



# WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION MONTH OF MARCH 2022

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** The majority of Wyoming experienced below average temperatures in March, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service. In isolated areas, temperatures were as much as ten degrees below normal. Precipitation was also below normal for most of the state. According to the United States Drought Monitor released on March 24, 2022, the amount of land rated as abnormally dry was 2.8 percent, up from 2.4 percent in February. Moderate drought was present across 36.6 percent of the state, an increase from 30.8 percent last month. Severe drought covered 40.6 percent of the state, down from 54.1 percent last month, and extreme drought conditions covered 20.0 percent of the state, up from 12.7 percent last month. In Goshen county, soil moisture was aided by variable moisture. Farmers had begun field activities. In Lincoln county, more mountain snow was needed to replenish irrigation supplies. Snow cover kept farmers from their fields, but conditions were good for lambing. Pastures were greening in Platte county, but more precipitation was needed as moisture levels received over the winter were lower than in most years. Hay and roughage supplies for Wyoming were rated 23 percent very short, 30 percent short, and 47 percent adequate, compared to 29 percent very short, 28 percent short, and 43 percent adequate last month. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 5 percent very short, 38 percent short, 56 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, compared to 10 percent very short, 36 percent short, 53 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus last month. Cattle death loss was rated as 2 percent heavy, 73 percent average, and 25 percent light. Sheep death loss was rated 78 percent average and 22 percent light.

**Note:** The first weekly report will be released on Monday, April 4, 2022.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current report (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted .....	7	NA	16	NA
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved .....	11	3	30	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambled .....	8	3	18	NA
Sheep shorn .....	11	2	26	NA

NA – not available

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### SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Very short.....	26	42	30	NA
Short .....	42	30	25	NA
Adequate.....	32	28	42	NA
Surplus.....	--	--	3	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	25	42	35	NA
Short .....	54	38	26	NA
Adequate.....	21	20	38	NA
Surplus.....	--	--	1	NA

NA – not available

(--) – zero

### CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	7	28	27	NA
Poor.....	34	28	35	NA
Fair .....	43	28	28	NA
Good .....	16	16	9	NA
Excellent.....	--	--	1	NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	9	7	4	NA
Poor.....	32	29	14	NA
Fair .....	45	52	70	NA
Good .....	14	12	11	NA
Excellent.....	--	--	1	NA
Livestock				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	1	1	11	NA
Fair .....	6	11	27	NA
Good .....	92	86	61	NA
Excellent.....	1	2	1	NA

NA – not available

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