



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MARCH 31, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming experienced light snow and near normal temperatures for the week ending March 31, 2019, 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 have low snow pack, and no planting has started as of yet. A reporter from Southwestern Wyoming indicated that temperatures have been getting higher throughout the day but still usually single digits through the night and morning. They also indicated that they got two snow events and with the warmer temperatures have had lots of mud. A reporter from Southeastern Wyoming stated that cheatgrass and cool season grasses are just beginning to green-up. They also indicated that they were an inch and a half above normal in moisture during March. Another reporter from Southeastern Wyoming stated that they were still recovering from the blizzard with water everywhere. Hay and roughage supplies for Wyoming were rated 23 percent very short, 21 percent short, and 56 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies across Wyoming were rated 14 percent fair and 86 percent good. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 9 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 27 percent surplus.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

| Commodity | Current report (percent) | Previous report (percent) | Previous year (percent) | 5-year average (percent) |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Barley planted..... | 19 | 2 | 10 | 22 |
| Cattle and calves | | | | |
| Cows calved | 41 | 24 | 39 | 33 |
| Sheep and lambs | | | | |
| Ewes lambed | 27 | 18 | 30 | 28 |
| Sheep shorn | 38 | 29 | 49 | 37 |

NA – not available

(--) – zero

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

| | Current report | Previous report | Previous year | 5-year average |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Days suitable for fieldwork | 4.6 | NA | 2.9 | 4.2 |
| Topsoil moisture | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Very short..... | -- | -- | 5 | 4 |
| Short..... | 11 | 11 | 23 | 26 |
| Adequate | 70 | 69 | 65 | 59 |
| Surplus | 19 | 20 | 7 | 11 |
| Subsoil moisture | | | | |
| Very short..... | -- | -- | 8 | 7 |
| Short..... | 18 | 19 | 28 | 28 |
| Adequate | 66 | 70 | 57 | 59 |
| Surplus | 16 | 11 | 7 | 6 |

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 | 13 | 7 | 6 | 3 |
| Poor..... | 9 | 8 | 18 | 17 |
| Fair..... | 37 | 42 | 40 | 34 |
| Good | 41 | 43 | 35 | 44 |
| Excellent | -- | -- | 1 | 2 |
| Winter wheat | | | | |
| Very poor | -- | 3 | 7 | 4 |
| Poor..... | 20 | 16 | 17 | 8 |
| Fair..... | 34 | 25 | 40 | 46 |
| Good | 44 | 52 | 31 | 38 |
| Excellent | 2 | 4 | 5 | 4 |
| Cattle and calves death loss | | | | |
| Heavy | 15 | NA | 1 | 1 |
| Average..... | 63 | NA | 70 | 55 |
| Light..... | 22 | NA | 29 | 44 |
| Livestock | | | | |
| Very poor | 5 | 3 | -- | NA |
| Poor..... | 7 | 4 | -- | NA |
| Fair..... | 27 | 27 | 17 | NA |
| Good | 60 | 64 | 81 | NA |
| Excellent | 1 | 2 | 2 | NA |
| Sheep and lamb death loss | | | | |
| Heavy | 20 | NA | 1 | 3 |
| Average..... | 59 | NA | 69 | 54 |
| Light..... | 21 | NA | 30 | 43 |

NA – not available

(--)- zero