

MONTANA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 12, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Montana experienced varying precipitation this week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Much of the State received between 0.6 and 1.2 inches of rainfall; however, there were extreme variations. Localized areas received over 2 inches of rainfall, with reports of flooding in Carbon County. Other portions of the State received less than .3 inches of moisture with worsening drought conditions. According to the United States Drought Monitor for June 9, 2022, exceptional drought is now present in 4.1 percent of the State. The amount of land rated as abnormally dry was 19.4 percent and moderate drought increased to 45.8 percent. Severe drought decreased to cover 16.3 percent of the State and extreme drought conditions covered 8.9 percent of the State. Broadwater County reported improved conditions and green pastures. Prairie County reported improving conditions, however, precipitation totals are still well behind normal. Cascade County reported crops and pasture are very stressed and Richland County reported grasshoppers are beginning to hatch and have been reported in crop fields.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
1 st cutting harvested	1	NA	NA	NA
Barley				
Emerged	97	90	93	89
Booted	20	10	15	13
Canola				
Planted	95	83	90	86
Emerged	77	67	57	56
Corn				
Planted	80	67	82	NA
Emerged	65	41	49	67
Dry edible beans (includes Chickpeas)				
Planted	90	88	94	NA
Emerged	73	60	61	59
Dry edible peas				
Emerged	95	84	79	84
Blooming	1	--	9	7
Durum wheat				
Planted	98	93	NA	NA
Emerged	86	70	69	64
Booted	2	NA	4	2
Flaxseed				
Planted	85	67	89	NA
Emerged	50	31	66	58
Lentils				
Emerged	90	80	78	79
Blooming	15	2	8	4
Mustard seed				
Planted	95	90	NA	NA
Emerged	80	60	74	63
Blooming	5	NA	8	NA
Oats				
Planted	96	93	95	NA
Emerged	80	65	84	77
Booted	16	5	8	5
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested	2	NA	NA	NA
Safflower				
Planted	95	80	69	58
Emerged	35	30	37	33
Spring wheat				
Emerged	95	85	95	89
Booted	17	10	9	9
Sugarbeets				
Planted	95	70	94	NA
Emerged	57	41	84	NA
Winter wheat				
Booted	75	66	61	67
Headed	14	8	19	24
Cattle and calves				
Moved to pasture	95	76	96	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Moved to pasture	95	82	97	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	5.0	6.0	5.6	5.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	16	20	14	9
Short	39	44	31	24
Adequate	44	35	53	61
Surplus	1	1	2	6
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	51	49	18	7
Short	28	26	31	23
Adequate	20	24	49	66
Surplus	1	1	2	4

NA – not available
 (--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley				
Very poor	14	5	3	2
Poor	34	34	11	6
Fair	40	43	25	20
Good	12	18	50	58
Excellent	--	--	11	14
Canola				
Very poor	10	NA	--	NA
Poor	16	NA	1	NA
Fair	48	NA	15	NA
Good	26	NA	57	NA
Excellent	--	NA	27	NA
Dry edible beans (includes Chickpeas)				
Very poor	8	NA	--	--
Poor	2	NA	2	2
Fair	70	NA	44	59
Good	20	NA	54	35
Excellent	--	NA	--	4
Dry edible peas				
Very poor	9	5	2	4
Poor	20	24	12	7
Fair	49	49	22	35
Good	22	22	63	51
Excellent	--	--	1	3
Durum wheat				
Very poor	1	NA	--	NA
Poor	3	NA	1	NA
Fair	20	NA	11	NA
Good	76	NA	82	NA
Excellent	--	NA	6	NA
Lentils				
Very poor	4	2	1	2
Poor	9	18	13	8
Fair	47	41	18	37
Good	40	38	67	50
Excellent	--	1	1	3
Mustard seed				
Very poor	4	NA	--	NA
Poor	1	NA	26	NA
Fair	94	NA	26	NA
Good	1	NA	45	NA
Excellent	--	NA	3	NA
Oats				
Very poor	7	NA	3	4
Poor	2	NA	24	8
Fair	62	NA	32	32
Good	26	NA	39	48
Excellent	3	NA	2	8
Pasture and range				
Very poor	24	25	23	9
Poor	28	33	26	11
Fair	25	25	29	24
Good	20	17	19	41
Excellent	3	--	3	15
Spring wheat				
Very poor	9	3	3	4
Poor	21	28	13	9
Fair	55	51	34	27
Good	15	17	47	54
Excellent	--	1	3	6
Winter wheat				
Very poor	14	7	5	3
Poor	28	19	24	8
Fair	42	51	36	24
Good	16	23	25	40
Excellent	--	--	10	25

NA – not available
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