



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION
WEEK ENDING JULY 17, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming remained hot and dry for the week ending July 17, 2022, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Temperatures for the most part were above normal, with some areas of the state seeing temperatures as much as 6 degrees above average. Precipitation levels were below normal for the majority of the State. The exception was in extreme portions of the northwest and southwest that saw levels slightly above normal. According to the United States Drought Monitor for July 14, 2022, the amount of land that was drought free stood at 11.6 percent, compared to 12.8 percent the previous week. The amount of land rated abnormally dry was 28.2 percent, up slightly from last week’s 27.9 percent. Moderate drought was found in 35.7 percent of the state, up from 31.4 percent. Severe drought fell to 20.9 percent, compared to 24.3 percent last week. Extreme drought was unchanged from last week at 3.6 percent. Portions of northern Goshen County received precipitation while Goshen Hole remained very dry. Record high temperatures depleted soil moisture levels in some areas and without additional water, crops were expected to die. There were some thunderstorms in Lincoln County, but conditions remained predominantly hot and dry. Temperatures were still dipping into the 40s at night but reached into the 90s during the day. Many farmers were putting up alfalfa hay. A report from Platte County indicated that crops were not doing well. The rains that fell were not enough to alleviate the hot and dry conditions. Forecasted highs for the upcoming week were expected to add to the existing heat stress. Hay supplies were insufficient. Irrigation water supplies across the State were rated 2 percent very poor, 19 percent poor, 27 percent fair, and 52 percent good, compared to 1 percent very poor, 21 percent poor, 31 percent fair, and 47 percent good last week. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 6 percent very short, 36 percent short, 57 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, compared to 3 percent very short, 27 percent short, 66 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	87	83	95	NA
2 nd cutting harvested.....	10	4	14	15
Barley				
Booted.....	89	84	NA	NA
Headed.....	82	75	98	87
Turning color.....	58	39	65	48
Mature.....	13	--	21	11
Corn				
Silked.....	4	2	4	2
Dry edible beans				
Blooming.....	51	34	21	24
Setting pods.....	3	1	--	2
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	67	58	65	70
Winter wheat				
Turning color.....	74	51	76	73
Mature.....	19	5	24	36
Harvested.....	9	--	3	NA

NA – not available
(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.7
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	24	26	21	16
Short.....	44	35	53	39
Adequate.....	32	39	25	44
Surplus.....	--	--	1	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	26	27	33	17
Short.....	36	34	38	36
Adequate.....	38	38	29	47
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)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor.....	1	--	12	4
Poor.....	3	2	12	8
Fair.....	19	15	24	20
Good	75	81	45	65
Excellent.....	2	2	7	3
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	7	8	--	2
Fair.....	18	16	23	13
Good	75	75	76	83
Excellent.....	--	1	1	2
Corn				
Very poor.....	2	1	--	--
Poor.....	3	1	--	2
Fair.....	24	27	8	12
Good	69	71	91	84
Excellent.....	2	--	1	2
Dry edible beans				
Very poor.....	2	--	--	--
Poor.....	13	12	--	2
Fair.....	41	50	18	12
Good	43	38	80	84
Excellent.....	1	--	2	2
Other hay				
Very poor.....	1	--	NA	NA
Poor.....	2	1	NA	NA
Fair.....	14	9	NA	NA
Good	83	89	NA	NA
Excellent.....	--	1	NA	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	9	7	20	9
Poor.....	25	24	32	18
Fair.....	29	21	36	29
Good	36	45	12	41
Excellent.....	1	3	--	3
Sugarbeets				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	11	4
Fair.....	13	14	27	18
Good	86	86	59	77
Excellent.....	1	--	3	1
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	8	8	1	5
Poor.....	38	37	9	9
Fair.....	47	49	65	36
Good	7	5	24	48
Excellent.....	--	1	1	2
Livestock				
Very poor.....	1	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	2	1
Fair.....	20	11	32	14
Good	70	79	65	81
Excellent.....	8	9	1	4

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