



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 19, 2024

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: A combination of warmer temperatures and moderate rainfall led to 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork across Wyoming during the week ending May 19, 2024, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Temperatures across the State varied, ranging from 2 degrees below average in Teton County to 10 degrees above average, according to the High Plains Regional Climate Center (HPRCC) climate maps for the period May 13, 2024, to May 19, 2024. Precipitation was scattered and total accumulations varied, ranging from a trace to as much as 4 inches, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Some areas received no measurable rainfall. Drought conditions improved during the week, according to the United States Drought Monitor report published for May 14, 2024. The amount of land rated drought free was 54 percent, abnormal dryness was found in about 26 percent of Wyoming, and moderate drought was at 20 percent. Lincoln County reporters indicated warmer weather during the week helped the progression of planting small grains, while nearby water sources are high flowing. Reports from Goshen County noted that the precipitation received during the week helped replenish topsoil moisture, while their first crop of hay is looking good.

Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 1 percent short and 99 percent adequate, no change from last week. Irrigation water supplies were rated 100 percent good, no change from last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Planted.....	90	88	88	NA
Emerged.....	84	80	67	80
Jointing.....	18	--	5	4
Corn				
Planted.....	61	42	54	61
Emerged.....	11	--	NA	NA
Dry beans				
Planted.....	23	6	1	12
Sugarbeets				
Planted.....	98	94	88	93
Emerged.....	33	14	30	50
Winter wheat				
Jointing.....	25	6	14	40
Booted.....	1	NA	--	7
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved.....	89	86	92	93
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambed.....	78	75	85	81
Sheep shorn.....	81	73	88	90

NA – not available

(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	5.5	5.3	5.1	5.3
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	4	--	2	9
Short	40	31	29	25
Adequate	56	65	64	62
Surplus	--	4	5	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	4	--	5	13
Short	40	35	35	27
Adequate	56	65	55	58
Surplus	--	--	5	2

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	--	--	1	1
Poor	1	--	2	3
Fair	2	2	20	24
Good	97	96	70	61
Excellent	--	2	7	11
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	NA	NA
Poor	1	1	NA	NA
Fair	1	8	NA	NA
Good	68	67	NA	NA
Excellent	30	24	NA	NA
Other hay				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	2	--	1	2
Fair	6	2	13	23
Good	92	97	83	72
Excellent	--	1	3	3
Pasture and range				
Very poor	1	--	2	8
Poor	2	1	15	12
Fair	33	38	29	29
Good	64	57	51	48
Excellent	--	4	3	3
Sugarbeets				
Very poor	--	NA	--	NA
Poor	--	NA	--	NA
Fair	18	NA	--	NA
Good	82	NA	100	NA
Excellent	--	NA	--	NA
Winter wheat				
Very poor	3	1	12	6
Poor	9	5	28	15
Fair	12	9	49	43
Good	76	85	11	34
Excellent	--	--	--	2
Livestock				
Very poor	--	--	--	1
Poor	--	--	2	2
Fair	--	--	17	16
Good	100	99	80	80
Excellent	--	1	1	1

NA – not available
 (--) – zero