



Iowa Ag News – Hay Stocks

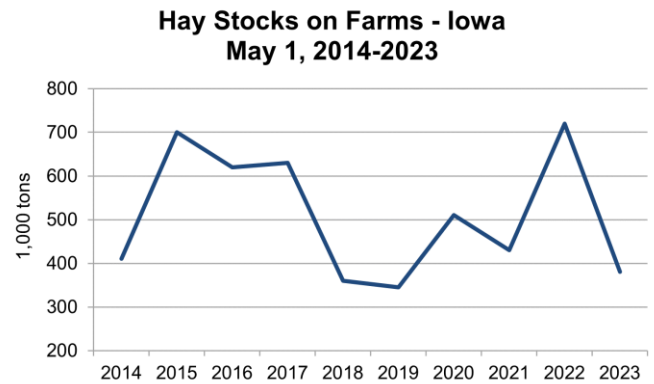
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All hay stored on Iowa farms as of May 1, 2023, was estimated at 380,000 tons, down 47 percent from May 1, 2022, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Crop Production* report. Disappearance from December 1, 2022, through May 1, 2023, totaled 2.10 million tons, compared with 2.40 million tons for the same period a year earlier.



Hay Stocks on Farms – Iowa and United States: December 1 and May 1, 2021-2023

	December 1		May 1	
	2021 (1,000 tons)	2022 (1,000 tons)	2022 (1,000 tons)	2023 (1,000 tons)
Iowa	3,120	2,480	720	380
United States	79,016	71,911	16,767	14,523

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

All hay stored on United States farms as of May 1, 2023, totaled 14.5 million tons, down 13 percent from May 1, 2022. The May 1 hay stock level for the United States represents the second lowest amount stored since records began in 1950. Disappearance from December 1, 2022 - May 1, 2023, totaled 57.4 million tons, down 8 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.