



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 2, 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming experienced minimal precipitation and warmer temperatures this week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Average temperatures this week were 2 to 4 degrees above average for the majority of the State. This week's precipitation levels were slightly below average, with the exception of areas in the south-eastern corner, which experienced over an inch of rain in some areas. Reports from Goshen county indicate 0.4 to 0.7 inches fell throughout the county; however, the much-needed moisture did slow corn planting. According to the United States Drought Monitor for April 29, 2021, 94.6 percent of the State is experiencing drought conditions, a slight increase from 93.4 percent last week. The amount of land rated as abnormally dry was 9.8 percent, compared to 9.7 percent last week. Moderate drought was present across 39.9 percent of the State, a decrease of 2.8 percentage points from 42.7 percent last week. Severe drought covered 38.9 percent of the State, compared to 35.0 percent last week. Extreme drought conditions remained at 6.0 percent of the State. Corn was reported at 9 percent planted, compared to 23 percent planted last year at this time. Sugarbeets were reported at 50 percent planted and 10 percent emerged this week. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 13 percent very short, 21 percent short, and 66 percent adequate compared to 14 percent very short, 15 percent short, 70 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus last week. Cattle death loss was rated as 73 percent average and 27 percent light. Sheep death loss was rated as 1 percent heavy, 94 percent average, and 5 percent light.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted	86	80	88	82
Emerged	47	30	55	46
Corn				
Planted	9	1	23	18
Sugarbeets				
Planted	50	35	46	44
Emerged	10	NA	NA	NA
Winter Wheat				
Jointed	8	6	9	13
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved	84	79	81	84
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambled	58	54	70	64
Sheep shorn	71	68	73	74

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.....	5.6	5.2	5.7	4.5
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	27	25	3	1
Short	26	30	15	14
Adequate	47	43	81	75
Surplus	--	2	1	10
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	29	31	1	3
Short	34	32	18	16
Adequate	37	36	80	74
Surplus	--	1	1	7

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	--	NA	--	NA
Poor.....	1	NA	1	NA
Fair.....	27	NA	25	NA
Good.....	67	NA	54	NA
Excellent.....	5	NA	20	NA
Other hay				
Very poor	--	NA	--	NA
Poor.....	1	NA	3	NA
Fair.....	20	NA	12	NA
Good	79	NA	84	NA
Excellent.....	--	NA	1	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor	19	21	2	2
Poor.....	29	31	4	8
Fair.....	34	33	30	29
Good.....	18	14	57	56
Excellent.....	--	1	7	5
Winter wheat				
Very poor	--	4	3	4
Poor.....	4	8	3	7
Fair.....	78	73	18	31
Good	17	14	69	51
Excellent.....	1	1	7	7
Livestock				
Very poor	1	--	1	1
Poor.....	4	5	2	3
Fair.....	29	24	9	15
Good	65	70	86	78
Excellent.....	1	1	2	3

NA – not available

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