



COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 21, 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Another very dry week allowed corn harvest to conclude in most areas, according to the Mountain Region Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Only a few counties were still finishing up corn harvest and sunflower harvest continued. Daytime temperatures remained warm and precipitation was minimal. Very few localities received measurable moisture. Fall crop and pasture conditions continued to decline due to a lack of moisture. Concerns were noted regarding future irrigation water supplies. County reports noted winter wheat emergence continued to struggle without adequate moisture. Livestock were in mostly good to fair condition and a county report noted weaning weights were better than expected in areas. Statewide, stored feed supplies were rated 9 percent very short, 29 percent short, 55 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Sheep death loss was 84 percent average and 16 percent light. Cattle death loss was 66 percent average and 34 percent light.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Corn				
Harvested for grain.....	97	94	98	94
Sunflowers				
Harvested	94	82	100	91
Winter wheat				
Emerged.....	92	89	94	95

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.....	6.6	6.8	6.8	6.2
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	35	35	50	18
Short.....	44	40	37	28
Adequate	21	25	13	53
Surplus.....	--	--	--	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	39	38	45	17
Short.....	35	36	40	31
Adequate	26	26	15	51
Surplus.....	--	--	--	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	25	27	33	12
Poor.....	19	19	37	20
Fair.....	18	18	24	28
Good	26	16	6	35
Excellent	12	20	--	5
Winter wheat				
Very poor	7	10	19	6
Poor.....	22	17	24	12
Fair.....	30	32	40	32
Good	33	33	16	42
Excellent	8	8	1	8
Livestock				
Very poor	2	6	2	1
Poor.....	7	10	6	3
Fair.....	23	22	31	15
Good	50	41	52	72
Excellent	18	21	9	9

NA – not available

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