



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming experienced mostly warm and dry conditions with some scattered thunderstorm activity for the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil and subsoil moisture levels were mostly in the adequate to short range. A reporter from South Central Wyoming stated that they have gotten reports of grasshopper damage in alfalfa hay, grass hay, and rangeland. A reporter from Southeastern Wyoming indicated that late summer conditions persist. They also reported that the Laprele irrigation district has ended its irrigation season and the average first frost date comes this week. Another reporter from Southeastern Wyoming reported that they received some rain which has allowed for a good seed bed for winter wheat though some replanting may be needed due to crusting. They also stated that pastures still have some green in them due to the rain. The U.S. drought monitor released on September 12th, showed most of Wyoming with good moisture, but with abnormally dry conditions in the Western, Southwestern and South Central parts of the state. Irrigation water supply across Wyoming was rated 17 percent fair and 83 percent good. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 4 percent very short, 16 percent short, and 80 percent adequate.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

| Commodity | Current week (percent) | Previous week (percent) | Previous year (percent) | 5-year average (percent) |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Alfalfa hay | | | | |
| 2nd cutting harvested | 95 | 93 | 100 | 98 |
| 3rd cutting harvested | 33 | 23 | 60 | 44 |
| Barley | | | | |
| Harvested | 87 | 82 | 96 | 96 |
| Corn | | | | |
| Doughed | 99 | 87 | 95 | 94 |
| Dented | 43 | 27 | 53 | 53 |
| Mature | 20 | NA | 6 | 7 |
| Harvested for silage | 28 | 10 | 42 | 36 |
| Dry edible beans | | | | |
| Turning color | 97 | 85 | 95 | 92 |
| Cut | 33 | 7 | 59 | 44 |
| Harvested | 8 | NA | 29 | 20 |
| Winter wheat | | | | |
| Planted | 40 | 14 | 48 | 46 |
| Emerged..... | 10 | NA | 10 | 7 |

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 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.9 | 6.4 |
| Topsoil moisture | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Very short | 11 | 16 | 22 | 16 |
| Short..... | 39 | 43 | 39 | 32 |
| Adequate..... | 50 | 41 | 39 | 49 |
| Surplus | -- | -- | -- | 3 |
| Subsoil moisture | | | | |
| Very short | 10 | 18 | 22 | 15 |
| Short..... | 41 | 43 | 35 | 32 |
| Adequate..... | 48 | 39 | 43 | 52 |
| Surplus | 1 | -- | -- | 1 |

NA – not available

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

| | Current week | Previous week | Previous year | 5-year average |
|-------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Alfalfa hay | | | | |
| Very poor..... | -- | -- | -- | NA |
| Poor..... | 1 | 1 | -- | NA |
| Fair..... | 17 | 20 | 15 | NA |
| Good | 71 | 69 | 76 | NA |
| Excellent | 11 | 10 | 9 | NA |
| Corn | | | | |
| Very poor..... | -- | -- | 1 | 1 |
| Poor..... | 2 | 7 | -- | 1 |
| Fair..... | 22 | 19 | 11 | 11 |
| Good | 74 | 73 | 87 | 83 |
| Excellent | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Dry edible beans | | | | |
| Very poor..... | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Poor..... | 13 | 9 | -- | 1 |
| Fair..... | 16 | 16 | 7 | 12 |
| Good | 70 | 74 | 93 | 79 |
| Excellent | 1 | 1 | -- | 8 |
| Pasture and Range | | | | |
| Very poor..... | 2 | 3 | 7 | 6 |
| Poor..... | 14 | 13 | 17 | 13 |
| Fair..... | 44 | 46 | 36 | 28 |
| Good | 36 | 34 | 32 | 45 |
| Excellent | 4 | 4 | 8 | 8 |
| Sugarbeets | | | | |
| Very poor..... | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Poor..... | 7 | 12 | -- | -- |
| Fair..... | 34 | 25 | 7 | 8 |
| Good | 59 | 63 | 88 | 82 |
| Excellent | -- | -- | 5 | 10 |
| Livestock | | | | |
| Very poor..... | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Poor..... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Fair..... | 7 | 9 | 8 | 12 |
| Good | 85 | 87 | 87 | 76 |
| Excellent | 7 | 3 | 4 | 11 |

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