



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION MONTH OF DECEMBER 2023

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming received little relief from the ongoing drought conditions during the month of December, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Rainfall was scattered and total accumulations varied, ranging from a trace to as much as 4 inches during the month, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Some areas received no measurable rainfall. Temperatures ran above normal for the majority of the State, ranging from no change to 8 degrees above average. There was little change in drought conditions during December according to the United States Drought Monitor report published on December 26, 2023. The amount of land rated drought free equaled 75 percent, compared with 88 percent on November 28, 2023. Abnormally dry conditions covered 22 percent of Wyoming, and moderate drought was found in 3 percent. Reports from Goshen County indicated the dry conditions have been favorable for cattle on feed. Platte County reporters noted little moisture received in the last month with unseasonably warm weather for this time of year. Hay and roughage supplies for Wyoming were rated 1 percent very short, 12 percent short, 86 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus, compared with 2 percent very short, 9 percent short, 88 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus on November 26. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 3 percent very short, 11 percent short, and 86 percent adequate, compared with 1 percent very short, 12 percent short, and 87 percent adequate on November 26.

Note: Monthly reports will be released for January on January 29, 2024; for February on February 26, 2024; and for March on March 25, 2024.

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Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn				
Harvested for grain	96	84	NA	NA

NA – not available

-- – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Very short	12	6	23	NA
Short	34	39	33	NA
Adequate	53	55	43	NA
Surplus	1	--	1	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	17	12	38	NA
Short	40	45	28	NA
Adequate	43	43	33	NA
Surplus	--	--	1	NA

NA – not available

-- – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	4	1	4	NA
Poor.....	8	10	16	NA
Fair.....	33	26	29	NA
Good.....	51	63	48	NA
Excellent.....	4	--	3	NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	7	4	4	NA
Poor.....	7	12	20	NA
Fair.....	53	61	66	NA
Good.....	32	22	9	NA
Excellent.....	1	1	1	NA
Livestock				
Very poor.....	1	--	1	NA
Poor.....	1	--	2	NA
Fair.....	2	2	13	NA
Good.....	85	92	82	NA
Excellent.....	11	6	2	NA

NA – not available

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