



# WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION MONTH OF MARCH 2018

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Wyoming experienced warmer than normal temperatures for the month, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Twenty-one of the 35 reporting stations reported above average temperatures for the month with the high temperature of 71 degrees recorded at LaGrange and Torrington, and a low of 15 degrees below zero at Yellowstone. Below normal moisture was reported at twenty-two of the reporting stations with two stations (Lander and Newcastle) reporting no precipitation. Jackson Hole reported the most moisture with 2.62 inches. A reporter from Northwest Wyoming indicated that some late storms have delayed planting. A reporter from North Central Wyoming stated that they have gotten scattered winter storms but there is concern over the general lack of moisture. A reporter from Western Wyoming stated that winter weather has returned during the last week, snow levels are approaching normal and heavy calving has started. A reporter from South Central Wyoming indicated that they have gotten some moisture but it is still dry. They also indicated that temperatures have been normal with lots of wind and the prospects for irrigation look poor. A reporter from Southeast Wyoming stated that they have gotten some moisture but conditions are dry. Hay and roughage supplies for Wyoming were rated 10 percent very short, 10 percent short, 75 percent adequate and 5 percent surplus. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 2 percent very short, 13 percent short, and 85 percent adequate.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current report (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted.....	1	NA	5	NA
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved .....	21	9	18	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambed .....	17	7	16	NA
Sheep shorn .....	30	11	20	NA

NA – not available

(--) – zero

### SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current report (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Very short.....	5	12	12	NA
Short.....	24	30	29	NA
Adequate .....	64	58	46	NA
Surplus .....	7	--	13	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	9	14	18	NA
Short.....	32	32	25	NA
Adequate .....	57	54	45	NA
Surplus .....	2	--	12	NA

NA – not available

(--) – zero

## CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range				
Very poor .....	6	11	8	NA
Poor.....	18	16	26	NA
Fair.....	44	36	32	NA
Good .....	32	37	33	NA
Excellent .....	--	--	1	NA
Winter Wheat				
Very poor .....	8	8	11	NA
Poor.....	16	15	23	NA
Fair.....	43	54	42	NA
Good .....	29	19	20	NA
Excellent .....	4	4	4	NA
Cattle and calve death loss				
Heavy .....	1	NA	4	NA
Average.....	73	NA	62	NA
Light.....	26	NA	34	NA
Livestock				
Very poor .....	--	--	1	NA
Poor.....	1	2	3	NA
Fair.....	15	20	28	NA
Good .....	83	75	66	NA
Excellent .....	1	3	2	NA
Sheep and lamb death loss				
Heavy .....	1	NA	16	NA
Average.....	77	NA	50	NA
Light.....	22	NA	34	NA

NA – not available

(--) – zero

Wyoming's weather data can be accessed at the following:

[http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\\_by\\_State/Wyoming/Publications/Crop\\_Progress\\_&\\_Condition/2018/WY-Weather-03252018.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Wyoming/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2018/WY-Weather-03252018.pdf)