



Hay Situation and Price Update February

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I surveyed the MAFRD forage staff and some of the forage producers and industry personnel to get their impression of hay prices and the hay situation as of the end of February. Since the last update in January the continued mild temperatures throughout January and February has continued to lower the demand for hay.

Presently the hay situation throughout the province seems to be adequate to surplus with most areas reporting that there is little to no movement of hay. With the present situation it looks like there will be some carry-over of hay supplies into the coming new crop year.

Due to the lower quality of hay this past year there continues to be some demand for the better quality hay and prices have remained stable. Demand for most other hay has dropped off and prices have dropped slightly from the last up-date.

Hay Prices

All areas are reporting lower demand and steady to lower prices for most hay. Beef and Grass hay prices are trending to the lower end of the listed range.

Dairy Quality Alfalfa 8-10 cents

Alfalfa 5.5-7 cents

Alfalfa/Grass 3-5 cents

Grass hay 3-4 cents

Beef hay 2.5-3.5 cents

Straw 1.5-2.5 cents

[Kijiji Manitoba http://www.kijiji.ca/b-manitoba/hay-for-sale/k0l9006](http://www.kijiji.ca/b-manitoba/hay-for-sale/k0l9006) has more listings for hay for sale this month as does the [Manitoba Hay Listing](#) site:

<http://web31.gov.mb.ca/HayListCIntExtrnl/>

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