



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION
WEEK ENDING MAY 26, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming experienced cold and wet weather for much of the week that delayed crop progress and diminished days suitable for fieldwork, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil and subsoil moisture levels improved significantly last week but remained in the mostly adequate to surplus range with totals of both adequate and surplus categories better than last year and the five-year average. A reporter from North Central Wyoming indicated that cold conditions are hampering growth of pastures. In Northeast Wyoming reporters stated livestock producers experienced losses due to snow and that the cold weather has delayed the growth rate for all crops. Reporters from Western Wyoming stated soggy and wet conditions have limited sheep flocks getting shorn, caused poor lambing conditions, and cooler temperatures have hindered seasonal grass growth. Reporters from Southern Wyoming indicated that hay fields and pastures were greening up but due to the cold weather are not growing at a normal rate. In Southeastern Wyoming reporters stated heavy and wet snow prevented fieldwork, and delayed corn planting and winter wheat progress. The U.S. drought monitor released May 23rd, showed most of Wyoming with good moisture except for the North Central and Southwestern areas of the state which were abnormally dry. Irrigation water supplies across Wyoming were rated 87 percent good and 13 percent excellent. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 1 percent short, 88 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley				
Emerged	83	75	83	86
Jointed	29	8	--	4
Corn				
Planted.....	84	66	90	80
Emerged	39	15	54	38
Dry edible beans				
Planted.....	15	12	29	22
Emerged	3	2	3	1
Sugarbeets				
Emerged	68	53	57	49
Winter wheat				
Jointed	85	60	57	65
Booted	32	22	3	3
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambd	84	78	85	89

NA – not available
(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELD WORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION				
	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	2.2	4.2	4.5	4.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	--	--	1	3
Short.....	8	12	17	16
Adequate	73	78	76	66
Surplus	19	10	6	15
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	1	6	4
Short.....	4	11	19	18
Adequate	81	84	74	73
Surplus	15	4	1	5

NA – not available
(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa				
Very poor	--	--	NA	NA
Poor.....	1	1	NA	NA
Fair.....	24	15	NA	NA
Good	61	68	NA	NA
Excellent	14	16	NA	NA
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	6	--	--	--
Fair.....	25	22	4	4
Good	69	78	88	86
Excellent	--	--	8	10
Other hay				
Very poor	--	--	NA	NA
Poor.....	3	1	NA	NA
Fair.....	24	15	NA	NA
Good	71	80	NA	NA
Excellent	2	4	NA	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor	--	1	2	1
Poor.....	5	1	6	5
Fair.....	35	29	27	20
Good	57	66	57	60
Excellent	3	3	8	14
Sugarbeets				
Very poor	--	NA	NA	NA
Poor.....	7	NA	NA	NA
Fair.....	22	NA	NA	NA
Good	71	NA	NA	NA
Excellent	--	NA	NA	NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor	3	4	2	1
Poor.....	3	7	8	4
Fair.....	38	37	34	44
Good	52	48	47	43
Excellent	4	4	9	8
Livestock				
Very poor	1	2	--	--
Poor.....	4	3	1	1
Fair.....	22	21	13	11
Good	72	73	80	77
Excellent	1	1	6	11

NA – not available

(--) – zero