



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 14, 2024

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: A combination of varying temperatures and limited rainfall led to 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork across Wyoming during the week ending July 14, 2024, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Temperatures across the State varied, ranging from 4 degrees below to more than 10 degrees above the average, with the hot spot noted in Park County, according to the High Plains Regional Climate Center (HPRCC) climate maps for the period July 8 to July 14, 2024. Precipitation was scattered and total accumulations were very low, ranging from a trace to more than 1.5 inches, according to the National Water Prediction Service (NWPS). Some areas received no measurable rainfall. Drought conditions were worse than last week, according to the United States Drought Monitor report published for July 9, 2024. The amount of land rated drought free was 9 percent, abnormal dryness was found in about 52 percent of Wyoming, moderate drought was at 37 percent, and severe drought was 2 percent. Reports from Campbell County indicated that multiple producers filed NAP Notices of Loss claims for most hay crops due to the persistent drought conditions which are also causing poor grazing conditions. Weston County also reported difficulties due to the drought, damage to the rangeland caused by hail, and several lightning caused fires. They reported several instances of producers inquiring into water hauling assistance due to how little water is available in pastures. Lincoln County noted increasingly hot temperatures, as well as vegetation doing quite well for those with irrigation water. Furthermore, they report agricultural producers were working hard to finish their first crop hay. Goshen County reported increasingly hot temperatures and drought conditions that led to significant pasture damage. Platte County reported similarly poor conditions. In particular, the extreme dryness due to the drought caused extreme fire threats, so the county has set fire bans and watering restrictions.

Stock water supplies across Wyoming were reported as 27 percent very short, 18 percent short, and 55 percent adequate, compared with 23 percent very short, 17 percent short, and 60 percent adequate last week. Irrigation water supplies were reported as 7 percent poor, 18 percent fair, and 75 percent good, compared with 7 percent poor, 9 percent fair, and 84 percent good last week.

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Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa Hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	92	79	54	NA
2 nd cutting harvested.....	23	8	NA	NA
Barley				
Jointing.....	94	91	94	NA
Booted.....	87	83	82	NA
Headed.....	81	76	71	82
Coloring.....	63	48	30	42
Mature.....	20	1	NA	NA
Corn				
Silking.....	5	2	2	1
Dry beans				
Emerged.....	96	94	94	NA
Blooming.....	30	16	6	22
Setting Pods.....	13	NA	NA	NA
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	65	54	36	58
Winter wheat				
Headed.....	96	93	94	NA
Coloring.....	61	42	40	56
Mature.....	32	3	11	18
Harvested For Grain.....	21	NA	NA	NA

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.....	7.0	6.2	6.3	6.6
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	28	20	--	15
Short.....	44	48	13	34
Adequate.....	28	32	81	49
Surplus.....	--	--	6	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	38	33	5	17
Short.....	32	37	19	32
Adequate.....	30	30	72	50
Surplus.....	--	--	4	1

NA – not available
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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor.....	7	--	--	3
Poor.....	25	20	--	6
Fair.....	14	18	16	19
Good.....	53	62	82	69
Excellent.....	1	--	2	3
Barley				
Very poor.....	3	1	--	--
Poor.....	6	7	--	4
Fair.....	2	3	16	19
Good.....	50	59	83	75
Excellent.....	39	30	1	2
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	5	6	4	4
Fair.....	23	22	11	13
Good.....	71	72	84	81
Excellent.....	1	--	1	2
Other hay				
Very poor.....	14	13	1	NA
Poor.....	11	12	2	NA
Fair.....	14	17	11	NA
Good.....	60	58	85	NA
Excellent.....	1	--	1	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	11	7	--	9
Poor.....	26	20	2	19
Fair.....	36	41	17	28
Good.....	27	32	76	41
Excellent.....	--	--	5	3
Sugarbeets				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	--	6
Fair.....	12	8	16	18
Good.....	86	91	83	75
Excellent.....	1	--	1	1
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	10	9	4	6
Poor.....	19	12	7	16
Fair.....	25	24	48	42
Good.....	46	55	36	34
Excellent.....	--	--	5	2
Livestock				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	--	1	2
Fair.....	6	7	1	15
Good.....	91	92	95	79
Excellent.....	2	1	3	4

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