



# Colorado Crop Progress

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**Agricultural Summary:** The northeast portion of Colorado is still experiencing the effects of the tornados 2 weeks ago. Moisture amounts are still well below average for this time of year, although warm temperatures continue to advance crops. Producers were allowed 6.4 days in the field for spring operations.

## TOP SOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	30	39	30	1
Last Week	26	44	28	2
Last Year	2	13	79	6

## SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	27	40	32	1
Last Week	23	47	28	2
Last Year	3	20	74	3

**Small Grains:** Winter wheat was 57 percent headed and 2 percent turning color this week with the crop rated in mostly fair to poor condition. Spring barley was 98 percent emerged and in mostly good condition. Spring wheat was 98 percent planted, 84 percent emerged, and in mostly good to fair condition.

**Row Crops:** The 2008 corn crop was 98 percent planted and 71 percent emerged last week. The crop is in mostly fair condition. Summer potatoes were 80 percent planted and 45 percent emerged. The fall potato crop was 99 percent planted and 10 percent emerged. Sorghum was 29 percent planted by week's end. Sugarbeets were 64 percent up to stand with the crop in good condition. Farmers had 36 percent of the sunflowers planted.

## SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 1, 2008

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat					
This Week	20	31	34	14	1
Last Year	2	5	22	48	23
Spring Barley					
This Week	2	8	28	38	24
Last Year	0	2	23	46	29
Spring Wheat					
This Week	2	11	27	35	25
Last Year	0	2	27	48	23

**Pasture, Range, and Hay:** Pasture and range conditions across Colorado continue to be rated in mostly fair to poor condition. First cutting alfalfa was 30 percent complete with the crop in mostly good to fair condition.

**Livestock:** Death losses for cattle and sheep were both rated at average. Stored feed supplies are slightly below average for this time of year.

## PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 1, 2008

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture & Range-2008	28	28	30	13	1
Prev. Year - 2007	1	3	26	58	12
5-Year Avg.	12	19	32	32	5

## COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

Development Ratings for Week Ending June 1, 2008

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
<b>Winter Wheat</b>				
Headed	57	41	82	87
Turning Color	2	0	3	5
<b>Spring Barley</b>				
Emerged	98	89	99	93
<b>Spring Wheat</b>				
Planted	98	89	100	100
Emerged	84	67	94	86
<b>Corn</b>				
Planted	98	92	99	97
Emerged	71	48	66	74
<b>Summer Potatoes</b>				
Planted	80	70	91	89
Emerged	45	35	57	63
<b>Fall Potatoes</b>				
Planted	99	89	97	92
Emerged	10	5	14	16
<b>Sugarbeets</b>				
Up to Stand	64	43	80	84
<b>Sorghum</b>				
Planted	29	19	37	45
<b>Sunflowers</b>				
Planted	36	21	40	36
<b>Alfalfa</b>				
1 <sup>st</sup> Cutting	30	14	31	31

## COLORADO CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION RATINGS <sup>1/</sup>

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
<b>Spring Barley</b>	2	8	28	38	24
<b>Winter Wheat</b>	20	31	34	14	1
<b>Spring Wheat</b>	2	11	27	35	25
<b>Corn</b>	4	10	41	33	12
<b>Alfalfa</b>	2	8	32	44	14
<b>Dry Onions</b>	1	3	29	53	14
<b>Sugarbeets</b>	1	6	23	54	16
<b>Livestock</b>	0	6	22	49	23

<sup>1/</sup> 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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