



Hay Market Demand and Price Report for the Upper Midwest For October 25, 2021

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All hay prices quoted are dollars per ton FOB point of origin for alfalfa hay unless otherwise noted.

The information presented in this report is compiled from public and private quality tested sales and reports in the Midwest.

The past several months of hay reports are archived and you may view previous hay reports, go to <http://fyi.uwex.edu/forage/> on the Team Forage web site and click on the [past hay reports](#) section.

Hay auction data is collected on the first and third week of the month and posted by or before Tuesday. Prices quoted in this report are for “as fed” alfalfa hay.

Demand and Sales Comments

Prices are stronger this week, as it appears buyers are seeking dairy quality hay. With harvest, wrapping up in many areas it appears the next job is securing a hay supply for winter. If you need forage or have forage to sell or straw, connect to the Farmer-to-Farmer webpage at <http://farmertofarmer.uwex.edu/>. You may contact your local county agriculture educator if you need help placing an ad. There is no charge for the service.

Upper Midwest Hay Price Summary by Quality Grade

Hay Grade	Bale type	----- Price (\$/ton) -----		
		Average	Minimum	Maximum
Prime (> 151 RFV/RFQ)	Small Square	\$253.00	\$210.00	\$400.00
	Large Square	\$237.00	\$150.00	\$300.00
	Large Round	\$209.00	\$160.00	\$300.00
Grade 1 (125 to 150 RFV/RFQ)	Small Square	\$201.00	\$160.00	\$224.00
	Large Square	\$170.00	\$120.00	\$225.00
	Large Round	\$154.00	\$90.00	\$235.00
Grade 2 (103 to 124 RFV/RFQ)	Small Square		No Reported Sales	
	Large Square	\$145.00	\$100.00	\$180.00
	Large Round	\$143.00	\$100.00	\$210.00
Grade 3 (87 to 102 RFV/RFQ)	Small Square		No Reported Sales	
	Large Square		No Reported Sales	
	Large Round	\$83.00	\$80.00	\$86.00



Straw prices are for oat, barley, or wheat straw. Straw prices are steady to stronger. Small square bales averaged \$5.10 a bale (range of \$4.00 to \$7.00). Large square bale straw averaged \$48.00 per bale (a range of \$28.00 to \$75.00). Large round bale straw averaged \$58.00 per bale (range of \$45.00 - \$65.00).

In Nebraska, all forages sold unevenly steady with a moderate demand. ***In Iowa***, no report.

In South Dakota, prices were steady with good demand for all classes of hay. There is an extreme drought and increased demand for forages.

In Missouri, prices are steady with moderate supply and a light demand. Good hay stockpiles may be limiting sales.

In Southwest Minnesota, no report. ***In Kansas***, hay market prices were steady, demand is fair to good. Many factors agriculture related may have resulted in a strong hay market.

In Wisconsin, prices are steady too strong for dairy quality hay.

The next Hay Market Demand and Price Report for the Upper Midwest will be posted by Tuesday, November 9, 2021.

The following links are **included** in this report allowing producers to obtain some state and nearby state prices, (these may not be quality-tested auctions, if quality, they are included in this report). The Equity Cooperative market report is at http://livestock.equitycoop.com/market_reports/. Go to the Lomira, Reedsville, and Stratford locations for their reports on untested hay and straw prices.

The Reynolds Feed & Supply, LLC of Dodgeville is at <http://www.reynoldslivestock.com/what1snew/>.

The Tim Slack Auction and Realty, LLC of Fennimore is at <http://www.timslackauctionrealty.com/market%20report.html>.

The Dyersville Sales Company of Dyersville, Iowa is at <http://dyersvillesales.com/hay-auction/hay-auction-results/>. Fort Atkinson auction is at <http://www.fortatkinsonhay.com/>

The Farmer-to-Farmer website is an electronic neighborhood bulletin board that allows local farmers to get in touch with one another to facilitate the marketing of feed commodities. It has recently been expanded to connect those with productive pastures to those producers who are in need of pastures. It can be found at <http://farmertofarmer.uwex.edu/>. If you would like assistance posting to this web site, contact your county's UW-Extension agriculture agent.

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