WYOMING CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 27, 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: This week brought warm temperatures with varied precipitation totals to Wyoming, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Precipitation totals for areas in the eastern half of the state ranged from 0.1 inches in portions of Niobrara county to over an inch of moisture in Natrona county - with most areas in the eastern half of the State receiving 0.3 to 0.5 inches of moisture. Converse county reported substantial moisture that increased the June precipitation total to average for the month; however, reports indicate hay yields are currently below average for the county. The western half the State was drier this week. Most areas received 0.3 inches or less of rainfall, with portions of Big Horn and Park counties receiving no substantial moisture. Producers in Big Horn county are reporting that there will be a very short grazing season, with the possibility of not turning out livestock at all. Temperatures across the State remained warm this week, with average daily temperatures 2 to 6 degrees above normal for this time of year. According to the United States Drought Monitor for June 24, 2021, 97.6 percent of the State is experiencing drought conditions, a 6.0 percent increase from 92.1 percent last week. The amount of land rated as abnormally dry was 18.9 percent, a slight decrease from 19.2 percent last week. Moderate drought was present across 36.3 percent of the State, compared to 41.6 percent last week. Severe drought covered 33.7 percent of the State, an increase from 25.0 percent last week. Extreme drought conditions increased 2.4 percentage points from 6.3 percent last week to 8.7 percent of the State this week. There was a wildfire in Weston county this week, and reports from Weston county indicate all forage crops that had been appraised have now been zeroed out. Carbon county reported more loss claims for hay and grazing this week, along with reports of multiple native hay fields being zeroed out. There are also comments that multiple producers are out of irrigation water. Comments from Lincoln county indicated conditions are still very dry, despite spotty moisture this week. There were similar comments from Goshen and Niobrara county of localized rainfall that improved conditions in some portions of the counties. Platte county reported crops are progressing nicely with no major concerns. Barley and winter wheat are beginning to turn color and the first cutting of hay is progressing ahead of last year. The first cutting of alfalfa hay is reported at 69 percent harvested, compared to 64 percent harvested this time last year and the first cutting of other hay is reported at 34 percent harvested, comparted to 25 percent harvested this time last year. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 23 percent very short, 36 percent short, 40 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, compared to 28 percent very short, 34 percent short, 37 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

| Commodity | Current week | Previous week | Previous year | 5-year average |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Alfalfa | 4 / | u , | 4 , | 4 |
| 1st cutting harvested | 69 | 50 | 64 | 60 |
| Barley | | | | |
| Jointed | 95 | 84 | 94 | 92 |
| Booted | 73 | 58 | 84 | 69 |
| Headed | 62 | 40 | 60 | 39 |
| Turning color | 13 | | NA | NA |
| Dry edible beans | | | | |
| Emerged | 85 | 65 | 95 | 83 |
| Other hay | | | | |
| 1 st cutting harvested | 34 | 22 | 25 | 36 |
| Winter Wheat | | | | |
| Booted | 95 | 80 | 98 | 93 |
| Headed | 58 | 40 | 64 | 53 |
| Turning color | 10 | 2 | NA | NA |

NA - not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

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|---|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|--|--|
| | Current week | Previous week | Previous year | 5-year average | | |
| Days suitable for fieldwork | 6.3 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.5 | | |
| Topsoil moisture | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | | |
| Very short | 16 | 29 | 20 | 9 | | |
| Short | 51 | 42 | 39 | 25 | | |
| Adequate | 31 | 27 | 41 | 62 | | |
| Surplus | 2 | 2 | | 4 | | |
| Subsoil moisture | | | | | | |
| Very short | 32 | 44 | 20 | 10 | | |
| Short | 33 | 26 | 39 | 24 | | |
| Adequate | 34 | 30 | 41 | 64 | | |
| Surplus | 1 | | | 2 | | |

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 hay | * / | , | 4 | |
| Very poor | 1 | 2 | | 2 |
| Poor | 12 | 17 | 10 | 6 |
| Fair | 34 | 28 | 17 | 19 |
| Good | 46 | 44 | 71 | 66 |
| Excellent | 7 | 9 | 2 | 7 |
| Barley | | | | |
| Very poor | 1 | 1 | | |
| Poor | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Fair | 23 | 24 | 8 | 9 |
| Good | 74 | 72 | 76 | 85 |
| Excellent | 1 | 1 | 13 | 3 |
| Corn | | | | |
| Very poor | | | | |
| Poor | | | 1 | 2 |
| Fair | 19 | 19 | 12 | 11 |
| Good | 79 | 81 | 83 | 85 |
| Excellent | 2 | | 4 | 2 |
| Dry edible beans | - | | | _ |
| Very poor | | | | |
| Poor | | | | 2 |
| Fair | 10 | 10 | 9 | 9 |
| Good | 87 | 87 | 87 | 86 |
| Excellent | 3 | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| Other hay | 3 | | 7 | 3 |
| Very poor | 3 | 3 | | 1 |
| Poor | | 9 | 5 | 1 |
| Fair | 57 | 48 | 18 | 16 |
| Good | 29 | 36 | 77 | 77 |
| | 4 | 4 | / / | 2 |
| Excellent | 4 | 4 | | 2 |
| <u>c</u> | 12 | 20 | 9 | 1 |
| Very poor Poor | 30 | 31 | 16 | 10 |
| Fair | 38 | 34 | 34 | 23 |
| | 19 | 14 | 39 | 58 |
| Good | 19 | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| Excellent | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Sugarbeets | | | | |
| Very poor | 11 | 11 | | |
| Poor | 24 | 11 | | 14 |
| Fair | | - · | 100 | I = : |
| Good | 64 | 71 | 100 | 81 |
| Excellent | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| Winter wheat | 1 | 1 | 7 | _ |
| Very poor | 1 0 | 9 | 1 | 3 7 |
| Poor | 8 | | 6 | 20 |
| Fair | 63 | 62 | 24 | 30 |
| Good | 27 | 27 | 63 | 54 |
| Excellent | 1 | 1 | | 4 |
| Livestock | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Very poor | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Poor | 2 | 2 | 1 = 1 | I 10 |
| Fair | 24 | 23 | 3 | 10 |
| Good | 73 | 73 | 92 | 84 |
| Excellent | 1 | 2 | 2 | 5 |

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