



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 24, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: There was no break from the hot and dry conditions for the majority of Wyoming for the week ending July 25, 2022, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Isolated portions of southern and eastern Wyoming saw temperatures as much as 5 degrees above average. Moisture was negligible for much of Wyoming. Only a few portions of the southwest and north received precipitation levels that were slightly above normal. According to the United States Drought Monitor for July 19, 2022, the amount of land that was drought free fell to 10.6 percent, compared to 11.6 percent the previous week. The amount of land rated abnormally dry stood at 26.6 percent, compared to 28.2 percent the previous week. Moderate drought increased to 37.8 percent, up from 35.7 percent last week. Severe drought fell one percentage point to 19.9 percent. Extreme drought increased to 5.1 percent, compared to 3.6 percent last week. A report from Carbon County indicated that irrigated native hay production was poor with low yields in some fields. The southern areas of Goshen County remained severely dry. Spotty rains in northern portions of the County alleviated dryness in some pastures and fields. The weather remained mostly hot and dry in Lincoln County and moisture was needed. The first crop of alfalfa was nearly all harvested. A report from Weston County indicated losses on dryland grain, grass, alfalfa, and mixed hay fields. Hay supplies were insufficient in areas that experienced high winds with low moisture levels or minimal snow cover. Forage fields containing alfalfa were not maturing. Fields were drying up and lying down before farmers could harvest. Hay fields in the lowlands, however, were performing well. Ranges were maturing and drying early with the higher temperatures. Dusty conditions resulted from the low top-soil moisture levels. Irrigation water supplies across the State were rated 1 percent very poor, 27 percent poor, 26 percent fair, and 46 percent good, compared to 2 percent very poor, 19 percent poor, 27 percent fair, and 52 percent good last week. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 5 percent very short, 43 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, compared to 6 percent very short, 36 percent short, 57 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 hay				
1 st cutting harvested	95	87	NA	NA
2 nd cutting harvested	23	10	29	29
Barley				
Booted.....	94	89	NA	NA
Headed	86	82	NA	NA
Turning color	67	58	75	63
Mature	24	13	39	28
Corn				
Silked	9	4	21	15
Dry edible beans				
Blooming.....	74	51	38	45
Setting pods	17	3	9	12
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested	74	67	79	78
Winter wheat				
Turning color	89	74	93	90
Mature	37	19	38	57
Harvested.....	18	9	16	19

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	6.5	6.7	6.8	6.4
Topsoil moisture		(percent)		
Very short	28	24	34	21
Short	43	44	45	37
Adequate	29	32	20	41
Surplus	--	--	1	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	31	26	43	21
Short	38	36	35	38
Adequate	31	38	22	41
Surplus	--	--	--	--

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.....	4	1	19	5
Poor.....	3	3	11	7
Fair.....	17	19	23	16
Good.....	75	75	41	70
Excellent.....	1	2	6	2
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	3	1
Poor.....	8	7	2	3
Fair.....	17	18	21	12
Good.....	75	75	73	83
Excellent.....	--	--	1	1
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	2	--	--
Poor.....	--	3	--	2
Fair.....	25	24	5	9
Good.....	75	69	91	86
Excellent.....	--	2	4	3
Dry edible beans				
Very poor.....	--	2	--	--
Poor.....	10	13	--	2
Fair.....	50	41	18	13
Good.....	40	43	79	83
Excellent.....	--	1	3	2
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	14	9	29	12
Poor.....	24	25	32	18
Fair.....	23	29	28	29
Good.....	37	36	11	37
Excellent.....	2	1	--	4
Sugarbeets				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	11	4
Fair.....	13	13	27	15
Good.....	87	86	61	80
Excellent.....	--	1	1	1
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	17	8	10	7
Poor.....	41	38	4	8
Fair.....	38	47	45	32
Good.....	3	7	38	49
Excellent.....	1	--	3	4
Livestock				
Very poor.....	--	1	--	--
Poor.....	--	1	5	2
Fair.....	24	20	26	13
Good.....	71	70	68	80
Excellent.....	5	8	1	5

NA – not available

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