



Wyoming Crop Weather



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AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: More moisture needed.

Calving and lambing ahead of normal.

Winter wheat condition improves slightly.

Most of the State experienced below normal temperatures last week as a cool front moved through and dropped temperatures. The exception was the extreme southern part of Wyoming and the Jackson/Afton area where temperatures were above normal. The cool front brought some precipitation to most areas of the State although the amounts were all less than one inch. High temperatures were mostly in the mid 40's to mid 60's. Low temperatures were mostly in the teens to the mid 20's.

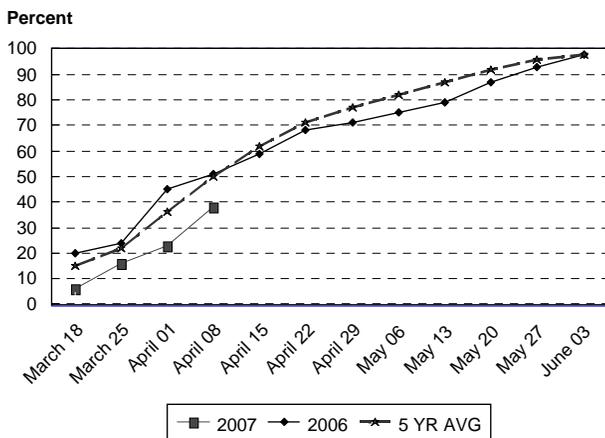
Topsoil moisture supplies improved marginally with 77 percent rated adequate or better, up 1 point from last week. Irrigation water supplies were adequate in just over half of the State.

Topsoil	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	4	5	7	17
Short	19	19	36	40
Adequate	71	70	54	41
Surplus	6	6	3	2

CROP PROGRESS TABLE

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Barley Planted	38	23	51	50
Barley Emerged	1	0	11	6
Oats Planted	10	4	2	10
Spring Wheat Planted	6	6	8	11
Sugarbeets Planted	1	0	19	9

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FIELD CROP REPORT: Rain and snow slowed field preparations with an average of only 2.1 days suitable for fieldwork during the past week. Winter wheat conditions improved with the recent moisture and 45 percent of the crop was rated in good condition. Most of the remainder of the crop was in fair condition. Barley seeding continued to lag behind normal with the wet fields being the primary reason for the delay. Thirty eight percent of the crop was seeded compared to normal of 50 percent. Emergence was just getting underway. Seeding of oats and spring wheat were progressing normally with 10 and 6 percent complete, respectively. Producers were preparing ground for sugarbeets and began planting with 1 percent complete by the end of the week, down from 19 percent this time last year and 9 percent normal.

CROP CONDITION TABLE

Item	V Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Winter Wht	0	1	54	45	0

LIVESTOCK PROGRESS TABLE

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Spring Calves Born	72	61	67	66
Farm Flock Ewes Lambed	75	62	67	69
Farm Flock Sheep Shorn	72	59	63	69
Range Flock Ewes Lambed	15	9	14	14
Range Flock Sheep Shorn	27	19	24	32

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE REPORT: Half of the pastures remained in very poor to poor condition, a slight improvement from last week. Only 11 percent of the ranges and pastures were rated in good condition, up one point from last week. Spring calving stayed ahead of the average pace with 72 percent on the ground. Farm and range flock lambing were also moving above the average pace at 75 and 15 percent complete compared to the averages of 69 and 14 percent, respectively. Farm flock shearing, at 72 percent, and range flock shearing, at 27 percent, was running close to normal. Calf and lamb losses were light to normal with a few heavy losses reported in Campbell, Sheridan and Natrona Counties. Spring grazing prospects were rated as 31 percent good or better.

RANGE AND PASTURE FEED

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Poor	17	21	5	21
Poor	33	34	8	19
Fair	39	35	54	41
Good	11	10	33	18
Excellent	0	0	0	1

WEATHER SUMMARY: Temperatures during the week ending April 8 averaged mostly below normal across the State. Temperatures averaged from 10.5 degrees below normal in Powell to 6.1 degrees above normal in Evanston. The high temperature was 65 in Redbird, Cheyenne and Wheatland while the low was 4 in Sundance. The most precipitation was reported in Deaver with 0.90 inches, Cody with 0.69 inches and Powell with 0.67 inches.

TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 6, 2007

TEMPERATURE			PRECIPITATION					
STATION	MAX	MIN	NORM	WEEK	NORM	DATE	WEEK	NORM
SNAKE DRAINAGE								
Jackson	58	18	3.7	0.33	0.07	2.21	3.98	-1.77
Afton	60	19	3.7	0.57	0.23	3.35	4.56	-1.21
GREEN & BEAR DRAINAGE								
Uinta County AP	60	23	6.1	T	-0.23	1.30	2.51	-1.21
Big Piney AP	58	13	4.9	0.08	-0.07	1.07	1.32	-0.25
Rock Springs AP	61	24	3.1	0.07	-0.14	1.00	2.13	-1.13
BIG HORN DRAINAGE								
Cody	45	16	-8.4	0.69	0.51	2.21	1.48	0.73
Deaver	45	19	-10.4	0.90	0.85	1.11	0.54	0.57
Greybull AP	51	25	-7.8	0.06	-0.05	0.77	1.20	-0.43
Powell Field St	43	19	-10.5	0.67	0.59	0.97	0.68	0.29
Worland FAA AP	53	16	-7.1	0.26	0.12	0.32	1.09	-0.77
POWDER, LITTLE MO. & TONGUE DRAINAGE								
Kaycee	57	17	-7.3	0.15	-0.14	2.14	1.98	0.16
Sheridan WSO AP	46	16	-10.2	0.28	-0.03	2.20	2.71	-0.51
BELLE FOURCHE DRAINAGE								
Dillinger	51	12	-9.3	0.07	-0.22	3.60	2.16	1.44
Sundance	60	4	-8.9	0.23	-0.16	4.44	2.92	1.52
CHEYENNE & NIOBRARA DRAINAGE								
Newcastle	61	13	-8.8	0.12	-0.16	2.00	2.20	-0.20
Redbird	65	17	-7.2	0.11	-0.23	1.31	1.99	-0.68
LOWER PLATTE DRAINAGE								
Casper AP	56	20	-3.9	0.05	-0.25	2.10	2.49	-0.39
Cheyenne AP	65	18	-0.4	0.02	-0.26	2.08	2.33	-0.25
Chugwater	61	11	-4.2	0.09	-0.18	2.82	2.55	0.27
Douglas AP	59	21	-3.8	0.08	-0.21	1.67	2.10	-0.43
Torrington AP	64	14	-5.0	0.14	-0.14	1.24	1.84	-0.60
Wheatland 4 N	65	23	-4.6	T	-0.23	2.25	1.48	0.77
WIND RIVER DRAINAGE								
Lander AP	54	16	-4.8	0.00	-0.42	2.32	2.80	-0.48
Riverton AP	59	18	-3.2	T	-0.18	0.54	1.21	-0.67
UPPER PLATTE DRAINAGE								
Laramie AP	56	9	2.9	T	-0.21	1.07	1.94	-0.87
Rawlins AP	59	21	2.4	0.10	-0.11	0.74	2.00	-1.26
Saratoga	57	22	4.3	0.35	0.15	2.71	1.93	0.78

BLANKS - INDICATE MISSING DATA.

AP - AIRPORT. T - TRACE. () - ESTIMATES.

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