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Iowa Ag News – Hay Stocks



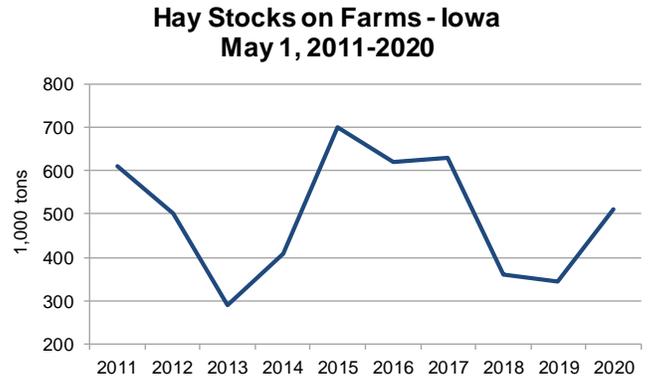
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All hay stored on Iowa farms as of May 1, 2020, is estimated at 510,000 tons, an increase of 48% from May 1, 2019, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Crop Production* report. Disappearance from December 1, 2019, through May 1, 2020, totaled 1.67 million tons, compared with 1.72 million tons for the same period a year earlier.



Hay Stocks on Farms – Iowa and United States: December 1 and May 1, 2018-2020

	December 1		May 1	
	2018	2019	2019	2020
	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)
Iowa	2,060	2,180	345	510
United States	79,055	84,488	14,906	20,426

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Hay stocks on farms: All hay stored on United States farms as of May 1, 2020 totaled 20.4 million tons, up 37 percent from May 1, 2019, which were the second lowest since records began in 1950. Disappearance from December 1, 2019 - May 1, 2020 totaled 64.1 million tons, down less than 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.