



Montana Crop Progress



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Livestock Report

Range and pasture conditions are above last year and the 5-year average with 53 percent good to excellent, compared with 52 percent and 33 percent, respectively. Producers continue moving livestock off summer ranges well ahead of last year's pace. Cattle are being moved slightly below the 5-year average with 64 percent moved but sheep are being moved above the 5-year average with 80 percent moved. Supplemental feeding of livestock has begun with 10 percent of cattle and 27 percent of sheep being fed.

Range and Livestock Table	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
Range and Pasture Feed Condition				
Very Poor	3	3	5	16
Poor	12	12	10	17
Fair	32	32	33	34
Good	41	41	45	27
Excellent	12	12	7	6
Livestock Moved from Summer Ranges				
Cattle & Calves	64	54	55	66
Sheep & Lambs	80	74	70	75
Livestock Receiving Supplemental Feed				
Cattle & Calves	10	1	na	na
Sheep & Lambs	27	1	na	na

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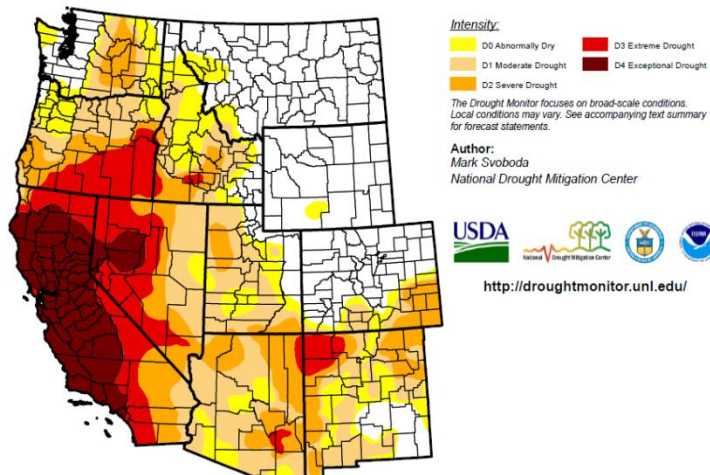
Soil Report

Soil moisture conditions declined over last week but remain above last year and the 5-year average for this time. Topsoil moisture rated adequate and surplus is 84 percent, compared with 74 percent last year and the 5-year average of 60 percent. Subsoil moisture was rated 84 percent adequate and surplus, compared with 71 percent last year and the 5-year average of 52 percent.

Soil Moisture and Field Work Table	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
Topsoil Moisture				
Very Short	2	2	4	12
Short	14	13	22	28
Adequate	77	78	66	56
Surplus	7	7	8	4
Subsoil Moisture				
Very Short	2	2	4	17
Short	14	13	25	31
Adequate	76	77	67	50
Surplus	8	8	4	2
Days Suitable for Field Work				
Days	6.3	6.6	3.7	5.1

U.S. Drought Monitor West

October 14, 2014
(Released Thursday, Oct. 16, 2014)
Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Intensity:
D0 Abnormally Dry D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought D4 Exceptional Drought
D2 Severe Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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Field Crops Report

A mild, mostly dry week allowed for 6.3 days suitable for field work, compared with 3.7 days last year. The warm, dry days and cool nights aided producers harvesting late season crops. Winter wheat seeding is wrapping up ahead of last year and the 5-year average with 97 percent planted. Emergence was also ahead of both last year and the 5-year average at 73 percent emerged.

Crop Progress and Condition Table	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg
Harvested				
Corn for Grain	46	32	16	16
Dry Beans	91	90	97	97
Flaxseed	93	91	99	100
Potatoes	55	54	83	84
Sugar Beets	54	16	64	56
Planted				
Winter Wheat	97	92	89	88
Emerged				
Winter Wheat	73	52	58	53
Corn				
Very Poor	0	0	2	1
Poor	2	2	4	4
Fair	31	30	32	29
Good	52	53	41	48
Excellent	15	15	21	18
Sugar Beets				
Very Poor	1	1	0	2
Poor	1	1	8	12
Fair	15	15	34	32
Good	41	41	42	41
Excellent	42	42	16	13
Winter Wheat				
Very Poor	0	na	0	na
Poor	1	na	2	na
Fair	20	na	37	na
Good	49	na	48	na
Excellent	30	na	13	na

na - Not Available

Weather Information for the Week ending 10/19/14

Station ID	Temperature			GDDs		This Week		Precipitation			October 1 to Date		
	Hi	LOW	AVG	B50	DFN	Total	DFN	Total	DFN	%NRM	Total	DFN	%NRM
	NORTHWEST												
Alberton	69	30	49	5	+5	0.08	-0.08	7.53	-1.08	87	0.59	+0.07	113
Corvallis	78	26	51	19	+19	0.03	-0.11	5.41	-2.53	68	0.30	-0.20	60
Creston	69	26	49	6	+6	0.03	-0.25	12.25	-0.50	96	0.30	-0.47	39
Deer Lodge	73	20	49	13	+13	0.02	-0.12	8.86	+0.28	103	0.05	-0.36	12
Hamilton	79	28	50	16	+16	0.07	-0.07	5.37	-2.71	66	0.38	-0.07	84
Heron	64	31	50	6	+6	0.20	-0.26	12.96	-0.35	97	0.52	-0.61	46
Kalispell	72	24	48	8	+8	0.07	-0.14	10.51	+0.52	105	0.49	-0.08	86
Libby	69	29	48	4	+4	0.23	-0.16	10.33	-0.28	97	0.32	-0.65	33
Missoula	70	26	48	5	+5	0.07	-0.09	5.72	-2.89	66	0.47	-0.05	90
Olney	69	23	43	0	+0	0.15	-0.14	11.64	+0.00	100	0.42	-0.35	55
Polson	73	31	50	12	+11	0.08	-0.13	9.00	-1.39	87	0.17	-0.50	25
Saint Ignatius	70	30	52	19	+19	0.01	-0.27	7.80	-3.22	71	0.53	-0.23	70
Seeley Lake	69	27	48	2	+2	0.56	+0.28	12.22	+2.33	124	0.78	+0.02	103
Superior	68	30	51	17	+15	0.18	-0.09	7.13	-1.77	80	0.40	-0.23	63
Thompson Falls	70	32	52	21	+18	0.12	-0.24	9.60	-0.88	92	0.35	-0.54	39
Yaak	67	28	46	3	+3	0.19	-0.47	9.14	-5.30	63	0.19	-1.45	12
NORTH CENTRAL													
Brady	76	34	56	46	+45	0.11	-0.05	10.27	+0.40	104	0.37	-0.15	71
Bynum	75	30	51	16	+16	0.00	-0.14	12.48	+1.40	113	0.25	-0.13	66
Chester	80	24	49	13	+13	0.04	-0.08	10.38	+1.82	121	0.28	-0.08	78
Chinook	75	33	52	16	+16	0.50	+0.36	13.82	+3.34	132	0.68	+0.20	142
Choteau	75	29	53	23	+17	0.00	-0.14	10.02	+1.09	112	0.13	-0.25	34
Cut Bank	75	24	52	22	+22	0.00	-0.10	12.25	+1.83	118	0.51	+0.16	146
Dunkirk	79	26	49	15	+15	0.02	-0.12	7.64	-3.43	69	0.15	-0.35	30
Fort Assiniboine	74	30	53	31	+31	0.31	+0.14	10.52	+0.20	102	0.73	+0.20	138
Fort Benton	78	28	54	31	+23	0.04	-0.16	11.12	+0.52	105	0.20	-0.36	36
Fort Belknap	73	34	51	16	+16	0.37	+0.25	18.63	+9.16	197	0.80	+0.37	186
Goldbutte	75	26	52	26	+26	0.10	-0.04	14.07	+3.00	127	0.35	-0.15	70
Have	75	33	54	31	+31	0.30	+0.16	8.78	+0.02	100	0.59	+0.18	144
Heart Butte	68	34	50	10	+10	0.00	-0.42	21.35	+7.45	154	1.25	+0.13	112
Loma	78	27	52	27	+25	0.03	-0.11	10.18	+0.07	101	0.15	-0.35	30
Port of Morgan	69	33	50	12	+12	0.09	-0.03	14.61	+5.41	159	0.20	-0.20	50
Malta	71	35	53	22	+22	0.35	+0.18	13.75	+3.29	131	0.59	+0.06	111
Rudyard	78	27	51	21	+21	0.02	-0.08	8.23	-0.14	98	0.28	-0.06	82
Saco	72	33	49	8	+8	0.41	+0.27	17.51	+8.25	189	0.46	+0.02	105
Shelby	71	26	49	4	+4	0.06	-0.08	9.72	+0.22	102	0.86	+0.48	226
Turner	72	33	52	21	+21	0.12	+0.05	15.31	+5.99	164	0.29	-0.03	91
Zortman	72	34	50	17	+13	0.35	+0.21	17.98	+6.60	158	1.38	+0.89	282
NORTHEAST													
Bredette	70	29	50	13	+13	0.06	-0.08	12.69	+1.65	115	0.29	-0.18	62
Brockway	79	33	53	28	+28	0.00	-0.18	16.81	+6.87	169	0.20	-0.37	35
Circle	79	32	54	32	+31	0.28	+0.07	17.90	+7.19	167	0.81	+0.16	125
Culbertson	75	30	51	17	+17	0.00	-0.17	10.94	-0.54	95	0.42	-0.16	72
Glasgow	74	36	51	18	+18	0.19	+0.05	12.03	+2.88	131	0.37	-0.10	79
Glendive	72	34	53	23	+20	0.09	-0.12	16.97	+5.87	153	0.83	+0.15	122
Jordan	75	29	50	17	+16	0.01	-0.20	11.27	+1.07	110	0.03	-0.58	5
Nashua	74	35	52	18	+9	0.14	-0.06	14.23	+4.23	142	0.27	-0.30	47
Plentywood	72	30	47	2	+2	0.00	-0.14	16.66	+5.77	153	0.69	+0.19	138
Saint Marie	69	36	51	15	+15	0.25	+0.11	12.40	+3.25	136	0.31	-0.16	66
Savage	72	33	51	15	+12	0.04	-0.17	13.35	+1.77	115	0.35	-0.34	51
Scobey	73	34	51	14	+14	0.14	+0.00	13.43	+2.80	126	0.26	-0.15	63
Sidney	70	32	52	19	+17	0.10	-0.11	15.44	+3.92	134	1.07	+0.39	157
Wolf Point	78	31	51	17	+16	0.16	+0.02	12.62	+2.81	129	0.33	-0.14	70
CENTRAL													
Denton	77	25	49	19	+19	0.02	-0.19	11.83	-0.49	96	0.54	-0.10	84
Grass Range	74	31	52	26	+23	0.00	-0.21	19.01	+6.16	148	0.48	-0.12	80
Great Falls	77	29	54	36	+34	0.00	-0.21	13.58	+2.49	122	0.20	-0.39	34
Harlowton	72	27	50	14	+13	0.00	-0.17	13.27	+2.01	118	0.00	-0.53	0
Helena	75	31	53	31	+31	0.00	-0.14	6.78	-1.83	79	0.18	-0.24	43
Holter Dam	74	27	54	32	+18	0.00	-0.18	10.09	+0.03	100	0.22	-0.32	41
Judith Gap	71	29	48	11	+11	0.17	+0.02	14.76	+2.78	123	0.25	-0.26	49
Lewistown	75	32	52	23	+23	0.17	-0.05	14.40	+1.10	108	0.62	-0.08	89
Melstone	74	32	54	31	+22	0.00	-0.21	10.45	-1.14	90	0.16	-0.53	23
Millegan	72	24	50	17	+17	0.32	+0.07	15.56	+2.19	116	1.12	+0.33	142
Neihart	70	28	50	15	+15	0.02	-0.27	14.49	-1.46	91	1.06	+0.16	118
Roundup	75	30	53	28	+20	0.00	-0.23	14.82	+4.12	139	0.03	-0.68	4
Ryegate	75	31	54	35	+32	0.00	-0.21	14.54	+4.86	150	0.34	-0.23	60
Stanford	73	31	52	25	+21	0.00	-0.21	15.26	+1.92	114	0.59	-0.06	91
Townsend	77	24	52	26	+23	0.00	-0.14	7.96	-0.62	93	0.05	-0.33	13
Valentine	74	30	50	13	+13	0.00	-0.14	13.95	+3.40	132	0.26	-0.19	58
White Sulphur Springs	72	26	50	16	+16	0.04	-0.17	11.38	+1.08	110	0.10	-0.57	15
SOUTHWEST													
Boulder	70	21	47	9	+9	0.04	-0.10	7.91	-1.16	87	0.04	-0.34	11
Bozeman	74	29	52	23	+20	0.02	-0.33	13.60	-0.28	98	0.63	-0.40	61
69	21	46	8	+8	0.00	-0.19	10.45	+0.87	109	0.14	-0.41	25	
Dillon	71	26	49	14	+14	0.00	-0.14	8.45	+0.32	104	0.05	-0.36	12
Divide	69	26	47	4	+4	0.00	-0.14	9.55	+0.26	103	0.00	-0.46	0
Ennis	72	20	48	13	+12	0.01	-0.20	10.25	-0.10	99	0.35	-0.31	53
Logan	75	24	44	6	+6	0.22	-0.05	13.99	+3.18	129	0.44	-0.31	59
Twin Bridges	70	25	49	13	+13	0.00	-0.14	8.89	+0.64	108	0.09	-0.33	21
West Yellowstone	64	17	39	0	+0	0.00	-0.28	13.42	+2.08	118	0.36	-0.40	47
Wisdom	67	11	41	0	+0	0.09	-0.05	8.62	+0.30	104	0.23	-0.24	49
SOUTH CENTRAL													
Big Timber	75	27	52	25	+24	0.00	-0.31	10.94	-1.22	90	0.00	-0.91	0
Billings	75	35	55	41	+34	0.01	-0.27	8.23	-2.17	79	0.16	-0.66	20
Busby	81	26	51	15	+15	0.34	+0.05	12.22	+1.80	117	0.68	-0.21	76
Gardiner	75	24	51	16	+12	0.16	+0.02	9.63	+2.47	134	0.35	-0.12	74
Hardin	78	31	54	29	+19	0.10	-0.18	12.21	+3.27	137	0.40	-0.46	47
Huntley	79	30	51	15	+13	0.02	-0.26	9.83	-0.76	93	0.29	-0.50	37
Hysham	75	31	52	21	+14	0.00	-0.28	13.45	+3.07	130	0.35	-0.46	43
Joliet	77	26	49	21	+20	0.10	-0.25	12.11	+0.86	108	0.12	-0.89	12
Livingston	76	23	52	34	+31	0.01	-0.27	11.05	-1.00	92	0.32	-0.47	41
Melville	69	28	51	21	+21	0.00	-0.28	14.56	+0.93	107	0.21	-0.55	28
Pompey's Pillar	74	29	50	12	+8	0.01	-0.27	9.02	-1.54	85	0.43	-0.38	53
Rapelje	75	31	53	26	+22	0.00	-0.28	12.10	+0.66	106	0.53	-0.28	65
Red Lodge	73	28	51	17	+17	0.00	-0.48	13.00	-2.90	82	0.17	-1.15	13
Wilsall	74	25	52	25	+25	0.00	-0.31	14.70	-0.51	97	0.06	-0.86	7
Yellowtail	75	30	53	28	+7	0.06	-0.36	12.29	-0.56	96	0.24	-1.01	19
SOUTHEAST													
Baker	76	32	50	18	+18	0.09	-0.19	13.24	+1.75	115	0.79	-0.03	96
Biddle	78	30	54	38	+38	0.00	-0.28	10.56	-0.93	92	0.54	-0.31	64
Brandenberg	78	28	52	25	+21	0.00	-0.31	11.49	+0.81	108	0.34	-0.57	37
Broadus	77	29	54	33	+30	0.01	-0.27	9.96	-0.31	97	0.40	-0.38	51
Colstrip	79	32	52	25	+21	0.02	-0.28	13.03	+1.93	117	0.41	-0.49	46
Ekalaka	75	33	52	27	+26	0.00	-0.35	13.48	+0.05	100	0.56	-0.48	54
Forsyth	77	32	53	23	+17	0.00	-0.28	13.26	+2.50	123	0.45	-0.34	57
Miles City	75	30	53	24	+21	0.05	-0.23	11.02	+0.29	103	0.39	-0.37	51
Mizpah	78	28	52	20	+19	0.00	-0.27	11.25	+0.47	104	0.62	-0.13	83
Plevna	75	28	51	16	+16	0.00	-0.28	15					