



# WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 8, 2017

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Wyoming experienced cooler than normal temperatures for the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Thirty-two of the 34 reporting stations reported below average temperatures for the week with the high temperature of 78 degrees recorded at LaGrange, Old Fort Laramie and Torrington, and a low of 12 degrees at Laramie. Below normal moisture was reported at 17 of the reporting stations with three stations (Greybull, Evanston, and Rock Springs) reporting no precipitation. Midwest reported the most moisture with 0.85 inches. A reporter from North Central Wyoming indicated that the warmer days were slowing beet harvest with factories shutting down beet digging. They also indicated that bean harvest is slowly continuing with many beans still in the field. Another reporter from South Central Wyoming reported that despite the fact that they got more rain, planting is going well. They also indicated that livestock condition is good going into the fall. A reporter from Western Wyoming noted that the week started out dry with some producers trying for a third cutting of alfalfa, but for many, it has been too wet. They also reported that some producers are trying to finish up harvest of grain. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 10 percent very short, 14 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa				
Third cutting .....	73	67	84	67
Corn				
Dented .....	98	94	100	93
Mature .....	70	46	79	70
Harvested.....	8	4	5	9
Corn for silage				
Harvested.....	82	73	93	90
Dry edible beans				
Cut .....	88	81	94	88
Harvested.....	73	63	84	69
Sugarbeets				
Harvested.....	28	12	23	28
Winter wheat				
Planted.....	97	92	99	97
Emerged.....	68	50	78	70

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.....	5.7	4.3	6.1	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short .....	8	13	17	16
Short.....	29	26	26	27
Adequate.....	57	54	43	53
Surplus.....	6	7	14	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short .....	14	17	13	14
Short.....	30	27	37	35
Adequate.....	55	53	43	49
Surplus.....	1	3	7	2

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 .....	--	--	--	3
Poor.....	--	2	4	6
Fair.....	11	15	15	18
Good .....	89	81	78	65
Excellent .....	--	2	3	8
Irrigation water supply				
Very poor .....	1	1	2	NA
Poor.....	4	6	10	NA
Fair.....	28	28	37	NA
Good .....	42	45	38	NA
Excellent .....	25	20	13	NA
Pasture and Range				
Very poor .....	7	9	13	16
Poor.....	17	17	15	15
Fair.....	40	35	30	23
Good .....	33	37	38	38
Excellent .....	3	2	4	8
Sugarbeets				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	--
Fair.....	10	9	13	13
Good .....	81	88	86	68
Excellent .....	9	3	1	19
Wheat				
Very poor .....	--	NA	--	1
Poor.....	--	NA	5	7
Fair.....	64	NA	35	26
Good .....	36	NA	59	59
Excellent .....	--	NA	1	7
Livestock				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	1	3	NA
Fair.....	7	12	18	NA
Good .....	84	79	71	NA
Excellent .....	9	8	8	NA

NA – not available (--) – zero

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\\_10082017.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Wyoming/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2017/WY_Weather_10082017.pdf)