



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 13, 2024

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Warm temperatures and limited rainfall remained constant, which led to 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork across Wyoming during the week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Temperatures across the State were warmer than normal, ranging from 6 to 15 degrees above average, according to the High Plains Regional Climate Center (HPRCC) climate maps for the past week. Rainfall was scattered and total accumulations varied, ranging from a trace to as much as 2 inches during the week, according to the National Water Prediction Service (NWPS). Much of the State did not receive any measurable rainfall. Drought conditions worsened, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor published for October 10, 2024. The amount of land rated drought free was 0 percent, abnormal dryness was found in nearly 14 percent of Wyoming, moderate drought was at almost 41 percent, severe drought was in 25 percent, extreme drought was at about 20 percent, and exceptional drought was in roughly 1 percent. Reports from Lincoln County indicated dry conditions with cool mornings and warm day time temperatures. Goshen and Niobrara County reporters noted dry, dusty conditions. Reports from Carbon County indicated producers pulling livestock off summer pastures early and starting supplemental feeding as their hay meadows have had no regrowth.

Stock water supplies across Wyoming were reported as 17 percent very short, 35 percent short, and 48 percent adequate, compared with 16 percent very short, 28 percent short, and 56 percent adequate last week.

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Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa Hay				
3 rd cutting harvested	72	65	68	76
Corn				
Dented	95	93	82	NA
Mature	87	78	53	80
Harvested for grain	2	--	--	13
Harvested for silage	90	84	54	NA
Dry beans				
Cut	96	93	89	NA
Harvested	87	75	66	81
Other hay				
2 nd cutting harvested	38	35	56	NA
Sugarbeets				
Harvested	65	46	57	47
Winter wheat				
Planted	93	92	92	NA
Emerged	85	66	79	84

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	7.0	5.8	5.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	58	49	4	25
Short	35	35	34	38
Adequate	7	16	62	35
Surplus	--	--	--	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	42	33	9	30
Short	49	49	36	41
Adequate	9	19	55	29
Surplus	--	--	--	--

NA – not available

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Corn				
Very poor	--	--	--	1
Poor	8	7	--	3
Fair.....	17	15	14	19
Good	74	78	86	75
Excellent.....	1	--	--	2
Pasture and range				
Very poor	20	29	--	16
Poor	23	21	9	24
Fair.....	35	26	35	34
Good	22	24	56	25
Excellent.....	--	--	--	1
Winter wheat				
Very poor	20	19	1	3
Poor	27	27	5	12
Fair.....	41	32	24	43
Good	12	21	69	40
Excellent.....	--	1	1	2
Livestock				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor	1	1	--	2
Fair.....	11	9	1	19
Good	87	90	95	75
Excellent.....	1	--	4	4

NA – not available

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