



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 4, 2024

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: A combination of varying temperatures and limited rainfall led to 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork across Wyoming during the week ending August 4, 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 10 degrees above the average, with the hot spot noted in the southeastern corner of the State, according to the High Plains Regional Climate Center (HPRCC) climate maps for the period July 29 to August 4, 2024. Precipitation was scattered and total accumulations were very low, ranging from a trace to more than 1 inch, according to the National Water Prediction Service (NWPS). Some areas received no measurable rainfall. Drought conditions were worse than last week, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor published for July 30, 2024. The amount of land rated drought free was 8 percent, abnormal dryness was found in about 38 percent of Wyoming, moderate drought was at 45 percent, and severe drought was 9 percent. Reporters from Campbell County have continued to report the need to file NAP Notice of Loss claims due to the very poor forage conditions they have had. They also reported that grazing land has been under stress and the reservoirs were quickly drying up. Weston County reporters noted the continuation of very high temperatures with dry and windy conditions, leading to red flag fire warnings. They also reported very poor hay conditions leading to a large amount of hay loss. Lincoln County similarly reported very dry conditions that have affected the rangelands. They also noted that a fire started in their rangeland and the need for moisture to prevent future ones. Lastly, Goshen County reported extreme heat and limited rainfall, as well as irrigated crops faring well.

Stock water supplies across Wyoming were reported as 17 percent very short, 25 percent short, and 58 percent adequate, compared with 17 percent very short, 25 percent short, and 58 percent adequate last week. Irrigation water supplies were reported as 8 percent poor, 25 percent fair, and 67 percent good, compared with 7 percent poor, 17 percent fair, and 76 percent good last week.

CROP PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa Hay				
2 nd cutting harvested.....	56	37	21	44
Barley				
Booted.....	94	92	93	NA
Headed.....	92	87	92	NA
Coloring.....	83	78	75	82
Mature.....	79	69	52	59
Harvested for grain.....	47	20	15	24
Corn				
Silking.....	70	41	43	45
Dough.....	10	NA	NA	NA
Dry beans				
Blooming.....	60	56	66	78
Setting Pods.....	40	28	39	44
Coloring.....	3	NA	NA	NA
Other hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	86	79	66	83
Winter wheat				
Mature.....	95	89	58	77
Harvested For Grain.....	81	60	22	46

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.....	6.9	6.8	5.3	6.4
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	25	22	5	20
Short.....	58	57	26	38
Adequate.....	17	21	68	42
Surplus.....	--	--	1	--
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	32	33	5	21
Short.....	54	46	28	37
Adequate.....	14	21	66	42
Surplus.....	--	--	1	--

NA – not available

(-) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor.....	24	25	--	6
Poor.....	10	17	--	6
Fair.....	2	1	15	17
Good.....	64	56	84	70
Excellent.....	--	1	1	1
Barley				
Very poor.....	4	4	--	1
Poor.....	3	3	--	4
Fair.....	1	1	15	18
Good.....	69	78	85	77
Excellent.....	23	14	--	--
Corn				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	4	1	--	3
Fair.....	15	10	4	14
Good.....	81	89	96	82
Excellent.....	--	--	--	1
Other hay				
Very poor.....	14	18	NA	NA
Poor.....	8	11	NA	NA
Fair.....	11	10	NA	NA
Good.....	67	60	NA	NA
Excellent.....	--	1	NA	NA
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	26	25	--	14
Poor.....	29	32	2	19
Fair.....	28	22	11	26
Good.....	17	21	86	39
Excellent.....	--	--	1	2
Sugarbeets				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	--	--	4
Fair.....	1	7	12	17
Good.....	98	92	88	78
Excellent.....	--	1	--	--
Winter wheat				
Very poor.....	9	9	NA	NA
Poor.....	19	19	NA	NA
Fair.....	26	26	NA	NA
Good.....	46	46	NA	NA
Excellent.....	--	--	NA	NA
Livestock				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	1	3
Fair.....	10	5	3	18
Good.....	85	87	96	77
Excellent.....	4	7	--	2

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