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## Hay Prices

**Nevada:** The all hay price, at \$214.00 per ton, is down \$9.00 from March and up \$55.00 from last March. Alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures came in at \$215.00 per ton, down \$11.00 from March and up \$55.00 from a year ago. All other hay, at \$175.00 per ton, is unchanged from March and up \$40.00 from a year ago.

**United States:** The all hay price, at \$190 per ton, is up \$47.00 from March and \$9.00 from last April. Alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures came in at \$207.00 per ton and all other hay at \$140.00 per ton.

### Hay Prices Received by Type measured in \$ per Ton – Select States and United States: April 2012

State	All Hay			Alfalfa Hay			Other Hay <sup>1</sup>		
	Apr. 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012	Apr. 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012	Apr. 2011	Mar. 2012	Apr. 2012
Arizona	179.00	255.00	259.00	180.00	260.00	260.00	140.00	195.00	195.00
California	212.00	242.00	232.00	226.00	245.00	235.00	116.00	226.00	215.00
Idaho	174.00	207.00	198.00	175.00	210.00	200.00	135.00	145.00	140.00
<b>Nevada</b>	<b>159.00</b>	<b>223.00</b>	<b>214.00</b>	<b>160.00</b>	<b>226.00</b>	<b>215.00</b>	<b>135.00</b>	<b>175.00</b>	<b>175.00</b>
Oregon	178.00	230.00	226.00	184.00	246.00	229.00	168.00	208.00	220.00
Utah	159.00	171.00	171.00	160.00	175.00	175.00	132.00	142.00	142.00
United States	143.00	181.00	190.00	161.00	201.00	207.00	105.00	139.00	140.00

<sup>1</sup> Other hay is comprised of grain and grain mixtures, timothy, clover, wild, prairie, range, and other types.

## Nevada Cattle and Calves; Production, Disposition, and Income

Nevada ranchers realized gross income of over \$254 million in 2011, an increase of 15 percent from 2010. The value of production was up 20 percent and cash receipts from marketings rose 15 percent.

### Cattle and Calves: Inventory, Supply and Disposition – Nevada: 2007 to 2011

Year	January 1 Inventory	Calf Crop	Inshipments	Marketings		Farm Slaughter	Deaths		Year End Inventory
				Cattle	Calves		Cattle	Calves	
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
2007	480	205	50.5	186	81	2	5	11.5	450
2008	450	210	48.5	161	79	2	5	11.5	450
2009	450	210	75	178	88	2	5	12	450
2010	450	210	78	173	86	2	5	12	460
2011	460	215	76	174	87	2	6	12	470

### Cattle and Calves: Production and Income – Nevada: 2007 to 2011

Year	Production	Marketings	Value of Production	Cash Receipts	Value of Home Consumption	Gross Income
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
2007	166,035	217,000	149,348	199,855	2,710	202,565
2008	177,745	207,200	156,294	185,168	2,782	187,950
2009	182,550	229,500	148,730	192,441	2,626	195,067
2010	181,210	223,200	171,771	217,776	3,030	220,806
2011	185,645	224,700	205,595	251,071	3,502	254,573

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### Quarterly Milk Production

The January-March 2012 quarterly milk production for Nevada totaled 162 million pounds, up 1.3 percent from the January – March quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in Nevada during the first quarter of 2012 was 29,000 head, unchanged from last year and last quarter.

Milk production in the United States during the January - March quarter totaled 51.0 billion pounds, up 5.2 percent from the January - March quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.25 million head, 86,000 head more than the same period last year.

### April Weather Summary

Temperatures early in the month alternated between warm and cool as several low pressure systems moved across the state. Windy conditions were prevalent. Some snow in higher elevations. Temperatures warmed by the end of April setting several record highs around the State. Temperatures ranged from 1.9 to 4.1 degrees above normal. Las Vegas recorded the monthly high at 99 degrees. Ely recorded the lowest temperature of the month at 9 degrees. Ely recorded the most precipitation with 1.03 inches. Field preparation and seeding of spring crops were underway. Livestock were beginning to move to spring grazing lands. Calving and lambing were underway. Main farm and ranch activities: ditch burning, calving, lambing, branding, grain planting, weed spraying, and dragging meadows.

### **Weather data for stations in Nevada: April 2012**

Station	Temperature (°F)				Precipitation (inches)		
	Monthly Avg.	Departure from Normal	High	Low	Monthly Total	Departure from Normal	Greatest 24 Hour
Reno	53.5	2.6	90	21	0.07	-0.40	0.03
Elko	48.8	3.6	87	16	0.62	-0.35	0.42
Ely	46.3	3.8	83	9	1.03	0.08	0.33
Winnemucca	48.9	2.3	90	16	0.66	-0.23	0.38
Eureka	47.5	4.1	86	13	0.38	-0.59	0.11
Tonopah	52.0	2.5	86	24	0.19	-0.23	0.14
Las Vegas	69.1	1.9	99	44	0.01	-0.14	0.01