



Colorado Crop Progress

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Agricultural Summary: Rain showers were scattered across most parts of the state last week. Precipitation levels were not enough to improve the dryland crop conditions but slowed hay harvest for most areas. Temperatures continued to be well above average statewide with high humidity also being reported. Topsoil moisture increased while subsoil amounts stayed about the same as the previous week. Producers had an average of 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	15	38	43	4
Last Week	14	39	45	2
Last Year	23	31	41	5

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	12	38	47	3
Last Week	12	42	43	3
Last Year	37	42	20	1

Small Grains: Spring barley was 45 percent harvested with the crop is in mostly good to excellent condition. Spring wheat was 30 percent harvested last week with the crop rated in mostly good to excellent condition.

Row Crops: Sorghum was 81 percent headed, 24 percent turning color, and 3 percent mature. The crop is in mostly good condition. Dry onions were 11 percent harvested and in mostly good condition. Sunflowers are rated in mostly good condition. Summer potatoes were 6 percent harvested and in mostly excellent to good condition. Fall potatoes were in mostly good to fair condition. Corn was 54 percent dough and 14 percent dent by the end of the week. Corn silage was 3 percent harvested. The crop is in mostly good to fair condition. Sugarbeets are still in mostly good condition. Dry beans were 92 percent flowered with the crop in mostly good condition.

ROW CROP CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending August 19, 2007

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn					
This Week	1	7	22	51	19
Last Year	4	13	30	41	12
Sorghum					
This Week	0	0	23	68	9
Last Year	1	11	31	57	0

Alfalfa Hay: Second cutting was 97 percent by the end of the week with the 3rd cutting at 18 percent complete. The crop is in mostly good to fair condition.

Pasture and Range: The elevated temperatures decreased pasture and range conditions. They are rated in mostly good to fair condition.

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

PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending August 19, 2007

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture & Range	4	11	35	40	10
Prev. Year	22	30	34	13	1
5-Year Avg.	25	24	31	17	3

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Development Ratings for Week Ending August 19, 2007

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
Spring Wheat				
Harvested	30	21	34	44
Spring Barley				
Harvested	45	34	36	47
Corn				
Dough	54	35	53	40
Dent	14	4	16	9
Corn Silage				
Harvested	3	0	5	4
Sorghum				
Headed	81	62	71	66
Turning Color	24	11	23	11
Mature	3	0	0	0
Alfalfa				
2 nd Cutting	97	93	84	87
3 rd Cutting	18	6	18	21
Dry Onions				
Harvested	11	0	17	21
Summer Potatoes				
Harvest	6	3	19	19
Dry Beans				
Flowered	92	75	95	87

COLORADO CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION RATINGS 1/

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Spring Barley	0	5	24	45	26
Spring Wheat	1	3	27	37	32
Corn	1	7	22	51	19
Sorghum	0	0	23	68	9
Sunflowers	0	1	13	72	14
Alfalfa	1	3	25	50	21
Dry Beans	0	2	15	71	12
Summer Potatoes	0	3	15	37	45
Fall Potatoes	0	3	32	46	19
Sugarbeets	0	4	22	63	11
Dry Onions	0	4	15	61	20
Livestock	0	1	12	70	17

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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