



COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 10, 2016

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Hot, dry conditions pushed development of small grains while precipitation events occurred in isolated fashion in eastern counties, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Planting activities wrapped up last week as focus shifted to harvesting activities. With the maturity of winter wheat already ahead of average and last year, the crop responded well to excess heat units and continued to mature rapidly. Good progress in the harvest of winter wheat was achieved last week where conditions allowed, but remained behind average by week's end. Winter wheat crop conditions are rated 66 percent good to excellent, compared with 52 percent good to excellent last year. Stored feed supplies were rated 3 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 18 percent surplus. Sheep death loss was 8 percent heavy, 68 percent average and 24 percent light. Cattle death loss was 81 percent average and 19 percent light.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa				
1 st cutting	97	94	92	95
2 nd cutting	30	19	19	25
Barley				
Headed	90	79	84	87
Turning color	20	9	19	19
Corn				
Silked	7	5	8	7
Dry beans				
Flowered	6	2	6	7
Sorghum				
Headed	3	1	1	4
Spring wheat				
Headed	79	50	88	88
Turning Color	28	7	20	17
Sunflowers				
Planted	98	92	99	96
Winter wheat				
Mature	86	58	73	73
Harvested	33	7	32	46

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	5.9	5.2	6.2	6.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	2	1	1	20
Short	16	14	15	32
Adequate	74	78	77	45
Surplus	8	7	7	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	3	3	3	29
Short	12	11	16	28
Adequate	80	81	79	42
Surplus	5	5	2	1

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	7
Poor.....	2	1	5	11
Fair.....	12	12	29	28
Good.....	64	66	52	43
Excellent.....	22	21	14	11
Barley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	2
Fair.....	13	13	15	27
Good.....	51	52	61	57
Excellent.....	36	35	24	14
Corn				
Very poor.....	1	1	--	6
Poor.....	1	2	1	9
Fair.....	14	14	19	25
Good.....	66	62	67	50
Excellent.....	18	21	13	10
Dry beans				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	1	--	5
Fair.....	23	30	20	46
Good.....	63	55	76	44
Excellent.....	13	14	4	4
Livestock				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	1	1	6
Fair.....	9	10	11	24
Good.....	77	77	72	61
Excellent.....	13	12	16	8
Onions				
Very poor.....	--	--	3	1
Poor.....	2	2	8	3
Fair.....	4	4	19	22
Good.....	76	76	55	62
Excellent.....	18	18	15	12
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	3	3	1	22
Poor.....	4	4	12	23
Fair.....	19	19	23	23
Good.....	61	62	50	25
Excellent.....	13	12	14	7
Potatoes inside San Luis Valley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	4	NA
Fair.....	17	17	17	NA
Good.....	61	62	61	NA
Excellent.....	22	21	18	NA
Potatoes outside San Luis Valley				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Fair.....	5	5	6	NA
Good.....	73	69	79	NA
Excellent.....	22	26	15	NA
Sorghum				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	7
Poor.....	--	--	--	15
Fair.....	35	35	23	39
Good.....	61	61	73	37
Excellent.....	4	4	4	2
Spring wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	2
Poor.....	--	--	--	5
Fair.....	7	7	41	38
Good.....	85	84	53	50
Excellent.....	8	9	6	5
Sugarbeets				
Very poor.....	1	1	--	1
Poor.....	2	2	1	4
Fair.....	15	15	9	18
Good.....	70	72	67	61
Excellent.....	12	10	23	16
Sunflowers				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	3
Poor.....	--	--	--	15
Fair.....	31	32	20	35
Good.....	61	63	43	38
Excellent.....	8	5	37	9
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	2	2	1	NA
Poor.....	6	8	14	NA
Fair.....	26	24	33	NA
Good.....	52	51	41	NA
Excellent.....	14	15	11	NA

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