

Dairy Hay Outlook

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Land Grant Universities (27):



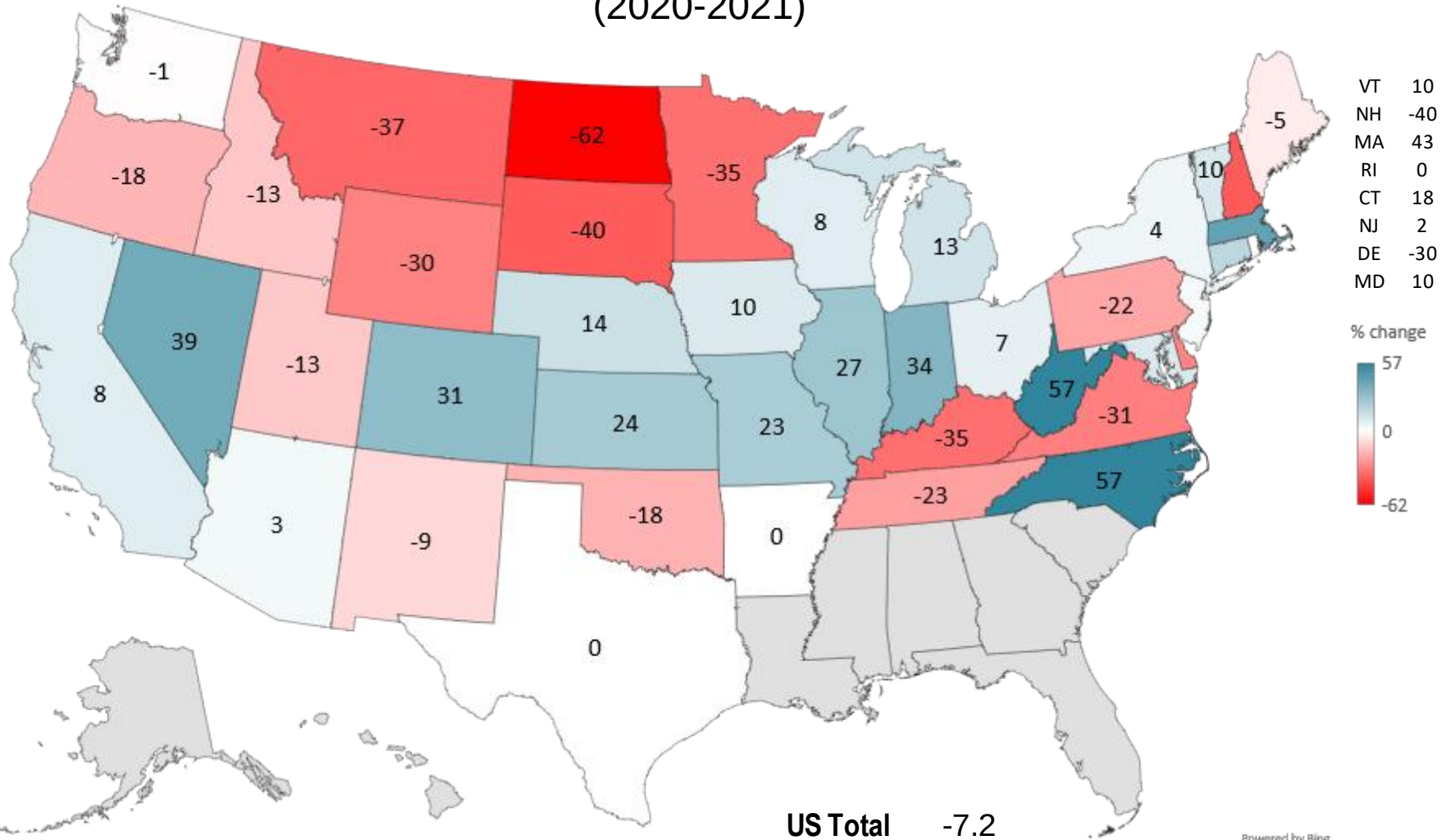
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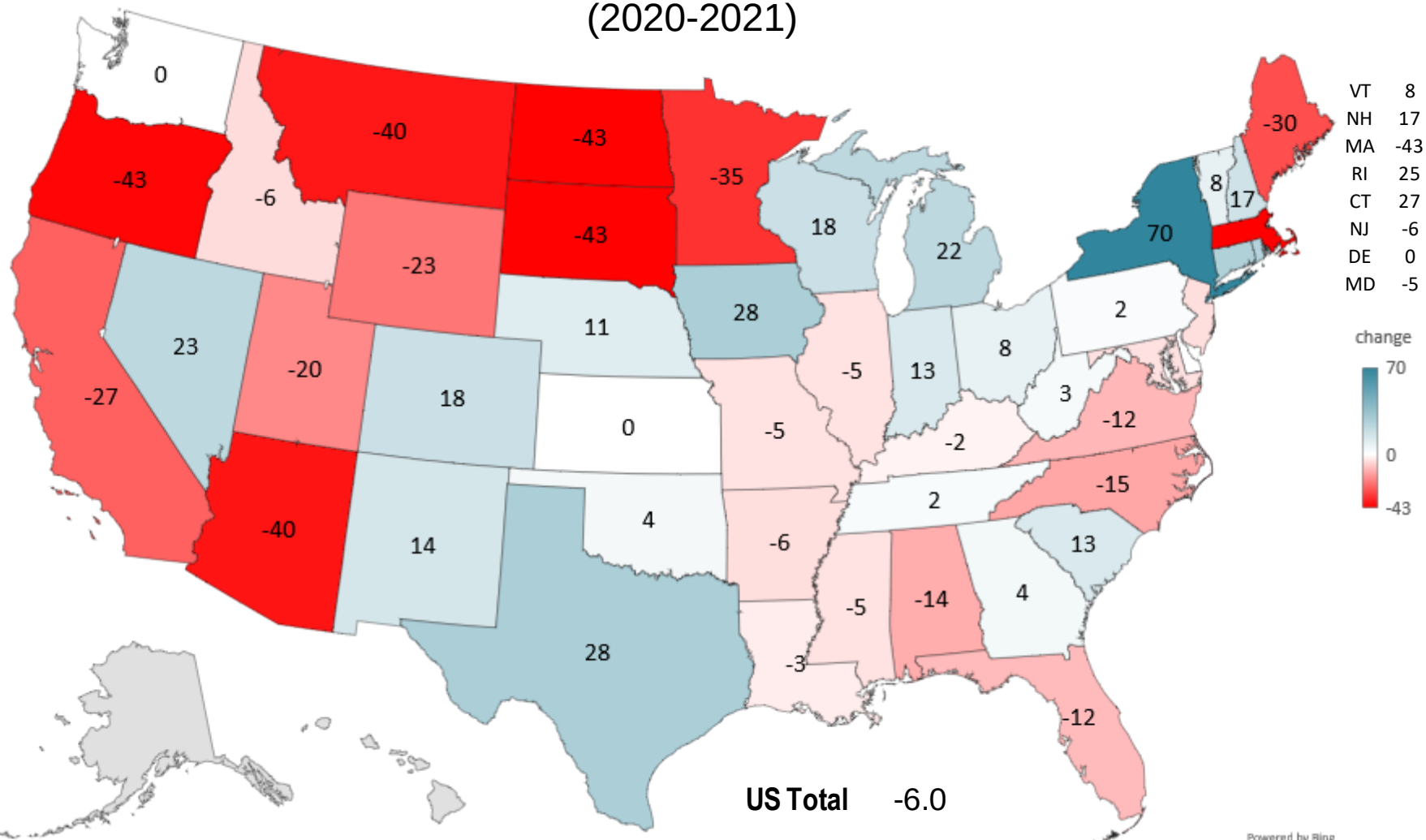
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PERCENT CHANGE ALFALFA HAY PRODUCTION (2020-2021)



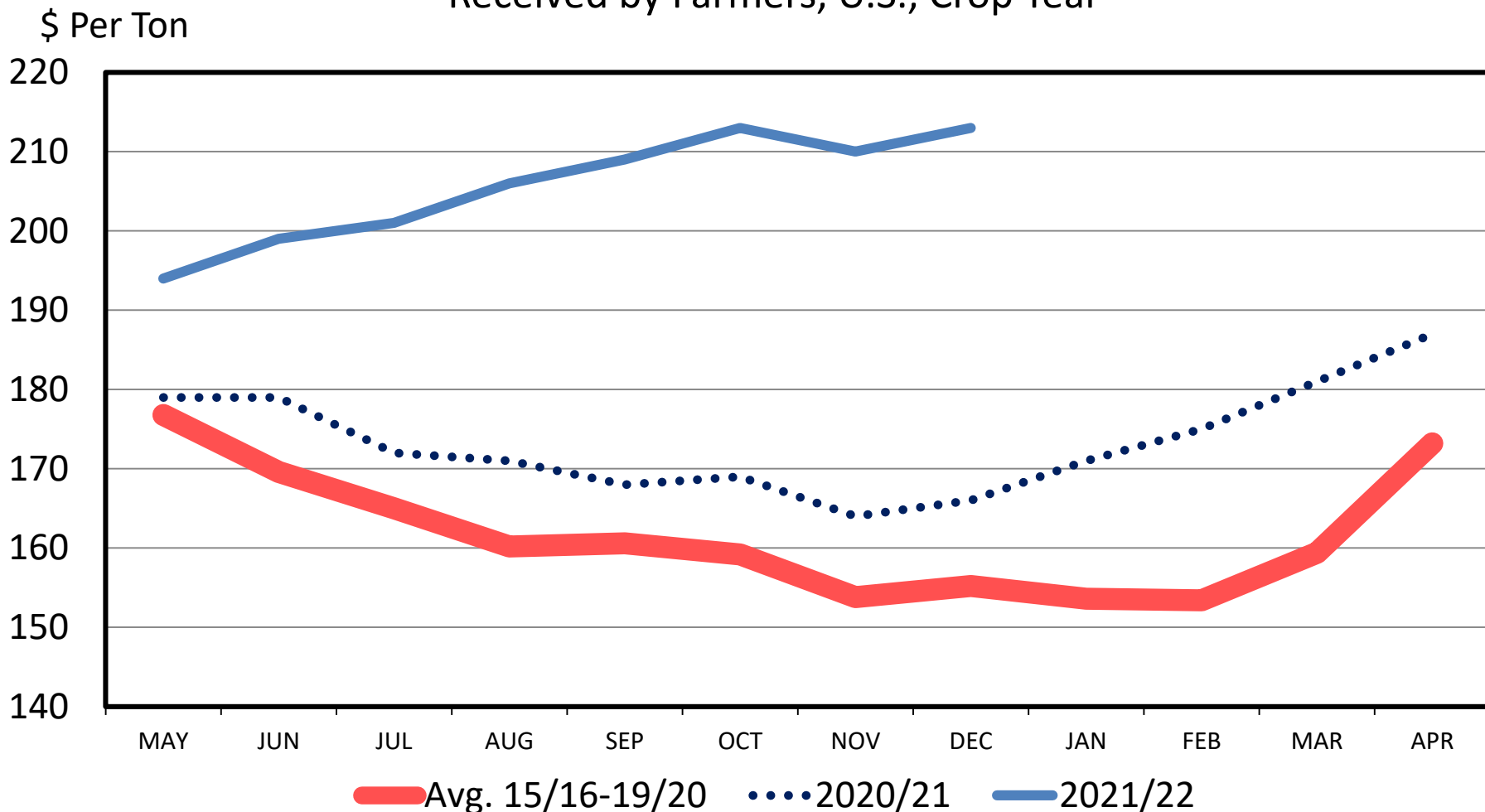
PERCENT CHANGE DECEMBER 1 HAY STOCKS (2020-2021)



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ALFALFA HAY – MONTHLY AVERAGE PRICE

Received by Farmers, U.S., Crop Year

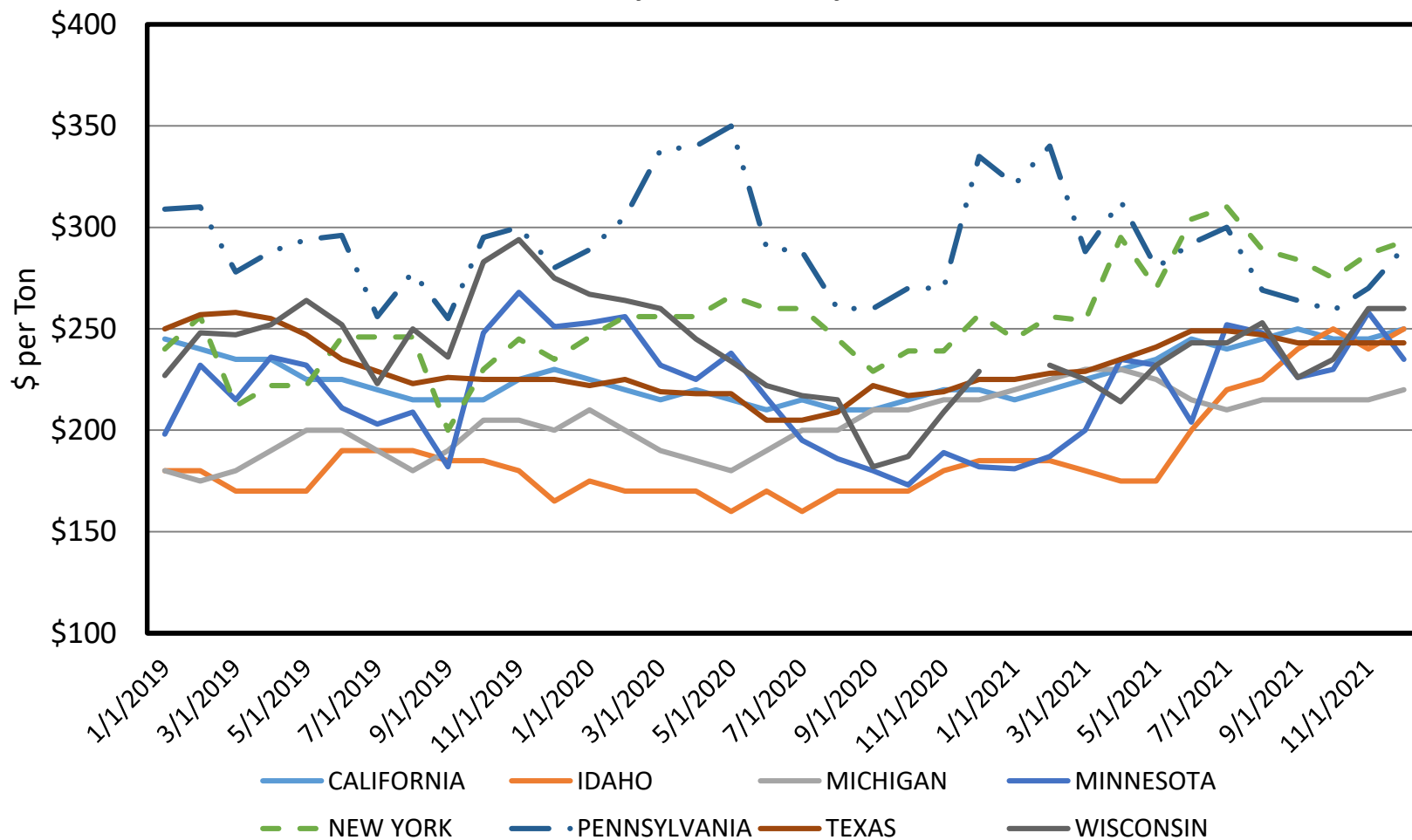


Data Source: USDA-NASS

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PREMIUM ALFALFA HAY PRICE

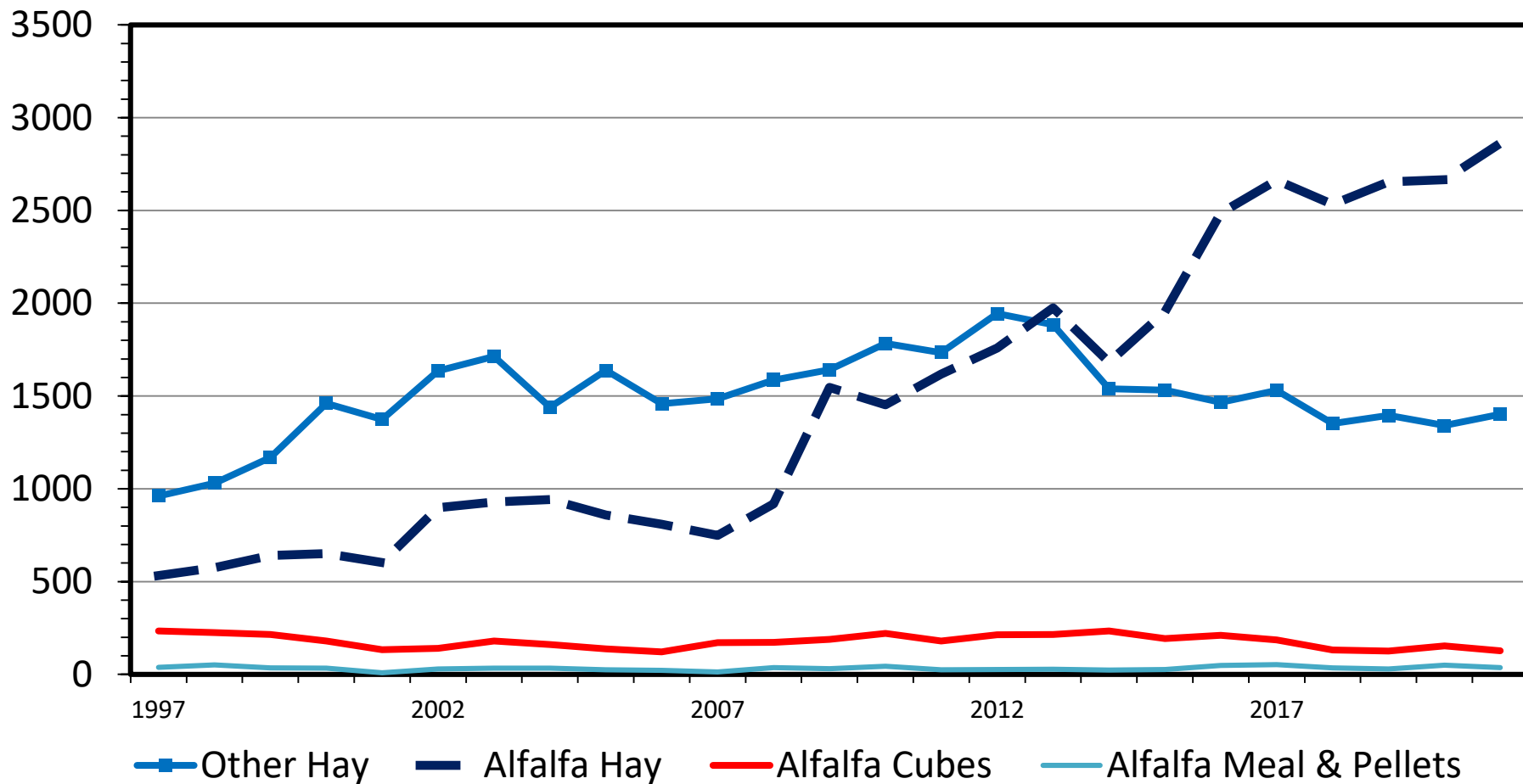
Monthly, Received By Farmers



U.S. HAY & HAY PRODUCT EXPORTS

Annual

Thous. Metric Tons



Data Source: USDA-FAS, Compiled & Analysis by LMIC

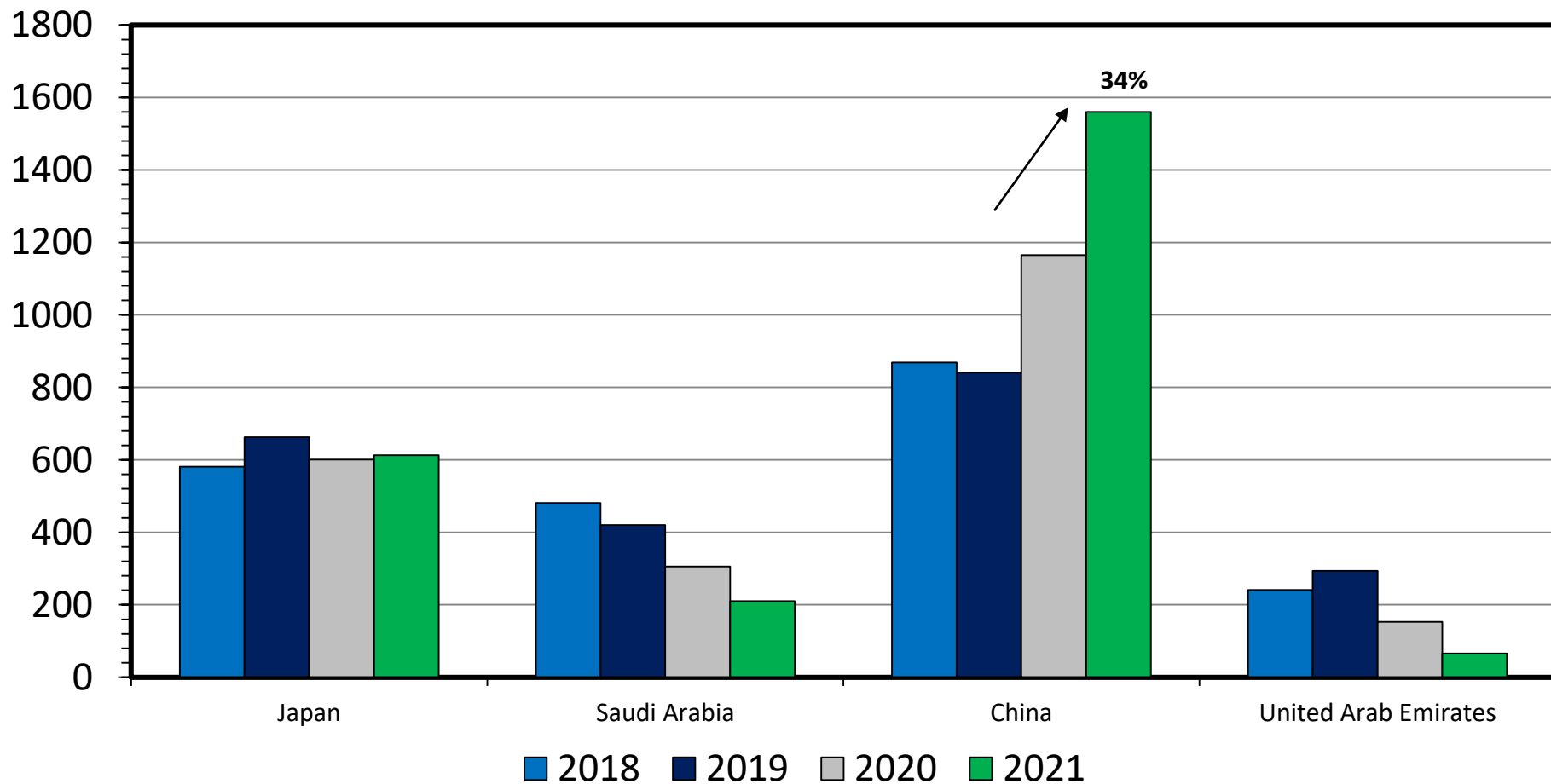
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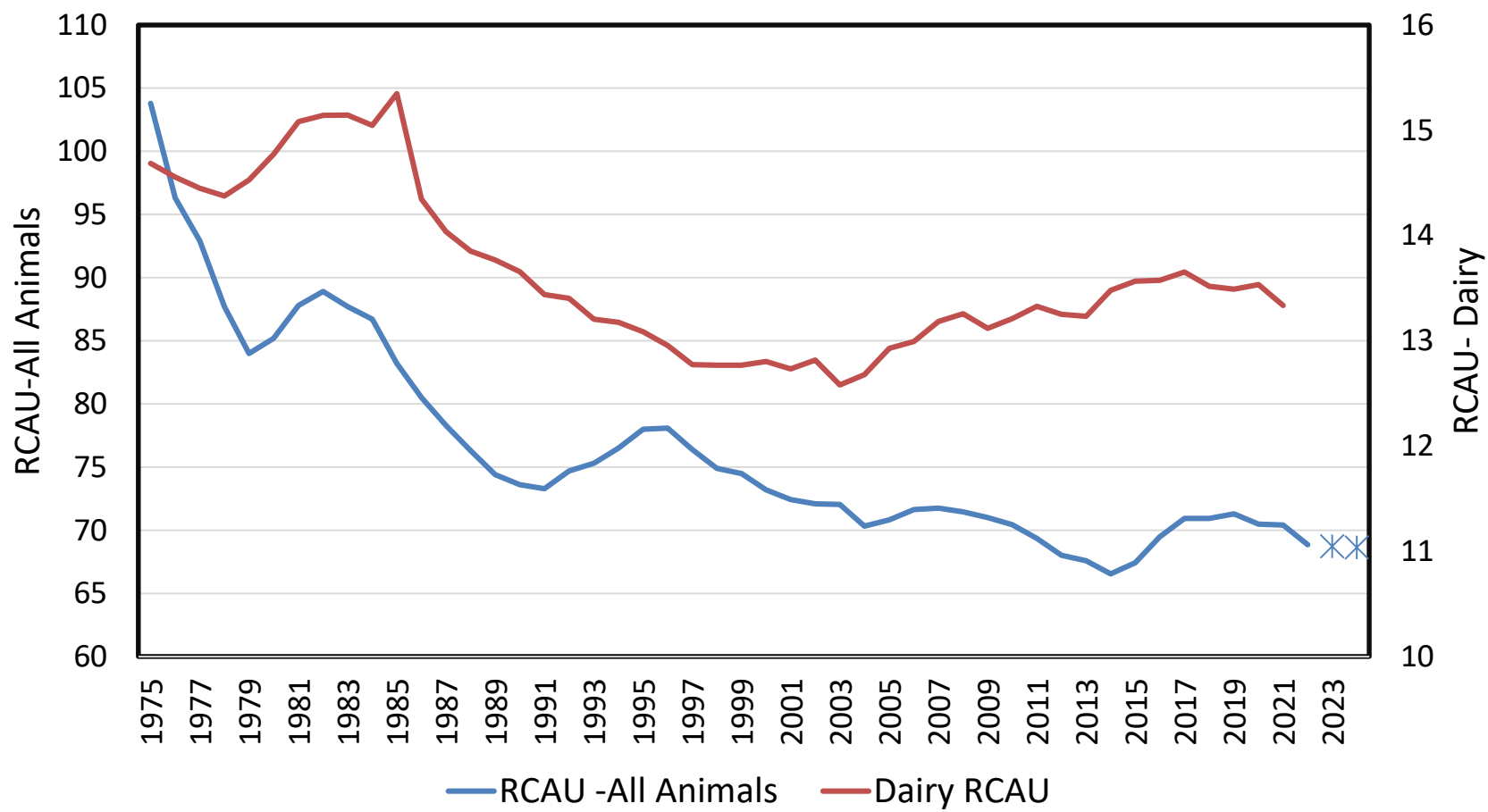


Marketing Year Ahead



ROUGHAGE CONSUMING ANIMAL UNITS (RCAU)

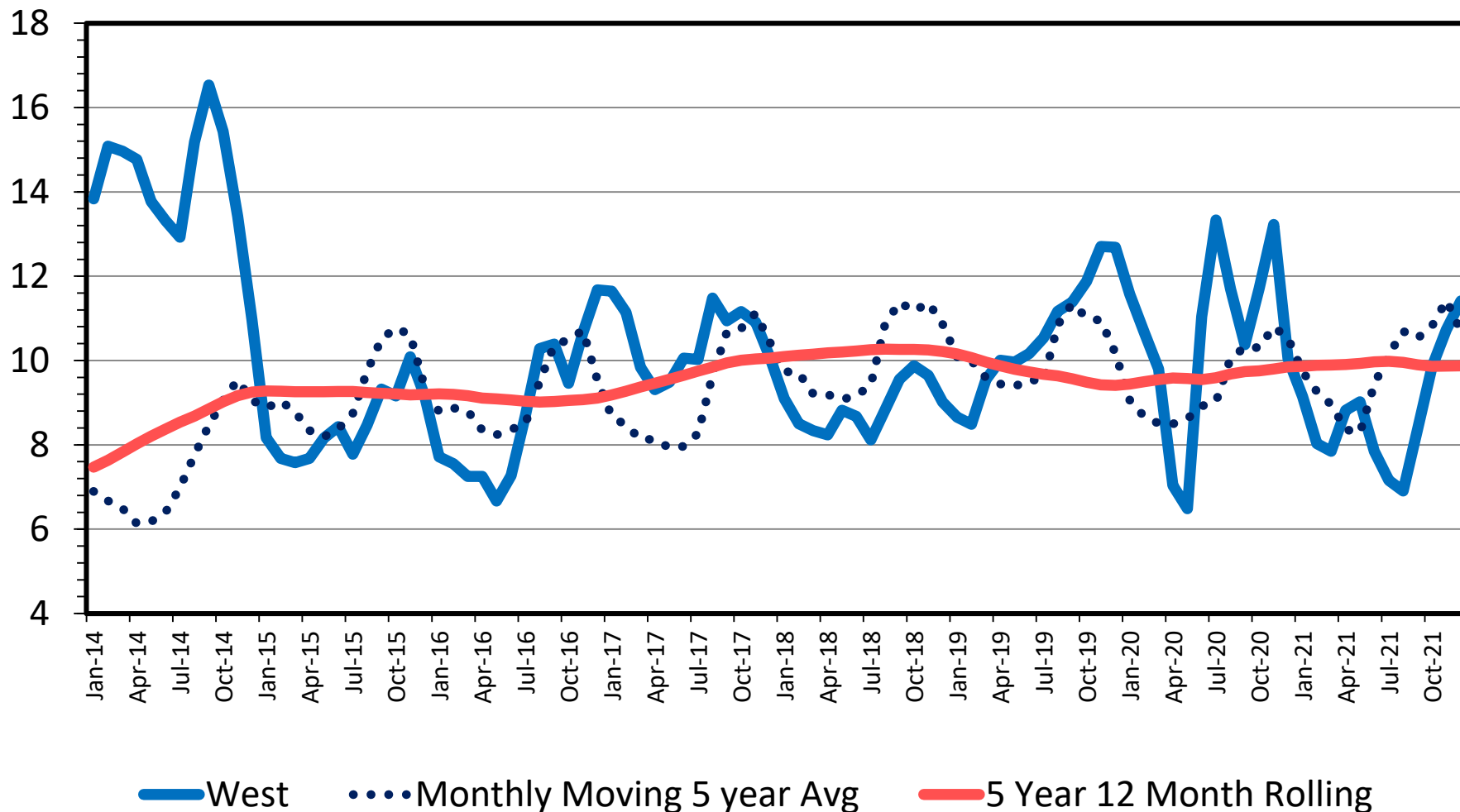
Annual, Millions



DAIRY INCOME OVER FEED COSTS

West Region, Monthly

\$ Per Cwt.

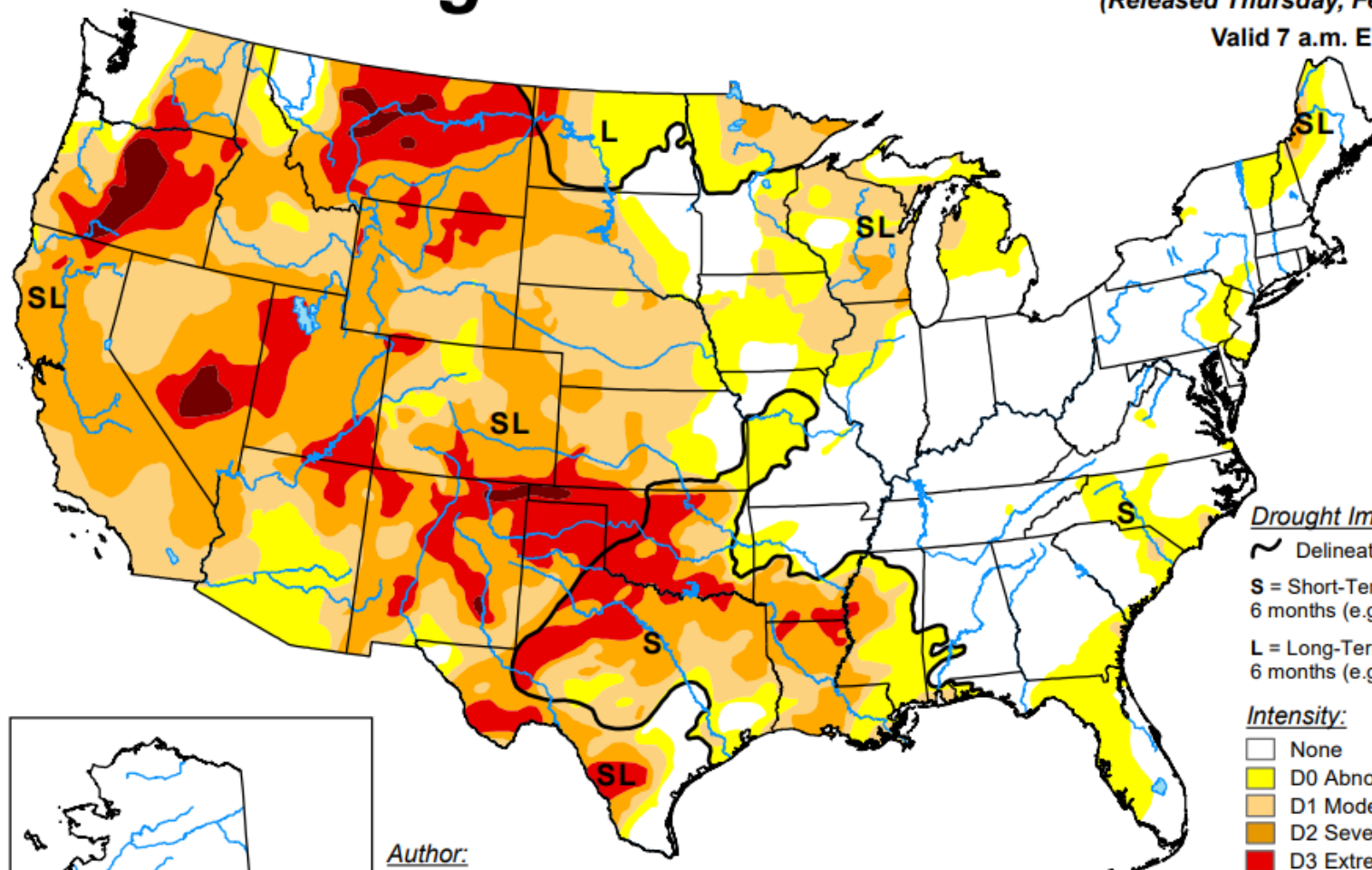


Data Source: USDA-AMS & USDA-NASS

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U.S. Drought Monitor

February 15, 2022
(Released Thursday, Feb. 17, 2022)
Valid 7 a.m. EST



Drought Impact Types:

~ Delineates dominant impacts

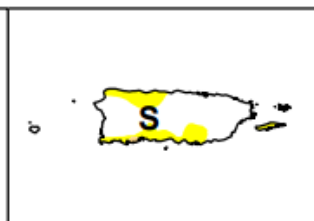
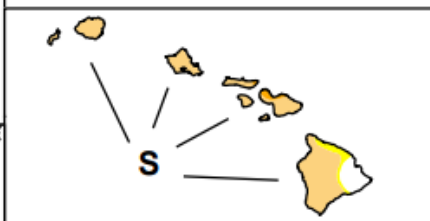
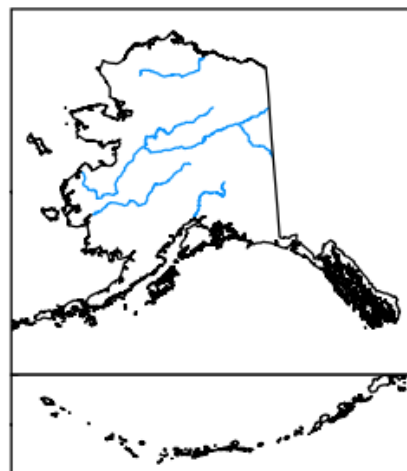
S = Short-Term, typically less than 6 months (e.g. agriculture, grasslands)

L = Long-Term, typically greater than 6 months (e.g. hydrology, ecology)

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

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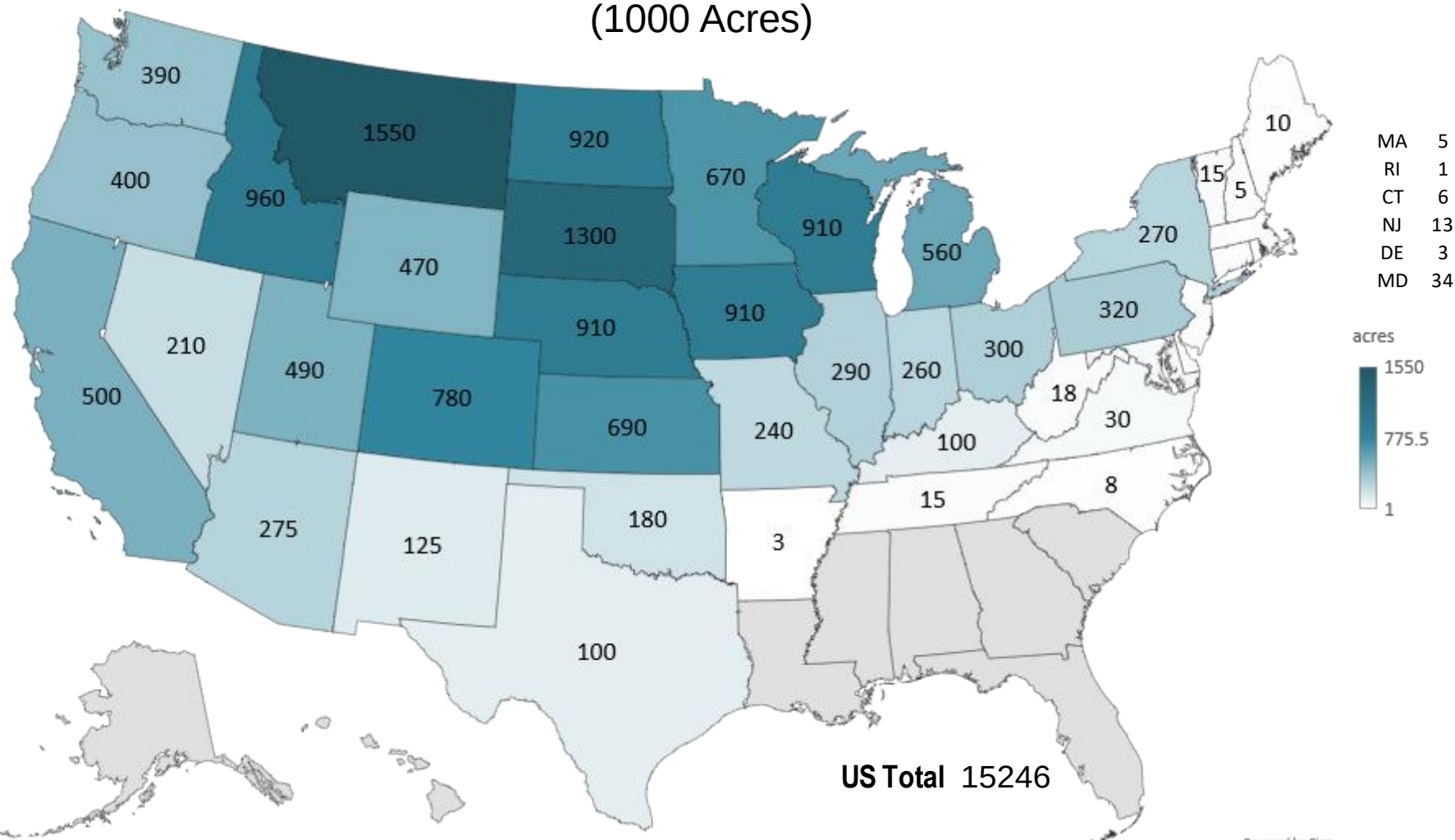


The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>



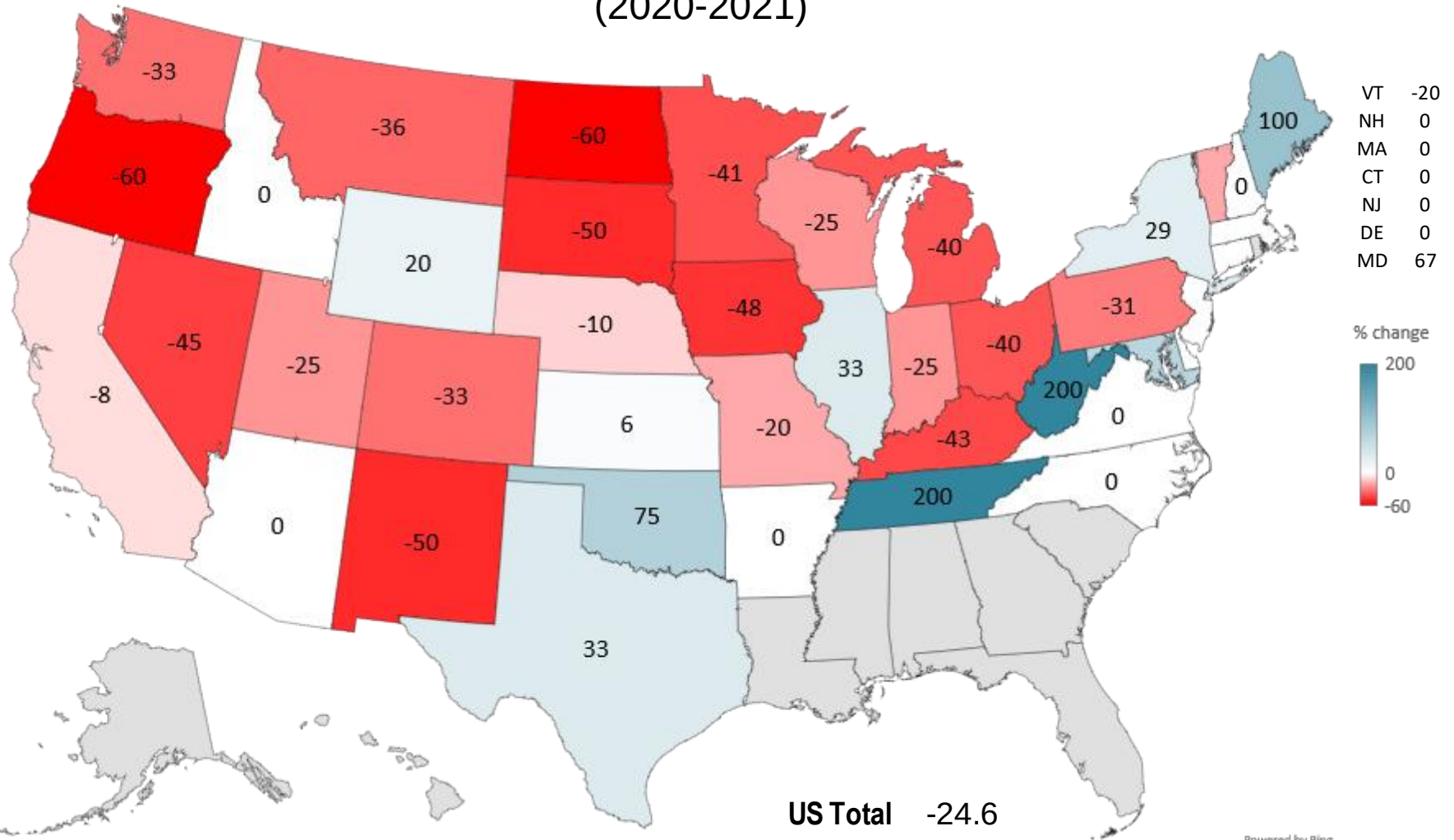
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2021 ALFALFA HAY ACRES (1000 Acres)



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PERCENT CHANGE NEW SEEDINGS ACRES (2020-2021)

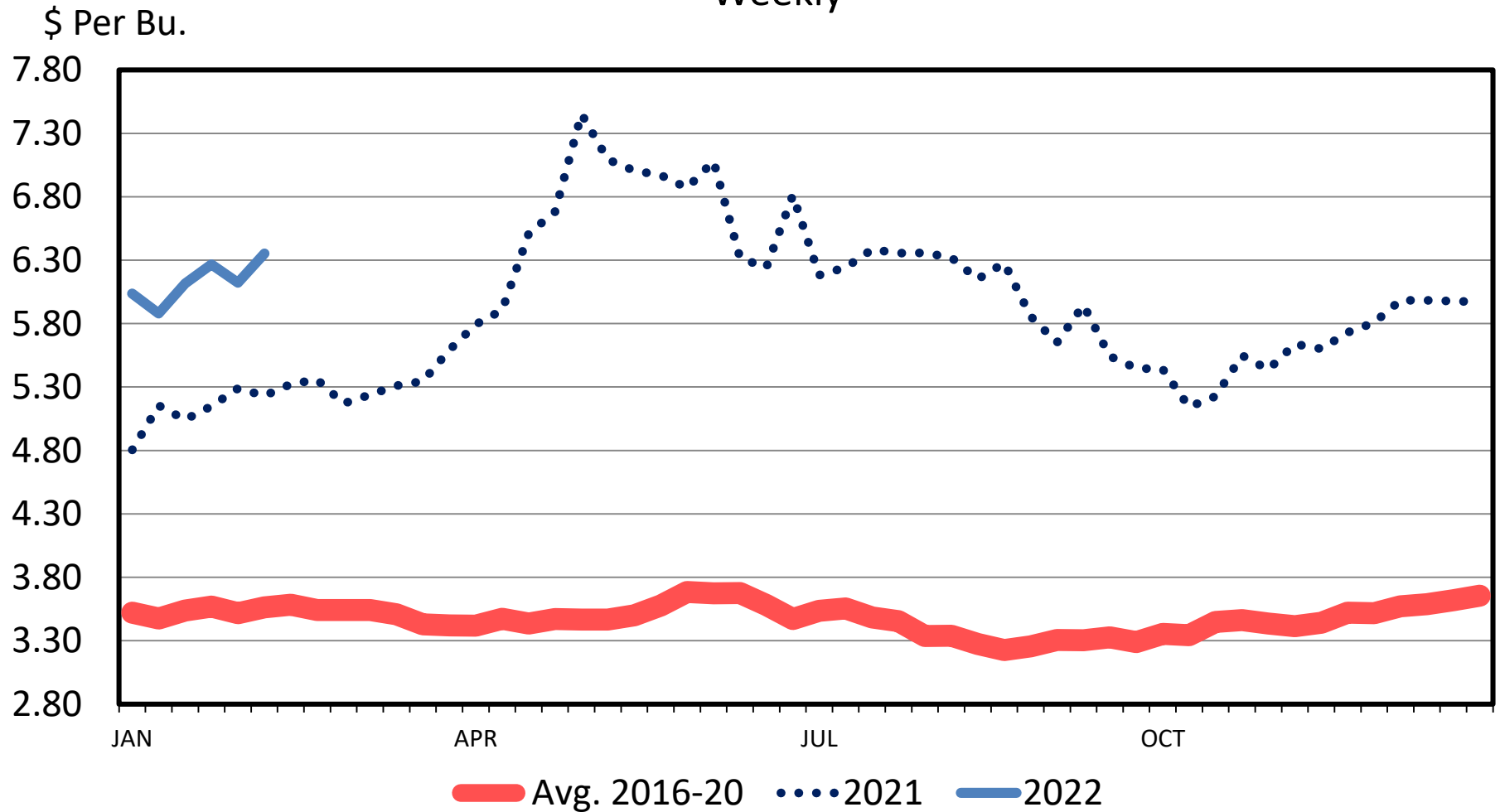


Alfalfa Forecasts for 2022/2023

- Production
 - Acreage declines could be significant with a substantially lower new seeding rate;
 - LMIC Forecast: 8-10% lower acres
 - Water and Temperature
 - NOAA (Summer/Fall) Above Avg. Temps for the West.
 - NOAA (Summer Fall) Normal to Dry Precipitation for the West
 - Yield: The last four years have been below the 20 year trend line of 9.71 tons per acre.
 - 2022/2023 is likely to also be below.
 - LMIC Forecast: About the five year average of 7-7.5 tons per acre
- Yield will be unlikely able to make up for loss in acres, translating to lower production in 2022/2023.

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Weekly



Alfalfa Forecasts for 2022/2023

- Exports
 - China will continue to buy large volumes of hay out of the West.
 - Four of the top 5 U.S. alfalfa markets had a year over year increase in quantity.
- RCAU- Domestic Use Will Likely Decrease
- Price Forecast:
 - Even if demand is stagnant, the supply side will likely drive prices higher in 2022/2023
 - LMIC Forecast: \$235-\$255 per ton Marketing Year Average



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Thank You!

