



COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 25, 2015

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Precipitation occurred in abundance last week, replenishing moisture supplies and reducing field activity. In spite of wet conditions, harvesting activities occurred where it was feasible in an accelerated fashion. Winter wheat emergence advanced at a faster pace as a result of significant moisture events. Stored feed supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 1 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 24 percent surplus. Sheep death loss was rated 4 percent heavy, 64 percent average, and 32 percent light. Cattle death loss was rated 1 percent heavy, 69 percent average, and 30 percent light.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa				
4 th cutting harvested	80	55	87	88
Corn				
Harvested for grain	31	25	42	57
Dry Beans				
Harvested	92	80	87	93
Potatoes Inside San Luis Valley				
Harvested	98	93	95	98
Sorghum				
Mature	93	90	83	92
Harvested	47	35	24	31
Sugarbeets				
Harvested	53	47	66	68
Sunflowers				
Harvested	63	46	25	50
Winter wheat				
Emerged	83	60	93	85

NA – not available

(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	4.8	6.9	6.8	6.3
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	8	10	6	19
Short	34	40	33	35
Adequate	58	50	59	45
Surplus	--	--	2	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	9	10	15	26
Short	32	36	31	35
Adequate	59	54	53	39
Surplus	--	--	1	--

NA – not available

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	1	NA
Poor.....	3	3	5	NA
Fair.....	24	26	25	NA
Good.....	61	58	53	NA
Excellent.....	12	13	16	NA
Livestock				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	1	1	5
Fair.....	12	13	18	27
Good.....	75	75	68	59
Excellent.....	12	11	13	8
Pasture and Range				
Very poor.....	2	2	6	21
Poor.....	17	17	21	22
Fair.....	28	29	27	30
Good.....	46	45	38	24
Excellent.....	7	7	8	3
Sorghum				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	20
Poor.....	3	3	18	22
Fair.....	28	28	53	33
Good.....	66	66	28	21
Excellent.....	3	3	1	4
Sugarbeets				
Very poor.....	--	--	1	--
Poor.....	1	1	3	3
Fair.....	7	8	21	20
Good.....	76	76	51	60
Excellent.....	16	15	24	17
Sunflowers				
Very poor.....	--	--	1	15
Poor.....	1	1	18	15
Fair.....	33	33	32	30
Good.....	53	53	41	34
Excellent.....	13	13	8	6
Winter Wheat				
Very poor.....	2	2	1	2
Poor.....	14	16	7	11
Fair.....	46	45	45	44
Good.....	36	35	39	37
Excellent.....	2	2	8	6

NA – not available

(--) – zero