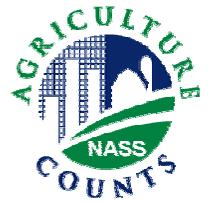




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**Week of September 22 – 28, 2008**

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Dry, cool nights and warm days.

Crop progress behind normal.

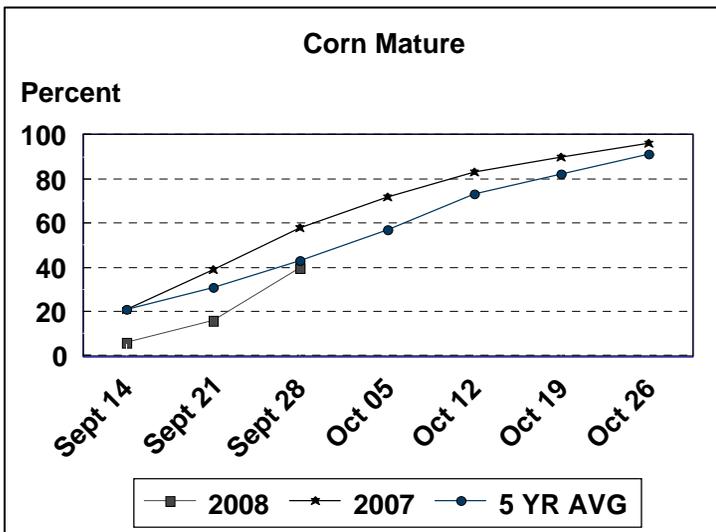
Range and pasture lacks moisture.

Wyoming was dry last week with continued cold nights and warm days. High temperatures ranged from high 60's to low 90's. Low temperatures were in the low 20's to the low 40's. Topsoil moisture levels rated adequate or better decreased to 61 percent, 4 points below the previous week but 24 points up from the average. Subsoil moisture was rated at 42 percent adequate or better, 18 points above the average.

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
<b>Topsoil</b>				
Very Short	3	2	27	22
Short	36	33	40	41
Adequate	60	64	33	36
Surplus	1	1	0	1
<b>Subsoil</b>				
Very Short	18	N/A	43	35
Short	40	N/A	39	41
Adequate	42	N/A	18	24
Surplus	0	N/A	0	0

**CROP PROGRESS TABLE**

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Winter Wht Planted	99	89	98	94
Winter Wht Emerged	74	38	86	69
Corn Dough	92	85	95	96
Corn Dent	73	58	86	82
Corn Mature	40	16	58	43
Corn Silage Harvested	75	49	81	84
Dry Beans Windrowed	73	49	87	80
Dry Beans Combined	50	23	64	59
Alfalfa Hay Third Cutting	40	29	74	62



**STOCK WATER**

	This Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	3	12	22
Short	16	39	34
Adequate	80	49	44
Surplus	1	0	0

**FIELD CROP REPORT:** During last week an average of 6.9 days were suitable for fieldwork. Crop progress remained behind the average with unchanged crop conditions. Almost all winter wheat was planted with 74 percent emerged, 12 points below the previous year but 5 points above the average. Seventy-three percent of dry beans were windrowed and 50 percent combined, 14 points below 2007 and 9 points below the average. Ninety-two percent of corn was in the dough stage, 73 percent dented and 40 percent mature, 18 points below 2007 and 3 points below the 5-year average. Three-fourths of corn has been harvested for silage, 6 points below the previous year and 9 points below the average. Forty percent of alfalfa has been cut for the third time, 34 points below last year and 22 points below the average.

**CROP CONDITION TABLE**

Item	V Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Corn	0	1	24	75	0
Sugarbeets	0	1	17	82	0
Dry Beans	0	0	15	84	1

**LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE REPORT:** Range and pasture conditions were reported at 39 percent good or better, which decreased by 3 points from last week but was 15 points above the average. Livestock looked good going into fall.

**RANGE AND PASTURE FEED**

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	2	2	7	20
Poor	12	11	29	24
Fair	47	45	36	32
Good	33	34	26	22
Excellent	6	8	2	2



**WEATHER SUMMARY:** Temperatures during the week ending Sunday, September 28 averaged above normal in all of the reporting stations. Average temperatures ranged from 2 degrees above normal at Lake Yellowstone, Jackson Hole and Thayne to 11 degrees above normal at Buford. The high temperature was 91 at Torrington while the low was 23 degrees at Shirley Basin. All of the reporting stations reported at or below normal precipitation. The cumulative precipitation was low in 20 of the 33 reporting stations. The largest amount of the precipitation was reported in Evanston at 0.26 inches, 0.03 inches below normal.

### Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, September 28, 2008 <sup>1/</sup>

	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation			Since Jan 1 Precipitation	
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	Normal Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN
<b>District 1</b>									
Cody	81	39	58	4	0.00	0.28	-0.28	7.80	-1.32
Dubois	76	27	50	3	0.05	0.28	-0.23	8.00	-0.03
Greybull	88	35	60	7	0.09	0.20	-0.11	5.57	-0.67
Jeffrey City	80	36	57	7	0.00	0.21	-0.21	6.86	-1.89
Lake Yellowstone	67	26	42	2	0.00	0.35	-0.35	11.63	-3.95
Lander	84	40	61	7	0.00	0.30	-0.30	11.18	0.78
Powell	80	34	55	3	0.00	0.17	-0.17	5.53	-0.52
Riverton	84	37	60	7	0.01	0.21	-0.20	6.82	0.16
Worland	88	34	59	3	0.10	0.21	-0.11	6.41	-0.16
<b>District 2</b>									
Big Horn	87	32	56	4	0.02	0.35	-0.33	15.09	3.31
Buffalo-Johnson	86	38	60	7	0.00	0.34	-0.34	12.93	1.49
Gillette	90	32	59	6	0.10	0.35	-0.25	14.70	1.25
Mid-West	86	32	58	4	0.00	0.22	-0.22	13.83	2.63
Newcastle	88	32	58	3	0.10	0.28	-0.18	19.65	6.25
Sheridan	88	30	57	4	0.02	0.35	-0.33	12.50	0.60
Sundance	90	35	60	7	0.10	0.34	-0.24	17.99	2.49
<b>District 3</b>									
Big Piney	77	26	50	6	0.14	0.14	0.00	4.27	-1.82
Evanston	77	33	56	7	0.26	0.29	-0.03	6.34	-2.49
Jackson Hole	75	27	49	2	0.00	0.28	-0.28	12.34	-3.25
Thayne	75	27	49	2	0.30	0.37	-0.07	7.16	-6.55
<b>District 4</b>									
Casper	85	25	59	6	0.00	0.28	-0.28	10.19	-0.22
Laramie	77	32	54	5	0.02	0.21	-0.19	8.38	-1.06
Rawlins	78	34	56	3	0.21	0.21	0.00	5.76	-1.95
Rock Springs	78	37	56	6	0.01	0.21	-0.20	5.53	-1.79
Shirley Basin	76	23	49	5	0.14	0.21	-0.07	8.60	0.03
<b>District 5</b>									
Buford	77	38	57	11	0.07	0.32	-0.25	16.09	3.22
Cheyenne	81	41	60	8	0.02	0.28	-0.26	13.20	-0.36
Chugwater	86	34	60	8	0.00	0.28	-0.28	14.34	0.93
Douglas	89	33	61	7	0.05	0.23	-0.18	9.87	-0.78
Lance Creek	90	35	62	7	0.00	0.21	-0.21	10.64	-0.82
Old Fort Laramie	87	32	58	4	0.05	0.21	-0.16	10.99	-0.54
Torrington	91	39	63	8	0.02	0.28	-0.26	11.85	-0.07
Wheatland	88	38	61	4	0.00	0.28	-0.28	14.14	2.81

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN=Departure from Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit [www.awis.com](http://www.awis.com) or call 1-888-798-9955