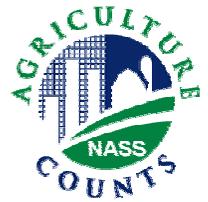




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**Month of February 2009**

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Warm temperatures.

Moisture needed.

Lambing and calving began.

Last month Wyoming experienced some unseasonably warm temperatures. High temperatures ranged from high 30's to high 60's. Low temperatures ranged from 16 below to 10 above. Topsoil moisture levels rated adequate or better were reported at 70 percent, 4 points down from previous month, 11 points up from previous year and 23 points up from the average. Subsoil moisture rated adequate or better was reported at 55 percent, no change from last month, 15 points above last year and 22 points above the 5-year average. Range producers were in need of more moisture. The snow packs were reported at below normal levels.

**HAY SUPPLY**

	This Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	0	3	4
Short	7	36	23
Adequate	91	61	67
Surplus	2	0	6

**STOCK WATER**

	This Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	1	5	12
Short	12	27	26
Adequate	87	68	62
Surplus	0	0	0

	This Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
<b>Topsoil</b>			
Very Short	9	12	16
Short	21	29	37
Adequate	69	55	43
Surplus	1	4	4
<b>Subsoil</b>			
Very Short	16	33	31
Short	29	27	36
Adequate	55	37	31
Surplus	0	3	2

**FIELD CROP REPORT:** The average depth of snow was 1 inch. The condition of the winter wheat came in at 46 percent fair and 54 percent good. Thirty-one percent reported no winter wheat wind damage with 62 percent light and 7 percent moderate. Eighty-six percent reported no winter wheat freeze damage with 6 percent light damage and 8 percent moderate damage, unchanged from last month.

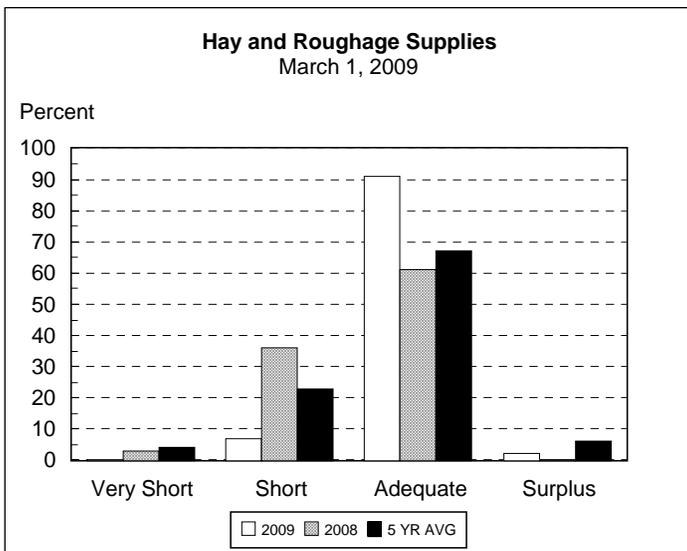
**CROP CONDITION TABLE**

Item	V Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Winter Wht	0	0	46	54	0

**LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE REPORT:** For some producers, the mild winter has reduced the amount of feed required. Thus, there was a fair amount of surplus hay in some areas. Only 15 percent of spring calves were born, 10 points up from last month. Sixteen percent of ewes lambled, 13 points up from last month. Sheep shorn was reported at 16 percent, which increased by 9 points from last month. The calf losses came in at 46 percent light and 54 percent normal. Lamb losses were observed at 47 percent light, 47 percent normal and 6 percent heavy. Cattle and sheep conditions were good or better at 81 and 88 percent, respectively, both up from last month. Spring grazing prospects were at 44 percent good or better. Stock water supplies were at 1 percent very short, 12 percent short and 87 percent adequate, 3 points up from last month. Hay and roughage supplies were holding up well at 7 percent short and 93 percent adequate or better, down 2 points from last month.

**LIVESTOCK PROGRESS TABLE**

	This Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Spring Calves Born	15	21	21
Farm Flock Ewes Lambled	16	21	25
Farm Flock Sheep Shorn	16	24	28



**WEATHER SUMMARY:** Temperatures during the month of January averaged at or above normal in all but one of the reporting stations. Average temperatures ranged from 2 degrees below normal at Thayne to 8 degrees above normal at Lander and Sheridan. The high temperature was 66 at Torrington while the low was 16 degrees below zero at Shirley Basin. All but one of the reporting stations had below normal monthly precipitation. Cumulative precipitation was below normal in 22 of the 33 reporting stations. The largest precipitation was reported at 0.59 inches in Lake Yellowstone and Jackson Hole; however, it was still 0.05 and 1.52 inches below normal, respectively.

**Weather Data for the Month of February 2009 <sup>1/</sup>**

	Monthly Air Temperature				Monthly Precipitation			Since Jan 1 Precipitation	
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	Normal Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN
<b>District 1</b>									
Cody	57	3	32	4	0.00	0.27	-0.27	0.02	-0.71
Dubois	50	0	27	3	0.25	0.26	-0.01	0.65	0.11
Greybull	56	-4	25	1	0.09	0.34	-0.25	0.30	-0.51
Jeffrey City	52	4	28	6	0.08	0.35	-0.27	0.69	-0.07
Lake Yellowstone	43	-3	24	2	0.59	0.64	-0.05	1.48	-0.04
Lander	59	8	33	8	0.00	0.54	-0.54	0.24	-0.82
Powell	60	-1	25	0	0.06	0.10	-0.04	0.25	-0.05
Riverton	59	7	32	6	0.01	0.19	-0.18	0.20	-0.18
Worland	59	1	29	4	0.04	0.19	-0.15	0.05	-0.42
<b>District 2</b>									
Big Horn	63	4	31	5	0.13	0.57	-0.44	1.45	0.11
Buffalo-Johnson	59	4	32	7	0.05	0.39	-0.34	0.60	-0.24
Gillette	60	3	31	5	0.28	0.55	-0.27	0.91	-0.18
Mid-West	57	2	31	5	0.45	0.61	-0.16	0.78	-0.37
Newcastle	59	5	31	5	0.57	0.58	-0.01	1.63	0.61
Sheridan	59	5	32	8	0.14	0.38	-0.24	1.24	0.35
Sundance	53	-1	29	6	0.38	0.68	-0.30	1.23	-0.14
<b>District 3</b>									
Big Piney	42	-7	19	5	0.31	0.34	-0.03	0.37	-0.42
Evanston	43	4	25	3	0.39	0.62	-0.23	0.93	-0.37
Jackson Hole	39	-11	18	2	0.59	2.11	-1.52	2.60	-2.07
Thayne	44	-12	18	-2	0.42	1.19	-0.77	0.56	-2.14
<b>District 4</b>									
Casper	58	1	33	7	0.24	0.64	-0.40	1.32	0.10
Laramie	55	0	29	7	0.04	0.46	-0.42	0.35	-0.49
Rawlins	49	-1	28	2	0.18	0.52	-0.34	0.64	-0.44
Rock Springs	50	8	28	6	0.19	0.52	-0.33	0.51	-0.62
Shirley Basin	54	-16	18	3	0.27	0.39	-0.12	1.37	0.61
<b>District 5</b>									
Buford	55	5	30	7	0.34	0.59	-0.25	1.26	0.10
Cheyenne	60	6	34	6	0.24	0.44	-0.20	0.84	-0.05
Chugwater	62	4	33	6	0.17	0.56	-0.39	1.10	-0.05
Douglas	58	8	32	5	0.46	0.42	0.04	1.11	0.31
Lance Creek	60	7	31	3	0.20	0.42	-0.22	0.80	0.14
Old Fort Laramie	63	7	32	3	0.19	0.35	-0.16	0.59	0.01
Torrington	66	10	35	6	0.06	0.40	-0.34	0.35	-0.36
Wheatland	62	9	36	4	0.10	0.30	-0.20	1.22	0.70

<sup>1/</sup> Summary based on NWS data. DFN=Departure from Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit [www.awis.com](http://www.awis.com) or call 1-888-798-9955