

MONTANA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 16, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Warm temperatures and dry conditions were observed across Montana during the past week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture conditions for the state were 68 percent adequate to surplus, compared to 84 percent in the previous week and 85 percent the previous year. Subsoil moisture conditions were rated 72 percent adequate to surplus compared to 80 percent the previous year. Reporters in Pondera and Cascade counties stated a severe hail storm late last week damaged crops and initial lost estimates are still being reported. Barley planted progress was at 95 percent complete by week's end, slightly behind last year at 99 percent. Barley emerged was estimated at 86 percent, falling behind the 5-year average of 95 percent. Durum wheat emerged was reported at 81 percent complete, which is ahead of last year at 75 percent. Planting of oilseeds continued to advance with 91 percent of the canola crop planted, moving slightly ahead of last year's progress at 90 percent. Flaxseed planting is progressing slowly with 80 percent of the crop planted, compared to 89 percent in the previous year. Winter wheat conditions were rated as 79 percent good to excellent compared to 84 percent at this time last year.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
1 st cutting harvested	5	1	17	NA
Barley				
Planted	95	94	99	100
Emerged.....	86	79	93	95
Booted	10	5	32	38
Canola				
Planted	91	83	90	94
Emerged.....	65	46	73	82
Blooming.....	1	--	1	NA
Corn				
Planted	92	90	96	NA
Emerged.....	66	56	85	90
Dry edible beans (includes Chickpeas)				
Planted	98	94	NA	NA
Emerged.....	68	48	62	76
Dry edible peas				
Emerged.....	87	78	91	96
Blooming	1	--	6	29
Durum wheat				
Emerged.....	81	65	75	84
Flaxseed				
Planted	80	72	89	NA
Emerged.....	55	38	67	84
Lentils				
Emerged.....	87	73	92	92
Mustard seed				
Planted	96	91	96	94
Emerged.....	72	53	82	80
Oats				
Planted	96	93	97	94
Emerged.....	81	67	83	88
Booted	2	--	3	27
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested	3	--	16	NA
Safflower				
Planted	66	54	70	75
Emerged.....	38	24	37	55
Spring wheat				
Emerged.....	89	79	92	94
Booted	2	--	23	31
Sugarbeets				
Emerged.....	89	80	88	NA
Winter wheat				
Booted	73	46	81	NA
Headed.....	16	--	38	57
Cattle and calves				
Moved to pasture	92	89	NA	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved to pasture	93	89	95	NA

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for field work.....	6.3	6.3	5.1	5.2
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	7	3	2	8
Short.....	25	13	13	22
Adequate.....	66	75	63	60
Surplus.....	2	9	22	10
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	3	3	4	7
Short.....	25	15	16	23
Adequate.....	72	80	63	62
Surplus.....	--	2	17	8

NA – not available

(--)- zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION¹

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley				
Very poor.....	2	1	1	1
Poor.....	10	1	2	4
Fair.....	17	11	10	29
Good.....	55	63	74	49
Excellent.....	16	24	13	17
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	NA	--	--
Poor.....	--	NA	2	3
Fair.....	21	NA	24	31
Good.....	71	NA	61	55
Excellent.....	8	NA	13	11
Dry Peas				
Very poor.....	3	--	2	4
Poor.....	2	2	3	7
Fair.....	43	47	21	34
Good.....	50	49	70	46
Excellent.....	2	2	4	9
Durum wheat				
Very poor.....	1	--	--	3
Poor.....	2	1	5	7
Fair.....	47	46	45	44
Good.....	46	48	42	42
Excellent.....	4	5	8	4
Lentils				
Very poor.....	1	--	1	3
Poor.....	1	1	5	6
Fair.....	47	47	30	39
Good.....	47	48	60	49
Excellent.....	4	4	4	3
Oats				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	3
Poor.....	--	1	--	4
Fair.....	34	36	13	30
Good.....	61	57	71	53
Excellent.....	5	6	16	10
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	1	1	1	5
Poor.....	3	3	5	12
Fair.....	23	20	17	30
Good.....	60	67	47	38
Excellent.....	13	9	30	15
Spring wheat				
Very poor.....	2	1	1	4
Poor.....	2	1	3	7
Fair.....	28	16	16	31
Good.....	64	75	71	48
Excellent.....	4	7	9	10
Sugarbeets				
Very poor.....	--	--	1	1
Poor.....	--	--	3	5
Fair.....	17	21	27	28
Good.....	77	75	46	51
Excellent.....	6	4	23	15
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	3	1	1	2
Poor.....	3	3	3	6
Fair.....	15	10	12	29
Good.....	61	63	39	40
Excellent.....	18	23	45	23

¹Current conditions for Canola, Dry Edible Beans and Mustard Seed are available using the QuickStats on-line database at: https://www.nass.usda.gov/Quick_Stats/

NA – not available

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