



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 2, 2017

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming experienced warmer than normal temperatures for the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Thirty-three of the 34 reporting stations reported above normal temperatures with the high temperatures of 67 degrees recorded at Torrington, and a low of 16 degrees at Lake Yellowstone and Shirley Basin. Above normal moisture was recorded at 26 of the 34 stations. Gillette was the only station recording no precipitation and Lander had the most with 3.55 inches. A reporter from North Central Wyoming indicated that spring rain and snow has prevented planting of barley and other crops and it will probably be another week before they can get in the field. Another reporter from North Central Wyoming reported that calving and lambing are in full swing, they have gotten some rain and snow, but pastures are still behind and hay is short. They also indicated that wheat is 6-8 inches high. A reporter from Northeast Wyoming indicated that they had gotten some much needed moisture over the past week. A reporter from Western Wyoming reported that everything is wet and they have gotten a lot of precipitation making lambing and calving tough. They also reported that there is a lot of snow on the surrounding hills, making for possible flooding when it melts. A reporter from Southwest Wyoming indicated that they had a stormy week with lots of moisture. A reporter from South Central Wyoming reported that they have had continued warm and dry conditions and the lack of moisture is a concern for pastures. A reporter from Southeast Wyoming indicated that they got about an inch of precipitation making for wet pastures and sloppy corral conditions. Another reporter from Southeast Wyoming noted that they got a good soaking rain with little wind and cool temperatures. Stock water supplies were reported as 7 percent very short, 12 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 14 percent surplus.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley planted	14	5	52	39
Oats planted.....	17	--	14	7
Cows calved	40	18	37	40
Ewes lambbed	27	16	27	32
Sheep shorn	49	20	24	36

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current report	Previous report	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	2.0	NA	6.4	5.7
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	8	12	2	10
Short	24	29	14	31
Adequate.....	51	46	64	53
Surplus.....	17	13	20	6
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	16	18	6	11
Short	22	25	19	33
Adequate.....	48	45	70	54
Surplus.....	14	12	5	2

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current report (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Hay and roughage supplies				
Very short	11	11	--	NA
Short.....	27	27	6	NA
Adequate	61	61	55	NA
Surplus	1	1	39	NA
Pasture and range condition				
Very poor	8	8	--	7
Poor.....	26	26	9	18
Fair.....	32	32	32	32
Good	32	33	57	42
Excellent	2	1	2	1
Winter Wheat				
Very poor	11	11	--	2
Poor.....	23	23	--	6
Fair.....	39	42	33	43
Good	23	20	59	47
Excellent	4	4	8	2
Cattle and calves death loss				
Heavy	3	4	1	NA
Average	65	62	41	NA
Light.....	32	34	58	NA
Sheep and lambs death loss				
Heavy	14	16	--	--
Average	58	50	39	52
Light.....	28	34	61	48
Livestock				
Very poor	1	1	--	NA
Poor.....	4	3	1	NA
Fair.....	27	28	11	NA
Good	66	66	83	NA
Excellent	2	2	5	NA

NA – not available

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Wyoming’s weather data can be accessed at the following:

[http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics by State/Wyoming/Publications/Crop Progress & Condition/2017/WY Weather 04022017.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Wyoming/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2017/WY_Weather_04022017.pdf)