



Colorado Crop Progress

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Agricultural Summary: Colorado enjoyed some much needed moisture last week. Most areas reported precipitation above average for the first time in several weeks. Temperatures continued to be several degrees above average across the state. Topsoil moisture decreased while subsoil amounts stayed about the same as the previous week. Producers had an average of 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	14	39	45	2
Last Week	15	36	46	3
Last Year	26	35	36	3

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	12	42	43	3
Last Week	11	38	49	2
Last Year	38	43	18	1

Small Grains: Spring barley was 34 percent harvested with the crop is in mostly good to excellent condition. Spring wheat was 98 percent turning color and 21 percent harvested last week with the crop rated in mostly good to fair condition.

Row Crops: Sorghum was 62 percent headed and 11 percent turning color. The crop is in mostly good condition. Dry onions and sunflowers are rated in mostly good condition. Summer potatoes were 3 percent harvested and in mostly excellent to good condition. Fall potatoes were in mostly good to fair condition. Corn was 99 percent silked, 35 percent dough, and 4 percent dent by the end of the week. The crop is in mostly good to fair condition. Sugarbeets are still in mostly good condition. Dry beans were 75 percent flowered with the crop in mostly good condition.

ROW CROP CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending August 12, 2007

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn					
This Week	0	9	25	51	15
Last Year	4	12	30	41	13
Sorghum					
This Week	0	0	19	73	8
Last Year	1	10	34	54	1

Alfalfa Hay: Second cutting was 93 percent by the end of the week with the 3rd cutting at 6 percent complete. The crop continues to be in mostly good condition.

Pasture and Range: The increase in moisture improved pasture and range conditions. They are rated in mostly good to fair condition.

Livestock: Death loss for cattle was rated at average last week while death loss for sheep was below average. Livestock condition is rated in mostly good to excellent. Stored feed supplies are above average for this time of year.

PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending August 12, 2007

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture & Range	3	9	33	43	12
Prev. Year	27	33	28	10	2
5-Year Avg.	26	26	29	16	3

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Development Ratings for Week Ending August 12, 2007

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
Spring Wheat				
Turning Color	98	93	97	94
Harvested	21	12	29	34
Spring Barley				
Harvested	34	17	31	33
Corn				
Silked	99	88	88	87
Dough	35	19	29	23
Dent	4	0	5	2
Sorghum				
Headed	62	41	66	54
Turning Color	11	3	14	5
Alfalfa				
2 nd Cutting	93	85	79	81
3 rd Cutting	6	0	7	11
Summer Potatoes				
Harvest	3	0	13	11
Dry Beans				
Flowered	75	69	91	77

COLORADO CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION RATINGS 1/

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Spring Barley	0	2	22	44	32
Spring Wheat	0	2	28	43	27
Corn	0	9	25	51	15
Sorghum	0	0	19	73	8
Sunflowers	0	1	18	69	12
Alfalfa	1	2	30	51	16
Dry Beans	0	1	21	67	11
Summer Potatoes	0	5	20	35	40
Fall Potatoes	0	7	31	49	13
Sugarbeets	0	4	27	64	5
Dry Onions	1	5	20	58	16
Livestock	1	1	9	77	12

1/ Crop condition ratings pertain to emerged plants early in the growing season through plants remaining to be harvested late in the season.

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