



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION
WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 1, 2023

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: A combination of warmer temperatures and limited rainfall, along with 6.9 days suitable for field work allowed for steady harvesting progress across Wyoming during the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. According to the High Plains Regional Climate Center (HPRCC), temperatures across the State were warmer than normal, ranging from 2 to 10 degrees above average. Rainfall was scattered and total accumulations varied, ranging from a trace to over an inch during the week, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Many areas received no measurable rainfall. Reports from Goshen County indicated that cattle remaining on grass pastures continued to look great, and crop harvest was progressing very nicely. Lincoln County reporters noted another a good week for haying, along with good progression of harvesting small grains. Varying precipitation across the county could result in some of their small grains not being harvested if the wet conditions do not subside. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor for September 26, Wyoming had no area categorized under moderate (D1) drought or worse. Less than 3 percent of Wyoming was categorized as abnormally dry (D0), while drought-free conditions were at 97 percent. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 6 percent short and 94 percent adequate, compared with 5 percent short and 95 percent adequate last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 10 percent fair and 90 percent good, compared with last week’s 1 percent fair and 99 percent good.

CROP PROGRESS				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
2 nd cutting	85	74	NA	NA
3 rd cutting	38	30	53	67
Barley				
Mature	96	92	NA	NA
Harvested for grain	91	88	NA	NA
Corn				
Dented	63	44	92	94
Mature	25	20	59	55
Harvested for silage	21	2	84	80
Dry beans				
Coloring	95	87	96	NA
Cut	62	43	92	89
Harvested	33	19	52	70
Other hay				
2 nd cutting	38	31	NA	NA
Sugarbeets				
Harvested	29	16	28	24
Winter wheat				
Planted	75	59	82	86
Emerged	46	31	47	50

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	6.9	6.2	5.5	6.3
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	--	--	29	29
Short	22	15	46	42
Adequate	78	85	24	29
Surplus	--	--	1	--
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	--	--	42	34
Short	27	18	40	41
Adequate	73	82	18	25
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.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Fair.....	8	3	26	NA
Good	92	97	74	NA
Excellent.....	--	--	--	NA
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	1	2
Fair.....	11	12	13	17
Good	89	88	86	79
Excellent.....	--	--	--	2
Dry beans				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	1	--	NA
Fair.....	17	19	43	NA
Good	83	80	57	NA
Excellent.....	--	--	--	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	--	--	15	22
Poor.....	1	1	16	19
Fair.....	21	20	32	33
Good	78	79	35	25
Excellent.....	--	--	2	1
Sugarbeets				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	--	--	--	2
Fair.....	18	22	6	13
Good	82	78	94	83
Excellent.....	--	--	--	1
Livestock				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	3
Fair.....	1	1	7	16
Good	98	98	74	77
Excellent.....	1	1	19	4

NA – not available
 (--) – zero