



CROP-WEATHER REPORT

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Week of May 28 – June 4, 2006

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Mostly dry conditions continue.

Winter wheat heading early.

Alfalfa hay harvest begins.

The western half of the State cooled off slightly last week while the eastern half remained warmer than usual. Temperatures ranged widely with high temperatures mostly in the upper 70's to low 90's, and lows mostly in the mid 20's to low 40's. Moisture was recorded at nearly every station but precipitation remained below normal for most.

Topsoil moisture was rated adequate in 38 percent of the State, 2 points below last week. Irrigation water supplies were adequate in 81 percent of the State. Producers remained busy in the fields as warm temperatures pushed crop progress. High heat coupled with wind continued to have a negative impact on small grains and rangeland. Current conditions may result in a small other hay crop.

SOIL MOISTURE TABLE

	TOPSOIL			
	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-yr Avg
	Percent			
Very Short	16	11	1	17
Short	46	49	19	41
Adeq	37	40	77	41
Surp	1	0	3	1

CROP PROGRESS TABLE

ITEM	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Barley Pltd	99	94	97	99
Barley Emgd	94	85	94	93
Barley Jntd	61	43	55	45
Barley Boot	12	2	12	10
Oats Pltd	96	87	95	96
Oats Emgd	85	74	78	79
Oats Jntd	44	24	25	27
Oats Boot	10	5	2	7
Spring Wheat Pltd	96	83	99	98
Spring Wheat Emgd	83	71	94	88
Spring Wheat Jntd	58	37	45	41
Spring Wheat Boot	12	5	3	9
Winter Wht Boot	92	77	69	68
Winter Wht Headed	71	51	9	29
Sugarbeet Emgd	99	90	96	93
Corn Pltd	99	94	97	96
Corn Emgd	85	58	61	78
Corn Avg Height	4	-	2	2
Dry Beans Pltd	65	41	73	62
Dry Beans Emgd	13	1	22	18
Alfalfa First Cut	6	0	2	3

FIELD CROP REPORT: An average of 6.8 days were suitable for fieldwork. Hot, dry weather continued to push small grain development. Almost three-quarters of the winter wheat crop was headed, about 10 days ahead of average. The condition of winter wheat remained quite variable with 35 percent very poor or poor, 38 percent fair, and 27 percent good or excellent. Over half of the barley and spring wheat crops were jointed, both well ahead of the average pace. Sixty-seven percent of the barley crop and 41 percent of the spring wheat crop was in good condition. Almost half of the oats crop was jointed, also ahead of average. Three-fourths of the oats crop was in good condition. Spring grain crops were just entering the boot stage.

Sugarbeets were virtually all emerged with 87 percent of the crop in good condition. The corn crop was emerging ahead of the average pace with 95 percent in good condition. The average corn height was 4 inches compared with the average of 2 inches. Dry bean planting continued slightly ahead of the average pace with 65 percent of the dry beans in the ground at week's end. Dry beans were just starting to emerge. The first cutting of alfalfa was just getting started.

CROP CONDITION TABLE

ITEM	V POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCEL
	Percent				
Winter Wht	11	24	38	26	4
Barley	0	1	32	67	0
Oats	0	4	23	69	4
Spring Wht	0	1	58	41	0
Corn	0	0	5	95	0
Sugarbeets	0	18	13	83	4

LIVESTOCK CONDITION TABLE

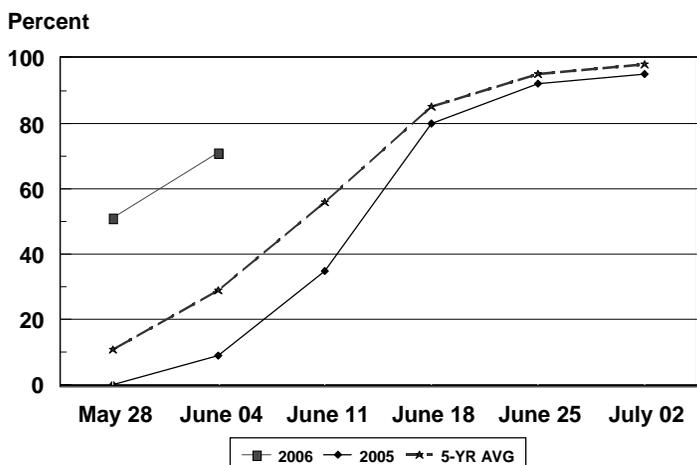
	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Farm Flock Ewes Lambed	88	80	81	85

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE REPORT: Range and pasture conditions slipped with only 30 percent rated good, compared with 38 percent last week and the average of 33 percent. Some pastures were already going to seed without much of a stand. Range flock lambing was 88 percent complete, compared with the average of 85 percent. Lamb losses remained mostly normal.

PASTURE AND RANGE FEED

ITEM	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	Percent			
Very Poor	4	3	0	14
Poor	21	14	6	20
Fair	45	45	30	33
Good	30	38	56	31
Excellent	0	0	8	2

Winter Wheat Headed



WEATHER SUMMARY: Temperatures during the week ending Friday, June 2nd, were below normal in the western half and above normal in the eastern half of the State. Averages ranged from 5.2 degrees below normal in Afton to 3.3 degrees above normal in Torrington. The high temperature was 93 in Torrington and Worland while the low was 22 in Big Piney. Precipitation was below normal across the State except for a few scattered areas. The most precipitation was reported in Wheatland with 0.93 inches, Douglas with 0.61 inches, and Torrington with 0.58 inches. All reporting stations received precipitation except Kaycee, Rock Springs, and Saratoga.

TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 2, 2006

TEMPERATURE			PRECIPITATION					
STATION	MAX	MIN	NORM	WEEK	NORM	DATE	WEEK	NORM
SNAKE DRAINAGE								
Jackson	80	25	-0.4	0.23	-0.33	6.54	7.60	-1.06
Afton	80	27	-5.2	0.46	0.00	6.00	8.38	-2.38
GREEN & BEAR DRAINAGE								
Uinta County AP	79	28	-2.6	0.24	-0.07	3.39	5.08	-1.69
Big Piney AP	83	22	-2.1	0.02	-0.25	1.99	2.89	-0.90
Rock Springs AP	87	31	-1.4	0.00	-0.26	2.52	4.36	-1.84
BIG HORN DRAINAGE								
Cody	86	41	-0.2	0.07	-0.38	2.33	4.57	-2.24
Deaver	85	35	0.4	0.30	0.03	1.65	2.12	-0.47
Greybull AP	92	37	-2.1	0.02	-0.30	1.61	3.33	-1.72
Worland FAA AP	93	35	-2.2	0.02	-0.34	2.14	3.54	-1.40
POWDER, LITTLE MO. & TONGUE DRAINAGE								
Kaycee	92	36	-0.5	0.00	-0.58	3.99	6.09	-2.10
Sheridan WSO AP	84	32	-3.4	0.70	0.12	4.42	6.86	-2.44
BELLE FOURCHE DRAINAGE								
Dillinger	90	34	0.8	0.04	-0.56	6.80	6.44	0.37
Sundance	88	36	2.7	0.53	-0.19	10.22	7.94	2.28
CHEYENNE & NIOBRARA DRAINAGE								
Newcastle	91	41	2.3	0.54	-0.09	7.51	6.37	1.14
Redbird	88	40	1.4	0.55	-0.10	3.94	6.50	-2.56
LOWER PLATTE DRAINAGE								
Casper AP	92	29	0.0	0.01	-0.44	3.90	6.22	-2.32
Cheyenne AP	86	40	1.5	0.35	-0.27	4.24	6.40	-2.16
Chugwater	87	37	1.3	0.25	-0.42	4.59	7.12	-2.53
Douglas AP	90	35	1.4	0.61	0.10	3.66	5.99	-2.33
Torrington AP	93	42	3.3	0.58	-0.02	3.49	5.93	-2.44
Wheatland 4 N	90	43	2.2	0.93	0.34	3.75	5.53	-1.78
WIND RIVER DRAINAGE								
Lander AP	90	34	0.2	0.01	-0.43	3.08	6.91	-3.83
Riverton AP	90	37	-0.4	0.05	-0.33	2.49	3.99	-1.50
UPPER PLATTE DRAINAGE								
Laramie AP	82	31	1.6	0.17	-0.24	1.77	4.65	-2.88
Rawlins AP	86	26	-0.4	0.01	-0.30	1.38	4.43	-3.05
Saratoga	83	29	-0.2	0.00	-0.33	1.76	4.39	-2.63

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1/LATE REPORTS CAN CHANGE PREVIOUS WEEK'S CUMULATIVE TOTALS.