



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 4, 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: The first week of April brought little moisture to Wyoming, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Temperatures varied greatly this week across the State. The western border experienced below average temperatures, with isolated areas seeing daytime low temperatures 9 degrees below average for this time of year. Areas in the eastern portion of the State experienced well above average temperatures, with average high temperatures 6 to 10 degrees above average. Despite the large snowstorm in mid-March, comments indicate additional moisture is still desperately needed to improve soil conditions. According to the United States Drought Monitor for April 1, 2021, the amount of land rated as abnormally dry was 25.7 percent, a slight increase from 25.2 percent last week. Moderate drought was present across 24.4 percent of the State, remaining unchanged from last week. Severe drought covered 28.3 percent of the State, compared to 27.4 percent last week, and extreme drought conditions covered 18.4 percent of the State, a decrease from 19.3 percent last week. Overall, 97.8 percent of the State is experiencing drought conditions, a 1.6 percent increase from 96.3 percent reported last week. Hay and roughage supplies for Wyoming were rated 15 percent very short, 26 percent short, and 59 percent adequate compared to 23 percent very short, 22 percent short, 54 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus for March. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 14 percent very short, 20 percent short, 65 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus compared to 18 percent very short, 23 percent short, 58 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus for March. Cattle death loss was rated as 1 percent heavy, 93 percent average, and 6 percent light. Sheep death loss was rated as 1 percent heavy, 86 percent average, and 13 percent light.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted	21	16	35	31
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved	42	30	39	45
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambed	32	18	28	30
Sheep shorn	37	26	45	45

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	6.0	NA	4.9	4.3
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	28	30	--	3
Short	26	25	5	15
Adequate	46	42	80	67
Surplus	--	3	15	15
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	28	35	--	7
Short	32	26	8	18
Adequate	40	38	78	66
Surplus	--	1	14	9

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range				
Very poor	23	27	--	5
Poor.....	30	35	8	14
Fair.....	30	28	32	35
Good.....	17	9	56	44
Excellent.....	--	1	4	2
Winter wheat				
Very poor	4	4	3	4
Poor.....	15	14	3	14
Fair.....	76	70	20	33
Good	5	11	67	44
Excellent.....	--	1	7	5
Livestock				
Very poor	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	2	11	1	2
Fair.....	27	27	4	18
Good	70	61	92	76
Excellent.....	1	1	3	3

NA – not available

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