

WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 27, 2022

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Temperatures were at or below normal for the western portions of Wyoming for the week ending November 28, 2022, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service. Temperatures were on average as much as 10 degrees below normal in portions of Lincoln and Park Counties. The majority of eastern Wyoming, however, saw temperatures at or above normal. Temperatures ran from 4 to 8 degrees above normal in parts of the northeast. Precipitation levels were zero or nominal for the majority of the State. Only parts of central Wyoming received moisture levels that were slightly above average. Parts of eastern Natrona County received about 0.4 inches of precipitation at the end of the week. Isolated areas of Freemont and Sheridan Counties received slightly less amounts of moisture. There was no change in drought conditions according to the United States Drought Monitor report published on November 23, 2022. The amount of land rated drought free sat still at 18.4 percent. The amount of land rated abnormally dry remained unchanged at 24.8 percent. Moderate drought was once again found in 28.2 percent of Wyoming. Severe and extreme conditions were also constant at 22.2 and 6.4 percent, respectively. Goshen County remained dry. Farmers and ranchers were in need of significant moisture events. A report from Lincoln County indicated that snow fell off and on throughout the week as winter advanced. Operators in Platte County were missing the bulk of the snow events other counties were seeing. Some snow was received at the end of the week which boosted moisture levels somewhat. Harvests had wrapped up for the season and winter grazing was limited. Farmers were not seeing the corn yields they expected due to the irrigation water cutbacks and the hot, dry conditions this season. Corn harvest increased to 90 percent statewide, compared to 87 percent last week. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 30 percent very short, 27 percent short, and 43 percent adequate, compared to 29 percent very short, 30 percent short, and 41 percent adequate last week. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 6 percent very short, 49 percent short, and 45 percent adequate, compared to 6 percent very short, 55 percent short, and 39 percent adequate last week.

Note: This report concludes the weekly crop progress report for 2022. Next year's Wyoming weekly report will begin in April 2023.

Monthly reports will be released for December on January 3, 2023; for January on January 30, 2023; for February on February 27, 2023; and for March on March 27, 2023.

Our thanks to the weekly reporters for providing crop progress observations during the 2022 season.

CROP PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Corn						
Harvested for grain	90	87	94	NA		
	90	87	94			

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	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	5.6	5.2	6.9	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	23	30	24	NA
Short	46	47	33	NA
Adequate	31	23	43	NA
Surplus				NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	29	35	27	NA
Short	45	48	45	NA
Adequate	26	17	28	NA
Surplus				NA

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION					
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Pasture and range	. ,	,			
Very poor	10	13	35	NA	
Poor	16	23	19	NA	
Fair	31	30	31	NA	
Good	41	32	15	NA	
Excellent	2	2		NA	
Winter wheat					
Very poor	4	4	9	NA	
Poor	21	23	20	NA	
Fair	53	58	49	NA	
Good	21	14	21	NA	
Excellent	1	1	1	NA	
Livestock					
Very poor				NA	
Poor	1	1	2	NA	
Fair	10	18	32	NA	
Good	73	74	64	NA	
Excellent	16	7	2	NA	

NA – not available (--) – zero