

# MONTANA CROP PROGRESS



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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 20, 2021

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Warm temperatures, high winds and minimal moisture were observed across Montana last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Reporters across the state noted grasshopper activity has been abundant with the hot and dry conditions. Topsoil moisture conditions were 43 percent adequate to surplus, compared to 81 percent last year. Subsoil moisture conditions were 46 percent adequate to surplus. Barley booted was estimated at 36 percent, behind the 5-year average of 43 percent. Corn emerged is estimated at 74 percent complete, slightly behind the previous year at 79 percent. Dry edible peas emerged is estimated at 91 percent complete, slightly behind the previous year and 5-year average of 94 percent. Oilseed emergence is progressing well, with an estimated 82 percent of both flaxseed and mustard seed crop emerged. Safflower emerged is estimated at 51 percent complete, equal to the 5-year average. Oats emerged is estimated at 96 percent complete, ahead of the previous year at 94 percent and the 5-year average of 89 percent. Sugarbeets emerged was estimated at 96 percent, slightly behind the previous year at 97 percent. Spring wheat booted is estimated at 33 percent complete, ahead of the previous year at 31 percent, but behind the 5-year average of 39 percent. Winter wheat was reported with 82 percent of the crop booted, slightly ahead of the previous year at 81 percent. Winter wheat conditions were rated as 43 percent good to excellent, compared to 85 percent 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 <sup>st</sup> cutting harvested .....	18	2	13	NA
Barley				
Booted .....	36	17	38	43
Headed .....	8	1	5	6
Canola				
Planted .....	95	92	94	94
Emerged .....	70	58	73	78
Blooming .....	17	10	14	NA
Corn				
Planted .....	93	83	NA	NA
Emerged .....	74	52	79	86
Dry edible beans (includes Chickpeas)				
Emerged .....	79	63	76	78
Blooming .....	12	1	9	NA
Dry edible peas				
Emerged .....	91	80	94	94
Blooming .....	23	10	14	33
Durum wheat				
Emerged .....	80	71	72	84
Booted .....	15	5	16	15
Flaxseed				
Planted .....	95	90	NA	NA
Emerged .....	82	68	75	78
Blooming .....	3	NA	NA	NA
Lentils				
Emerged .....	92	80	84	91
Blooming .....	21	9	12	24
Mustard seed				
Emerged .....	82	75	86	82
Blooming .....	19	9	19	NA
Oats				
Emerged .....	96	86	94	89
Booted .....	20	9	21	27
Other hay				
1 <sup>st</sup> cutting harvested .....	11	1	10	NA
Safflower				
Planted .....	80	70	74	71
Emerged .....	51	39	57	51
Blooming .....	2	1	2	NA
Spring wheat				
Booted .....	33	10	31	39
Headed .....	14	1	4	6
Sugarbeets				
Emerged .....	96	85	97	NA
Winter wheat				
Booted .....	82	64	81	NA
Headed .....	50	21	51	62

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.....	6.8	5.6	5.3	5.3
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	22	14	3	9
Short.....	35	31	16	22
Adequate.....	43	53	81	64
Surplus.....	--	2	--	5
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	23	18	3	6
Short.....	31	31	14	26
Adequate.....	46	49	80	65
Surplus.....	--	2	3	3

NA – not available

(--)- zero

**CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION<sup>1</sup>**

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley				
Very poor.....	4	3	--	1
Poor.....	14	11	3	5
Fair.....	31	25	12	24
Good.....	40	50	73	50
Excellent.....	11	11	12	20
Corn				
Very poor.....	1	NA	--	1
Poor.....	14	NA	--	2
Fair.....	65	NA	27	28
Good.....	19	NA	62	59
Excellent.....	1	NA	11	10
Dry Peas				
Very poor.....	3	2	--	2
Poor.....	15	12	--	6
Fair.....	27	22	33	36
Good.....	54	63	65	49
Excellent.....	1	1	2	7
Durum Wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	4	1	--	7
Fair.....	15	11	81	55
Good.....	77	82	16	31
Excellent.....	4	6	3	6
Lentils				
Very poor.....	2	1	--	1
Poor.....	14	13	--	5
Fair.....	27	18	42	43
Good.....	56	67	56	45
Excellent.....	1	1	2	6
Oats				
Very poor.....	7	3	--	2
Poor.....	30	24	--	4
Fair.....	34	32	32	29
Good.....	27	39	64	54
Excellent.....	2	2	4	11
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	26	23	4	4
Poor.....	28	26	16	11
Fair.....	30	29	18	25
Good.....	16	19	50	46
Excellent.....	--	3	12	14
Spring wheat				
Very poor.....	4	3	--	3
Poor.....	14	13	1	9
Fair.....	39	34	14	27
Good.....	40	47	79	52
Excellent.....	3	3	6	9
Sugarbeets				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	2	1	4
Fair.....	43	45	15	25
Good.....	56	53	69	58
Excellent.....	--	--	15	12
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	4	5	1	2
Poor.....	20	24	2	7
Fair.....	33	36	12	24
Good.....	34	25	40	36
Excellent.....	9	10	45	31

<sup>1</sup>Current 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/](https://www.nass.usda.gov/Quick_Stats/)

NA – not available

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