WYOMING CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 12, 2023

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: A combination of warmer temperatures and moderate rainfall led to 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork across Wyoming during the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. As the fall season advances, harvest progress was nearing completion for most crops throughout the State. According to the High Plains Regional Climate Center (HPRCC), temperatures across the State were warmer than normal, ranging from 2 degrees below average to 8 degrees above average. Rainfall was scattered and total accumulations varied. The western third of the State received as much as an inch and a half during the week, while the rest of the State received half an inch, at most. Many areas received no measurable rainfall. Reports from Lincoln County indicated that their weather conditions last week were cooler and sunny, and ranchers had started shipping off calves to feed lots for sale. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor for November 7, Wyoming was free from severe (D2) drought or worse, although about 2 percent of Wyoming was categorized in a moderate drought (D1), and 3 percent of Wyoming was categorized as abnormally dry (D0). Drought-free conditions were at 95 percent. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 9 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus, compared with 1 percent very short, 16 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 1 percent very short, 18 percent short, and 81 percent adequate, compared with 1 percent very short, 14 percent short, and 85 percent adequate last week.

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Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Alfalfa hay	u ,	, ,	u ,	,	
3 rd cutting	92	89	NA	NA	
Corn					
Mature	93	89	NA	NA	
Harvested for silage	89	86	NA	NA	
Harvested for grain	51	32	67	69	
Dry beans					
Harvested	95	91	NA	NA	
Other hay					
2 nd cutting	76	73	NA	NA	
Sugarbeets					
Harvested	95	91	NA	NA	
Winter wheat					
Emerged	96	94	NA	NA	

NA - not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION				
	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	6.6	6.1	5.9	5.7
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	" 7 ´	4	39	23
Short	40	35	40	36
Adequate	45	44	20	38
Surplus	8	17	1	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	13	8	44	31
Short	43	40	44	39
Adequate	36	35	12	29
Surplus	8	17		1

NA – not available

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Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
,	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn				
Very poor				NA
Poor	1	1		NA
Fair	11	13	1	NA
Good	87	85	98	NA
Excellent	1	1	1	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor	1	1	13	18
Poor	11	7	30	24
Fair	26	22	34	38
Good	62	68	23	18
Excellent		2		2
Winter wheat		_		_
Very poor	4	4	4	4
Poor	12	7	23	14
Fair	57	55	60	37
Good	26	33	13	42
Excellent	1	1		3
Livestock				
Very poor				
Poor		1	1	2
Fair	1	1	21	20
Good	93	91	76	74
Excellent	6	7	2	4

NA – not available (--) – zero