



Wisconsin Ag News – Hay Stocks

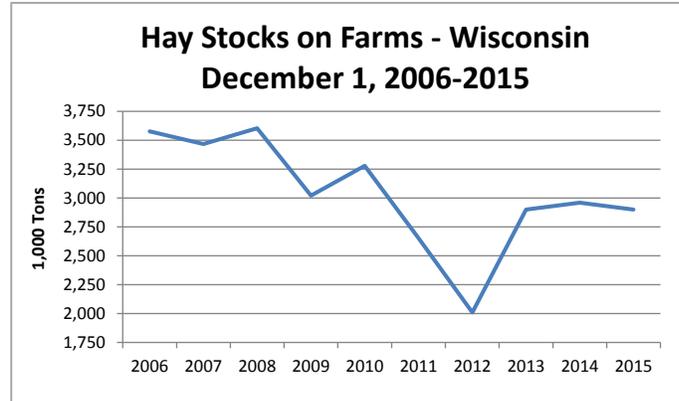
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Dry hay stored on Wisconsin farms as of December 1, 2015, is estimated at 2.90 million tons, a decrease of 2 percent from December 2014 according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Crop Production* report. Disappearance from May 1, 2015, through December 1, 2015, totaled 1.90 million tons, compared with 2.34 million tons for the same period in 2014.



Hay Stocks on Farms – Wisconsin and United States: May 1 and December 1, 2014-2015

	May 1		December 1	
	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)
Wisconsin	435	730	2,960	2,900
United States	19,176	24,517	92,052	94,993

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

All hay stored on United States farms as of December 1, 2015 totaled 95.0 million tons, up 3 percent from the previous December. Disappearance from May 1, 2015 - December 1, 2015 totaled 63.9 million tons, compared with 67.0 million tons for the same period a year earlier.

December 1 hay stocks were up from 2014, despite a decrease in overall hay production. Producers in persistent drought affected areas preserved stocks for winter feeding. Limited quantities are available to purchase in these impacted areas.