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Agricultural Summary: Dry and hot conditions spurred small grain development last week while producers made considerable progress in the harvest of winter wheat. Precipitation was isolated while localized hail incidents were noted in the eastern district. Reporters indicated moisture was becoming increasingly scarce in the San Luis Valley and the southeastern district. Farmers were allowed 6.3 days in the field for operations.

from the previous week, ending with 92 percent complete.

TOP SOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	17	37	43	3
Last Week	16	34	47	3
Last Year	41	45	14	0

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	26	29	44	1
Last Week	25	27	47	1
Last Year	51	38	11	0

Small Grains: Seventy-three percent of the spring barley crop was headed, up from 37 percent previously. Ten percent of the crop was coloring. Spring wheat was 80 percent headed, up 37 percentage points and slightly ahead of the average. Development of winter wheat was estimated at 93 percent coloring and 61 percent ripe, up from 84 percent and 29 percent last week, respectively. The harvest of winter wheat was 22 percent complete, up 17 percentage points from the week prior.

Row Crops: As of last week, dry beans were 90 percent emerged while 1 percent of the crop was flowering. Corn in the silking stage gained 1 percentage point last week, ending at 3 percent. Eighty-one percent of the sorghum crop was emerged, up from 61 percent previously. Sunflower plantings saw a gain of 4 percentage points

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending July 6, 2014

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Spring Barley					
This Week	2	2	13	56	27
Last Year	0	0	32	58	10
Spring Wheat					
This Week	0	2	41	56	1
Last Year	7	10	33	43	7
Winter Wheat					
This Week	27	13	22	30	8
Last Year	44	24	20	11	1

Pasture and Range: Pasture and range conditions were rated 58 percent fair to good across the State, unchanged from last week. Last year, 27 percent was rated fair to good while 53 percent is fair to good on average. The first and second cuttings of alfalfa were 93 percent and 19 percent complete, respectively.

PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending July 6, 2014

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture & Range-2014	12	23	24	34	7
Prev. Year - 2013	47	25	17	10	1
5-Year Avg.	22	18	24	29	7

Livestock: Death losses for cattle and sheep remained mostly average to light. Stored feed supplies were rated 6 percent very short, 18 percent short, 63 percent adequate, and 13 percent surplus. Last week, stored feed supplies were rated 6 percent very short, 18 percent short, 69 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus.

COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

Development Ratings for Week Ending July 6, 2014

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
Alfalfa				
1 st Cutting	93	85	89	92
2 nd Cutting	19	9	12	16
Dry Beans				
Emerged	90	85	94	90
Flowered	1	N/A	2	2
Corn				
Silked	3	2	3	4
Sorghum				
Emerged	81	61	80	84
Spring Barley				
Headed	73	37	79	79
Turning Color	10	6	6	13
Spring Wheat				
Headed	80	43	88	76
Turning Color	12	5	7	10
Sunflowers				
Planted	92	88	88	96
Winter Wheat				
Turning Color	93	84	94	94
Ripe	61	29	42	56
Harvested	22	5	15	35

- Represents zero.

N/A Not available.

COLORADO CONDITION RATINGS 1/

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	2	9	28	44	17
Corn	1	5	26	47	21
Dry Beans	0	0	62	33	5
Livestock	0	2	23	65	10
Onions	0	2	15	68	15
Potatoes Inside SLV	4	10	29	47	10
Potatoes Outside SLV	0	1	23	63	13
Sorghum	0	16	57	27	0
Sugarbeets	1	4	20	56	19
Sunflowers	0	30	45	22	3

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