

MONTANA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 23, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Scattered precipitation and cooler temperatures 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 78 percent adequate to surplus, compared to 68 percent in the previous week and 86 percent the previous year. Subsoil moisture conditions were rated 71 percent adequate to surplus compared to 79 percent the previous year. A reporter in Broadwater County stated the sporadic rainstorms are delaying the first cutting of hay in several areas. Barley emerged was estimated at 96 percent, falling behind the 5-year average of 98 percent. Durum wheat emerged was reported at 92 percent complete, which is ahead of last year at 87 percent. Dry edible peas emerged was estimated at 94 percent, falling behind the 5-year average of 98 percent. Planting of oilseeds is progressing with 97 percent of the canola crop planted, slightly ahead of last year at 94 percent, and 74 percent of the safflower crop planted, behind last year at 76 percent. Flaxseed planted was reported at 90 percent complete, compared to 93 percent in the previous year. Winter wheat conditions were rated as 71 percent good to excellent compared to 78 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	13	5	28	NA
Barley				
Emerged.....	96	86	97	98
Booted	34	10	51	62
Headed.....	1	--	15	20
Canola				
Planted	97	91	94	96
Emerged.....	77	65	84	90
Blooming	11	1	10	NA
Corn				
Planted	96	92	NA	NA
Emerged.....	87	66	94	95
Dry edible beans (includes Chickpeas)				
Emerged.....	79	68	78	84
Dry edible peas				
Emerged.....	94	87	96	98
Blooming	24	1	21	53
Durum wheat				
Emerged.....	92	81	87	94
Booted	10	--	24	27
Flaxseed				
Planted	90	80	93	NA
Emerged.....	70	55	73	90
Blooming	2	--	18	22
Lentils				
Emerged.....	93	87	97	97
Blooming	5	--	19	39
Mustard seed				
Emerged.....	87	72	91	86
Blooming	5	NA	15	NA
Oats				
Emerged.....	92	81	90	94
Booted	15	2	20	49
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested	13	3	29	NA
Safflower				
Planted	74	66	76	82
Emerged.....	48	38	48	68
Spring wheat				
Emerged.....	95	89	97	97
Booted	31	2	48	59
Sugarbeets				
Emerged.....	91	89	92	NA
Winter wheat				
Booted	89	73	92	NA
Headed.....	45	16	61	78
Cattle and calves				
Moved to pasture	95	92	NA	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved to pasture	97	93	NA	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.....	4.6	6.3	3.8	5.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	7	2	10
Short.....	22	25	12	26
Adequate.....	74	66	75	57
Surplus.....	4	2	11	7
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	2	3	4	8
Short.....	27	25	17	29
Adequate.....	71	72	72	57
Surplus.....	--	--	7	6

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION¹

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley				
Very poor.....	2	2	3	1
Poor.....	7	10	4	5
Fair.....	28	17	13	32
Good.....	50	55	54	42
Excellent.....	13	16	26	20
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	1	1
Poor.....	--	--	2	3
Fair.....	23	21	20	30
Good.....	69	71	63	55
Excellent.....	8	8	14	11
Dry Peas				
Very poor.....	4	3	1	2
Poor.....	5	2	4	6
Fair.....	47	43	20	33
Good.....	42	50	66	48
Excellent.....	2	2	9	11
Durum wheat				
Very poor.....	--	1	--	3
Poor.....	6	2	5	8
Fair.....	53	47	41	43
Good.....	37	46	42	41
Excellent.....	4	4	12	5
Lentils				
Very poor.....	--	1	1	2
Poor.....	3	1	5	6
Fair.....	55	47	29	40
Good.....	38	47	56	47
Excellent.....	4	4	9	5
Oats				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	2
Poor.....	--	--	1	4
Fair.....	36	34	10	29
Good.....	59	61	64	52
Excellent.....	5	5	25	13
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	1	1	1	4
Poor.....	4	3	5	13
Fair.....	26	23	17	31
Good.....	57	60	52	38
Excellent.....	12	13	25	14
Spring wheat				
Very poor.....	1	2	3	4
Poor.....	7	2	5	9
Fair.....	37	28	15	31
Good.....	50	64	67	45
Excellent.....	5	4	10	11
Sugarbeets				
Very poor.....	--	--	2	2
Poor.....	--	--	4	6
Fair.....	15	17	25	29
Good.....	77	77	44	48
Excellent.....	8	6	25	15
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	1	3	3	2
Poor.....	7	3	5	8
Fair.....	21	15	14	31
Good.....	49	61	28	35
Excellent.....	22	18	50	24

¹Current conditions for Canola, Dry Edible Beans, Flaxseed 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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