



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 8, 2018

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming experienced cooler than normal temperatures for the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Thirty-two of the 34 reporting stations reported below average temperatures for the week with the high temperature of 64 degrees recorded at Douglas, and a low of 16 degrees below zero at Yellowstone. Below normal moisture was reported at 18 of the 34 reporting stations with three stations reporting no precipitation. Yellowstone reported the most moisture with 1.57 inches. A reporter from Northwest Wyoming indicated that two inches of snow stopped any farm progress. A reporter from North Central Wyoming stated that harsh wind and snow was hard on livestock and no field work had been done yet. A reporter from Western Wyoming indicated that last week was cold and wet which made the ground too wet to farm and was tough on calving and lambing. A reporter from South Central Wyoming indicated that they have gotten some moisture but the wind took most of it. Another South Central reporter stated that they had cold and windy weather. A reporter from Southeast Wyoming indicated that temperatures have been highly variable and just enough moisture to make field work difficult. Another reporter from Southeast Wyoming indicated that below normal temperatures has made pasture green up slow. Hay and roughage supplies for Wyoming were rated 6 percent very short, 22 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 4 percent very short, 11 percent short, 84 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted.....	14	11	20	46
Oats				
Planted.....	4	--	18	14
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved	59	42	54	53
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambed	42	32	34	39
Sheep shorn	59	52	58	47

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 fieldwork	1.7	2.9	4.4	4.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	3	5	8	8
Short.....	20	23	23	27
Adequate	61	65	55	56
Surplus	16	7	14	9
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	9	8	15	12
Short.....	24	28	21	31
Adequate	63	57	55	53
Surplus	4	7	9	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)
Pasture and range				
Very poor	6	6	7	7
Poor.....	16	18	24	21
Fair.....	42	40	32	31
Good	35	35	36	40
Excellent	1	1	1	1
Winter wheat				
Very poor	6	7	11	5
Poor.....	16	17	23	11
Fair.....	39	40	38	43
Good	33	31	24	38
Excellent	6	5	4	3
Cattle and calves death loss				
Heavy	3	1	1	NA
Average.....	67	70	65	NA
Light.....	30	29	34	NA
Livestock				
Very poor	--	--	1	NA
Poor.....	--	--	3	NA
Fair.....	18	17	25	NA
Good	80	81	69	NA
Excellent	2	2	2	NA
Sheep and lambs death loss				
Heavy	1	1	11	2
Average.....	73	69	66	52
Light.....	26	30	23	46

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-04082018.pdf