



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming experienced another week of extreme dryness, as precipitation was at or near zero for the majority of the State for the week ending September 4, 2022, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service. Only isolated portions of Platte, Goshen, and south-eastern Niobrara Counties received rain. Moisture totals in these areas ranged from trace amounts to about 0.13 inches at the most. According to the US Drought Monitor for September 1, 2022, there was no change in drought conditions from the previous week. The amount of land that was drought free held steady at 9.9 percent. The amount of land rated abnormally dry sat still at 34.6 percent. Moderate drought remained the same at 34.3 percent. For the third week in a row, severe and extreme drought conditions were unchanged at 19.6 and 1.6 percent, respectively. There were no apparent forecasts for precipitation in Lincoln County. The hot and dry days were ongoing though nights remained cool. Lows at night were seen in the low 40s and high 30s. Hot weather and dryness covered Platte County combined with record high temperatures most days. Non-irrigated fields were clearly in very poor condition. Pastures also suffered immensely. Irrigation water supplies across the State were rated 17 percent very poor, 20 percent poor, 17 percent fair, and 46 percent good, compared to 14 percent very poor, 29 percent poor, 16 percent fair, and 41 percent good last week. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 11 percent very short, 39 percent short, and 50 percent adequate, compared to 7 percent very short, 48 percent short, and 45 percent adequate last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
2 nd cutting harvested	71	60	NA	NA
3 rd cutting harvested	20	18	34	28
Barley				
Harvested	93	80	91	87
Corn				
Doughed	87	81	95	NA
Dented	28	7	29	27
Harvested for silage	6	--	9	8
Dry edible beans				
Setting pods	98	93	NA	NA
Turning color	44	15	66	68
Cut	14	--	31	25
Winter wheat				
Harvested	98	92	NA	NA
Planted	31	11	10	11
Emerged	1	NA	NA	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	6.6	6.5	6.8	6.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	39	36	30	29
Short	36	45	40	38
Adequate	25	19	30	33
Surplus	--	--	--	--
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	39	39	38	31
Short	39	48	34	36
Adequate	22	13	28	33
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	--	--	17	5
Poor	1	--	14	10
Fair.....	31	40	18	16
Good	67	59	46	62
Excellent	1	1	5	7
Corn				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	2	--	--	3
Fair.....	9	15	6	15
Good	84	84	88	80
Excellent	5	1	6	2
Dry edible beans				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	--	--	--	2
Fair.....	24	33	18	16
Good	74	66	79	80
Excellent	2	1	3	2
Pasture and range				
Very poor	15	16	33	20
Poor	20	20	32	22
Fair.....	34	35	21	31
Good	30	28	13	24
Excellent	1	1	1	3
Sugarbeets				
Very poor	--	--	3	1
Poor	--	--	8	4
Fair.....	13	9	26	15
Good	86	91	62	76
Excellent	1	--	1	4
Livestock				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	1	--	8	3
Fair.....	12	13	40	21
Good	79	82	51	74
Excellent	8	5	1	2
NA – not available				
(--) – zero				