



# COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

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## CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 16, 2019

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Warmer and drier weather last week accelerated crop development and allowed producers sufficient days in the field, according to the Mountain Region Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Isolated severe weather and damaging hail was reported in areas. In northeastern counties, reporters noted warm weather and recent moisture was beneficial for pasture grass growth and dryland crop conditions. Alfalfa harvest was underway and warm temperatures notably promoted corn growth last week. In the San Luis Valley, warm temperatures were more favorable for crop development, but a reporter mentioned potatoes were still progressing slowly. New seeding of alfalfa began last week. Southeastern counties received moisture last week with some hail reported. Alfalfa harvest was behind in these counties and sorghum was noted as slow to emerge. Statewide, stored feed supplies were rated 5 percent very short, 22 percent short, 71 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Sheep death loss was 80 percent average and 20 percent light. Cattle death loss was 92 percent average and 8 percent light.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
1 <sup>st</sup> cutting harvested .....	56	36	63	55
Barley				
Headed .....	5	1	30	17
Corn				
Planted .....	93	88	100	99
Emerg'd .....	86	69	96	96
Dry edible beans				
Planted .....	41	14	57	66
Emerg'd .....	13	3	38	38
Potatoes inside San Luis Valley				
Emerg'd .....	66	39	91	79
Potatoes outside San Luis Valley				
Emerg'd .....	95	85	96	95
Proso millet				
Planted .....	75	50	NA	NA
Sorghum				
Planted .....	77	58	72	70
Emerg'd .....	33	16	48	43
Sugarbeets				
Emerg'd .....	95	91	NA	NA
Sunflowers				
Planted .....	61	35	55	52
Winter wheat				
Headed .....	92	83	96	97
Turning color .....	20	2	57	47

NA – not available

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### DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	6.4	5.6	6.8	6.4
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	2	2	23	9
Short .....	11	7	37	21
Adequate .....	85	86	39	66
Surplus.....	2	5	1	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	2	2	15	9
Short .....	14	11	24	18
Adequate .....	81	83	61	70
Surplus.....	3	4	--	3

NA – not available

(--) – zero

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

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
<b>Alfalfa hay</b>				
Very poor .....	1	3	9	3
Poor.....	7	6	12	7
Fair.....	8	8	28	26
Good .....	63	63	44	51
Excellent .....	21	20	7	13
<b>Barley</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	3	2	3	1
Fair.....	15	17	28	19
Good .....	47	60	49	54
Excellent .....	35	21	20	26
<b>Corn</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	4	4	3	2
Fair.....	18	27	16	21
Good .....	68	63	70	62
Excellent .....	10	6	11	15
<b>Onions</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	--	--	2	3
Fair.....	6	13	12	16
Good .....	86	82	83	69
Excellent .....	8	5	3	11
<b>Pasture and range</b>				
Very poor .....	1	1	21	7
Poor.....	2	2	29	14
Fair.....	15	15	27	23
Good .....	67	71	21	47
Excellent .....	15	11	2	9
<b>Potatoes inside San Luis Valley</b>				
Very poor .....	--	NA	--	NA
Poor.....	10	NA	4	NA
Fair.....	30	NA	16	NA
Good .....	40	NA	56	NA
Excellent .....	20	NA	24	NA
<b>Potatoes outside San Luis Valley</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	2	--	--
Fair.....	19	17	24	13
Good .....	73	64	52	69
Excellent .....	8	17	24	18
<b>Sugarbeets</b>				
Very poor .....	--	--	1	1
Poor.....	1	2	5	2
Fair.....	39	33	23	16
Good .....	48	52	61	65
Excellent .....	12	13	10	16
<b>Winter wheat</b>				
Very poor .....	2	2	7	8
Poor.....	3	2	17	14
Fair.....	16	16	25	28
Good .....	55	59	45	40
Excellent .....	24	21	6	10
<b>Livestock</b>				
Very poor .....	1	--	1	--
Poor.....	4	4	3	1
Fair.....	20	16	16	14
Good .....	62	68	73	73
Excellent .....	13	12	7	12

NA – not available

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