



COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 10, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Mostly dry weather last week aided harvest of fall crops, according to the Mountain Region Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. In northeastern counties, a reporter noted higher humidity and precipitation delayed fieldwork slightly for producers, but was expected to improve winter wheat emergence in bare areas if temperatures warmed. East central counties experienced very warm and dry weather last week. Fall harvest continued to progress and neared completion for some crops in the area. In the San Luis Valley, minimal moisture was received. A reporter noted some fall fieldwork was underway last week. In southeastern counties, mostly dry weather was observed. A reporter noted some corn for grain was not yet dried down and producers were waiting to harvest. Alfalfa harvest progressed, but there was still some left to bale. Statewide, livestock producers continued weaning and winter preparation activities. Stored feed supplies were rated 2 percent short, 84 percent adequate, and 14 percent surplus. Sheep death loss was 2 percent heavy, 87 percent average, and 11 percent light. Cattle death loss was 88 percent average and 12 percent light.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
4 th cutting harvested	81	71	82	NA
Corn				
Harvested for grain	83	66	75	76
Sorghum				
Harvested	90	80	54	71
Sugarbeets				
Harvested	96	88	93	88
Sunflowers				
Harvested	84	78	54	73
Winter wheat				
Emerged	88	85	94	96

NA – not available
(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	4.9	3.7	5.7	5.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	12	16	3	8
Short.....	30	31	16	28
Adequate	58	52	76	62
Surplus.....	--	1	5	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	11	15	8	11
Short.....	28	32	26	30
Adequate	60	52	63	58
Surplus.....	1	1	3	1

NA – not available
(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Pasture and range				
Very poor	3	4	28	9
Poor.....	11	12	25	17
Fair.....	37	31	19	27
Good	44	49	23	40
Excellent	5	4	5	7
Winter wheat				
Very poor	1	3	1	1
Poor.....	7	9	5	8
Fair.....	21	23	31	34
Good	50	48	54	47
Excellent	21	17	9	10
Livestock				
Very poor	1	1	4	1
Poor.....	3	3	4	2
Fair.....	9	10	17	16
Good	73	74	66	71
Excellent	14	12	9	10

NA – not available

(--) – zero