



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION
WEEK ENDING JUNE 18, 2023

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: As the season has progressed, there has been improvement among crop conditions and soil moistures across Wyoming, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service. Temperatures throughout the majority of the State trended lower with some regions trending up to five degrees lower than the normal temperature according to data from the High Plains Regional Climate Center (HPRCC). The State showed another consistent week of precipitation with more uniformity across the state ranging between none and two inches, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). The moisture that continued to make a presence throughout the State was reported to causing delays in first alfalfa hay cutting in the southeastern part of the State. Some producers in that region were resorting to green chopping due to the conditions. However, Wyoming should see an increase in the first alfalfa cutting progress as Lincoln County reported that producers were expected to start soon. According to the United States Drought Monitor for June 15, the State saw an increase in severe (D2) drought with nearly three percent, while there was a decrease of the area that suffered moderate (D1) drought to about 13 percent. Less than a quarter of Wyoming remained in abnormal dryness (D0) at roughly 23 percent, and with 61 percent, over half of the State was reported in drought-free conditions. Livestock conditions improved once again with all residing in either fair or good condition. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 2 percent short, 93 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus, compared with 1 percent very short, 8 percent short, 84 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 70 percent good and 30 percent excellent, compared with 1 percent poor, 61 percent good, and 38 percent excellent last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa Hay				
1 st cutting.....	11	7	29	37
Barley				
Planted.....	95	93	NA	NA
Emerged	89	87	NA	NA
Jointed	74	63	66	73
Booted.....	39	21	30	40
Corn				
Emerged	71	65	84	92
Dry beans				
Planted.....	87	69	71	87
Emerged	47	18	48	57
Other hay				
1 st cutting.....	6	5	4	NA
Winter wheat				
Booted.....	59	30	71	73
Headed.....	28	9	25	29

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.....	3.4	5.4	6.7	6.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	2	6	23	16
Short.....	13	16	24	24
Adequate.....	73	68	51	57
Surplus.....	12	10	2	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	2	8	22	18
Short.....	25	29	27	22
Adequate.....	68	55	50	58
Surplus.....	5	8	1	2

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	--	1	--	1
Poor	--	1	4	6
Fair.....	3	10	25	22
Good	95	86	67	62
Excellent.....	2	2	4	9
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	--	--	13	5
Fair.....	9	16	13	14
Good	91	82	74	79
Excellent.....	--	2	--	2
Corn				
Very poor	--	1	--	--
Poor	--	1	--	1
Fair.....	17	20	17	15
Good	83	77	83	81
Excellent.....	--	1	--	3
Other hay				
Very poor	--	1	--	1
Poor	--	1	2	3
Fair.....	7	10	10	22
Good	93	84	86	72
Excellent.....	--	4	2	2
Pasture and range				
Very poor	--	1	2	6
Poor	6	6	14	13
Fair.....	24	27	27	28
Good	62	61	57	50
Excellent.....	8	5	0	3
Sugarbeets				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	--	--	--	7
Fair.....	--	1	22	15
Good	100	99	78	78
Excellent.....	--	--	--	--
Winter wheat				
Very poor	8	7	8	5
Poor	21	23	36	12
Fair.....	56	51	48	40
Good	11	19	8	40
Excellent.....	4	--	--	3
Livestock				
Very poor	--	1	--	--
Poor	--	2	3	2
Fair.....	6	9	10	12
Good	94	87	86	83
Excellent.....	--	1	1	3

NA – not available
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