



# Colorado Crop Progress

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**Agricultural Summary:** Most of Colorado received sporadic precipitation, mostly in the form of isolated showers and thunderstorms last week, but levels were still below average. The southern regions and southeastern corner reported very limited precipitation. The State also experienced normal to above normal temperatures. Overall, mountain snowpack jumped to 250 percent of average. Potential for flooding from snowmelt is a concern as temperatures warm up in the high country. Farmers were allowed 6.3 days in the field for spring operations last week.

## TOP SOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	20	17	59	4
Last Week	15	11	64	10
Last Year	2	20	76	2

## SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	22	25	50	3
Last Week	17	22	57	4
Last Year	1	16	82	1

**Small Grains:** Winter wheat was 80 percent headed with 8 percent turning color at the end of last week. The crop is rated in mostly fair condition, overall. Spring barley was rated in mostly fair to good condition. Spring wheat planting reached completion with 76 percent emerged and is rated in mostly fair to good condition.

**Row Crops:** Corn planting progressed last week to 98 percent planted with 74 percent emerged with the crop rated in mostly good condition. Sorghum planting increased to 26 percent planted and 2 percent emerged by the week's end. Sugarbeets were 88 percent up to stand by the end of the week with the crop rated in mostly good to fair condition. Onions were rated in mostly good condition. Summer potatoes were 72 percent planted with 30 percent emerged and fall potatoes were 92 percent planted with 14 percent emerged by the end of last week. Sunflower planting reached 23 percent planted last week. Dry beans reached 54 percent planted and 7 percent emerged.

## SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 5, 2011

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat					
This Week	18	21	32	27	2
Last Year	1	4	19	61	15
Spring Barley					
This Week	0	5	52	40	3
Last Year	0	13	41	39	7
Spring Wheat					
This Week	0	5	57	34	4
Last Year	0	9	48	37	6

**Pasture and Range:** Pasture and range feed conditions were rated at mostly poor to good condition across the State, due to the dry, windy conditions in the southern regions of the State. Alfalfa cuttings progressed to 25 percent of the 1<sup>st</sup> cutting complete, with the crop rated in good to fair condition.

**Livestock:** Death losses for cattle and sheep were still rated average for the State. Stored feed supplies were also rated average for this time of year. Some feed shortages were reported in the southeastern corner of the State where range and pasture have suffered due to dry conditions.

## PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 5, 2011

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture & Range-2011	23	25	24	25	3
Prev. Year - 2010	1	5	25	59	10
5-Year Avg.	12	15	30	36	7

## COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

Development Ratings for Week Ending June 5, 2011

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
<b>Winter Wheat</b>				
Headed	80	55	85	87
Turning Color	8	1	1	10
<b>Spring Wheat</b>				
Emerged	76	70	99	96
<b>Corn</b>				
Planted	98	94	99	98
Emerged	74	48	91	80
<b>Sorghum</b>				
Planted	26	14	72	48
Emerged	2	N/A	21	10
<b>Sugarbeets</b>				
Up to Stand	88	70	89	86
<b>Sunflowers</b>				
Planted	23	16	45	49
<b>Alfalfa</b>				
1 <sup>st</sup> Cutting	25	12	44	35
<b>Dry Beans</b>				
Planted	54	39	41	44
Emerged	7	1	15	15
<b>Fall Potatoes</b>				
Planted	92	90	98	99
Emerged	14	3	31	22
<b>Summer Potatoes</b>				
Planted	72	65	98	88
Emerged	30	21	71	57

## COLORADO CONDITION RATINGS 1/

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
<b>Livestock</b>	0	2	33	58	7
<b>Corn</b>	0	3	35	58	4
<b>Dry Onions</b>	1	2	17	66	14
<b>Alfalfa</b>	3	13	30	45	9
<b>Sugarbeets</b>	0	4	35	49	12

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