



# WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** For the week ending September 6, Wyoming experienced hot and dry conditions across the state, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Small amounts of rain occurred in scattered parts of the state over the past week. According to the National Integrated Drought Information System, Wyoming's drought conditions have increased. Most of the state has large sections in extremely dry to drought conditions. According to the NIDIS, the amount of land rated as experiencing extreme drought stands at 9.8 percent. The amount of land rated at severe drought, moderate drought, and abnormally dry was 31.0 percent, 33.0 percent, and 18.8 percent, respectively. A reporter from North Central Wyoming reported that conditions are very dry with growers having to haul water for livestock. A reporter from Northeastern Wyoming indicated that conditions are hot and dry with wind. A reporter from Northeastern Wyoming stated that they did get some moisture but it was too little and too late to help the pastures. A reporter from South Central Wyoming stated that the drought has had impacts on wells and animal condition. Another reporter from South Central Wyoming indicated that producers are hauling water and culling their herds. They also reported that producers are filling out Notice of Loss forms for loss of grazing. A reporter from Southeastern Wyoming stated that they got some good moisture, the first in two months. Another reporter from Southeastern Wyoming stated that things have been dry. They also stated that the expectations of a large storm has a lot producers scrambling to put up hay and silage. Winter wheat planting is underway and barley harvest is finishing up. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 32 percent very short, 31 percent short, and 37 percent adequate, compared to 24 percent very short, 32 percent short, and 44 percent adequate last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 17 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 26 percent fair, and 51 percent good, compared to 21 percent very poor, 8 percent poor, 28 percent fair, and 43 percent good last week.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
3 <sup>rd</sup> cutting harvested .....	41	34	19	29
Barley				
Harvested .....	91	84	80	90
Corn				
Dented .....	39	28	24	27
Mature .....	14	NA	--	1
Harvested for silage.....	14	3	8	11
Dry edible beans				
Turning color.....	69	58	78	79
Cut.....	40	22	5	23
Harvested .....	14	NA	NA	NA
Winter wheat				
Planted.....	19	3	11	17

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	6.9	6.5	6.7
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	49	52	16	18
Short.....	30	24	43	40
Adequate .....	21	24	41	40
Surplus .....	--	--	--	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	49	53	18	17
Short.....	32	27	43	37
Adequate .....	19	20	39	45
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.....	29	20	1	4
Fair.....	15	16	20	15
Good .....	53	60	69	72
Excellent .....	--	--	10	7
Corn				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	8	8	7	3
Fair.....	21	22	19	14
Good .....	71	70	73	80
Excellent .....	--	--	1	3
Dry edible beans				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	9	3
Fair.....	22	19	16	12
Good .....	77	80	74	79
Excellent .....	--	--	1	6
Pasture and range				
Very poor .....	43	35	3	7
Poor.....	34	38	13	14
Fair.....	17	23	46	33
Good .....	6	4	34	40
Excellent .....	--	--	4	6
Sugarbeets				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	12	2
Fair.....	3	3	25	14
Good .....	97	97	63	76
Excellent .....	--	--	--	8
Livestock				
Very poor .....	1	1	--	--
Poor.....	4	5	1	2
Fair.....	30	25	9	12
Good .....	65	69	87	79
Excellent .....	--	--	3	7

NA – not available

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