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Iowa Ag News – Hay Stocks



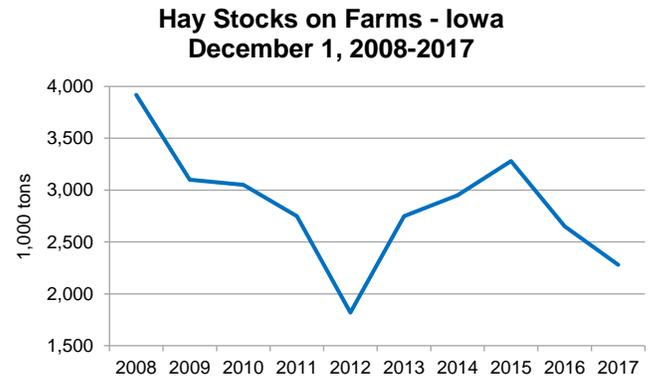
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All hay stored on Iowa farms as of December 1, 2017, is estimated at 2.28 million tons, a decrease of 14 percent from December 1, 2016, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Crop Production* report. Disappearance from May 1, 2017, through December 1, 2017, totaled 1.70 million tons, compared with 1.18 million tons for the same period in 2016.



Hay Stocks on Farms – Iowa and United States: May 1 and December 1, 2016-2017

	May 1		December 1	
	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)
Iowa	620	630	2,650	2,280
United States	25,140	24,388	95,837	86,246

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

All hay stored on United States farms as of December 1, 2017 totaled 86.2 million tons, down 10 percent from the previous December. Disappearance from May 1, 2017 - December 1, 2017 totaled 69.6 million tons, compared with 64.3 million tons for the same period a year earlier.

The majority of the eastern States reported higher stocks compared to the previous year due to a higher production. Meanwhile, among States west of the Mississippi River, only Colorado and Wyoming had higher stocks than in 2016.