



# WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 19, 2023

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** A combination of warmer temperatures and moderate rainfall led to 6.5 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 3 degrees to 15 degrees above average. Rainfall was scattered and total accumulations varied. The southwestern corner of the State received as much as three inches during the week, while the southernmost third received as much as an inch. The rest of the State received half an inch at most, while many areas received no measurable rainfall at all. Reports from Goshen County indicated the slight rainfall recently received helped wet their topsoil for the upcoming freeze. Lincoln County reporters noted that winter conditions were starting to appear in the county as their ground had started to freeze and snow in their valleys has been staying on the ground, while snowfall has become apparent on the mountain tops. Reports from Platte County indicated that crop harvest was going well all around, while their corn harvest was almost completed despite the increased winds drying out crops quite quickly and little moisture received during the past week. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor for November 14, Wyoming was free from severe (D2) drought or worse, although about 3 percent of Wyoming was categorized in a moderate drought (D1), and 6 percent of Wyoming was categorized as abnormally dry (D0). Drought-free conditions were at 91 percent. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 2 percent short, 88 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus, compared with 1 percent very short, 9 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 1 percent very short, 11 percent short, and 88 percent adequate, compared with 1 percent very short, 18 percent short, and 81 percent adequate last week.

### CROP PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
3 <sup>rd</sup> cutting .....	94	92	NA	NA
Corn				
Mature .....	96	93	NA	NA
Harvested for silage .....	91	89	NA	NA
Harvested for grain .....	70	51	85	83
Other hay				
2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting .....	77	76	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 .....	6.5	6.6	5.2	5.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	2	7	30	18
Short .....	42	40	47	36
Adequate .....	56	45	23	43
Surplus .....	--	8	--	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	4	13	35	24
Short .....	43	43	48	40
Adequate .....	53	36	17	35
Surplus .....	--	8	--	1

NA – not available

(--) – zero

# **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.....	1	1	13	15
Poor.....	4	11	23	21
Fair.....	17	36	30	38
Good.....	77	62	32	23
Excellent.....	1	--	2	3
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	4	4	4	4
Poor.....	11	12	23	15
Fair.....	57	57	58	35
Good.....	27	26	14	42
Excellent.....	1	1	1	4
Livestock				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	--	1	2
Fair.....	1	1	18	19
Good.....	97	93	74	75
Excellent.....	1	6	7	4

NA – not available

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