

# Hay *fun facts:*

## What *is* that bale?

Green bales are HAY, which is eaten by animals

Yellow bales are STRAW, which is used for bedding for animals. Straw is made from stems of harvested wheat or oats.

Hay bales allow farmers to “bring the pasture” to the barn.

There are two types of hay: Grass hay and Legume hay

Hay making involves cutting, drying, raking, baling, stacking and storing.

*Make hay while the sun shines*

The best hay is made on sunny days with no rain, typically in June, July and August.

Small square bales weigh 50-70 pounds while large round bales weigh 800-1200 pounds.

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