



# COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 28, 2015

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Sustained warm, dry conditions supported full-scale field operations and accelerated crop development in most localities. Harvesting activities for winter wheat occurred last week with modest progress observed. Scattered precipitation fell with the highest localized concentrations in eastern districts. While most crop condition ratings improved, several exceptions were observed. Reporters in the northeastern district noted locally heavy precipitation in some cases that resulted in some crop damage and drainage issues. Stored feed supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 4 percent short, 83 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus. Sheep death loss was rated 64 percent average and 36 percent light. Cattle death loss was rated 1 percent heavy, 75 percent average, and 24 percent light.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa				
1 <sup>st</sup> Cutting.....	80	59	83	85
2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting.....	2	--	9	7
Barley				
Headed.....	55	25	34	54
Turning Color.....	6	1	5	5
Dry Beans				
Planted.....	72	63	99	98
Emerged.....	56	46	82	82
Potatoes				
Inside San Luis Valley				
Emerged.....	97	84	99	97
Sorghum				
Planted.....	95	91	95	96
Emerged.....	87	69	58	63
Spring wheat				
Headed.....	55	45	42	51
Coloring.....	5	--	5	4
Sunflowers				
Planted.....	87	59	86	87
Winter wheat				
Turning color.....	90	72	79	77
Mature.....	27	11	25	36
Harvested.....	2	--	4	20

NA – not available

(--) – zero

### DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	6.7	6.1	5.7	6.5
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	1	1	16	28
Short.....	12	9	34	32
Adequate.....	80	80	47	39
Surplus.....	7	10	3	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	2	2	25	30
Short.....	15	15	27	30
Adequate.....	80	77	47	39
Surplus.....	3	6	1	1

NA – not available

(--) – zero

**CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION**

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Alfalfa</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	3	7
Poor.....	5	6	9	11
Fair.....	34	35	27	28
Good.....	49	47	45	44
Excellent.....	12	12	16	10
<b>Barley</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	2	--
Poor.....	--	--	2	3
Fair.....	18	18	13	32
Good.....	61	61	56	53
Excellent.....	21	21	27	12
<b>Corn</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	1	6
Poor.....	1	1	5	8
Fair.....	21	28	27	26
Good.....	66	60	45	49
Excellent.....	12	11	22	11
<b>Dry Beans</b>				
Very poor.....	--	NA	--	3
Poor.....	--	NA	--	7
Fair.....	6	NA	74	54
Good.....	90	NA	23	33
Excellent.....	4	NA	3	3
<b>Livestock</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	2
Poor.....	1	1	2	6
Fair.....	12	12	23	23
Good.....	71	73	65	63
Excellent.....	16	14	10	6
<b>Onions</b>				
Very poor.....	3	3	--	1
Poor.....	9	9	1	4
Fair.....	20	20	16	17
Good.....	56	52	70	68
Excellent.....	12	16	13	10
<b>Pasture and Range</b>				
Very poor.....	1	1	12	21
Poor.....	13	14	23	24
Fair.....	24	24	24	24
Good.....	47	46	34	26
Excellent.....	15	15	7	5
<b>Potatoes Inside San Luis Valley</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	4	NA
Poor.....	4	--	10	NA
Fair.....	28	45	31	NA
Good.....	58	55	45	NA
Excellent.....	10	--	10	NA
<b>Potatoes Outside San Luis Valley</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	1	1	1	NA
Fair.....	7	6	24	NA
Good.....	72	77	62	NA
Excellent.....	20	16	13	NA
<b>Sorghum</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	4
Poor.....	--	--	8	14
Fair.....	23	15	63	42
Good.....	72	81	28	38
Excellent.....	5	4	1	2
<b>Spring Wheat</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	2
Poor.....	--	--	3	7
Fair.....	37	38	36	41
Good.....	58	57	60	45
Excellent.....	5	5	1	5
<b>Sugarbeets</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	1	1
Poor.....	1	1	4	3
Fair.....	13	13	20	24
Good.....	63	63	57	60
Excellent.....	23	23	18	12
<b>Sunflowers</b>				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	--	--	25	NA
Fair.....	20	9	53	NA
Good.....	39	34	19	NA
Excellent.....	41	57	3	NA
<b>Winter Wheat</b>				
Very poor.....	2	2	27	20
Poor.....	14	16	13	17
Fair.....	33	30	22	27
Good.....	40	41	31	30
Excellent.....	11	11	7	6

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