was slow to moderate this week. There were 281,873 lbs. of confirmed trades. All trades reported on a weighted average. Fleeced States Ewe Wool: 60-65 mm 22 micron \$1.36; 65-70 mm 23 micron \$1.23; 60-65 mm 29 micron \$7.1. Lamb Wools: 65-70 mm 22 micron \$1.33; 65-70 mm 25 micron \$1.18; 65-70 mm 26 micron \$1.09; Bellies \$7.1. Territory States Ewe Wool: 60-65 mm Tender 21 micron \$1.55; 70-75 mm 22 micron \$1.79; 60-65 mm 23 micron \$1.20; 50-55 mm Tender 24 micron \$1.01; 60-65 mm 26 micron \$1.12. Yearling wools: 75-80 mm Tender 27 micron \$9.9. Lamb Wools: 60-65 mm 21 micron \$1.47; 65-70 mm 22 micron \$1.47; 65-70 mm 24 micron \$1.17; 70-75 mm 26 micron \$1.17; 60-65 mm 28 micron \$8.8; 60-65 mm 30-31 micron \$8.1.

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

### NATIONAL SHEEP SUMMARY (USDA Market News)

San Angelo, Texas			
Dec. 12			
Compared to Dec. 5: Compared to last week heavy slaughter lambs were steady to 8 lower; light slaughter lambs were steady to \$20 higher, except at San Angelo, Texas, where they were steady to 10 lower. Slaughter ewes were			

steady. No comparison on feeder lambs. At San Angelo, Texas, 4,400 head sold in a one-day sale. No sales in Equity Electronic Auction. In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder lambs were not tested.

3,900 head of negotiated sales of slaughter lambs were \$2-3 lower. 10,700 head of formula sales under 55 lbs. were not well tested; 55-65 lbs. were \$2-4 higher; 65-95 lbs. were \$1-4 lower and over 95 lbs. had no recent comparison. 4,228 carcasses sold with 45 lbs. and down \$29.90 higher; 45-65 lbs. \$1.77-3.96 higher and 65 lbs. and up \$1.46-3.22 lower.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3: \$128-144. SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 1: \$128-144. SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 1: \$128-144.

San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$240-264, few 272; 60-70 lbs. \$222-236, few \$242; 70-80 lbs. \$210-228; 80-90 lbs. \$198-216; 90-100 lbs. \$178-182.

DIRECT TRADING (Lambs with 3-4 percent shrink or equivalent): 3,900 Slaughter Lambs shorn and woolled 132-165 lbs. \$125-158.10 (wt'd avg 143.46).

SLAUGHTER EWES: San Angelo: Good 2-3 (fleshy) no test; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) \$78-93, high-yielding \$96-106; Utility 1-2 (thin) \$70-74; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) \$62; Cull 1 (extremely thin) \$50.

FEEDER LAMBS Medium and Large 1-2: San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$228-232; 60-70 lbs. \$205-214; 70-80 lbs. \$180-190; 85-90 lbs. \$160-168; \$103-149.

REPLACEMENT EWES Medium and Large 1-2: San Angelo: yearling hair ewes 178 per head; mixed age hair ewes 70-145 lbs. \$110-138 cwt.

NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB CARCASS Choice and Prime 1-4:

Weight	Wtd. avg.
45 lbs. Down	\$469.02
45-55 lbs.	\$389.40
55-65 lbs.	\$347.66
65-75 lbs.	\$317.29
75-85 lbs.	\$306.35
85 lbs. and up	\$294.68

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

## 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 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			
Dec. 18			
Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 14 cents lower for Jumbo, 12 cents lower for Extra Large, 11 cents lower for Large and 17 cents lower for Medium and Small. The undertone is steady to mostly lower. Offerings are moderate to heavy.			

Retail demand is moderate to fairly good with loose egg sales generally moderate. Warehouse buying interest remains in a mostly hand-to-mouth fashion as discounting continues. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.69.

Size	Range	Size	Range
Jumbo	295	Extra large	231
Large	226	Medium	189

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	217-228	Extra large	157-169
Large	158-167	Medium	127-136

## Livestock Auctions

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

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