



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 2, 2020

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: For the week ending August 2, western Wyoming experienced mostly above normal temperatures, while eastern Wyoming experienced mostly lower than normal temperatures, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Spotty rains occurred only near the borders of the state, leaving central Wyoming fairly dry. According to the National Integrated Drought Information System, Wyoming has large portions of the state in extremely dry to drought conditions. According to the NIDIS, 86.2 percent of Wyoming was rated between abnormally dry and extreme drought, with the area experiencing extreme drought increasing from 1.21 percent to 5.44 percent. A reporter in the north central region of Wyoming stated that conditions are very dry, and many acres have been grazed off rather than harvested. A reporter from eastern Wyoming reported that the rain received is not enough and has come too late to help grasses. They also stated that production for the county is far below normal. A reporter from western Wyoming reported that temperatures have been very high, resulting in a decrease in stream and river water levels. One reporter from south central Wyoming indicated that hot, dry, and windy conditions have decreased the production of hay, and cattle have been pulled from summer pastures early. A reporter from southeastern Wyoming indicated that rains have helped relieve dry conditions. A second reporter from southeast Wyoming noted that dry conditions, as well as grasshoppers, have hurt the progress of grass and hay, and there is a lack of adequate grazing ground. They also stated that some rain received has helped some crops where irrigation has been lacking. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 7 percent very short, 35 percent short, and 58 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 6 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 28 percent fair, and 60 percent good.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa				
2 nd cutting harvested.....	63	41	37	42
Barley				
Turning color.....	79	73	78	79
Mature	57	37	50	42
Harvested	22	5	15	14
Corn				
Silked	49	20	23	44
Dry edible beans				
Blooming.....	86	57	78	60
Setting pods.....	49	20	29	27
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	89	82	80	89
Winter wheat				
Mature	94	65	81	82
Harvested	79	50	15	30

NA – not available
(-) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELD WORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	6.8	7.0	7.0	6.7
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	30	37	7	9
Short.....	38	38	44	34
Adequate	32	25	49	55
Surplus	--	--	--	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	28	29	5	7
Short.....	45	49	44	33
Adequate	27	22	51	59
Surplus	--	--	--	1

NA – not available
(-) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	3	4	--	2
Poor.....	13	10	--	3
Fair.....	15	8	17	15
Good	69	78	82	76
Excellent	--	--	1	4
Barley				
Very poor	1	--	--	--
Poor.....	5	4	10	3
Fair.....	16	11	16	7
Good	78	82	74	84
Excellent	--	3	--	6
Corn				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	6	3	8	3
Fair.....	20	12	12	11
Good	74	81	77	82
Excellent	--	4	3	4
Dry edible beans				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	15	4
Fair.....	20	19	14	10
Good	80	81	69	79
Excellent	--	--	2	7
Pasture and range				
Very poor	17	22	1	3
Poor.....	36	28	9	10
Fair.....	35	39	28	27
Good	12	11	52	52
Excellent	--	--	10	8
Sugarbeets				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	13	3
Fair.....	3	--	28	15
Good	97	100	58	74
Excellent	--	--	1	8
Livestock				
Very poor	--	1	--	--
Poor.....	4	4	2	2
Fair.....	15	15	10	10
Good	80	78	81	78
Excellent	1	2	7	10

NA – not available

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