



WYOMING CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 17, 2024

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming received moderate rainfall and experienced mostly above average temperatures, which led to 6.2 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 varied, ranging from 2 degrees below average to 8 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 3 inches during the week, according to the National Water Prediction Service (NWPS). Many areas received no measurable rainfall. Drought conditions improved, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor published for November 12, 2024. The amount of land rated drought free was 0 percent, abnormal dryness was found in 2 percent, moderate drought was found in 36 percent of Wyoming, severe drought was at 40 percent, and extreme drought was at 22 percent. Reports from Lincoln County indicated cold daytime and nighttime temperatures along with small amounts of daily snowfall. Livestock in the area were grazing on cropland and meadow fields. Goshen County reporters noted some moisture received during this past weekend. Reports from Weston County indicated poor rangeland conditions, water supplies remaining short despite the recent rain received in the county, wildlife coming into home places for feed and water, and light weights for calves sold. Platte County reporters noted little moisture received during the week, but high winds leaving the topsoil still dry, along with the completion of harvesting.

Hay and roughage supplies across Wyoming were reported as 1 percent very short, 2 percent short, 70 percent adequate, and 27 percent surplus, compared with 3 percent short, 61 percent adequate, and 36 percent surplus last week. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were reported as 22 percent very short, 25 percent short, and 53 percent adequate, compared with 13 percent very short, 24 percent short, 58 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus last week.

CROP PROGRESS

| Commodity | Current week (percent) | Previous week (percent) | Previous year (percent) | 5-year average (percent) |
|---|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Alfalfa Hay | | | | |
| 3 rd cutting harvested | 96 | 91 | 93 | NA |
| Corn | | | | |
| Harvested for grain | 87 | 76 | 65 | 77 |
| Other hay | | | | |
| 2 nd cutting harvested | 89 | 84 | 77 | NA |
| Sugarbeets | | | | |
| Harvested | 100 | 89 | 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 | 6.2 | 7.0 | 6.5 | 6.0 |
| Topsoil moisture | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) | (percent) |
| Very short | 56 | 53 | 2 | 18 |
| Short | 25 | 17 | 42 | 40 |
| Adequate | 19 | 27 | 56 | 39 |
| Surplus | -- | 3 | -- | 3 |
| Subsoil moisture | | | | |
| Very short | 52 | 43 | 4 | 25 |
| Short | 29 | 33 | 43 | 41 |
| Adequate | 19 | 22 | 53 | 33 |
| Surplus | -- | 2 | -- | 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) |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Pasture and range | | | | |
| Very poor | 36 | 27 | 1 | 15 |
| Poor | 30 | 28 | 4 | 21 |
| Fair..... | 24 | 33 | 17 | 32 |
| Good | 10 | 12 | 77 | 30 |
| Excellent | -- | -- | 1 | 2 |
| Winter wheat | | | | |
| Very poor | 22 | 24 | 4 | 4 |
| Poor | 36 | 37 | 11 | 16 |
| Fair..... | 33 | 34 | 57 | 44 |
| Good | 8 | 4 | 27 | 33 |
| Excellent..... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Livestock | | | | |
| Very poor | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Poor | 10 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Fair..... | 26 | 23 | 1 | 16 |
| Good | 64 | 73 | 97 | 77 |
| Excellent | -- | 3 | 1 | 4 |

NA – not available

(--) – zero