Hay market prices were steady while demand and amount of hay traded backed off a bit. Most contributors stated that although sales and inquires slowed, there is hay around, with good quality hay becoming harder to find and folks are holding on to it. For those moving hay, it sounds like many trades have been out of state with loads moving to Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado and back east. According to US Drought Monitor for the week of November 3rd, Kansas missed out on precipitation during late October, thus some degradations were made there. Moderate drought (D1) was extended across northern Kansas and into southeastern Nebraska. Severe drought (D2) was slightly expanded into northwestern Kansas and southwestern and northeastern Nebraska. In contrast, heavy precipitation (1-4 inches) across southern Kansas, effectively allowed a 1-category improvement across the southern third of the state. The middle third of Kansas remained unchanged. Abnormal dryness (D0) decreased to 38%, moderate drought (D1) increased to 35%, severe drought (D2) increased to 8.5%, and extreme drought (D3) remained at just over 1.5%. 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.

Southwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground and delivered steady, movement good to moderate. Alfalfa: horse, premium small squares 240.00-250.00. Dairy 1.00-1.05/point RFV, Supreme 185-237.00.00, Premium 170.00-195.00, Good 150.00-178.50. Stock or Dry Cow 155.00-165.00. Grinding alfalfa 135.00-150.00, with an instance at 160.00. Ground and delivered locally to feed lots and dairies, 160.00-170.00 with an instance at 175.00. Grass Hay: small squares 8.00/bale, large 4x4 squares 100.00-110.00, large rounds none reported; Sudan: none reported. Sorghum: large rounds 80.00-90.00; Wheat straw, small squares 3.50-4.50/bale, large 3x4 squares 80.00-90.00. The week of 11/1-11/07, 10,596T of grinding alfalfa and 3,327T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought/sold.

South Central Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered, alfalfa pellets, steady; movement moderate. 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, 150.00-160.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa 90.00-110.00, 135.00-145.00 delivered. Ground and delivered 140.00-155.00, with an instance at 160.00-165.00. Alfalfa pellets: Sun cured 15 pct protein 185.00-205.00, 17 pct protein 200.00-210.00, Dehydrated 17 pct 305.00-310.00. Grass Hay: Bluestem, 3x4 and 4x4 squares 100.00-110.00, large rounds 60.00-

90.00. Brome: large 4x4 squares 100.00-120.00, large rounds 95.00-100.00. Teff: large 3x4 squares 135.00-145.00, large rounds 120.00-130.00. Sudan: large rounds 75.00-85.00. Crabgrass: large rounds 60.00-70.00. Milo ground and delivered, 85.00-95.00. Corn stalks: large squares, 65.00, large rounds 60.00. Wheat straw: large 4x4 squares, 65.00-75.00. The week of 11/01-11/07, 8,066T of grinding alfalfa and 525T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought/sold.

Southeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered steady, grass hay mostly steady; movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: horse or goat, 230.00-240.00. Dairy 1.00-1.05/point RFV. Stock cow 150.00-160.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, large rounds 125.00-130.00. Ground and delivered, none reported; Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares 120.00-125.00, good 3x3 squares 100.00-125.00, good, 3x4 squares 100.00-120.00, large 4x4 squares 100.00-110.00, large rounds 70.00-80.00. Brome, good, small squares none reported, 3x4 to 4x4 squares 95.00-125.00, large rounds 75.00-85.00. Wheat Straw: 3x4 and 4x4 squares 60.00-70.00. The week of 11/01-11/07, 1,560T of grass hay was reported bought/sold.

Northwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse or goat, 220.00-230.00. Dairy, Premium/Supreme 1.00/point RFV. Stock cow, fair/good 145.00-155.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, 95.00-105.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies, 125.00-135.00. Sudan, large rounds 60.00-70.00. Wheat straw, large squares none reported.

North Central-Northeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, grass hay, steady, ground/delivered, steady to 10.00 higher; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, premium small squares, 9.00-10.00/bale. Dairy 1.00-1.05/point RFV, Supreme 185-237.00.00, Premium 170.00-195.00, Good 150.00-178.50. Stock Cow, 150.00-160.00. Fair/good, grinding alfalfa, 115.00-125.00. Ground and delivered 130.00-150.00. Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares 5.50-6.50/bale, 3x4 to 4x4 squares 100.00-105.00, large rounds 60.00-90.00. Brome, small squares 6.50-7.50/bale, 3x4 to 4x4 squares 110.00-120.00, large rounds 75.00-85.00; Sudan, large rounds, 60.00-65.00. Wheat Straw: small squares 5.00-6.00/bale, large 4x4 squares 75.00-85.00, 100.00-110.00 delivered, large rounds 65.00-75.00. The week of 11/01-11/07, 724T of grinding alfalfa and 578T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought/sold.

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