



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 25, 2020

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: For the week ending October 25, Wyoming experienced wind and cooler temperatures across much of the state, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The week started out dry, but much of the state received snow by week's end. According to the National Integrated Drought Information System, Wyoming's drought conditions have not changed much from last week. Most of the state has large sections in extremely dry to drought conditions. According to the NIDIS, the amount of land rated as experiencing extreme drought stands at 26.7 percent. The amount of land rated at severe drought, moderate drought, and abnormally dry was 32.8 percent, 30.3 percent, and 7.2 percent, respectively. A reporter from North Central Wyoming reported that freeze damage may affect a large portion of the unharvested sugarbeets. A reporter from Western Wyoming noted that conditions have been very cold and windy. They also reported some snowfall but mostly in the upper elevations. A reporter from Southeastern Wyoming indicated that conditions are very dry and corn harvest is almost complete. Another reporter from Southeastern Wyoming reported that mid-winter conditions exist with below zero temperature and 5 inches of snow. Corn for grain and sugarbeet harvest continued, while alfalfa hay harvest was wrapping up. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 12 percent very short, 22 percent short, 62 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 29 percent very short, 28 percent short, and 43 percent adequate, compared to 20 percent very short, 34 percent short, and 46 percent adequate last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 20 percent very poor, 8 percent poor, 32 percent fair, and 40 percent good, compared to 15 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 35 percent fair, and 41 percent good last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
3 rd cutting harvested	95	89	80	88
Corn				
Harvested for grain	76	64	11	24
Sugarbeets				
Harvested	93	68	61	67

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.....	4.9	6.9	5.0	6.1
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	45	46	6	9
Short.....	33	41	31	33
Adequate.....	22	13	60	55
Surplus.....	--	--	3	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	59	50	12	12
Short.....	28	35	43	36
Adequate.....	13	15	45	51
Surplus.....	--	--	--	1

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.....	37	29	3	6
Poor.....	34	43	12	12
Fair.....	29	28	43	36
Good.....	--	--	39	41
Excellent.....	--	--	3	5
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	8	8	4	2
Poor.....	16	16	11	4
Fair.....	36	32	30	25
Good.....	36	40	51	67
Excellent.....	4	4	4	2
Livestock				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	3	1	2	1
Fair.....	25	20	11	11
Good.....	72	79	82	79
Excellent.....	--	--	5	9

NA – not available

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