



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: The month of February brought snow and cold temperatures to Wyoming, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Reports from Lincoln and Converse Counties noted that snow pack in the mountains improved during the month, while reports from Goshen and Big Horn Counties indicated little change in the cold, dry conditions and continued concern of worsening drought conditions. Temperatures for the month were slightly below average following a period of arctic air that brought extremely cold, below average temperatures to the majority of the State. The Northeastern corner experienced temperatures 20 degrees below average. According to the United States Drought Monitor for February 18, 2021, the amount of land rated as abnormally dry was 6.5 percent, down from 6.9 percent last month. Moderate drought was present across 27.7 percent of the State, a decrease from 34.5 percent last month. Severe drought covered 38.8 percent of the State, compared to 28.6 percent last month, and extreme drought conditions covered 24.8 percent of the State, compared to 25.4 percent last month. Exceptional drought conditions decreased from 0.4 percent last month to zero percent of the State this month. Reports out of Goshen County noted calving had started early; however, there were reports of death-loss due to the below average temperatures. Reports from Converse County indicated livestock were on full-feed rations. Hay and roughage supplies for Wyoming were rated 21 percent very short, 26 percent short, 51 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus compared to 22 percent very short, 22 percent short, 55 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus last month. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 21 percent very short, 22 percent short, and 57 percent adequate compared to 18 percent very short, 20 percent short, 61 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus last month.

Note: The next monthly report will be released for March on Monday, March 29, 2021. The first weekly report will be released on Monday, April 5, 2021.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current report (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved	6	5	6	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambed	5	3	2	NA
Sheep shorn	2	NA	7	NA

NA – not available

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SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current report (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Very short	48	47	3	NA
Short	39	43	17	NA
Adequate	13	10	79	NA
Surplus	--	--	1	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	45	56	4	NA
Short	39	32	17	NA
Adequate	16	12	77	NA
Surplus	--	--	2	NA

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current report (percent)	Previous report (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Pasture and range				
Very poor	29	33	8	NA
Poor.....	30	27	5	NA
Fair.....	31	30	13	NA
Good.....	10	9	73	NA
Excellent.....	--	1	1	NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor	4	4	7	NA
Poor.....	16	15	7	NA
Fair.....	76	61	26	NA
Good.....	4	16	53	NA
Excellent.....	--	4	7	NA
Livestock				
Very poor	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	8	6	2	NA
Fair.....	32	29	10	NA
Good.....	59	64	85	NA
Excellent.....	1	1	3	NA

NA – not available

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