



# WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 20, 2024

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Wyoming received moderate rainfall and experienced mostly above average temperatures, which led to 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork 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 2 to 10 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). Drought conditions worsened, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor published for October 15, 2024. The amount of land rated drought free was 0 percent, moderate drought was found in 42 percent of Wyoming, severe drought was at 33 percent, extreme drought was at 24 percent, and exceptional drought was in roughly 1 percent. Reports from Lincoln County indicated noted some snow was received during the week, although it did not stick at lower elevations. Otherwise, typical fall weather was present in the area. Goshen County reporters noted dry, dusty conditions. Reports from Carbon County indicated producers were pulling livestock off summer pastures early, and starting supplemental feeding as their hay meadows have had no regrowth. Reports also indicated a higher percentage of open cows while pregnancy checking. Platte County reporters noted having received some moisture at the end of the week, along with cooler temperatures while producers stayed busy harvesting corn for grain.

Stock water supplies across Wyoming were reported as 18 percent very short, 32 percent short, and 50 percent adequate, compared with 17 percent very short, 35 percent short, and 48 percent adequate last week.

### CROP PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa Hay				
3 <sup>rd</sup> cutting harvested .....	76	72	79	84
Corn				
Mature .....	92	87	71	NA
Harvested for grain .....	19	2	6	20
Harvested for silage .....	92	90	70	NA
Dry beans				
Harvested.....	91	87	76	NA
Other hay				
2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting harvested.....	40	38	67	NA
Sugarbeets				
Harvested.....	75	65	71	66
Winter wheat				
Planted.....	95	93	94	NA
Emerged .....	89	85	88	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.....	6.8	7.0	6.8	6.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	60	58	6	23
Short.....	33	35	38	38
Adequate.....	7	7	56	38
Surplus.....	--	--	--	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	51	42	14	32
Short.....	41	49	40	39
Adequate.....	8	9	46	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)
<b>Corn</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	NA
Poor .....	7	8	1	NA
Fair.....	18	17	10	NA
Good .....	75	74	88	NA
Excellent.....	--	1	1	NA
<b>Pasture and range</b>				
Very poor .....	13	20	--	15
Poor .....	15	23	8	23
Fair.....	41	35	26	34
Good .....	31	22	65	27
Excellent.....	--	--	1	1
<b>Winter wheat</b>				
Very poor .....	20	20	3	4
Poor .....	32	27	7	14
Fair.....	40	41	33	45
Good .....	7	12	53	34
Excellent.....	1	--	4	3
<b>Livestock</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor .....	1	1	1	2
Fair.....	9	11	2	17
Good .....	90	87	92	78
Excellent.....	--	1	5	3

NA – not available

(--) – zero