



Colorado Crop Progress

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Agricultural Summary: Most of Colorado experienced above average precipitation with the snow storm that halted harvest operations. The State experienced slightly below average temperatures last week. Farmers were allowed 5.0 days in the field for operations last week.

TOP SOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	13	28	57	2
Last Week	22	39	39	0
Last Year	35	42	23	0

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	17	30	52	1
Last Week	25	36	39	0
Last Year	17	43	40	0

Small Grains: Winter wheat condition improved last week after receiving the moisture. The crop was 95 percent emerged and in mostly good to fair condition by the end of last week.

Row Crops: Corn continued to be rated in mostly good to fair condition with 57 percent harvested. Sorghum was 95 percent mature and 35 percent harvested. The crop was rated in mostly fair condition. Sugarbeets were 70 percent harvested, 6 percentage points behind the 5-year average. Sunflowers were 57 percent harvested with the crop rated in good to fair condition. Dry bean harvest was 98 percent complete by the end of last week.

ROW CROP CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending October 30, 2011

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn					
This Week	1	7	33	53	6
Last Year	0	2	22	61	15
Sorghum					
This Week	10	18	52	19	1
Last Year	3	5	26	49	17

Pasture and Range: Pasture and range feed conditions varied across the state from very poor to good condition. Alfalfa's 4th cutting progress was reported at 90 percent complete.

Livestock: Death losses for cattle and sheep were rated average for the State. Stored feed supplies were also rated average for this time of year with several reports of reduced hay and feed supplies due to the increase in demand and high prices.

PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending October 30, 2011

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture & Range-2011	16	16	35	32	1
Prev. Year - 2010	2	22	48	26	2
5-Year Avg.	6	17	38	34	5

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Development Ratings for Week Ending October 30, 2011

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
Winter Wheat				
Seeded	100	99	99	100
Emerged	95	83	91	93
Corn				
Harvested	57	40	81	63
Sorghum				
Mature	95	88	99	97
Harvested	35	19	65	48
Sunflowers				
Harvested	57	48	72	67
Sugarbeets				
Harvested	70	50	85	76
Alfalfa				
4 th Cutting	90	75	94	72
Dry Beans				
Harvested	98	92	98	94

COLORADO CONDITION RATINGS 1/

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	0	1	23	66	10
Winter Wheat	0	5	43	45	7
Sunflowers	3	10	38	44	5

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