WYOMING CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 30, 2018

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming experienced above normal temperatures for the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Twenty-six of the 34 reporting stations reported above average temperatures for the week with the high temperature of 84 degrees recorded at Buffalo-Johnson and a low of 12 degrees at Yellowstone. Below normal moisture was reported at 30 of the 34 reporting stations with six stations reporting no precipitation. Torrington reported the most moisture with 0.61 inches. A reporter from Northwestern Wyoming indicated that late spring storms have slowed planting and crops are behind. A reporter from North Central Wyoming stated that recent precipitation has helped green up the rangeland. A reporter from Western Wyoming reported it had been very dry until a storm hit late in the week. A reporter from South Central Western Wyoming stated that it has been windy and dry. They also indicated that most producers are still feeding as there is very little pasture yet. A reporter from Southeastern Wyoming noted that snow pack in the mountains is about gone and irrigation storage is low. Another reporter from Southeastern Wyoming stated that they had wildly fluctuating temperatures but farmers were able to get field work done. Hay and roughage supplies for Wyoming were rated 14 percent very short, 25 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Irrigation water supply across Wyoming was rated 2 percent poor, 1 percent fair, 91 percent good, and 6 percent excellent. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 1 percent very short, 13 percent short, 85 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Barley						
Planted	67	53	76	76		
Emerged	41	20	28	34		
Corn						
Planted	21		9	14		
Oats						
Planted	36	27	57	43		
Emerged	9		11	14		
Spring wheat						
Planted	56	30	68	43		
Emerged	8		15	15		
Sugarbeets						
Planted	36	25	21	26		
Cattle and calves						
Cows calved	80	73	84	82		
Sheep and lambs						
Ewes lambed	57	53	56	65		
Sheep shorn	73	68	72	72		

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	6.1	4.4	2.5	4.2
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	1	3	2	3
Short	24	21	14	19
Adequate	73	65	71	68
Surplus	2	11	13	10
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	3	5	11	NA
Short	20	24	14	NA
Adequate	71	65	63	NA
Surplus	6	6	12	NA

NA – not available

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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	2	3	6	5
Poor	11	14	18	15
Fair	32	38	26	29
Good	52	43	49	49
Excellent	3	2	1	2
Winter wheat				
Very poor	2	3	11	3
Poor	13	16	13	8
Fair	37	41	35	46
Good	43	35	37	40
Excellent	5	5	4	3
Cattle and calves death loss				
Heavy	7	7	2	NA
Average	66	71	65	NA
Light	27	22	33	NA
Livestock				
Very poor				NA
Poor	1	1	3	NA
Fair	15	14	24	NA
Good	83	84	70	NA
Excellent	1	1	3	NA
Sheep and lambs death loss				
Heavy			3	2
Average	77	83	79	55
Light	23	17	18	43

NA - not available

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

 $\underline{http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Wyoming/Publications/Crop_Progress_\&_Condition/2018/WY-Weather-04292018.pdf}$

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