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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)
Oct. 27

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
2070 Tons	3100 Tons	1900 Tons

Compared to Oct. 20: Fair/Good Alfalfa firm in a light test, other grades of Alfalfa and Timothy steady. Trade slow this week. Demand remains good for all grades of Alfalfa. Retail/Feedstore not tested this week.

Alfalfa	Mid Square	Tons	Price
	Good/Prem/Exp	920	140.65
	Fair/Good/Tarped	200	140.00

OREGON AREA HAY (USDA Market News)
Oct. 27

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
7198 Tons	4513 Tons	2705 Tons

Compared to Oct. 20: Prices trended generally steady in a limited test. Retail/Stable type hay remains the largest demanded hay. Demand for organic hay increased this week. Many hay producers have sold out for the year.

Alfalfa	Large Square	Tons	Price
	Good	400	140.00
	Small Square	60	232.08
	Prem Retail/Stable	2	190.00
	Good Retail/Stable	2	190.00
	Small Square	75	210.00
	Prem Retail/Stable	25	275.00

Grain Market Reports

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Portland

Grains are stated in dollars per bushel or hundredweight (cwt), except feed grains stated in dollars per ton. National grain reports are for all delivery unless truck indicated.

PORTLAND GRAIN (USDA Market News)
Portland Oct. 26

Pacific Northwest Market Summary: Cash wheat bids for October delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, Oct. 26, were higher compared to week ago noon bids for October delivery.

December wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, Oct. 26, mixed as follows compared to week ago closes: Chicago wheat futures were one cent lower at 4.3175, Kansas City wheat futures were one cent lower at 4.2825 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 4.75 cents lower at 6.2050. Chicago December corn futures trended 1.50 at 3.5050 and November soybean futures closed 15.25 cents lower at 9.7125.

Bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit trains or barges during October for ordinary protein trended 2.25 to five cents per bushel lower compared to week ago prices for the same delivery period from 5.30-5.40. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

White club wheat premiums were zero to five cents per bushel over soft white wheat bids this week and last week.

One year ago bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for October delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were 4.62-4.7650 and bids for White Club Wheat were 4.92-5.0150. Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as follows: November 5.2675-5.40, December 5.3175-5.40, January and February 5.40-5.43.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: November 4.5650-4.7650, December 4.6150-4.7650, January and February 4.78-4.97.

Bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein during October trended 2.25 to five cents per bushel higher than week ago prices for the same delivery period from 5.30-5.40. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

nearby delivery. White club wheat premiums for guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein soft white wheat this week were zero to five cents per bushel over soft white wheat bids this week and last week.

One year ago bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein for October delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were 4.7150-4.8150 and bids for White Club Wheat were also 4.7150-5.0650.

Forward month bids for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent protein were as follows: November 5.2675-5.40, December 5.2675-5.4175, January 5.40-5.43 and February 5.40-5.4025.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: November 4.5650-4.8150, December 4.6150-4.8150, January and February 4.92-5.02.

Bids for 11.5 percent protein US 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for October delivery were not available as most exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

This week, bids were as follows: October not available, November and December 5.6825-5.9325, January 5.71-5.96 and February 5.76-5.96.

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein US 1 Dark Northern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery during October were not available as most exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

This week, bids for non-guaranteed 14 percent protein were as follows: October not available, November 7.3550-7.5550, December 7.3050-7.5550, January and February 7.3750-7.6750.

Coarse feeding grains: Bids for US 2 Yellow Corn delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BN shuttle trains for October delivery were not available as most exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

Forward month corn bids were as follows: November not available, December 4.2150-4.2550, January 4.3150-4.3350, February 4.3350-4.3450 and March 4.3450-4.3750.

Bids for US 1 Yellow Soybeans delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BN shuttle trains for October delivery were not available as most exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

Alfalfa/Orchard Mix	Large Square	Tons	Price
	Good/Premium	80	115.00
	Large Square	60	100.00
	Good/Premium	60	100.00
	Large Square	270	90.00
	Good	270	90.00

Alfalfa/Orchard Mix	Large Square	Tons	Price
	Supreme	175	217.14
	Prem Organic	500	295.00
	Small Square	200	188.00
	Supreme	150	200.00
	Prem Retail/Stable	31	170.00
	Good/Premium	75	150.00
	Retail/Stable	75	150.00

Lake County Alfalfa
Large Square
Supreme 2000 200.00
Excess Moisture 270 175.00
Premium 350 175.00

Timothy Grass
Large Square
Premium 500 220.00

Triticale
Large Square
Good/Premium 400 110.00
Good 525 96.67

Eastern Oregon: No New Sales Confirmed.

IDAHO HAY (USDA Market News)
Oct. 27

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
2000 Tons	12,500 Tons	2800 Tons

Compared to Oct. 20: Alfalfa firm in a light test. Trade slow with good demand. Demand remains good especially from California interests for higher testing Alfalfa. Retail/Feedstore steady. Prices are dollars per ton and FOB the farm or ranch unless otherwise stated.

Alfalfa	Mid Square	Tons	Price
	Fair/Good Tarped	2000	110.00

CALIFORNIA GRAINS (USDA Market News)
Oct. 26

Paid by feed manufacturers and other users, delivered plant or receiving station. All prices are offers for prompt shipment unless otherwise stated. Due to limited availability, prices were not available with the exception of the following categories.

FOB	Solano County	NA
	Colusa County	NA
	Thema County	NA
	Los Angeles	NA
	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	NA
	Tulare County	NA
	Petaluma-Santa Rosa	NA
	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	9.50
	Kings-Tulare	NA
	Fresno Counties	NA
	Kern County	NA
	Colusa County	NA
	Glenn County	NA

CORN US No 2 Yellow
FOB Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock 9.50
Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock NA
Kings-Tulare-Fresno 6.70
Turlock/Tulare 8.01

Rail: Single Car Units via BNSF
LA-Chino Valley 8.29

fertilized for winter planting.
REGION 1: NORTHERN INTERMOUNTAIN
Includes the counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen and Plumas.

Alfalfa	Supreme	Tons	Price
	Prem Contr	300	240.00
	Retail/Stable	175	160.00
	Retail/Stable	350	200.00
	Good/Premium	400	180.00
	Good Export	150	190.00
	Rain Damage	110	120.00
	Good Del	180	120.00
	Good	225	60.00

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

Alfalfa	Supreme	Tons	Price
	Premium	75	240.00
	Good	25	250.00
	Good	25	165.00

REGION 3: NORTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY
Includes the counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Mono, Merced and Mariposa.

Alfalfa	Supreme	Tons	Price
	Del	600	252.50
	Del 20% Orch Grass	100	285.00
	Premium Del	200	250.00
	Premium Del	25	265.00
	Good Del	1500	132.50

REGION 4: CENTRAL SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY
Includes the counties of Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare and Inyo.

Alfalfa	Good/Prem Del	Tons	Price
	Utility	200	250.00
	Good	120	205.00
	Good	100	115.00

REGION 5: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
Includes the counties of Kern, Northeast Los Angeles and Western San Bernardino

Alfalfa	Prem Retail/Stable	Tons	Price
	Forage Mix-Three Way	75	226.67
	Good Retail/Stable	25	180.00

REGION 6: SOUTHEAST CALIFORNIA
Includes the counties of Eastern San Bernardino, Riverside and Imperial.

Alfalfa	Premium	Tons	Price
	Good	150	176.67
	Fair	425	155.00
	Fair	350	122.14

Bermuda Grass
Prem Retail/Stable 50 190.00

Truck Petaluma-Santa Rosa NA
Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties Glenn County Hanford County Kern County NA

SORGHUM US No 2 Yellow (Milo) Rail LA-Chino Valley via BNSF Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock Turlock County Glenn County Kings-Tulare-Fresno NA

OATS US No 1 White (40 lbs. per bushel) Truck LA-Chino Valley US No 2 White (38 lbs. per bushel) Rail Petaluma NA Turlock Petaluma NA Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock 10.75

WHEAT US No 2 or better - Hard Red Winter (Domestic Values for Flour Milling) FOB Kern NA Fresno NA Merced NA

Truck (California Origin) LA 12% Protein NA LA 13% Protein NA LA 14% Protein NA Colusa County NA

Rail-Truck (Out of State Origin) LA Guaranteed 12% Protein NA LA Guaranteed 13% Protein NA LA Guaranteed 14% Protein NA

WHEAT US Durum Wheat FOB Imperial County NA Turlock Imperial County NA Kern County NA Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties 10.50

WHEAT Any Class for Feed FOB Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties 9.35

Dairy Report

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Madison, Wis.

FLUID MILK AND CREAM REVIEW - WEST (USDA Market News)
Oct. 26

Milk output is stable to slightly up in California. The state has recovered from the recent drop in milk production.

Some manufacturers report running their dryers, producing milk powders for the first time in several weeks. Milk inventories are adequate to meet end-user/buyer requests. Contracted loads are moving as scheduled.

However, prices are higher for spot loads. As the result, some manufacturers are taking only the supplies of milk needed for short-term processing. Class 1 demand remains flat. Processing plants are running near to or below full schedules.

According to California Department of Food and Agriculture, September 2017 pool receipts of milk in the state total 2.89 billion pounds. This is 4.3 percent lower compared to the same month a year ago.

From January through September 2017, receipts

are 2.9 percent lower from the comparable period in 2016. The Value at Test price is \$16.52, \$0.83 lower than the previous month, but \$0.67 above a year ago. The percentage of receipts used in Class 1 products is 14.45 percent.

The September quota price is \$16.95 and the over quota price is \$15.25. These prices are \$0.96 below last month, but \$0.61 higher from a year ago.

According to CDA, November 2017 Class 1 prices in California are \$18.49 in the North and \$18.76 in the South. The statewide average Class 1 price based on production is \$18.51. This price is up \$0.47 from the previous month, and \$2.36 higher than a year ago.

In Arizona, milk supply continues to increase. The weather is getting cooler and cows are starting to get the comfort needed for better milk production.

This week, most schools are out on their fall break. Some handlers decreased their Class 1 milk intakes.

In general, the market is steady and supplies are adequate. New Mexico milk yield has been trend-

ing upward for the past two weeks. Some Class III processing plants are down for annual maintenance/repairs. Consequently, they have largely cut back on their milk intakes.

Handlers have to redirect some of Class III milk supplies to different processing plants to avoid the accumulation of holdovers.

Class I demand is steady to slightly down due to school pipelines being full. Class II intakes are increasing. Overall, milk supplies are sufficient to meet all processing obligations.

Pacific Northwest milk production is in balance with processing needs. Bottling demand is steady. Cheese and butter makers are getting adequate amounts of milk for production runs. Processors are using any available open times to run routine maintenance.

Milk production in the mountain states of Idaho, Utah and Colorado is becoming better balanced.

Manufacturers say there is no trouble to get the milk needed for processing. Although occasionally there are a few spot loads that need homes, the

milk is generally self-contained within the region. According to contacts, condensed skim is moving strong into California. Although western cream is available for manufacturing needs, slight tightening in supplies have been reported in some areas. Cream is moving strong into butter plants. Cream multiples for all usages run 1.10-1.28.

According to the DMN National Retail Report-Dairy for the week of Oct. 20-26, the national weighted average advertised price for one gallon of milk is \$2.25, down \$0.71 from last week, and \$0.74 lower from a year ago. The weighted average regional price in the Southwest is \$2.51, with a price range of \$1.89-\$2.97. The weighted average regional price in the Northwest is \$1.99, with no reported price range.

The NASS Milk Production report noted September 2017 milk production in the 23 selected states was 16.2 billion pounds, 1.2 percent above a year ago. Milk cows in the 23 selected states totaled 8.74 million head, 73,000 head more than a year ago.

Cattle Market Reports

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

NATIONAL FEEDER AND STOCKER CATTLE (Federal-State Market News)
St. Joseph, Mo. Oct. 27

This week	Last week	Last year
357,600	360,000	334,400

Compared to Oct. 20: Steer and heifers sold uneven again this week, from 3.00 lower to 3.00 higher. Most of the lower trending markets occurred early in the week prior to the surge in the CME Cattle Complex.

Tuesday saw an upswing in the complex and so rolled the local auction markets. For the week, CME Live Cattle contracts were around 4.00 higher with the October closing Friday at 115.37; December 120.80; February 125.75; April 125.02.

The February and April contracts made new contract highs this week. CME Feeder Cattle were also higher for the week as November closed at 156.47 and January at 155.70.

Demand was moderate at best for spring calves and moderate to good for yearling cattle as they are getting harder and harder to come by this time of year. The long weaned calves are in much more demand than the unweaned fleshy bawlers that will become more prevalent as the calendar moves towards Thanksgiving.

However, the health on short weaned calves will get an extra boost as an Alberta Clipper is hitting the Northern Plains and Midwest late this week will

hopefully get rid of some of those nasty flu bugs that typically happen with the large temperature swings that happen in late October.

Temperatures that dip to the freezing mark will be evident in Southern Kansas this weekend with wind chills significantly below freezing and blowing snow with 60-plus mph winds registered in Minnesota today and snow flurries were also in the air in Omaha, Neb. Look out! Ole Man Winter is coming. Harvest is on the minds of farmer feeders as corn harvest continues to move at a slower pace than the 5-year average and any clear day that one can harvest, they will.

According to the NASS weekly Crop Progress, corn harvest is only 38 percent complete, 21 points behind the average. Farmers are content to get the soybeans harvested first as soybean harvest is more closely aligned with the 5-year average with 70 percent of harvest complete, only 3 points behind the average. Ranchers at the Moberge Livestock Exchange in Moberge, S.D., are always on the lookout for top quality replacement heifers and this week was no exception.

On Tuesday, a load of 525 lb replacement quality heifers sold at 209.00, while their bigger sisters weighing 580 lb sold at 204.00, the latter being just shy of \$1200/head. Two loads of yearling steers weighing 951 and 956 lb sold for 166.50 at Hub City Livestock in Aberdeen, S.D. Cold Storage was released from NASS on Monday, with total red

meat supplies in freezers for September seeing an increase of 4 percent from the previous month and a decline of 5 percent from last year. Total pounds of beef in freezers were up 2 percent from August and down 6 percent from last year.

Frozen pork supplies were up 7 percent from the previous month and 4 percent lower than a year ago, with the stock of pork bellies up 9 percent from last month and down 17 percent from a year ago. The combined inventory of beef, pork, and poultry in cold storage at the end of September totaled 2.496 billion pounds, the largest amount of meat in cold storage since October 2002. Auction volume this week included 34 percent weighing over 600 lbs and 39 percent heifers.

NATIONAL SLAUGHTER CATTLE SUMMARY (USDA Market News)
Oct. 27

Slaughter cattle not enough for an accurate market trend, however very few sales 2.00 higher. Boxed Beef prices as of Friday afternoon averaged 197.89 up 2.39 from last Friday. The Choice/Select spread is 8.72. Slaughter cattle on a national basis for negotiated cash trades through Friday afternoon totaled about 14,504 head. Last week's total head count was 63,896 head.

Midwest Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers and Heifers: Very Few 112.00-113.00. Dressed Basis: Steers and Heifers Very Few 178.00.

South Plains Direct