



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 18, 2025

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming moisture accumulations were low, but operators welcomed localized rain last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Last week there were 5.2 days suitable for fieldwork. Precipitation accumulations were scattered with only the northeastern corner receiving over a half of inch of moisture. Temperatures in central Wyoming were close to normal with the western part of the State 1 to 2 degrees below normal and parts of eastern Wyoming were as many as 6 to 8 degrees above normal, according to the High Plains Regional Climate Center (HPRCC) climate maps. The lack of moisture and higher temperatures caused drought conditions to increase, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor report published for May 13. The amount of land rated drought free fell to 23 percent, compared to 30 percent the week prior. Land rated abnormally dry covered 38 percent of Wyoming, up 7 percentage points from May 6. Moderate, severe, and extreme drought percentages remained at 21, 10, and 8 percent respectively. Rains last week were very beneficial for pastures and crops that were just planted, but still more was needed. Operators were still irrigating to support soil moisture, but losses in winter wheat fields were reported in eastern Wyoming due to the lack of soil moisture.

Hay and roughage supplies for Wyoming were reported as 7 percent very short, 23 percent short, 55 percent adequate, and 15 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were reported as 3 percent very short, 20 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus, compared with 1 percent short and 99 percent adequate last year. Irrigation water supply was reported as 10 percent very poor, 16 percent poor, 13 percent fair, and 61 percent good, compared with 100 percent good last year. Cattle death loss was reported as 25 percent average and 75 percent light. Sheep death loss was reported as 1 percent heavy, 22 percent average and 77 percent light. Lamb losses were reported heavy due to avian predation. Stock water remained short, and operators were bringing in hay to supplement the short pastures.

NOTE: The Crop-CASMA (**C**rop **C**ondition and **S**oil **M**oisture **A**nytics) for Root Zone Moisture can be accessed at [www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics by State/Wyoming](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Wyoming) by clicking Crop Progress & Condition. For this data product, the root zone is defined as the top 3.2 feet of soil (approximately 1 meter).

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted.....	92	90	90	NA
Emerged.....	85	80	83	81
Jointed.....	14	1	15	5
Corn				
Planted.....	59	40	58	56
Emerged.....	16	2	9	NA
Sugarbeets				
Emerged.....	40	21	30	43
Winter Wheat				
Jointed.....	12	10	22	30
Booted.....	4	3	1	3
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved.....	95	93	89	92
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambled.....	86	82	78	80
Sheep shorn.....	78	67	80	86

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	5.2	6.0	5.5	5.5
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	26	18	4	10
Short	27	27	40	31
Adequate.....	41	48	56	57
Surplus.....	6	7	--	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	31	35	4	13
Short	33	24	40	33
Adequate.....	35	40	56	53
Surplus.....	1	1	--	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)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor.....	1	--	--	1
Poor.....	5	5	1	3
Fair	35	40	2	21
Good	52	48	97	67
Excellent.....	7	7	--	8
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	1	1	1	NA
Fair	11	14	1	NA
Good	85	80	68	NA
Excellent.....	3	5	30	NA
Other hay				
Very poor.....	1	--	--	--
Poor.....	4	2	2	2
Fair	30	33	6	21
Good	63	62	92	75
Excellent.....	2	3	--	2
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	20	20	1	8
Poor.....	27	22	2	12
Fair	33	37	33	31
Good	17	19	64	47
Excellent.....	3	2	--	2
Sugarbeets				
Very poor.....	1	NA	--	NA
Poor.....	1	NA	--	NA
Fair	6	NA	18	NA
Good	91	NA	82	NA
Excellent.....	1	NA	--	NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	25	23	3	5
Poor.....	40	49	9	15
Fair	31	26	12	39
Good	4	2	76	40
Excellent.....	--	--	--	1
Livestock				
Very poor.....	1	--	--	--
Poor.....	6	10	--	2
Fair	19	18	--	12
Good	66	62	100	85
Excellent.....	8	10	--	1

NA – not available

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