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Hay Prices for New Mexico

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County	Contact	Premium+ Hay (\$/ton)	Top Quality Hay (\$/ton)	Other Hay (\$/ton)	Condition/ Market Activity/Cut Complete
Chaves	Sandra Barraza, County Agent	\$190-250 large for all cuts of green hay; \$300-310 small, in the barn		\$150 wheat hay	1 st cuts finishing up; market steady; cool, widespread rains; high weevil and aphid numbers; weedy
Dona Ana	Teresa Dean, County Agent	\$200-225; \$8-9.00 small		\$140-150 wheat and oat; \$7-9.00 wheat and oat small	1 st cuts 100%, 2 nd cuts started; moderate demand; good growing conditions; lower pest pressure than reported in other areas
De Baca	Various Contacts	\$200-230 large; \$8-9 per small bale; Barns still full with not much moving		N/A	1 st cuts delayed; slow market, dairies have good inventory; cool, rainy weather; much of first cut rained on; very heavy weevil/aphid pressure
Guadalupe	Leigh Ann Marez, County Agent	N/A		N/A	1 st cuts pending; variable weather has slowed growth
Luna	Jack Blandford, County Agent	\$200-220; \$7-9.00 small;		\$125-150 wheat hay; \$9/bale small grass	1 st cuts 100%, 2 nd cuts 20%; market slow as dairies still have surplus; warm days/cool nights have slowed growth; some weevil/aphids early
Roosevelt	Patrick Kircher, County Agent	\$230-260 large; \$8-9.00 small		\$135-150 wheat hay or \$8-9 small bales wheat	1 st cuts 50%; slow market; cool and wet spring has slowed growth; normal early insect pressures
Valencia/Socorro	Newt McCarty, County Agent + Other Contacts	\$240-270 small or \$8.00-9.50 per bale in the barn; \$7-8.00 1 st cut, if not rained on		\$7-9.00 grass 1 st cut; \$7.00 wheat hay; \$3.00-5.00+ cow hay rained on	1 st cuts starting, 25% south; market slow; heavy weevil/aphid pressure combined with cool/wet conditions has delayed 1 st cuts; rained on hay

Prices are a compilation of Agent information and other area estimates.

N/A = prices and/or supplies not available at this time

For more information on forages in New Mexico, visit: <http://forages.nmsu.edu/>

***** Upcoming Events *****

- Dairy Producers of New Mexico Convention and Trade Show, Ruidoso, NM, June 5-6, 2015. www.nmdairy.org
- Texas Tech Univ. Forage Field Day, New Deal, TX, July 9, 2015. <http://www.orgs.ttu.edu/forageresearch/>



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