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Kansas Hay Market Report

Ground/Grinding alfalfa movement:      Southwest/South Central  
Tonnage: 7,107/4,485      Last week: 7,113/4,879      Last year: 7,719/5,140

Hay market trade slow; demand light; Most of the activity is on previously contracted hay. Reports are coming in that alfalfa hay is hitting the ground, but tonnages are lower due to freeze damage, insects, and dry conditions. Under the circumstances we currently find ourselves in, most producers are still trying to figure out where the new crop pricing should be. Hit and miss showers occurred across western Kansas and, although gratefully received, did not provide much relief from the drought conditions. Rain continues to fall, however, in the eastern half of the state making haying and field work next to impossible. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, Abnormal dryness (D0) decreased to 25 pct, moderate drought (D1) held steady at 16 pct, severe drought (D2) was steady at 9 pct and extreme drought (D3) was steady at 2.5 pct. If you have any extra hay to sell and/or need hay here in Kansas, use the services of the Internet Hay Exchange: [www.hayexchange.com/ks.php](http://www.hayexchange.com/ks.php).

#### Southwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground and delivered steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, premium small squares 230.00-240.00. Dairy 1.00/point RFV, Supreme 185.00-226.00, Premium 170.00-195.00, Good 150.00-170.00. Stock or Dry Cow 160.00-165.00. Old crop, Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, 110.00-125.00, new crop grinding alfalfa 115.00-125.00 delivered, with an instance of new crop grinder hay in the bale at 120.00 at the edge. Ground and delivered locally to feed lots and dairies, 145.00-155.00, with a few instances at 165.00. Grass Hay: Bluestem, good small squares none reported, large squares 100.00-110.00. Sudan: large rounds 60.00-70.00. Corn stalks ground and delivered, 65.00-75.00. Wheat straw: none reported. The week of 5/17-5/23, 7,107T of grinding alfalfa and 1,235T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought/sold.

#### South Central Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered, alfalfa pellets, steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, small squares 255.00-275.00. Dairy, 1.00/point RFV, Supreme 185.00-225.00, Premium 170.00-195.00, Good 150.00-178.00. Stock cow, 140.00-150.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, 85.00-100.00, Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 140.00-150.00; Alfalfa pellets: Sun cured 15 pct protein 190.00-200.00, 17 pct protein 195.00-210.00, Dehydrated 17 pct 300.00-310.00. Grass Hay: Bluestem, none reported. Sudan: large rounds 55.00-65.00. Wheat Straw: none reported. The week of 5/17-5/23, 4,485 of grinding alfalfa and 637.5T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought/sold.

#### Southeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered, grass hay steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse or goat, 230.00-240.00. Dairy 1.00/point RFV. Stock cow 140.00-150.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, 115.00-125.00. Ground and delivered, none reported; Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares 125.00-135.00, good, mid

squares 105.00-120.00, large squares, 90.00-110.00, large rounds 60.00-65.00. Brome, good, small squares 125.00-150.00, mid to large squares 100.00-110.00, large rounds 70.00-80.00. Wheat Straw: mid and large squares 60.00-70.00, large rounds 55.00-65.00. The week of 5/17-5/23, 1,335T of grass hay was reported bought/sold.

#### Northwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse or goat, 205.00-215.00. Dairy, Premium/Supreme 1.00/point RFV. Stock cow, fair/good none reported. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, 95.00-105.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 125.00-135.00. Sudan, large rounds 55.00-65.00.

#### North Central-Northeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered, grass hay steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, premium small squares none reported. Old crop dairy 1.00/point RFV, Supreme 185.00-225.00, Premium 170.00-195.00, Good 150.00-170.00. New crop dairy 1.00-1.05/pt. Stock Cow, none reported. Fair/good, grinding alfalfa, 100.00-110.00. Ground and delivered 120.00-130.00. Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares 6.00-7.00/bale, mid to large squares 80.00-90.00, large rounds 55.00-65.00. Brome, small squares none reported, large squares 90.00-100.00, large rounds 55.00-65.00; Sudan, large rounds 55.00-65.00. Wheat Straw: small squares 5.00-6.00/bale delivered, large squares 70.00-80.00, large rounds 55.00-65.00. The week of 5/17-5/23, 778T of grinding alfalfa and 775T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought/sold.

\*\*\*Prices are dollars per ton and FOB unless otherwise noted. Dairy alfalfa prices are for mid and large squares unless otherwise noted. Horse hay is in small squares unless otherwise noted. Prices are from the most recent sales.  
\*CWF Certified Weed Free

#### Alfalfa Quality Guidelines

Quality	ADF	NDF	*RFV/RFQ	**TDN-100%	**TDN-90%	CP
Supreme	<27	<34	>185	>62	>55.9	>22
Premium	27-29	34-36	170-185	60.5-62	54.5-55.9	20-22
Good	29-32	36-40	150-170	58-60	52.5-54.5	18-20
Fair	32-35	40-44	130-150	56-58	50.5-52.5	16-18
Utility	>35	>44	<130	<56	<50.5	<16

\*RFV calculated using the Wis/Minn formula. \*\*TDN calculated using the Western formula. Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100% dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%). Guidelines are to be used with visual appearance and intent of sale (usage).

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