



# WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION MONTH OF MARCH 2019

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Wyoming experienced heavy snow and below normal temperatures for the month, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Moisture levels have improved for both topsoil and subsoil from last year and last month. A reporter from North Central Wyoming reports that they are in good shape going into the spring, livestock look good and field work will begin shortly. A reporter from Northeastern Wyoming indicated that they are experiencing significant runoff and flooding. A reporter from Western Wyoming stated that winter is still upon them with snow on the ground. They also indicated that producers are having a tough time lambing and calving. A reporter from Southwestern Wyoming stated that there is still too much snow for livestock and many producers have had to buy extra feed. They also indicated heavy calving losses. Two reporters from South Central Wyoming noted that producers experience heavy calving losses from a March winter storm and have had to buy large amounts of feed. Several reporters from Southeastern Wyoming indicated that the mid-March blizzard brought heavy snow and cold. They also indicated that calving losses have been heavy and many producers have had to purchase feed. Hay and roughage supplies for Wyoming were rated 15 percent very short, 22 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 11 percent short, 69 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus.

**Note:** The first weekly report will be released on Monday, April 1, 2019.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

| Commodity           | Current report<br>(percent) | Previous report<br>(percent) | Previous year<br>(percent) | 5-year average<br>(percent) |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Barley planted..... | 2                           | NA                           | 1                          | NA                          |
| Cattle and calves   |                             |                              |                            |                             |
| Cows calved .....   | 24                          | 5                            | 21                         | NA                          |
| Sheep and lambs     |                             |                              |                            |                             |
| Ewes lambed .....   | 18                          | 4                            | 17                         | NA                          |
| Sheep shorn .....   | 29                          | 4                            | 30                         | NA                          |

NA – not available

(--) – zero

### SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

|                  | Current report<br>(percent) | Previous report<br>(percent) | Previous year<br>(percent) | 5-year average<br>(percent) |
|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Topsoil moisture |                             |                              |                            |                             |
| Very short.....  | --                          | 2                            | 5                          | NA                          |
| Short.....       | 11                          | 29                           | 24                         | NA                          |
| Adequate .....   | 69                          | 69                           | 64                         | NA                          |
| Surplus .....    | 20                          | --                           | 7                          | NA                          |
| Subsoil moisture |                             |                              |                            |                             |
| Very short.....  | --                          | 13                           | 9                          | NA                          |
| Short.....       | 19                          | 20                           | 32                         | NA                          |
| Adequate .....   | 70                          | 67                           | 57                         | NA                          |
| Surplus .....    | 11                          | --                           | 2                          | NA                          |

NA – not available

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# 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 .....   | 7              | 1               | 6             | NA             |
| Poor.....         | 8              | 10              | 18            | NA             |
| Fair.....         | 42             | 53              | 44            | NA             |
| Good .....        | 43             | 36              | 32            | NA             |
| Excellent .....   | --             | --              | --            | NA             |
| Winter wheat      |                |                 |               |                |
| Very poor .....   | 3              | 3               | 8             | NA             |
| Poor.....         | 16             | 16              | 16            | NA             |
| Fair.....         | 25             | 29              | 43            | NA             |
| Good .....        | 52             | 48              | 29            | NA             |
| Excellent .....   | 4              | 4               | 4             | NA             |
| Livestock         |                |                 |               |                |
| Very poor .....   | 3              | --              | --            | NA             |
| Poor.....         | 4              | 3               | 1             | NA             |
| Fair.....         | 27             | 30              | 15            | NA             |
| Good .....        | 64             | 65              | 83            | NA             |
| Excellent .....   | 2              | 2               | 1             | NA             |

NA – not available

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